

days ago said that one in four women aged 55 and older are going to suffer from dementia or Alzheimer's, and one in six men aged 55 and older are going to suffer from dementia or Alzheimer's. So the mercury in our vaccines is not just damaging our kids and hurting our society for future generations, but it is hurting seniors as well.

Something has to be done about it. We have to get mercury, which everybody knows is a toxic substance, out of anything that goes into the human body, especially vaccines.

Now because of our hearings and raising Cain over the past 4 years, we have been able to get it out of all children's vaccines except two, but they are still putting it in two children's vaccines. We need to get it out of all of them.

Adults, for my friends in Congress, if you are interested, when you get your flu vaccine, it has mercury in it; and almost every vaccination you get when you go overseas to visit Iraq and every place else has mercury in it. Our troops in the Persian Gulf were getting as many as 11 shots in one day that had mercury in it; and those people, if these researchers are correct, are going to suffer at some point in their life neurological damage.

So I would like to say to my colleagues who may be paying attention tonight, these are pictures of children who have been damaged who are autistic. Their parents have to deal with them on a daily basis. Many of them grow up to be 14 or 15 years old, and they go into fits because of their mental disorder and because of autism. The parents are scared to death of them, but they do not want to put their kids in a mental institution, they want to keep them at home, and they do not have the funds to deal with it.

It is just an American tragedy, a tragedy that does not need to occur if we would just get mercury out of all vaccines, especially children's vaccines. We need to do it now, and the people at HHS and FDA and the pharmaceutical industry need to come to the truth and tell the American people that there is a problem.

I would like to end with a quote from a prominent scientist. His name was Charles Sanders Pierce. He was a renowned American scientist. He said, "There is one thing even more vital to science than intelligent methods; and that is the sincere desire to find the truth, whatever it may be."

So I say to my friends at HHS and the pharmaceutical industry, get with the program. Let the American people know the truth and get mercury out of vaccines.

TOP ECONOMIC ADVISER SAYS OUTSOURCING OF JOBS A GOOD THING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I would like to follow up on the remarks of my

colleague, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), about the unbelievable report that this White House has produced in which the President's top economic adviser, not an intern who is studying for a master's degree or a bachelor's degree, his top economic adviser says, "Outsourcing of jobs is just a new way of doing international trade. And that's a good thing."

Well, coming from the State of Ohio, I would like to say to this President, bring 'em on. Come right over to us.

The day after the State of the Union address, the President flew and landed in Toledo, Ohio, my home district, a State in which hundreds of thousands of people are out of work, with people where he has cut off their unemployment benefits and has not extended them. They cannot find jobs. There are people in my church who stopped looking. They do not know where else to go.

We have some jobs available to work in our primary election March 2, and I have been telling people to at least apply at the Board of Elections to work for \$85 a day. At least it is one day's wages. The job scene out there is really rough, and it is extraordinarily rough in the State of Ohio.

The day after the President left, the unemployment rate in Ohio ticked up. Then last week, just a few days after he left, another plant closure was announced in Sandusky, Ohio. The little Dixie Cups, everybody knows Dixie Cups, 207 more people permanently out of work, people who have families to support, people who depend on their check, people who depend on their health benefits and people who depend on the retirement benefits that they had worked so hard for, some for as many as 30 years.

What is going on in this great land?

I turned the news on the other night. Domino Sugar in New York City, closing down. The yellow and white bags have been a fixture in our family since I was a little kid and learned how to bake from my grandmother. Gone.

Just north of the line of where I live in the State of Ohio, Electrolux up in Greenville, Michigan, 2,700 jobs permanently gone, closed down.

What is happening under this presidency? Nearly 3 million manufacturing jobs out the window, and the President's top adviser in a written report says that the movement of American factory jobs, along with white collar work, is a good thing.

Where do these people live? You know what? I have a hunch most of them are the privileged children of privileged parents. They do not have any idea of what struggle is really about. And the rest of us who think we know something about struggle have to be polite, we have to be refined, we have to have upper-class and middle-class behavior, when you really want to take the people who took your jobs and level them.

That is what it feels like when you lose everything, when people in your district lose their health benefits.

A company in my district called Pilkington was promised that their health benefits would be there in their retirement years. Now they are being charged \$170 more a month for their health benefits. I talked to some of these folks over the weekend, 80-years-old, 84-years-old. Their hands shake. Promises were not kept.

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I would say to the President of the United States, it would have been a good thing had he ever had to work for a living. If he had, his chief economic adviser would not have prepared a report which was in the L.A. Times and the headline read, "Bush Supports Shift of Jobs Overseas." The Seattle Times says, "Bush Report Sending Jobs Overseas Helps the United States." In the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, a city that knows a whole lot about outsourcing, "Bush Economic Report Praises 'Outsourcing' Jobs." And way down in Florida, the Orlando Sentinel, "Bush Says Sending Jobs Abroad Can Be Beneficial."

I would tell my colleagues whose job I would like to send abroad, and we have about 7 or 8 more months to do it. I would really like to see any President who says this to the people of Ohio carry a single vote in our State.

Mr. Speaker, I really am very proud to be a Member of this Congress, and I try to be a voice for the people who have been so adversely affected. I urge every American who is out of work and everyone who is worried about their jobs being outsourced to register to vote, vote in your primaries, vote in the general election on November 2. Let us change the direction of this Nation once and for all.

BUSH ADMINISTRATION SUFFERING FROM CREDIBILITY DEFICIT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BEAUPREZ). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. EMANUEL) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, last week we learned the administration's budget projects a \$521 billion deficit. What we also have learned, based on that budget, is that not only are they running a budget deficit, or a fiscal deficit; they are also running a credibility deficit. It is impossible to wage three wars with three tax cuts and expect a different result. They have, time and again, whether we are dealing with the issue of weapons of mass destruction, the benefits of their tax cut, or with the issue of Medicare, on point after point, they are running a credibility deficit.

The other day, Time Magazine ran a cover story about the growing credibility gap for the President of the United States. It is all because of the actions he has taken. Let us take the issue of Medicare. We debated here whether we were going to charge the

taxpayers \$400 billion for a prescription drug benefit; and before a single benefit has been issued, which is questionable, but before a single benefit has been issued to a single senior citizen, the taxpayers were charged another \$150 billion, and the administration knew all about it all along. We did nothing to bring down the price of prescription drugs, which are going up next year 15 percent and are going up the following year another 15 percent. Yet they knew all along, while we were debating a prescription drug benefit that will not be seen by a single senior citizen for another 2 years, they knew the bill was actually \$550 billion. That is what our seniors and our taxpayers are going to be charged, and we did nothing to drive down or bring down the prices, which will continue to go up. That was the beginning of a credibility deficit.

Now, the President has submitted a budget with a \$500 billion to \$520 billion deficit that his administration calls "manageable," "within acceptable range." Yet the International Monetary Fund said it is the single largest drag on the economy. Goldman Sachs, the respected firm of Goldman Sachs where the President's Director of the Office of Management and Budget comes from, referred to the budget that the President submitted as "not credible" and "an accounting fiction."

And we learned recently in Ron Suskind's book on "The Price of Loyalty" that the President of the United States knew all along the reason for the deficit. Mitch Daniels said, Mr. President, if you pass this tax cut, you are going to have deficits for the entire first and second terms of your administration. Yet now he wants to blame it on 9-11. He wants to blame it on an inherited recession, which was not a recession, and he wants to blame it on corporate scandals. Yet he was told by his own Director of the Office of Management and Budget that the reason for deficits are his tax cuts, which have nothing to do with economic recovery. But the President of the United States had the wisdom to ask, appropriately: Have we not done enough for the top rate? Have we not taken care of the very wealthy yet?

He knew that his economic program and his first tax cut had taken care of the wealthy, but he went along and decided to once again repeat a tax cut to the very wealthy in this country at the expense of middle-class families who are seeing no increases in assistance in college education, who are seeing no increases in health care, 33 million Americans who work and who have no health care. And he knew that that tax cut was going to take care of the wealthy and drive us into a deficit. Yet he went along and tried to pass it for something it was not, and then accused every Democrat who raised the same question the President of the United States raised as waging class warfare. The President of the United States went along with a tax cut that was skewed to the wealthiest.

On the issue of weapons of mass destruction, the issue is not whether Saddam Hussein was developing weapons of mass destruction. The issue was whether he was an imminent threat, and we were told he was an imminent threat. Now we learn, after having derided and belittled the United Nations, that the President of the United States went out on TV and said one thing, knowing the facts to be something else.

That is why this President now has with the American people, for the first time in his Presidency, when he had the benefit of the doubt from what happened to this country, to all Americans after 9-11, he has a growing credibility deficit. If we listen to what he says and we see what he does, the two things are not the same, from tax cuts to the deficit to Medicare, to weapons of mass destruction. Let us take the issue of the weapons of mass destruction. We will have to have the countries of the world be on our side when we face North Korea and our word must be important.

Then, and let me read one last thing and I will finish, as Time Magazine reported, "Any of those challenges might have been manageable alone. The problem was that each news cycle brought a new question about Bush's judgment and candor, which Democrats lost no time exploiting. Fiscal conservatives have been howling for months about a budget that seemed totally out of control."

Mr. President, this country now is facing a credibility gap, not only around the world, but your administration is, because of its words and its actions.

BUSH BUDGET LACKS CREDIBILITY, AND BALLOONING DEFICIT LEFT TO FUTURE GENERATIONS IS IMMORAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. HILL) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, back in the 1980s, a budgetary theory was advanced called "supply side economics." Some called it voodoo economics back in those days. It was the theory that you cut taxes, increase spending and, somehow, you get more money in. It did not work back then, and it has not worked again, because we have supply side economics all over again.

On January 28, 2003, during the State of the Union last year, the President said, "This country has many challenges. We will not deny, we will not ignore, we will not pass along our problems to other Congresses, to other Presidents, and other generations."

Last week, Members of Congress received copies of the President's proposed budget, and it is already clear this budget fails to meet the standards the President outlined last year. Today, my friends in the Blue Dog Coalition, a group that is well-known in Washington for our work on balancing

the budget and reducing the deficit, are going to join me here to outline the dangerous course this budget outlines for our Nation.

This budget makes it clear to my constituents in southern Indiana and Americans across this country that this White House and Congress are mortgaging our future to pay for today. As this chart shows, we are backsliding into a deficit ditch, and there is no end in sight. Look at this: 1989. These are figures where in the year 2000; we had an actual surplus of \$236 billion. We had an election in the year 2000, and look what has happened in the last 3 years. We have gone from a \$236 billion surplus to this year, a projected \$520 billion deficit. It is incredible that this could happen so quickly. In only a few short years, we have gone from record surpluses to these record deficits.

By 2009, the national debt will have eclipsed \$10 trillion. Put it another way, that is nearly \$40,000 for every man, woman, and child living in the United States today. It is simply immoral to strap future generations with trillions of dollars of debt that they did not create. It is immoral to increase the debt tax, the mandatory costs we must pay up front every year to cover the interest of the national debt, that every family is going to have to pay on the debt.

I have a second chart. The President's budget raises the debt tax dramatically. In 2004, right here, a family of four will owe \$4,367. As my colleagues can see, over the next 10 years, each family will go from \$4,367 of our national debt to \$10,368 of our national debt.

Ballooning deficits are going to impose some impossible choices on future generations. Without a show of fiscal responsibility, we will squander away any hope for future generations to address pressing needs of their time because they will be stuck cleaning up the multitrillion-dollar mess we are making for them today. Leaving future generations with huge debts is immoral, but that is not the only problem with this budget. This budget simply lacks credibility.

The President proposes to limit spending this year. That is good. I agree with the President that Congress should limit spending, but that is not the whole truth. Spending in Congress is out of control today. In 3 years, with almost complete control of the Congress and the White House, this side of the aisle has increased spending as a percentage of the GDP every single year. And in 8 years, under the prior administration, spending decreased in relation to the Gross Domestic Product 8 years in a row.

So, yes, we must control spending, but we have to do more than that. We must mean it.

This budget fails to include a dime of spending for troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, and we should make it clear to the troops stationed overseas on 12-