

Clinton Rossiter The American Presidency New Introduction by Michael Nelson

The way to grasp the significance of this great office is to consider it as a focus of democratic leadership...



From the Constitution he receives the twin powers of appointment and removal and to 'take care that the laws are faithfully executed.



Pres. Trump meeting with key leaders of government



Robert O'Brien-





Trump cabinet meeting





"our federal civil servants have need of guidance... he alone is in a position to provide it" - C. Rossiter



- Inspiring example for the people
- Standing for highest values and ideals
- Leader of the rituals of our democracy
 - Ceremonial head of government



The ceremonial "first pitch"





Honoring National Championship Teams at the White House





"The president is the American people's one authentic trumpet, and he has no higher duty than to give a clear and certain sound."









How does the "First Lady" help fulfill the Chief of State role?

" may often seem trivial, yet cannot be neglected... he is the symbol of our sovereignty, continuity, and grandeur as a people"

- C. Rossiter



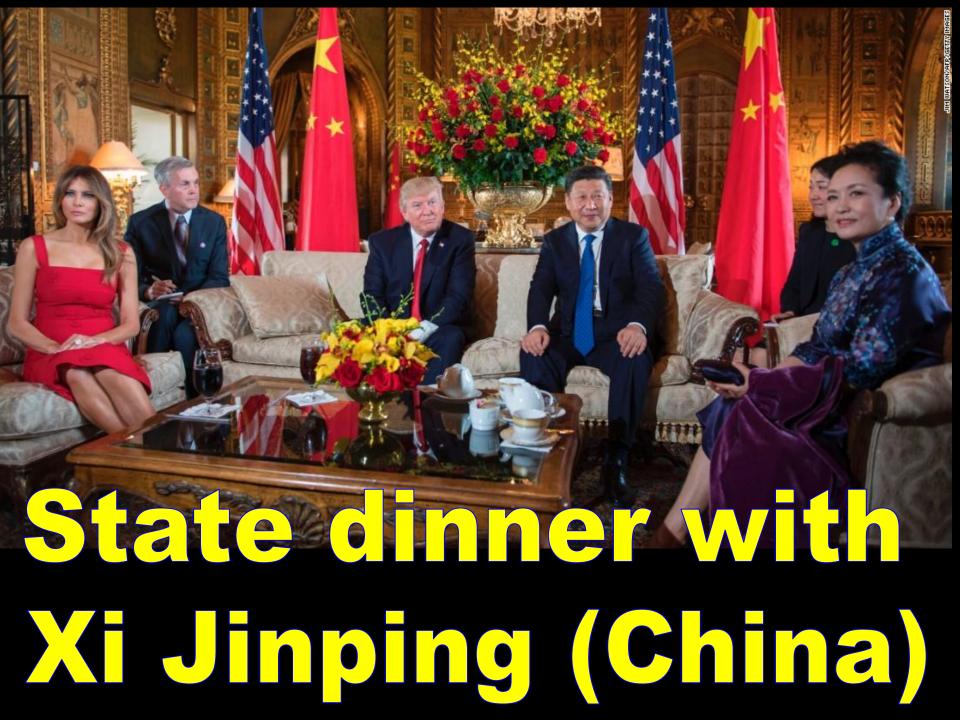














@ NATO Headquarters



"as long as the U.S. remains the richest and most powerful member of any coalition it may enter, then its president's words and deeds will have direct bearing on freedom and stability..."









"Congress has its share of strong men, but the complexity of the problems has made external leadership a requisite of effective operation."

How does the State of the Union message







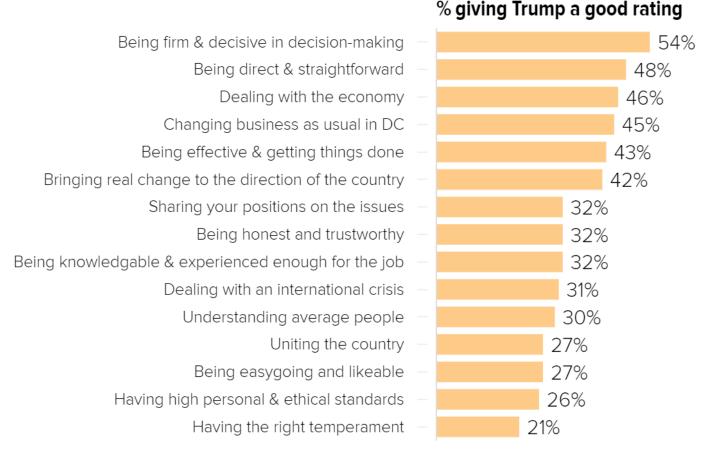




Working on energy policy

How does public opinion fit into this role?

Rating Trump's Best and Worst Qualities





"The president who will not give his best thoughts to leading Congress is now rightly considered a national liability."

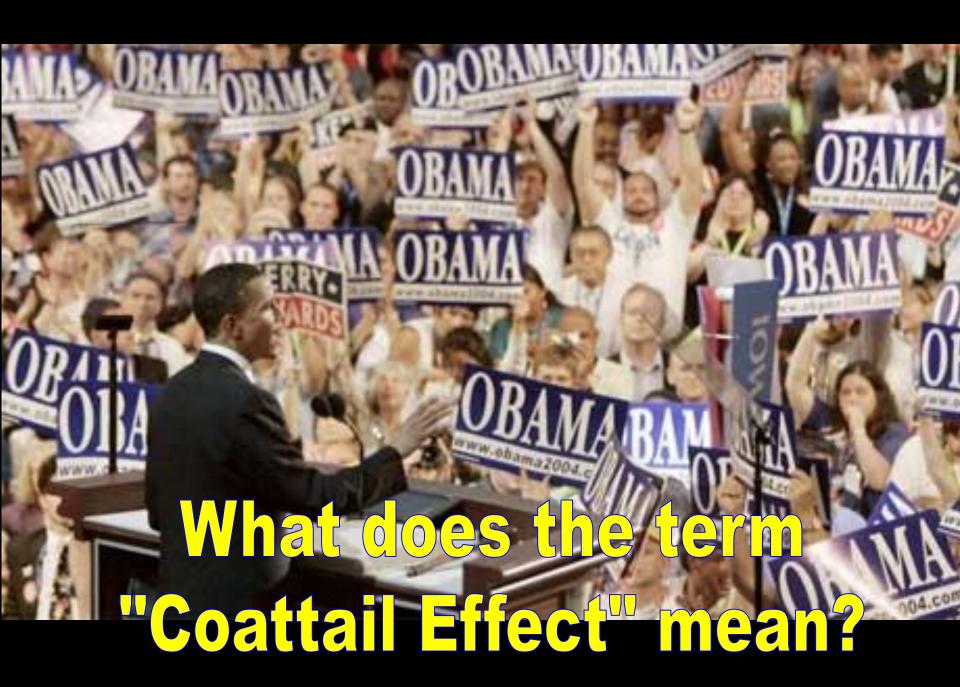




Soon-to-be President-

accepting his party's nomination in 2016





COATTAILS



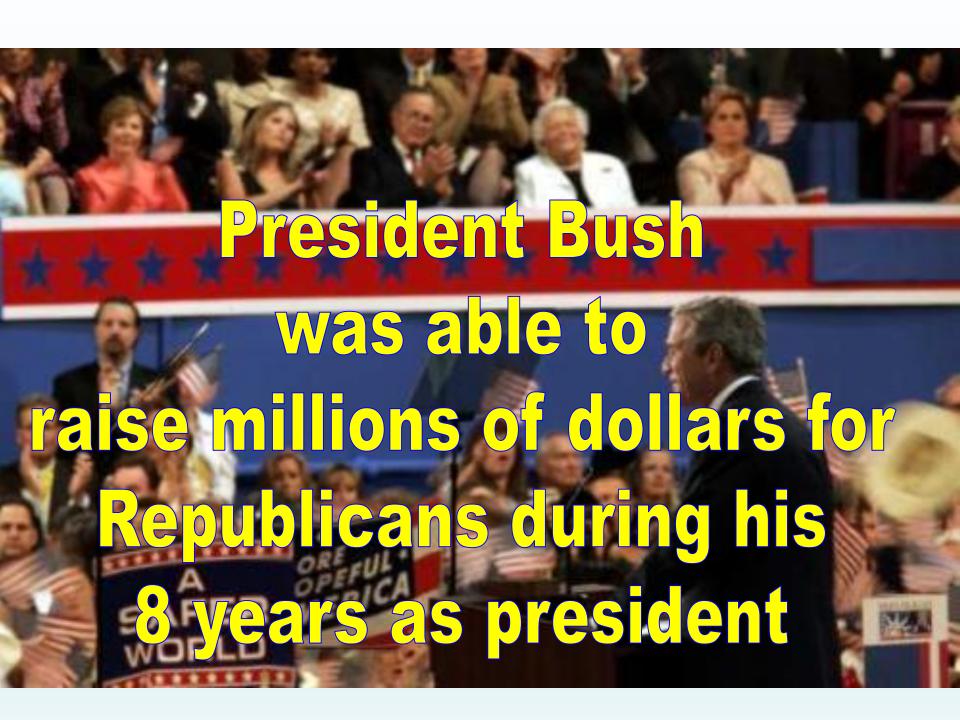
COURSE CHARGE SHO

Presidents nominate members of





President Obama speaks at a fundraiser



Bush raises record \$100 million President Bush has been raising money for Republican candidates more aggressively than any of his predecessors and has topped the \$100 million mark, by far the highest amount for any president after 19 months in office.









"The power of command is only a small fraction of the vast responsibility --how deeply his authority can cut into the lives and liberties of people in time of war."





Launching the **USS Reagan** (former 1st lady, Nancy Reagan, does honors)

"Although authority is shared among three organs- his position is paramount, if not indeed dominant."



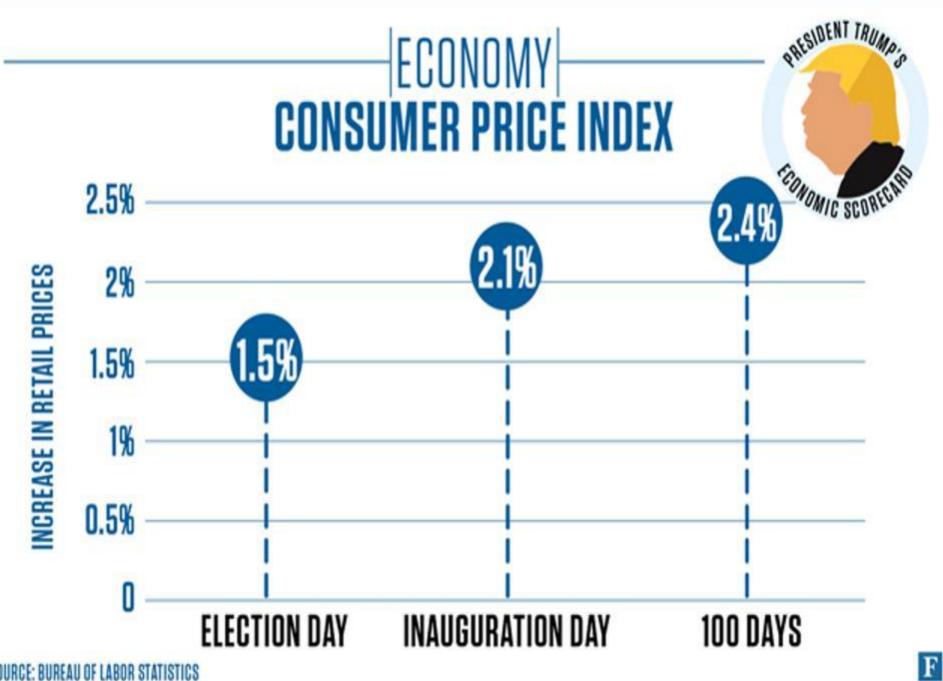
"The president does not control the economy, but is expected to help it run smoothly."







Using the "Bully Pulpit"







HOUSE Membership 435 Members

SENATEMembership 100 Senators

Party Divisions

239 Republicans

194 Democrats

0 Independent

Party Divisions

46 Republicans

52 Democrats

2 Independent

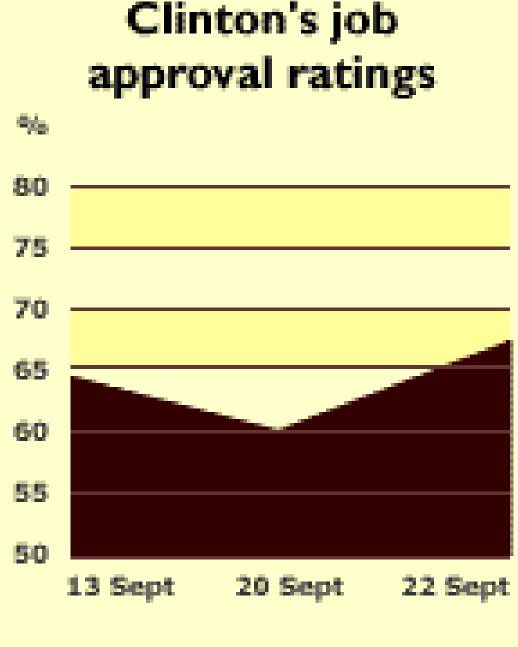
DIVIDED GOVERNMENT?





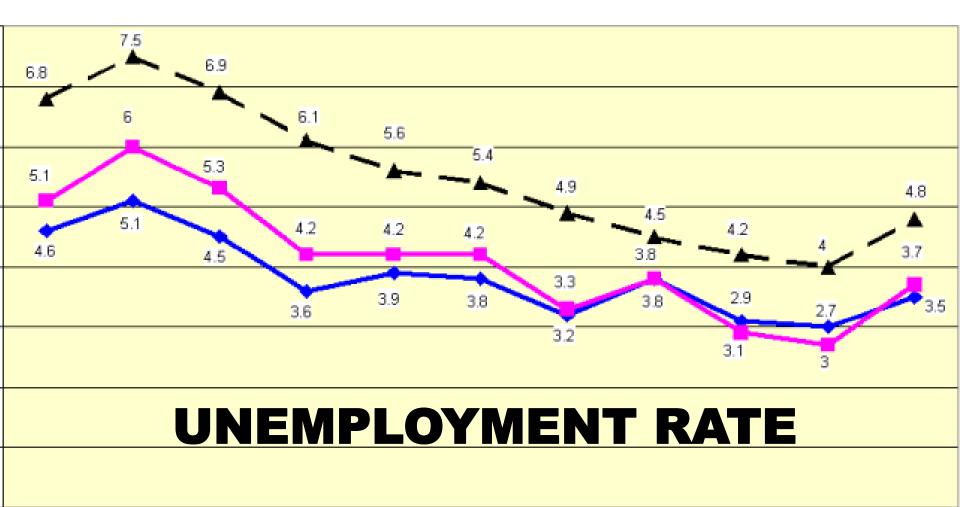


Presidential Scandals?



PUBLIC OPINION?

SOURCE: Gallup





Year



FINALLY, THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF?