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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
Friday, March 27, 1992

8:00 am (20 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
8:20 am (10 min)	<u>Meeting with Ambassador Wilkins</u> (Zamaria)	Oval Office
8:30 am (15 min)	<u>Intelligence Briefing</u> (Scowcroft)	Oval Office
8:45 am (30 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Scowcroft)	Oval Office
9:15 am (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
9:30 am (60 min)	<u>Administrative Time</u>	Oval Office
10:30 am (10 min)	<u>Radio Taping</u> (Smith) (TAB A)	Oval Office
10:40 am (20 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:00 am (30 min)	~~<u>Meeting with Secretary Baker</u>~~ Cancelled	Oval Office
11:30 am (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:45 am (10 min)	<u>Meeting with National Science</u> <u>Olympiad Medal Winning Teams</u> (Rollins) Putz (TAB B)	450 OEOB open
12:00 pm (75 min)	<u>Lunch</u>	Oval Office
1:15 pm (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Drop by Meeting and Photo</u> <u>with Latin Builders Association</u> (Rollins) (TAB C)	Indian Treaty Room

10:00
Martin

UNP 03/26/92
6:00 pm



1:45 pm
(75 min)

Personal Staff Time
Darman

Oval Office

3:00 pm
(2 hrs)

Administrative Time

Oval Office

7:10 POTUS In
7:35 Demarest In
7:55 Demarest Out
8:19 Amb. Wilkins In
8:30 Amb. Wilkins, Out Scowcroft,
Adm. Howe, Peters In
8:44 Peters Out
8:47 Fitzwater In
8:52 Fitzwater Out
9:07 Scowcroft, Adm. Howe Out
10:31 POTUS In Dining Room for taping.
10:35 POTUS In Study w/ Dorrance Smith
10:42 Smith Out
10:44 Henson Moore In
10:50 Henson Moore Out
10:56 Scowcroft In
11:04 Scowcroft Out
11:06 Boyden Gray In
11:21 Gray Out
11:41 POTUS Out to OEOB
11:45 POTUS Arrive OEOB Holding Rm.
12:08 POTUS departs 450
12:45 POTUS, Demarest, Fitzwater,
Smith, Snow, Moore In
1:16 All Out
1:25 POTUS Out to OEOB
1:29 Announced into Indian Treaty Room
1:52 POTUS Out to Oval
1:56 POTUS In w/ Darman
3:01 Darman Out
3:03 Demarest, Fitzwater In
3:30 Demarest, Fitzwater Out
4:00 POTUS to Cabana

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

PRESIDENT BUSH

MARCH 27th , 19 92

	TIME		NAME	ACTION
	PLACED	DISC		
~~OUT~~	9:23 AM	9:26	SECRETARY JAMES A. BAKER III RES: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-625-0633	TLKD-OK 9:23 A.M.
INC	~~XXX~~ PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	9:40 AM	10:01	MR. ROBERT TEETER OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-336-7090	TLKD-OK 9:41 A.M.
~~INC~~	~~XXX~~ PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	10:49 AM	10:51	MR. DAVID F. DEMAREST, JR. OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN EXT. 697	TLKD-OK 10:50 A.M.
~~INC~~	~~XXX~~ PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	10:51 AM	11:09	MR. RAY SILLER RES: SANTA MONICA, CA. 213-454-1922	TLKD-OK 11:05 A.M.
~~INC~~	~~XXX~~ PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	11:29 AM	11:36	MR. JONATHAN BUSH (b)(6)	TLKD-OK 11:30
~~INC~~	~~XXX~~ PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~AM~~		MR. JOHN E. BUSH (b)(6)	TLKD-OK 12:44 P.M.
~~INC~~	12:43 PM	12:46		

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OUT	~~AM~~		MR. ORLANDO F. FRILLES OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN EXT. 877	TLKD-OK 3:37 P.M.
~~INC~~ OUT	3:37 PM	3:37		
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~AM~~		MR. RONALD C. KAUFMAN BOSTON, MA. 617-241-0800	LW WITH MS. MARTHA CHAYET 3:51 P.M.
~~INC~~ OUT	3:47 PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~AM~~		MS. LAURETTA PRESKA ALBANY, N.Y. 518-439-4668	TLKD-OK 5:00 P.M.
~~INC~~ OUT	4:59 PM	5:01		
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~AM~~		MR. DAVID F. DEMAREST, JR. OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN EXT. 697	CLEARED BY MS. ROSE M. ZAMARIA 6:11 P.M. TLKD-OK 6:11 P.M.
~~INC~~ OUT	6:09 PM	6:12		
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INC	PM			
OUT	~~AM~~		MR. DAVID F. DEMAREST, JR. OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN EXT. 697	TLKD-OK 6:32 P.M.
~~INC~~ OUT	6:32 PM	6:35		
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OUT	~~AM~~		DOCTOR'S OFFICE OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN EXT. 797	TLKD-OK WITH MAJOR KIMBERLY A. SINISCALCHI 9:41 P.M.
~~INC~~	9:41 PM	9:41		

WASHINGTON

SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

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PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Washington, D.C.

DATE 27 March 1992

TIME	MOVEMENTS
0706	South Grounds
0708	Oval Office
1146	Room 450, Old Executive Office Building
1215	Oval Office
1326	South Grounds
1329	Room 474, Old Executive Office Building
1356	Oval Office
1558	South Grounds
1654	Oval Office
1709	West Lobby
1711	South Grounds
1716	Residence
1922	South Grounds
1923	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
1925	Arrive Kennedy Center (LOW KEY)
2137	Depart Kennedy Center via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
2139	Arrive South Grounds (LOW KEY)
2141	Residence



News Summary

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NATIONAL NEWS

WHITE HOUSE SEES TRIPS AS WAY TO REVIVE BUSH -- The White House is counting on a series of foreign trips and diplomatic events in coming months to resurrect foreign policy as a campaign issue and reassert President Bush's primacy in world affairs before the fall election. (New York Times)

BUSH ADMINISTRATION TO PARTICIPATE IN ABORTION CASE -- The Bush Administration has asked to participate in Supreme Court oral arguments April 22 in a closely watched abortion case from Pennsylvania, court officials said Thursday. (AP, USA Today)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

CHENEY ORDERS CUTS IN RESERVE, GUARD -- Secretary Cheney announced plans Thursday to close or cut back 830 National Guard and Reserve units, challenging Congress to abandon parochial interests that he said are undermining his efforts to shrink the defense budget. (Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, USA Today)

BUSH STUDIES AID TO EX-SOVIET REPUBLICS -- President Bush is considering a package of new U.S. assistance to the former Soviet Union that could be unveiled within the next few weeks, Administration officials said Thursday. (Washington Post)

NETWORK NEWS (Thursday evening)

TROOP CUTBACKS -- Secretary Cheney sent Congress a list of more than 800 units of reserves that he wants to eliminate.

PRESIDENT'S HEALTH -- President Bush said he is in perfect health, and his doctors agreed that his health is excellent.

AIDS -- The Bush Administration released public service announcements designed to heighten awareness about AIDS among women in rural America.

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NATIONAL NEWS

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For Bush and his political advisers, the effort is in part an attempt to redirect the political debate as the White House veers between campaign themes in its search for an approach that will cure the President's political problems. It is also an exercise in repairing the damage from frittering away Bush's greatest political strength on a disastrous trip to Japan.

(Andrew Rosenthal, New York Times, A21)

RUMOR MILL:

Democratic National Committee chairman Ron Brown thinks that if Gov. Clinton has to face questions about adultery, so should President Bush.... The Los Angeles Times noted "rumors that Bush had an affair with a female staffer" -- unsubstantiated buzz that briefly became a 1988 campaign issue.... Bush campaign spokeswoman Torie Clarke's rejoinder: "We will put George and Barbara Bush's commitment to marriage, family and traditional family values up against anybody's."

(Gwen Flanders, USA Today, 4A)

TURNING OVER LITTLE ROCK TO DIP UP CLINTON'S PAST Press Has Not Published A Comparable Run Of Scandal-Tinted Stories About Bush

Over the last month, about 20 reporters from national news organizations have descended on Little Rock, putting Gov. Clinton's record under a journalistic microscope.... At no time during his presidency has President Bush been subjected to a comparable barrage of scandal-type stories, the kind that can alter forever how the public views a politician....

"There's a tremendous imbalance," said Jack Nelson, Washington bureau chief of the Los Angeles Times. "I don't see anybody digging over Bush's record, or talking about his arming of Saddam Hussein before the invasion. I don't think there's any question the press is beating up on Clinton day in and day out, and just about all those stories are recycled from Arkansas."

To be sure, Bush has been subjected to plenty of tough, critical reporting over the years.... But such stories tend to follow the ebb and flow of the news.... An incumbent president...is presumed to be a known quantity who has already survived his trial by media fire. The press tends to dismiss previous controversies, such as questions about Vice President Bush's role in the Iran-contra scandal, as "old news."

(Howard Kurtz, Washington Post, A16)

CLINTON HAD ROLE IN ERASING PART OF ARKANSAS ETHICS CODE

Gov. Clinton backed a comprehensive ethics and disclosure law for public officials, but before it was approved by voters in 1988, Clinton and his advisers altered it so that he and other public officials were exempted from the requirements, imposed on legislators, to disclose potential conflicts of interest....

Although Clinton's work on an ethics code attracted wide attention and debate in Arkansas, the deletion of the conflict-of-interest provision for non-legislators has apparently never been disclosed before. (Jeff Gerth, New York Times, A1)

CLINTON ENDORSED BY HARKIN, TWO UNIONS

ROCHESTER, N.Y. -- Gov. Clinton won the support of Sen. Harkin and two big labor unions Thursday while Jerry Brown took his reform message to Wisconsin. "I think it's time for us to start coalescing, to unify, to recognize the great leadership qualities that Bill Clinton has," said Harkin.

(Major Garrett, Washington Times, A4)

CLINTON EXPLODES AT 'SNOTTY-NOSED' HECKLER IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK -- Gov. Clinton finally let loose Thursday night, delivering a bitter retort to his "snotty-nosed" critics that brought raucous cheers from supporters.... Clinton exploded when a man from ACT UP, challenging the candidate on the AIDS epidemic, repeatedly interrupted Clinton's speech to several hundred New York lawyers during a reception at the Laura Belle Club....

"I'm sick and tired of people who don't know me making their snotty-nosed remarks," Clinton fumed. "That's bull, and I'm tired of it.... I've had enough of all this (attack) business -- because I'm ambitious, I'm slick. That's just a bunch of bull."

As ACT UP member Bob Rafsky -- who later said he had AIDS -- stood 10 feet in front of him, Clinton snapped to a crescendo of cheers and applause: "I feel your pain, but if you're just going to attack me, you're no better than Jerry Brown. Go support somebody else for president...." Clinton later approached Rafsky to shake his hand, but Rafsky was not impressed. "It's very clear that Bill Clinton only came up to me for a photo opportunity," Rafsky said.

(Heidi Evans & James Rosen, Knight-Ridder)

PEROT'S POPULARITY:

A cubbyhole of an office outside Chicago has become a pulse-point of Texas billionaire Ross Perot's budding third-party presidential bid.... "This is unbelievable," says TapeWriter President Joan Cameron. "It's been all hands on deck."

(Gwen Flanders, USA Today, 4A)

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Once Again, Bill Clinton Has Met The Enemy, And For The Time Being He Is Brown, Not Bush," by Jill Abramson, appears in The Wall Street Journal, page A16.

'PEACE DIVIDEND' EFFORTS DEALT BLOW

Efforts to cash in on the "peace dividend" this year suffered a major setback Thursday night when the Senate refused to cut off debate on a bill to alter the budget agreement and allow the shifting of billions of dollars in defense savings to domestic programs. The Senate voted 50-48 to cut off a Republican procedural delay. The bill was pulled from the floor, and now Senate leaders will wait to see whether the House can muster sufficient support next week to pass the bill....

Sen. Nunn delivered a stinging criticism of the proposal, arguing that it would lead to an all-out assault on the defense budget while doing nothing to reduce the deficit or contain mandatory entitlement programs. If the bill were passed, Nunn warned, "The defense budget will become the equivalent of the House Bank, and I'm afraid it will not be for one year. It will be for a long time."

However, Sen. Sasser and other supporters warned that without the legislation, Congress will make deep cuts in domestic spending to stay within spending limits set by the budget agreement.... "Defenders of this military spending know it can't survive this world of reality unless you surround it with a fence," Sasser said. "...Sure, entitlements are going up, but make no mistake about it. Entitlements are a cover word for Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security."...

Rep. Panetta warned of bitter fights among appropriators unless additional funds are freed up for domestic program. "This will be a real go-to-the-barricades year for appropriators," he said.
(Eric Pianin, Washington Post, A4)

Senate Kills Bill Shifting Billions From Defense To Social

..."Defense will not survive," said Sen. Domenici. "It will get literally annihilated year after year as we grab-bag it for every program around."
(Alan Fram, AP)

PANEL FINDS BLEAK OUTLOOK FOR ADMINISTRATION ECONOMIC POLICY

The Congressional Joint Economic Committee, in its annual report, says the economic outlook for the short-term and long-term is bleak under present Administration policies. It calls for a strategy to pull the country out of the recession and improve long-term growth....

Sen. Sarbanes said, "There are signs that some sectors of the economy may be emerging from 20 months of recession, but still no convincing evidence that a sustainable recovery is under way. The Administration is projecting the weakest recovery on record and four more years in which the economy operates at far below its potential," he said. "This represents a very disturbing admission that their own policies offer little prospect for achieving strong, sustainable growth."
(Steve Gerstel, UPI)

BUSH BOASTS VETO VOTE SHOWS DEMOCRATIC 'DISARRAY'

President Bush on Thursday rubbed in his latest veto victory over Congress, saying the Democrats' failure to win even a majority to uphold their middle-class tax break, "puts a spotlight on disarray up there."
(Rita Beamish, AP)

NEIL BUSH TO PAY \$50,000 TOWARD SILVERADO SETTLEMENT

Neil Bush will contribute \$50,000 to the \$49.5 million settlement of a federal lawsuit agreed to by him and other former officials of Silverado Banking Savings and Loan Association of Denver, court records show.... Records obtained by The Washington Post Thursday show that Bush agreed to pay National Union \$50,000 by 1994....

Federal regulators formally reprimanded Bush for engaging in business deals that presented conflicts of interest while he was a Silverado director. The issue has been an embarrassment to the White House. FDIC officials said Thursday they knew only what they read in the press about the amounts individual defendants contributed. Bush's attorney, James Nesland, was unavailable for comment....

The amount Bush is contributing to the settlement was immediately criticized by Democrats on Capitol Hill. "The American taxpayers apparently lost \$1 billion in the Collapse of silverado and now we learn that Mr. Bush will write a check for a paltry \$50,000," said Rep. Gonzalez. "The American public needs to know just how this sum was arrived at and what the total recovery will be for the taxpayers in the cleanup of Silverado."

(Susan Schmidt, Washington Post, F2)

SENATE VOTES TO ADD \$25 BILLION TO COST OF S&L CLEANUP

The Senate voted 52-42 late Thursday to add \$25 billion to the taxpayer cost of cleaning up the savings and loan industry.... Despite the looming deadline, passage of the House bill was not expected before late next week. Democrats say they will not move the bill until the Bush Administration can muster the support of a majority of reluctant Republicans.

Opponents in the Senate said the RTC deserved no more money until it can demonstrate it was not wasting what it has already received. "Why don't we sent the RTC a message that maybe it will understand. Why don't we...say to the RTC, 'Not one more dime until you clean up your act.' Why don't we say to the Administration 'Not one more dime until you demonstrate you're on top of this problem,'" said Sen. Conrad.

But proponents argued that voting against money to shut down money-losing institutions would add more than \$2 million a day to the ultimate cost of protecting depositors.... "The House banking scandal is a nothing compared to the irresponsibility of the way Congress had acted over the past three or four years with respect to the savings and loan crisis in not meeting these deadlines," said Sen. Garn.
(David Skidmore, AP)

**GDP ESTIMATE LOWERED TO 0.4% GAIN IN QTR.
Weakened Showing Raises Concerns About Economic Recovery**

The federal government Thursday cut its estimate of fourth-quarter growth in half, underscoring the weakness of the nation's economic recovery. The Commerce Department said gross domestic product (GDP) inched forward at a 0.4 percent annual rate in the final three months of the year, far slower than the previous estimate of 0.8 percent growth.... The weakened fourth-quarter performance raised concerns about the economic comeback, but the White House downplayed the revision and issued a familiar cry for lower interest rates from the Fed.

"I think we're well on our way out of it now, as long as the Fed makes sure that the money supply continues at an appropriate level for the growth we need," Secretary Brady told reporters.

Separately, the Labor Department reported Thursday that first-time claims for unemployment benefits rose by 15,000-447,000 in mid-March from a week earlier, suggesting the national unemployment rate was unlikely to fall below 7 percent soon.

(Reuter, Washington Post, F1)

SEC COMMISSIONER FLEISCHMAN QUIT

Commissioner Edward Fleischman, a self-proclaimed "burr under the saddle" of the SEC, resigned from the SEC Thursday, complaining that chairman Richard Breeden was seeking too much power for the agency and was shutting out his critics....

Asked whether Bush Administration efforts to ease corporate regulation had put pressure on the SEC in enforcement cases or other matters, Fleischman said he had seen the SEC change its stance in several cases, but not because of politics. Instead he said, he had seen "a change in the perception of how best the powers of this agency could be used."

(Stan Hinden, Washington Post, F1)

**BUSH ADMINISTRATION TO PARTICIPATE
IN PENNSYLVANIA ABORTION CASE**

The Bush Administration has asked to participate in Supreme Court oral arguments April 22 in a closely watched abortion case from Pennsylvania, court officials said Thursday.

The Administration said it wants to defend the state's restrictions on abortions. But a Justice Department motion to take part in the case did not say whether the Administration will urge the court to overturn Roe vs. Wade. "In view of the strong federal interest in the outcome of this case, we believe that oral presentation of the government's views would be of assistance to the court," said Solicitor General Kenneth Starr, the Administration's top courtroom lawyer.

(AP)

Administration Asks To Argue Abortion Case

The Bush Administration apparently has chosen to send a strong anti-abortion rights signal in an election year.... "They may want to elevate abortion into the campaign," said David O'Brien, a political science professor at the University of Virginia.

(Tony Mauro, USA Today, A1)

WAXMAN PLANS SUIT TO FORCE ADMINISTRATION CLEAN-AIR ACTION

Rep. Waxman is so frustrated with what he says is President Bush's "brazen disregard" toward new clean air requirements that he plans a private lawsuit in hopes of forcing the Administration to act.... "In more than 30 important areas, the Administration has ignored the legally binding mandates of the new law," said Waxman. "After publicly pledging support for this law, President Bush has worked closely with big polluters to undermine it."

Administration officials have acknowledged that many of the regulations required by the 1990 clean air law have yet to be issued, although Congress required them to be in place months ago.... Waxman and other critics have attributed many of the delays to attempts by the White House to make the rules friendlier to business interests.

Asked to respond to Waxman's decision to file a lawsuit, EPA spokesman David Cohen said, "We are presently involved in discussions within the Administration to produce solid, cost-effective rules and we expect to be issuing some very soon."

(Josef Hebert, AP)

**PRE-CANCEROUS SKIN GROWTHS REMOVED
FROM BUSH'S FACE DURING ROUTINE EXAM**

Physicians removed four small pre-cancerous skin growths from President Bush's face Thursday during a routine, four-hour physical examination at Bethesda Naval Medical Center, after which Bush's doctor declared his patient's health "perfect." Dr. Lee also told reporters that although there is elevated pressure on Bush's left-eye, there is no evidence that he has glaucoma.

(John Yang, Washington Post, A16)

Bush Rx: Time Off For Job Stress

President Bush's personal doctor, Dr. Burton Lee, said Thursday that the first patient is a picture of physical health who has ignored orders to take a three-week vacation from press and stress. "He agrees, but he probably won't do it because he has too much on his mind," said Lee. "I'm trying to protect him from the pressures, from the pressures of the job that I'm capable of protecting him from," he said.

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A1)

**HOUSE GOP LAUNCHES ADVERTISING
CAMPAIGN AGAINST DEMOCRATS ON CHECKS**

The campaign arm of the House Republicans announced Thursday a new television and radio advertising campaign that seeks to blame the check overdraft scandal at the House bank on the Democrats. The Democrats responded with newspaper ads calling the GOP members "hypocrites."... Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Chairman Rep. Fazio unveiled a Democratic newspaper ad featuring members of President Bush's Cabinet and leading House Republicans who overdrew their House bank accounts. Above their pictures is the word, "Hypocrites," and below them details of how many bad checks they wrote.

(AP)

DEMOCRATS PONDER HOUSECLEANING AT TOP

House Democrats, stung by their leaders' handling of the House bank and post office scandals, are now talking in private about installing new leadership before the end of the year. Rep. Foley, however, is not ready to depart and has begun an almost daily exercise of defending not only himself, but his wife, Heather, who serves as his unpaid chief of staff.

(Paul Rodriquez & Jennings Moss, Washington Times, A1)

HOUSE VOTES TO EXPAND U.S. COLLEGE AID

The House Thursday night overwhelmingly voted to expand federal college aid to middle-class families in an election-year attempt to make it easier to pay rising tuition costs. The measure would make an additional 1.4 million students eligible for federal grants, increasing from 70,000-350,000 the number of eligible students whose families earn more than \$40,000 a year....

"The most critical thing is that we are opening the availability of student financial aid to middle-class families," said Rep. Williams.

"I think we should all rejoice," said Robert Atwell, president of the American Council on Education, an association representing 1,500 colleges and universities. "It's going to provide more access and more choice." (Mary Jordan, Washington Post, A15)

**STUDENTS' COMPREHENSION OF SCIENCE CALLED SHALLOW
Public, Private Schools Scarcely Differ**

A new national test shows a majority of students failing to grasp all but the most basic science skills and little difference between the scores of students attending private or public schools.... "It's disappointing," said Secretary Alexander, "But we know why: we have not made science a priority." The remedy, Alexander said, is "less television, more homework, and a more demanding curriculum."...

When comparing only students who had taken more advanced science courses, the scores of public and private school students were virtually identical. "This is really shocking because kids in private school have more advantages," said Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers.

(Mary Jordan, Washington Post, A3)

WANTED: WOMEN

Word in the halls of Congress is that Secretary Franklin is considering only female candidates for assistant secretary for legislative and intergovernment affairs. Hill staffers of the male persuasion, some of whom covet the job, are snorting about reverse discrimination. When presented with this rumor Commerce spokeswoman Marcie Robinson conceded cryptically, "The secretary isn't necessarily on a man hunt...the most qualified person for the job might be a woman." ("Names & Faces," Washington Post, B3)

**U.S. HAVING MIXED SUCCESS IN CUTTING INFANT MORTALITY
Despite Slight Improvement, U.S. Still Ranks 22nd.**

The infant mortality rate in the U.S. fell to an all-time low in 1989, but the slight improvement still left this country ranked 22nd in the world, and came despite an increase in the percentage of babies with low birthweight, according to a report released Thursday. "More babies are being born at risk and all we are doing is saving them with expensive technology," said Rae Grad, executive director of the National Commission to Prevent Infant Mortality, which released the report. "We still don't have a national home visiting program [for pregnant mother] and other outreach services you find in countries with better outcomes."

(Paul Taylor, Washington Post, A2)

EDITOR'S NOTES: "Towns Fear Economic Pinch," regarding military cuts, by Juan Walte, appears in USA Today, page 6A.

"Environmental Chief Clashes With New Foe: Deregulation Troops," by Barbara Rosewicz, appears in The Wall Street Journal, page A1.

"For The Environmentalists, Hurdles On The Road To Rio," by James Brooke, appears in The New York Times, page A6.

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MOVE CHALLENGES HILL ON SHRINKING BUDGET

Secretary Cheney announced plans Thursday to close or cut back 830 National Guard and Reserve units, challenging Congress to abandon parochial interests that he said are undermining his efforts to shrink the defense budget.... Defense Department officials argue that with active-duty forces declining by at least 25 percent, they need to make parallel cuts in the Guard and Reserve.

"Congress cannot have it both ways," Cheney said in proposing cuts that would eliminate 140,000 Guard and Reserve jobs over the next two years. "They cannot tell us we have to cut the defense budget and then object every time we move to cut the defense budget." Cheney and Gen. Powell said at a Pentagon news conference that 80 percent of the reserve forces targeted for elimination were designed to support active-duty forces assigned to defending Europe from a Soviet-led attack....

The televised Pentagon news conference, which a senior official acknowledged was part of a campaign to "turn up the juice" on Congress, included the most detailed list thus far of units slated for closing. "Everyone is affected by this," said Cheney.... Precisely for that reason, closing Guard and Reserve units has proved a tough sell on Capitol Hill....

"I think they're dead wrong," said Rep. Montgomery. Montgomery argued that with the disappearance of the Soviet threat, the Defense Department should rely less on active forces and more on reserves that cost far less to operate. Montgomery and other Guard supporters also warned Thursday that sharp cuts in reserve forces would risk the government's ability to muster political support for military action during future crises.

(John Lancaster, Washington Post, A1)

Pentagon Wants To Cut 140,000 National Guard, Reserve Personnel

A Pentagon plan to demobilize nearly 140,000 National Guard and reserve personnel over the next two years puts the Defense Department on a collision course with congressional supporters of the U.S. reserve forces.

"It's dead on arrival," said Charles Smith, a defense specialist for Sen. Dixon. "It's going to be very hard for either the House or Senate Armed Services Committees to accept these cuts."

(David Evans, Chicago Tribune)

Reservists Gear Up To Fight Cuts

... "This plan ignores the essential role of the National Guard in the (local) communities," said Maj. Gen. Robert Ensslin, president of the National Guard Association.

(Juan Walter, USA Today, A1)

U.S. TAKES BLAME IN ATOM PLANT ABUSES

In a frank admission of how poorly it managed the nation's nuclear-weapons industry, the Government Thursday acknowledged that it shared responsibility with its contractor for environmental crimes at a nuclear-weapons plant in Colorado.

(Keith Schneider, New York Times, A12)

PENTAGON APPROVES IMPORT OF RUSSIAN ATOMIC REACTOR

Breaking an impasse in the Bush Administration over the acquisition from Russia of strategic technology, the Defense Department has approved the import of a small Russian nuclear reactor for possible use in space, Sen. Domenici announced Thursday.

If authorized as expected after a review by other government agencies, the \$7.5 million deal would represent the first purchase in the U.S. of any of the space technology or nuclear material that Russia is making available in the post-Cold War environment....

Defense Department officials have been saying for several days that an announcement on Topaz was imminent, but they were apparently caught off guard by Domenici's announcement. Deputy Defense Secretary Donald Atwood had been expected to make the decision public at a Senate hearing next week, Pentagon sources said....

A larger concern, according to Steven Aftergood, who monitors space and nuclear issues for the Federation of American Scientists, is that no civilian or military program currently planned by the U.S. would require the use of Topaz. "If it were much cheaper, I'd want one myself, but there is no requirement for its actual use," he said. The Star Wars program "has no requirement for a space reactor, even if it deploys a global missile defense. The sensor power requirements are so low, they would not use reactors.

(Thomas Lippman, Washington Post, A23)

U.S. TALKS WITH RUSSIA ON MAKING NUKES SAFE

After being criticized for dragging its feet, the U.S. has begun talks with Russia involving sensitive nuclear secrets and soon will offer concrete help to aid it in moving and dismantling thousands of nuclear weapons, U.S. officials said Thursday. Additionally, the State Department is expected to send a team of experts to Ukraine, where President Kravchuk suspended the transfer of nuclear weapons to Russian soil....

As part of what one official called "pretty amazing" cooperation, even by post-Cold War standards, the Russian government will turn over to U.S. specialists by early next week detailed engineering diagrams of the special containers and rail cars it uses to transport nuclear warheads....

An Administration official, in an interview Thursday, said the Russians have been "extremely cooperative" with the U.S. teams.

(Warren Strobel, Washington Times, A7)

BUSH STUDIES AID TO EX-SOVIET REPUBLICS

President Bush is considering a package of new U.S. assistance to the former Soviet Union that could be unveiled within the next few weeks, Administration officials said Thursday.... According to State Department officials, the Administration has decided the aid package will not be submitted to Congress until after lawmakers determine how to fund a continuation of the current U.S. foreign aid program, which is due to expire at midnight Tuesday in the absence of new legislation....

In response to criticism that Bush has not been doing enough to help the former Soviet republics make the transformation to free-market, democratic systems, a senior Administration official stressed Thursday the importance of the matter and said that Bush would take a strong role in trying to sell the aid package to Congress. "The President will have to be actively involved because it's going to be a tough sell," the official said. "We can't make the transition work in Russia, but we can sure do a lot to make it fail."
(Don Oberdorfer & John Yang, Washington Post, A26)

U.S. Expected To Unveil CIS Package

The Bush Administration is expected to unveil a package of initiatives for the new CIS, a senior U.S. official said Thursday. "We will shortly come forward with a far-reaching all-encompassing proposal for how to deal with the (former) Soviet Union on a number of fronts," the official told Reuter in an interview.... The official declined to reveal details.... "What we're most conscious of right now is we don't have a clearly articulated U.S. agenda for how to deal with the former Soviet Union," the official said. "Until that is clearly articulated we're going to continue to take whacks, not just at home but in the international community as well, for not being as organized and coherent as we should be," he added.
(Carol Giacomo, Reuter)

CONGRESS TOLD OF MEDICINE SHORTAGE, RESISTANCE TO DISARMAMENT

The former Soviet Union survived winter without a feared catastrophic famine but is suffering from acute shortages of medicine in all republics, the U.S. coordinator of humanitarian relief, Richard Armitage, testified Thursday. "The very tragic, consistent problem from east to west is the lack of sufficient medicine," Armitage told the House Armed Services Committee. He said all 12 independent republics desperately need antibiotics, vaccines, heart medicine and most other pharmaceuticals....

"Hunger is not the (worst) problem," he said. "There has been a general drop in caloric intake and nutrition, but this is not the catastrophe it could have been" in a severe winter. "With improved distribution and a good harvest, they'll be all right in terms of food." Another U.S. official said senior leaders and scientists are cooperating wholeheartedly in dismantling the former Soviet nuclear arsenal, "but we still see pockets of resistance at the middle level."... Rep. Aspin said swift dismantlement was vital, and "we want to strike while the iron is hot and dismantle and disable as soon as you can before somebody changes their mind."
(Gene Kramer, AP)

CIS NAVY CLAIMS IT CHASED AWAY U.S. SUB

MOSCOW -- The CIS navy said Thursday that it chased a foreign submarine from Russia's northern waters, and Russian news reports quoted officers as saying it was a U.S. warship on a spy mission.... Secretary Cheney said he did not have enough information to respond to the Soviet allegations or to say whether a U.S. vessel was involved. But he added in Washington, "We're careful to operate in a way not to cause any problem."

(AP, Washington Times, A7)

LIBYA OFFERS NEW LOCKERBIE DEAL, DIPLOMATS SAY

CAIRO -- Libya has offered to hand over two suspects to a U.S. inquiry into the Lockerbie airliner bombing, according to North African diplomats. Diplomats in Tunis said Libya, which earlier agreed to surrender the men to the Arab League, was now offering to hand them over to the U.N., provided a pre-trial inquiry did not take place in the U.S. or Britain.

One diplomat closely involved in negotiations with Libya on a way out of the crisis over the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jetliner over Lockerbie, Scotland, said late Thursday: "Libya is now saying 'Yes' to handing over the two suspects to the U.N."

(Sara el-Gammal, Reuter)

**LIBYA ASKS TRIBUNAL TO STOP 'BLACKMAIL'
U.S., Britain Denounced To World Court**

PARIS -- Libya called on the World Court Thursday to stop a campaign of "illegal and arbitrary blackmail" and prohibit the U.S. and Britain from threatening to use force to gain custody of two Libyans accused of blowing up a Pan Am passenger jet in 1988.

Libyan representative Mohamed Fattouri said his country wants to explore peaceful resolutions to the dispute but he denied any role in the bombing by Moammar Gadhafi's regime. He said Libya sees no reason to hand over the two senior intelligence agents under the pressure of Western intimidation....

Libya's chief counsel, British lawyer Ian Brownlie, said the need for a court decree is urgent because the U.S. and Britain are employing threats as if the process of peaceful compromise did not exist. He noted, for example, that President Bush has said he would not rule anything "in or out" in terms of action to be taken against Libya. "This is a political strategy of ultimatum not seen for many decades," he said. He also cited a statement by Vice President Quayle, broadcast by the BBC on Feb. 10, that "You just have to look at the past to see that we have the political will to make these kinds of requests happen."...

Fattouri accused the U.S. of following a double standard and asked the court to consider what would happen if the perpetrators of the 1986 air strikes were treated as terrorists who killed innocent civilians. "Can one imagine Libya claiming the extradition of these people and their trial in Libyan courts?" he said.

(William Drozdiak, Washington Post, A29)

IRAQ WILL COMPLY, OFFICIAL CONFIDES

BAGHDAD -- Iraq knows it must eventually agree to U.N. demands for the destruction of its Al-Atheer nuclear facility, which is considered the key to its bomb-making potential, a senior government official said Thursday.

The official, who helps shape Iraqi policy toward the U.S. and the U.N., also predicted in an interview that, in time, Washington would resume relations with Saddam Hussein.... But a European diplomat in Baghdad said his remarks could be taken as an accurate gauge of Iraqi government attitudes. "You can be sure [the official] would not say anything that the president didn't endorse," the diplomat said.

(Michael Hedges, Washington Times, A1)

MISSILE DATA TRANSFER VEILED BY UNCERTAINTY

Allegations that Israel illegally transferred U.S. Patriot missile technology to China may never be resolved, a senior Bush Administration official said Thursday.

"There's obviously some smoke, but it may not necessarily ever be resolved," said the senior official in a briefing with reporters at the White House.... Margaret Tutwiler said Thursday the inspection team, that is in Israel investigating the allegations, will likely finish its work in Israel this weekend, but had not yet reached a conclusion. "How could I know their conclusions when they're still there working?" Tutwiler told reporters seeking answers to questions about the team's findings.

(Bill Gertz & Rowan Scarborough, Washington Times, A3)

ISRAELI MINISTER DENIED AUDIENCE WITH QUAYLE

Israeli media reported Thursday that the U.S. State Department was limiting contacts between U.S. and Israeli officials and had refused to let an Israeli Cabinet member meet Vice President Quayle. The reports were strongly denied by the State Department and Quayle's spokesman....

The Yedioth Ahronoth daily said Israeli Health Minister Olmert's office was told the State Department turned down the request in keeping with new instructions limiting meetings with Israeli officials to "working sessions" between two direct counterparts. Margaret Tutwiler called the report "100 percent, categorically, absolutely false." Quayle "meets with Israeli officials all the time," Tutwiler said. "This was nothing more than a scheduling matter. And on the broad general policy of...some kind of directive from the State Department, it just doesn't exist."

(Allyn Fisher, AP)

SADDAM STILL SCUDDLES UP TO MISSILES

BAGHDAD -- Saddam Hussein may have grudgingly permitted the destruction of his Scuds, but that doesn't mean he lost his love for the deadly darts. "God bless the missiles. They deserve everything you can say about them," Saddam said at a ceremony honoring the crews who peppered Israel with 39 Scud missiles during the Gulf War. "As long as you have put Israel into tears, all other matters are easy," Saddam said at the ceremony.

(Michael Hedges, Washington Times, A9)

BUSH URGED TO ATTEND U.N. EVENT

BRASILIA -- Brazilian President Collor de Mello said Thursday that the presence of President Bush at a U.N. conference on the environment in Rio de Janeiro would be "decisive" for the success of the June event.... Collor said he hopes the U.S. will agree to a worldwide freeze on carbon dioxide emission at 1990 levels until the year 2000.

(Julia Preston, Washington Post, A30)

WASHINGTON SEES A NEW HUN SEN

Branded not long ago by the Bush Administration as a "Vietnamese lackey," Cambodian Prime Minister Sen is now seen by many here as the best hope for peace in his sad, ravaged country.... The embrace Sen has received in Washington represents an about-face by the Bush Administration. Washington...says Sen has only recently become a force for peace; others say he changed years ago. "He is an acceptable leader on the moderate side who can lead Cambodia through the diplomatic solution...and when you look around, you realize he really is the only one who can. There isn't anybody else," said Fred Brown, former State Department official.

(Valerie Strauss, Washington Post, A24)

U.S. AND CANADA TO LIFT RESTRICTIONS ON AIR ROUTES

OTTAWA -- The U.S. and Canada have agreed on the broad outline of a new treaty to lift restrictions on flights between the two countries, the chief U.S. negotiator told a news conference Thursday. Canadian airlines will have free access to U.S. airports. But U.S. airliners face restrictions on using Canada's three main airports in Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver for a transitional period.

Both sides agreed Canada can protect those three airports.... Canada wants 10-year protection and the U.S. wants a much shorter transitional period. "A transition regime is agreed. Complete open skies for the Canadian side (for flights to the U.S.) during the transition period is agreed. That there will be restrictions on U.S. services (to Canada) is agreed," U.S. negotiator Charles Angevine said.

(Reuters)

EDITOR'S NOTES: "Ship Owners Threaten To Switch Registry To Foreign Countries," by David Field, in The Washington Times, page C1.

"US Pushed To Help Former Soviet States," by Amy Kaslow, appears in The Christian Science Monitor, page 1.

NETWORK NEWS

(Thursday evening, March 26)

TYSON SENTENCING

Jennings: We begin tonight with rape, which in a year of celebrated cases has made the headlines with increasing regularity. The former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson was sentenced to prison today for raping a 19-year-old beauty queen. Mr. Tyson was given six years beginning immediately, which will put him back into the same prison culture where he was discovered as a young fighter twelve years ago. (All Nets-Lead)

TROOP CUTBACKS

ABC's Peter Jennings: In Washington today you could feel the tension rising between the Congress and the Pentagon. Defense Secretary Cheney sent Congress a list of more than 800 units of reserves of the National Guard that he wants to eliminate -- 140,000 men and women.

ABC's Bob Zelnick reports most of the proposed cuts involve the Army Guard and reserves. Eighty percent of the units have been designated for defending Europe against the Soviets. But the plan must be approved by Congress, and it faces even fiercer opposition than base closings.

(Rep. Montgomery: "By closing over 800 armories around the country, you certainly are not helping us get out of the recession.")

(Secretary Cheney: "The only reason we exist is to be prepared to fight and win wars. We're not a social welfare agency, we're not an employment agency.")

There's a more serious military issue here. The Pentagon and Congress agree the overall size of the military must be reduced. But compared to Congress, the Pentagon wants to get rid of more reserve units while saving active duty forces.

(General Powell: "It will take about a year to bring one of those guard divisions up to any reasonable level of combat readiness to put against a force -- the kind of which we were facing in Operation Desert Storm.")

But members of Congress see reserves as support troops that can provide the same level of readiness as active duty forces at a fraction of the cost.

(Rep. Robert Andrews: "One of the lessons of the war was that the National Guard units performed superbly, and they enabled us to mobilize very quickly.")

The proposed cuts hit most heavily at the northeastern states, where predominantly Democratic congressional delegations have been calling for deeper military cuts. Cheney denies the Pentagon is using the occasion to settle political scores. (ABC-2)

Phillips: The Pentagon released its "hit list" of National Guard and military reserve outfits that it wants to eliminate. Some 830 units are targeted.

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NBC's Fred Francis reports the end-game of the four-day Gulf War and the forty-year Cold War means dismissal for 234,000 Guard and reserve members. Secretary Cheney and General Powell want every state hit within five years to save 20 billion dollars.

(Secretary Cheney: "We're not an agency that's operated on the basis of what makes sense for some member of Congress's concern back home in the district.")

Most outside civilian experts support Cheney, saying that only active duty forces are ready for war all the time, and during the Gulf War most combat units of the Guard failed every test and were not sent. (NBC-2)

CBS's David Martin reports members of Congress quickly rushed to claim the cuts would devastate local communities. But if past attempts to cut the reserves are any guide, he'll be lucky if Congress gives him half of that. (CBS-2)

PRESIDENT'S HEALTH

ABC's Peter Jennings: President Bush went to the hospital for his annual physical. Afterwards, he told reporters he was in perfect health, and his doctors agreed that his health is excellent. (ABC-5)

NBC's Stone Phillips: President Bush had his annual physical exam today. Afterwards, he declared himself in perfect health, and his doctor agreed. But later the White House said four blemishes were removed from the President's face -- non-cancerous, caused by overexposure to the sun. (NBC-12)

CBS's Connie Chung reports four non-cancerous growths were removed from the President's face. Other than that, Mr. Bush says he's in perfect health. His doctor says the President's heart is fine. And an earlier diagnosis of glaucoma in his left eye turned out to be incorrect. The doctor is recommending Mr. Bush take more time off. (CBS-5)

GDP

Jennings reports the government has revised downward its estimate of how well the economy was doing in the fourth quarter of last year. The GDP was up only 0.4%. (ABC-12)

UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS

Chung reports the government says another 447,000 Americans joined the line for unemployment benefits in the latest reporting week. That's 15,000 more than the week before. (CBS-9)

JOBS/U.S.-MEXICO

CBS's Bill Plante reports on the migration of jobs to Mexico because of the cheaper labor there. If the Bush Administration succeeds in negotiating a free trade agreement with Mexico, even more U.S. businesses are likely to head south. Workers who lose their jobs as a result are angry. (CBS-13)

LIBYA

Jennings reports Libya wants the World Court to rule that it does not have to hand over the two main suspects in the bombing of Pan Am 103. Whatever the court rules, it is not binding; the U.N. Security Council is already circulating a resolution calling for economic sanctions against Libya if the Libyans refuse to cooperate. (ABC-10)

CBS's Bill McLaughlin reports Libya is asking the World Court to order the U.S. and Great Britain to stop threatening Moammar Qadafi's regime. Libya's representative at the Court said his country was the innocent victim of illegal blackmail. Qadafi is stalling, not only because he fears his agents would be convicted but also because a fair trial would expose Libya's extensive links with international terrorism. CBS News has discovered another link in the terrorists' network. Sources say documents show a senior Libyan agent used the cover of a travel promotion agency to set up safe houses and bank accounts in Europe while working out the details of a car rally. While doing that, sources say, he secretly helped organize terrorist operations. The U.N. Security Council is expected to impose economic and diplomatic sanctions on Libya tomorrow. And diplomatic sources say the next step could well be military. (CBS-6)

AIDS

Jennings reports the Bush Administration released a series of public service announcements today designed to heighten awareness about AIDS among women and in rural America. AIDS activists say the commercials never mention using condoms or even use the word "sex," and they called the campaign useless. (ABC-6)

Chung reports AIDS activists blasted the campaign for ignoring safe sex, condoms, clean needles and other ways of preventing the disease. Secretary Sullivan denied officials intentionally avoided controversial issues in the debate. (CBS-11)

SCIENCE EDUCATION

Jennings says the U.S. is not doing a very good job teaching science. The Education Department's national report card said neither the schools nor their students are paying enough attention to science.

ABC's Jim Slade reports science is still not a priority subject in most of America's schools. The results are painfully clear. The Department of Education's review criticized teachers who rely on textbook lectures almost to the exclusion of hands-on experimentation. One-fourth of seniors interviewed said they never did experiments, and nearly 60% said they never worked on science projects that took a week to finish. On the other hand, only half the teachers felt they were furnished adequate facilities to do laboratory science. In fact, the report says in many school systems laboratory science courses are not offered. And where they are, they are often not required. (ABC-7)

CONGRESSIONAL SCANDAL/FOLEY

ABC's Jennings reports the Justice Department confirms that Rep. Foley's strong denials that his wife is the target of a criminal investigation are valid. ABC's Cokie Roberts reports that many members of the House are saying that Mr. Foley must take responsibility for the scandals at the House and the Post Office and the House Bank. And they question whether he should stay on as the Speaker. (ABC-4)

CBS's Bob Schieffer reports the House banking scandal storm has grown so severe a growing number of Democrats fear it could cost Rep. Foley his job. The continuing stream of bad news has left Democrats openly talking about a change at the top. The embattled leader found himself the starring role in a Republican TV commercial.

(TV Coverage of commercial. Narrator: "Democrat leaders, who first tried to cover up the scandal, now brush it aside." Speaker Foley, appearing on tv: "I regret that I wasn't more energetic." Narrator: "For real change in Washington, bounce the Democrats.") As yet, there is no organized movement to topple Foley. (CBS-3)

CHILDREN'S HEALTH

Jennings reports there was another warning today that when it comes to the health of children, the U.S. is slipping further behind other developed countries. A bipartisan national commission says that in virtually every category from infant death to prenatal health care to childhood immunization, other countries are improving much faster than this one. (ABC-8)

DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH

NBC's John Chancellor comments that during the 1980s the old got richer and the young got poorer. One big reason is Social Security payments are indexed for inflation. Many young workers are paid only minimum wage, which is not indexed. The publisher of American Demographics, Peter Francee, says if young people's incomes don't improve, this trend will weaken virtually every consumer market in America. Why can't we index the minimum wage for inflation? The young are the future of this country. (NBC-10)

MIA REMAINS

Chung reports remains believed to be those of four missing journalists were flown from Cambodia to Hawaii today for positive identification. The men were working for CBS and NBC when they were captured 22 years ago in Cambodia. Villagers said they were beaten to death by Khmer Rouge guerrillas. (CBS-7)

ROCKWELL

Jennings reports Rockwell International Corp. got an expensive lesson in environmental law. Rockwell agreed to pay a fine of \$18.5 million as part of a plea bargain agreement for violations at the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant in Colorado.

EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

ABORTION/"GAG RULE"

Abortion Gag Rule Remains In Place -- "In one of the slickest bits of press manipulation it has ever pulled off, the Bush administration put out the word late last Friday that it was abandoning the so-called 'gag rule.'... In fact, that is not the case. All the guidelines [for implementing the administration's family planning abortion regulation] do say is that physicians are free to provide a patient with 'complete medical information about her condition. But abortion counseling and referral are forbidden.'... That the administration has been reduced to such prevarication is a sign of how uncomfortable the abortion question is making it this election year. The best prognosis, however, is that the discomfort will only get more acute."

(Atlanta Constitution, 3/26)

Abortion 'Gag Rule' Tactic Backfires -- "The trouble with President Bush's cynical massaging of the abortion 'gag rule' is that, this being an election year and all, he wants to have it both ways.... So the White House threw the doctors a bone Friday. They may discuss abortion if medically indicated, it said in what it offered as an 'easing' of its gag rule, but not otherwise. They may not refer patients to abortion clinics.... Nurses and others who do most of the counseling in Title X clinics may not provide abortion information or referrals at all. Well, if this was supposed to take the heat off Bush, the tactic backfired. 'The AMA is still foursquare opposed to what the administration is calling a modification in the gag rule,' a spokesman said Monday.... Bush can put whatever 'spin' on this he likes, but his contempt for doctors and their patients is showing. He can't have it both ways."

(Carole Ashkinaze, Chicago Sun Times, 3/24)

A Shift On Abortion Policy -- "While President Bush deserves good marks on his combination of economic statesmanship and election-year politics in his busy day of action Friday, there's another point that deserves criticism: It involves the killing of unborn babies through abortion.... With abortion being a hot campaign issue, the Bush administration's Department of HHS has eased up. Now it says doctors -- but not other federal clinic personnel -- may decide whether to present abortions as an option to women.... But, say the changed guidelines, the doctors' advice must be based on medical, not social factors. This order attempts to stand a little on both sides of the abortion issue. It's a regrettable easing of the rules against killing unborn babies. All innocent life should be protected."

(Chattanooga News Free Press, 3/22)

ENVIRONMENT

Unready For Rio -- "It has been a silent spring at the White House as preparatory talks for the historic U.N. Earth Summit drag on in New York.... Though strategies have emerged, the U.S. hasn't signed on.... The U.S. stance is reactive and somewhat bull-headed. It boils down to three objections.... Third [objection], there is the general GOP antipathy to regulation.... The administration's own documents weaken its overall anti-regulatory case. Since 1972, when U.S. environmental enforcement began in earnest, the GNP grew by a hefty 59%.... Caution isn't policy.... In short, the summit's plans can get back on track -- if the White House stops saying 'we can't.'" (Philadelphia Enquirer, 3/26)

Bush Agenda Does Not List Environment -- "The Bush Administration is staking out international environmental negotiating positions that are not only out of step with the rest of the world but are based on a jumble of myths and self-serving rationalizations. At the root of this defensive and often obstructionist stance is the White House's desire to extricate the U.S. from a fiscal environmental cleanup obligation commensurate with its status as the world's leading atmospheric polluter. Administration obstinacy is compounded by the Bush entourage's failure to acknowledge the threat of ecological crisis, or to recognize a fundamental interdependency between a healthy environment and sustainable economy.... It's a posture that places the administration just as much out of touch with the American people as with diplomats from other countries."

(Edward Flattau, Austin-American Statesman, 3/16)

ECONOMIC PACKAGE

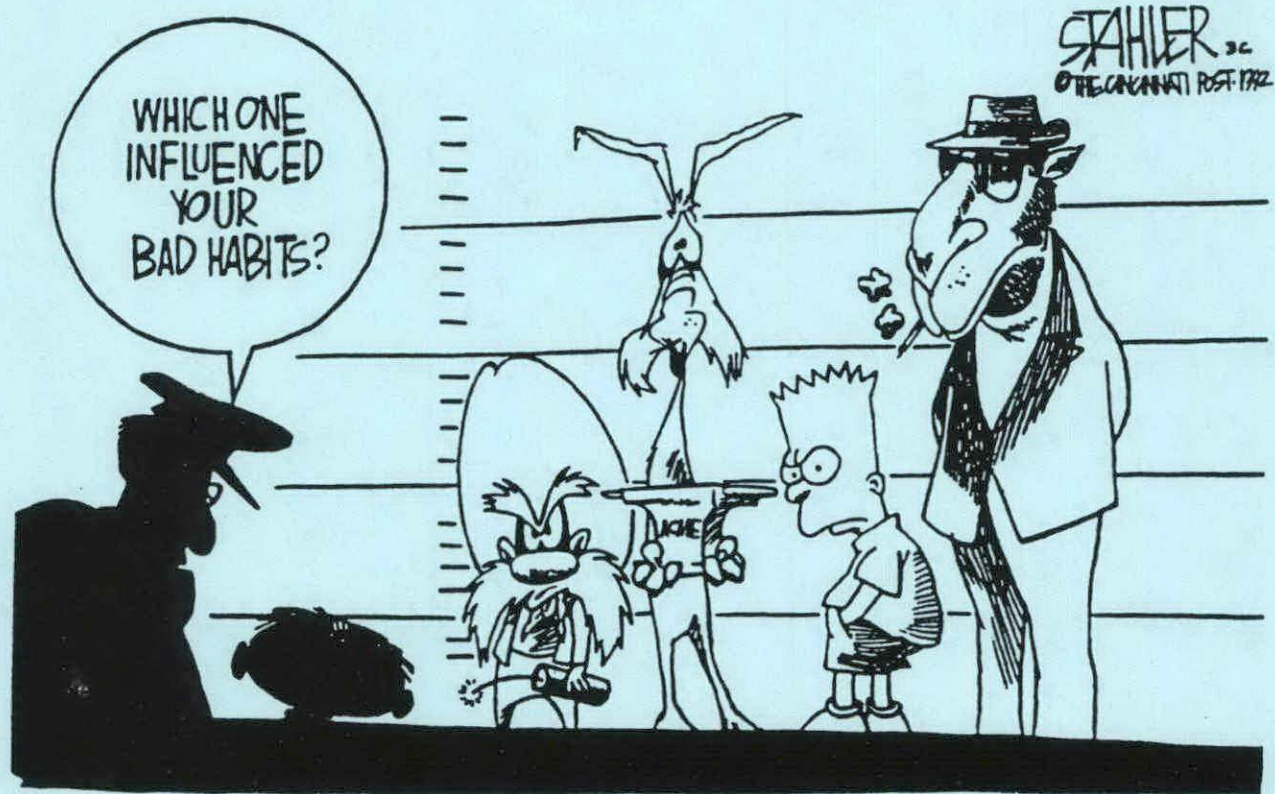
Bush, Congress Set For A Duel -- "The stage was set Friday for a showdown at the White House corral as President Bush ordered a freeze on spending for more than 100 already approved programs, while both houses of Congress addressed a compromise tax bill that Bush vetoed before it came to his desk. The president has the upper hand in this duel, and probably the best arguments.... Lost in this simple message [of a tax increase on the wealthy], however, is the fact that many small businesses that produce badly needed jobs would be seriously affected by this increase.... In truth, there are elements of the congressional bill on which the president might negotiate, particularly those that would moderate capital gains taxes for small businesses." (Milwaukee Sentinel, 3/21)

President Bush Vs. Congress -- "Was it 'President George Bush' or 'Candidate George Bush' in action last Friday?... He was both. Mr. Bush kicked off a new phase of his re-election campaign. He acted presidential in a definitely presidential setting as he called searing attention to some of the serious faults of Congress.... But it was also political.... Mr. Bush decided to go on the warpath and make Congress the primary 1992 election issue.... President Bush certainly had the raw material to work with in attacking Congress.... 'President Bush' showed clearly why 'Candidate Bush' should be elected instead of handing the country over to the Democratic congressional majority -- with a Democratic 'President' Clinton in the White House."

(Chattanooga News-Free Press, 3/22)

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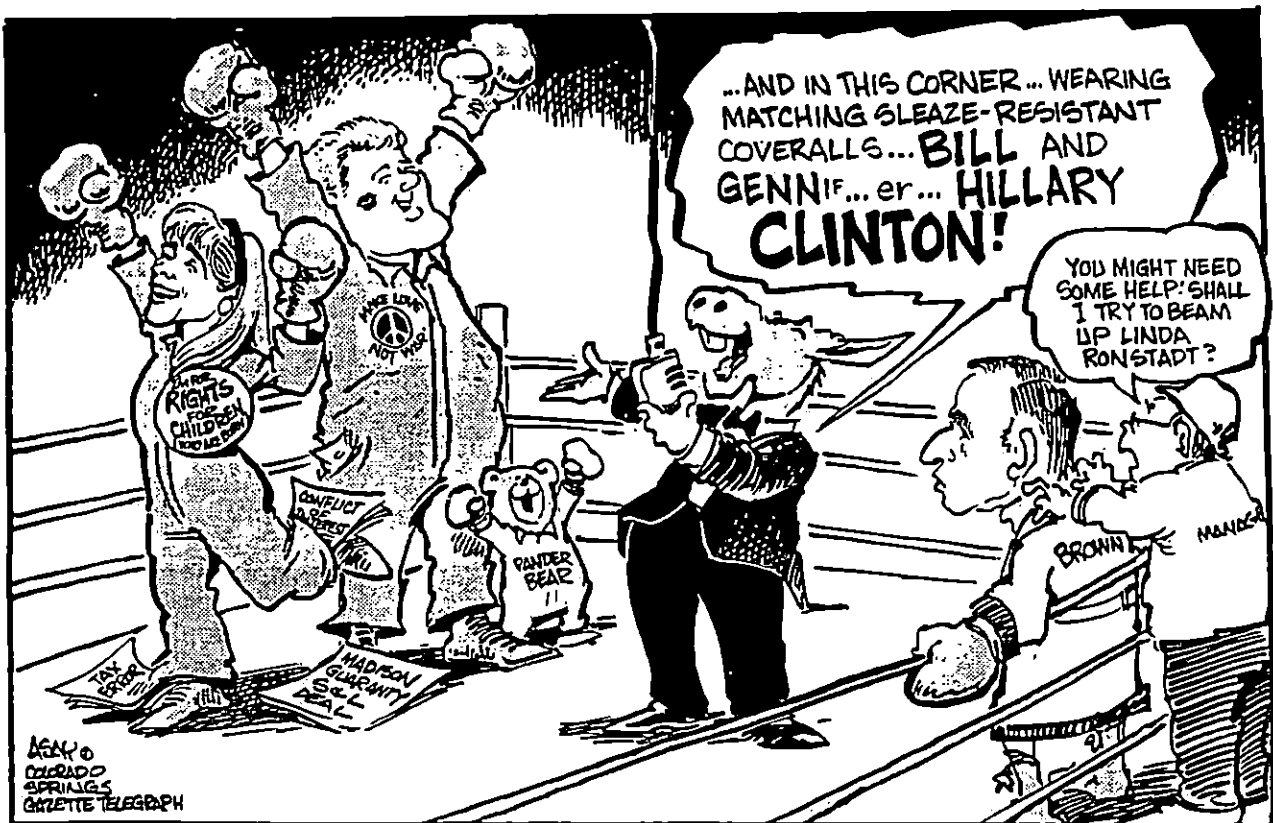
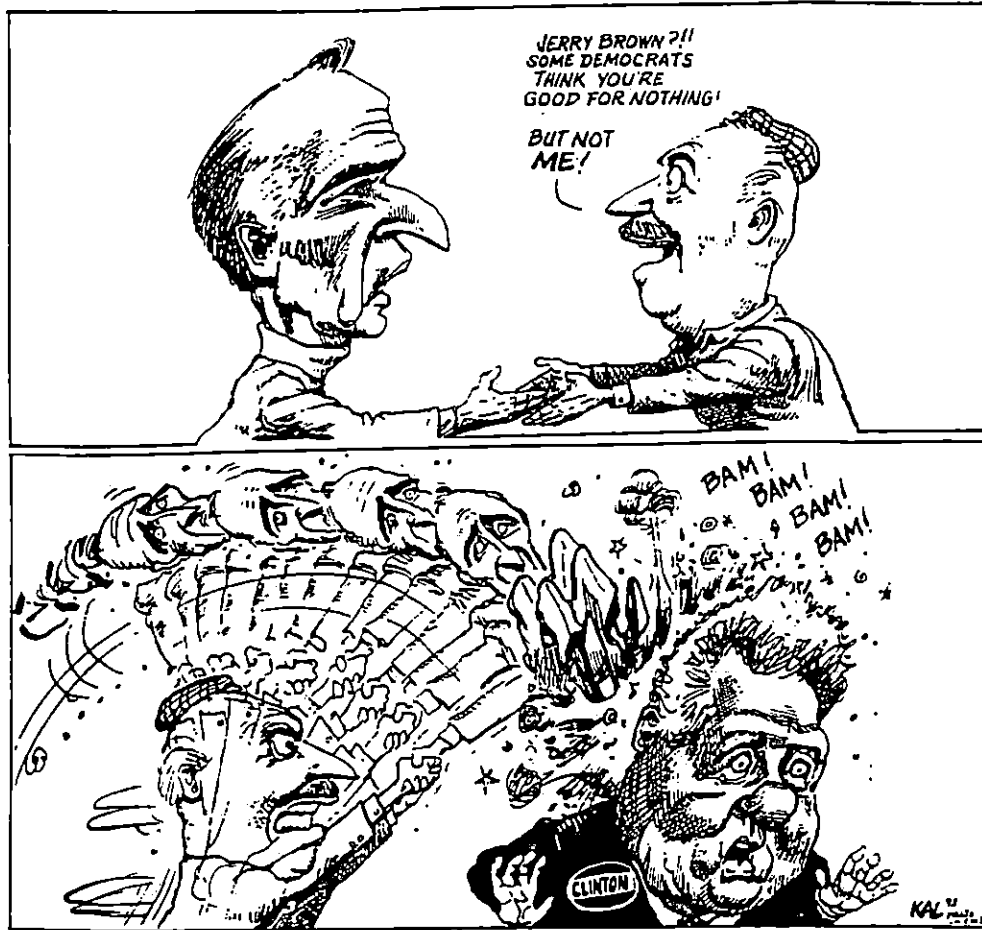
Friday Follies



- a look at politics through the eyes of the political cartoonist -

"I don't care a straw for your newspaper articles. My constituents don't know how to read. But they can't help seeing them damned pictures."
(William Marcy "Boss" Tweed speaking of Thomas Nast, 1871)

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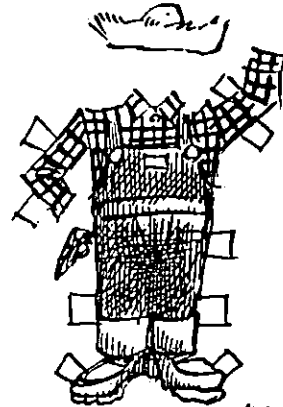




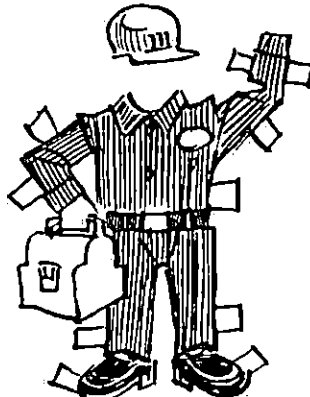
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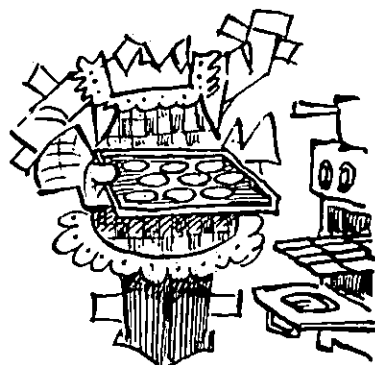
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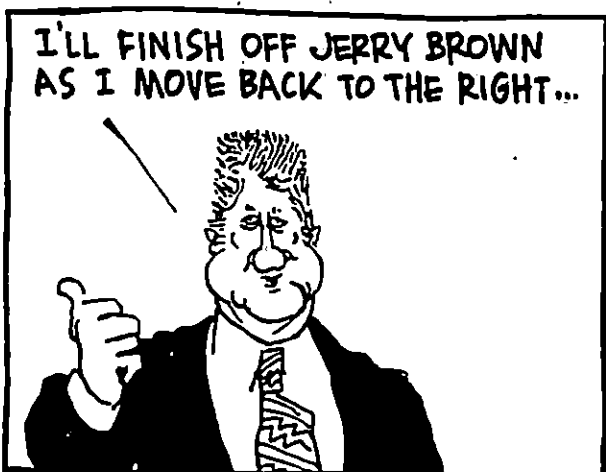
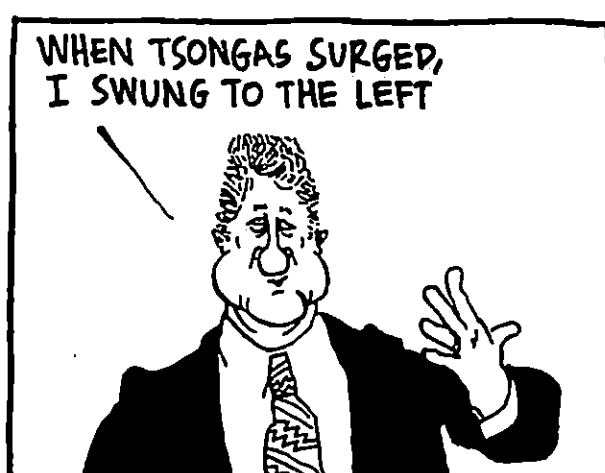
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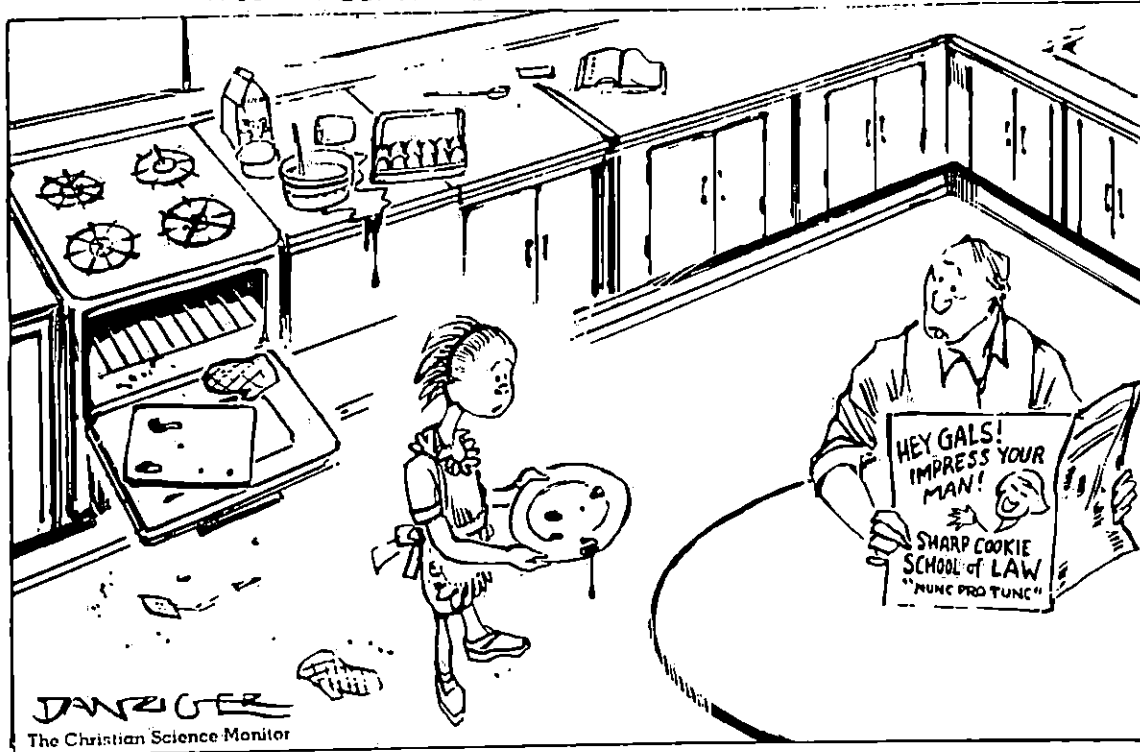
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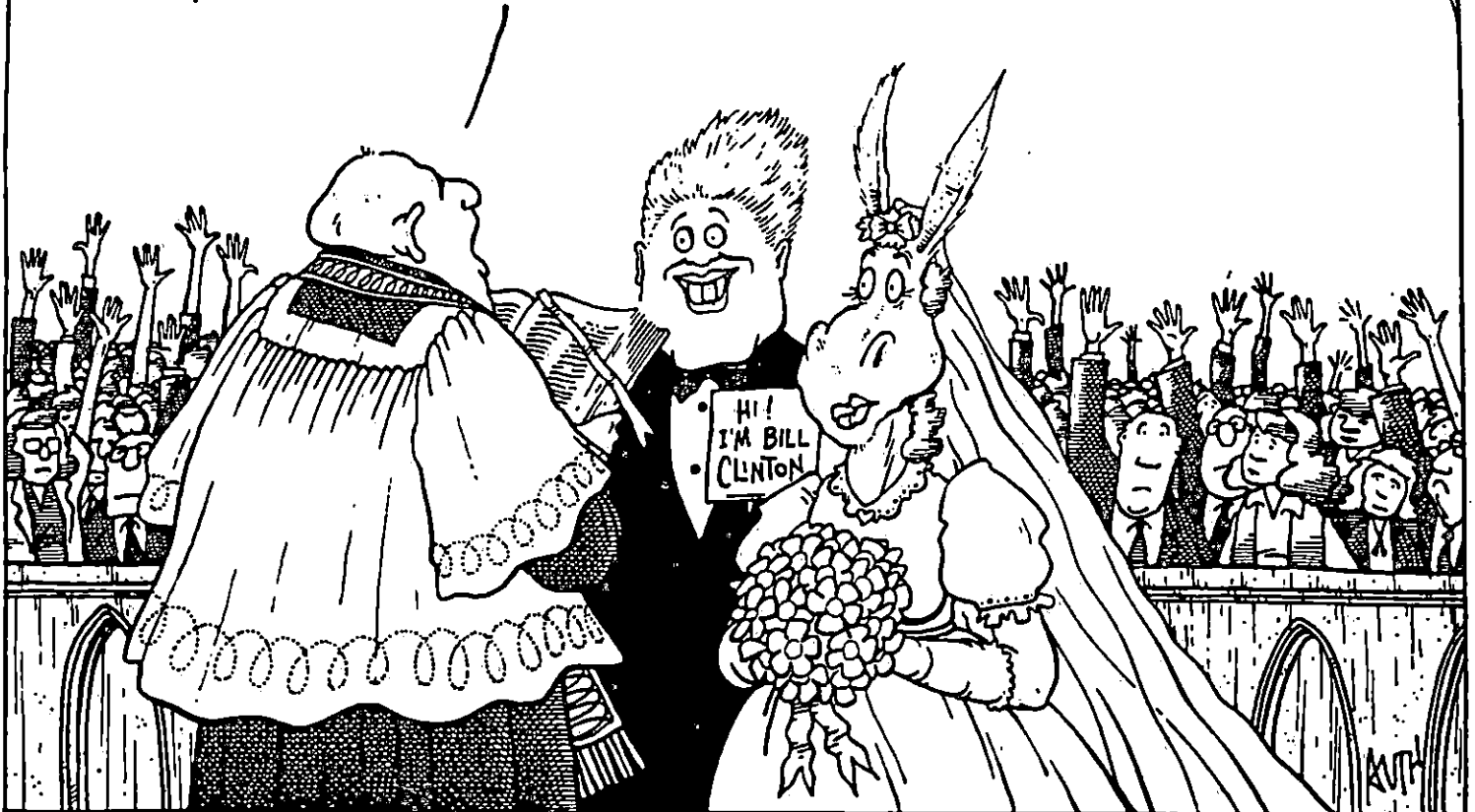
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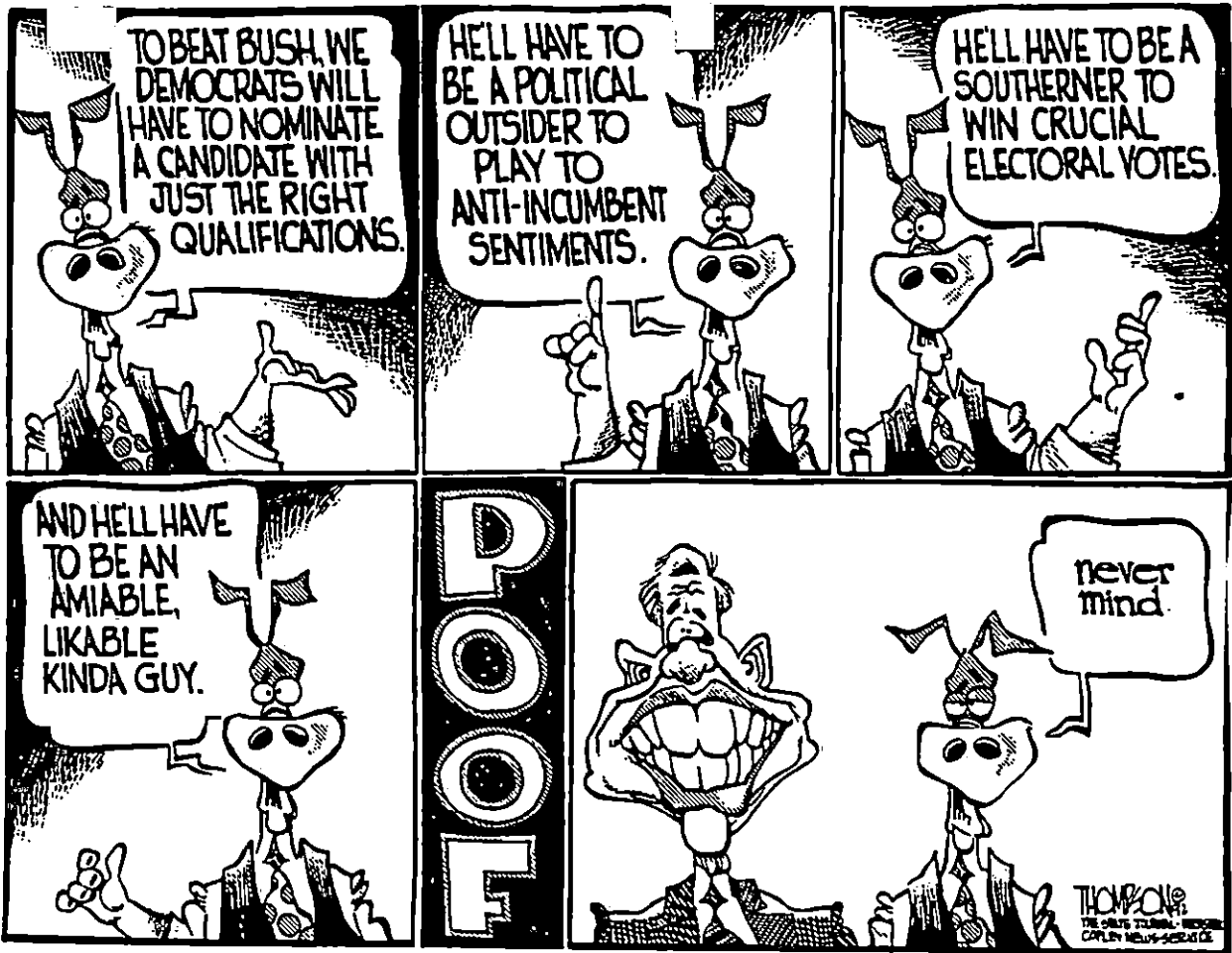


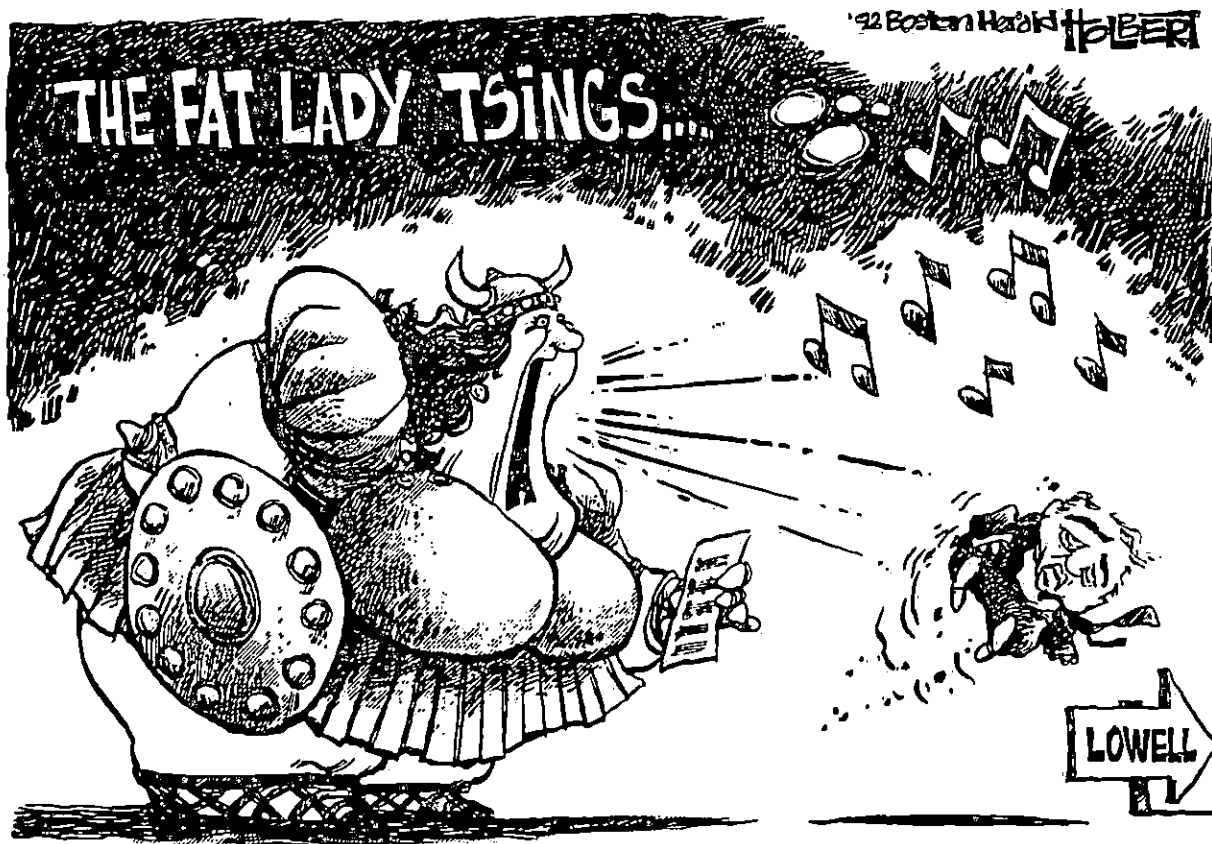
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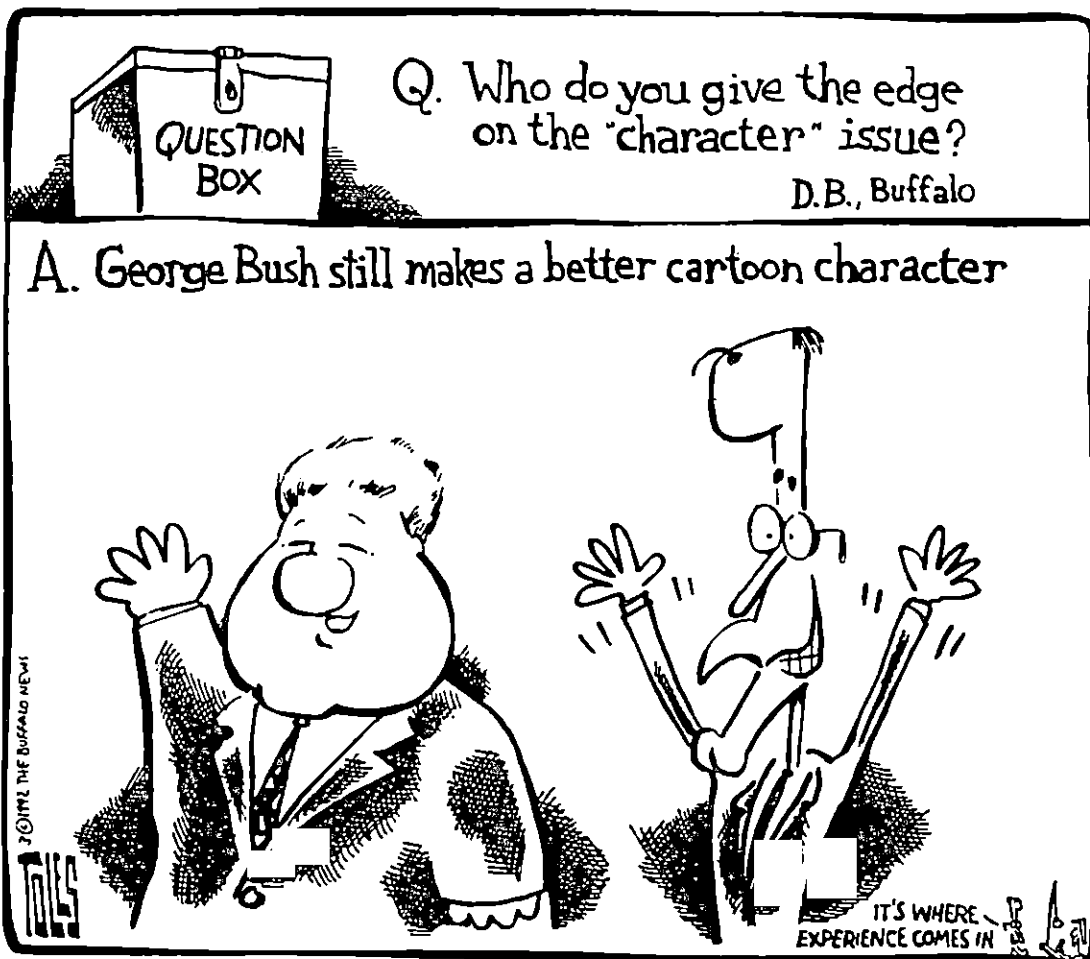
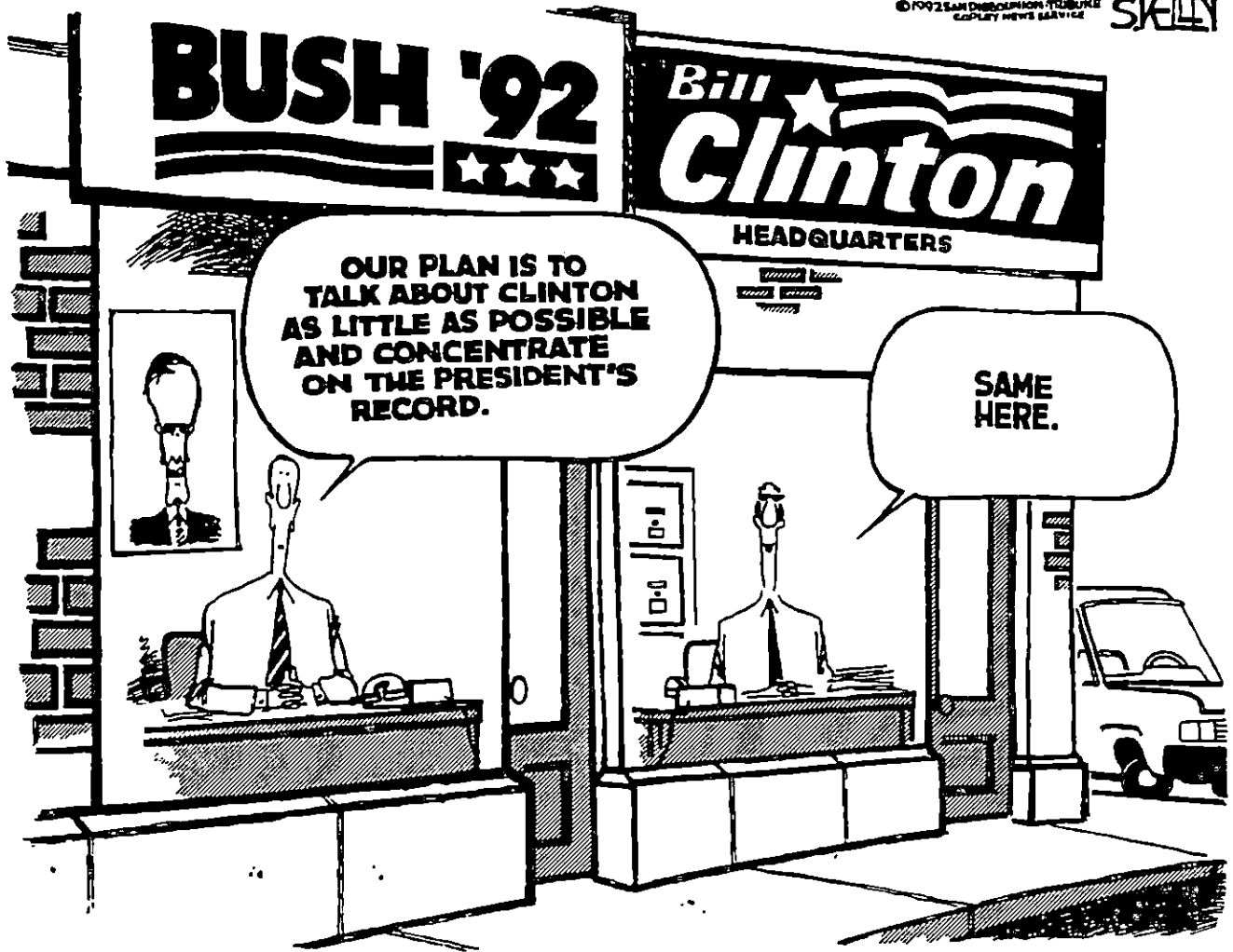


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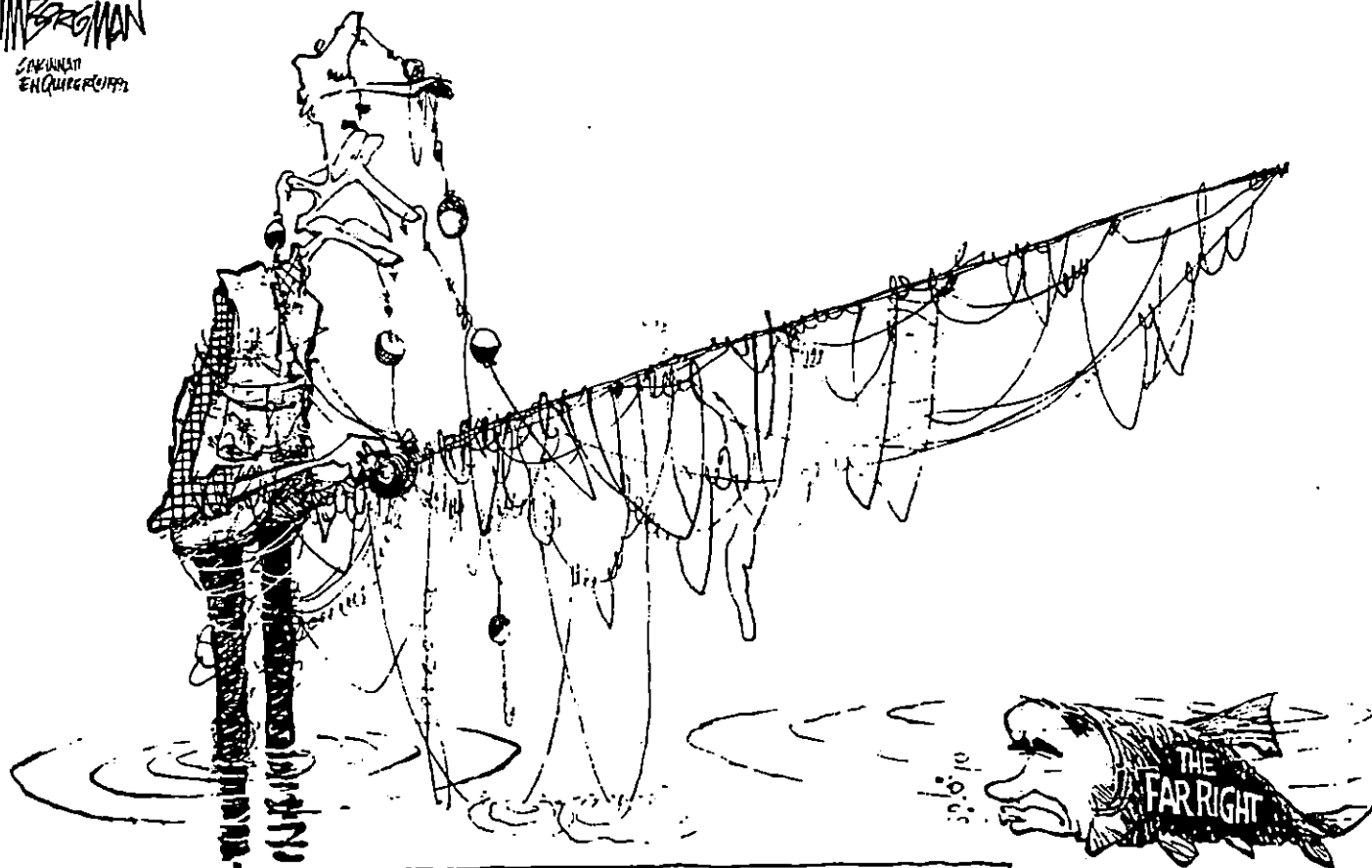




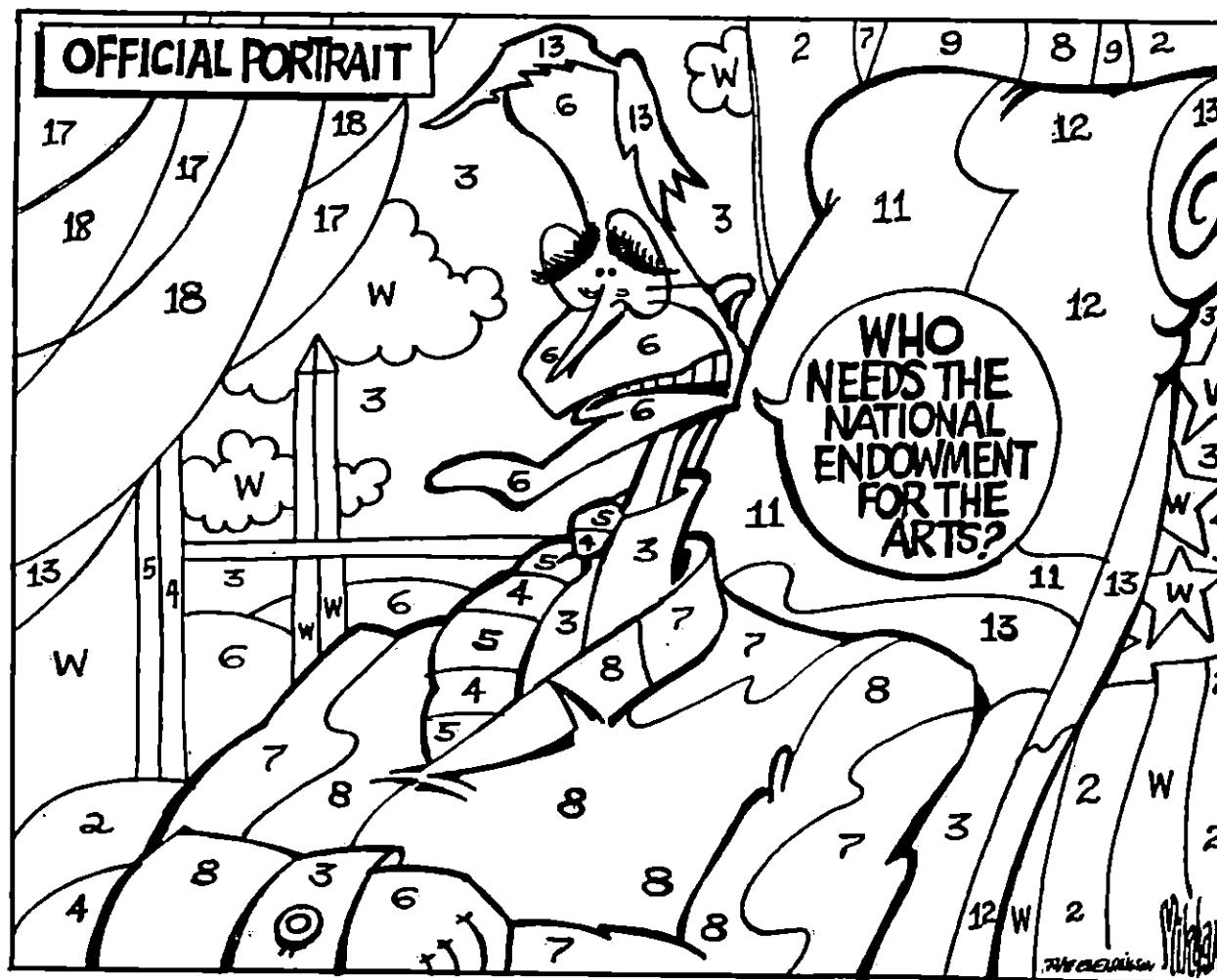
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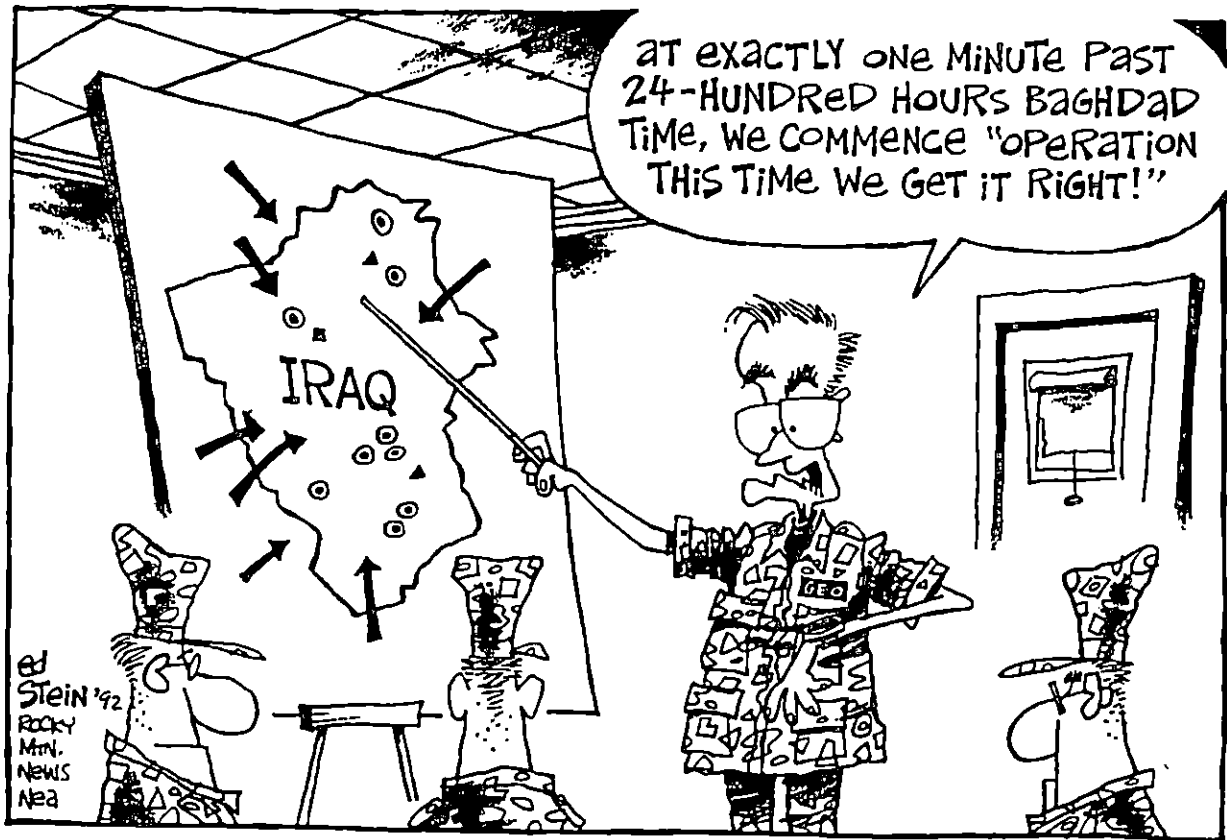
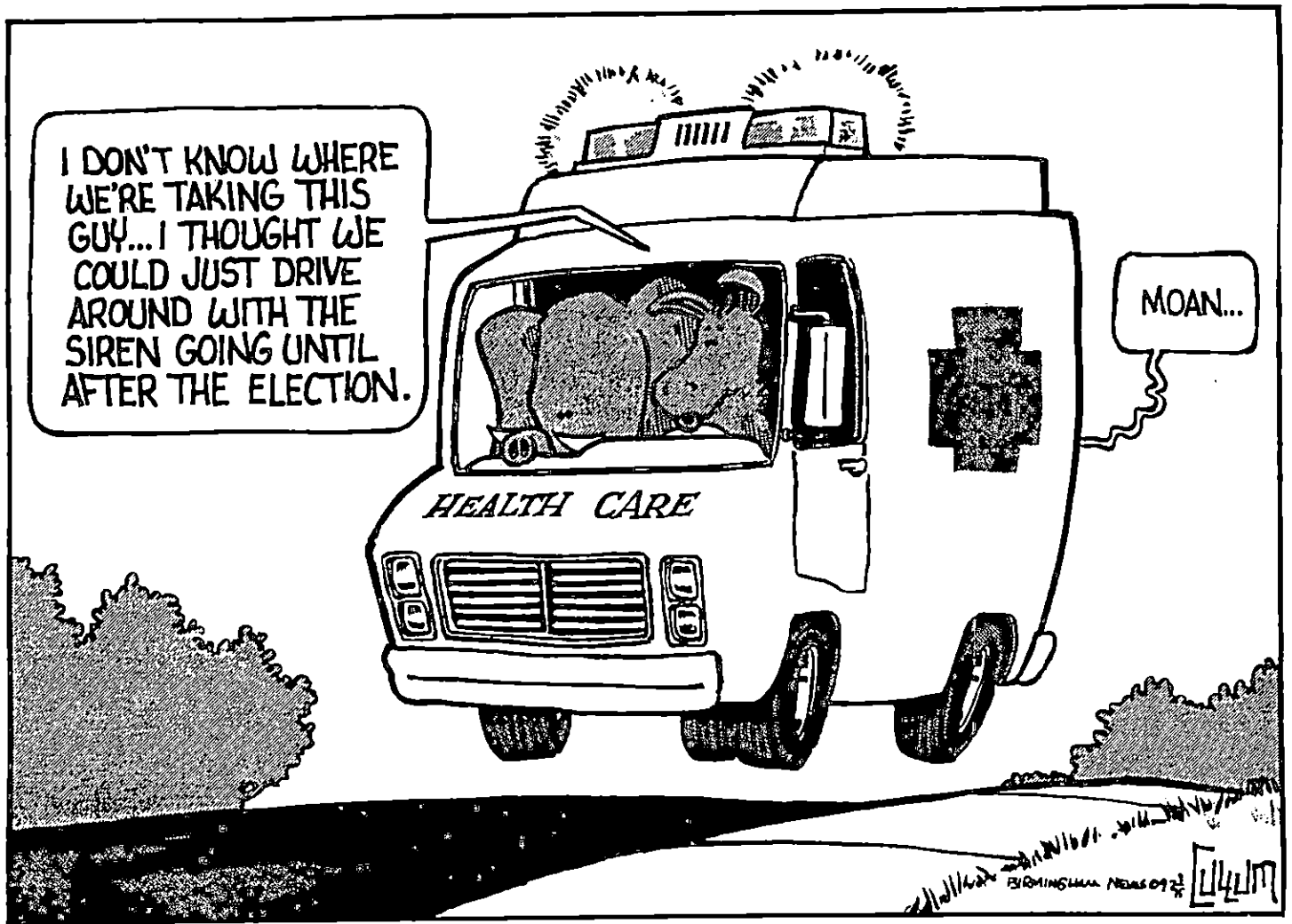


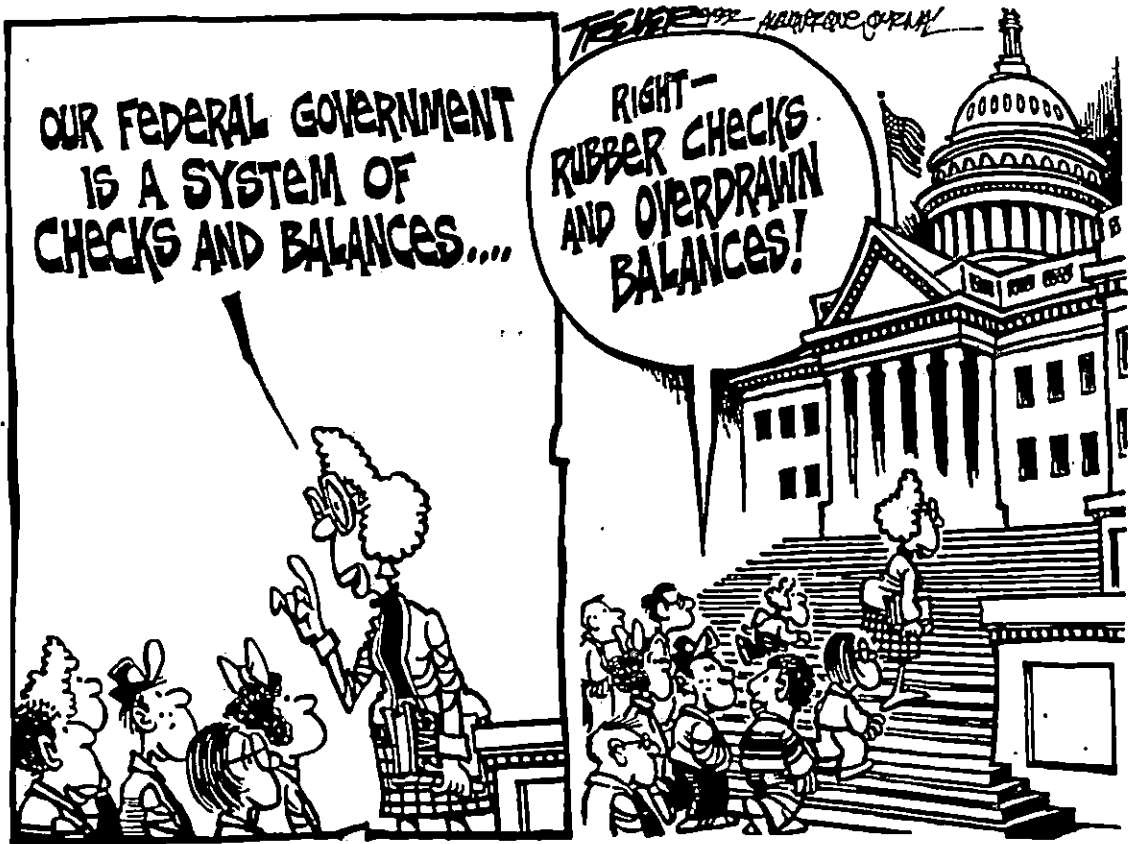
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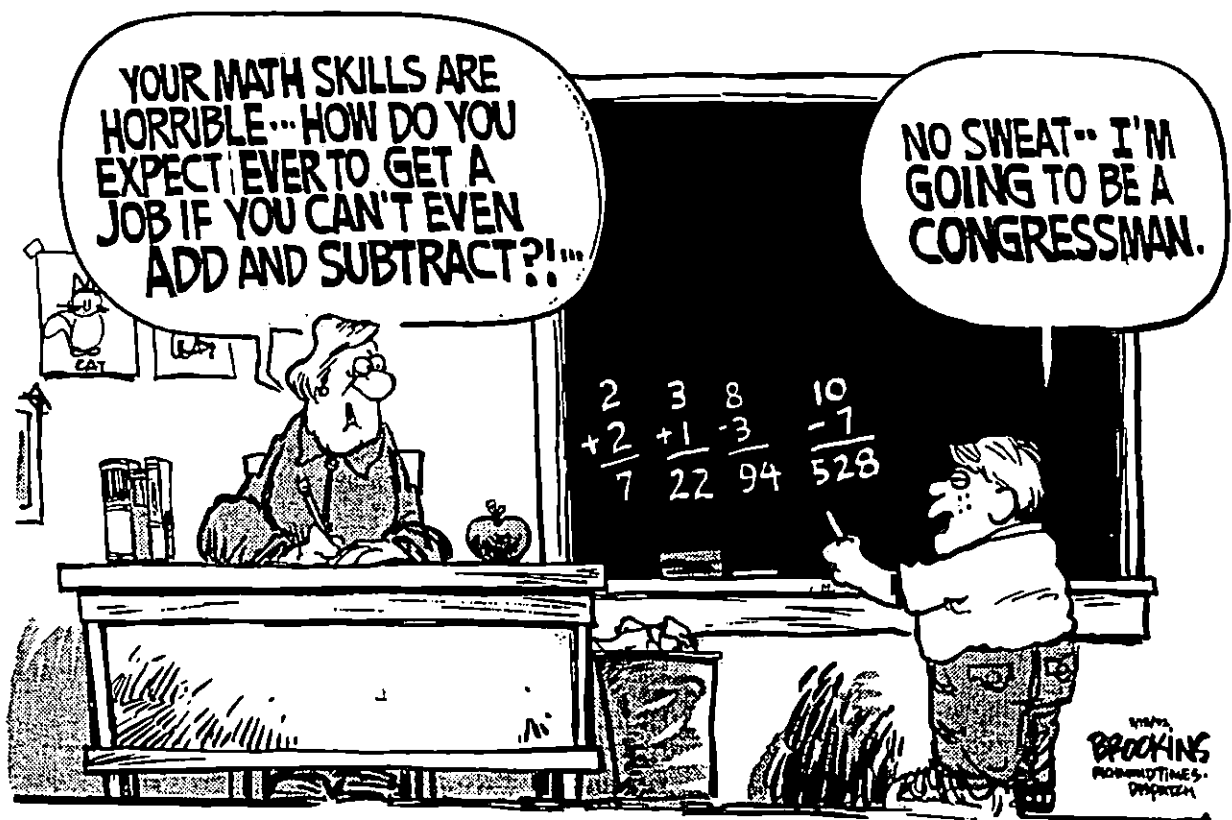


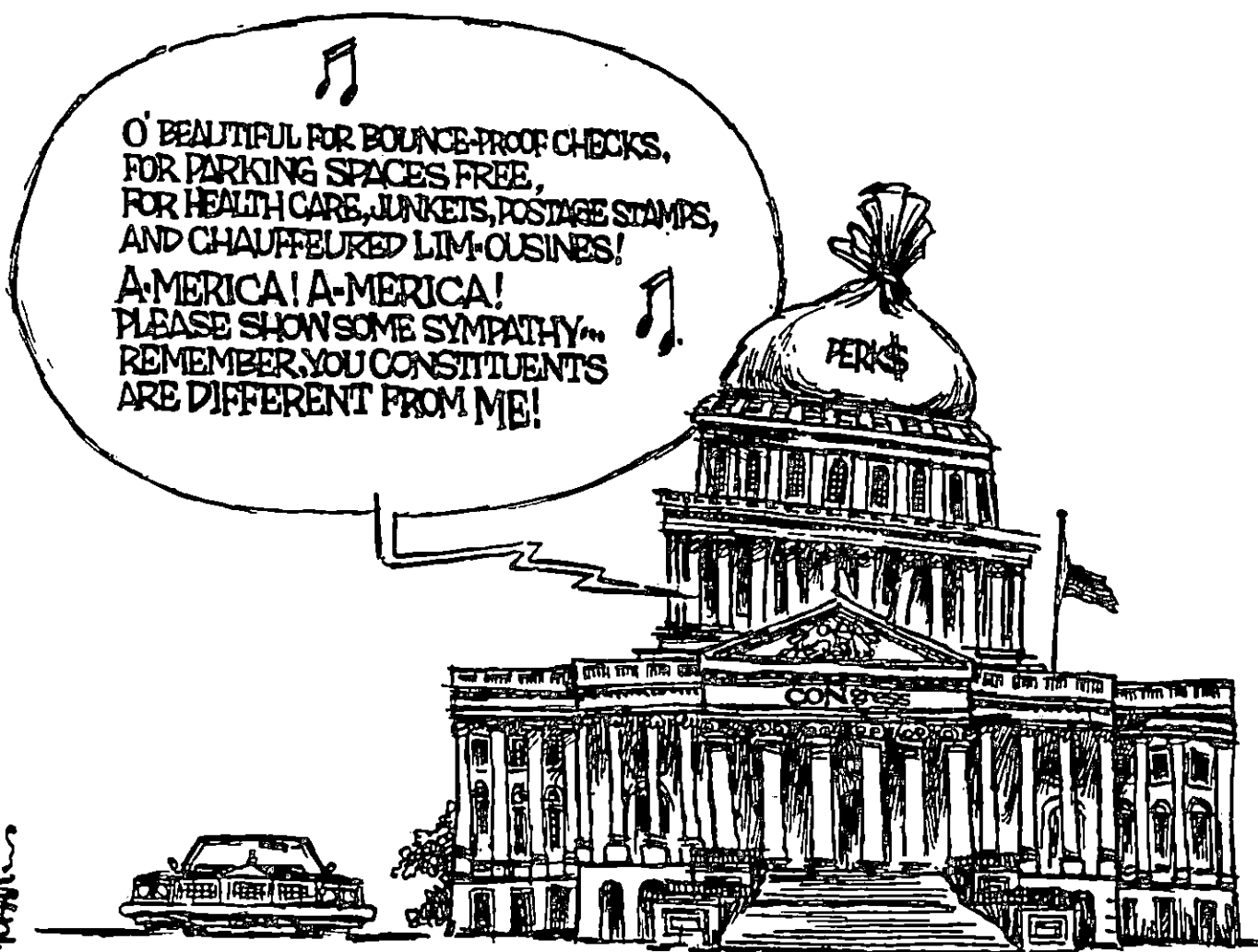


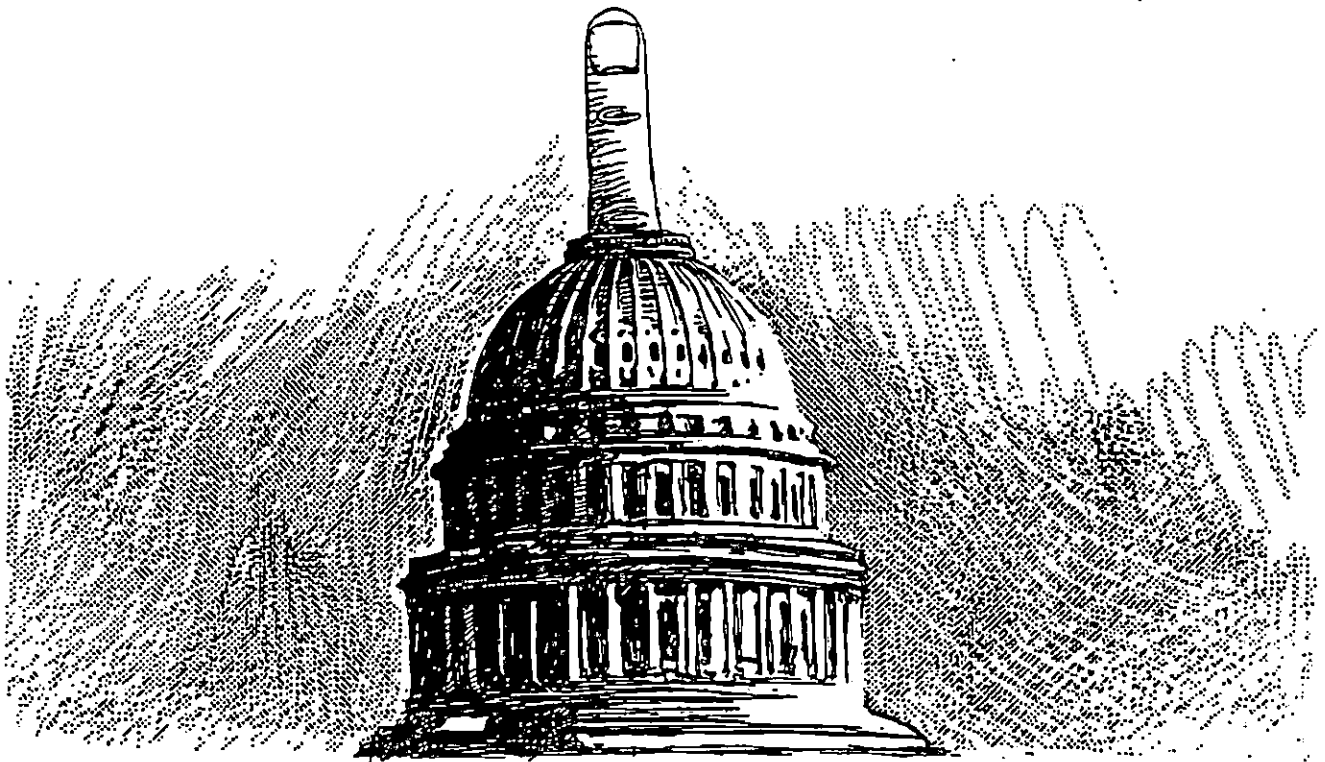
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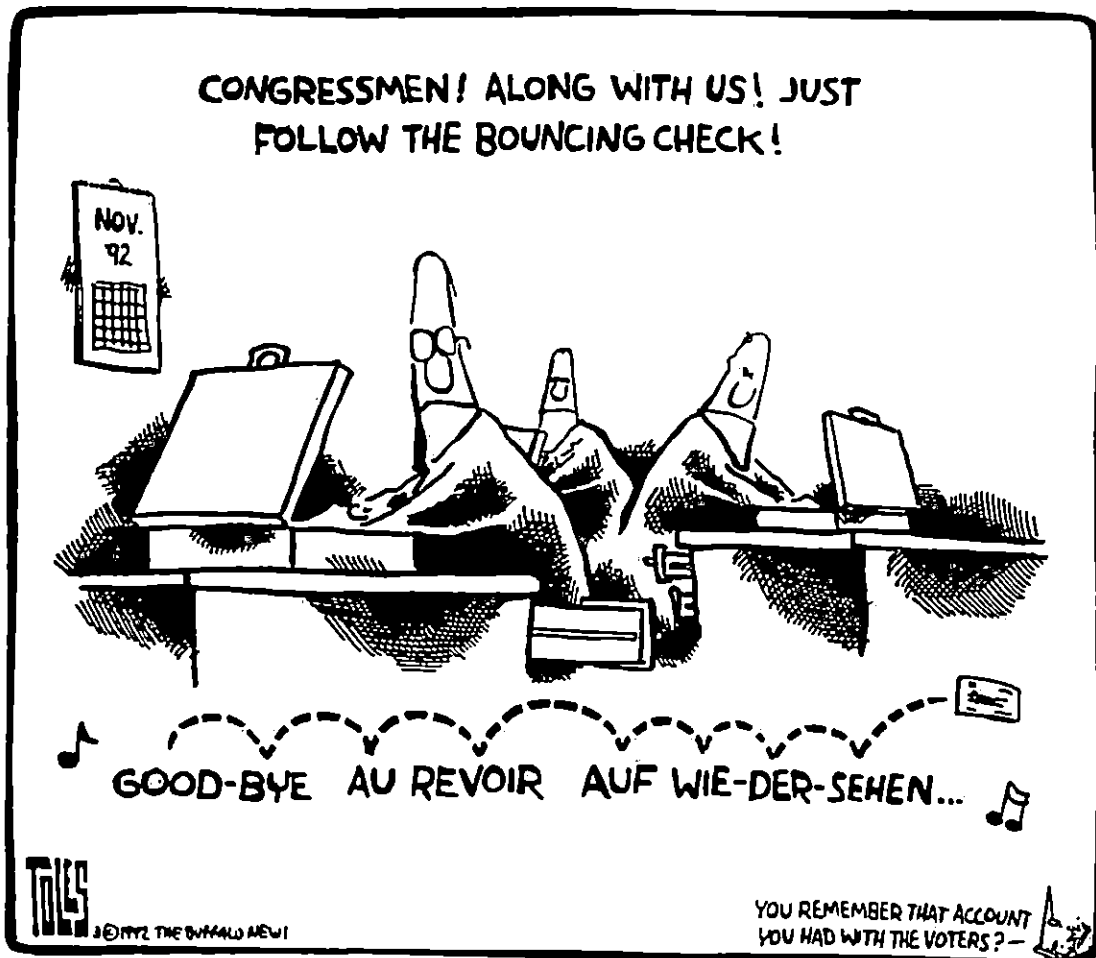


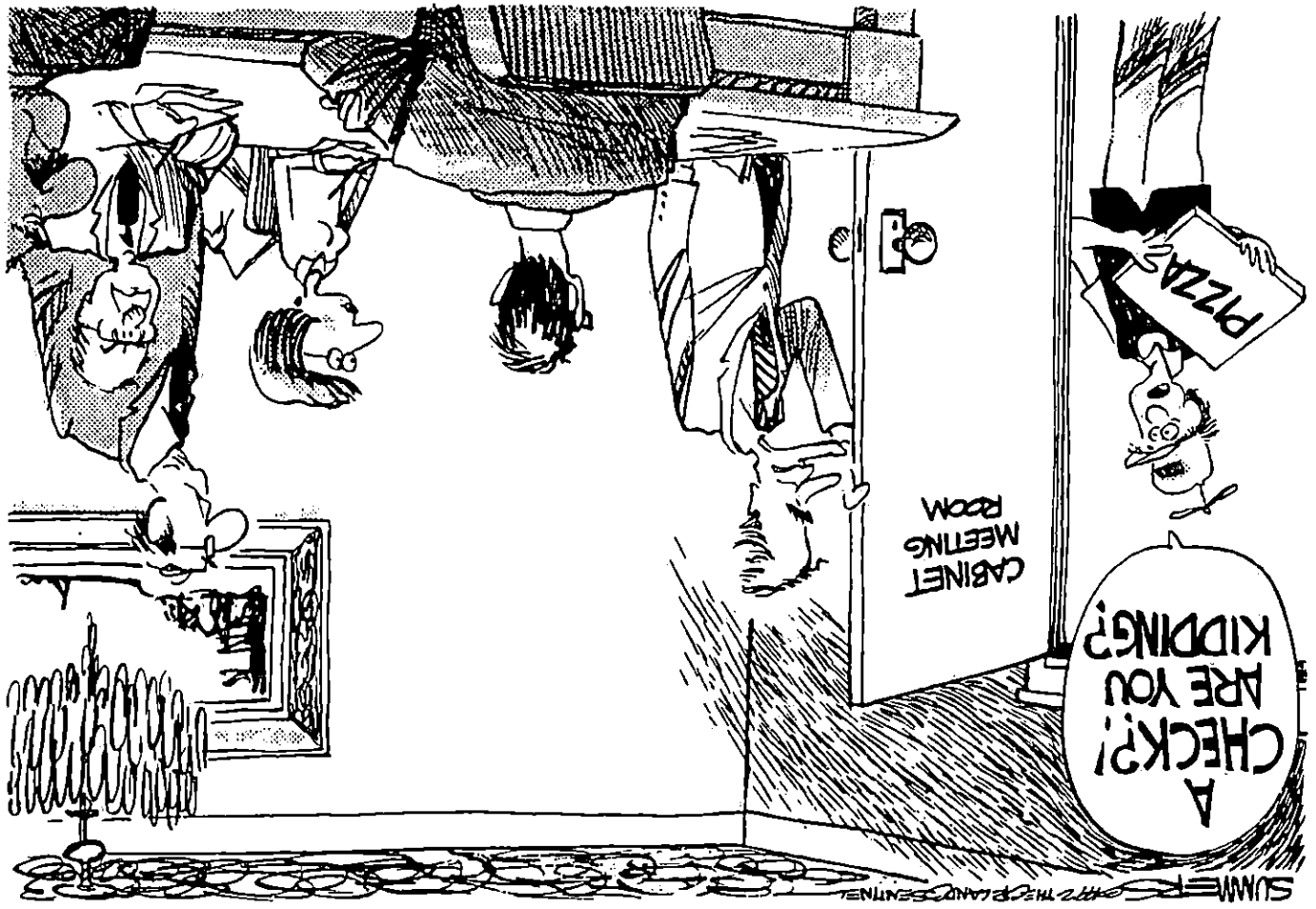
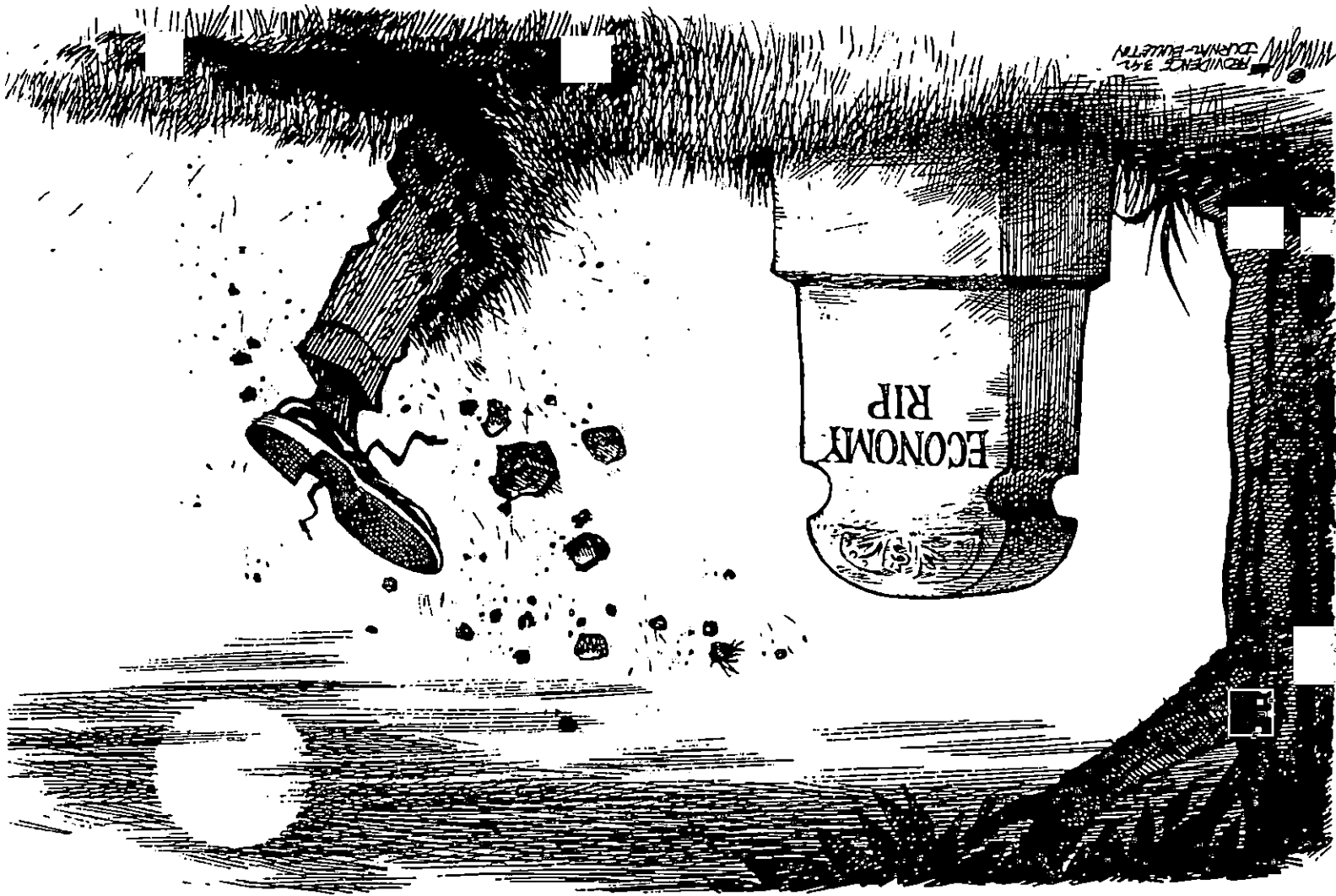


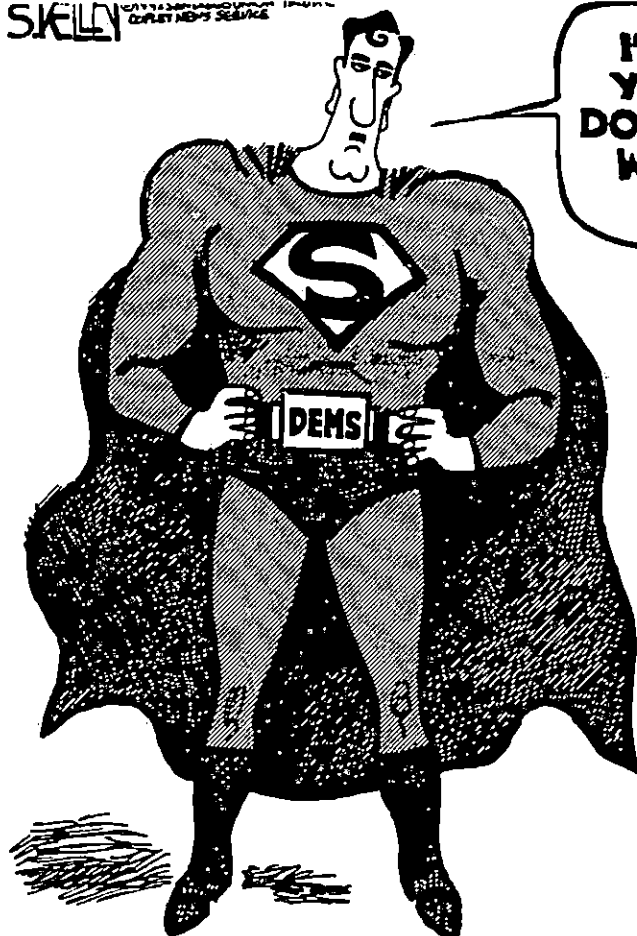




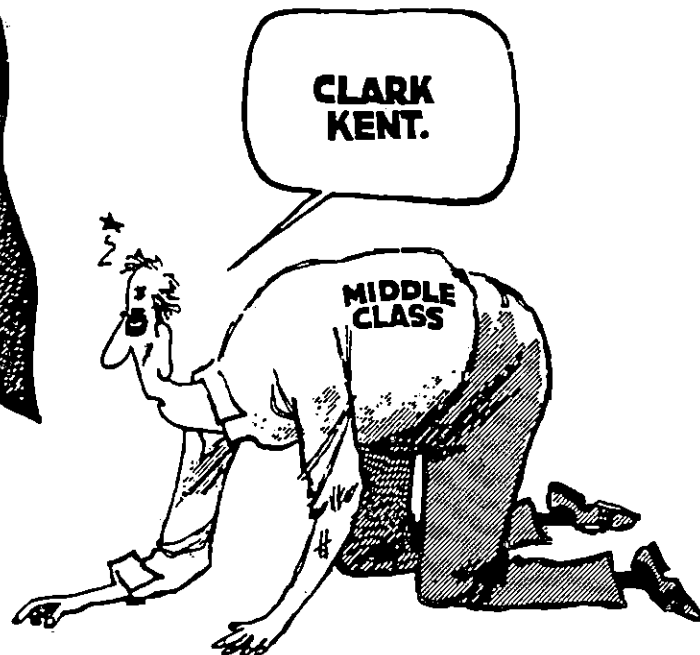
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I'VE COME TO
YOUR RESCUE.
DO YOU REMEMBER
WHO DID THIS
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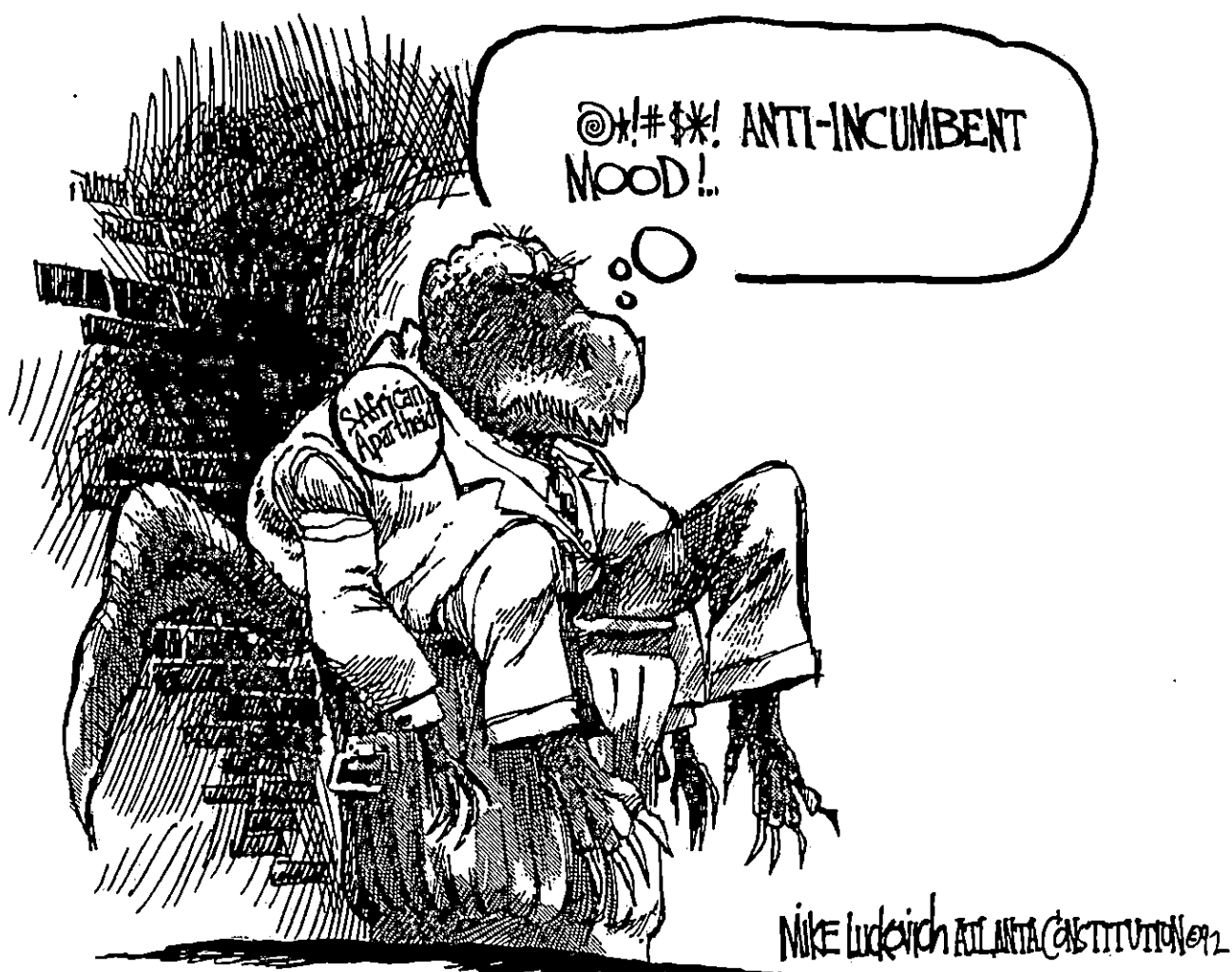
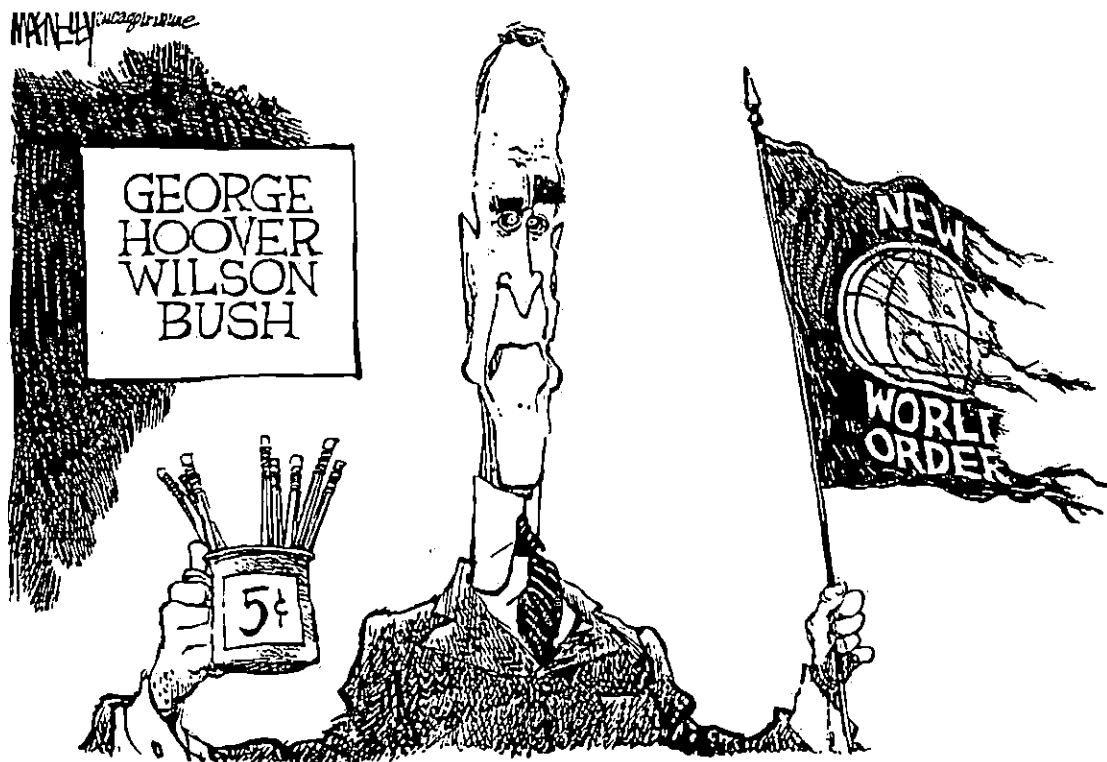
Growth of Islamic
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in Africa and the
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South Africa.

I know... let's
cut the Defense
budget 50% more!

Jerry Brown.

Danger spots.



QUITE SIMPLE, SOFIA-- THE AMERICANS
WON'T SEND US ANY MORE HELP
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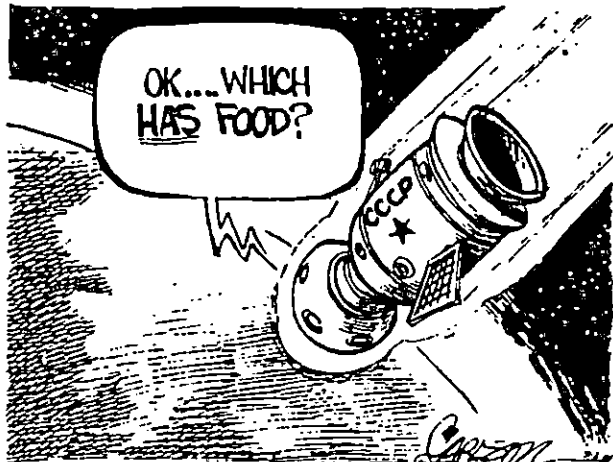
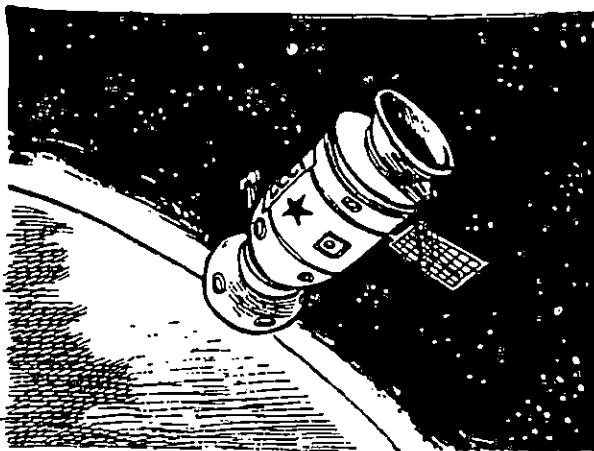
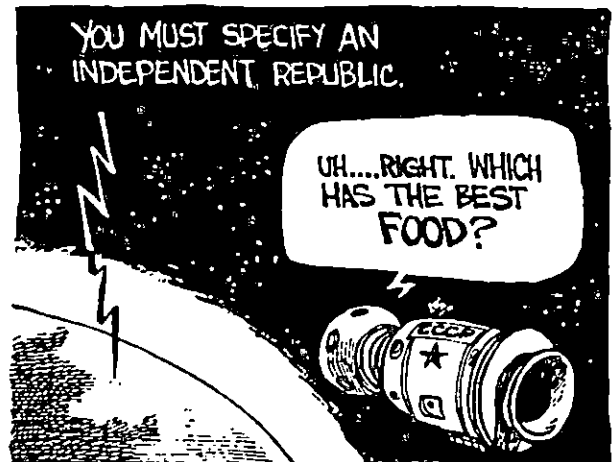
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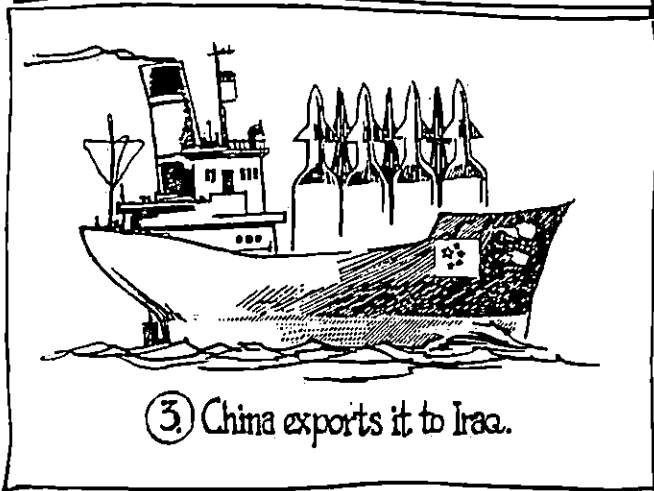
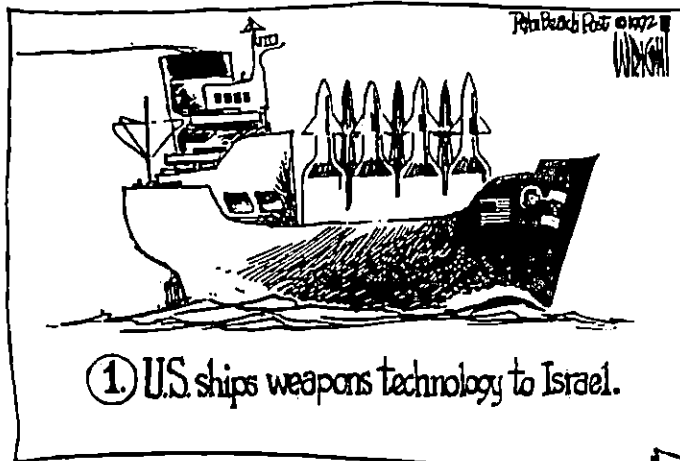
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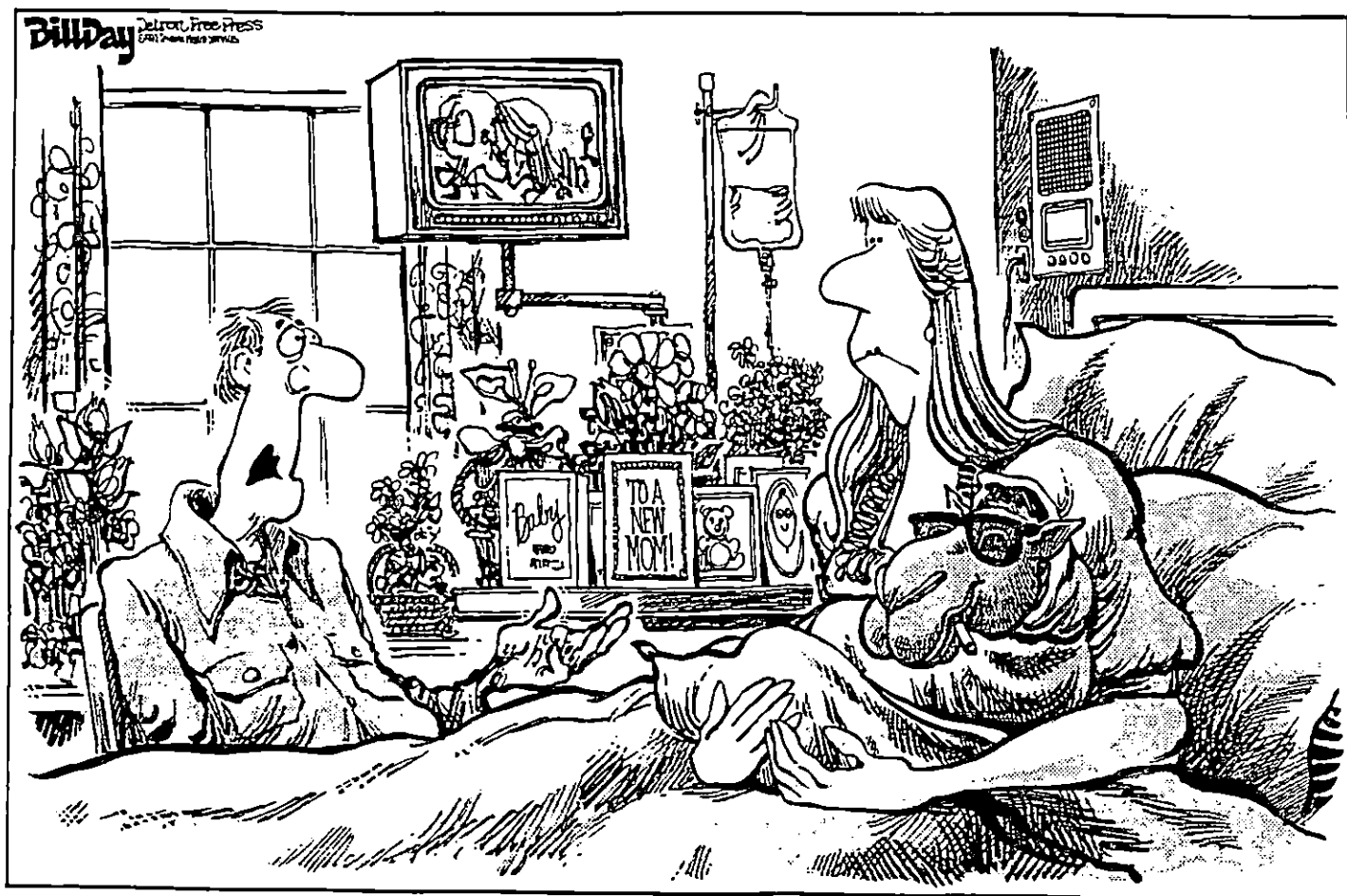
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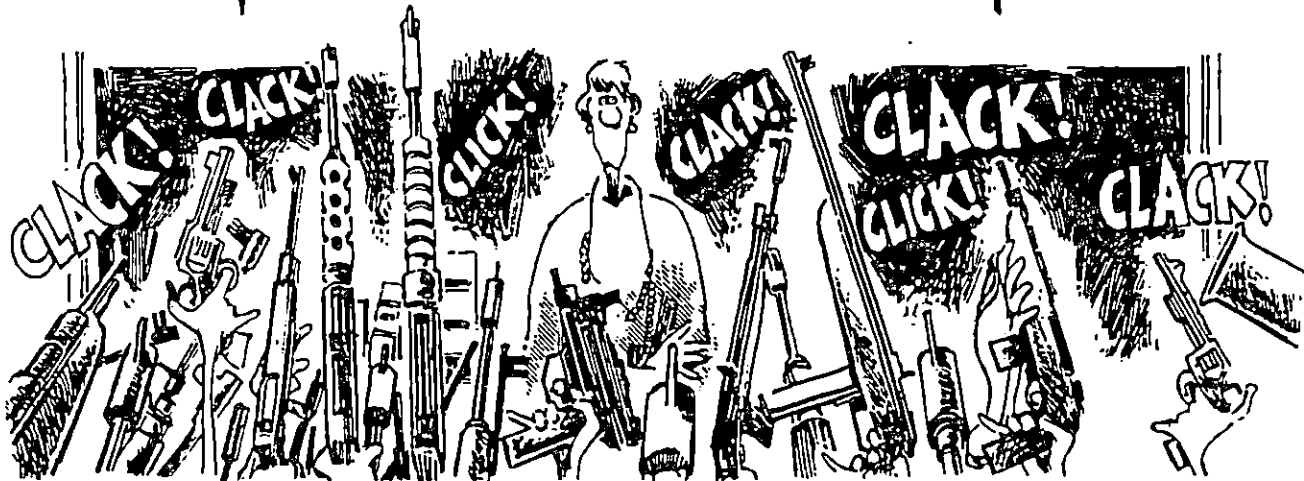
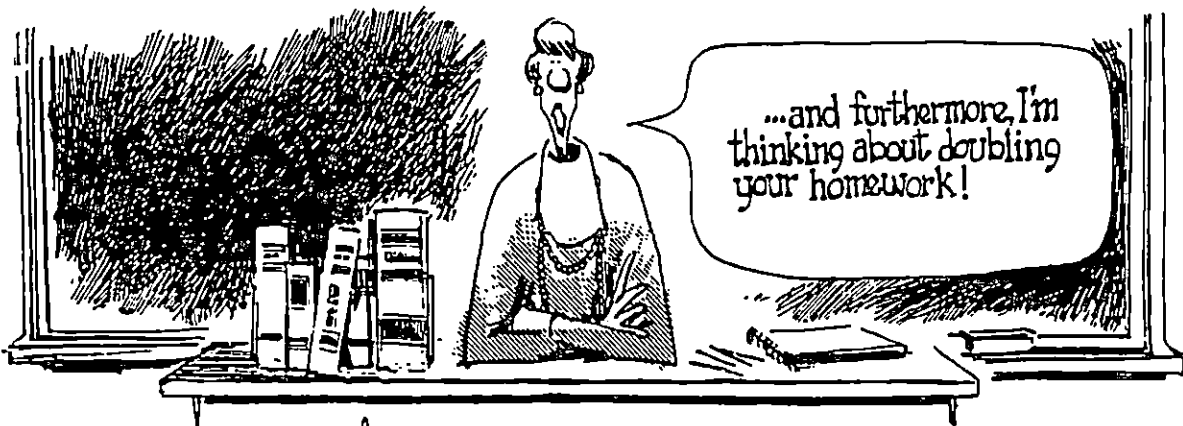
The More Things Change...

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EDMUND, I WARNED YOU ABOUT DRAWING IN CLASS. NOW PUT THAT GUN AWAY.

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We got a riot on
our hands! The
warden forgot to
put a mint on
Leona's pillow!...



MIKE LUCKOVICH ATLANTA
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POST-INTELLIGENCER
NORTH AMERICA SYNDICATE

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BEST PERFORMANCE IN A LIMITED ENGAGEMENT:
BOB KERREY & TOM HARKIN

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BEST PERFORMANCE BY A MAN COMING UNGLUED FROM FACING AN INSURGENT CHALLENGER: **GEORGE BUSH**

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LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR HIS ROLES INVOLVING WOMEN:
BROCK ADAMS

the Silence of the loans

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ROZZ IN THE HOOD

FOR SPECIAL EFFECTS THAT MAKE FRINGE DEMAGOGUES APPEAR ALMOST NORMAL: **DAVID DUKE**
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Time now for 1992's POLITICAL OSCARS...

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"THE OSCARS"

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Clinton exchange with AIDS
protester captures TV's eye,
along with new salvo from N.Y.
TIMES involving edits to draft
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cries foul, says law brought
accountability to legislature.

LOVE SHACK, BABY! "B-52's"
Brown benefit with NYC hipsters
gets big play; flat tax idea
gets no respect. Tabloid cover
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DELEGATE STALKING: Brown has
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movement on either Dem in fall.
Big Feinstein lead on Davis,
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gets tough foe in new CD.
Scheuer (D-NY) cleared.

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GOP leadership's larger
BOING total, NRCC unveiled
a 30" spot (over?) drawing
the picture: "Bounce the
Democrats." Dem print ad to
eye GOP cabinet bouncers.

WILL IT EVER STOP? More
on franking ... boondoggle
boinging abroad ... run on
goodies at Senate store as
ban on luxuries rumored ...
WSJ eyes back home debts of
DC bouncers: Alexander (D-
AR), Davis (R-MI), Coleman
(D-TX), Goodling (R-PA) ...
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===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"If I were dying of ambition I wouldn't have stood up here
and put up with all this crap I've put up with
for the last six months."

-- Bill Clinton to an AIDS activist, WWOR-TV, 3/26.

THE APN BULLETIN BOARD

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CORRECTION: The NH Senate story 3/25 incorrectly stated who knocked off Rep. Chuck Douglas (R-NH) in 1990. Yesterday's "Correction," in a slightly different manner, erred again. Rep. Dick Swett (D-02) did indeed defeat Douglas. Rep. Bill Zeliff (R-01), also a freshman, won an open seat in '90. Yesterday's "Correction" was meant more as a test to HOTLINE readers to see if anyone would catch it. Yeah. That's it. That's the ticket.

? ? ? ? OVERLOOKED ? ? ? ?

Is 1992 the Year of the Silent T?

Even when you lose one, you gain another.

It started with Tsongas. It may end with Perot.

(Idea inspired by -- who else? -- Paul Gigot, W.S. JOURNAL, 3/27)

*1 NEW YORK: CLINTON STRIKES UP CHORUS AGAINST FLAT TAX

Clinton went to Long Island to "step up his campaign barrage" against Brown and -- with the help of Sens. Tom Harkin and Pat Moynihan -- "tried to remove the 'slickness' label from his own campaign and slip it onto Brown's" (Clifford, N.Y. NEWSDAY, 3/27). Addressing a group at a Jewish senior center, Clinton referred to a speech made by Moynihan on the Senate floor where he denounced Brown's 13% flat tax as putting the "silver bullet through the heart of Social Security." Moynihan said, by eliminating the Social Security tax, the program "would change ... from a right earned by contributions into a politically vulnerable welfare program." Gov. Cuomo "declined to echo Moynihan's sharp attack on Brown's flat tax." While admitting he was opposed to it, he "brushed off the issue": "The flat tax is not going to pass" (Orin/Dicker, N.Y. POST, 3/27). NY Dem chair John Marino said he didn't think the flat tax would be a major issue in the 4/7 primary: "New Yorkers care about the overall improvement of the economy. They care about getting people back to work. They care about making the streets safe in our cities. They care about doing something to curb crime. ... Flat tax is a flat issue." Moynihan, whose statements did not amount to an endorsement of Clinton, had earlier backed Kerrey (Salant, NEWHOUSE/Syracuse POST-STANDARD, 3/27). Clinton tried to use the issue to "defuse" criticism that he is too "slick": "If anybody can pull this over the eyes of the voters of New York, they'll be the slickest politicians to ever come along in the history of American politics" (Ifill, N.Y. TIMES, 3/27).

ISRAEL: On L.I., Clinton said "that he supported Israel's request for \$10 billion in housing loan guarantees, but did not mention his previous stated position that Israeli West bank settlements are an 'obstacle' to the peace process. Saying that no two countries should agree '100 percent of the time,'" Clinton criticized Bush for "only badgering Israel" (NEWSDAY, 3/27).

HARKIN & FRIENDS: As expected, he endorsed Clinton and accompanied him as on Long Island (mult., 3/27). Harkin: "I don't see eye to eye with Bill on every issue, but I don't see eye to eye with my wife Ruth on everything either ... The differences between Bill and I are minuscule compared to our differences with George Bush, and that's what's important" (Harkin release, 3/26). Prior to his trip to NY with Clinton, and standing before a group of journalists denying reports he wants Clinton to consider him as VP, Harkin heard a voice call down the hallway, "Mr. Vice President." Seeing Bob Kerrey, Harkin yelled back, "It's you." Kerrey's response: "Oh no, no." Noting Kerrey's "deep tan," Harkin told him he looked "tanned, rested and ready." Kerrey, without breaking stride: "Me and Nixon" (DES MOINES REGISTER, 3/26). Brown said he urged Harkin to hold off an the endorsement, but was refused: "I like Tom, and I respect him, but I have to say in this instance that he's just incorrect. Mr. Clinton is not the strongest candidate" (NEWSDAY, 3/27). Harkin "said he would try to get his labor friends to back Clinton." Soon after, CWA pres. Morton Bahr endorsed Clinton. CWA VP/NY Dist. pres. Jan Pierce is supporting Brown. A CWA spokesman "said Bahr was making a personal endorsement that is not binding on CWA locals" (Evans/Ross, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 3/27). Evans & Novak note in past campaigns, "Pierce has helped Davids conquer Goliaths" -- Cuomo over Ed Koch for

Gov. in '82 and Mark Green over multimillionaire John Dyson for Senate in '86 (N.Y. POST, 3/27). Clinton was also endorsed by the Int'l Ladies' Garment Workers Union and Rep. Matthew McHugh (NEWHOUSE/Syracuse POST-STANDARD, 3/27). BOSTON PHOENIX's Margaret Doris reports Cuomo, "who despises Clinton," had "a hand in galvanizing" support of NYC unions for Brown (3/27). NBC's Andrea Mitchell: "The good news was an endorsement from [Harkin]. But even Harkin says he can't promise to deliver many labor unions who still don't trust Clinton" (3/26).

NEEDLING EXCHANGE: An exchange between Clinton and an ACT-UP activist made most late-night news shows. Clinton became "obviously angry" when the heckler accused him of "dying of ambition" (L.A. TIMES, 3/27). Clinton: "If I were dying of ambition I wouldn't have stood up here and put up with all this crap I've put up with for the last six months. I'm trying to change this country. And let me tell you something else. [Clinton takes microphone off stand and jabs his finger at ACT-UP member] Let me tell you something else. You do not have the right to treat me or any human being with no respect because of what you're worried about. I did not cause it, I'm trying to do something about it. I have treated you and all of the people who have interrupted my rallies with a hell of a lot more respect than you've treated me and it's time you started thinking about that" (WWOR-TV, 3/26). Clinton said he "would support the recommendations of the President's Commission on AIDS, and would appoint an official to oversee the government's response to the epidemic" (L.A. TIMES, 3/27). USA TODAY header: "'Cool' candidate Clinton blows his top at heckler" (3/27). All three morning nets reported the exchange. NBC's Ann Curry: "Clinton has taken off his kid-gloves. Last night ... [he] let loose with an angry lecture" (3/27).

FLAT TAX SOCIETY: N.Y. NEWSDAY's Greg Steinmetz writes, "Bottom line: Most taxpayers would see their federal income taxes fall substantially. But poor people would lose their exemption from income taxes and consumer prices would soar" because of the 13% VAT tax on business. Brown calls the plan "conceptual" -- a "starting point for debate" (3/27). Evans & Novak write Brown is likely to make "modifications." CWA's Jan Pierce, who backs Brown: "He is moving from a 'flat' tax to a 'fair' tax" (N.Y. POST, 3/27). N.Y. TIMES editorial, while backing the basic theory, bemoans Brown's additions: The VAT tax and eliminating the low income exemption (3/27). N.Y. DAILY NEWS' Lars-Erik Nelson decries the flat tax as no better than Reagan's trickle-down theories, adding those who run for president "are supposed to have workable solutions. Brown hasn't had the time to think up solutions; all he's got is the righteous anger. It makes for nice sound bites. It solves nothing" (3/27). N.Y. POST's Ray Kerrison: "I'm no tax expert, but I can count. If the rich are paying 33 percent in taxes today and Brown's plan lets them slip in at 13 percent, then it's not only unfair but unjust" (3/27).

HISPANICS: Hispanic leg. leaders have told the Clinton campaign "no gracias" to their offer to have Hillary Clinton stand in for the Gov. at the annual Somos El Futuro conference in Albany this weekend. Clinton had cancelled, after accepting an invitation to keynote. Clinton NY dir. Harold Ickes said Clinton "might still show up" (N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 3/27).

IN THE TRAP: N.Y. DAILY NEWS' Earl Caldwell criticizes Clinton for golfing at a segregated club in Little Rock and urges Clinton to attend a debate at Harlem's Apollo Theater -- "if for no other reason than because he has some explaining to do"

(3/27). **NEWSDAY's** Martin Schram ponders the press' reaction had it been Quayle golfing at the Country Club of Little Rock (3/26).

GOVERNOR LOVESHACK? Brown attended a 3/25 \$20/person fund-raiser at the Ritz in Manhattan featuring The B-52s and actress Kim Basinger. During "Loveshack," B-52s singer Fred Schneider turned to Basinger and asked, "How about the lady, who are you voting for?" Basinger: "Oooooooh, Jerry" (USA TODAY, 3/27).

TABLOID WATCH: Mike Tyson's sentencing graced the covers of N.Y. DAILY NEWS, N.Y. **NEWSDAY** and the N.Y. POST (3/27). N.Y. TIMES' Elizabeth Kolbert writes Clinton has the "most to fear" from the NYC media. N.Y. POST editor Jerry Nachman said he believed Clinton had received favorable coverage earlier, and suggested the POST "was prepared to redress this imbalance" (3/27). Yesterday's **HOTLINE** misidentified the paper which carried the headline, "BROWN BAGS IT." It was the DAILY NEWS.

FORGOTTEN ISSUES: NYC Mayor David Dinkins was credited for playing "smart politics," by raising urban issues with by inviting Clinton and Brown to Gracie Mansion for a forum with several mayors, and possibly Jesse Jackson (Siegel, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 3/27). DAILY NEWS' Arthur Browne calls it "outrageous" Dinkins had to call for their answers to urban problems (3/27).

GREEK WEEK? Tsongas, whose name is still on the NY ballot, will be in NY "at least three times" before the primary. Tsongas comm. dir. Peggy Connolly said these were "long-scheduled commitments" and they did not mean Tsongas "planned to take any active part in an effort to win votes." Tsongas will be grand marshall of the Greek Independence Day parade 3/29 in Manhattan. Tsongas NY chair Jim Armenakis said last week he felt "bound" by Tsongas' withdrawal "not to carry on a shadow campaign," but since CT, is "trying to draft him back into the race." Connolly, asked whether Tsongas would re-enter if he "actually prevailed" in NY: "That's a question that would have to be taken very seriously." She added odds of that were "extremely remote" (Verhovek, N.Y. TIMES, 3/27). Ex-NYC mayor Ed Koch urges NYers to vote for Tsongas as a vote for "none of the above" (N.Y. POST, 3/27). Koch also advocated the idea on CNN as a way to open the convention for Bentsen, Gore, Nunn, Bradley or Gephardt." No mention of Cuomo (3/26). Under "Deze, Dems and Doze Primary," N.Y. DAILY NEWS' Lombardi reports "widespread disinterest -- if not outright dislike" for Brown and Clinton among NY's major voting blocs (3/27). Tsongas: "The message has to survive in some way. I'm out of the race. ... The message is more important to me [than the campaign]" ("Today," NBC, 3/27).

***2 VERMONT: CAN BROWN PULL A CT REPEAT?**

"Famous for it's support of the unconventional," VT "may be fertile ground" for Brown. Though Clinton "holds a host" of endorsements from top VT officials, including Gov. Howard Dean, House Speaker Ralph Wright and ex-Gov. Madeline Kunin, Brown is hoping to mine [VT's] strong vein of protest," by tapping supporters of Jackson '88 and enlist backers of Rep. Bernie Sanders (I). Brown VT coordinator Ken Dean: "We have a lot of Bernie's people working for us." Sanders is yet to back a candidate (Graff, AP/RUTLAND DAILY HERALD, 3/26). Support "surged" for Brown after CT which "intensified the stakes" for his VT showing -- the momentum from a VT win "could be critical" in NY (Scagliotti, Burlington FREE PRESS, 3/26). Though Clinton has basically written off VT, Clinton deputy manager George Stephanopoulos said, "We're not going to worry" about smaller caucus states (AP/RUTLAND DAILY HERALD, 3/26). Clinton VT

coordinator Craig Fuller "said he does not think [VT] voters will rely" on CT: "I've never seen [VT] influenced by" CT, NH or "anyplace else." But VT Dem dir. Jennifer Wallace-Brodeur said the caucus results "will be determined" by the better organized campaign: "Brown voters will be highly motivated. I'm not seeing that kind of surge for Clinton" (FREE PRESS, 3/26). Brown cancelled "several appearances" in VT 3/26 due to "exhaustion." Brown VT dir. Dean: "He's very, very tired. Jerry hasn't been eating. He hasn't been sleeping. He's losing his voice. He has to rest" (Yoachim/Roberts, S.F. CHRONICLE, 3/27).

TSONGAS PRESENCE: VT Tcitizens to Draft Tsongas dir. Andrea McAuslan said Tsongas' 20% in CT was "proof that Tsongas' message was still important and still striking a nerve": "We're hoping to get the word out that people should still go to the caucuses and vote for Tsongas" (Smallheer, RUTLAND DAILY HERALD, 3/26).

*3 OTHER UPCOMING STATES: KS, MN, WI, PA, CA

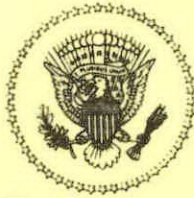
KANSAS (4/7): Brown's CT victory "may have given new life" to the KS primary. Both Clinton KS chair Ruth Schrum and Kansans for Brown rep. Kristee Harkless both hope to get their candidates to KS (Scott, MANHATTAN MERCURY, 3/25). Hillary Clinton is scheduled to visit Topeka today, while Brown supporters were hoping to counter with Brown's sister, CA Treas. Kathleen Brown. House Speaker Marvin Barkis, who had supported Tsongas, invited all major candidates to address the KS House. KS Assn of Public Employees lobbyist/Brown backer Tess Banion said she hoped Brown would visit somewhere between 4/1-4 (Myers, Topeka CAPITAL JOURNAL, 3/26). Hillary Clinton is expected to address members of the KS Legis. (K.C. STAR, 3/26).

MINNESOTA (4/7): Brown will meet today with union leaders in St. Paul, visit Prairie Island to discuss nuclear waste with Sioux community leaders and participate with Clinton in a televised town meeting debate at 8pm. Brown is scheduled to visit a homeless shelter, the Little Earth Community of United Tribes and some DFL district conventions on 3/28. Clinton is not scheduled to visit MN. His backers said they will spend their time "recruiting convention delegates, rather than pushing a turnout for the primary, because the DFL election will just be a 'beauty contest' that the party will ignore in picking national delegates" (Salisbury, ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS, 3/26). MN DFLers chose their delegates at the 3/3 caucuses. Clinton will participate in the TV debate, to be carried live on MN and WI public stations, via satellite from Indianapolis (Minneapolis STAR-TRIBUNE, 3/27). C-SPAN will carry a taped delay of the debate on 3/29 at 3:45p. STAR-TRIBUNE headline: "Brown's guerrillas plan local ambush." STAR-TRIB's Dane Smith reports increased activity on behalf of Brown's "guerrilla fighters." Clinton, however, did receive the endorsement of the 23,000-member MN AFSCME. Sen. Paul Wellstone (D), the state's highest-ranking elected Dem, whose efforts helped bring Harkin a victory in the 3/3 caucuses, "is being courted aggressively" by both candidates. While Brown MN dir. Craig Neal said Brown usually disdains the support of other politicians, he called Wellstone's endorsement "one we would savor." Wellstone "is holding back, however." He cites "reservations" about the progressivity of Brown's 13% flat tax proposal. As for Clinton, Wellstone said "he wanted to ensure" Clinton's rhetoric, which "has turned more populist, is truly in touch with a broad array of progressive and liberal priorities." Clinton "finally" received the backing of AG Skip Humphrey and St. Paul Mayor Jim Scheibel, both of whom

supported other candidates the first time around (3/26). STAR-TRIBUNE poll, taken before the CT primary and Tsongas' withdrawal, showed Clinton with 42%, Brown 23%, Tsongas 23%. For the GOP, Bush led Buchanan 85-11% (3/22). The MN IR will use the primary to choose its delegates. Buchanan will visit MN from 3/30-4/1, coinciding with a visit by First Lady Barbara Bush (STAR-TRIBUNE, 3/26).

WISCONSIN (4/7): Brown returned 3/26 "like the Eveready bunny ... running strong and churning out the same message": "I'm back in [WI] to give people a real choice." Speaking to "rank and file laborers and independent voters" Brown "lumped together all who weren't with him": "The opposition, by the way, is Bush and Clinton, together." Ex-Harkin supporter/Brown WI chair Ed Garvey on Harkin's Clinton endorsement: "I don't think it will make much difference." Unionists were "disappointed" with Harkin's endorsement and said they were "enthusiastically for Brown." UAW member Paul Konkol on Brown: "He's the only candidate ... talking about labor" (Mayerst, WISCONSIN STATE JOURNAL, 3/27). Relishing himself as the only "true outsider," Brown accused Harkin of "shelving the angry-man identity" he used during his aborted campaign and "closing ranks" with Clinton and "the Democratic Establishment." Brown was "undeterred" by Harkin's decision and "unfazed" by questions on his tax plan. Apprentice mechanic John Ostrom holding a "Flat Tax Fraud from the Man on the Moon" sign outside Brown's labor hall appearance: "Why should I pay the same rate as George Herbert Walker Bush?" Ex-Harkin supporter Ruth Ann Fennel: "The p

Presidential Phone Calls



DATE: 3-27-92

TIME: 9²⁹
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WITH: J.A.B.

SUBJECT: _____

1) Announce our package
on Wed., because Clinton
give for policy
speech Wednesday

2) we could announce
ours on Wed with
leaders -

FOLLOW UP: _____

authorization bill
so no expenditures
but just ask for
IMF - only other
thing ask again
for what we're discussing
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Presidential Phone Calls



DATE: 3-27-92

TIME: 9:45

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WITH: Tester

SUBJECT: 1. work on ad agency - planned
2. make sure we do a say
locked in to econ problem &
country - when country ought
to go -

Buchanan camp -

go to Minnesota try to get
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: 3/27/92

TO: The President

FROM: ROSE ZAMARIA
Deputy Assistant to the President

Ron Kaufman reported back. He has talked with the folks in New Jersey re Chris Smith. Has gotten them to agree to hold off doing anything until he meets (RON) with them Monday morning in New Jersey.

Ron said they were about to take a vote, which was going against Smith. After talking with them, he feels we are making great progress -- although we're not home yet. He's talked with Smith who is most appreciative and asked that he thank you for what you've done.

RZ



3-27

Date

CB

Cong Reform Speech
"Disclosure"

my tax returns -
trip 3 - full detail

WAXMAN PLANS SUIT TO FORCE ADMINISTRATION CLEAN-AIR ACTION

Rep. Waxman is so frustrated with what he says is President Bush's "brazen disregard" toward new clean air requirements that he plans a private lawsuit in hopes of forcing the Administration to act.... "In more than 30 important areas, the Administration has ignored the legally binding mandates of the new law," said Waxman. "After publicly pledging support for this law, President Bush has worked closely with big polluters to undermine it."

Administration officials have acknowledged that many of the regulations required by the 1990 clean air law have yet to be issued, although Congress required them to be in place months ago.... Waxman and other critics have attributed many of the delays to attempts by the White House to make the rules friendlier to business interests.

Asked to respond to Waxman's decision to file a lawsuit, EPA spokesman David Cohen said, "We are presently involved in discussions within the Administration to produce solid, cost-effective rules and we expect to be issuing some very soon."

(Josef Hebert, AP)

**PRE-CANCEROUS SKIN GROWTHS REMOVED
FROM BUSH'S FACE DURING ROUTINE EXAM**

Physicians removed four small pre-cancerous skin growths from President Bush's face Thursday during a routine, four-hour physical examination at Bethesda Naval Medical Center, after which Bush's doctor declared his patient's health "perfect." Dr. Lee also told reporters that although there is elevated pressure on Bush's left-eye, there is no evidence that he has glaucoma.

(John Yang, Washington Post, A16)

Bush Rx: Time Off For Job Stress

President Bush's personal doctor, Dr. Burton Lee, said Thursday that the first patient is a picture of physical health who has ignored orders to take a three-week vacation from press and stress. "He agrees, but he probably won't do it because he has too much on his mind," said Lee. "I'm trying to protect him from the pressures, from the pressures of the job that I'm capable of protecting him from," he said.

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A1)

**HOUSE GOP LAUNCHES ADVERTISING
CAMPAIGN AGAINST DEMOCRATS ON CHECKS**

The campaign arm of the House Republicans announced Thursday a new television and radio advertising campaign that seeks to blame the check overdraft scandal at the House bank on the Democrats. The Democrats responded with newspaper ads calling the GOP members "hypocrites"... Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Chairman Rep. Fazio unveiled a Democratic newspaper ad featuring members of President Bush's Cabinet and leading House Republicans who overdrew their House bank accounts. Above their pictures is the word, "Hypocrites," and below them details of how many bad checks they wrote.

(AP)

'PEACE DIVIDEND' EFFORTS DEALT BLOW

Efforts to cash in on the "peace dividend" this year suffered a major setback Thursday night when the Senate refused to cut off debate on a bill to alter the budget agreement and allow the shifting of billions of dollars in defense savings to domestic programs. The Senate voted 50-48 to cut off a Republican procedural delay. The bill was pulled from the floor, and now Senate leaders will wait to see whether the House can muster sufficient support next week to pass the bill....

Sen. Nunn delivered a stinging criticism of the proposal, arguing that it would lead to an all-out assault on the defense budget while doing nothing to reduce the deficit or contain mandatory entitlement programs. If the bill were passed, Nunn warned, "The defense budget will become the equivalent of the House Bank, and I'm afraid it will not be for one year. It will be for a long time."

However, Sen. Sasser and other supporters warned that without the legislation, Congress will make deep cuts in domestic spending to stay within spending limits set by the budget agreement.... "Defenders of this military spending know it can't survive this world of reality unless you surround it with a fence," Sasser said. "...Sure, entitlements are going up, but make no mistake about it. Entitlements are a cover word for Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security."...

Rep. Panetta warned of bitter fights among appropriators unless additional funds are freed up for domestic program. "This will be a real go-to-the-barricades year for appropriators," he said.

(Eric Pianin, Washington Post, A4)

Senate Kills Bill Shifting Billions From Defense To Social

..."Defense will not survive," said Sen. Domenici. "It will get literally annihilated year after year as we grab-bag it for every program around."

(Alan Fram, AP)

PANEL FINDS BLEAK OUTLOOK FOR ADMINISTRATION ECONOMIC POLICY

The Congressional Joint Economic Committee, in its annual report, says the economic outlook for the short-term and long-term is bleak under present Administration policies. It calls for a strategy to pull the country out of the recession and improve long-term growth....

Sen. Sarbanes said, "There are signs that some sectors of the economy may be emerging from 20 months of recession, but still no convincing evidence that a sustainable recovery is under way. The Administration is projecting the weakest recovery on record and four more years in which the economy operates at far below its potential," he said. "This represents a very disturbing admission that their own policies offer little prospect for achieving strong, sustainable growth."

(Steve Gerstel, UPI)

Hope he
proved
wrong
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NATIONAL NEWS

WHITE HOUSE SEES TRIPS AS WAY TO REVIVE BUSH

The White House is counting on a series of foreign trips and diplomatic events in coming months to resurrect foreign policy as a campaign issue and reassert President Bush's primacy in world affairs before the fall election.

For Bush and his political advisers, the effort is in part an attempt to redirect the political debate as the White House veers between campaign themes in its search for an approach that will cure the President's political problems. It is also an exercise in repairing the damage from frittering away Bush's greatest political strength on a disastrous trip to Japan.

(Andrew Rosenthal, New York Times, A21)

RUMOR MILL:

Democratic National Committee chairman Ron Brown thinks that if Gov. Clinton has to face questions about adultery, so should President Bush.... The Los Angeles Times noted "rumors that Bush had an affair with a female staffer" -- unsubstantiated buzz that briefly became a 1988 campaign issue.... Bush campaign spokeswoman Torie Clarke's rejoinder: "We will put George and Barbara Bush's commitment to marriage, family and traditional family values up against anybody's."

(Gwen Flanders, USA Today, 4A)

TURNING OVER LITTLE ROCK TO DIP UP CLINTON'S PAST Press Has Not Published A Comparable Run Of Scandal-Tinted Stories About Bush

Over the last month, about 20 reporters from national news organizations have descended on Little Rock, putting Gov. Clinton's record under a journalistic microscope.... At no time during his presidency has President Bush been subjected to a comparable barrage of scandal-type stories, the kind that can alter forever how the public views a politician....

"There's a tremendous imbalance," said Jack Nelson, Washington bureau chief of the Los Angeles Times. "I don't see anybody digging over Bush's record, or talking about his arming of Saddam Hussein before the invasion. I don't think there's any question the press is beating up on Clinton day in and day out, and just about all those stories are recycled from Arkansas."

To be sure, Bush has been subjected to plenty of tough, critical reporting over the years.... But such stories tend to follow the ebb and flow of the news.... An incumbent president...is presumed to be a known quantity who has already survived his trial by media fire. The press tends to dismiss previous controversies, such as questions about Vice President Bush's role in the Iran-contra scandal, as "old news."

(Howard Kurtz, Washington Post, A16)



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Memo to
Kaufman to
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cc: to Rose Z.
3/27/92 Bth

To: Bob Teeter

Re: Bob Tyrrell of the American Spectator

Here is a conservative who wants to help. Vic Gold is very close to him. The attached letter, which I ask be treated in total confidence, explains that he feels I am out of touch a little and that he wants to help.

Please have someone good contact him, meet with him and try to get his ideas periodically. Vic can help, I know.

GB

enclosure: Tyrrell Letter of March 10.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Mr. R. Emmett Tyrrell, Jr.
 Editor-in-Chief
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THE PRESIDENT

3-26-92

Dear Bob -

To close the loop on both
 our conversation at the Nixon
 dinner and your letter, faithfully
 delivered by our friend Vic —
~~my~~ many thanks for the
 letter -

We tried to sign you up
 for a Kennedy Center event
 but you're "outta here" on the
 day of the event.

I welcome your advice. I
 feel my record is a conservative
 record though, true, I'm not
 a Warm Request. As Bob

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Dictate

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Vic called the other day and mentioned your concern over my recent piece questioning your character. It was, perhaps, as painful to write as it was to read. As one of your earliest conservative supporters, I have gladly defended you, just as I defended President Reagan. Some of my readers and supporters have been displeased, but you both deserved support. Simon & Schuster is about to publish a book wherein I explain that support. In the 1980s you both developed a mode of leadership that has restored the prestige of the presidency. I shall send you a copy when the book comes out.

Yet something has failed recently. I was wrong to connect it with character, for no one in public life has higher character than you. Yet it seems to me that something is a bit off. Can we attribute it to the isolation that threatens every White House? As I wrote in an earlier column, you once mentioned to me over dinner your awareness of this danger and of the need for a President to keep his channels open to friends outside the White House. You said then that White House aides always try to isolate the President.

In all candor, Mr. President, I believe, as do many of your other supporters, that you have been ill-served by your aides in recent times. I have noted a reluctance among some of them to give Ronald Reagan the credit we all owe him. Not only do I question the justice of such a lapse, but I question its political acuity. For instance, in your well-timed Christmas Day address I expected you to mention the large role Ronald Reagan played in the historic events of the 1980s (for that would also suggest your role and our debt to you both). To cite another example of staff letting you down, your chief of staff Sam Skinner's recent interview with the Washington Times was unduly provocative when he implied that conservatives have no alternative but to vote for you in the fall. That, at least, was the way his remarks were generally interpreted; and

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if he did not mean to say that, then it is he, rather than you, who has the "communications" problem which he continually refers to.

As you know, I am one of your earliest and staunchest conservative supporters. I have remained loyal for months as others bailed out. Conservatives have for two decades developed policies and personnel who have contributed to your success, and Mr. Skinner's remarks only add to the sense of being taken for granted. And now we have another irritant that is quite dangerous, Pat Buchanan. This is a crucial moment for us and the country.

It seems to me that your admission of error on the 1990 budget agreement is a promising beginning to a revived presidency. Candidly admitting error will play very well with the generosity of the American people. I hope this is a turning point.

On careful reflection, provoked by Vic's call to me, I retract and regret my careless use of the word "character" in referring to what I feel are recent shortcomings in the operation of the White House. Still, I do hope you will give some thought to this matter of isolation. You have many conservative friends and can continue to count me one. We may disagree on some details, but I know we share a broad conservative sense of the nation's needs, and we can always talk about areas of agreement and disagreement.

Yours faithfully,



R. Emmett Tyrrell, Jr.
Editor-in-Chief

RET:gw

P.S. One last note regarding Pat's candidacy: He does not represent the mainstream of conservative sentiment or opinion, regardless of claims made by his supporters. There will be an overwhelming number of conservatives in your corner this fall--including Bob Tyrrell--if only you get your campaign back on the track of 1988 and avail yourself of the ideas and efforts of conservatives who have supported you in the past.

March 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM VIC GOLD

As a follow-up to our phone conversation of a few evenings ago, I am sending along the Media Watch analysis of how the press is "Protecting Bill Clinton." He is the shrewdest Democrat since the Kennedys in "bonding" with the elitists of the Eastern liberal press, and while investigative reporters stay on his trail, the Bigfeet of the opinion-molding press are captivated by him. If you haven't already seen it, read Hendrick Hertzberg's amazing assessment of Clinton's standing with the traveling press, which I've outlined in red.

What do they see in him? It's obvious. He has the gift of cynical gab (in private) along with the High Vision "Let's get America Moving Again" rhetoric of the original Kennedy -- not to mention the magic he seems to work in getting the support of black leadership. The press sees him as a Baby Boomer, superficially bright (Rhodes Scholar, etc.) who goes out of his way to cultivate them. JFK would flatter the press by going one-on-one with them and asking their opinion of how his campaign was going, what he ought to be doing, etc. They love that sort of flattery, since they all think they're political geniuses. And to have a real-life candidate recognize their genius! Well, that's all it takes. Clinton is following the JFK pattern here.

Hertzberg, by the way, was a Carter speechwriter. It was his stunning inspiration to call the Carter program for America "The Beloved Community" -- an idea that died before it left the President's desk. Even Carter could spot a pompous loser, but Hertzberg is still in there trying. I would not be surprised if he had a hand in Clinton's "New Covenant" theme. It has the same phony quasi-religious sound as "The Beloved Community." Hertzberg has a genius for covering liberal pap with high rhetoric.

On the other hand, as the Post's front-page today reveals, the public is skeptical about Clinton's integrity. The "Slick Willy" tag stays with him, and I think that pushing integrity as your theme in speeches through the campaign should be a priority. You're trusted, he's not. People really don't know who has the answer to problems of the economy, health care, etc., but they know there's one thing they can control in casting their ballots: They can vote against someone they don't trust and for integrity in government.

Of course, the Democrats read the same papers we do, so I expect that they'll go to work -- since they can't solve their own candidate's integrity problem -- with attacking yours. You personally are invulnerable -- but they'll be trying to nail something on those around you. And in this respect, let me be candid: Perception is what matters in this area, and the mere fact that someone is doing something legal doesn't mean the public will necessarily see it as right. To the point -- and though you may not want to hear this, I think you should -- questions raised about the clientele of some of the Bush-Quayle campaign staffers are nagging. I have nothing personal against the people involved. Let them represent whom they will. But overseas tie-ins with foreign clients the public considers unsavory will be used by the opposition to take the heat off their own candidate's shortcomings. As I say, you may not want to hear this -- but the important thing is that you be re-elected, not that some campaign staffer is allowed to do business-as-usual in middle of the campaign.

Finally, let me sign off with a positive note: If there's anyone who has emerged in recent months with new respect around Washington, it's Dan Quayle. And I'm not speaking of the Woodward-Broder pieces, either. What's getting through to people --and I'm talking to smart political types -- is that the Vice President has sound judgment and good instincts on issues and tactics. Again, to be frank : I don't have to tell you that complaints about the operation of the campaign and the White House staff are grist-for-the-Washington mill. But people I talk to are increasingly impressed with Dan Quayle's performance as Vice President and his single-minded focus on whatever issue is at hand -- and this is especially true in terms of his political judgment and performance during the past few critical months.

A post-script: Forget Buchanan. He's history. And tell some of your campaign spokesmen to stop talking about Buchanan and start focussing on Clinton and the venal, incompetent Democratic Congress.

vic g.



Study

PROTECTING BILL CLINTON

Bill Clinton's popularity with the major media's political reporters is becoming legendary. In the March 9 *New Republic*, Senior Editor Hendrik Hertzberg wrote of the Clinton boomlet: "The group of people I'll call The Press — by which I mean several dozen political journalists of my acquaintance, many of whom the Buchanan Administration may someday round up on suspicion of having Democratic or even liberal sympathies — was of one mind as the season's first primary campaign shuddered toward its finish. I asked each of them, one after another, this question: If you were a New Hampshire Democrat, whom would you vote for? The answer was always the same; and the answer was always Clinton. In this group, in my experience, such unanimity is unprecedented."

Hertzberg went on to explain why: "Almost none is due to calculations about Clinton being 'electable'....and none at all is due to belief in Clinton's denials in the Flowers business, because no one believes these denials. No, the real reason members of The Press like Clinton is simple, and surprisingly uncynical: they think he would make a very good, perhaps a

1988 Quayle draft stories outnumbered 1992 Clinton draft stories by almost four to one.

great, President. Several told me they were convinced that Clinton is the most talented presidential candidate they have ever encountered, JFK included."

So, has this overwhelming preference had any impact on campaign coverage? To determine the answer, *MediaWatch* analysts compared the coverage of four evening news shows (ABC's *World News Tonight*, CBS *Evening News*, and NBC *Nightly News*, as well as CNN's *Prime News* from 1988 and *World News* from 1992,) during times when Clinton and Quayle were under scrutiny over possible draft evasion and other personal issues.

In the ten days following revelations about the two candidates, 1988 Quayle stories outnumbered 1992 Clinton stories by a margin of almost four to one. In the first ten days of Quayle's National Guard controversy (August 18-27, 1988), the four networks did 51 news stories solely on Quayle's National Guard service. (This counts only evening news, not any of the 158 times the networks raised questions about Quayle's controversies during the prime time coverage of the Republican Convention.) By contrast, in the first ten days of Clinton's draft flap (February 6-15), the four networks aired only 13 stories.

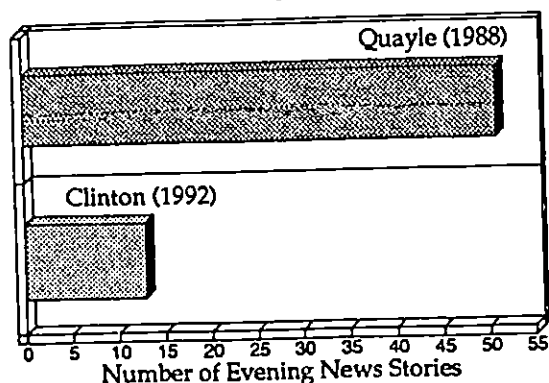
When the February 6 *Wall Street Journal* broke a story questioning Bill Clinton's draft record, how did the networks react? ABC made it story number five. CBS and NBC completely ignored the story. Two days later on the CBS *Evening News*, reporter Bruce Morton declared: "When attacks are made on character, the press ought to report them and then let the voters decide who's right and who's wrong." (Memo to Morton: watch your own newscast.) By contrast, on August 18, 1988, the four networks aired 15 stories on Quayle. ABC did three stories, and CBS and NBC each broadcast five. The Quayle news led all four evening newscasts.

On February 12, one of Clinton's ROTC officers, Clinton Jones, released a 1969 letter from Clinton thanking the ROTC for "saving me from the draft." The response was again protective. None of the evening newscasts began with it, and each aired only one story. CBS outdid the others: reporter Richard Threlkeld referred to Clinton

blaming the Republicans for leaking the letter four times, even though the other three networks corrected him by reporting that Jones sent the letter to ABC, not GOP officials. The CBS *Evening News* never corrected its misinformation.

But the other networks aren't blameless. On February 15, CNN replaced its 10-11 PM (ET) *World News* with a special titled *The Battle to Lead*. Political reporter (and former Morris Udall aide) Ken Bode narrated an eight-minute profile of Clinton. Though Bode reviewed Clinton's personal history, he completely omitted the draft scandal.

Draft Story Disparity



ABC reporters seemed apologetic for having to report the controversial aspects of Clinton's record. On February 14, Chris Bury reported: "In the campaign's final crunch, questions of Clinton's character, his personal life, and the draft are pursued daily, almost always by the press. And that is the trouble for Clinton: the press hounds him about his character; voters seem more worried about other things." Again, Bury must not have watched his own newscast, which did just four stories in ten days.

All the networks have so far failed to do any investigative work of their own on Clinton, and have offered no new details. But in 1988, the networks not only reported on Paula Parkinson, but also questioned the truth of Quayle's resume and whether personal influence helped his admission to law

school. These investigations caused another 13 stories on Quayle's personal life during the ten-day study period. (From January 24-30 this year, the four networks did 14 stories on Gennifer Flowers.)

Clinton's draft record isn't the only story the networks are ignoring: the networks have whistled by the *New York Post* report that Clinton's campaign has a two-million dollar credit line from Jack Stephens, who's been linked to the BCCI scandal. Of all the major media, only Reuters reported it, and

CNN's Ken Bode left the draft scandal out of an eight minute profile of Clinton.

The Boston Globe let Tom Harkin raise the issue. But AP and UPI, the major newspapers, the news magazines, and the networks passed. On February 28, *The Washington Post* devoted a story to Bush campaign aide James Lake's ties to BCCI, but left Clinton out of the story.

Similarly, the media have ignored new details about Gennifer Flowers. *New York Post* gossip columnist Cindy Adams interviewed a Flowers roommate named Lauren Kirk. Kirk says she shared an apartment with Flowers from 1983 to 1985, and that Flowers entertained Clinton there three times. In the *Dallas Morning News*, reporter David Jackson found another Flowers roommate, Marilyn Roberts, who also insisted: "It's true." If Clinton were treated like Clarence Thomas, Kirk and Roberts would be "corroborative" witnesses demonstrating that Clinton lied.

Bias by omission can make an enormous difference in campaign season. At a Columbia University seminar in February, CBS reporter Betsy Aaron explained the dangers: "We're always going to have this argument between 'do we have an opinion, don't we have an opinion' — we have an opinion because we're breathing, and the largest opinion we have is what we leave out. I mean, it sounds simplistic, but I always say worry about what you're not seeing. What you are seeing you can really criticize because you are smart and you have opinions. But if we don't tell you anything, and we leave whole areas uncovered, that's the danger." 

MATERIALS FORWARDED TO THE PRESIDENT
March 27, 1992

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3. Nomination of Scott J. Poe to be U.S. Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky
4. Deland Memo re Presidential Environmental Medal and Letter to Pacific Gas & Electric Employees
5. 65th Birthday Card for Emily Mead
6. Draft Bush-Quayle Letters: Campaign Thank you for Volunteers and Letter Going to Key leaders in Each State
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7. Cabinet Report for 03/29-04/04 (to the Residence)

REMARKS

1. Radio Address for 03/27--draft as staffed
2. Talking Point cards for Drop by with Latin Builders (xerox of talking points attached to briefing paper)
3. Radio Address - Reading Text
4. National Science Olympiad Medal Winning Teams - Cards
5. Meeting with the Nation's Attorneys General
6. Gridiron Dinner -- cards (and other skit material) (to the Residence)

SCHEDULE

1. And accompanying briefing papers for Saturday, 03/28 and Sunday, 03/29 (to the residence)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

(3-27-92)

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DATE:

3-27-92

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO:

File

- very private

fascinating discussion
with a bright, hurt,
Dick Danner
re Shinn counts
WH staff etc

EXHIBIT II

NOTE: The weaknesses of the current system were exposed under stress. This is a "breather" period, which should not mislead. Stress will return. The capacity of the team must be increased before then.

A Modest Proposal

Create a Presidentially-chaired White House-Campaign Coordinating Group -- with fixed, stable membership -- to oversee general planning as noted below.

The Group

President
 Skinner plus (approx.) 4 or 5 designated WH people (probably Moore, Yeutter, Fitzwater, Darman)
 Teeter/Malek plus (Lake? and ??)
 George W. (?)

NOTE: Key people must be included in sufficient numbers to assure power centers are represented and to allow team-ness to develop. Membership should be fixed not floating. Skinner/Teeter should chair preparatory meetings.

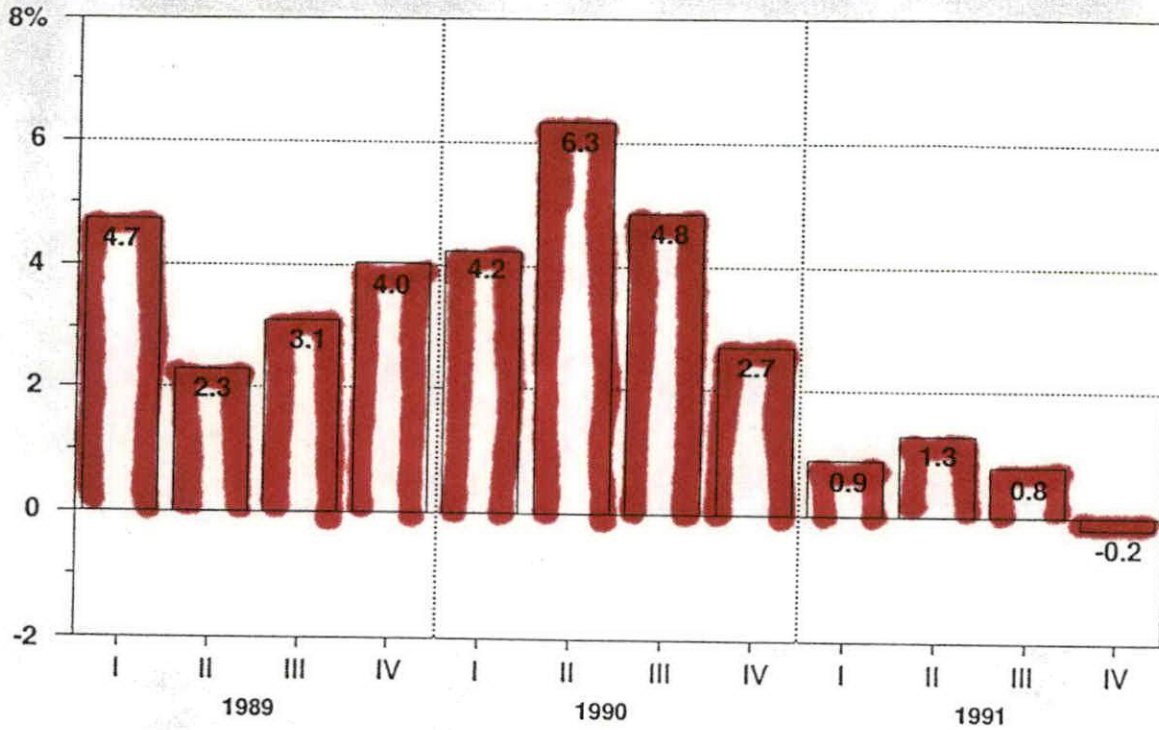
Functions (limited ostensible purpose)

- (1) Meet weekly with the President to review and up-date two-month plan:
 - o objectives
 - o themes
 - o key events
 - o initiatives planned or to be developed
 - o schedule
 - o necessary defensive measures
- (2) Meet and work without the President to prepare for weekly review with the President.

Additional functions (hidden agenda)

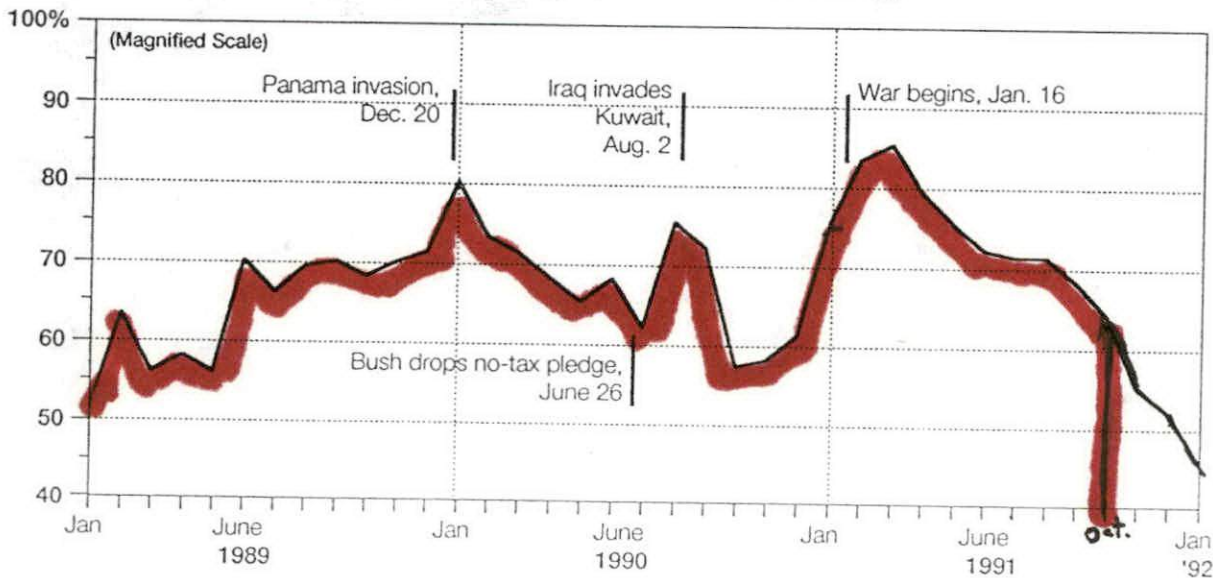
- (3) Force more discipline, balance, cohesion, orderliness upon the current organizational arrangement.
- (4) Fill a need that neither Teeter nor Skinner (nor the current floating crap game) is capable of filling on his own.
- (5) Provide a Presidentially-approved and Presidentially-guided framework -- within which all can contribute more usefully, more creatively, more coherently.

Growth in Per Capita Income



SOURCE: Joint Economic Committee, percentages based on changes in income per person in constant 1987 dollars

Bush Approval Rating



SOURCE: Gallup Poll

EXHIBIT I

(1) "Mr. Skinner said Budget Director Darman will no longer have special status in the Oval Office. Mr. Darman is 'one of a dozen or so senior aides who advise the President,' Mr. Skinner said, lumping him in with other White House advisers -- even though Darman is Director of the Office of Management and Budget, a position that unlike the others requires Senate confirmation." (Washington Times, Chicago Sun Times, etc., 12/18/91 -- Note: intentional downgrading offered without prodding to several reporters called into the Chief of Staff's office.)

(2) "Mr. Skinner suggested that Mr. Darman is not necessarily speaking for the President when he testifies on Capitol Hill or negotiates ..." (New York Times 12/18/91 -- Note: This kind of statement renders an OMB Director nearly useless for much of the intended OMB role. The statement has never been corrected.)

(3) "Skinner leaves visitors with the impression he is less dazzled by Darman's budgetary wizardry" (Broder, 1/12/92 -- the day after he was summoned to Skinner's office for a private lunch)

(4) "The White House has put out the word it wants Darman in his own 'compartment' with his power curtailed." (Evans and Novak 1/31/92)

(5) "Skinner's order that Darman revise and reprint his introduction to the budget ... was widely considered a putdown." (National Journal, 3/21/92)

(6) "By Skinner's account, Darman's influence has waned. 'Dick's influence is not anywhere close to what it was,' Skinner said." (National Journal, 3/21/92)

NOTE: Darman has bitten his lip, swallowed pride, tried to ignore that his professional reputation is being systematically destroyed, kept quiet, and tried to continue to be helpful -- while publicly and privately offering to resign if the President so wished, stating his willingness to go within 30 seconds with no more than a "Thank you for the opportunity to try to be of service." The persistence of the denigration by Skinner is, therefore, puzzling. It threatens to hurt OMB's ability to recruit and retain first quality people. It weakens OMB institutionally. It looks odd, at best, to observers who wonder, Does the President really mean to have his OMB Director publicly humiliated? It makes Darman wonder, If the Chief of Staff is speaking for the President, why not simply accept Darman's offer to resign? If the desire is to have a team of first-quality people, and Darman is to be among them, why not build team members up rather than tear them down?

Coalition for the Restoration of the Black Family and Society
3/26/92 - 3:00 p.m.

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THAT IS ALMOST UNHEARD OF -- IT HAS HAPPENED ONLY TWICE IN THE HOUSE IN THE LAST 60 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK EVERY MEMBER OF CONGRESS -- FROM BOTH PARTIES -- WHO HAD THE COURAGE OF THEIR CONVICTIONS TO SAY NO TO MORE TAXES ON THE AMERICAN FAMILY.

THAT'S A BEGINNING -- BUT IT'S NOT ENOUGH. IF CONGRESS REALLY WANTS TO GET THIS ECONOMY MOVING, CREATE JOBS AND REVIVE HOPE, THEN I SAY: PASS MY PLAN -- PUT AMERICA BACK TO WORK. BUT WE KNOW WE CAN'T WAIT FOR CONGRESS TO SEE THE LIGHT.

RZ

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Recommended Telephone Call

TO: Loretta A. Preska

TELEPHONE: March 27: Ms. Preska will be at her father's house all day March 27. (518) 439-4668
Home: (914) 424-3501
Office: (212) 481-9500

DATE TO CALL: March 27, 1992

RECOMMENDED BY: The Attorney General, Samuel K. Skinner, Nicholas E. Calio, C. Boyden Gray, and Constance Horner

PURPOSE: To ask her to serve as United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York

TOPICS OF

1. Since 1982, Ms. Preska has been associated with the law firm of Hertzog, Calamari & Gleason as an associate, 1982-1983, and a partner, 1983-present. Before that, she was an associate with the law firm of Cahill Gordon & Reindel, 1973-1982.
2. She received a B.A. degree (1970) from the College of St. Rose, a J.D. degree (1973) from Fordham University Law School, and an LL.M. degree (1978) from New York University Law School.
3. Ms. Preska is 43 years old, married, her husband's name is Thomas J. Kavalier, they have two children and reside in Garrison, New York.

DATE OF SUBMISSION: March 26, 1992

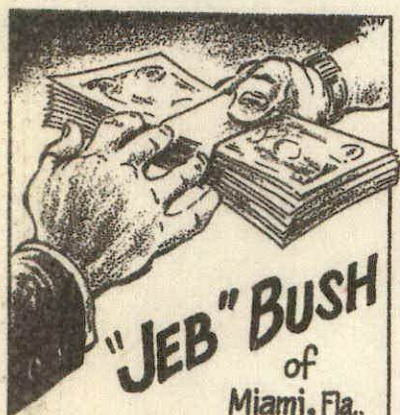
ACTION _____

Shame on NYT **On My Mind** *Shame!*
Believe It. Not!
Popeye's Revenge

By Garry Trudeau



NEIL BUSH of Denver, Col.,
AS A SILVERADO BANK
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\$100 MILLION IN
LOANS TO HIS BUSINESS
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A CONFLICT OF
INTEREST!



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SMUGGLER, A CON MAN,
AND AN ALLEGED
RACKETEER —
MAKING BUSH THE
UNWITTING DUPE OF
ALL THREE MEN!

Let us continue with the adventures of Evans, Novak and Popeye.

The first two are, of course, the famous American journalists. Popeye is an Israeli. But the famous journalists keep confusing him with some kind of secret American agent. So the adventures are a little comical.

But they are also very revealing. They show how the columnists Rowland Evans and Robert Novak spread a nasty story and then how they reacted when presented with strong contrary evidence.

Evans-Novak not only did not correct the column, but dug their journalistic pit deeper by embellishing the story with more "details" that are denied and derided by U.S. military experts, in and out of Government.

The Evans-Novak journalistic reaction is their business; it is their shovel. But the episode tells a lot about what is everybody's business — how the practice of journalism and the practice of intelligence can dovetail for an attack against a common political target.

To it: On March 16, Evans-Novak reported that Israel was about to sell the Chinese a missile called STAR. They said this air-to-surface missile contained American "priceless high technology." They said the U.S. had used the missile — called HAVE NAP — in the Persian Gulf war.

The column charged that HAVE NAP technology had been obtained by Israel from an "open-handed Uncle Sam." It said that to become China's arms middleman Israel was providing Beijing with what it wanted: secret American technologies.

That column came out soon after stories that Israel had transferred to China technology from Patriot missiles lent by the U.S. to defend Israel against Iraqi scuds. The Israelis say that is a lie. An American team is now investigating on the spot.

I detest the idea of Israel selling any arms to China — even a pistol — as I detest Washington's own strengthening of the Chinese Communist rulers. But that is no excuse for the press to accept passively every Evans-Novak story attacking Israel.

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They said the mysterious HAVE NAP was not an American missile at all, but Israeli. In the Israeli military, its English name is Popeye — perhaps some cabalistic reference.

Popeye was bought by the U.S. because it was good and relatively

cheap for a long-range T missile — about \$1 million each now made in the U.S. jointly with Israel, its original Israeli maker, and Martin Marietta of C

So as Air Force, Martin and private experts told me, is based on HAVE NAP, I selling its own technology to not America's.

And now Evans-Novak has replied to me in a new column. What it says, followed by a truth squad facts.

Evans-Novak: Well, yes, was "patterned" on Popeye, Popeye was bought by the their first column Popeye even mentioned.)

But now they question the "full parenthood." They say the eye was "enhanced" by the U "stealthy" qualities in a "blatant" era so secret that it can publicly mentioned, except in Evans-Novak column.

Squad: The Israeli Popeye, is acknowledged by Evans-

Bombs Evans Novak, Pinocchio

was not "stealthed" with U.S. technology. American specialists like the idea. A missile is not a turkey can be plumped up simply by in more stuffing.

To put stealth technology in eye would mean rebuilding the missile. That would cost a billion; it would be cheaper stealth missiles from the beg

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And the U.S. Air Force would be crazy enough to load weapons on B-52's that would wake up before they got near the target.

Thus ends this chapter of the adventures of Evans, Novak and Pinocchio — only slightly revealing but enormously revealing.

Foreign Affairs

LESLIE H. GELB

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PRESCOTT BUSH JR.

PAID OVER \$250,000 FOR ARRANGING U.S. INVESTMENTS FOR A TOKYO REAL ESTATE FIRM, BECAME AN UNWITTING FRONT MAN FOR THE JAPANESE MOB!

GEO. BUSH JR.

of Dallas, Tex., DIRECTOR OF HARKEN ENERGY, UNWITTINGLY DUMPED \$848,560 WORTH OF STOCK ONLY ONE WEEK BEFORE A POOR EARNINGS REPORT SENT PRICES TUMBLING!



INCREDIBLY, ALL FOUR BUSHES ARE RELATED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES!

Trudeau, creator of the comic Doonesbury, is an occasional contributor to this page.

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Which led me to consult with the best minds — Republicans, Democrats, liberals and conservatives — to prepare this Bush report card.

The Old Soviet Union: Very slow to pick up on Mikhail Gorbachev's determination to reform the old empire. But when he got the picture, did a solid job of building up Gorbachev's stature and prodding him on. Then slow again to realize time to switch to Boris Yeltsin, though no harm done. Grade: B+

The Ex-Soviet Republics: Criticized justly for not being fast enough to aid democracy and capitalism in the new states. And certainly has not done well at organizing Western aid

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China: Terrible on human rights and too protective of Chinese dictators. But doing a delicate balancing act in a difficult situation where the U.S. needs Chinese restraint in selling arms and nuclear know-how. Grade: C+/B-

German Reunification and NATO: Slow to recognize change, but then deft in handling a major geopolitical transformation. Properly attentive keeping Germany in the Western alliance and the U.S. in Europe militarily. Grade: A-

Japan: Good instincts on trade and Japanese sensibilities, except for the horribly conceived recent visit with Big Three auto makers. Lacks strategy. Grade: B-

Panama: Waged a questionable war to capture Manuel Noriega, the let that sad country once again become a drug haven and money-laundering center. Grade: F

Free Trade: Good anti-protectionist rhetoric on GATT and decent leadership on opening up trade in North America. But spends far too little time on these critical and difficult matters. Grade: B-/C+

New Agenda Issues: Depressingly inattentive and insensitive here. Doesn't seem to realize that foreign economic policy is now at the center of world politics. No sense of the need to adapt foreign policy and machinery of government accordingly. Inexcusably dragging his feet on U.N. efforts to stem global warming and other environmental threats. Still spending too much on interdiction of drugs rather than treatment at home. Has done little to promote energy security. Not enough backing for U.N. peacekeeping operations, but better than Congress. Grade: D

Over All: Good instincts and judgment about the familiar, old cold war problems. Particularly solid at managing crises that flow from those relationships. But without much sense of overarching strategy and sometimes blind to the sea changes under way. Much more attuned to the passing era of balance-of-power politics than to the coming world where policies need to transcend national boundaries and perspectives. Final grade: B- and sinking. □

A whiz or a was on foreign policy?

efforts. But sensible in not trying to do more than possible with a chaotic situation. Has focused on the right priority — trying to insure that nuclear weapons don't fall into the wrong hands. Grade: B

Prewar Iraq: Overwhelming evidence now that he tried to please and appease Saddam Hussein long after the dictator had showed his true, evil colors. Actively kept helping Saddam with credits and intelligence up to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Opposed legislators who wanted to get tough, though most experts don't look good in hindsight either. Grade: F

The War Against Iraq: After two weeks of confusion, a masterful job. Grade: A

Postwar Iraq: Inexplicably foolish about not letting the war continue for another 48 hours to mop up Iraq's military capability. But right not to go on to Baghdad and take on that headache. Inexcusably didn't prevent Iraqi air power from devastating Kurds and Shiites. Has managed the situation since then intelligently. Grade: C+/B-

3/19/92

Per Jan Naylor, Ambassador Wilkins does not want to serve another term as Ambassador. He would like a senior position at Commerce or State.

Unfortunately, there are no openings at either Department that fit the bill.

I talked with Bob Mosbacher who said that per his understanding, Wilkins would be agreeable to coming back to volunteer with him and Bobby for the campaign, and wait for something to develop at either State or Commerce.

According to Mosbacher, you should not feel obligated to line something up for him now.

I'll schedule Wilkins to come in for ten minutes at 8:20 A. M. on the 27th of March.

Rose

DOB # 2-19-38

SS # 512-32-2788

✓ cleared
bmm 3/26

Spoke to Kay in Amb. Wilkins office
(Annie Braeken was on leave)
(Confirmed w/ Scheduling)

ROSE:

ASK CONNIE IF WILKINS HAS EXPRESSED SOME PREFERENCE FOR WHAT COMES NEXT. ADVISE BOB MOSBACHER OF THIS REQUEST, ASKING IF HE FEELS WE SHOULD DO THIS. BOB IS VERY CLOSE TO WILKINS.....YES, I WILL SEE HIM FOR A BRIEF VISIT.

GB .

3/13/92

Mr. President:

Ambassador Wilkins from The Netherlands will be in town March 26th and 27th. Would like 5 or 10 minutes for a courtesy call to thank you. 26th is out because of physical so it leaves only the 27th. Interested?

YES _____

NO _____

Checked with Connie's office, he is due to rotate on
6/21/92

RZ

*Bracken know -
011 - 31 - 70310 - 9318
of appointment*



To Speechwriters

March 27, 1992

Re: Cong. Reform Speech.

Be sure we have something in there on Disclosure....~~The~~ way to avoid conflict of interest ~~is~~ through full disclosure.

A pre~~s~~ident reveals his income taxes- not by law but by tradition. I have done that now for 12 years.

Presidential candidates must do that ; but Congress s~~h~~ould take a new look at the disc~~l~~osure laws...

GB

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1992

Mr President

MEMORANDUM FOR ROSE ZAMARIA

FROM

KATHY SUPER *K.S.*
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
FOR APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING

SUBJECT

ORIOLES BASEBALL GAME

Marlin announced yesterday that the President would be attending the opening game of the Baltimore Orioles on Monday, April 6, 1992 at 3:00p.m. Advance is doing their survey tomorrow at the stadium. Will the President bring any guests with him to the game? If so, how many and would any of the grandchildren accompany him?

Thank you for checking.

Maybe

Mr & Mrs. Ed Gaylord
Ok City

*will come
to CF*

*They were invited
by the Borens to go
to the game - as
Borens' guests*

I may bring

R2
*I talked to
Patty*
*She will send
all this on
w/ Kathy
Super*

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD \ MARCH 27, 1992
ROOM 450 \ 11:45 A.M.

THANK YOU, AND WELCOME. I'M GLAD MY PREVIOUS
MEETING DIDN'T RUN LATE, OR I WOULD HAVE HAD ^{92 MAR 27 4:05 PM} TO BRING A
NOTE FROM BARBARA. IT'S GREAT TO SEE SECRETARY
ALEXANDER; SECRETARY WATKINS; AND CO-DIRECTORS JACK
CAIRNS [CARENS] AND GERARD PUTZ [PUTS], WHOSE
SUCCESSFUL STATE COMPETITIONS INSPIRED THE OLYMPIAD
PROGRAM.

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AND MOST OF ALL, LET ME WELCOME THE VERY SPECIAL
YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN HERE REPRESENTING THE 10,000
SCHOOLS AND 1 1/2 MILLION STUDENTS WHO TAKE PART IN THE
SCIENCE OLYMPIAD. CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR VICTORY IN
AMERICA'S OLYMPICS OF THE MIND. \\\

I KNOW A LOT OF YOU ARE NOT ONLY LOOKING BACK WITH
PRIDE ON LAST YEAR'S VICTORY, BUT YOU'RE LOOKING AHEAD
TO MAY 16 AT AUBURN -- ESPECIALLY THE TEAMS FROM
GRANDVILLE AND JENISON JUNIOR HIGHS.

YOU SHOULD BE UP FOR AWARDS IN THE JUGGLING EVENT TOO -- THE WAY YOU CAN BE IN WASHINGTON WITH ME TODAY AND HOME IN MICHIGAN AT YOUR STATE OLYMPICS COMPETITION TOMORROW. \\

I'M TREMENDOUSLY IMPRESSED BY ALL OF YOU STUDENTS AND TEACHERS, AND BY THE INCREDIBLE SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU PARTICIPATE. YOU'RE REALLY LIKE DECATHLON ATHLETES, GOOD AT SO MANY VARIED SKILLS -- LIKE PROBLEM SOLVING, TEST TAKING, AND DEVICE BUILDING.

I'VE LOOKED OVER SOME OF THE THINGS YOU'VE HAD TO DO TO WIN IN THIS OLYMPIAD -- AND I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO BUILD A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT OUT OF NONMUSICAL MATERIALS -- OR IDENTIFY THE AGE OF REPTILES. I WAS TOLD THE CORRECT ANSWER IS "MESOZOIC." FOR YOU AMATEUR PALEONTOLOGISTS, THAT'S ALSO AROUND THE TIME DINOSAURS STARTED EATING BROCCOLI. ///

YOU'VE WORKED ALL YEAR TO GET WHERE YOU ARE --
COMPETING IN 32 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM EVENTS IN SUBJECTS
LIKE BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, EARTH SCIENCE AND
COMPUTERS. YOU KNOW, I MIGHT JUST BE ABLE TO COMPETE
AFTER ALL. LAST YEAR I STARTED TO LEARN HOW TO WORK
THE COMPUTER. IT'S TAKEN ME A WHILE, BUT A COUPLE OF
MONTHS AGO, I WROTE MY FIRST PROGRAM. I CALLED IT
"MICHELANGELO." WONDER WHATEVER HAPPENED TO IT. \\\

YOU'RE MORE THAN SMART, HARD-WORKING TEAMS. YOU'RE
THE BEST AMBASSADORS THIS COUNTRY HAS -- YOU SHOW WHO
WE CAN BE AND WHAT WE CAN DO IF WE JUST PUT OUR MINDS
AND OUR GREAT AMERICAN GENIUS TO WORK. I'M PROUD TO
HONOR YOU TODAY BECAUSE YOUR NATION IS PROUD TO CLAIM
YOU AND RECOGNIZE YOUR ACHIEVEMENT.

YOU'VE SHOWN THE KIND OF EXCELLENCE THAT WILL HELP
US MEET THE AMBITIOUS GOALS WE'VE SET FOR OUR NATION IN
OUR AMERICA 2000 EDUCATION STRATEGY.

WE KNOW WE'VE GOT TO BE COMPETITIVE IN MATH AND SCIENCE IN A CHANGING WORLD.

OUR ECONOMIC HEALTH -- OUR ECONOMIC SURVIVAL --
DEPEND ON HOW WE EDUCATE OURSELVES TO FACE THE
CHALLENGES OUT THERE. WE'VE CALLED ON OUR KIDS TO BE
#1 IN THE WORLD IN MATH AND SCIENCE BY THE TURN OF THE
CENTURY -- AND YOU'RE VISIBLE PROOF THAT WE CAN DO IT.

\\

I'M SURE YOU'VE HEARD THE RESULTS OF THE MOST
RECENT SCIENCE STUDY OF AMERICAN STUDENTS. THOSE
SCORES SIMPLY REINFORCE THE FACT THAT SCIENCE MUST BE
MADE A PRIORITY.

WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT SCIENCE AND MATH. WE'VE
REQUESTED OVER \$2 BILLION IN FEDERAL SPENDING ON MATH
AND SCIENCE EDUCATION IN NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET. IF MY
MATH IS CORRECT -- AND WITH THIS CROWD IT HAD BETTER BE
-- THAT'S AN INCREASE OF 123% IN THE LAST 3 YEARS.

WE ALSO WANT TO BRING NEW TECHNOLOGY INTO THE CLASSROOM, SO KIDS CAN INTERACT WITH ASTRONAUTS, EXPLORERS AND SCIENTISTS -- SO RURAL SCHOOLS CAN HAVE ACCESS TO STATE-OF-THE-ART RESOURCES -- AND SO ALL AMERICAN KIDS CAN BE EXPOSED TO THE CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGIES AND IDEAS THAT WILL SHAPE THEIR FUTURE.

EACH ONE OF YOU HAS LEARNED FOR YOURSELVES THE TRUE MEANING OF MATH AND SCIENCE.

BEFORE THE NUMBERS, CHARTS AND TABLES -- THERE IS THE QUESTION AND THE QUEST. WE'VE GOT TO HARNESS THAT SAME SPIRIT OF INNOVATION, THAT SAME SENSE OF DISCOVERY -- TO RE-INVENT AMERICAN EDUCATION: TO TURN OUR BACKS ON THE STATUS QUO -- BREAK THE MOLD, BUILD A GENERATION OF NEW AMERICAN SCHOOLS.

WE'VE GOT TO CREATE NEW INCENTIVES FOR EXCELLENCE LIKE SCHOOL CHOICE -- BY GIVING PARENTS THE POWER TO CHOOSE WHICH SCHOOLS SERVE THEIR CHILDREN BEST:

PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR RELIGIOUS. IF WE'RE REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION, WE'VE GOT TO RECOGNIZE THAT RENAISSANCE BEGINS WITH REVOLUTION. \\\

REAL EXCELLENCE DEMANDS COMMITMENT -- NOT JUST FROM GOVERNMENT -- BUT FROM EVERYONE IN EVERY COMMUNITY AS WE MOVE THE NATION TOWARD THE SIX NATIONAL EDUCATION GOALS.

IT DEMANDS TALENTED MEN AND WOMEN GIVING THEIR TIME TO BECOME TUTORS, MENTORS AND CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS -- WHAT I CALL POINTS OF LIGHT.

IT DEMANDS BUSINESSES, CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES, AND CIVIC GROUPS FORMING PARTNERSHIPS TO SUPPORT LOCAL SCHOOLS -- WORKING TOGETHER TO CREATE WHAT I CALL AMERICA 2000 COMMUNITIES -- PLACES WHERE EDUCATION DOESN'T HAPPEN JUST IN THE CLASSROOM -- PLACES WHERE EDUCATION MEANS LIFELONG LEARNING.

TOGETHER, WE WILL REINVENT THE AMERICAN SCHOOL
COMMUNITY BY COMMUNITY, NEIGHBORHOOD BY NEIGHBORHOOD,
ALL ACROSS THIS COUNTRY. \\\

THE SCIENCE OLYMPIAD PROGRAM SHOWS US THE WAY. IT
BRINGS TOGETHER 3,000 VOLUNTEERS -- TEACHERS, PARENTS,
BUSINESSPEOPLE -- EACH ONE WORKING TO STRENGTHEN
EXCELLENCE IN HIS OR HER OWN COMMUNITY.

FOLKS LIKE THE NEIGHBORS OF PEIRCE SCHOOL, WHO RAN
CAR WASHES, SOLD CANDY AND COLLECTED CONTRIBUTIONS TO
RAISE \$12,000 SO THEIR TEAM COULD GO TO THE NATIONALS.
I HEAR EVEN THE 4TH GRADERS IN THE NEARBY EXTON SCHOOL
RAISED \$10 -- AND WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO GET BY ON AN
ALLOWANCE, \$10 IS A SMALL FORTUNE.

YOU'RE ALL HERE TODAY BECAUSE OF VOLUNTEERS LIKE THESE ACROSS THIS COUNTRY -- AND YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT AFRAID TO REACH FOR EXCELLENCE. THAT'S WHY I SALUTE YOU. \\

WE THINK OF THE SCIENTIST WHO WILL ONE DAY DISCOVER THE CURE FOR CANCER, OR WHO WILL USE TECHNOLOGY TO WIPE OUT HUNGER -- AND WE REALIZE THAT TODAY THAT MAN OR WOMAN IS A STUDENT IN A SCIENCE CLASS SOMEWHERE.

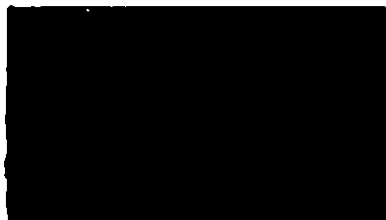
MAYBE IT'S A KID WHO WILL CATCH A SPARK FROM THIS PROGRAM -- A SPARK THAT WILL CHANGE HIS LIFE -- HER LIFE, AND CHANGE OUR WORLD. THE SCIENCE OLYMPIAD HAS THAT KIND OF POWER. \\\

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS -- ON BRINGING TO ACADEMIC COMPETITION THE PRIDE AND ENTHUSIASM USUALLY KNOWN IN SPORTS CONTESTS -- AND ON MAKING LEARNING EXCITING.

GOOD LUCK IN EVERYTHING YOU DO -- AND WHEN ONE OF
YOU KIDS CAN PROVE WHO STARTED THE MICHELANGELO VIRUS,
JUST REMEMBER -- MY NAME IS DANA CARVEY. \\\

THANK YOU FOR COMING, AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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Bridget -
Mail to Dad ^{Dad}
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L. M. Cook
Chairman and
Chief Executive Officer

March 26, 1992

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VIA FAX

The Honorable George Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

It was great to talk to you yesterday. Your call made my day!

Our friend in Santa Barbara was very pleased to hear from you. Notwithstanding the mixed signals that I have been getting about the timing of his involvement in the Campaign, I feel that he will participate sooner than his letter to you implied. Certainly, your call greatly helped the situation. I am prepared to go back to him if the Campaign has a special request for his services in the near future. From a vote count point of view, the "primary" will be over very soon anyway.

Thank goodness I am a little better at fundraising than I am at these other matters. His personal letter to you threw me a curve, since I had been told that his position was not firm on the primary question. The letter escaped my usual source of information.

Anyway, we'll let the matter alone for awhile, until something specific comes up where we might need him.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,


L. M. Cook

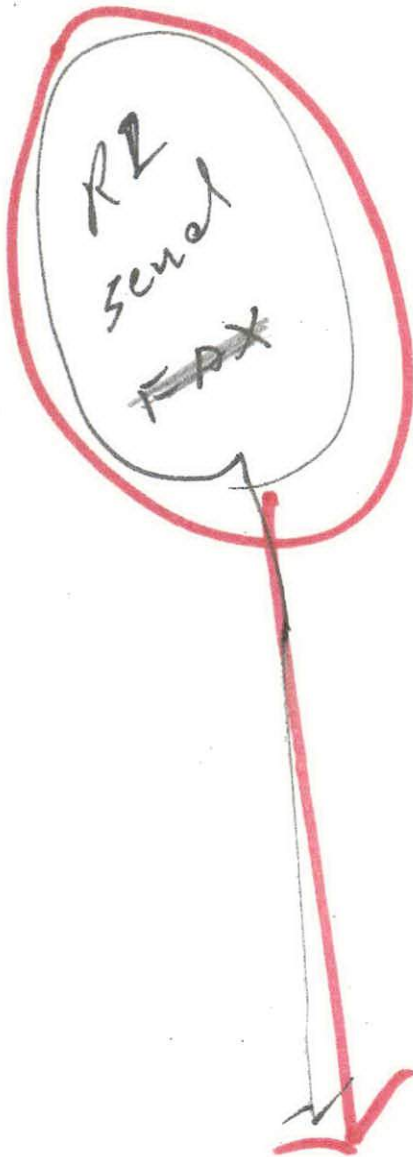
Thanks for March 26th FAX
was RR's exact wording (his March 5th letter)
Once the primaries ARE over
I'll be doing all I can

Atlantic Richfield Company

to lend a hand in seeing
you continue to be our PRIZ

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March 27, 1992

Dear Jim,

Sam Skinner showed me the partnership paper you left him. I read it with interest. I remain determined to do all I can. I will continue to support your efforts in every way possible.

This is just an 'atta boy!" for all you continue to do (How do you like my computer typing?).

All Best,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "G. H. W. Bush", is written below the text "All Best,".

FROM THE PRESIDENT

RADIO ADDRESS
FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1992
10:30 A.M.

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GOOD MORNING. MANY HAVE CALLED THE TWENTIETH
CENTURY THE AMERICAN CENTURY. THE QUESTION BEFORE US
TODAY IS ABOUT THE NEXT CENTURY -- LOOKING JUST A FEW
YEARS AHEAD. /

LET ME TELL YOU A STORY THAT WILL HELP SHAPE THAT
CENTURY -- A STORY YOU PROBABLY HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT.
IT'S ABOUT A BATTLE BETWEEN THOSE WHO WANT TO CHANGE
THINGS AND THOSE WHO WANT THE STATUS QUO. AND IN THIS
BATTLE, THOSE WHO SUPPORT CHANGE ARE TELLING THOSE WHO
WANT TO STAND PAT: "LEAD, FOLLOW, OR GET OUT OF THE
WAY."

WEDNESDAY, THOSE WORDS WERE HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR.
I'M TALKING ABOUT HOW THE DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS COULDN'T
MUSTER A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY / INCREDIBLY, COULDN'T
EVEN GET A MAJORITY / TO OVERRIDE MY VETO OF THE
LIBERALS' LATEST TAX INCREASE. / THIS STORY YOU
HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT IS ALSO UNHEARD-OF: ONLY TWICE
BEFORE IN THE LAST 60 YEARS HAS THE HOUSE FAILED TO
MUSTER A SIMPLE MAJORITY TO OVERRIDE A VETO. //

CONGRESSIONAL LIBERALS SUFFERED THIS DEFEAT FOR A SIMPLE REASON: AMERICANS MEASURE PROGRESS IN PEOPLE HELPED -- NOT DOLLARS SPENT. // THAT'S WHY I'M GOING TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT TO KEEP A LID ON FEDERAL SPENDING. IT'S ALSO WHY I ASKED SENATOR MCCAIN OF ARIZONA AND CONGRESSMAN HARRIS FAWELL OF ILLINOIS TO FORMALLY INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO ENDORSE THE 68 RESCISSIONS I ANNOUNCED LAST WEEK -- TO CUT NEARLY \$4 BILLION IN WASTE FROM A BLOATED FEDERAL BUDGET. //

UNLIKE LIBERAL DEMOCRATS, GIVEN OUR BIG DEFICIT I DON'T THINK THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN AFFORD TO FUND PRICKLY PEAR RESEARCH -- OR STUDY ASPARAGUS YIELD DECLINES. / THOSE WHO REJECT THESE PORK-BARREL PROJECTS WILL STAND WITH ME -- AND THE AMERICAN TAXPAYER. / THOSE WHO SUPPORT THEM WILL HAVE TO EXPLAIN IN NOVEMBER WHY THE PUBLIC INTEREST HAS BEEN DENIED. //

IF ENOUGH MEMBERS DEMAND IT, CONGRESS MUST VOTE ON EACH OF THESE BILLS -- YES OR NO, UP OR DOWN. I'M GOING TO WORK WITH THOSE WHO WANT THE CONGRESS TO BE ACCOUNTABLE -- AND FIGHT THOSE WHO'LL TRY TO BLOCK OUR INITIATIVES THROUGH PARLIAMENTARY GIMMICKS. / I KNOW THAT GOVERNMENT IS TOO BIG, AND SPENDS TOO MUCH. NOW LET'S SEE WHERE CONGRESS STANDS. STAY TUNED. KEEP LISTENING. WE'LL FIND OUT WHO REALLY WANTS TO CUT SPENDING, AND WHO JUST WANTS TO KEEP THE PORK. //

IN A WORLD MORE DRIVEN BY ECONOMIC COMPETITION THAN EVER BEFORE, THE CHALLENGE I'M REFERRING TO IS CRUCIAL TO OUR FUTURE. I MEAN REFORM OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. / DURING THE LAST DECADE ONE INSTITUTION AFTER ANOTHER HAS LOOKED WITHIN ITSELF, DECIDED ON IMPROVEMENTS, AND ACTED TO FIX ITS PROBLEMS AND REFLECT ITS PRINCIPLES. / OUR TASK NOW IS TO BRING THAT PROCESS OF REFORM TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. //

ALL OF US KNOW GOVERNMENT'S PROBLEM. TOO OFTEN IT IS NOT ACCOUNTABLE / NOT EFFECTIVE / NOT EFFICIENT -- IT'S NOT EVEN COMPASSIONATE. / ONLY BY CHANGING IT CAN WE PROTECT AMERICA'S GENERAL INTERESTS AGAINST SELFISH SPECIAL INTERESTS. // MY RESCISSIONS WILL HELP KNOCK OUT ONE PART OF THE SPECIAL INTEREST PROBLEM AT WORK IN CONGRESS TODAY. BUT THE CHANGES I WANT ARE EVEN BIGGER. / I WANT TO END THE PAC CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH ARE CORRUPTING OUR SYSTEM. I WANT TO PLACE TERM LIMITS ON CONGRESS. AND I WANT TO LEAD THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IN MAKING CHANGES THAT WILL MAKE THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY ANOTHER AMERICAN CENTURY. //

ONE CHALLENGE IS TO MAKE OUR PEOPLE EDUCATED, LITERATE, AND MOTIVATED TO KEEP LEARNING. / THAT'S WHY I AM TRYING TO REFORM OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. / OUR PEOPLE MUST HAVE A SENSE OF WELL-BEING ABOUT THEIR HEALTH AND THAT OF THEIR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. MY HEALTH CARE REFORM PLAN WILL GUARANTEE THEM ACCESS TO THE FINEST HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN THE WORLD, AND MAKE THAT CARE AFFORDABLE. //

NEXT, HELP ME RETURN OUR CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM TO ITS ORIGINAL PURPOSE: DISPENSE JUSTICE WITH CIVILITY. EIGHTEEN MILLION LAWSUITS A YEAR ARE CHOKING US -- COSTING INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES BILLIONS -- A TREMENDOUS DRAG ON OUR MORALE AS WELL AS OUR ECONOMY.

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AND IN THE NEXT CENTURY, AS WE LOOK AT THE LIKELY ECONOMIC COMPETITION, AS WELL AS THE LIKELY OPPORTUNITIES, THEY WILL BE BEYOND OUR BORDERS. THAT MEANS WE MUST OPEN MORE FOREIGN MARKETS TO SELL OUR GOODS AND OUR SERVICES -- AND TO SUSTAIN AND CREATE JOBS FOR OUR PEOPLE. / REFORM OF GOVERNMENT, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, OUR LEGAL SYSTEM: OPENING MARKETS ABROAD -- ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES IS FUNDAMENTAL TO AMERICA'S FUTURE. //

ALREADY, AMERICA HAS CHANGED THE WORLD. TODAY,
I'M ASKING YOU TO HELP ME CHANGE AMERICA. IF CONGRESS
WON'T CHANGE -- WE'LL HAVE TO CHANGE THE CONGRESS. /
THE BATTLE HAS BEEN JOINED -- AND IT'S YOUR FUTURE THAT
WE'RE FIGHTING FOR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND
MAY GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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1:00 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

EARTH SUMMIT (New York/Reuter) -- An apocalyptic film clip, featuring the voice of Darth Vader accusing President Bush of fence-straddling on the Earth Summit, has moviegoers urging the President to fly down to Rio. The 90-second, \$300,000 spot showing scenes of an environmental Armageddon has been showing in theaters across the country, and viewers are responding with a flood of telegrams to the White House, Western Union said.

C.I.S./AID (Rita Beamish, AP) -- The White House is considering increased aid to the former Soviet Union, an Administration official said. It reportedly would include \$1 billion to help stabilize the ruble as well as direct aid. It is not clear when the President might act on the recommendations.

CAMPAIGN/BUCHANAN (Highland Beach, Fla./UPI) -- Patrick Buchanan said he will remain in the presidential race because of basic differences with President Bush. Buchanan spoke during an hour-long taping of an interview with David Frost. Frost asked Buchanan what Bush has to promise him to get him out of the race. "I don't think there's anything George Bush could promise me, because I assume he believes in his New World Order, which is one of the main reasons I am going to continue in this race," Buchanan responded. But he said he will support Bush in November and will not run as a third-party candidate.

LIBYA/SUSPECTS (The Hague/UPI) -- The U.S. accused Libya of seeking to "buy time" in an effort to prevent the U.N. from imposing sanctions on Tripoli for failing to surrender the Pan Am 103 suspects. Speaking before the World Court, State Department legal adviser Edwin Williamson said Libya had brought the case before the World Court in order to "undo the work of the Security Council." Williamson denied charges that Washington had threatened Libya militarily on the issue.

GATES/IRAQ (AP) -- Despite progress in destroying Iraq's weapons of mass destruction, Saddam Hussein maintains several hundred Scuds, covert nuclear equipment and the means to make chemical and biological weapons, CIA Director Gates told a House Armed Services Committee panel. In addition, U.S. intelligence has found that "significant reconstruction" has taken place at some two dozen military-industrial sites in the country, and limited production of artillery and ammunition has resumed, Gates said.

THAILAND/PRIME MINISTER (Bangkok/Reuter) -- Prime Minister-designate Wongwan challenged the U.S. to prove allegations he was involved in dealings with international drug traffickers. "I insist upon my innocence," said Wongwan. His Sammakhi Tham party and its partners closed ranks against Washington, accusing it of interfering in Thailand's affairs and insisting he would still be prime minister.

PERSONAL INCOME (UPI) -- Personal income jumped 1.1 percent in February, its biggest gain in more than three years, and consumer spending climbed 0.9 percent, the Commerce Department said.

3/27/92

Mr. President:

FYI --

I took a call from Congressman Chris Smith. He wanted to speak with you on very delicate situation. He wants you to make a call to the folks in his District who are meeting, in his behalf. Wants to you indicate that you don't want a primary -- the fellow who is thinking of running may be able to beat Smith but can't win the general. The primary would be totally devisive and we could lose the seat.

HE HAS TALKED WITH RON KAUFMAN, RICH BOND, THE VP HAS DONE SOMETHING FOR HIM. HE FEELS YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE LEFT WHO COULD HELP.

I told him I didn't know if it were appropriate for you to make such a call.

I've tried to reach Ron, Rich Bond -- both out of town and not reachable at this time.

I've talked with Nick Calio who has talked with Smith on this. Nick feels, as I do, that this is something you should not become involved with, but you should know about it.

Guidance?

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(609) 585-1077 (Smith)

(he faxes the attached)

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Chris tell him
he can say
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- * As a result of redistricting, Rep. Chris Smith (NJ-4) has 67% carry over but 33% new area.
- * For the first time Smith has a district that should favor a Republican.
- * Ocean County constitutes 35% of the new district but close to 48% of the registered Republicans.
- * Ocean Republicans, miffed that the new map did not create an open seat in their county, now vow to challenge Smith.
- * To date, no Republican living in the Smith portion of Ocean wants to challenge Smith. However, current County Clerk Dean Haines says he'll run and is likely to be the candidate. Haines lives in the Saxton portion of Ocean. He ran against Saxton when it was an open seat in 1984 and lost.
- * The remainder of the Smith district is heavily Democratic.
- * Smith has a proven ability of attracting family-value, Reagan Republicans to the ticket.
- * Smith has won against favored Democrats with 53%; 61%; 62%; 66%; and 65%;
- * Three of the four County Chairman in the new district are solidly behind Smith.
- * The Mercer County Chairman (also approx. 35%) says without Smith on the ticket all local Republicans would lose, and the President will do worse than in 1988.
- * The Ocean County Chairman is Joe Buckelew.

(908) 349-7400 (wk)

(908) 244-5400 (HQ)

(908) 363-7139 (evenings)

- * The other County Chairman supporting Smith are:

Phil Angarone, Mercer County	(609) 292-4874
Glenn Paulsson, Burlington Cty	(609) 394-8821
Bill Dowd Monmouth Cty	(908) 530 7777

CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH
Member of U.S. Congress

Fourth District - NJ
(609) 586-2800



March 25, 1992

**This went to County Committee
+ other GOP leaders
in Ocean County.**

I was thrilled and excited to learn that the 1992 Redistricting Commission reconfigured my congressional district a few days ago to include you.

For me, this is the fourth set of boundaries constituting the fourth district I've run in since my election to Congress twelve years ago.

This map -- crafted by Republicans -- is a far cry from the infamous Brendan Byrne gerrymander of 1982. You may recall that the Byrne map was designated to hurt Republicans in general, defeat me, in particular. To that end, my district was slashed to smithereens -- with towns being rolled into four separate districts. Yet, I fought hard and survived. From a base in Mercer, Monmouth and Burlington counties, I waged an aggressive uphill campaign and beat the odds which favored Democrat Senate President, Joe Merlino. Although I was told it just couldn't be done, I simply refused to quit, yield or be deterred.

I believe you'll discover -- and be quite pleased and satisfied with -- the vigorous way I conduct myself in office and on the campaign trail. As we get better acquainted I hope you will like, as well, my policy of working as a team to elect Republican candidates to office.

I'm very happy to say that with each realignment over the years, I have had the good fortune to establish close personal and professional relationships with the people in the new towns. It is my great hope that this will be the case with you.

Ever since Jackson Township was added to the district in 1984, I have benefitted enormously from the dedication and enthusiasm of Ocean County Republicans. In 1990, Jackson residents backed my reelection to a sixth term with a whopping 79% of the vote -- a landslide made possible by an outstanding GOP organization. Believe me, I'm grateful.

To better acquaint you with the new fourth district, and me, I am enclosing a map listing the towns, and a sampling of newspaper clips.

I believe that even a cursory reading of my record will show that I have been an active sponsor of meaningful legislation, much of which has been adopted into law in the realm of job training, cleaning up the environment, helping the handicapped, assisting senior citizens, boosting veterans' benefits, promoting human rights, strengthening small business and enhancing the lives of children.

You may recall that I led the fight and had three pieces of legislation I authored passed by the House to establish the veterans' outpatient clinic, now located in Brick. And when Deborah Hospital lost federal funding a few years back, I wrote the law to restore those funds.

Absolutely no taxpayers' funds have been used in the preparation or mailing of this correspondence.
Paid for by the Committee to Reelect Congressman Chris Smith
Political contributions are not tax deductible.

I have fought hard for the Balanced Budget/Tax Limitation Amendment and to repeal the tax penalty on senior citizens who continue to work.

In Congress, I have gained seniority and experience serving as Ranking Republican Member on two important committees: the Aging Subcommittee on Housing and Consumer Interests and the Veterans' Subcommittee on Education, Training and Employment. I am next in line to become the Ranking Republican -- or Chairman if we Republicans win control of the House -- of the full Committee on Veterans' Affairs. One law I wrote a couple of years ago provides scholarship funds for health care professionals -- nurses, occupational therapists, and the like -- who promise at least limited service in any one of the veterans' health care network of 172 hospitals or 350 outpatient clinics, like the one in Brick.

I also serve on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the Helsinki Human Rights Commission. Over the years the President and the House leadership have called on me to chair various task forces. In 1989, for example, President Bush appointed me as the Congressional delegate to the United Nations. These strategic positions have enabled me to advance children's issues, environmental concerns, human rights and religious freedom for persecuted Christians and Jews.

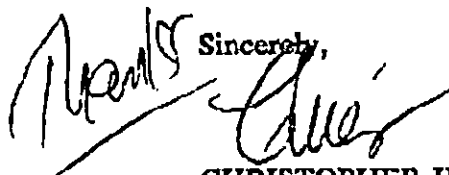
I also believe you will be happy with my constituent casework operation and my ongoing outreach efforts in the district. I regularly hold town meetings and one-to-one forums with constituents. I recently held another dozen of these forums and the turnout was phenomenal. In Wall Township, for example, over 150 people turned out; in Hamilton over 300. My creed has been, and will continue to be, a Congressman should be accessible.

I share the outrage of many Americans about the irresponsible behavior of the Congressional Democrat leadership. The House Bank and Post Office scandals are a disgrace. When these abuses were revealed, I was in the forefront calling for full disclosure. The Democrat leadership tried to stonewall but ultimately relented and gave in to our demands.

The Times (Trenton, NJ) newspaper commended my leadership on the Bank issue, calling me one of the "tigers of the delegation, calling for complete disclosure. Rep. Smith had it right when he declared that the 'American public should not be denied the full story,'" *The Times* editorial stated. You will be pleased to know that an official review of my records indicates that I did not bounce any checks at the House Bank.

In the coming days, weeks, and months, I ask for your support and assistance in the upcoming election.

In the meantime, I look forward to getting to know you better and anticipate that we'll be united in many political battles in the future.

Sincerely,


CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH
Member of Congress

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Haines top choice for primary battle

Clerk likely GOP candidate to face Smith in 4th District

By RICHARD PETERSON
Staff Writer

TOMS RIVER — Ocean County Clerk M. Dean Haines is the leading choice among county Republicans to battle Rep. Chris Smith, R-N.J., in a possible GOP primary this spring.

Republican leaders said they are considering running Ocean County candidates in both Smith's 4th District and the revised 3rd District, represented by four-term Republican Rep. H. James Saxton.

Haines was named as the likely candidate in the 4th District by several party sources.

Haines said that if county Republicans decide to run a candidate in the June primary, he would be interested.

"If the Ocean County Republican Organization decides it wants to enter a congressional primary in the 4th District, I would certainly make myself available," Haines said yesterday.

County GOP Campaign Coordinator George Gilmore said Republican leaders will meet this week to decide whether to challenge Smith and Saxton.

He said the makeup of the new districts would give an Ocean County candidate a stronger chance of winning in the 4th District, which includes portions of Mercer, Burlington, Monmouth and southern and western Ocean counties.

Mercer, Burlington and Monmouth counties have 33,766 registered Republican voters. The Ocean County towns within the district boast 29,985 registered GOP voters.

Gilmore said voting trends also show Ocean County Republicans also are more likely to go to the polls than their counterparts in neighboring counties.

"These numbers would lead one to believe that if Ocean County wanted to get into a primary fight, we would do well," Gilmore said.

Gilmore said an Ocean County

victory would be more difficult in the new 3rd District.

Almost 32,000 registered Republicans in the district live in Ocean County. Burlington and Camden counties are home to more than 48,000 GOP voters.

"It's not as easy a district to win as Chris Smith's," Gilmore said.

Haines was narrowly defeated by Saxton in the 1984 GOP primary for the old 13th Congressional District.

In that battle, Haines defeated Saxton by a margin of more than

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M. Dean Haines

11,000 votes in Ocean County, but lost in Burlington and Camden counties. If Republicans are going to have a candidate, they are going to have to act fast.

Republican leaders are meeting April 1 to choose their candidates for all offices. The deadline for entering the primary is April 2.

Republican sources said the primary fight is a continuation of the fight begun earlier this year. They have a long history of rivalry with the Democrats in Ocean County during the redistricting process.

Incumbent 13-member bipartisan state redistricting commission shifted back to the Dover Township, and the smaller north and west to include most of the Dover Township, and the smaller towns of Bearde, Keltie, South Towne River, Island Heights and Lavallo.

Smith's 5th District was shifted outward to include Brick, Bay Head, Lakewood, Lakewood, Manahick, Pleasant Point, Pleasant Point, and a small portion of Dover Township. Smith will continue to represent Jackson Township.

Barton is a resident of Southampton in Burlington County, and Smith lives in Hamilton in Mercer County.

A high-ranking Ocean County Republican source said both Smith and Barton "spotted" at the idea of a Shore district dominated by the county.

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Besides Haines, sources named several other party officials who might be interested in the seat, including Assemblyman Robert W. Singer, R-Ocean; Sen. Andrew Ciesla, R-Ocean; and Plumsted Mayor Ronald Darnen.

Singer said he had discussed running for Congress with party officials, but decided against it. "I'm not interested right now," he said.

Ciesla said he was never approached about the idea, but he would not discount running for federal office.

"No one has mentioned (it) to me," he said. "It's too speculative right now. This is something that should be discussed informally."

However, Ciesla said he "would never rule out running for a higher political office."

Ciesla is serving his second full month in the state Senate after winning election last November. Darnen could not be reached for comment last night.

Haines, a lifelong Barnegat resident, does not live in the 4th District.

However, state election laws allow candidates from outside a district to run for office following a redistricting, provided the candidate moves into the district after winning the election.

County GOP leaders will meet today with party Chairman Joseph Bucklew, who has been out of state for the past week.

Climore said Bucklew has been kept apprised of the redistricting discussions and should be ready to make a decision this week.

Although Ocean County did not get the district it wanted, we have a real chance of winning in the 4th and possibly the 5th," Climore said.

Patty Presock

March 27, 1992

Mr. President:

Regarding tonight's event:

Marvin and Margaret are in Georgia.

Doro has a previous ~~commit~~ment.

The Macomers are out of the country

Grace Holden has a birthday dinner
with a friend, but was very appreciative.

Andy Stewart (we think) has gone away
for the weekend.

and Janet Steiger was delighted
with the invitation and looks forward
to seeing you and the First Lady.

(I have shared all this with Mrs. Bush.)

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1992

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6:30 p.m.

DINNER

Guests arrive 6:15 p.m., SW Gate to
Diplomatic Reception Room

7:30 p.m.

KENNEDY CENTER, EISENHOWER THEATRE

Solitary Confinement with Stacey Keach

(1 hour, 55 minutes)

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH

Dr. and Mrs. Tabb Moore (Rosie)

General and Mrs. P. X. Kelley (Barbara)

Ambassador Henry Catto (Jessica is out of town)

Janet Steiger

Patty Presock

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Mr. President -
You wrote Trude
The attached note
on 3/27. Did
you want today's
to go also -

March 27, 1992

Dear Trude,

The interview turned out
real well from my
standpoint. Thanks for
sending it along.

Trude, noone least of all
me wants you to suffer
"anguish and torment"-
honest. I view you as a
fine writer and a
friendly person amongst
some who are not so
friendly.

Many thanks again,

George Bush

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Address by Former President Richard Nixon
to The GOP Team 100
Palm Springs, California
March 27, 1992

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The race between George Bush and Bill Clinton should be a landslide for an incumbent President over the Governor of a state which after twelve years of his leadership ranks forty-eighth among the fifty states in education, environment, and other measures of the quality of government. Yet polls show them running virtually even.

Why? Let's take a close look at Bill Clinton.

I don't know him but after studying his record, seeing him on television, and getting evaluations from people who know him, this is my assessment:

He is intelligent, fiercely competitive, and remarkably cool and tough under pressure. However, before he ran for President he was at best just a political middleweight nationally. After it became apparent that he would win the democratic nomination, a massive dose of media steroids has made him a bloated heavy-weight. Combined with the mildest but longest post-World War II recession, this has made it an even race.

What does Bill Clinton believe?

The line in the liberal media is that it is a race between a moderate Democrat and a moderate Republican. In fact, it is a contest between a liberal Democrat and conservative Republican.

Look at his record:

He was one of George McGovern's most enthusiastic supporters in 1972. He attacked Paul Tsongas as the candidate of Wall Street because Tsongas had the courage to oppose a demagogue's middle-class tax cut which would do very little for the middle-class and nothing for the economy. He has a program for every problem with one common characteristic--what will government do for the people?

George Bush has a diametrically different approach: What can people do for themselves? As Goethe said two hundred years ago, "What is the best government? That which teaches us to govern ourselves."

If you want more power in government, Clinton is your man. If you want more power for the people, George Bush is your man.

I realize that saying this to this audience is like carrying coals to Newcastle, or as the Japanese would put it, taking Sake to Nahda. But politically we must face up to the fact that in a recession year a liberal Democrat who will promise anything to win an election has an advantage.

However, George Bush has three overwhelming advantages:

He is President. The more he can play that role and let Clinton play the roll of candidate, the better.

He has character. I don't need to elaborate.

He knows foreign policy. He has had more experience in foreign policy than any candidate in history. Clinton knows very little about foreign policy and much of what he does know is wrong.

But here we have a political problem. The pollsters tell us that no one cares about foreign policy. Ironically George Bush suffers from what I call the Churchill syndrome.

In 1945 I'm sure all of you old enough to remember were as shocked as I was when after leading his country to victory in World War II, Winston Churchill was voted out of office by the British people. A friend told him it was probably a blessing in disguise. Churchill replied, "If it were a blessing, it was very well disguised."

Churchill lost not because he failed but because he succeeded in leading his people to victory in war. The British people concluded they no longer needed his leadership because the foreign enemy had been defeated and that they could safely turn to a socialist to deal with their domestic problems.

George Bush brilliantly led us to victory in the Gulf War and presided over the collapse of the Soviet empire last year. As a result, many have concluded that we no longer need an experienced foreign policy leader and that we can gamble on a liberal Democrat to get the country moving in a recession year.

The key question is--can we safely turn to Bill Clinton to lead the United States and the forces of peace and freedom in the world for the next four years?

We have been on a roller coaster ride with regard to what our role on the world stage should be. After the communist victory in Vietnam in 1975, the conventional wisdom was that we could do nothing. After our victory in the Gulf War last spring, the conventional wisdom was that we could do anything. After the total collapse of communism and the Soviet empire on December 9 last year, many insisted that there was nothing left to do. Those who say this are wrong because they base their conclusion on a false premise. They say that the Cold War is over and the West has won it.

This is only half true. The communists have lost the Cold War. But the West has not yet won it.

The Cold War was not a classic conflict between great powers over territory. It was a war about ideas--the evil ideas of communism and the ideas of freedom.

Russia is the major battleground of that war. It was in Russia that the seeds of communism were first planted. The Russian people reaped the bitter harvest. They rejected communism because it didn't work.

Now freedom is on trial. If it does not provide a better life, the Russian people will not turn back to the failed faith of communism.

They will turn to a new despotism under which they will trade this freedom for security and entrust their future to old hands with new faces. This new despotism, shorn of the baggage of the discredited idea of communism, but infected with the virus of expansionist Russian imperialism, will be an even greater threat to peace and freedom than the old Soviet totalitarianism.

The most important issue of our time is:

Can democracy and freedom survive in Russia? It will be a very close call.

On the minus side: There is rampant corruption. Ethnic strife is escalating. The transition from a command to a market economy is causing hardship to millions of people. There are shortages of food and medicine in some cities. Most serious, there is no free market management class in Russia. That is why the Marshall Plan approach won't work. Five years of war did not destroy the management class in Western Europe and Japan. When those nations received aid, they knew what to do with it. Seventy years of communist peace have destroyed the management class in Russia. Communist bureaucrats can't run a market economy.

But there are some plus factors.

Russia is a very rich country--rich in resources and in people.

Ninety-five percent of the Russian people are literate.

Ninety percent of the Russian work force has the equivalent of a high school or better education. You may remember what Gorbachev said in his press conference after his first summit meeting with President Reagan at Geneva in 1986: "We are not simpletons." The first man in space was a Russian. Their astronauts just returned from eight months in space.

There has been a little-noted but profound change in Russian political conduct.

In the 19th century Pushkin wrote that rebellions in Russia are senseless and violent. The revolution which brought the communists to power in 1917 was violent. The revolution which drove the Communists from power in 1991 was neither senseless nor violent.

Most important Russia has a strong leader. There is a tendency to underestimate Boris Yeltsin. We are told that:

Politically he is not democratic enough.

Intellectually he is not smart enough.

Socially he is not smooth enough.

I have met some world class leaders over the past forty-five years. I would rate him, as I would rate Gorbachev, as a political heavyweight.

He may not know which fork to use at a state dinner but he carries a very sharp political knife.

Some say he is a compulsive drinker; I would say he is a compulsive worker.

As Churchill in Great Contemporaries described his friend F. E. Smith, "he burns all his candles at both ends." In that respect he is like George Bush.

Yeltsin needs help. He deserves our help:

He is the first democratically elected leader in Russia's one-thousand year history.

He has physical courage as he so spectacularly demonstrated when he stood on a tank and faced down a gang of card-carrying killers in the failed Stalinist coup attempt.

More important he has political courage as he demonstrated by risking his popularity by letting prices rise as the first indispensable step toward a free market economy.

Unlike Gorbachev he has repudiated both Communism and Socialism.

He has completely eliminated the foreign aid budget he inherited from Gorbachev which in 1990 distributed fifteen billion dollars to Cuba and other anti-United States regimes.

He has drastically cut the Russian defense budget--which under Gorbachev took thirty percent of the Soviet GNP--to one that will take less than ten percent.

He has matched and even exceeded the bold cuts George Bush made in nuclear weapons.

To put it simply: He is the most pro-Western Russian leader in history.

What kind of aid does he need?

How much will it cost?

Who is going to pay for it?

He needs humanitarian aid--food and medicine until his reforms begin to work.

He needs relief from the sixty billion dollars debt he inherited from Gorbachev.

He needs greater access to Western markets for Russian exports.

He needs aid from the IMF and the Group of Seven to help stabilize the ruble.

Most of all he needs not a peace corps or a democracy corps but a free market corps supported by American private enterprise with government backing through which our brightest and best business experts from major American corporations help train a new entrepreneurial class to replace the millions of Communist bureaucrats.

How much will the aid cost?

It has been estimated that at least twenty billion dollars per year for five years must come from the West.

That is a lot of money but as London's Financial Times pointed out a few days ago, the West has been spending twenty times that much each year to meet the threat of the aggressive old Soviet Union.

Who is going to pick up the tab?

Many people ask--Haven't we carried the burden of foreign aid long enough? They have a point.

We helped our enemies as well as our allies recover from World War II.

Now is the time for them, particularly the Japanese and the Germans to help Russia recover from the Cold War.

But the United States, as the richest and strongest nation in the world, must lead this effort and we can't lead unless we share the burden of aid.

As Ben Stein has observed in another context - You can't play unless you are at the table.

You can't have a seat at the table unless you are prepared to put some chips in the pot.

This means as much as six billion dollars a year will have to be put up by the United States from an already extremely tight budget.

Before putting that amount in the pot let us see what the odds are.

We can't be sure aid will save freedom in Russia.

But it isn't like drawing to an inside straight.

There is a better than even chance that aid properly administered can assure the success of freedom in Russia.

And there is so much in the pot we can't afford to stay out.

This is not charity. By helping Russia we will be helping ourselves.

If democracy and freedom fail in Russia, the peace dividend will go down the tube. We would have to increase/rather than reduce our defense budget to meet the threat of aggression by an imperialist new Russian despotism.

The repercussions would be world wide. The hardline leaders in China would be given an enormous boost because of the failure of democracy and freedom in Russia. The tide of freedom which has been sweeping over the world would begin to ebb and dictatorship rather than democracy would be the wave of the future.

If democracy and freedom survive in Russia, it would be an example for others to follow - in China and the remaining Communist nations - a powerful magnet drawing them to freedom.

Just think how different the world can be:

For seventy years Communist Russia has been trying to export the ideas of Communism to the rest of the world.

Now a democratic Russia will be exporting the ideas and goods of freedom to the rest of the world.

A free market economy in Russia would mean billions of dollars in trade and would create millions of jobs for the United States.

Most important, a democratic Russia will free our children and grandchildren from the paralyzing fear of world nuclear war--because democracies do not start wars.

Let us put this in historical perspective.

Forty-five years ago when Jack Kennedy and I were freshmen Congressmen, a Democratic President supported by a Republican Congress provided aid to Greece and Turkey to help them meet the threat of Communist aggression. That action, which was followed by the Marshall Plan a year later, played an indispensable role in determining the fate of Europe in the last half of the twentieth century.

Today, action by a Republican President supported by a Democratic Congress to assure the success of freedom in Russia could determine the fate of the world in the twenty-first century.

The American people responded magnificently to the threat of war then. Can we not respond to the promise of peace now?

War brings out the best and the worst in men. Real peace will bring out only the best.

The twentieth century will be remembered as a century of war.

We can help make the twenty-first century a century of peace and freedom. That is what is at stake in Russia.

Let us take a brief look at what is at stake in the rest of the world.

There have been one hundred and forty wars since the end of World War II.

Eight million more people were killed in those so-called small wars than in World War I.

Most of these wars would have been fought had there been no Cold War between East and West.

In the next five years at least four nations, none of them friendly to the United States, will acquire nuclear weapons.

The Mideast, Indo-Pakistan, and the Korean peninsula are all candidates for nuclear war. As a result of the collapse of Communism in the Soviet Union and our victory in the Persian Gulf War, we live in a safer and better world.

But it is still a dangerous world.

We are moving through uncharted waters and we need an experienced captain to navigate the ship of state through those waters.

What is our choice? This is a tale of two men:

One year ago, despite the opposition of most of the media and many in his own administration, George Bush made the lonely, courageous decision to use ground troops to liberate Kuwait.

He brilliantly mobilized the U.N. and skillfully enlisted the support of Congress for that action. It succeeded spectacularly.

Two days after the Congress voted to support his decision, Bill Clinton made the statement to the Arkansas Gazette: "I guess I would have voted with the majority if it had been a close vote. But I agree with the arguments of the minority."

That is our choice.

Americans cannot take a chance on a waffling, indecisive man who tries to please both sides on great issues.

There is only one man who has the experience, the vision, the courage and the character to lead America and the forces of peace and freedom in the world.

You have contributed generously to his party.

Now you have the privilege to work for his reelection.

That man is President George Bush.

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable C. Howard Wilkins, Jr.
Ambassador of the Netherlands
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U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

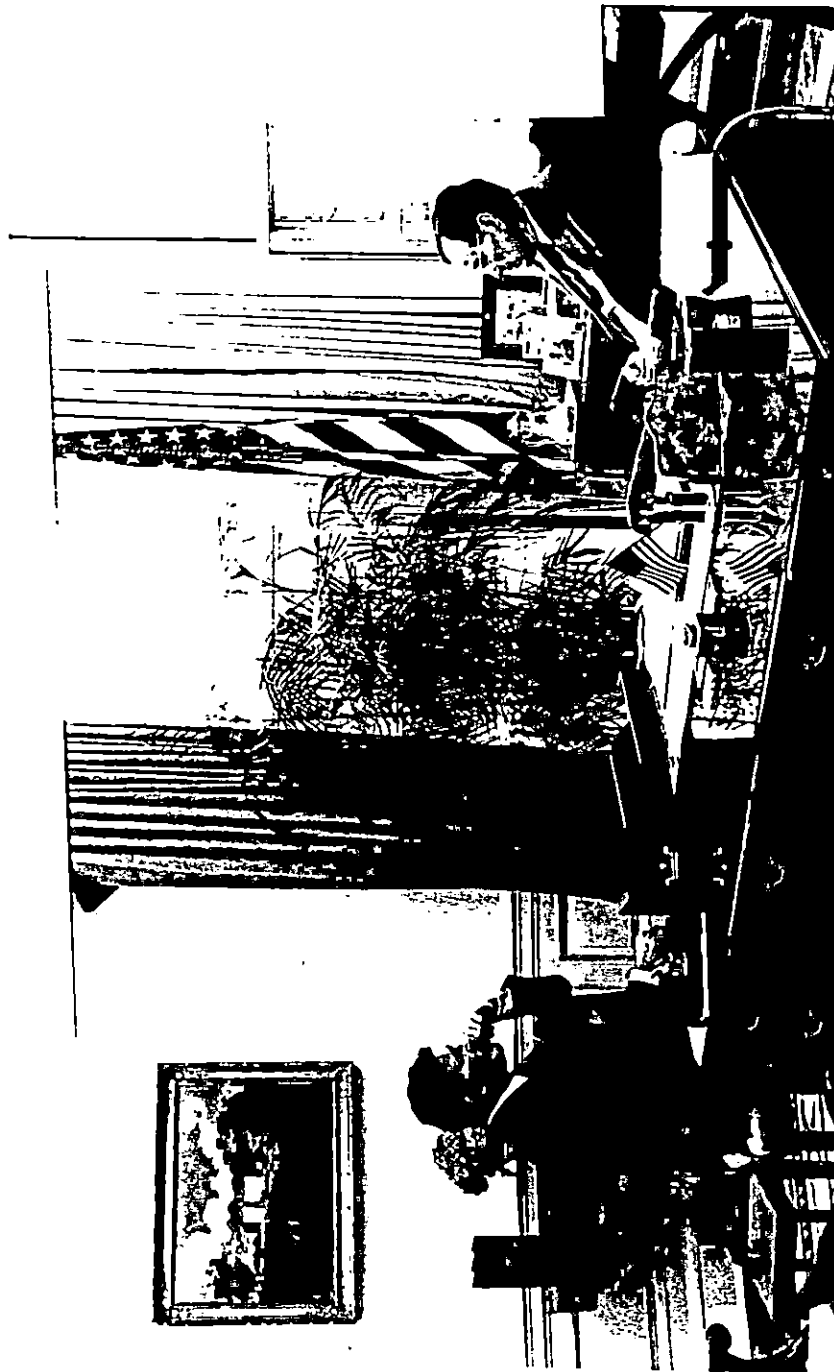
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Amb Howard Wilkins
(Amb to the
Netherlands)

(March 27, 1992)

The President



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To Amb. Howard Wilkins
Well Done, My Friend! Sincerely,
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1:00 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

EARTH SUMMIT (New York/Reuter) -- An apocalyptic film clip, featuring the voice of Darth Vader accusing President Bush of fence-straddling on the Earth Summit, has moviegoers urging the President to fly down to Rio. The 90-second, \$300,000 spot showing scenes of an environmental Armageddon has been showing in theaters across the country, and viewers are responding with a flood of telegrams to the White House, Western Union said.

C.I.B./AID (Rita Beamish, AP) -- The White House is considering increased aid to the former Soviet Union, an Administration official said. It reportedly would include \$1 billion to help stabilize the ruble as well as direct aid. It is not clear when the President might act on the recommendations.

CAMPAIGN/BUCHANAN (Highland Beach, Fla./UPI) -- Patrick Buchanan said he will remain in the presidential race because of basic differences with President Bush. Buchanan spoke during an hour-long taping of an interview with David Frost. Frost asked Buchanan what Bush has to promise him to get him out of the race. "I don't think there's anything George Bush could promise me, because I assume he believes in his New World Order, which is one of the main reasons I am going to continue in this race," Buchanan responded. But he said he will support Bush in November and will not run as a third-party candidate.

LIBYA/SUSPECTS (The Hague/UPI) -- The U.S. accused Libya of seeking to "buy time" in an effort to prevent the U.N. from imposing sanctions on Tripoli for failing to surrender the Pan Am 103 suspects. Speaking before the World Court, State Department legal adviser Edwin Williamson said Libya had brought the case before the World Court in order to "undo the work of the Security Council." Williamson denied charges that Washington had threatened Libya militarily on the issue.

GATES/IRAQ (AP) -- Despite progress in destroying Iraq's weapons of mass destruction, Saddam Hussein maintains several hundred Scuds, covert nuclear equipment and the means to make chemical and biological weapons, CIA Director Gates told a House Armed Services Committee panel. In addition, U.S. intelligence has found that "significant reconstruction" has taken place at some two dozen military-industrial sites in the country, and limited production of artillery and ammunition has resumed, Gates said.

THAILAND/PRIME MINISTER (Bangkok/Reuter) -- Prime Minister-designate Wongwan challenged the U.S. to prove allegations he was involved in dealings with international drug traffickers. "I insist upon my innocence," said Wongwan. His Sammakhi Tham party and its partners closed ranks against Washington, accusing it of interfering in Thailand's affairs and insisting he would still be prime minister.

PERSONAL INCOME (UPI) -- Personal income jumped 1.1 percent in February, its biggest gain in more than three years, and consumer spending climbed 0.9 percent, the Commerce Department said.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

March 27, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE NATIONAL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD MEDAL WINNING TEAMS

Room 459, Old Executive Office Building

12:50 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Everybody please be seated. And welcome, welcome. I'm glad our previous meeting didn't run late, or I'd have had to bring a note from Barbara. (Laughter.) But it is so great to see all of you and to be here with two of our very, very best. Secretary Watkins, Secretary of Energy, also has this compelling and overriding interest in things educational; and also, Lamar Alexander, our Secretary of Education, who is leading from that department for what we call America 2000 that I'll touch on in a minute.

I'd like to greet the two up here also -- Mr. Cairns and Mr. Putz -- our leaders, your leaders -- and thank them for their vision and for all they're doing. Their successful state competition has really inspired the Olympiad program.

And most of all, though, let me welcome all of you, the very special young men and women here representing the 10,000 schools and the 1.5 million students who take part in the Special Olympiad. Congratulations on your victory in America's Olympics of the Mind.

I know a lot of you are not only looking back with pride on last year's victory, but you're looking ahead to May 16th at Auburn -- especially the teams from Grandville and Jenison Junior Highs. And you should be up for awards in the juggling event, too, because the way you can be in Washington with me today and then home in Michigan at your state olympics competition tomorrow is pretty good.

I am tremendously impressed by all of the students, and of course, all the teachers, and by the incredible scope of activities in which you participate. You're really like decathlon athletes, good at so many varied skills, like problem solving and test taking, device building.

I've looked over some of the things you've had to do to win in the Olympiad, and I'd never be able to build a musical instrument out of nonmusical materials, or identify the age of reptiles. Mesozoic, I'm told is the correct one there. For you amateur paleontologists, that's also around the time that dinosaurs started eating broccoli, your history books will tell you. (Laughter and applause.)

I don't want to get off of this subject, but did you notice the other day they said broccoli is good for your health? I've felt it was a medicine all along. (Laughter.) So anyway, you've worked all year to get where you are, competing in 32 individual and team events in subjects like biology and chemistry, physics, earth science and computers.

You know, I might just be able to compete after all. Last year, at the urging -- the insistence of Secretary Alexander, who is a very persistent fellow, I started to learn how to work a computer. And it's taken me a while, but a couple of months ago I

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wrote my first program. I called it "Michelangelo." (Laughter.) And I wonder -- I'm never quite sure what happened to it. (Laughter.)

No, but seriously, you know, Lamar makes the point that nobody is too old to learn. And so he said, you've got to do something. So I know I could learn from everybody in this room about it, but I'm really enjoying it -- sending out memos and trying to master what you all know so much about. You're more than smart and you're more than hard-working teams, I've heard. You're the best ambassadors that this country has. You show who we can be and what we can do if we just put our minds and our great American genius to work. And I am proud to honor you today because your nation is proud to claim you, proud to recognize your achievement.

You've shown the kind of excellence that will help us meet the ambitious goals that we've set for our nation in this America 2000 Education Strategy that I mentioned. We know we've got to be competitive all across the board, but we especially have to be competitive in math and science in this changing world.

Our economic health, our economic survival depend on how we educate ourselves to face the challenges out there. We've called on our kids to be number one in the world in math and science by the turn of the century. And you are visible proof that we can do it.

I'm sure you've heard the results of the most recent science study of American students. And those scores simply reinforce the fact that science must be made a priority. We're serious about science and math. We've requested over \$2 billion in federal spending on math and science education in next year's budget. If my math is correct -- and with this crowd out here it had better be -- that's an increase of 123 percent in the last three years.

We also want to bring new technology into the classroom so kids can interact with astronauts and explorers and scientists, so rural schools can have access to state-of-the-art resources, and so all American kids can be exposed to the cutting-edge technologies and ideas that will shape their future.

Each one of you has learned for yourselves the true meaning of math and science. Before the numbers and the charts and tables, there is the question and the quest. And we've got to harness that same spirit of innovation, that same sense of discovery to reinvent American education, to turn our backs on the status quo, break the mold and build a new generation of American schools. We've got to create new incentives for excellence, like school choice, by giving parents the power to choose which schools serve their children best -- public, private, religious.

And if we're really serious about excellence in education, we've got to recognize that renaissance begins with revolution. Real excellence demands commitment, not just from government, but from everyone in every community, as we move this nation towards achieving those six national education goals. It demands talented men and women giving their time to become tutors, mentors and classroom assistants -- I call them "Points of Light." It demands businesses, churches and synagogues, civic groups forming partnerships to support local schools, working together towards what we call "America 2000 communities," places where education doesn't just happen in the classroom, places where education means lifelong learning.

Together, we really will reinvent the American school, community by community, neighborhood by neighborhood, all across the United States.

The Science Olympiad program shows us the way, lights the way. It brings together 3,000 volunteers -- teachers, parents, businesspeople -- each one working to strengthen excellence in his or

her own community. Folks like the neighbors of Pierce school, who ran car washes, sold candy, collected contributions to raise \$12,000 so their team could go to the nationals. I hear even the fourth graders in the nearby Exton school raised \$10; and when you're trying to get by on an allowance, \$10 is a small fortune.

And you're all here today because of volunteers like these across this country. And you're here because you're not afraid to reach out for excellence. And that's why I was determined to come over here to salute you. We think of the scientist who, one day will discover the cure for cancer, find the formula to guarantee against AIDS, or use technology to wipe out hunger. And we realize that today that man or woman is a student in a science class somewhere.

Maybe it's a kid who will catch a spark from this program -- a spark that will change his life, her life, and in the process literally change the world. The Science Olympiad has that kind of power.

So, congratulations on your achievements, on bringing to academic competition the pride and enthusiasm usually known in sports contests, and on making learning exciting.

So good luck in everything you do, and when one of you kids can prove who started the Michelangelo virus, just remember: My name is Dana Carvey. Now, thank you all for coming. (Laughter and applause.)

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12:00 P.M. EST

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The President today announced his intention to nominate Scott J. Poe, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky for the term of four years. He would succeed Sherman L. Hansford.

Since 1990, Mr. Poe has served as a Police Officer with the City of Maysville Police Department; and also served as a Patrolman for the Maysville Police Department, 1971-1972. From 1989-1991, he served as a part-time Instructor for the Maysville Community College. In addition, Mr. Poe was Manager of Poe Insurance Agency, Incorporated, 1983-1990.

Mr. Poe was graduated from Transylvania University (B.A., 1989). He was born August 27, 1949 in Maysville, Kentucky. He is married, has four children and resides in Maysville.

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Office of the Press Secretary

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

Italian President Francesco Cossiga will meet with the President on April 7 to bid farewell. Cossiga is leaving office this summer. The two leaders will discuss world developments and bilateral relations.

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MRS. BUSH'S PRESS OFFICE

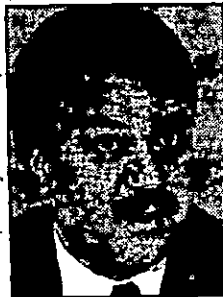
DAILY PRESS CLIPPINGS

Friday, March 27, 1992

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Constance Horner	West Wing
Carol Powers	West Wing
Patty Presock	Residence
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Shirley Green	Room 94 OEOB
Anne Griffith	Room 98 OEOB
Diana Kellogg	Room 157 OEOB
Gregg Petersmeyer	Room 100 OEOB
Marguerite Sullivan	Room 268 OEOB
Carolyn Washington	Room 268 OEOB
Benita Somerfield	hold one copy
Ann Brock	
Julie Cooke	
Joan DeCain	
Laurie Firestone	
Jane Moore	
Susan Porter Rose	
Sally Runion	
Peggy Swift	
Anna Perez	
Sondra Haley	
Jean Becker	
Jay Suchan	(plus originals)

RUMOR MILL: Democratic National Committee chairman Ron Brown thinks that if Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton has to face questions about adultery, so should President Bush. In the *Los Angeles Times* Thursday, Brown said if the press raises the "adultery issue" against Clinton, "I would certainly hope that George Bush is going to be asked some hard and tough questions." The *Times* noted "rumors that Bush had an affair with a female staffer" — unsubstantiated buzz that briefly became a 1988 campaign issue. Later Thursday, Brown said he wasn't "implying anything," then said again that if Clinton must deal with the issue, Bush "ought to be asked the same question. I'd think the American people would think that's fair." Bush campaign spokeswoman Torie Clarke's rejoinder: "We will put George and Barbara Bush's commitment to marriage, family and traditional family values up against anybody's."

Also: Ron Brown criticized Jerry Brown in a front-page article in today's *New York Times*, saying the Democratic presidential contender has "crossed the line in terms of inappropriate attacks" against rival Gov. Bill Clinton. In an interview, Ron Brown said he wanted to remain neutral but felt compelled to speak out against the former California governor's "scorched-earth policy" against Clinton.



USA TODAY
BROWN: Wasn't
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NEWSTAB Fri 27-Mar-92 8:53 EST
By CAROLYN SKORNECK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — People who have waited since 1987 for the reopening of the popular first ladies exhibit at the Smithsonian will get more, and less, than they bargained for.

First the more: The new \$1 million display, "First Ladies: Political Role and Public Image," which opens Sunday, has far more information than the old show about the lives and times of the presidents' wives.

And it has less emphasis on gowns and more on how these women fit, or didn't fit, into their times.

The National Museum of American History show devotes extensive attention to such topics as the first ladies' involvement in the nation's campaigns and political issues, their attempts to carve out roles they were comfortable with, and their public images.

That means the exhibit includes criticism of some presidential wives that was absent when the old first ladies exhibit was on display from 1963 to 1987.

The new show's curator, Edith Mayo, says the old show focused on their roles as "decorative social trappings for the president."

And that brings up the less: The exhibit displays fewer dresses — 22 instead of 42 — and they no longer are in the ornate period rooms that housed them before.

Instead, they are in glass-walled rooms dimly lighted to prevent the deterioration that destroyed several gowns.

The show adds at least one garment that first ladies of yore never would have worn: the camouflage jacket Barbara Bush donned while visiting the troops during Operation Desert Shield prior to the start of the Persian Gulf War.

Ms. Mayo said she expects some complaints.

"The women themselves arouse controversy," she said in an interview Thursday. "We would be naive to think portraying that is not going to generate that as well."

However, she added, "I haven't said anything that wasn't already talked about in the newspapers and very well documented."

As an example of the different focus is the mention that since George Bush took office, his wife has "rarely commented on her previous support of pro-choice and pro-ERA positions, opinions that would alienate groups within her husband's conservative constituency."

"By choosing non-controversial causes to emphasize, Barbara Bush projected an image of involved, concerned, humanitarian service, while reassuring the public that she exercised no real power," the exhibit says.

It calls attention to Rosalynn Carter's role as "an overtly political presidential partner," adding that "even in the 1970s and 1980s, such involvement continued to raise eyebrows and speculation about the proper limits to a first lady's power."

And it points out that Nancy Reagan suffered at first from low popularity ratings "reflecting public perceptions of her conspicuous consumption in clothes and expensive tastes in White House china." The image was rehabilitated primarily from her

"Just Say No" anti-drug campaign, it notes.

Mrs. Reagan "knows what the thrust of hers is," said Ms. Mayo, who said the former first lady said "she was glad she was not going to be known only for her clothes. She was delighted we were talking about the drug program."

Mrs. Bush's chief of staff, Susan Porter Rose, "thinks it's a wonderful exhibit," said spokeswoman Anna Perez.

However, she found some factual errors which she asked the museum to fix in due course, according to Perez and museum director Roger Kennedy. To be corrected are plaques saying Mrs. Bush "endorsed" a certain literacy program, that she wrote "First Teachers" and that she became concerned about literacy because one of her sons had a reading problem. Kennedy said the museum would fix the mistakes.

Ms. Mayo praised museum officials for being "very good about not having any kind of pressure coming in from outside. We certainly didn't submit it to anyone for review."

As an example of how far the new exhibit is from the old is the inclusion, near the end in the public image section, of a case containing author Kitty Kelley's books that blasted two former first ladies: "Jackie, Oh!" and "Nancy Reagan."

Kelley laughed in surprise on learning the news.

She said she was "delighted and pleased that the Smithsonian does not bow to political pressure."

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NEWSTAB Thu 26-Mar-92 12:37 EST

By HELEN THOMAS

UPI White House Reporter

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Bush underwent a five-hour annual medical examination Thursday at Bethesda Naval Hospital and proclaimed his health as "perfect."

The president's own assessment of his first complete physical examination since March 27, 1991, was echoed by Dr. Burton Lee, the White House physician.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater had announced Tuesday that special attention during the check-up would be paid to the glaucoma that had been discovered in the president's left eye in 1990.

Asked if any problems had been discovered, Bush said, "None."

Lee made it clear that there is no particular concern over Bush's glaucoma, adding, "If anything, the glaucoma is better," he said.

Fitzwater told reporters that the battery of tests administered to the president "went very smoothly; no problems; everything is normal."

Lee said Wednesday in a telephone interview that Bush "has been beaten up a good deal" by the pressures of his job, but is in "good shape."

"The pressures of being president of the United States" takes its toll, Lee said. "It's difficult. ... You can't sail through looking like it's a party."

Bush, returning to the White House Wednesday after a 20-minute jog to illustrate his fitness, seemed unsure whether he still has the eye disorder. "I don't think I've got it," he said, adding that he is not taking any medication for it.

Bush did say he was taking an antihistamine to control his allergies.

The 67-year-president, whose thyroid problem, called Graves' disease, was discovered when he suffered an irregular heartbeat while jogging at Camp David on May 4, 1991, was given drugs to control the palpitations.

However, he now takes only one medicine regularly — synthroid, Lee said.

Barbara Bush, who suffers from the same hyperthyroid condition, quietly underwent her medical checkup last week, Lee said, and was found to be in good health. She did have some spots of skin cancer removed from her face, however, aides said.

The public focused its attention on the president's health after Bush vomited and collapsed at a state dinner in Japan Jan. 8 from what White House officials called intestinal flu.

Although, Bush appears to have lost weight, Lee said his weight remains in the high 180s.

NEWSTAB Fri 27-Mar-92 0:22 EST

By STEVEN HEILBRONNER

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Bush underwent a four-hour annual medical examination and proclaimed his health as "perfect" upon leaving Bethesda Naval Hospital.

Dr. Burton Lee, the president's physician, said Thursday Bush is in "excellent health," following a battery of tests, including X-rays, extensive eye tests and an examination of his bones and joints.

Later in the day, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater reported that the president's checkup showed no evidence of skin cancer. However, he said the doctors did "freeze" with liquid nitrogen four very minute keratosis, wart-like skin growths, on the president's face.

Fitzwater said the small dark spots will disappear within a few days, but had they been exposed to the sun for long they could become cancerous. Bush has had them removed on previous occasions over the years, he said.

The president, meanwhile, told a gathering of black ministers at the White House that he had passed his annual physical examination with "flying colors" and was "counting my blessings."

Lee said the 67-year-old president would continue a daily regimen of synthroid, a synthetic hormone to treat his hyperthyroid condition, called Graves' disease.

In addition, Bush suffers from mild degenerative osteoarthritis. He takes a an aspirin tablet every other day for health maintenance.

Lee also said he would continue prescribing for the president the controversial sleeping drug Halcion. The medication was banned in Britain and has received intense criticism in the United States. Bush last took the drug following his collapse at a state dinner in Japan last January.

Bush's clean bill of health comes amid his re-election campaign that is sure to test the president's stamina in the coming months. In 1988, Bush's health became a topic of intense speculation after questions were raised about the wisdom of his choice of Dan Quayle as vice presidential running mate.

Lee said in an interview after the president's annual checkup that Bush was thoroughly examined for glaucoma, an ailment he said was mistakenly ascribed to Bush several years ago.

On Thursday Lee said Bush suffers from "elevated pressure" in the left eye "but the disease of glaucoma has many features and he has none of the features of it."

Bush underwent an extensive and time-consuming test of his retina, during which his pupil was dialated, he said upon leaving the hospital. But the president would not take medication to correct the pressure, Lee said.

The president underwent a series of blood tests several weeks ago so the results would coincide with Thursday's examination.

"All the blood tests were done prior to this and he's fine," Lee said.

Bush also omitted a stress test Thursday, having taken one last October. Lee has recommened such a test annually and said he would probably not order another one until next year.

But that will not stop Lee from urging Bush to spend more time away from the office and more time relaxing.

Lee said of Bush, who weighs 193 pounds, just two pounds below his average weight: "I would love him to go away for three weeks. I don't care how much activity he thrives on. I don't think it has anything to do with a guy his age. It has to do with the demands of this job. If you look at pictures of people as they go through the years of their presidency they take a hell of a beating."

Bush and his wife, **Barbara Bush**, are scheduled to spend four days next month over Easter Sunday at their seaside home in Kennebunkport, Maine.

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Bush is exceedingly active and performs many recreational activities in fast forward. Lee said there was nothing inherently wrong with this but said Bush is "not superman. He's no different than anybody else."

Nonetheless, Bush has taken steps to reduce his fat intake, Lee said. "He doesn't eat as much fat as he used to, grease, spice," Lee said. "I think he's doing it largely on his own."

Campaign '92

Democratic chief says Bush deserves the same scrutiny

By Jack Nelson
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — The Democratic Party chairman, Ron Brown, accused former Gov. Jerry Brown of California yesterday of waging a "scorched earth" campaign of personal attacks, adding that he is damaging his own candidacy as well as that of Gov. Bill Clinton of Arkansas and the party itself.

And in answer to a question, the party chairman said that if the press raises the adultery issue against Clinton in the general election campaign, it should be raised about President Bush as well. "If that's the standard for Bill Clinton, it ought to be the standard for George Bush," he said.

The chairman said he told Jerry Brown he felt strongly about how he was waging his campaign, and the former governor responded that he would run "aggressively" against Clinton, who remains far out front in the Democratic presidential race although he lost the Connecticut primary to Brown Tuesday, 37 percent to 36 percent.

"Running aggressively on the issues is absolutely appropriate," the party chief said. "Personal attacks are absolutely inappropriate. He diminishes his own candidacy if it is skewed towards a personal attack kind of strategy and not towards a

real issue discussion."

The Democratic chairman said Jerry Brown and others, including Pat Caddell, an adviser, "want to tear down the temple, so to speak. It's a scorched earth kind of approach to politics. In a time of economic dislocation and cynicism and frustration and anger, it has some appeal."

The former California governor, hammering away at Clinton nonstop, has attacked his character, called him unelectable and referred to reports raising questions of adultery and financial irregularities as "a scandal a week."

Endorsements expected

The party leader, interviewed at a breakfast session with the Los Angeles Times Washington Bureau, called Clinton's Connecticut loss "a glitch in the road" in his drive toward the nomination, and said he expects the governor's campaign to be boosted by Sen. Tom Harkin's endorsement and an endorsement he expects later from another former candidate, Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska.

The chairman tempered his only criticism of Clinton — that he did "an awfully dumb thing" and made "a terrible mistake" by playing golf at an all-white Arkansas county club — by adding, "I'd like to know how many segregated golf courses Dan

Quayle and George Bush have played on. I would suspect a good deal more than Bill Clinton has played on."

For the first time in the campaign, the Democratic chairman acknowledged the possibility of an open Democratic convention. He said that while he expects no other candidate to enter the race before the convention, "that is not to say if Clinton's campaign falters somehow that we don't have a situation at the convention where others express interest," he said.

By "falters," he meant "a major blowout loss" in the April 7 New York primary or "some shocking revelations — and I mean way beyond the types of things that have been rumored or spoken about over

the last several months."

"Raked over the coals"

Regarding the adultery question, the chairman said, "Bill Clinton has been raked over the coals for months in many ways that I think have been very unfair, with little or no information, with charges from noncredible sources that end up in print or on television."

If such questions persist into the general election, "I would certainly hope that George Bush is going to be asked some hard and tough questions," he said.

Rumors that Bush had an affair with a female staffer were widely circulated in 1987 when he was vice president and launching his presidential campaign, but his son and

campaign adviser, George Jr., denied them. While most publications never mentioned the rumors, Newsweek and at least two other publications published short stories saying George Jr. asked his father point-blank about the rumors and he replied that they were "just not true."

Most of the stories about Clinton's alleged infidelity have been based on a story in the *Star*, a tabloid that paid an undisclosed fee to Gennifer Flowers for her account of what she contended was a 12-year affair with the governor. Clinton has denied the account.

Several Democrats in addition to the party chairman have suggested that if Bush forces raise the issue in the general election, it also will be raised against the president.



RON BROWN
"Scorched earth"

BUSINESS

Neil Bush to Pay \$50,000 as Share in Settlement

Pact Costs Neil Bush \$50,000

Silverado Settlement Terms Come to Light

By Susan Schmidt
Washington Post Staff Writer

Neil Bush will contribute \$50,000 to the \$49.5 million settlement of a federal lawsuit agreed to by him and other former officials of Silverado Banking Savings and Loan Association of Denver, court records show.

Bush and other officers and directors of Silverado, which failed at an estimated \$1 billion cost to taxpayers, were sued by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for allegedly causing \$200 million in damages through lax management of the institution. Bush, the president's son, was a Silverado director.

Bush and other officials agreed last year to settle the suit, and while the total settlement amount was known, how much the various parties paid was not disclosed. The terms of the once-confidential settlement surfaced in court papers in a separate lawsuit in Denver and were first reported yesterday in the Rocky Mountain News.

The \$49.5 million is to come from Silverado's insurer, National Union Fire Insurance Co., which is paying \$26.5 million, and from a \$23 million legal defense fund that former Silverado officials set up with thrift funds in 1986, according to the FDIC.

Records obtained yesterday by The Washington Post showed that Bush agreed to pay National Union \$50,000 by 1994. The thrift's former chief executive, Michael Wise, has agreed to pay National Union \$75,000.

The Rocky Mountain News reported that six other Silverado officials will pay a total of \$167,000 to National Union. Wise, Bush and director Flortan Barth, who will reportedly pay \$50,000, put in the largest sums.

The FDIC suit alleged that Silverado's directors failed to stop the thrift from making risky loans despite strong criticism from state and federal regulators. The suit also alleged that directors approved exces-

sive compensation for top thrift officials, citing, for example Wise's 1986 earnings of \$1.3 million.

Federal regulators formally reprimanded Bush for engaging in business deals that presented conflicts of interest while he was a Silverado director. The issue has been an embarrassment to the White House, which has had to ask Congress for \$105 billion so far to cover the costs of failures in the thrift industry.

FDIC officials said yesterday they knew only what they read in the press about the amounts individual defendants contributed.

Bush's attorney, James Nesland, was unavailable for comment and National Union officials could not be reached late yesterday.

The amount Bush is contributing to the settlement was immediately criticized by Democrats on Capitol Hill.

"The American taxpayers apparently lost \$1 billion in the collapse of Silverado and now we learn that Mr. Bush will write a check for a paltry \$50,000," said House Banking Committee Chairman Henry B. Gonzalez (D-Tex.). "The American public needs to know just how this sum was arrived at and what the total recovery will be for the taxpayers in the cleanup of Silverado."

Gonzalez said the committee will launch a

"top-to-bottom review" of settlements, penalties and other administrative and court actions against S&L officials. Gonzalez said he is particularly concerned that settlements between the government and S&L figures have been sealed by the courts.

Sen. Timothy Wirth (D-Colo.) has pressed for disclosure of all such settlements and for disclosure of records of insider lending at failed S&Ls, and those provisions were made part of the bill to continue funding the Resolution Trust Corp., the thrift cleanup agency.

"This obviously is a very good example of why my provision makes a lot of sense," Wirth said yesterday.



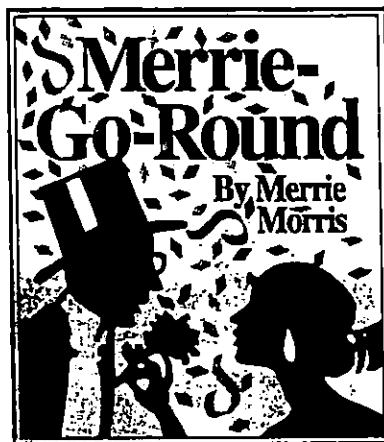
Marilyn Quayle

Suspicious thriller

✿ Marilyn Quayle, the author, was heavily influenced by her better-known alter ego, the vice president's wife. "Embrace the Serpent," the new thriller she co-authored with older sister Nancy Northcott, can be summed up this way: "You've got the Republican senator who's the good guy, and you've got the Democrats that are bad, and communism is still bad," Quayle says. Sounds compelling.

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Paper bites dog

When Marilyn Quayle was on CNN's "Larry King Live" last week, she remarked on how glad she and husband Dan were that the week-long series in The Washington Post was over. "You know, we would get up and race down to see what was in the paper."

Now that the reviews of her writing efforts are being released, Marilyn might want to stay in bed and pull the covers up over her head. Witness the opinion of Scripps Howard News Service:

"'Embrace the Serpent' is such a bad book that you want to swat it with a rolled up newspaper while scolding 'Bad book! Bad book!' In fact, it's such a dog that it should be subject to leash laws."

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X QUAYLE GAINS increased attention—Marilyn, that is. The vice president's wife becomes a hot commodity on the Bush-surrogate speaker circuit as a counter to Hillary Clinton. She and her sister begin an 11-city tour to tout their new book featuring a black U.S. senator who also happens to be a Republican. The book is fiction.



in Washington, Nancy Northcott (left) and Marilyn Quayle autograph a copy of "Embrace the Serpent" for Sen. Mark Hatfield (R-Ore.), who shows off his tie that bears Vice President Dan Quayle's picture.

Marilyn Quayle and her sister do in Castro in new thriller

By John Blades

Literary notes

With a stroke of the pen (or a touch of their computer keys), Marilyn Quayle and her equally diabolical sister, Nancy Northcott, pulled off a coup that has eluded the CIA, the Mafia and Cuban guerrillas for more than three decades: They exterminated Fidel Castro.

"We didn't kill him," insisted Quayle of Castro's precipitous but timely demise on the first page of "Embrace the Serpent" (Crown), a political suspense novel she wrote with her sister. "He died of natural causes, which will someday be his fate."

"It was Marilyn's idea," Northcott cheerfully interjected, during a quick, chaotic conference-call interview with the two sisters from Washington. "But I did go right along with it."

In writing their first book, Quayle and Northcott chose Castro as the target for their more devious literary impulses because of "the human rights violations, the political prisoners, and the torture and oppression in his country."

Considering their distaste for Castro, surely the co-authors could have given him a more fitting melodramatic sendoff, by means of a well-aimed bullet, say, rather than a bum heart, which is what kills him on the first page of their novel. "It was important not to," said Quayle, "because that could have caused other repercussions."

Fictionally if not factually, Castro's natural death is still enough to set off nasty and explosive repercussions, beginning with the assassination of his brother Raul. With both Castros out of the picture, the way is clear for a takeover by politically incorrect Cubans, in collusion with evil Russians and even more evil Arabs, one of whom exults, "The Persian Empire will once again rule the world."

"What a situation!" remarks a character of all the plot convolutions devised by Quayle and Northcott. Into their boiling pot the sisters stir brave Cubans and villainous Cubans; an astute Re-

publican senator from Georgia; a powerful but contemptible Washington publisher; and an obtuse U.S. president, not to be confused with George Bush, who (the book makes clear) has already vacated the Oval Office.

As the wife of the vice president and a White House regular, Marilyn Quayle would seem to have an inside track on U.S. policy toward Cuba, perhaps access to a top-secret scenario for our political and diplomatic machinations when Castro does tumble from power, whether because of natural or unnatural causes.

But Quayle warned against leaping to such false conclusions, saying: "We took great pains not to use any information from the government. We didn't even use normal avenues that are open to other authors, because I didn't want anyone to accuse me of using my position."

"We had to get our information from our own sources in the Cuban-American community, out of books from the Tullahoma library in Tennessee, where Nancy lives," she added. "And by talking with various friends and experts outside government, to make sure what we were saying made sense."

For some of their inspiration, Quayle and Northcott also acknowledged a debt to other suspense writers, especially Tom Clancy. And because "Embrace the Serpent" takes place over four days in January, the novel's structure suggests an abbreviated spinoff of "Seven Days in May," a pop classic about a military plot to take over Washington.

Another wrongful conclusion, said Northcott, maintaining that any such resemblance is purely coincidental. "We were both fans of thrillers. We've read them for years and years, along with other kinds of books. But I don't think this is like any other political thriller."

Because they live hundreds of miles apart, Quayle and Northcott worked on separate computers,

writing alternate chapters and shipping them off to each other via telephone modem. When plot complications dictated a personal summit conference, usually about one week a month, Northcott, a mother of four, would invariably have to pack up for Washington. "I have to take too much security with me to go to Tennessee," explained Quayle, who has three children.

During the three years the book was in the works, the sisters were frequently overtaken by events, such as the deconstruction of the Berlin Wall and the Soviet Union, which necessitated some hasty revisions in their storyline.

"The final manuscript had been copyedited before the failed coup attempt" against Mikhail Gorbachev, Quayle said. "The editor called us 11 days after the coup and said, 'I think you have a problem.' I said, 'Don't worry. We've already rewritten it.' We simply guessed what we thought would logically occur, given what we knew about the former Soviet Union and world affairs in general."

That still left the problem of Fidel Castro, who might well have been toppled himself before their novel reached bookstores. "We spent the last few months hoping he'd stay in power," Quayle said.

On their cross-country promotional campaign for the novel, which includes a Chicago stopover on Monday, Quayle and Northcott have requested that interviewers not raise any "inappropriate" political issues.

Even so, they have a contingency plan, anticipating that a few reporters won't be able to resist tossing a loaded question or two. "We'll smile nicely," Quayle said, "and request that they move on."

Marilyn Quayle and Nancy Northcott will make two appearances in Chicago on Monday: From noon to 1 p.m. at Kroch's and Brentano's, 29 S. Wabash Ave., and from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Bloomingdale's, 900 N. Michigan Ave., in the sixth-floor china and crystal department (for reservations at Bloomingdale's, call 312-440-4515).

Husband's success a two-edged sword for Hillary Clinton

Hillary Clinton wouldn't be your mother's First Lady.

In some highly touted ways, she would be a radically different kind of woman in the White House: highly educated, professionally respected in her own right, accustomed to making her own successes, pushing her own agenda of social and political goals.

But in many other ways, she is like millions of other women who have put aside their own ambitions, limited their own potential and used their energies and abilities to further the career of a husband.

As ambitious, clever women have done throughout history by necessity, Hillary Clinton is betting her future on a guy—just at that juncture in history when women are getting closer to being able to grab the

Political commentators have talked about the Clinton candidacy as being a two-fer deal, two bright people for the price of one vote, and suggest that the White House, in a Clinton era, would be a Pa-and-Ma operation.

But there is no such thing as a co-presidency. Whatever role Hillary could create for herself, however much influence she could wield, however much she might accomplish, the presidency would be her husband's show. He would run the country, not she. He would make history; she would be only the tag-along.

The White House would, of course, offer an array of challenging opportunities for a First Lady who is a bright and skillful lawyer to advance her own interests and causes. And those she clearly has.

Hillary Clinton is a committed liberal, a feminist, an activist in the children's rights movement, a strong advocate of social-work government and of schools as centers for delivering social services to children. She is chair of the Children's Defense Fund and would be expected to push its activist agenda.

Hillary, like her husband, is interested and influential in education issues and might, under other circumstances, be considered to be secretary of education. But that possibility, along with many others, may be closed to the wife of the president.

She would have to create a new role for herself, unlike any played by earlier First Ladies. But the greater her talents, the more difficult this could be. The problems of avoiding conflicts of interest—or the appearance of them—would be enormously more complicated in Washington than in Arkansas.

Powerful two-career couples are increasingly common in Washington. Many of the women involved have not felt it necessary to stifle their own ambitions or restrict their professional activities in deference to their husbands' advancement. Hillary would have to, at whatever level of White House power she would try to operate—as, of course, she is already doing.

Bill Clinton's wife does get to go along on a heady political adventure, to share the podiums, listen to the applause, ride the campaign plane, see her face and her Alice-in-Wonderland hairdo beaming from the front pages of newspapers. But it is not her show, no matter how much her talents and efforts contribute to it—and that, sometimes, must sting.

Meanwhile, the number of women winning genuine, first-hand political power and building power bases for themselves is growing. A young woman like Hillary Clinton graduating from Yale Law today might prefer that kind of role for herself, rather than choosing the old sacrifice-my-career-for-my-husband life—especially if it would scare her having to do the Tammy Fretter act.

Joan Beck

future for themselves.

It's easy to wonder if she would be satisfied with second-hand success—especially as women in increasing numbers are moving into political power in their own right.

Like wives of politically ambitious men, Hillary Clinton knows how to stare adoringly at her husband when it's expected. But she can't hold the pose for long. She's like the brightest girl in class bursting to answer all the questions herself, even though she knows it's not a socially smart thing to do.

When she introduces her husband at political rallies, she does it superbly, with adroitness and effectiveness. But she seems reluctant to turn the podium over to the candidate, when the crowd is warming so enthusiastically to her.

Clinton himself is quoted as saying his wife is "far better organized, more in control, more intelligent and more eloquent" than he is. She is not handicapped by the questions of character that he can't seem to shake. Does she ever wonder, after a long day of serving his interests so skillfully and energetically, "Why him and not me?"

By all accounts, Hillary Rodham did as well, perhaps better, at Yale Law School than her future husband. But he got the chance to be a Rhodes Scholar, she didn't. Women weren't even considered eligible until 1975.

She curtailed her career opportunities to move to Arkansas, where he could become governor. She reluctantly gave up her last name and took his, to further his chances for re-election. And although she quickly became one of the most powerful lawyers in the state, she has had to pick her cases carefully and limit her law firm profits to try to sidestep conflict-of-interest criticism. Even so, both she—and he—have had to fend such charges from opponents and the media.

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'I Know All,' Hillary Clinton Tells L.A. Pupil

By DEAN E. MURPHY
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There were questions about foreign policy, affirmative action and the demands of campaigning. But even an auditorium jammed with Los Angeles elementary school pupils on Thursday did not offer Hillary Clinton an escape from the type of troublesome question that has plagued her husband's presidential campaign.

"If you weren't married to [Bill] Clinton, would you still support him, and why?" asked a 6th grader from Windsor Hills Magnet School, a simple question that struck at the heart of the Arkansas governor's so-called character problem. Allegations of marital infidelity, draft dodging and questionable business transactions have dogged the Clinton campaign.

"Yes, absolutely," Hillary Clinton told the

girl. "I know all of the good. I know all of the bad. . . . I know everything there is to know, and I am telling you, I [would] support him. I [would] be working for him."

Later, at a short news conference in the school's auditorium, Hillary Clinton was asked if she agreed with Democratic Party Chairman Ronald H. Brown, who said Wednesday that if questions about her husband's alleged infidelity are still being raised by the press in the general election, the issue also should be raised against President Bush. Hillary Clinton replied curtly: "Mr. Brown's statement speaks for itself."

Hillary Clinton's visit to Los Angeles—her fourth since her husband declared his candidacy last October—was a hurried mix of campaigning, photo opportunities and fund raising, capped by a \$250-a-plate luncheon for 200 people at the Regency Club.

At nearly every stop, Clinton, a nationally

respected attorney and children's rights activist, faced questions about her own political ambition.

"You should be running for President!" one woman said as she clutched Clinton's hand in an Olvera Street restaurant.

"We're a good team," Clinton replied graciously.

She toured the headquarters of AIDS Project Los Angeles. Afterward, one man asked her about charges that Arkansas had no funds for AIDS programs until 1990. "I don't know whether it's true . . . but I know we have it now," she said.

She added: "AIDS was not a major issue in Arkansas, it just wasn't. . . . It is still an issue that, for many people in Arkansas, isn't a front-burner issue like it is for Bill and me."

Times staff writer Patt Morrison contributed to this story.

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Hillary offends stay-at-home mom

As a college graduate who elected to stay home and raise her children, I deeply resent Hillary Clinton's remark about "home, baking cookies and having teas."

Contrary to Hillary's misguided belief, we stay-at-home mothers rarely have two minutes to sit down, let alone have tea. While I admire the women who choose both career and family, I hope they don't forget how we help them out. We're the ones who volunteer at school, are Brownie leaders, chauffeurs, baby sitters, etc.

Because we choose to stay home doesn't make us any less intelligent or any less interesting.

As with her "stand by your man" remark, Hillary has again alienated a portion of the voting public. I know I can't



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Hillary Clinton

vote to put a woman in the White House who doesn't seem to have any empathy for those who aren't career driven.

The contribution of us "stay-at-homers" will never be fully appreciated. Hopefully, our children will benefit by it.

Nancy-Ellen Magdits
Rolla, Mo.

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Women mobilizing at voting booths

By Adrienne T. Washington

Politicians and pundits are scratching their heads this week wondering if there is a backlash brewing against senators by women opposed to Clarence Thomas' appointment to the Supreme Court, even after charges of sexual harassment were aired against Mr. Thomas.

Women were a deciding factor in Carol Moseley Braun's victory over Illinois Sen. Alan Dixon. She entered the race in disgust over the Senate confirmation hearings. Pennsylvania's Sen. Arlen Specter, who interrogated accuser Anita Hill, is running feverishly to avoid the same fate.

In the months since those embarrassing hearings, a lot has happened that focuses attention on the way women are treated — or mistreated — sexually in this country.

Witness the clouds of doubt cast on the victims in the rape trials of Willie Smith and Mike Tyson. Who could forget the snickers about "sex slave" Anne Renee Colbert's charges against Montgomery County Council member Isiah Leggett that cost the taxpayers \$700,000 to refute? And what of those unnamed women who accused Sen. Brock Adams of sexual harassment?

It appears from Mrs. Braun's victory that women are moving be-

yond trading anecdotes about sexual abuse and harassment. They appear to be mobilizing at the voting booth around this and other issues that concern them.

Though it has now been publicly acknowledged that sexual harassment exists — thanks to the Thomas hearings — the problem still needs to be more clearly identified in legal terms.

One group, the National Association of Black Women Attorneys, is holding a conference this weekend that includes a seminar today on "Sexual Harassment: How do you Define It?"

The answers to that deceptively simple question are as varied as the panelists, such as lawyer Carol Randolph who believes that the law "doesn't make it easy for you to overcome boyish behavior."

While a federal statute does exist, the lawyers agree that the interpretations of that standard are still very subjective.

It's every woman for herself in deciding what type of unsolicited or unwarranted behavior constitutes sexual harassment. And then it's up to her to convince the "triers of fact" — who have their own interpretations — that an offense has occurred.

Mabel D. Haden, president of the association, says the group hopes to "clarify it in our own minds, not only for the men but also for the women." She cautions that "sometimes women can't avoid being harassed but sometimes there are women looking for money out of situations that they could have controlled."

Phyllis J. Outlaw, another lawyer-panelist, goes a step further. She believes that "black men especially have a great responsibility to walk the line and not make the kind of overtures that have sexual connotations" because that can be used against them too easily by anyone in power looking for a reason to sabotage them.

As for women, Ms. Outlaw said, "We can't have a double standard." Applying the principle of contributory negligence, she said, "You can't use your femininity to get what we want and then say you were harassed. If you assume the risk, then don't go to court asking for protection from your own actions."

The danger with her assertions,

however, lies with a tendency towards blaming the victim.

Frank H. Hollis, a legal adviser on legal standards who is also on the panel, said one way for employers to avoid complaints is to develop and post a clear, written policy on sexual harassment, train supervisors to recognize that it goes beyond physical overtures and establish a grievance procedure that includes women and allows subordinates to bypass their supervisors.

"Sexual harassment is difficult to latch onto," said Mr. Hollis. "Everyone wants a neat definition, but each case must be determined by the specific circumstances and facts of each situation."

Since the law on sexual harassment is written in such a vague manner and is at the mercy of subjective interpretation, it is each individual's responsibility to be very cognizant of the messages behavior sends to others. We need to be clearer about what we are actually communicating to each other by a touch, a remark or a look.

If we are aware of the consequences of our body language and our sexual behavior, there would be fewer opportunities for misinterpretation.

