The Re-Election of Barack Obama

By MacPundit

Bye Bye Miss American Pie

The day the music died ...



Twelve long days have passed since the re-election of Barack Obama. Since then I have started to write a new post about the election at least five separate times. I didn't finish any of them and instead of finishing this one I have chosen to share someone else's post with you. The author was able to say what I've been thinking and feeling better than I can right now. Billy, an old boyhood friend of mine and retired Air Force career man, sent the post to me. It is from a blog entitled Casual Sundays With Mr. Curry.

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Well, It's official; I don't know anything.

I thought for sure that given such a clear choice, Americans would vote for love of country over revenge.

I was wrong.

I thought, that just as every presidential election in my lifetime, the bad economy would be hung around the incumbent's neck, sinking him.

I was wrong.

I thought that even those few Americans who were fortunate enough to still be fully employed (not counting those leeching off the public system) would be cognizant of how much pain their neighbors were in and elect someone who would at least try to make improvements.

I was wrong.

I thought that now that FINALLY some of the disturbing truths about our first black president had come to light, voters would reject a man so dangerously at odds with the American experience.

I was wrong.

I thought the 2010 elections and the Tea Party meant something.

I thought the enthusiasm on display at Romney/Ryan events, contrasted with the lack of same at Obama/Biden events meant something.

I thought Americans would never sell their liberty for the sake of trinkets like cell phones or even big shiny lies like 'free health care'.

I was wrong.

Never in a million years would I have supposed that America would support a president who left his (our) people to die at

the hands of our enemies overseas without lifting a hand to help, then lie about what he watched in real time for over two weeks, then lie about the lie for another month.

I was wrong.

I thought Americans could tell a hawk from a handsaw.

I was wrong.

We were offered the clearest choice we've had since 1980, where we had malaise and a misery index on one hand and a shining city on a hill on the other. Back then, we chose the city on the hill. This time the choice was between a man who says 7.9% unemployment and \$4.00 gas is the new normal and a guy whose entire career has been about fixing broken entities.

We chose to stay broken. And Broke.

Maybe I'm wrong about the ramifications of this choice. Maybe windmills will actually turn out to be a viable energy source. Maybe America diminished will be loved overseas. Maybe a nuclear Iran won't be a threat. Maybe Israel is over reacting. Maybe western civilization was always over rated. Maybe life under sharia is fun. Maybe when the rest of the world realizes that we have no intention of ever paying back that \$16,000,000,000,000.00 (and counting) that we've borrowed from them, they won't devalue the dollar, causing hyper inflation here at home. Maybe China will just keep on giving us money and not demand our hearts, souls, national monuments and marriageable daughters as payment.

I've watched my candidate lose elections before but I've never felt the way I did last night when this one was called for Obama.

It wasn't bitterness or sadness or even disappointment. It took me a while to figure out what it was. Then it hit me; it was horror.

Pure, unadulterated horror.

Not because of Obama, but because of what it says about us, the American people, that we chose this.

It shouldn't have even been close. Faced with the choice between taking charge of our destiny and tackling our financial problems, we opted to get high and have sex. We reelected a guy who doesn't understand that a growing economy that creates more tax payers will bring in more revenue than higher taxes. A Commander in Chief who doesn't know our military still uses bayonets. A man who wants to control the economy without even knowing the difference between bankruptcy and liquidation. It was one thing to elect an unknown quantity, buying his line of 'Hope and Change'. It's something else to deliberately choose his failed policies over someone who has actually achieved success in life. I never dreamed America would do that.

Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, Hello Idiocracy!

Goodbye, recovery.

Goodbye, energy independence.

Goodbye, religious liberty.

Goodbye, liberty and justice for all.

Goodbye, American dream.

It profits a man nothing to lose his soul for the whole world but we threw ours away for cell phones and birth control pills.

In the twentieth century (the American Century), we stepped up to the plate three times and saved the rest of the world from fascism, nazism and communism. We were the cavalry, always riding to the rescue. Now, we've gotten rid of our horses, spent all our money on windmills, alienated our allies, bowed to our enemies, cut ourselves off from our own natural resources thrown away our children's birthright and spent their inheritance.

And we did it on purpose.

When the wolf is at the door (and he's coming, yelling 'Allahu Akbar') we're going to find out that there is no one out there to come to our rescue.

On the bright side, maybe it'll all turn out great. After all, I don't know anything.

Election 2008 Was A Serious Mistake. We Must Not Repeat It!

By MacPundit



Four more years of Obama could destroy America beyond repair.

The fact that Election 2008 was a serious mistake is clear to

all honestly informed observers. What is important is that we do not repeat it.

By now the same honestly informed observers at least suspect that President Obama is the most dishonest president in U.S. history. This website alone has documented more than 160 untruthful statements made by Mr. Obama. You can also find 80 solidly documented broken promises here, which may be a record. Add incompetence and radicalism to his dishonesty and we can easily see why his presidency has been such a disaster. But we elected the most unqualified candidate in U.S. history. So what did we expect?

The election of Barack Obama was a fluke.

I believe that honest historians will view the election of Barack Obama as an aberration, a fluke. They will describe a time in which many Americans—especially the youth and the ideologues—had become so politically ignorant, so socially shallow, or so politically rigid that they were unable to grasp the seriousness of a presidential election. Instead they were enticed by the notion of electing our first Black president and by the seductive rhetorical skills of Barack Obama. It was a popularity contest, an exercise in superficiality—a perfect environment for an accomplished demagogue.

Of course what is done is done and it will take many years to reverse the damage that has been inflicted upon us by Mr. Obama's radicalism and mismanagement. As a result of the unprecedented amount of debt he has placed on us, we are now facing economic Armageddon. Our standing in the world has suffered as well. Simply put: We are no longer viewed as Great America. In fact, more than one world leader has referred to President Obama as being an amateur or naïve, among other unflattering descriptors.

No more mistakes please!

We simply cannot afford another four years of Barack Obama. If anyone reading this does not fully understand the seriousness of our current situation then please spend some time on this website. The facts are here. This is not a Republican or Democratic problem. It is a national problem and in five short days we absolutely must get it right. It is not an exaggeration to say that our nation is in deep trouble and we are running out of time.

A Time For Wisdom

Regardless of what Barack Obama tells us, the truth is that all things considered, we are far worse off than we were four years ago. And as someone correctly said, "To re-elect Barack Obama would be like the Titanic intentionally backing up to hit another iceburg."

Presidential Election 2012: Are we self-destructive?

To re-elect
President Obama,
would be like the
Titanic backing
up and hitting
the iceberg again.



We really, honestly cannot afford to reelect

Barack Obama!

After just 3 years and 7 months of Obamanomics we are on the verge of economic collapse. That's not hyperbole my friends; it is the unavoidable truth. Forget about what he inherited. Reagan inherited a similar situation and he turned it into the longest peace-time continuous period of economic growth in U.S. history. Obamanomics has failed on a scale reminiscent of the 1930's and if we don't grow up, face the facts, and make some seriously mature decisions, America may never recover. (See Obama Economic Record)

I think it instructive to read the following. It was written as a cautionary tale during the 2008 Presidential Election.

Originally posted during the 2008 election campaign.

A worrisome opinion on our Presidential Election 2008:

So America, are we really going to do something incredibly self-destructive, like elect a radical politician from Chicago who is probably the least qualified presidential candidate ever?

Please forgive me for being just a tiny little bit concerned and for thinking that this would be the most irresponsible thing we could possibly do. In fact, it concerns me so much that I asked as many Barack Obama supporters as I could find to tell me why they would vote for him. Here is what they told me:

- "He has a good voice." Someone actually told me that!
- "He's a great speaker." He almost always uses a teleprompter to deliver carefully constructed speeches.
- "He is a good debater." So why don't we just have an "American Idol Debater Contest" and the winner gets to

be Commander-In-Chief of the most powerful military force in the history of the world? Forget about silly things like experience and other foolish qualifications.

- "I like what he says." Since he has no record of significant accomplishment, why should we believe he will or can keep any promises he makes? (See: Obama's Broken Promises. Now there is a record.)
- "He's black and it would be really good to have a black president." Yes, it would be great, but how about a black president who is actually qualified to be president? There are many such men and women in our country right now, but Barack Obama is not one of them.

Look, I want to know as much about the candidates as I can. Yet, what every Obama supporter I spoke with left out was, "He is the most qualified candidate." No one even mentioned it! So I asked some more questions:

- Does it matter that he has not even finished his first term in the senate? (Answer: No.)
- Does it matter that he has missed 306 votes and has spent most of his time in the senate running for president? (Answer: No.)
- Do you care about his very real history of radical associations? (Answer: No.)
- Does it matter that both Hillary Clinton and his running mate, Joe Biden, said that he is not qualified to be the President of the United States? (Answer: No.)

You get the idea. So what is going on here? Well, apparently, we have become an "American Idol" nation. (See: How Obama Got Elected.) Too many of us are acting like characters in a Hollywood movie instead of responsible citizens of the most precious nation in world history.

This is not complicated, folks. One candidate is eminently qualified to be president and the other is seriously unqualified. One candidate has spent most of his life fighting

for political reform. The other candidate has no such record and has spent most of his short time in the senate making grandiose speeches full of promises in order to persuade you to make him the most powerful man in the world.

Come on America, we are not in a Hollywood movie and this is not an "American Idol" contest. Let's get serious. Are we really going to do something incredibly self-destructive in presidential election 2008, like elect the least qualified presidential candidate ever?

That was then. Let's get it right this time!

How Obama Got Elected (The first time)

Ignorance, Ideology, Cult Of Celebrity

When this was first published immediately after Election 2008, I wrote the following:

It's over! To the astonishment of millions of informed Americans, Barack Obama—arguably the least qualified presidential candidate in U.S. history—is now the 44th President of The United States of America. He is also Commander-In-Chief of the most powerful military force on Earth. Therefore, he is the most powerful man in the world.

But how did he do it and what does it say about the current state of American politics, our media, and the health of the American electorate?

Well, it said a lot about who we were back then. But we cannot afford to make the same mistakes again. So I think it is instructive to revisit how Obama got elected in 2008 so we can do our best to prevent it from happening in 2012.

First, let's look at a video for some background information. It is a sampling of voters who were interviewed after they cast their votes for Obama in 2008. It is a small part of a much larger, more extensive survey conducted by the highly regarded, non-partisan pollster, John Zogby. If you react like I did, you will shake your head and think, "Is this really what we've come to?"

Now, on the assumption that you watched the video, let's add some perspective.

"Promote then as an object of primary importance, Institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge. In proportion as the structure of a government gives force to public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened." — George Washington, Farewell Address, September 19, 1796

and ...

"If a nation expects to be ignorant and free it expects what never was and never will be." — Thomas Jefferson

and ...

The ignorance of one voter in a democracy impairs the security of all." — John F. Kennedy, 1963

So you can clearly see what happened. Many Obama voters were hardcore Democrats who always vote the party line. Others voted strictly on race. Some were white Americans who voted for Obama simply because he is an African American and they just wanted to elect the first black president. Then, of course, about 97% of African Americans voted for Obama. But far too many-especially young voters-had little to no knowledge of who or what they were voting for or against, nor did they have even a rudimentary knowledge of who our current leaders were or what the presidential candidates said or what they stood for. For them, Election 2008 seemed to be just one more "American Idol" contest and they simply chose Barack Obama for his charisma and his populist (demagogic) message of "change." Sadly, it was the young voters who made the difference and were ultimately responsible for the election of Barack Obama.

I said "responsible for" because in America we the voters are ultimately responsible for our own destinies. Our power is in the vote and, therefore, the health and welfare of our nation is dependent on the choices we make about who will lead and govern us. This is precisely why George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Kennedy, and many others, instructed us on the importance of being well informed before we cast a vote for any candidate who seeks power over us. Ignorance is our enemy and, unless corrected, it will, ultimately destroy us.

But how is it that so many Americans are still so politically ignorant? How did this happen? Once again, the answer is neither obscure nor complex. There is an unequivocal reason and many culprits: We call them "The Media." For years, they have uninformed and misinformed the American public about virtually everything political. Think back to the video for a moment and remember how many people assigned so many remarks to Sarah Palin when in fact they had been made by Barack Obama or Joe Biden.

Ignorance is an enemy of democracy and ignorance helped elect

Barack Obama. Washington, Jefferson, and Kennedy along with countless others knew all too well how serious is the matter of educating our citizens. Ignorant people can be manipulated, educated people cannot.

We must do all we can to make certain that Barack Obama is not re-elected.

See "The Presidential Election of 2008" for a more detailed analysis of how Barack Obama got elected.