

On Police Brutality IV

George Floyd did not find himself with a knee on his neck for almost 9 minutes because Derek Chauvin is a racist. No, he found himself being killed because Derek Chauvin, and his many cohorts, are authoritarians. A racist without (pseudo) authority is just an asshole. A racist with it is a paranoid, ill-trained, unfeeling killer. The worst part about the current protests is the nearly total lack of understanding on why Derek Chauvin was anywhere near George Floyd, a person at the time not engaged in violence against anyone. Derek Chauvin may be a racist, but he's definitely a True Believer in the civil religion of statism, and was obviously willing to kill for it. That sort of dangerous fundamentalism should not be tolerated by society writ large, but alas, it is. Too bad, and that's today's two cents.