

Of Politics, Politicians and Campaigns '08

About Sen. Barrack O'Bama

Barack Obama will be, should be, and must be the next President of the United States.

And why should he be our President?

1. He is young and fresh.
2. He appears fully committed to the notion that the United States can and must achieve its full measure of greatness.
3. He is well educated and intelligent, two values not too often found in the same person at the same, seemingly exceptionally rare in many of our experienced elected Senators and Representatives -- rarer still in the Bush Administration.
4. True, he lacks extensive experience -- and that's a good thing. As I look at the performance of the Bush Administration, the Senate and House -- who can question their political experience -- I conclude that our experienced and prepared politicians have one primary achievement: They have had the time to carefully prepare a list of the masters they serve. Unfortunately, the American people seldom, if ever, appear on any of their lists.
5. I think he has shown that he knows his special masters -- the people of the United States; I have no doubt that he will remain loyal.
6. Will he make mistakes? Of course, some will be silly, some funny, but I doubt if any will be of the magnitude of Iraq.

These are but a few of the reasons why I support Sen. Barack Obama. I am longing to be led by hope and energized by the possibilities of what our country can and must become. I do not wish to remain in lock step to an unending John Phillip Sousa

March. Be mindful and look with great caution at “experience and preparedness.” To quote another, “if we keep on doing what we are doing, we will keep on getting what we’ve got.” God forbid.

With Sen. Obama as president, tomorrow will be different and better. Together, we can make this happen. Wise up my fellow citizens.

About Senator Clinton

Very early in this presidential campaign, Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton engaged in a very heated exchange with Sen. Obama over a campaign contribution he had received from David Geffen. When asked about her response to the contribution, she said, in words of substance, "You deck your opponent."

Question: If elected, would this be her approach to foreign policy? Sounds like cowboy diplomacy, sounds just like George Bush. Not surprisingly, she voted for the war with Iraq. Do President Bush and Sen. Clinton have more in common than we think?

Campaign 08 Work Product

The War in Iraq, the deficit, amnesty for illegal aliens, a broken Walter Reed Hospital, the Alberto Gonzalez scandal – just a bit of the work product of experienced politicians.

All Hail Experience!

At some point, it is going to become clear that Sen. Barack Obama is the one candidate who has shown a real connection with we the people – the special interest group that matters.

Much is being made of the notion that Senator Barack Obama lacks the political experience and preparation to be President of the United States. Consider this: very few can claim to have more political experience and preparedness than Bush I, Bush II, Dick Cheney, Clinton I and now Clinton II. Add to that the wealth of experience to be found in the supporting cast of Senators and representatives found in Washington. Just what have been the great rewards of all this experience? To list a few:

1. The Iraq War;
2. 3,500+ young American men and women killed in this war;
3. More than 25,000 soldiers living with broken bodies;
4. Walter Reed Army Hospital unable to give the best of care to our soldiers.
It, too, is broken;
5. Broken borders;
6. The outsourcing of American jobs to foreign countries;
7. Our foreign policy in shambles.
8. Our military strength stretched to the limit;
9. Our international prestige severely diminished;
10. A health care system that is a disgrace;
11. The national deficit.
12. A national citizenry exhausted, weary and heavy laden under the weight of
all of the above.

EXPERIENCED AND WELL-PREPARED POLITICIANS: WE GIVE YOU THANKS
FOR THESE THY GIFTS.

Please read and think carefully: On May 17, 2007, Sen. Harry Reed and a group of Senators, Republicans and Democrats, all very, very experienced and prepared, announced agreement on proposed legislation that supposedly addresses the issues of illegal immigration in our country. Sen. Reed said that he would call for a vote to cut off debate in the Senate on Monday, May 21st, even though the text of the legislation had not yet been read. Sen. Reed proposed ending debate on a bill not yet written or read. Never again should we raise the issue of experience as a qualifier for holding political office at any level.

*M*y fellow citizens, think with me on this;

Bush I - (8) years as president

Bush II - (8) years as president

Clinton I - (8) years as president

And now Clinton II - and the prospect of eight (8) years as president.

Tell me please, when did we decide that the United States should become a small, two family farm? I must have missed that vote.

If Senator Hilary Clinton requires her husband, former President William Clinton, to win an election, could she govern on her own? I thought there was a law prohibiting three term presidents? Maybe a four term president? Humm -- pretty clever Bill, very clever indeed.

The outsourcing of jobs to overseas countries by many major corporations is, without any doubt on my part, probably the most sophisticated form of domestic terrorism ever thought of. American jobs given away and, by logical extension, food taken off the tables of American families. Yet, penalties, significant enough to discourage and end the practice are never imposed. Such is the strangle hold that cooperate American has on the throats of our experienced elected representatives in the Congress and the White House. Only the clarity and volume of the voices of our citizens can bring this to a screeching halt. Be heard. You can't blame Hispanics for this situation.

Judging from TV reports, there seems to be a strong suspicion that former Vice President Al Gore will enter the race for president in the 2008 election. I hope not because I would be compelled to repeatedly express my opposition.

Why? Here, we have a well experienced politician who sat side by side with one of the best politicians and president in American political history and was himself too politically inept to accept President Clinton's help when it came his turn to run for presidency. Mr. Gore was so anxious to maintain an antiseptic image that he gave away the election to George W. Bush. He lost an election he could have won and should have won. How could Mr. Gore not have known that President Clinton remained one of the most popular charismatic and skillful politicians on the planet? The election was his to win or lose; he chose to lose it. What followed was the national and international disaster that grips us today. Mr. Gore committed one of the most disastrous political blunders of all time. The pundits constantly suggest that political experience

is a critical qualifier for election to higher office. Experience, I guess, is suppose to reduce the potential for cataclysmic blunders -- It didn't and by itself it never will. I can't support you Mr.Gore -- sorry. To consider you for the presidency of the United States is in and of itself, an "assault on reason."

It's amazing - We the voters sitting around trying to decide which of the many highly experienced retreads should be President of the United States. When is it going to dawn on us that recycling these people is going to do nothing but give us the chaos we've already got?

Inexperience just may be what we need; just maybe the people of the United States would then become the determining special interest group.

If experience is all that it is cracked up to be, how is it that all of this supposed experience would allow a Senator to vote to authorize the war in Iraq? If you argue "I was deceived", I then ask shouldn't all of your experience be a safeguard against deception? Shouldn't all of your experience compel a very deep look into the facts in order not to be deceived? The price for your failure – over 3,500 American soldiers dead, 25,000 plus wounded. What calamity will your experienced vote give us next? How did Sen. Barack Obama "not enough experience" get it right? So much for experience.

On June 26, 2007, CNN, on its program "The Situation Room" with Wolf Blitzer, announced that an anonymous group released a piece in support of Senator Hilary Clinton and in the same piece "attacked" Senator Barack Obama. Details of the statements attacking Sen. Obama were not aired. It was reported that your campaign officials denied any knowledge of the persons involved and also denied complicity in the content of the statements.

People who attack others and then hide themselves can only be defined as gutless and slimy.

Sen. Clinton, early in the 2008 campaign you went after Sen. Obama to dissociate himself from comments made by Mr. Geffen at the time he gave a financial contribution to Sen. Obama. I now call upon you to condemn those who support you and attack your opponents while choosing to remain anonymous. I call upon you to demand that the persons who issued this attack to immediately identify themselves. Should you refuse to do so, I can only assume that you support them and their methods. This whole thing seems in keeping with your stated political philosophy of "Deck your opponent" whenever possible. Does your philosophy also include "decking your opponent" by whatever means? Is this the Clinton version of "swift boot", code word anonymous?