

wouldn't let their kids watch are uncomfortable about having to discuss the issues raised on the show with the children."

But, he suggests, the genie isn't going back into the bottle. "The face of TV is going to be seriously redefined over the next couple of years. I mean, Melrose Place is on at 8, and they have way more T&A than Roseanne does." Fox and Melrose Place did not respond to requests for comment.

CBS senior vice-president Martin Franks defended his network's programming, while acknowledging some early-evening broadcast fare is inappropriate for kids. "I have a 13-year-old and an 11-year-old, and I don't let them watch The Simpsons [Fox, 8 p.m. ET Sundays]. I don't want my kids talking that way."

He compared the high level of dissatisfaction recorded by the USA Weekend survey to asking viewers if they dislike "attack ads" during political campaigns: "Of course the answer is going to be yes, yet people watch them and are being affected." Many people who complain about network programs also would complain "if we pre-empted them for a presidential press conference," Franks argues.

"Adults ought to be able to watch something. Someone at this point who is surprised by The Simpsons or Roseanne or Seinfeld is living under a rock."

All four networks have offices of standards and practices that monitor shows for taste and content. (The industrywide National Association of Broadcasters code is defunct.) "You can argue they miss something or their judgment is different from yours," Franks says of the censors, but they take the job seriously: "They make suggestions to change scripts before they're even shot."

The bigger question: Is it worth wondering whether course language and risqué fare have any social impact? Or is that like Dan Quayle attacking Murphy Brown, easy to dismiss as an overblown attack on a fictional character? Educators, for one group, don't think it's far-fetched.

"I've been a principal for 20 years, and I've seen significant changes. And one of the factors is TV," says Jim Freese of Homestead High School in Fort Wayne, Ind., where students filled out the survey. "I'm seeing more instances of inappropriate language around school. It's part of the vocabulary, and often they don't think about some of the words because they hear them so often on TV. It's a steady diet: Program after program has this violence and inappropriate language."

Last month, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, proposed legislation giving parents access to a "report card" rating the violence in TV shows. Funded by the government and compiled quarterly by a neutral organization such as a university, the report would list the most violent shows and their sponsors; viewers could then pressure the sponsors to withdraw their ads.

The movies' rating system "has worked very well," Hutchison told USA Weekend, adding that the magazine's survey reinforces other studies, as well as comments from her constituents. "Parents are sitting with their children thinking a show will be all right, and all of a sudden there is something very inappropriate." The report card would offer parents a "comfort level," knowing certain programs would not contain violence or vulgar language.

Not surprisingly, the older our survey respondents, the greater the concern. For instance, 95 percent of those over 65 are "very concerned" about TV violence, vs. 70 percent of those under 36. Older readers worry that younger viewers aren't concerned. "Most of my students find the issues under question acceptable," says Nancy Movall of Newell, Iowa, whose high school visual communica-

tions class took the survey. "I wonder if it's because they have been raised in a world that sees violence far too often and thus have become more tolerant of it."

Also filling out the survey: 14 inmates at the South Dakota State Penitentiary, who marked "very concerned" about either sex, violence or vulgarity on TV a total of 20 times.

Some language in prime time is now so strong, we've chosen not to print it on our cover:

From The Wright Verdicts, 9 p.m. ET Friday on CBS: "You lousy bastard!"

From NYPD Blue, 10 p.m. ET Tuesday on ABC: "You're lucky I don't kick your ass."

From the CBS movie With Hostile Intent, 9-11 p.m. ET: "... kiss my butt a little harder ... probably getting laid ... Let's go get naked ... Aw, hell, I'm stuck with a bitch tonight ... Roberta's on the rag ..."

From Fox's Melrose Place, 8-9 p.m. ET: "... I want you to go home with me ... I want you to unbutton my blouse and pull up my skirt ... I'll be up for hours unless I can find a way to relieve my tension."

From NBC's Friends, 9:30 p.m. ET: "Now we need the semen of a righteous man."

Of course, Friends is a smash: Melrose fans aren't likely to picket Aaron Spelling because of too-steamy plots; and Roseanne, in many critics' eyes, is quality TV.

"Thinking adults are hardly going to turn into a heaping pile of gelatin because they hear the word 'ass' on the air," argues Los Angeles Daily News television critic Ray Richmond. "I don't see this 'vulgarity' as a loosening of standards, but rather as a reflection of the reality around us."

Plus, more than two-thirds of U.S. homes now have cable, he notes, and the government's "set of rules for network TV doesn't apply to cable or pay-per-view programs, and they're all on the same remote control in people's living rooms and bedrooms. People who believe TV's going to hell in a handbasket are overreacting."

But is there a middle ground between prudery and prurience? Beneath the comic coarseness of Grace's response to Quentin's use of "slut" is advice that's hard to disagree with. "You shouldn't use that word," she tells her son. "It's demeaning to women, and men who say it. And furthermore, if it weren't for women like them, I wouldn't know how to rat my hair real big and put on blue eyeshadow."

"So show a little respect."

#### COMMENDATION OF CAPT. SCOTT F. O'GRADY AND U.S. AND NATO FORCES

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I send a resolution to the desk and ask it be read on behalf of myself, Senator HELMS, Senator WARNER, and many others. I am not certain of all the co-sponsors. This has been cleared, I understand, on both sides.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the resolution.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 132) commending Captain O'Grady and U.S. and NATO forces:

Whereas on June 2, 1995, Bosnian Serb forces using sophisticated surface to air missiles shot down a United States Air Force F-16 aircraft piloted by Captain Scott F. O'Grady while on combat patrol as part of NATO-commanded Operation Deny Flight;

Whereas in late 1994, reports indicate the United Nations vetoed NATO proposed operations to attack Bosnian Serb surface to air missile sites;

Whereas effective measures to defend against Bosnian Serb air defenses did not occur during Captain O'Grady's mission on June 2, 1995;

Whereas thousands of United States Armed Forces and armed forces of NATO allies were involved in search operations to recover Captain O'Grady;

Whereas Captain O'Grady, in the finest tradition of American military service, survived for six days and nights through courage, ingenuity and skill in territory occupied by hostile Bosnian Serb forces;

Whereas on June 8, 1995 Captain O'Grady was rescued in a daring operation by United States Marines;

Whereas aircraft involved in the rescue operation were attacked by Serb forces but no casualties occurred;

Therefore be it resolved by the Senate that it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) Captain O'Grady deserves the respect and admiration of all Americans for his heroic conduct under life-threatening circumstances;

(2) the relief and happiness felt by the family of Captain O'Grady is shared by the United States Senate;

(3) all members of the United States and NATO armed forces involved in the search and rescue operations, in particular the members of the United States Marine Corps involved in the extraction of Captain O'Grady, are to be commended for their brave efforts and devotion to duty;

(4) U.S. and NATO air crews should not be put at risk in future operations over Bosnia unless all necessary actions to address the threat posed by hostile Serbian air defenses are taken.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, this is a time for celebration—a brave American pilot, Capt. Scott O'Grady, has been rescued from Bosnian Serb-held territory. He is back at Aviano Air Base in Italy and will soon be on his way home to see his family.

I am pleased to submit this resolution on behalf of myself and many of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle commending Captain O'Grady, and the U.S. marines who rescued him, for their courage and professionalism.

In the interests of getting this resolution adopted today, I agreed to modify several provisions, although I have a hard time to understand why they are objectionable. But first it was objected to stating the obvious—that many missions prior to Captain O'Grady's were not accompanied by adequate action against hostile air defenses. And second, objection to urging appropriate responses to the attack on Captain O'Grady. The term "appropriate" covers a lot, but apparently some want no response at all to the attack on Captain O'Grady or the attack on the rescue aircraft. But having said that, those provisions have been removed to satisfy my colleagues on the other side of the aisle. I think we all want to make a statement and I believe this resolution makes an appropriate statement. The distinguished Senator from Massachusetts, one of the Senate's combat veterans, said yesterday that it would be appropriate to respond to this incident by bombing Serb missile sites.

Mr. President, events like this should make all Americans proud and appreciative of the sacrifices made by men

and women in the U.S. military. They should also make us realize that courageous airmen like Captain O'Grady are the reason why our Armed Forces are second to none.

Captain O'Grady was shot down by Bosnian Serb Forces and remarkably survived for 6 days in the forest—in hostile territory—by eating grass, leaves, and bugs and drinking rainwater, and evaded capture by Bosnian Serb troops.

It was not only superb military training that enabled Scott O'Grady to survive, but his own personal intelligence and dogged determination.

This same combination of fine training and individual strength also characterizes the U.S. Marines and the other personnel aboard the U.S.S. *Kearsarge* who were involved in this dramatic rescue operation.

No doubt about it, these men and women are American heroes. In addition to giving them the respect and commendation they are due, we have a responsibility—a responsibility to ensure that they are not exposed to unnecessary risk.

Every man and woman in the military has signed up knowing that there are risks involved and that one day their lives may be on the line. However, this does not mean that we take steps that unnecessarily increase risks or fail to take steps to address risks.

Last fall, NATO commanders noted an increase in the deployment of surface-to-air missiles by Bosnian Serb forces. Under the dual-key procedure, NATO sought to take out these SAM sites, but the plans were vetoed by the UNPROFOR command. It is likely that had NATO gone ahead 6 months ago, Captain O'Grady never would have been shot down.

So in addition to retaliating for this hostile action—and we do not need the permission of the United Nations or NATO to retaliate—we must take action to suppress the threat posed by the remaining SAM sites. We cannot in good conscience continue to send our pilots to patrol the no-fly zone without taking such measures.

Furthermore, as this incident and recent developments underline, we must start a new approach in Bosnia. The bigger picture is that the United States and our Armed Forces are participating in a failure.

It is high time to end this U.N. farce—to withdraw the U.N. Forces and lift the arms embargo on Bosnia. Prime Minister Haris Silajdzic reiterated yesterday in his meetings with Members of the Congress that the Bosnians do not want our troops on the ground; they have their own. They only want weapons to defend themselves. That is their fundamental right.

I am encouraged by the overwhelming vote in the House to lift the arms embargo. It was a strong bipartisan vote on an amendment offered by a Democrat colleague in the House, Congressman STENY HOYER. Clearly the tide has turned. The White House needs

to move with this tide rather than try to swim against it.

Mr. DOLE. I ask unanimous consent that Senator THURMOND and Senator MCCAIN be added as original cosponsors.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I am particularly privileged to join the distinguished majority leader in sponsoring this resolution. The majority leader speaks with a voice of great experience when it comes to military matters, having experienced firsthand himself the tragedies of war and the courage and stamina it takes to carry the wounds of those wars through for these many years. He draws on a vast knowledge, corporate knowledge of the conflicts that have occurred in our lifetimes—World War II, Korea, Vietnam. In all of those conflicts he has taken a role, first as a soldier and then as a statesman.

We are particularly fortunate to have Senator DOLE as our leader at these perilous times. I heed his words and his messages very carefully.

Mr. President, I also had the distinct privilege this morning of speaking by telephone to the father. And in the course of that conversation, with a sense of humility, we talked about the message and the courage his son has sent to all America, a message in a sense that says through these many years, this Nation has put an enormous investment in the equipment and in the training of our fine men and women who proudly wear the uniform of our Nation and, most importantly, the investment in the individuals who wear the uniform, as well as their families.

This investment has paid off. This is a very clear example today of how our investment has paid off in the cause of freedom.

I hope this also provides a message to the U.S. Senate and, indeed, the Congress as a whole that we must continue to find the necessary funds to support these courageous men and women. We see this one example, but every day, whether it is in the Bosnian theater or a thousand other places at different times, these men and women take risks for which we should always express our gratitude.

In training at home and far away places across the world, they do it today with the same patriotism as generations of Americans have done it in years past. It is my hope that the Congress will give these individuals today the adequate funds that they need to carry their missions, the funds not only to provide for the training today, the equipment today, but for the generations of tomorrow.

I am deeply concerned about the current level of defense spending. We have had 10 consecutive years of real reduction in defense spending, and now is the time, in my judgment, for the Congress of the United States to stand firm with the men and women of the

Armed Forces, for those who serve today and those who serve in the future.

I am thankful for the opportunity to have participated with my distinguished majority leader.

I yield the floor.

Mr. DASCHLE addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, let me commend the majority leader for his resolution and I ask unanimous consent to be listed as a cosponsor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, there is much to celebrate on a day like this, as the distinguished Senator from Virginia has just articulated so eloquently, to celebrate the fact that there are young men and women willing to commit their lives for the security interests of this country, whatever they may be. Young Scott O'Grady understood that when he took on the responsibilities of flying an F-16. He understood that when he climbed into his fighter plane on that day a week ago, completely aware of the enemy fire that he could be subjected to as he flew over those dangerous areas. He understood that as he ejected from his crippled plane, and he understood that during the dangerous period of time that he evaded those who were seeking to capture him, all the time wondering whether or not he would find.

There are men and women like him in the military in every branch of service who are willing to commit themselves, willing to commit their lives to the mission that is put before them in the interest of patriotism, in the interest of the defense and strength of this country.

So today we celebrate that heroism, that willingness to put patriotism ahead of self-interest. And certainly we have seen a clear demonstration of that in the heroic actions of Capt. Scott O'Grady. Patriotism and the life of a hero is something we can celebrate with great pride today as we consider the fact that Scott O'Grady is safely back with us.

Second, I think we can be very appreciative of the tremendous job done by the Marine rescue crew who saw fit to take extraordinarily hazardous risks to retrieve Captain O'Grady and to do all that they could to see that he was brought back safely.

As somebody who has had the opportunity on occasion to talk to rescue crews and to realize what danger they put themselves through to accomplish extraordinarily difficult missions, I can certainly appreciate the magnificent efforts of these brave marines.

So it is with immense pride and gratitude that I salute Captain O'Grady and the brave men who carried out his breathtaking rescue. We all share in the joy of their safe return.

They, too, ought to be recognized and certainly deserve the tremendous accolades they have been given for what

has been an extremely dangerous rescue mission. So we thank them, as well.

Times like this bring out the best in many people. Yesterday, we had the opportunity to talk to the Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina and he, too, is rising to the occasion under what are extraordinarily precarious conditions. We, as Americans, watch with great interest and empathy as he tries in as many ways as possible to achieve a meaningful effort at resisting the extraordinary dangers that his people face day after day.

So whether it is the Prime Minister, a pilot, or a rescue mission, there is a lot to celebrate today. This resolution gives us an opportunity to say with some clarity how much we appreciate the patriotism, the determination, the extraordinary willingness to subject oneself to danger, as we have seen just in the last 6 days.

So, again, I rise in support of the resolution. I am proud to be a cosponsor. I certainly urge its approval.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KEMPTHORNE). The majority leader.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senator DASCHLE's name appear immediately following mine on the leadership resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, I also ask unanimous consent to be added as a cosponsor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, will the majority leader yield?

Mr. DOLE. I will be happy to yield.

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, it may be wise, since not all Senators knew that this resolution was coming, and I think most, if not all, would support it, that we have a timeframe in which all Senators would have an opportunity to become cosponsors.

Would that be agreeable? I do not know what time would be right or sufficient, but I do think it is important that others not feel left out. I am sure the Senator does not want that, either. With that, Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that I be added as a cosponsor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I also ask unanimous consent to add Senators MCCAIN and THURMOND and the Presiding Officer, Senator KEMPTHORNE, as cosponsors.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DOLE. I think we can take action on it and still give, say, to 5 o'clock for anybody else who wants to be added as a cosponsor. I ask unanimous consent that that be permissible.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

So the resolution (S. Res. 132) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. FORD. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I note we are in a period of morning business right now. We are trying to get some agreement on gift ban and lobbying reform. I am prepared, if we can get that agreement, to proceed to it. I need to be absent for 5 minutes from the Chamber.

Mr. DASCHLE addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader is recognized.

#### IN MEMORY OF GRANT KOPPELMAN

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I was recently presented with tragic news regarding the death of a unique and talented young man. Grant Koppelman, a native of Rapid City, SD, who worked in my office in 1986, was killed while traveling overseas. He was 30 years old.

My heartfelt condolences go out to his family. Few individuals are blessed with the combination of intelligence, compassion, and personality that Grant possessed. With his disarming smile and quick wit, Grant could dissolve tension into humor, negating interpersonal conflict with great ease.

At the same time, his ability to instantaneously analyze situations and articulate brilliant responses earned him instant respect from those who challenged him. Those skills served Grant well through his years in high school debate, his time spent working for me, his years at Harvard Law School, and his successful private practice.

His professional life, however, was only a small part of this remarkable man's persona. Grant's love of knowledge and adventure continuously led him abroad. Members of my staff often would remark to me that they had heard from Grant while he was in Europe, or that Grant had written them about the political situation in Burma. Most recently he had sent out postcards from the Maldives Islands off the coast of India, with his usual promise that he would stay in contact.

Grant had always made good on that commitment to stay connected to his friends. That fact, in part, helps explain the devastating shock we felt over his death. The few details we know tell us that Grant was hitchhiking in Ethiopia and that someone tossed a grenade into the car in which he and a friend were riding.

Although a senseless act of violence took Grant from us at such a young age, he filled his life as completely as he was able, always looking for his next opportunity to learn, to challenge himself and to grow. His spirit greatly enriched those he touched, and we will miss him.

I yield the floor.

Mr. PRESSLER. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask that I may use some additional leader time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader has that right.

#### MISPLACED SYMPATHIES

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, last year, I spoke out against National Public Radio's stunningly misguided proposal to hire convicted cop-killer Mumia Abu-Jamal to provide a series of "Death-Row Commentaries." Fortunately, NPR had the good sense to cancel its contract with Mr. Abu-Jamal, who was convicted 13 years ago of murdering Daniel Faulkner, a 25-year-old member of the Philadelphia police force. Mr. Abu-Jamal remains on death row to this very day.

Despite a 4-week trial and despite a case that Assistant District Attorney Arnold Gordon describes as "one of the strongest I have seen in 24 years as a prosecutor," there are still those who believe that Mr. Abu-Jamal is the victim of a political witchhunt. Some even go so far as to consider him a political prisoner. A bevy of left-leaning Hollywood celebrities have apparently rallied to Mr. Abu-Jamal's defense, raising money for a legal defense fund and helping to promote Mr. Abu-Jamal's new book, "Live From Death Row." According to news accounts, the Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. has paid an advance of nearly \$30,000 for Mr. Abu-Jamal's latest creative venture.

Of course, most Americans are right to wonder why a person convicted and sentenced to death for viciously murdering a police officer more than 13 years ago is still sitting on death row. This only serves to underscore the wide gap between crime and punishment in America. Americans are also fed up with the tiresome criminal-as-a-victim-of-society philosophy, apparently embraced by Mr. Abu-Jamal's most ardent supporters. As Richard Costello, the president of the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police, recently explained:

This pseudo-political garb Jamal has tried to wrap himself in is just a sleazy attempt to save his own hide. . . . This is not a political case; this is the case of the cold-blooded killing of a police officer doing his job. . . . It is well past time for the jury's sentence to be fulfilled.

Keep in mind it has been 13 years. The victim has been long forgotten, and the victim's family, but this man is still around.

Just last Friday, Pennsylvania's Governor Tom Ridge took a big step to