

This week we will see the President of the United States on trial. But, in a departure from any other trial with which most of us are familiar—all trials, as far as we know—some of the jurors have already declared that they will never vote for conviction of the President on the charges brought by the House of Representatives. In a court of law outside Congress, they would be dismissed by the judge or the prosecutor.

But, these jurors in the upcoming trial, too, though they are United States Senators, are bound by an oath. They have sworn, under legal penalty, that they will hear the case in a just and impartial way. And yet, they have publicly declared that they will do no such thing. It seems to all of the sane and thoughtful people I know that these men (for the ones who have publicly made such far-reaching and unethical statements are all, as far as I know, old white men), would think twice about accepting this jury duty. They should be excused because of a total lack of impartiality.

This will not happen, of course. Mitch McConnell, Lindsay Graham, and their flock of spineless followers will do all they can do to see that justice is NOT done, that there is no complete presentation of evidence, that the witnesses that need to appear will not be allowed to be questioned.

So it is likely that this sham of an administration will continue to hold power until they are cast out by the voters of this country. But, one can hope that in this November's election, some of these United States Senators who took an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States, and, in this case, also to act as impartial jurors in the trial of a President, will also be sent home by the people of their states.

It is amazing to me that on another Martin Luther King Day, over fifty years after his death, as we are celebrating a man who tried to bring justice and equality to the poorest and most oppressed, that we have such an immoral, unethical, and dishonest tribe running the country from the highest office in the land. And I am even more amazed and saddened that some of the people I regarded as friends and sane individuals, are still supporting this lunacy.