

Racist, sexist taunts have familiar ring for Democrats

Trump's playbook with Obama, Clinton has party ready for onslaught

By Jim Puzzanghera
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WASHINGTON — After Barack Obama became the nation's first Black president in 2009, Donald Trump became a leading purveyor of the racist "birther" controversy that falsely asserted Obama was ineligible for office because he was born in Kenya.

When Hillary Clinton became the first female presidential nominee for a major party in 2016, Trump zeroed in on her gender in his successful White House bid, demeaning her ap-

pearance, intelligence, and stamina.

Now, with Vice President Kamala Harris on track to become the first woman of color to lead a major party ticket, Democrats said they are bracing for an onslaught of racist and sexist attacks on her by Trump and his allies in what could be a perfect storm for negative campaigning.

The ad hominem assaults already have started.

"I call her laughing Kamala. You ever watch her laugh? She's crazy," Trump said at a Michigan rally on Sat-

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Donald Trump went after Hillary Clinton's appearance and intelligence during their debates in 2016.



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"I constantly had to prove that I was equal, that I could do the job," said Geeta Pradhan, president of the Cambridge Community Foundation. She said she expects Vice President Kamala Harris will also face barriers.

Women of color energized, resolute, and ready for the fight

By Emma Platoff and Tiana Woodard
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For Shiaka McIntosh, Vice President Kamala Harris's rise to likely Democratic presidential nominee means "hope" — "hope for more little Black girls, more girls across the world, and Black women like myself."

"Imagine that you're Black, and a woman, and now you're about to be president," said McIntosh, a Dorchester resident whose grandmother and father were sharecroppers in the Deep South only decades ago. "I've

seen it all in my lifetime."

But as McIntosh watches Harris rise, there is also a wary feeling that she'll have to undergo the same painstaking journey that McIntosh herself and other women of color have been forced to navigate time and time again: convincing others they are just as qualified as anyone else to do the job.

"She's going to have to fight a different fight," said McIntosh, 38.

Many women of color across the United

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SHIAKA MCINTOSH
of Dorchester

Maine shooter said at hospital he had a 'hit list'

Unclear why he was able to leave; Army's reports lay out other failures

By John Hilliard
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A civilian psychiatric hospital in New York tried to have Robert R. Card II involuntarily committed last summer after he told them he had a hit list, but released him nearly three months before he went on a shooting rampage in Lewiston, Maine.

The troubling detail, revealed Tuesday in investigative reports conducted by the military, was the latest of many warning signs authorities received, but failed to follow through on, of the Army reservist's menacing and disturbing behavior in the months leading up to the Oct. 25 shooting.

The reports by the Army Reserve and the Army's inspector general contained details that angered relatives of Card's victims, who demanded accountability for those failures.

"All of our kids, brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers would be alive today if the Army Reserve unit took care of him, and they didn't," Leroy Walker Sr., whose son Joseph was among the 18 people killed by Card, said Tuesday. "They missed all the signs that this man was skating on thin ice, they just didn't take care of him."

Those reports said military officials had no authority to seize Card's personal trove of guns,

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Warning signs

July 2023 | Colleagues flagged Robert Card's behavior during training in New York.

July 16 | Card was ordered by his commander to undergo an evaluation at Keller Army Community Hospital. Card reportedly showed signs of psychosis and "homicidal ideations." He voluntarily went to Four Winds hospital.

Aug. 2 | Card's court date canceled.

Aug. 3 | He left the facility.

Secret Service chief quits under pressure

Gave few public answers about attack on Trump

By Maria Sacchetti, Carol D. Leonnig, Nick Miroff, and Shayna Jacobs
WASHINGTON POST

Secret Service director Kimberly Cheatle resigned Tuesday under intense pressure from Republicans and Democrats angered by the agency's failure to prevent an assassination attempt against former president Donald Trump.

"In light of recent events, it is with a heavy heart that I have made the difficult decision to step down as your Director," Cheatle wrote in a letter to staff, saying she took "full responsibility" for the failure.



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Kimberly Cheatle said she took "full responsibility" for the agency's failure.

"This incident does not define us," Cheatle told staff. "I do not want my calls for resignation to be a distraction from the great work each and every one of you do towards our vital mission."

The attack, in which a gunman opened fire with an AR-style rifle from an unsecured

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Healey further restricts shelters, prioritizing Mass. residents

By Samantha J. Gross
GLOBE STAFF

Governor Maura Healey announced significant changes to the state's emergency housing system Tuesday that sharply limit assistance to those who use temporary shelters and prioritizes needy Massachusetts families over migrants for long-term placements.

As of Aug. 1, stays in so-

called overflow shelters will be limited to just five days, and importantly, would require people to wait at least six months before they could qualify for placement at a longer-term facility. And for long-term shelter sites, which have long been at capacity, the state will expand its priority list to include families with veterans or who become unhoused by natural di-

sasters.

"What this reflects is the real challenges we are seeing around capacity, particularly with respect to new arrivals," said Healey, whose office projects it will cost \$915 million to run the emergency shelter system for the fiscal year that began July 1. "We will continue to prioritize high-need families here in Massachusetts."

But the new restrictions came as a shock to those who work with homeless families. With just a few days between the announcement and implementation, they expressed fears that some families with children will be forced onto the streets. And, the shift in policy, they said, marks a stark departure from the state's 1986 right-to-shelter law, which requires it

to quickly provide shelter and other necessities to homeless parents with children and pregnant women.

"Having the right to shelter is one of the things we are very proud of. In Massachusetts, we have a lot of problems but we don't let children and babies sleep outside," said Andrea Park, an advocacy director at

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JACK CONNORS 1942-2024

An inexhaustible powerbroker for Boston's powerless

By Bryan Marquard
GLOBE STAFF

Bridging the generational divide from old school powerbrokers to today's forward-looking philanthropists, Jack Connors spent decades helping shape Greater Boston's health care, education, social services, and politics while holding court in his private version of City Hall on the top floor of the city's tallest building.

Mr. Connors, who made a fortune in the advertising business and left an even more enduring legacy as Boston's biggest fund-raiser for the city's youngest and neediest, was 82 when

he died in his Brookline home Tuesday of cancer.

"I love this town," he told the Globe in 2021, while preparing to leave behind his 60th-floor domain in the Hancock Tower.

He was moving to a less lofty Back Bay address down the street from where he and three friends opened their legendary ad agency, Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolis, in 1968. Each partner ponied up \$1,500 to launch their collective future. To make his stake, Mr. Connors borrowed \$1,000 from his father.

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Jack Connors helped start and lead the influential Hill Holliday advertising agency. Yet, his greatest pitches were made on behalf of the city's youngest and neediest.

Former women's hockey coach Katey Stone filed a lawsuit against Harvard, alleging she was forced out of the job over what she called false allegations of emotional abuse. **C1.**

Delta travelers at Logan continued to seek their bags and try to rebook flights after the global software outage. **B1.**

Israel pushed ahead with deadly strikes on Khan Younis. **A3.**

School lunches have taken a big step up over the years. Check out what's hot. **G1.**

Moist opportunities

Wednesday: Showers, humid. High 69-74. Low 63-68.

Thursday: More of the same. High 78-83. Low 64-69.

High tide: 1:45 a.m., 2:22 p.m.
Sunrise: 5:29 Sunset: 8:12

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