

In 1895, American, King Camp Gillette decided to spend the next six years developing a disposable razor. He patented the T-shaped razor in 1901. Gillette slowly climbed to the top of the business, and in 1905, opened his first overseas manufacturer in London.

This isn't even close to the amount of information out there about shaving, I wanted to put into perspective how long people have been removing their body hair, and fashion has always changed. What I really wanted to know was at what point had women decided to shave their legs and underarm.

What I found was that in the early 20th century, marketing campaigns by the shaving industry tried to convince women that having underarm hair was unhygienic and unfeminine. And it worked. In May of 1915, Harpers Bazaar Magazine featured a model in an evening gown showing bare shoulders and a "smooth" underarm, a first ever for the fashion industry. Razor and razorblade sales doubled the following two years. American women have been shaving ever since and Gillette has made millions, just another example of corporate America manipulating our behaviors and culture for profit.

'War on Terror,' a Big Joke

Ever since the 9/11 attacks, our nation has been engaged in a global war on terrorism, but how effective has the war been? Even Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, in a memo leaked last October, stated. "Today, we lack metrics to know if we are winning or losing the global war on terror." Have the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq been successful? Were they the right wars to fight?

Since the beginning of the war, this administration has focused on Afghanistan and Iraq, while ignoring greater threats in both Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

Fifteen out of the nineteen hijackers had Saudi Passports, many of Al-Aqaida's leaders, including Osama Bin Laden, are Saudi nationals, and to top that off, most of Al-Aqaida's financial support comes from Saudi Arabia. Maybe its just me, but if most the hijackers, leaders, and money behind 9/11 hailed from Iraq, we never would have wasted our time in Afghanistan. Saudi Arabia is a touchy subject in this White House. The Bush family has long and extensive business ties with the House of Saud and the Bin Laden family via the Carlyle Group. Saudi Prince Bandar, a part-time resident of Aspen CO, and President Bush are long time friends—Prince Bandar donated to Bush's 2000 campaign—Prince Bandar's wife gave 100,000 dollars to Islamic charities, which in turn, transferred money to Al-Aqaida. In addition to Bush's personal ties to Saudi Arabia, Saudi Arabia also has an estimated 3-4 trillion dollars in the US stock markets, and another couple of trillion in US T-bonds, if Saudi Arabia pulled all of it's money out of the US markets our economy would suffer greatly.

Pakistan has long held economic, and therefore, political influence in Afghanistan. The Taliban government we overthrew in Afghanistan had it's theological roots in Pakistan, and the Pakistani secret service, the ISI, was aiding

the Taliban even after the US air war had begun. The ISI also has a long history of aiding Al-Aqaida. In fact, our own CIA, to funnel arms and supplies to the mujaheddin fighters resisting Russian occupation in Afghanistan, created the ISI. The mujaheddin movement gave birth to Al-Aqaida, but the Pakistani ISI still supported Bin Laden and his network right up until the war with Afghanistan. The former head of the ISI, Gen. Mahmood Ahmed, wired 100,000 dollars to the 9/11 terrorist months before the attacks. Most importantly, Pakistan is the only Muslim country in the world with nuclear weapons. And a few months ago it was revealed that a Pakistani nuclear scientist had given nuclear know-how to four countries, including Iran and North Korea. Maybe we need to choose our enemies a little better.

Richard Clarke, former White House counter-terrorism official, has been quite vocal lately saying that prior to 9/11 the Bush Administration ignored the threat of Al-Aqaida, and after the attacks became obsessed with Iraq. Clarke asserts that the war in Iraq diverted supplies, troops, and most importantly, translators away from the hunt for Osama Bin Laden, and that the war in Iraq is a diversion from the war on terror, rather than part of the war on terrorism. Clarke is not alone. Tom Maertens, former NSC director for nuclear non-proliferations, said that Bush and Co. "hijacked legitimate American outrage and patriotism over 9/11 to conduct a pre-ordained war against Saddam." Paul O'Neill, former Treasury Secretary under Bush Jr., said, "From the very first instance, it was about Iraq."

The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan do not make sense if fighting terrorism is the goal, but we can look at a report written in September of 2000, by the radical right think tank Project for a New American Century, entitled "Rebuilding America's Defenses," in which it outlines America's global dominance for the future. The report stresses geo-strategic positioning, but warns that the transition from peace to empire would be long unless there was "some catastrophic and catalyzing event—like a new Pearl Harbor." PNAC's most high profile members include Rumsfeld, Cheney, and Paul Wolfowitz, the nucleus of Bush's neocons.

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WMDs Found!

(In Texas)



Image Courtesy of CBS 11 Dallas/Fort Worth.

Mainstream Media Ignores White Terrorists

In May of 2003, while our service men and women were searching high and low for WMDs in Iraq, right-wing white supremacists in Tyler, TX were caught with a sodium cyanide bomb—the only WMD to be found by the Bush administration. Also found were 100 other bombs, fake I.D.s, harmful chemicals, 500,000 rounds of ammo, and other illegal weapons. Why didn't we hear about it in the mainstream media? Only a few TV stations and newspapers in Texas felt it important enough to report on it. In fact, the issue was so important that it made it into the President's daily intelligence briefings, but never into our homes through the evening news. Why didn't the media find this story newsworthy?

Three people have been arrested in connection, and all have pleaded guilty—maintaining their silence. The prosecutor for the case, Assistant U.S. Attorney Wes Rivers, had this to say, "One would certainly have to question why an individual would feel compelled to stockpile sodium cyanide, hydrochloric acid, nitric acid, acetic acid, unless they had some bad intent... They certainly had the capacity to be extremely dangerous." And still, from our fear-mongering media, we heard nothing. Among all of the

material found, the most disturbing are documents indicating these may not be the only bombs in circulation. Also revealed in these files were potential co-conspirators, all unknown, who may have access to these types of weapons. One thing is for sure, if these terrorists were Muslim, the story would have been all over national news for weeks, and the terror alert would have been moved up to magenta. One has to wonder why the mainstream media failed to report this story, and spent weeks on a bunch of Muslims with paintball guns.

William Krar, the ringleader, plead guilty to one count of possession of a chemical weapon, and faces 11 years in prison. Krar's common-law wife Judith Bruey pleaded guilty to lesser weapons charges, and faces 5 years in prison. A slap on their wrists, especially since investigators believe Krar was involved in a much larger plot that included hundreds of individuals. Krar and the other defendants aren't talking and it is unlikely that anybody else involved in the plot will be caught.

Sources: Wright, Anne "Tyler Man, Companion Plead Guilty in Fed Court" *Tyler Morning Telegraph*. 11/13/03 "Tyler resident admits having chemical weapons" *AP Fort Worth Star-Telegraph* 11/13/03.



Terrorism?

The following is a complete list of countries the United States has bombed since WWII.

China 1945-46 * Korea and China 1950-53 * Guatemala 1954 * Indonesia 1958 * Cuba 1959-1961 * Guatemala 1960 * Congo 1964 * Peru 1965 * Laos 1964-73 * Vietnam 1961-73 * Cambodia 1969-70 * Guatemala 1967-69 * Grenada 1983 * Lebanon 1983, 1984 * Libya 1986 * El Salvador 1980's * Nicaragua 1980's * Iran 1987 * Panama 1989 * Iraq 1991-2003 * Kuwait 1991 * Somalia 1993 * Bosnia 1994, 1995 * Sudan 1998 * Afghanistan 1998 * Yugoslavia 1999 * Afghanistan 2001-present * Iraq 2003-present.¹

Source: I. Blum, William Killing Hope: US Military and CIA Interventions Since WWII. Common Courage Press, 1995.

The State of Disunion

# of nations the US has bombed since WWII:	24
\$'s spent annually by the Federal government drug testing its employees:	1,000,000,000
\$'s spent per each positive test:	77,000
# of soldiers evacuated from Iraq for medical reasons:	18,004
# of coalition soldiers killed in Iraq as of 4/5/04:	719
\$'s spent in the war in Iraq as of 4/5/04:	109,611,000
# of Afghan women who have lit themselves on fire since the fall of the Taliban:	234
Median US household income in 2002:	42,409
Average \$ amount a Bush cabinet member will save due to Bush's tax-cuts:	42,000

How to Beat a Drug Test

We at the Red Pill believe it is our right to ingest drugs on our own time if we choose, and therefore, are opposed to drug testing. Although our constitution does not specifically address the issue of privacy or the issue of drug use, it is in our opinion that these issues are covered by the 9th and 10th amendments. An authority figure that requires a urine sample invades one's privacy, and passes judgment on someone, regardless of whether drug-use clearly affects job/school performance. Drug testing does not address the specifics of the person using drugs, how much that person uses, or how often, if they have a problem or if they are an occasional user. Since marijuana is detectable in the body for up to a month--more than any other drug--testing positive does not necessarily mean that person was intoxicated at the time of the test. Most other drugs can only be detected for up to 72 hours. The standard drug test used by most businesses and probation offices, test only for THC, Cocaine, Opiates, and Amphetamines. There are tests that can detect almost every drug, but they often need to be sent to a different laboratory. The ONLY 100% certain way to pass a drug test is to be clean, but for everybody else--here are some tips to get that corporate job or fly below the man's radar.

First off, there is a big difference between a job urine test and a judicial urine test; namely, the stakes of the game are higher when you're pissing for a probation officer. When giving a urine sample for a job you often get to use the restroom by yourself. If that is the case, then passing is as easy having a drug-free friend give you a sample. A half-hour before the appointment, warm the urine up to about body temperature in the microwave, and put into a spermicidal-free condom--tie it off--strap it to your leg, and your home free. There are also a number of legal products designed to flush the system of drugs, the only place locally I know of that sells de-tox solutions is GNC at the Mesa Mall. These systems get results, but are quite expensive.

There are also a lot of home remedies designed to flush the system of impurities. I have seen people just drink a gallon of water everyday for four days leading up to the test and pass with flying colors. Rumors float that cranberry extract, goldenseal, echinacea, and vitamin C will help flush the impurities out, but flushing is not an exact science and is never 100% effective.

When giving a sample for a probation/parole officer the "friend's piss in a condom" trick isn't going to work because they often watch you give the sample. One friend of mine got around supervised testing by getting stage fright every time he had to give a sample whether or not he was dirty. Using a friend's clean urine is still possible by using a prosthetic penis like the ones for sale at www.thewizzinator.com. Flushing is also more difficult because they often use better tests than corporate America does.

Hair and saliva tests are both harder to pass than a urine test, but there are shampoos and de-tox kits for saliva for sale at www.passyourdrugtest.com.

Drug testing by US businesses is down--which makes sense, considering the expense of drug testing. US companies spend more than \$20,000 per positive result found, and furthermore, drug testing has shown to decrease employee productivity. In 2000, only 47% of US companies had drug-testing programs in place, down from 52% in 1991--A step in the right direction.



Taliban-style hangings persist in "liberated" Afghanistan. (Courtesy of RAWA.org)

Just Say No to Gillette

The history of shaving has a long and lively past. Evidence of shaving has been found in pre-historic times. Throughout history men and women have been removing hair for many reasons, hygiene, fashion, convenience. Women were making their own depilatory creams as early as 4000-3000 B.C.E. In the mid to late 1700s, both men and women shaved their eyebrows and wore mouse skin eyebrows.