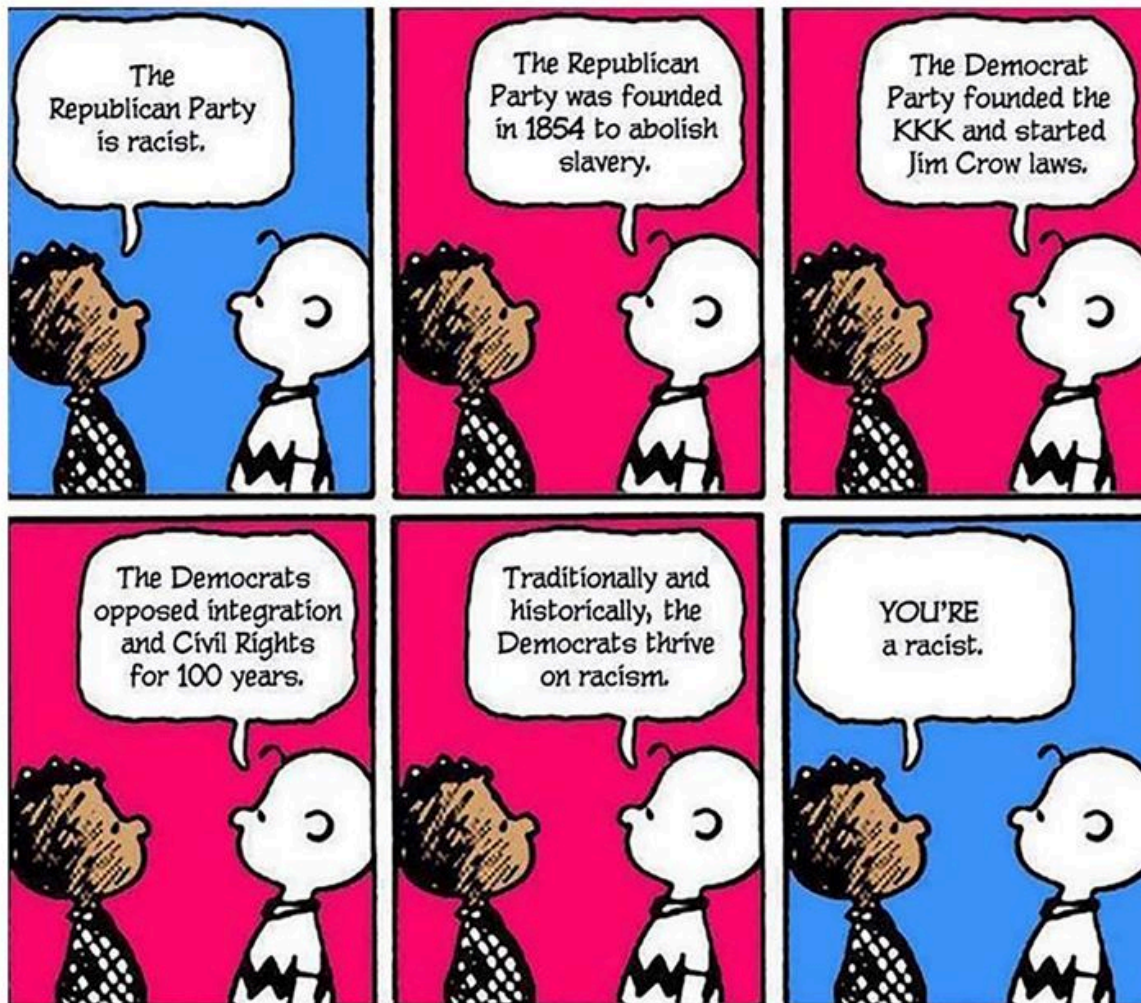


In which Dinesh D'Souza proves he doesn't know the difference between past tense and present tense.



(written in response to an [insipid Facebook post](#) by the -- thankfully -- inimitable Dinesh D'Souza, showing the idiotic comic copied above)

"Is" is not the same as "was".

But, hey, what would you expect from a hack?

I think it's actually hilarious that defenders of the modern GOP think they can win arguments by brining up what the Republican Party was before the [Southern Strategy](#). Sure, the GOP used to have moderates and even progressives in it, and sure, the GOP of the 1860s took some bold stands on racial equality. Moreover, the Democratic Party was home to racists, segregationists, and secessionists.

Oops, there's that key word again... "**was**". Starting in the middle of the 20th Century, the Democratic Party began to take a more progressive stand and to drive out the racists, segregationists, and secessionists. Luckily for those outcasts, the other major party -- that would be the Republican Party, if you're having trouble keeping track -- decided that, to score cheap electoral victory, it would happily become the new home for racists, segregationists, and secessionists. It banked on exploiting the fears and prejudices of the White majority because electoral success looked easier that way. Of course, you can't spend 40 years pandering to the lowest ugly factors of human nature without eventually becoming tainted by them and transforming into the beast you thought you were controlling. So here we are today, with Donald Trump nothing more than the unfiltered id of the raw sewer of racial entitlement and resentment that Richard Nixon, Kevin Phillips, and Lee

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Atwater tapped into.

It must be conceded that "The Democratic Party opposed integration and Civil Rights for over 100 years". That puts the end of their opposition to, hmmm, let's see, carry the one... oh, yeah, the 1960s. Meanwhile, the Republican Party embraces racist attitudes and policies today -- not fifty years ago, but today.

Really, which one are we *supposed* to cheer? Proving once again that Dinesh D'Souza is an idiot.

I am actually quite proud of the fact that I was disdaining Dinesh D'Souza back in the late 1980s, before he was a national disgrace and a widely-known joke.