

Aging of a President



Obama in 2009



Obama in 2015

Barack Obama has faced one of the most dangerous situations that any president has faced since Abraham Lincoln. Like Lincoln, he has aged considerably, and quickly while in office. He has very wisely remained low-key in public appearances having to do with ISIS. Why has this been one of the most dangerous eras in the history of the United States?

It is very difficult to declare war on an enemy that you cannot pinpoint. In World War One, President Wilson sent troops to France, Belgium, and most of Europe to quash the German hordes that infested the planet. It has been said that most of the leaders of the major countries then were cousins stemming from one Queen of England. So, was this a major power grab to control Europe with rivalry between scrapping cousins?

In World War Two, there were three major aggressors, Germany (again), Italy, and Japan. We could somehow pinpoint the movements of the aggressors by where they originated and where they were moving to. The closest any one of them got to American soil was when the U-boats of Germany approached the east coast, when Japan invaded Alaska via the Aleutian Islands, and when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. This kept most Americans on their toes with the U.S. Civil



Defense staying alert to any enemy moves.

President Obama has been under pressure since taking office because of having a parent who was Muslim, even though that parent did not take an active role in his raising. Also, he has been accused of taking a soft approach to the radical Islamist movement. This article is not to agree or disagree with his actions, only to state the facts as I see them.

The question remains, how does one fight an enemy that he cannot see, that he cannot pinpoint the movements of? This is the situation that the Obama administration has had to face and, in reality, that all Americans have to face. We found out

in the San Bernardino massacre that the person involved had become part of the community and had a role as a helper in the community. Why would anyone have reason to suspect that his intentions were anything but honorable? So, who do we trust? Do we all become paranoid and begin to suspect anyone of Muslim connections? Do we even know our neighbors? Have we taken time to get to know them? These, and other questions involving the radical Islamist movement, have few answers. This is the dilemma that we all face, including the leaders of our country. Are these radicals coming in through Mexico? Does this explain why Barack Obama's hair has suddenly begun turning white? We are reminded of the photos of Lincoln, when photography was in its infancy, and how photos of him showed the progress of the Civil War. Yes, a terrible conflict on our own soil, with brother fighting brother. What did it prove? That we are ALL human?

