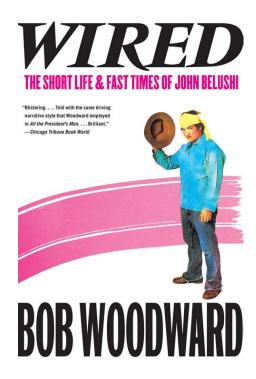
Journalistic Fiction

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If you weren't watching, a fascinating exchange took place in the third segment of *Gutfeld* on March 3rd. Their subject was the appearance by comedian Bill Murray on *Joe Rogan's* podcast, where the two discussed *Wired*, a 1984 book written about John Belushi by Bob Woodward of *Watergate* fame.

Murray is a Hollywood liberal, but he knew Belushi well and worked with him on "Saturday Night Live." He declared that the book was so dishonest, it caused him to instantly doubt Bob Woodward's reportage on Nixon and Watergate going back to the 1970s.





A "Journalist" and His Fiction

Greg Gutfeld immediately informed everyone that this was an example of the "Gell-Mann Amnesia Effect." Gutfeld used that term to describe the phenomenon when a source of information ultimately proves itself to be so dishonest, It causes those who previously relied on it to experience an epiphany of sorts and thereafter, doubt everything that source ever stated. In Bill Murray's exact words to Joe Rogan:

"I read like five pages of Wired, and I went 'Oh my God, they framed Nixon.' Like, all of a sudden I went, 'Oh my God, if this is what he writes about my friend that I've known half of my adult life -- which is completely inaccurate -- what the hell could they have done to Nixon'?"



Bill Murray on Joe Rogan's Podcast

Long ago I doubted Woodward's integrity, and I've suspected for years that "Deep Throat" was a fictional "source" fabricated by Woodward and Bernstein. Its purpose was to appear to "validate" or "confirm" the left's suspicions about corruption within the Nixon Administration by using a phony, third-party "source." The fake news industry was nearly as dishonest in those days as it is now, and with very few exceptions, threw in with the "Democrat" Party in a conspiracy to destroy a Republican President who had just been elected by 49 states in November of 1972.

My impression that Woodward is a liar was reaffirmed with certainty after he claimed that Ronald Reagan's *CIA Director*, Bill Casey, supposedly confessed to him -- on his death bed in May of 1987 -- that he had full knowledge of illegal arms shipments to the "Contras" in Nicaragua. This was a bald-faced lie, since Bob Woodward would be as welcome in Bill Casey's hospital room as Viktor Chebrikov, then head of the Soviet KGB. Casey's wife Sofia adamantly refuted Woodward's claim.



Reagan's CIA Director Bill Casey

I had further reason to suspect Woodward's *Watergate* reportage when the "Russia Collusion" hoax against Donald Trump began to unravel during Trump's first administration. It was impossible to ignore the similarity between Woodward's use of "Deep Throat" as a third-party source during Watergate, and the phony "third-party sourcing" the fake news media supposedly used to "verify" the contents of Hillary Clinton's phony "Steele Dossier."

The fake news media knew perfectly well that the *Steele Dossier* was *opposition research* and that Hillary Clinton was its source, because Clinton *bag-men* Sidney Blumenthal and Jonathon Winer had personally hand-delivered it to them. Hillary Clinton recognized that a loyal and compliant fake news media would ignore her role in fabricating and distributing *opposition research* to assist in a coup against another duly-elected Republican president, and thereby help destroy him.

Fake news actively participated in that coup by publishing the dubious but more salacious contents of the *Steele Dossier*. They knowingly repeated Hillary's lies to create the false impression that their reportage independently "*corroborated*" and "*validated*" the *Steele Dossier's* false claims that Trump colluded with Russia to steal the 2016 Presidential Election. Crooked cops at the FBI and DOJ (like Jim Comey) then used their phony reportage as a *predicate* to obtain *FISA* Warrants to spy on and fish for *dirt* among Trump and his advisors. Thus, the fake news media were willful and active accomplices in the treasonous *coup* attempted against Donald Trump during his presidency.



The rot within the fake news media is a malignancy that has aggressively metastasized over the years, and Bob Woodward's fiction is just a very small symptom of the problem. The only real solution is for the *Justice Department* to use Anti-Trust Legislation to force the large media oligopolies to divest themselves of their subsidiaries in the news business.

Only then, when news media organs are forced to *COMPETE* against each other for both stories and accuracy -- rather than *COLLABORATE* -- can the fake news industry become honest and reliable sources of news. Then, those of us in the "alternative" news media -- who are now doing the job fake news *SHOULD* be doing -- can retire and find less demanding and more lucrative work...