
Washington: Is the United States in decline?

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A synthesis of what has been written over the past six months by some of its most important publications allows showing a likely response.

From the different analyses we can gather the following general title:

Is Trump's election symptom of a greater evil: the decay of the U.S.?

They recall that once again polls put his approval rating in 37 per cent, "the lowest of any US president after a few months in office".

They endorse the opinion of many when they declare themselves concerned about his real capacity to rule a power like the U.S.

And what have they said about the new thing in the last half century?

Although they are the most productive ones in the world, they've lost the so-called puritan ethics of work, key in its development in previous centuries.

The modest customs of Protestantism were replaced by an uncontrolled consumerism.

According to examined outlets, earlier, part of the citizenship kept money in saving accounts.

"Today, credit cards make families get indebted and live "from one day to the next".

“Or worse. When they are paid, they’ve spent the amount of the check received”.

This is not all; preschoolers demand expensive high-tech cell phones.

At other times, they’ve noticed that children are no longer seen playing in the streets. And where are they? Held at home watching television, their tablets or videogames. Families seldom sit together for dinner, and if they do so, each member usually watches his/her cell phone.

In the age of communications, those articles state, “human beings talk less among us”.

The number of people suffering from depression has increased, as well as another series of health disorders.

At the end, a tragic confession, pretty well adjusted to the reality the United States is living today. Politics has also changed; it moves itself with money and more money unprecedentedly. The decision of the Supreme Court to enable companies make unlimited "donations" to electoral crusades "has made a serious problem get worse".

What is spent on each election is immoral, because politicians tie themselves with those who give them money. But there’s an overwhelming example as regard the last paragraph and that consists in the following: Multimillion-dollar National Rifle Association (NAR) has hindered any sensible policy on arms sale control in U.S.

How? It has distributed an ocean of dollars among those who approve laws in the Capitol and the executive power in Washington.

It’s a society where any movie or television celebrity is more valued than a school teacher.

A sportsperson earns much more money than a university professor, a doctor or a scientist who investigates a cure for cancer.

The military budget is multiplied, but the education one decreases. Then, it outlines an interesting conclusion that approaches why Donald Trump reached the presidency.

Perhaps these problems and confusion on the scale of values led so many people to vote for Trump.

He knew how to tell them about their frustrations, but so far he hasn’t presented any coherent plan to ease them.

Nevertheless, he received less direct votes in the 2016 presidential election than his opponent Hillary Clinton.

In other words, as it happened in the 2000 election, in which the loser won and the winner lost.

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