

Politico-20/200

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Politico-20/200 is an ailment of the mind that is an epidemic this great nation is facing. People who show signs of Politico-20/200 seem blind to political events; instead, they are fascinated by frivolous “personal” events. The ailment is most likely caused by over-consuming such media as “reality” shows, “Music” television, Facebook, Twitter, and “People” Magazine. Major symptoms of Politico-20/200 are voter apathy, political incomprehension, and saying, “Gesundheit” when someone says, “Sequester.”

People most affected by Politico-20/200 spend their days on pointless activities. They tend to frequent places such as Abercrombie and Fitch, oohing and aahing over the newest fashions. A trendy pair of pre-ripped jeans entices them to swipe their debit card, for a charge of \$80. Without a thought, they swipe away a week’s earnings on clothes that will go out of style in a few months. Heads bent down, they stare constantly at the glowing screens the of most current version of the iPhone, while they pay no attention to how much their unlimited data, talk, and text costs. They gaze into the nearest mirror, where they fix their hair. They do this because heaven forbid, if they were to come into contact with someone important, like an old friend or a celebrity. They would want to look as modern and sophisticated as possible.

Confrontation is also an issue for people who have Politico-20/200. These people won’t directly state they have a problem with you, but they will gladly discuss it to great extent with one of their “friends.” These sessions can take hours, sometimes encompassing the entire conversation. Strangely, two people afflicted with Politico-20/200 have the ability to scrutinize

an entire person's wardrobe choices or hairdo for hours on end, yet they have an inability to list even one thing that person stands for. The fear of confrontation drives them to constantly be more involved with social "happenings" and fashion rather than the workings of their government to help them deal with the real problems in the world.

The largest demographic that shows symptoms of Politico-20/200 are people of ages 14 to 25. The main reason most cases affect young people is because many young people still enjoy the monetary safety net of their parents. They can afford to be blind to our governmental issues because their mommy will rock them to sleep at night with a check for \$100 saying, "It's going to be alright, baby; you don't have to live in the real world as long as I still eventually get social security."

Of course, Politico-20/200 does not only impair people from ages 14 to 25; some cases of Politico-20/200 can last up to age 65. These prolonged cases cause the worst symptoms. The symptoms include, but are not limited to, liposuction, plastic surgery, and bankruptcy due to spending too much money on liposuction and plastic surgery. These people, unable to come to the terms that government affects their everyday lives, are blind to the fact that they have the ability to change it.

If average cases begin to grow, it will be the death of this nation. Soon presidents will be elected not on their policies, but solely on their looks or how clever or inspiring their tweets are. Or maybe that has already happened...