

In Case You Missed...

Some of our special stories in December reflected on the end of a long war in Iraq and the potential for a new one in Iran; reported on developments in the Republican presidential race; warned of new encroachments on civil liberties; and noted the truth-telling courage of Bradley Manning; and more.

["The Lost Opportunity of Iran-Contra"](#) by Robert Parry, describing how history turned when the Iran-Contra scandal was covered up. (Dec. 1, 2011)

["Three Pillars of a Revived Republic"](#) by Robert Parry, suggesting what's needed for American democracy to rebound. (Dec. 2, 2011)

["Are Americans in Line for Gitmo"](#) by Ray McGovern, warning about dangerous language in a military spending bill. (Dec. 3, 2011)

["Bringing the War on Terror Home"](#) by Coleen Rowley, exploring new congressional encroachments on civil liberties. (Dec. 4, 2011)

["Cleansing Wall Street of Blame"](#) by Phil Rockstroh, noting how big media has shifted the narrative of a financial collapse. (Dec. 7, 2011)

["Is Gingrich Fit to Be President?"](#) by Robert Parry, assessing the risk of a divisive megalomaniac reaching for the White House. (Dec. 8, 2011)

["The Warning in Gary Webb's Death"](#) by Robert Parry, recounting the tragic destruction of a brave journalist. (Dec. 9, 2011)

["The Danger of Politicizing Terror"](#) by Coleen Rowley, finding lessons in how the 9/11 failures tied into politics. (Dec. 13, 2011)

["Liberating America's Worldview"](#) by Phil Rockstroh, noting how many Americans stubbornly oppose their own interests. (Dec. 15, 2011)

["Will Iraq Debacle Prevent Iran War?"](#) by Robert Parry, wondering whether painful lessons will stick. (Dec. 15, 2011)

["The Christmas Truce of 1914"](#) by Gary G. Kohls, reflecting on an inspirational moment in the trenches of World War I. (Dec. 16, 2011)

["Occupying Jesus and His Church"](#) by Rev. Howard Bess, pointing out the deep contradictions between right-wing ideology and the teachings of Jesus. (Dec. 18, 2011)

["Is Iraq War End a New Day?"](#) by Robert Parry, reflecting on the bitter experience of George W. Bush's war of choice. (Dec. 19, 2011)

"Pvt. Manning and Imperative of Truth" by Ray McGovern, discerning why Bradley Manning has served his country bravely. (Dec. 21, 2011)

"The Bush/Obama War Against Truth" by Melvin A. Goodman, tracing the cruel treatment of Pvt. Manning back to hostility toward public awareness. (Dec. 21, 2011)

"Republican Tradition of Hostage Taking" by Robert Parry, showing how the GOP has often got its way. (Dec. 23, 2011)

"America's Debt to Bradley Manning" by Robert Parry, describing the value of the ground truth found in the WikiLeaks documents. (Dec. 24, 2011)

"Slip-Sliding to War with Iran" by Robert Parry, warning that the momentum toward war with Iran may prove unstoppable. (Dec. 29, 2011)

"Urging Obama to Stop Rush to Iran War" by Ray McGovern and Elizabeth Murray, citing reasons to show caution. (Dec. 30, 2011)

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