

Questioning Trump's Fitness to Serve

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He's America's latest warrior president, escalating long ago lost war in Afghanistan the latest example, waged for lots of reasons besides unattainable winning, discussed in previous articles.

He serves wealth, power and privileged interests exclusively, promises otherwise exposed by his agenda.

He operates like his predecessors, notably the Clintons, Bush/Cheney and Obama. Yet his fitness to serve alone is questioned.

Why not them, their tenures the worst in US history – featuring endless wars of aggression, neoliberal harshness and police state crackdowns on fundamental freedoms still raging.

Administration, congressional and judicial officials reflect the measure of a nation. Presidents are best judged by individuals chosen to serve in top posts.

They influence and help determine domestic and geopolitical policies. Presidents can't function without them – sifting through their advice to make policy decisions, theirs as much as his.

Trump surrounded himself with a rogue's gallery of officials. He delegated warmaking to hawkish generals. Billionaires determine other administration policies. Goldman Sachs runs his economic agenda.

Public welfare is off the table like it always is, ordinary people harmed, not helped, social justice eroding, heading toward disappearing altogether.

America is a plutocracy, a fantasy democracy, exploiting the majority to benefit the privileged few, rogue leadership running things in all three branches of government, Trump one of many players. The whole lot of them deserve blame for deplorable policies.

Instead, he alone is singled out, the latest criticism from former DNI head **James Clapper**, part of the anti-Trump chorus – questioning his fitness, calling his Tuesday Phoenix speech “downright scary and disturbing,” worrying about his finger on the nuclear trigger.

Clapper “wonder(ed) about his motivation,” suggesting he may be “looking for a way out.”

He barely stopped short of urging his removal from office, saying his

“behavior and...divisiveness, and the complete intellectual, moral, and ethical void that the president of the United States exhibits, and how much longer does the country have to, to borrow a phrase, ‘endure this nightmare?’ “

Removing Trump by impeachment or other means would deal another major body blow to the republic.

It would further erode its last vestiges of freedoms. It would be another step toward full-blown tyranny.

No legitimate grounds exist to remove him - no abuse of power other than wars of aggression no US president was ever held accountable for.

Impeachment advocates should think hard about what they wish for. Uncharted territory would follow unjustifiably removing a sitting president for the first time in US history.

Soviet Russia’s dissolution was hailed as the beginning of a new era of peace, stability and prosperity. Instead, endless imperial wars rage.

America and European countries were thirdworldized. Militarists, Wall Street, central banks, along with corporate oligopolies and monopolies run things.

Social justice is increasingly trampled. Western tyranny heads for becoming full-blown.

False flag attacks facilitate it. So would removal of a sitting US president for the wrong reasons.

It may happen, things heading in this direction, the public none the wiser about possible dire consequences to follow.

If a US president can be easily disposed of, what chance have remaining freedoms to survive.

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