

see it in all its majesty. Now today we are introducing one for the Bureau of Land Management.

The State of Utah has 22 million acres—3.2 is considered fit and worthy of wilderness. This bill is 1.8, which is the most pristine of all this. It is the jewel of our national parks, of which we have five. This will be truly untrammelled by man.

We are going to start the procedure now. It will go through the subcommittee, the committee, and on the floor. I hope the people of the United States, the people of Utah, will realize what a wonderful thing they are going to have, in my opinion, as they see this area put into a wilderness designation. I am grateful for all the help we have had on this particular bill.

AMERICA'S MILITARY ADVENTURES WASTE BILLIONS AND ENDANGER OUR ARMED FORCES

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

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, the American people are getting sick and tired of our leaders taking this Nation on military adventures around the world and wasting billions in the process.

I am talking about spending billions in Haiti, Rwanda, Somalia, and other places, and now Bosnia. There is no vital United States interest in Bosnia. There is no threat to our security there.

We should not send young American men and women to fight in foreign countries unless there is a definite and strong U.S. interest in doing so or there is a real threat to our national security.

All Americans support sending some humanitarian aid to help out when international tragedies occur.

But, we cannot continue to try to solve every world problem. We will bankrupt our own Nation if we are not careful. We certainly should not be getting into all sorts of international situations just so our Presidents can prove they are world leaders or make names for themselves in history.

We should be friends with any nation that will let us, but we need to stop trying to buy friendships.

We need to use more common sense, Mr. Speaker, and stop letting people all over this world take advantage of us and especially of our very limited national resources.

THE LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION, AND HOW WE CAN BEST PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE POOR

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

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, in the next few weeks this House will be the site of

a furious debate, as I predict, over the future of legal services. As everyone knows, the Legal Services Corporation, as the hub of a network across the country who provide, ostensibly, legal services for the poor, has come under fire over the years because of its adventurism, as some people see it, in political questions, in questions that have to do with lobbying the establishment, the political structure of our country, rather than to look at how best we can serve the poor in providing access to the court systems.

There are those who want to zero out Legal Services altogether. Others want to expand its scope of services in our country. Our committee and other committees, both in the Senate and in the House, will be looking at this very closely to keep one thing in mind: that if the original purposes of Legal Services is to be properly served itself, we have to look at how best we can provide legal services for the poor, not all the other kinds of adventurist concepts that have seeped into the legal services system in the recent past.

GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS

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

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, as colleagues return from what I hope was a productive work period, I also hope Members got a little chance for a rest, too, because it is now time for this House to get down to the business of reining in specific Federal spending.

We have passed, as everybody knows, the landmark budget blueprint for reaching balance in our budget by the year 2002. That was a big effort. Now our committees are diving into the details, deciding where and how much to cut, to ensure that we fulfill that the problem of fiscal sanity does not go on and become fiscal insanity for our children and their children's children.

I am sure this is going to be very hard. There are no easy decisions. There are a lot of tough decisions ahead, and probably some rude awakenings, too, but I think that is why we are here. I think we have a moral obligation to get it done. The grippers and whiners who have so long defended the status quo believe they can actually scare people into opposing our agenda for balancing the budget.

Actually the status quo has brought us a deteriorating quality of life in America, and we all know it. As we prove our good faith in making government smaller, more efficient, and more accountable, the American people will support our efforts, so say the people in my district, and I think across the country as well.

URGING COLLEAGUES TO SUPPORT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW BOSNIANS TO DEFEND THEMSELVES

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow I will be offering an amendment to the American Overseas Interests Act to lift the arms embargo that has tied the hands of the people of Bosnia for over 3 years in their efforts at self defense.

Last year, with bipartisan support, the House voted overwhelmingly to lift the arms embargo, yet one year later, what has it brought the Bosnians? Nothing other than more deaths. We have seen time and time again Bosnians say yes to peace, only to have the aggressors, the Bosnian Serbs, say "No, only on our terms." Time and time again we have backed down from our threats, only to allow the aggressors more time to kill and destroy a nation recognized by the international community.

Mr. Speaker, appeasement of aggression in Bosnia resonates throughout the world. We cannot continue taking a middle course in which we espouse noble principles and yet tolerate their continued violation.

At the funeral of two slain peacekeepers, France's President Chirac declared, ad I quote, "We will not accept the return of ethnic hatred and barbarism to the continent." Yet, Mr. Speaker, if we fail to assist the sovereign nation of Bosnia, then we shall have facilitated their return.

I urge my colleagues to support this amendment and allow the Bosnians to exercise their right to defend themselves.

REVERSAL ON BOAT PEOPLE: IRRESPONSIBLE AND DANGEROUS

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

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, when people's lives and safety are involved no one should take pleasure in saying, "I told you so", and I take no such pleasure. But any Member who reads, in an objective manner, this morning's Washington Times article about violence in the refugee camps should feel some remorse for this body's role in the debacle currently unfolding in Southeast Asia.

Let me briefly catalog the damage wrought so far by section 2104 of H.R. 1561, the American Overseas Interests Act and the rejection of my amendment to delete that section.

Two days of rioting by 3,000 boat people in refugee camps in Malaysia have caused at least 13 injuries. Earlier riots in Hong Kong's camps caused more than 200 injuries; of the 1,400 boat people in Thailand camps who had volunteered to return peacefully to Vietnam,

most are now resisting repatriation; 1,000 volunteers at camps in Indonesia have withdrawn their requests to return, and voluntary repatriation has also ceased in Hong Kong with 196 of 200 volunteers now refusing to board a scheduled flight to Vietnam.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees and other objective observers lay the blame squarely on this legislation for this violence and for the collapse of orderly voluntary repatriation.

The repatriation of Indochinese boat people determined by the UNHCR to be economic migrants, not political refugees, was bound to be a contentious process under the best of conditions. But when this body refused to strike this dangerous and irresponsible provision, it gave the 40,000 plus boat people in the camps false hope of resettlement in the United States and, thus, created the conditions for violence that we see unfolding throughout Southeast Asia.

This Member fully understands and shares the desire to provide fair and humane treatment to those in the refugee camps. But instead this legislation has led to violence in the refugee camps, caused the collapse of voluntary repatriation, and will also likely encourage another wave of boat departures from Vietnam, putting people at great risk on the high seas and swelling the refugee camp population.

COMMENDING THE DEFENDING NBA CHAMPION HOUSTON ROCKETS

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

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to commend the defending NBA champion Houston Rockets for their impressive win over the San Antonio Spurs and soaring back to the NBA final in a matchup against the Orlando Magic. The Houston Rockets, who traveled a long journey to this year's NBA finals have beaten the top three teams in the western conference, Utah, Phoenix, and San Antonio.

I believe there were a number of factors which lead this remarkable team to represent the western conference in the NBA finals, both the coaching staff and the players. However, it all starts with the players, Clyde Drexler, Kenny Smith, Robert Horry, Mario Elie, Sam Cassell, and of course, Hakeem Olajuwon, who are out there day in and day out giving it their all.

I would also like to give ultimate praises to the coach of the Houston Rockets, Rudy Tomjanovich. Although the team went through injuries, trades, and player problems, his leadership has enabled the team to stay focused and keep its eyes on the big prize, another NBA championship.

While this will be no easy task for the Rockets, for the Orlando Magic pose a credible challenge. The Rockets players have done what it takes to win, either playing good defense, hitting

treys or going to its heart and soul, in the middle, center, Hakeem the Dream. Everything the Rockets accomplish starts with that.

Needless to say, my money is on the defending NBA champion Houston Rockets.

CONGRATULATING THE SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY VARSITY LACROSSE TEAM FOR CHAMPIONSHIP VICTORIES

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

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate, once again, the Syracuse University Varsity Lacrosse Team for its victories over tenacious and skilled opponents from Virginia and Maryland on Memorial Day weekend in the 1995 NCAA Lacrosse Championships. This marks the sixth time that Coach Roy Simmons, Jr., his outstanding coaching staff, and the players from Syracuse University have brought this honor on themselves.

This has been a year of ups and downs for the Syracuse team and those of us in central New York who follow their prowess. The lacrosse program has sustained a national reputation worthy of the SU sports program and of any division I academic institution. We in Syracuse are very proud.

It was a poignant set of victories leading to this championship, in light of the death earlier in the season of Roy Simmons, Sr., a well-known Syracusan, the father of Coach Simmons and himself the only other lacrosse coach at SU since 1931. Additionally, Roy, Sr. was president of the city of Syracuse Common Council earlier in his career.

The sign of a true championship is the ability to overcome adversity. Syracuse University's team and coaches came through a rough start of the season and finished with a great win against a strong Maryland team on their home field. In the semifinal they eliminated Virginia, a team that conquered the Orangemen earlier in the year. We salute the 16 graduating seniors and thank them and their undergraduate teammates for some wonderful memories.

Good luck and congratulations, national champs.

EPIDEMIC OF DEAFNESS IN RIGHT EAR AMONG REPUBLICANS WHEN IT COMES TO THE ADVOCACY OF VIOLENCE

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

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I am struck by a terrible national epidemic that appears to have settled on the land. Significant numbers of right-wing thinkers, politicians,

and advocates appear to all have gone deaf in one ear.

Recently, we have heard many of the Republicans leaders and conservatives denounce violence, the advocacy thereof. People have talked about movies and other forms of entertainment in speeches which advocate violence. Strangely, however, they only seem to hear one kind of violence. When Gordon Liddy talks about how to shoot Federal law enforcement officials, he gets an award from some of these people. When entertainers who have Republican leanings make movies in which large numbers of people are shot for no apparent reason, that is apparently good.

When people on the left say things that might be equally offensive to many of us, that draws condemnation. Obviously, those who believe in civil liberties, those who believe in free speech, believe in it no matter what the politics of those who say it, so when we have this one-sided effort to criticize people who advocate violence or do not preach family values, but it is only aimed at one side of the spectrum, I am forced to conclude that there is some mysterious ailment in the land which has ended the hearing in the right ear of many of my colleagues.

I hope that the National Institutes of Health, if there is any money left in its budget when the Republicans are through cutting taxes, raising defense, and cutting NIH, I hope they will look at this strange disease which makes it impossible for people to hear the advocacy of violence on the right and condemn it only when it comes from people they disagree with.

TAKING ISSUE WITH STATEMENT THAT U.S. SOLDIERS DIED IN SERVICE OF UNITED NATIONS

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

Mr. FUNDERBURK. Mr. Speaker, last year when American soldiers were killed over Iraq, the Vice President of the United States had the temerity to tell the widows and orphans of those men that "they died in the service of the United Nations." Mr. Speaker, I can't think of a more outrageous statement made by any American official in years.

American blood has been spilled on countless battlefields around the globe. Americans have died to protect their homes and families and to save the world from communism not for some faceless U.N. bureaucrat. I never read that Douglas MacArthur told the men at Inchon to hit the beach for the United Nations or that marines at Khe Sahn endured hell wearing blue helmets. America must never surrender its sovereignty to the one world fantasies of Mr. Boutros-Ghali and his acolytes in the White House.