

Antifa Beat Bernie Sanders Supporter Who They Thought Was a 'Nazi' Because He Held an American Flag

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Portland: Antifa thugs beat Paul Welch, described as a “slightly progressive leftist”, and clubbed him in the back of the head because he was holding an American flag. Ironically, he had gone to the demonstration to protest the right-wing Patriot Prayer group that he characterized as “fascist”. -GEG

Meet Paul Welch, a “slightly progressive leftist” who voted for Bernie Sanders in the 2016 primary and Hillary Clinton in the general election. Welch had the snot knocked out of him by Antifa thugs at a Portland demonstration on Aug. 4 when they mistook him for a member of the alt-right because he was holding an American flag:

From [The Oregonian](#):

Soon a group of black-clad anti-fascist protesters, also known as antifa, demanded he lose the flag, calling it a fascist symbol. Welch refused, and a tug-of-war ensued.

It ended with Welch taking a club to the back of the head, lying on the ground in a pool of his own blood.

Only Welch was not a Proud Boy, a Patriot Prayer supporter or among the other conservative activists who descended into the area that day, many from out of town.

He was one of hundreds of progressive Portlanders who had turned out to oppose the right-wing rally held at the Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

“I didn’t come as a part of any one group,” Welch said in an interview with [The Oregonian/OregonLive](#). “I was just protesting outsiders coming here for their tacitly fascist event.”

So much for “punch all Nazis”:

And can we call Antifa a hate group yet?

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