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Scott Douglas Jacobsen: The nature of the system was developed without modern corporations and multinationals. Modern corporations have enormous wealth.

Rick Rosner: I agree with you, but I would extend that further. The system, the American system, was developed without any modernity. It was the most modern thing in the world when it was being developed, but that was 240 years ago. And, I mean, you've got gun technology, which is insanely more sophisticated than the guns of the 1770s—which had to be loaded manually one bullet at a time.

And the electoral college, which everybody or many people are upset about, was designed to keep—well, to make sure we had a union to start the country was to make concessions to lower population agricultural slave states. There are, if I had more time to think, more aspects of modernity, which make it harder for the system to function in somewhat, not intangible but, hard to analyze terms.

Modern forms of media have made it possible to mobilize dopes in a way that is unhelpful for the country. In that, 63 million people voted for Trump. Of those, maybe 40 to 50 million are true Republican believers, that believe that Republican values and the Republican party serves traditional values in America that will help the middle class succeed, and of those 40 to 50 million, maybe half are dopes who are voting against their own best interests.

They have been softened up. Reagan got rid of the equal time clause or law, where before Reagan there were rules to not hammering a particular political point of view endlessly in the media. That there had to be balance. That lead to Fox News and Rush Limbaugh. People on that side have had their thinking—I consider it like—tenderized, dumbized, by 30 years of

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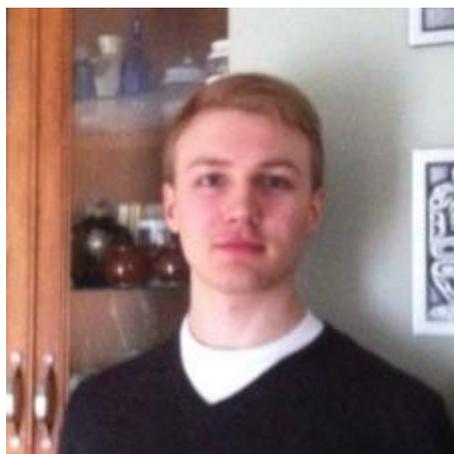
sophisticated Republican branding and rhetoric that's designed to dumb down arguments and make them more powerful in their dumbness.

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