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Twitter Thread by Parker Molloy





I told you they'd bring this up

Right-wing media have essentially convinced themselves that Trump never said "very fine people." They're lying. https://t.co/5960NPMYLJ

- Parker Molloy (@ParkerMolloy) February 11, 2021

I was wondering why that tweet had so many stupid replies. And now I see https://t.co/wRJiBMIfTm

The Fine People Hoaxers are trying hard to keep you from reading the actual FULL transcript because then you would see how the hoax was pulled off with devious editing. <u>https://t.co/PQLj0DWuPj</u>

- Scott Adams (@ScottAdamsSays) February 11, 2021

Seriously, this was "the night before." If you're at the march where they're changing "Jews will not replace us" and "Blood and soil," you're not a "very fine person." Full stop. <u>https://t.co/ZrOC0y8Rfq</u>

Trump defense talking about how the then-president was praising the peaceful protests at Charlottesville that occurred "the night before" the violence on Saturday. That was the night where the torch-bearing crowd chanted "Jews will not replace us." <u>pic.twitter.com/HCKS6Q9LBY</u>

- Anthony Zurcher (@awzurcher) February 12, 2021

There are 3 important moments in that transcript.

1.) When someone asked Trump about a statement *he had already made* about there being blame on "both sides," he said the "fine people" line.

Reporter: (Inaudible) "... both sides, sir. You said there was hatred, there was violence on both sides. Are the --"

Trump: "Yes, I think there's blame on both sides. If you look at both sides – – I think there's blame on both sides. And I have no doubt about it, and you don't have any doubt about it either. And if you reported it accurately, you would say."

Reporter: "The neo-Nazis started this. They showed up in Charlottesville to protest --"

Trump: "Excuse me, excuse me. They didn't put themselves – – and you had some very bad people in that group, but you also had people that were very fine people, on both sides. You had people in 2. Trump does clarify! "I'm not talking about the neo-Nazis and white nationalists — because they should be condemned totally "

Okay!

Then adds that there were "many people in that group other than neo-Nazis and white nationalists."

Reporter: "I do love Thomas Jefferson."

Trump: "Okay, good. Are we going to take down the statue? Because he was a major slave owner. Now, are we going to take down his statue?

"So you know what, it's fine. You're changing history. You're changing culture. And you had people -- and I'm not talking about the neo-Nazis and the white nationalists -- because they should be condemned totally. But you had many people in that group other than neo-Nazis and white nationalists. Okay? And the press has treated them absolutely unfairly.

"Now, in the other group also, you had some fine people. But you also had troublemakers, and you see them come That's the part the Dilbert dumbasses cling to. "See! He sed he wasn't talking about them!"

Okay, yes, we get that. What he said was that there were some "very fine people" who were marching in the same group as the Nazis.

And finally 3. He said that the "fine people" were the ones there "the night before."

THIS WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE! IT WAS THE TIKI TORCH MARCH WHERE THEY WERE CHANTING "JEWS WILL NOT REPLACE US."

with the black outfits and with the helmets, and with the baseball bats. You had a lot of bad people in the other group."

Reporter: "Sir, I just didn't understand what you were saying. You were saying the press has treated white nationalists unfairly? I just don't understand what you were saying."

Trump: "No, no. There were people in that rally -- and I looked the night before -- if you look, there were people protesting very quietly the taking down of the statue of Robert E. Lee. I'm sure in that group there were some bad ones. The following day it looked like they had some rough, bad people -- neo-Nazis, white nationalists, whatever you want to call them. Trump can say "I'm not talking about white nationalists and neo-nazis" all he wants. That doesn't change that he said there were "very fine people" who were marching with that group. And sorry, but if you went to the "Blood and soil" tiki torch march, you're not a "fine" person.

I have no idea why these nitwits think that makes their case better. They just run around calling everything they don't like a "hoax."