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“Off With Their Heads”

Topic - Purging the Government Workforce

"All the time they were playing the Queen never left off quarrelling with the other players, and shouting 'Off with his head!' or 'Off with her head!' Those whom she sentenced were taken into custody by the soldiers, who of course had to leave off being arches to do this, so that by the end of half an hour or so there were no arches left, and all the players, except the King, the Queen, and Alice, were in custody and under sentence of execution."

In just his first few weeks of Trump's monarchy his co-ruler has attempted to reduce the government by firing thousands of faithful workers. Originally the reason given for this activity was to reduce "Fraud, waste and abuse".

The "Reduction" process began with a boilerplate email sent to nearly all government employees:

"Workers reportedly received the email Saturday afternoon from the Office of Personnel Management with the subject line ["What did you do last week?"](#) The deadline given in which to respond, according to emails reviewed by Reuters, was 11:59 p.m. EST Monday. [Failure to reply](#) would be "taken as resignation," Musk tweeted.

This was just the first step of the efforts to destroy the operation of our government by pretending to identify "non-existent" workers.

"Less than 24 hours before the deadline, Musk hinted that the emails were simply a ruse to ensure federal employees were "capable of responding" to his correspondence."

The next step was to try to actually reduce the number of workers:

"WASHINGTON (Reuters) -The campaign by President Donald Trump and his adviser Elon Musk to radically cut back the U.S. bureaucracy spread on Friday, firing more than 9,500 workers who handled everything from managing federal lands to caring for military veterans."

In their firing process, there was no indication that the reason was to "Reduce

Fraud, Waste or Abuse". It was simply to reduce the number of government employees. In fact, the firing email stated that the purpose of the firing was based on "performance" issues. None of the firings was based on a review of the employee's performance.

"Firing probationary employees without individualized cause appears contrary to a reasonable reading of the law, particularly the provisions establishing rules for reductions in force,"

Good News

The firing has continued across nearly all departments and has created absolute chaos and confusion. The Trump / Musk attack on democracy has been a crazy on / off / on again ride, but yesterday two judges attempted to come to the rescue.

In the News

Watch the following 3/13/25 report by Rachel Maddow. [Watch here](#)

These rulings show that even though Trump thinks he can rule like a king, there are still people in important positions that will try to keep our world safe from those who try to destroy good things.

Let's hope that the judge's orders will be followed. Of course Trump's team will do everything they can to defer, derail or ignore the orders. We'll stay on the lookout and keep you informed.

Stay safe and be happy.