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NYT and Clooney: Biden Must Drop Out

President Joe Biden didn't listen last week, so *The New York Times* has again said the elderly president must step aside.

Monday's editorial, [The Democratic Party Must Speak the Plain Truth to the President](#), explains quite simply that if Americans thought Biden fouled up his debate with former President Donald Trump, they should take a look at what he delivered in the ensuing days.

Nothing Biden did dispelled the *Times*' fear that Biden is declining mentally and physically. And with Trump being no better than the failed Austrian painter, well, the *Times* again ordered Democrats to push him aside.

Adding to Biden's trouble: Actor George Clooney wants his buddy Joe to drop out. He said so in the *Times*.

The long knives are out for Joe Biden.



The New York Times/X

Presidency "Not a Day Job"

"Donald Trump's candidacy for a second term poses a grave threat to American democracy," the *Times* began. But "instead of campaigning vigorously to disprove doubts and demonstrate that he can beat Mr. Trump," Biden's appearances have been "scripted" and "controlled."

Indeed, the [Times continued](#), "he has largely avoided taking questions from voters or journalists — the kinds of interactions that reveal his limitations and caused him so much trouble on the debate stage. And when he has cast aside his teleprompter, most notably during a 22-minute interview with ABC's George Stephanopoulos on Friday, he has continued to appear as a man in decline."

The *Times* segued into polls that show Americans know Biden can't handle the office. Biden has ignored them. Because of that, and his insistence that only he can beat Donald Trump, the country is in danger.

Central to his position that he is the best Democrat to run against the Evil Orange Man Bad, Biden has repeatedly "denied that age is diminishing his abilities." He didn't even mention "the subject in a lengthy letter to congressional Democrats issued on Monday," the [Times opined](#):

In that letter, he insisted that he is the candidate best equipped to defeat Mr. Trump in November — thereby dismissing the potential candidacy of Vice President Kamala Harris or any other younger, more vigorous Democrat, and in effect asking the American people to trust him instead of their own lying eyes.

It's not enough to blame the press, the donors, the pundits or the other elite groups for



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trying to push him out, as he did in the letter. In fact, to use his own words, “the voters — and the voters alone — decide the nominee of the Democratic Party.” But Democratic leaders shouldn’t rely solely on the judgment of the few voters who turned out in this year’s coronation primaries. They should listen instead to the much larger group of voters who have been telling every pollster in America their concerns for a long time. Mr. Biden has to pay attention to the will of the broader electorate that will determine the outcome in November.

Thus did the [Times argue](#) against “democracy,” which raises the observation that maybe Trump isn’t the biggest threat to the nation.

Noting that Biden has admitted he must “clock out at 8,” the *Times* advised everyone from the “grass roots” to top Democrats to tell Biden “that his defiance threatens to hand victory to Mr. Trump. They need to tell him that he is embarrassing himself and endangering his legacy. He needs to hear, plain and clear, that he is no longer an effective spokesman for his own priorities.”

The *Times* averred that Biden can’t “stand up to Trump” and does not provide a “compelling alternative.”

But other than Virginia’s Representative Don Beyer, “most elected Democrats have resisted taking a public stand.”

Thus, party leaders must tell Biden the very fate of America is at stake. The next Hitler is in the wings, just waiting for election day:

Mr. Trump was the worst president in modern American history. He is a felon convicted of breaking the law as part of his campaign to win the 2016 election. Four years later, after his multiple attempts to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election failed, he incited an attack on Congress aimed to keep himself in power. During the current campaign, he has promised an even more unrestrained version of himself if re-elected, even refusing to disavow violence on his behalf.

If elected, he has promised to turn the federal bureaucracy and even the Justice Department into weapons of his will to hurt his perceived political enemies. (With the aid of the three justices he appointed, the Supreme Court just made it possible for him to break the law in doing so with no fear of criminal prosecution.) And he has made clear that he will surround himself with people who support his plans. He will work to further restrict the reproductive rights of women. He will roll back environmental rules, allowing companies to pollute the water and the air. His belligerent, erratic, go-it-alone approach to foreign policy will undermine the nation’s interests and its security, encouraging Vladimir Putin and other authoritarians around the globe. ...

Mr. Trump is manifestly unfit to serve as president, and there is reason to believe a majority of the American people still can be rallied against his candidacy. But Democrats will struggle to press that case with voters so long as their own standard-bearer is a man who also appears unfit to serve as president for the next four years, albeit for very different reasons.

The 2024 presidential election is not a contest between two men, or even between two



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political parties. It is a battle for who we are as a nation.

Previous Editorial

Of course, every president makes “clear that he will surround himself with people who support his plans.”

That’s what Biden did when he appointed a mentally-ill pediatrician to the nation’s No. 2 health post. “Rachel” Levine, the assistant secretary of health and human services, is a man who thinks he is a woman. [He wants](#) to chemically castrate and surgically mutilate children who are confused about their “gender.” Biden also appointed a bald “non-binary” sadist to help run the nation’s nuclear waste program. Sam Brinton [enjoys](#) “pup play” and supports underage prostitution.

That aside, [last week’s editorial said](#) the very “soul of the nation” was at stake and that Biden must step aside to make way for another Democrat to continue his war against decency and normalcy.

In Opinion

George Clooney writes: “This is about age. Nothing more. But also nothing that can be reversed. We are not going to win in November with this president.”

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— The New York Times (@nytimes) [July 10, 2024](#)

The panic among Democrats and the Left is palpable. It is even more so since a [neurologist appeared](#) on NBC to say that Biden had Parkinson’s disease.

Actor George Clooney’s appearance in the *Times* followed news that [Hollywood big shots also want Biden](#) to quit.

Noting that Biden is his friend, Clooney wrote that the issue is Biden’s age and “nothing more.” He reiterated the *Times*’ earlier plea for Biden to drop out for the sake of “democracy.”

“Joe Biden is a hero; he saved democracy in 2020,” Clooney concluded. “We need him to do it again in 2024.”



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