

fact that there will almost certainly be appointments to the Supreme Court in the next presidential term. As previously mentioned, the ultimate goal of the pro-life movement is to protect babies in their mothers' wombs. An intermediate goal would be, at the least, to return that option to each state to decide. Neither of these will happen until the Supreme Court has a majority of justices who will allow this to happen. The president appoints these Supreme Court justices.

6. There are some who believe that none of the present Republican contenders can beat Clinton. Logic, therefore, drove them to support Powell who they thought could. But is the power of the presidency the only consideration?

In his letter of October 9, Dr. James Dobson gave one answer. He denounced Christian Coalition's Ralph Reed and also Bill Bennett for suggesting that they might back Colin Powell in the general election. "Is power the motivator of the Great Crusade? If so, it will sour and turn to bile in your mouth."

But more pragmatically, let's remember why cross-over Democrats, "Reagan Democrats," have voted for Republican presidential candidates in recent years. Keep in mind the deepseated mind-set that, "my father and grandfather always voted Democrat." Never forget, also, their same rejection of country club Republicans. It takes a paramount issue to get traditional Democrats to cross over and vote for a Republican candidate. The catalyst that has done this in recent years has been abortion and other family value issues. Nothing much less than a deepseated conviction on family value issues can get your average Reagan Democrat to again vote Republican. If they have a choice between a solid pro-abortion Democrat incumbent and a basically pro-abortion Republican challenger, who they suspect will betray them on family value issues, they're either going to stay in the Democrat column or they're going to go to the shopping center instead of the polls that day.

In the coming months the Republican party will have to decide whether to keep or change the pro-life plank in its platform. Again in the election campaign next fall, all these arguments will be repeated by the liberal media and by pro-abortion and "moderate" candidates.

Pro-lifers should be prepared. Our nation must decide if it wants to nominate someone who will build on the gains made in the 1994 November election, or someone who will temporize, split, and perhaps end up destroying it.

□ 1700

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, I would repeat my Christmas recital from last night, to end on a happy note. This is done in the spirit of the season. After all, the Oval Office had children in it the other day when the occupant talked about "It's a time for peace, not threats." And both of my California daughters called me, and my daughter here later and my sons, and said what is this, using the word threat in front of little children in the Oval Office? They think that means Lincoln and John F. Kennedy. They do not know it is a battle of words between Capital Hill and the other.

Let me give my Christmas recital. There are a lot of mistakes, since I gave them a bad copy last night. It is entitled, paraphrasing Clement Clark Moore's "The Night Before Christmas," it is entitled "A Visit From a Santa Imposter":

T'was the night before Christmas and all through this House,
the liberals were playing the cat and the mouse.

The budget was hung by threads of despair,
while we hoped and we prayed Bill Clinton would care.

The night before last, while snug in his bed,
visions of veto pens danced in Bill's head.
He dreamed of Webb Hubble all through the night

and vowed he would veto if only for spite.
While out in the land there arose such a clatter,
taxpayers demanding, just what is the matter?

Balance that budget, shut some Feds down.
Our poor Army's in Bosnia, they yelled with a frown.

The moon on the breast of last night's fallen ice
gave delusions of grandeur to Hillary; how nice.

When what to our wondering eyes should appear,
but Willie as Santa, his gang as reindeer,
passing out pork in Fed buckets and pails,
while frightening the old folks with MediScare tales.

More swooping than vultures his coursers they came,

Bill whistled and shouted and called them by name:

"Now Al Gore, Panetta, Moscow and Stephanie;
on Flowers, on Troopers, on Inhale and Betsy.

From the top of the heap to the top of the Hill,

now bash away, bash away, go for the kill!"
While back in the House the hurricane rages.
The freshmen are busy inspiring the pages
With sad words from ladies, and gentlemen too,

who would rather be home with an eggnog or two. . .

where children and grandchildren snuggle in bed,

waiting for Santa, the real one, in red.
But struggle we will until our promise is met,

a budget that's balanced; falling national debt.

A tax break for families with children to raise,

a gift to our Nation more conservative days.
And then in a twinkle we heard on this roof,
the stomping and pawing of each liberal hoof.

As the Speaker called order, we all turned around,

as he came through the cloakroom looking smug and quite round.

He was dressed all in glitter, Al says fur's not allowed.

He threw Big Macs and french fries all over our crowd.

"You have won now; it is over, I fear.
The budget is signed, my election draws near.

But if I should lose, I will still be around.
I'm goin' to Hollywood. It's my kind of town."

He plopped in his sleigh, to his libs gave a yell,

and then they were gone like spenders from hell.

But we heard him exclaim as they galloped 'cross heaven.

"Bob Dornan impeaching me? Film at eleven."

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[Mr. SCARBOROUGH] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. SCARBOROUGH addressed the House. His remarks will appear herein after in the Extensions of Remarks.]

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12, rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the chair.

□ 2400

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. DAVIS] at 12 o'clock and 1 minute a.m.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 22, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER, pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on Friday, December 22, 1995 at 6:15 p.m.: that the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 136.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives.

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DEAR MR. SPEAKER, pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on Friday, December 22, 1995 at 7:10 p.m.:

that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 394

that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1878

that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2627

that the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 106

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. COLBE). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with amendments a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 665. An act to control crime by mandatory victim restitution.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1507. An act to provide for the extension of the Parole Commission to oversee cases of prisoners sentenced under prior law, to reduce the size of the Parole Commission, and for other purposes;

S. 1508. An act to assure that all Federal employees work and are paid; and

S. 1509. An act to amend the Impact Aid program to provide for a hold-harmless with respect to amounts for payments relating to the Federal acquisition of real property, to permit certain local educational agencies to apply for increased payments for fiscal year 1994 under the Impact Aid program, and to amend the Impact Aid program to make a technical correction with respect to maximum payments for certain heavily local educational agencies.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bill and joint resolution on Friday, December 22, 1995:

H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; and

H.J. Res. 136, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the first section of House Resolution 320, the Chair declares the House in recess in subject to the call of the chair.

The House is now in recess.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the chair.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. HARMAN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of official business.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of illness.

Mr. GREEN of Texas (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of family business.

Mr. EDWARDS (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of birth of son.

Mr. FORD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of official business.

Mr. MCNUITY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, after 1:45 p.m., on account of personal business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PALLONE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POSHARD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FOLEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. TIAHRT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KIM, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GOSS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHAYS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DAVIS, for 5 minutes, today.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, bills and joint resolutions of the House of the following titles:

On December 21, 1995:

H.R. 965. To designate the Federal building located at 600 Martin Luther King, Jr. Place in Louisville, Kentucky, as the "Romano L. Mazzali Federal Building";

H.R. 1253. To rename the San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge as the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge;

H.R. 2481. To designate the Federal Triangle Project under construction at 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, as the "Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center";

H.R. 2527. To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to improve the electoral process by permitting electronic filing and preservation of Federal Election Commission reports, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2547. To designate the United States courthouse located at 800 Market Street in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Howard H. Baker, Jr. United States Courthouse";

H.J. Res. 69. Providing for the reappointment of Homer Alfred Neal as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution;

H.J. Res. 110. Providing for the appointment of Howard H. Baker, Jr. as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution;

H.J. Res. 111. Providing for the appointment of Anne D'Harnoncourt as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; and

H.J. Res. 112. Providing for the appointment of Louis Gerstner as a citizen regent of

the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1875. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his request to make available emergency appropriations totaling \$537,223 in budgetary authority for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and to designate the amount made available as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107 (H. Doc. No. 104-152); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

1876. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning an amendment to the July 1981 agreement for United States/United Kingdom collaboration in the development, production, and support of the AV-8B/GR-5 aircraft, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

1877. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to the Netherlands (Transmittal No. 09-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1878. A letter from the Public Printer, Government Printing Office, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the inspector general for the period April 1, 1995, through September 30, 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1879. A letter from the President, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. STUMP: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 2814. A bill to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes (Rept. 104-443). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

BILLS PLACED ON THE CORRECTIONS CALENDAR

Under clause 4 of rule XIII, the Speaker filed with the Clerk a notice requesting that the following bills be placed upon the Corrections Calendar:

H.R. 2567. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act relating to standards for constructed water conveyances.

H.R. 2685. A bill to repeal the Medicare and Medicaid Coverage Data Bank.