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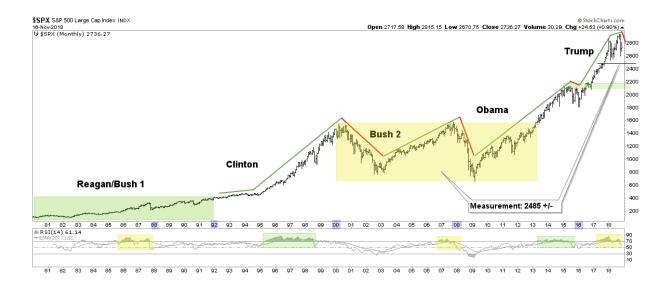
eLetter: Market Opinion

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As we make our way through a bullish seasonal period (on average), managing a bounce of some degree (mini or maxi), we should keep in mind that the objective is much more negative, but not the end of the world (just a take-back of the Trump reflation rally).

I love these long-term charts because they can speak to us and tell us things like "be careful, the monthly RSI on SPX is in the more dynamic and short-lived overbought setup of the pre-crash 1987 period and the pre-crash 2007 period, as opposed to the extended overbought situations into 1998 and 2015, which resolved bullish".



It also tells us that the stock market ultimately does not really care what party has the White House. I got the idea to mark up post-1980 SPX with presidential terms after reading a post by Bob Hoye, which I don't agree with, because the chart above is at odds with it.

Hoye is an influence of mine in precious metals analysis however, so he gets his say. But, in my opinion, the Fed acts as a fiscal policy balance (as it tightens now against Trump's fiscal reflation and loosened against Obama's fiscal drag).

In essence, the theme of his short essay is that the Democrats are Satan and will do what they can do derail the Republican free market dream. He notes a *"natural post-bubble contraction"* is in play, but in my opinion this contraction may have been made worse because Trump's reflation came out of nowhere and tacked on a market extension above reasonable targets, with open spigots of corporate welfare and tax breaks for the wealthy.



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All things being equal, if I had to take one policy or the other I would take the Trump/Republican fiscal policy over the Obama/Democrat policy that depended upon the Bernanke Fed's monetary magic to revive the economy, stabilize markets that were righteously liquidating, and then blow the biggest bubble yet. But the Trump rally was excess, layered upon already existent excess, and our initial target to fix that is 2100-2200.

BW: Here is a link to Bob Hoye's article that Gary refers to:

Nasty Financial Events, Worsened by Politics

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