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## What They're Saying About the Threat Posed by Trump<sup>1</sup>

“This turn inward has sounded new alarms among experts on autocracy who have long worried about Mr. Trump’s praise for foreign dictators and disdain for democratic ideals. They said the former president’s increasingly intensive focus on perceived internal enemies was a hallmark of dangerous totalitarian leaders.” [Trump’s Dire Words Raise New Fears About His Authoritarian Bent](#), Michael C. Bender and Michael Gold, *The New York Times*.

“At a recent rally, former President Donald Trump used language in a speech that echoed Adolf Hitler, comparing his political opponents to ‘vermin.’” [Why Trump's authoritarian language about 'vermin' matters](#), Danielle Kurtzleben, *npr*.

“Trump’s antics bring to mind the prediction of Sinclair Lewis in “It Can’t Happen Here” that if fascism came to America it would come wrapped in the flag and whistling ‘The Star Spangled Banner.’” [Letter: Donald Trump threatens fascism under the guise of patriotism](#), Richard Barsanti, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

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<sup>1</sup> [The Delray Democrat](#), November 2023, page 3.