

Hitler in Germany in World War II. He was a Buffalo Soldier, the all-Black 92nd Division of our Army. He never returned to see his family.

His remains were found in Italy in 1945, but they could not be identified. So Lonnie, for 17 years, was known as "Unknown X-193."

In 2016, his remains were identified. At 11:15 a.m. this morning, Texas time, Lonnie was laid to eternal rest.

Welcome home, soldier.

SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE AUTHORS OF THE INFAMOUS DOSSIER EXPOSING TRUMP'S RUSSIA CONNECTIONS

(Mr. HUFFMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, character assassination is Donald Trump's favorite trick when people make him look bad. This month, Trump and his allies have been desperately smearing the authors of the infamous dossier, which exposes disturbing facts about Trump's Russia connections. By attacking Chris Steele and Fusion GPS, they are trying to divert attention from the damning content of the dossier and also to impugn the FBI for launching its investigation.

Here is the problem: the dossier didn't start the FBI investigation. It was a Trump policy adviser, George Papadopoulos, boasting to an Australian diplomat that Russia had stolen emails to interfere in our election. That was 2 months before those stolen emails were put online, and that smacks of collusion.

Thankfully, our Australian allies shared this information with the FBI and the investigation began. The dossier came along and corroborated what the FBI had already heard.

There is another problem with this smear campaign: It wasn't just the FBI that took the dossier seriously. Senator JOHN MCCAIN deemed it credible enough to turn it over to the FBI.

This is a serious document, corroborated by a host of other evidence, and the truth is coming out, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FASO). Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

TAX REFORM

(Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, it has only been a few weeks since Congress passed the historic tax reform bill, but I am afraid it has got to be very tough for the opponents and our friends across the aisle because, well, you have to wonder: At some point, don't they tire of being wrong so often?

You might recall some claim before we passed the bill that it would raise taxes on the middle class, yet a major-

ity of Americans will now see a tax decrease. In fact, the average family of four in Minnesota's Second District, which I am proud to represent, will see a tax cut of \$3,154.

Then they claim that reducing taxes on businesses would never benefit Americans, but employers have already responded by giving a combined total of \$1 billion in bonuses and wage increases to their employees. That equates to over 1 million Americans and counting getting a bonus.

Finally, they said the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act would never jump-start economic growth. Well, now, after two quarters of well over 3 percent growth, approaching 4 percent, it is as if the opponents of the tax reform bill are left telling the American people: Are you going to believe me or your own eyes?

The fact of the matter is our opponents rely on hyperbole, but the facts speak for themselves.

FUNDING FOR CHIP

(Mr. MCEACHIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MCEACHIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise again today pleading with my colleagues that we must come together to support a long-term funding solution for the traditionally bipartisan Children's Health Insurance Program, commonly known as CHIP.

Mr. Speaker, there is a family in Chesapeake, a locality in my district, that demonstrates the dire challenges families across Virginia and this country face without CHIP.

CHIP serves as a lifeline for this family with four children, ages 8, 7, 4, and 2. Before this family had access to CHIP, these children did not have health insurance or well child visits with a doctor. The parents limited the 7- and 8-year-old children to indoor activities because they were afraid the children might break a bone or sustain a serious injury.

The mother also missed visits to the doctor's office for vital prenatal care because she was worried about doctor bills. The parents missed work and kept the children home during flu season because they could not afford a doctor's visit.

With CHIP, the mother and children all have health insurance, they are up to date on their wellness exams, and the children play outside again.

Mr. Speaker, for the health of my constituents and millions of other Americans, we must immediately come together for long-term funding for CHIP.

CONGRATULATING TEHAMA COUNTY FARM BUREAU

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Tehama

County Farm Bureau in my district on their 100th annual meeting. This on the heels of their centennial of being in business in Tehama County.

They are headquartered in Red Bluff, California. They have been an organization very dedicated, obviously, to farming, ranching, and agriculture in all its forms in Tehama County and its neighboring counties as partners as well.

Just last month, it was actually recognized as the Midsize Farm Bureau of the Year, according to the California Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting.

The Farm Bureau is very important and very involved in the fiber of rural communities with ag production, farming, ranching, hay, and all those operations that make what agriculture needs go round, as well as the activities at the fair with the kids, and with their future. The Farm Bureau, indeed, is an important part of the future of agriculture and feeding people in this country.

Mr. Speaker, again, I congratulate Tehama County Farm Bureau's membership, board, and leadership for hanging in there and serving that group of people for 100 years.

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NON-METRO AREA AGENCY ON AGING

(Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, a few years ago, New Mexico decimated its behavioral health system when it terminated nearly every behavioral health provider in the State.

In fact, thousands of New Mexicans did not have access to medicine, counselors, or treatment, increasing their risks of substance abuse, health issues, and homelessness.

Many New Mexicans suffered, were incarcerated, or died because of the State's negligence. Today, we are potentially seeing an even more catastrophic State-created crisis in the making.

Just a few weeks ago, the State announced it intended to cancel its contract with the Non-Metro Area Agency on Aging, which manages and oversees critical services like adult daycare, meal services, caregiving, transportation, and respite care for vulnerable seniors and their families.

Decimating the current system without public hearings, due process, or having a public plan to ensure the continuity of services will disrupt these lifesaving safety net programs that serve nearly 80,000 seniors; and these seniors are going to suffer because of this reckless and hasty decision.

I have written to HHS demanding that they immediately investigate the State's negligent behavior.