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The Clerk announced the following pair:

On this vote:

Mr. Deutsch for, with Mr. DeLay against.

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi changed his vote from "aye" to "no." Messrs. FRANK of Massachusetts,

Messrs. FRANK of Massachusetts, PETERSON of Florida, HILLIARD, and MURTHA changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

□ 1430

Accordingly the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GOSS) having assumed the Chair, Mr. EMERSON, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5) to curb the practice of imposing unfunded Federal mandates on States and local governments, to ensure that the Federal Government pays the costs in-

curred by those governments in complying with certain requirements under Federal statutes and regulations, and to provide information on the cost of Federal mandates on the private sector, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

ELECTION OF MEMBER TO COM-MITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RE-LATIONS

Ms. MOLINARI. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 48) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 48

Resolved, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, elected to the Committee on International Relations of the House of Representatives: Representative Amo Houghton of New York.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1995

Ms. MOLINARI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday next for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Ms. MOLINARI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

MEXICAN BAILOUT

(Mrs. SEASTRAND asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. SEASTRAND. Mr. Speaker, yesterday was a truly historic day in the House of Representatives. Last night we kept our promises to the American people and passed a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution that will force very real, very fundamental change in Washington.

So I chose today to point out the futility in telling Americans we will balance the books in Washington, but as early as next week Congress may vote to bail out Mexico to the tune of \$40 billion in loan guarantees.

I will only make two points. First, we Republican freshmen were elected

with an agenda to take the concerns of the taxpayers to Washington. It does not include bailing out Mexico or Wall Street investors.

Second, there is a fundamental principle in economics. You get more of what you subsidize. We should not subsidize bankrupt economic policy.

I don't know who is more to blame, the intellectual dishonesty of the Mexican Government in dealing with America, or the intellectual bankruptcy of the Clinton administration who devised this scheme. The taxpayers will recognize this is not only bad politics, this is bad policy.

INTRODUCTION OF BILL TO BALANCE THE BUDGET BY 1997

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

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, as my colleague from the other side just spoke, yesterday this House took action to try and bring the Federal budget in balance by the year 2002. While some may have disagreed with this process, that does not mean the debate ends there. It means that we have to go further.

Last week I introduced a bill, H.R. 567, which would require the President to submit and the Congress to act on a balanced budget beginning in fiscal year 1997. If we are truly serious, and many Members last night said they were serious, about bringing the budget into balance, then they should start working on it now, and as I said repeatedly in this House, we should bring the American people to the table and talk about how we are going to do it, because we will never accomplish a balanced budget without bringing the American people into the debate to find out where the cuts have to be made.

I would urge my colleagues to join with me and to sign on H.R. 567. I urge the committees to take it up. Let us bring this legislation to the floor.

NO PESO PROP UP

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

Mr. TIAHRT. Mr. Speaker, the administration is calling for \$40 billion in loan guarantees for our neighbor to the south. We have been lobbied by the high rollers in the administration and from the Federal Reserve to gain our support for the peso prop up.

Once again the working families are requested to shoulder the burden of bad judgment. Once again the backbone of this Nation is asked to not only feed their families but also feed greed of the international bankers.

Like a drunk returning to the bottle our neighbor to the south returns to the taxpayers for this peso prop up, with a promise that this time it is different. A promise to increase taxes and a promise to institute wage and price controls?

The increased taxes and wage controls will take money out of the pockets of the Mexican workers. And price controls will reduce the profits of their businesses. It will not work. It is a bad plan.

Mr. Speaker, the working people of this Nation are saying no to the peso prop up.

CANNON ROTUNDA EXHIBIT OF AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR AND MISSING IN VIETNAM

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

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, I have sponsored an exhibit in the rotunda of the Cannon Office Building on our American prisoners, of war, with special emphasis on missing throughout the entire decade of the war in Vietnam. We have been fortunate to extend it for 2 more weeks.

There is much construction around the Cannon Building. Most of our new Members in both parties are in the Longworth. Please try and go through the Cannon Building. And for the senior Members in the Rayburn Building, it is very important that they see this exhibit.

Yesterday on the House floor, I made reference to my pal from California, Mr. FAZIO, about men who had been tortured or beaten to death, and mentioned Commander J.J. Connell and Major Earl Cobeil. I want to mention the other one, Ron Storz, who tapped out with a broom, "God bless you; see you someday in heaven," who was left in "Alcatraz" like Sam Johnson was.

Ed Alterberry was beaten every day for 38 days until there were exposed pieces of flesh from his neck to his heels.

I will put in the names of all of the others, including a woman, and then do a 5-minute special order to conclude on that theme and the Medal of Honor.

[From P.O.W., by John G. Hubbell]

Norn Schmidt, "Freddy" Frederick, Ken Cameron, Betty Ann Olsen, Hank Blood, and Top Benson.

Reader's Digest Press, 1976.

□ 1440

BAILOUT FOR MEXICO MUST BE REJECTED

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

Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, the \$40 billion bailout for Mexico must be rejected by the Members of this House. It is not in the best interests of the American people or our economy.

The Mexican bailout is about hot money, just as the REIT collapse in the late 1970's and the Latin American debt crisis in the early 1980's was also about hot money.

Junk bonds, savings and loans, it is all about hot money.

The Mexican peso's crisis is about a lot of Wall Street wise guys in \$1,000 suits and \$1 million bonuses who have more money than brains and very poor understanding of political history or ethics. Unfortunately, the money they have is other people's money, money from hard-working Americans who trusted the Wall Street wise guys who, as always, were more interested in the commissions and fees than the results of their investments.

What Wall Street wise guys are asking us to do is to extend the full faith and credit of the United States of America not only for their bad investments but also to the economies of the emerging Third World nations.

This is not a minor consideration, and we should reject it.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 1995, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

TRIBUTE TO THE DEPARTING PAGE CLASS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Goss). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. EMERSON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in my capacity as chairman of the Page Board to remind our colleagues that today is the last day of service for many of the pages currently serving the House of Representatives. The semester is at an end, and those who have been appointed to serve for a semester will be returning to their homes and what I call a new crop of pages will be arriving over the weekend to begin their service on Monday.

I think it is fitting to note at these junctures the fine and outstanding service that is rendered, very often unsung, to the Members of the House by the pages who serve us here. Their experience is a wonderful experience. They have the opportunity to learn by being here and observing and seeing and absorbing what goes on.

I would maintain, having been a page myself many, many years ago in the 83d Congress, that this is one of the best types of educational experiences that one could possibly have.

So on behalf of the Page Board and, indeed, I think for the entire membership of the House of Representatives, I want to express to the pages the thanks of the House for the great service that they have rendered and to wish them well in their future endeavors.

I am delighted to yield to the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. KILDEE], the former chairman of the Page Board and currently the minority member of the Page Board.

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I want to thank the pages for their outstanding service this year. You have been just tremendous. Each and every one of you can be proud of yourselves, and I am very proud of each and every one of you.

I see a former page, the former Clerk of the House, Donn Anderson, standing back there with them, one who has really taken them under his wing and given them his wisdom and his guidance.

You have seen history at work here. You have seen the House of Representatives at work here. You have seen us at our best and at our worst. You have seen us working together trying to make this a better country.

You have witnessed some real history. You have seen Nelson Mandela walk down this aisle and speak from the podium where every President since Woodrow Wilson has stood, a man who had been in prison almost half his life who spoke of love and reconciliation. You heard the State of the Union Message here, a very long State of the Union Message here, just the other night, and you witnessed the orderly transfer of power in this House from one party to another after 40 years. That is democracy at work.

And in that orderly transfer of power, you saw me being transformed from chairman of the Page Board to the ranking minority member of the Page Board to be followed by the one for whom I have great admiration, the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. EMERSON], who is now the chairman.

I look forward to working with you in the future. Anytime any one of you need a letter of recommendation, I will give you each one a great one. You are good people.

Eight or nine years from now you can be a Member of this House, and as I look around, Mr. Speaker, some of the new Members, they look almost that age, some of the newer Members this year. That was a great transfer of power, too.

Thank you for what you have done. You are great people. God bless you. Godspeed.

Mr. EMERSON. I thank the gentleman.

I yield to the gentleman from Arizona, a newly appointed member of the Page Board and a former page himself.

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman from Missouri yielding to me.

I did have the opportunity this morning to attend my first meeting as a member of the Page Board, and it is a great honor for me as one who began his service back here as a page too many years ago. We will not mention the particular year. But Donn Anderson, Ron Lasch, and I all graduated from the page school.

I just wanted to join with my colleagues in saying to the young men and