

The Republicans are in chaos. They cannot govern, they seem to have no desire to do so, and they are a worldwide disgrace. And we are paying them salaries that most of us would be glad to work hard to earn. I could go on and on, but the accounts of their behavior are there for all to read, listen to, study, and for some people, try to justify. That doesn't work. They have hitched their wagon to an unethical, unpatriotic, criminally indicted former officeholder that should be in prison, and hopefully, will be in the near future.

So, instead, I think we need a dose of Norwegian-Americans, Ole and Lena. Here are a few of my favorite stories of this famous couple:

Ole walked into the kitchen and found Lena crying.

"What's the matter, Lena?" he asked.

"I baked a cake for you and the dog ate it."

"Don't cry, Lena. I'll get you another dog."

Ole was on the way to the city when Lena called him.

"Ole, Ole, be careful! I heard on the news that there is a car going the wrong way on the freeway!"

"One?" Ole scoffed. "There are dozens of them!"

Ole was sick and dying, lying in his bed upstairs in the farmhouse. Then, he smelled something delicious.

"Lefse!" he breathed. "My favorite!" He struggled out of bed, crawled down the stairs, crept across the dining room to the kitchen, and reached his hand up to the counter to grasp a lefse.

Lena smacked his hand with a wooden spoon.

"Leave those alone, Ole! They are for the funeral!"

Ole and Lena make a whole lot more sense than the Republicans who are bent on destroying our way of life.