

Mr. ROEMER. Further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. The gentleman is absolutely correct about the frustrations. Certainly I felt it, too. I stand before you as a man who is a half-hour late already with a date that I have with the most beautiful woman I have known, and we feel these frustrations every day.

But I must say that, given what I have seen today as what I believe is a real breakthrough in relations with the work and the help of the minority leader and certainly the cooperation we have gotten from the distinguished ranking member of the committee on this effort, I believe we have got an opportunity to alleviate all of this tension and frustration in the future, and I am looking forward to moving on with the completion of this week, the beginning of next week under much more favorable conditions than we anticipated just a few short hours before, and I think more smoothly throughout the rest of this Congress.

Mr. ROEMER. Further reserving the right to object, so I can ascertain from the gentleman's remarks, that after the contract and the first 100 days is over, he is going to be working on spending more time with this beautiful lady after those 100 days and we can get that as a solid commitment?

Mr. ARMEY. Yes, if the gentleman will yield, not only that, you with your beautiful children and your wife as well.

Mr. ROEMER. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I will not object, I wanted to say I misspoke in my explanation of the arrangement in saying all the amendments would have 30 minutes. It is my understanding that we are intending to have 1 hour for the Orton amendment alone.

Mr. ARMEY. Absolutely. That is correct. And I will have this in the request I am about to make.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOLEY). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

ORDER OF OFFERING AMENDMENTS DURING FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2 ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1995

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the Committee of the Whole House meets under the 5-minute rule next Monday to consider amendments to H.R. 2 that four amendments, if offered, will be considered, time to be divided equally between proponents and opponents of the amendment, with debate not to exceed the time allotted, in this case the gentleman from Utah [Mr. ORTON] for 1

hour, the gentleman from California [Ms. WATERS] for 30 minutes, the gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. TAUZIN] for 30 minutes, and the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT] for 30 minutes; furthermore, that no amendments to the amendments may be offered, that two substitutes, if offered, will also be considered, time to be equally divided between the proponents and opponents, and debate not to exceed 1 hour each.

Those substitutes would be by the gentleman from New York [Ms. SLAUGHTER] and by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. STENHOLM], with the proviso that the gentleman from Texas [Mr. STENHOLM] will not begin to offer his substitute until 5 o'clock p.m.; and, finally, that no amendments to the substitutes may be offered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For clarification, the Chair will ask one question.

Is it the majority leader's request that the six named amendments, and none other, be in order for the balance of the consideration?

Mr. ARMEY. The Chair is correct in that.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

ORDER OF BUSINESS ON MONDAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY] is recognized for 2 minutes.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I hope that we have most of our Members that have now discerned from these two requests, and we will engage both majority and minority whip information system to inform all of our Members, that with these requests and with the generous cooperation of the minority, we are now able to advise Members that unless you have business on the floor that you need not anticipate a vote will be taken before 5 o'clock next Monday. Certainly those people with business on the floor and those people interested in debating the business on the floor will need to be here at 2, but Members not required to be on the floor for purposes of the debate may now be assured that votes will not occur before 5 o'clock, and very likely 5:30 on Monday next.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. It will take very little time, just to commend the gentleman and the gentleman from Missouri for working this out, and it is something I know will be beneficial to many Members, and I also think it is incumbent on staff now to notify those Members, a lot of whom are probably on their way home, and maybe it will make them feel better.

Mr. ARMEY. And again, one final point, the staff should be sure to notify the gentleman from California [Mr. DELLUMS], who is on his way to Califor-

nia to celebrate the birth of a new grandbaby.

OUR LEADERS SHOULD PUBLISH THEIR IDEAS AND WISDOM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 1995, the gentleman from California [Mr. HUNTER] is recognized for 5 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I would hope that the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. VOLKMER] would listen to my response to his special order a few minutes ago with respect to the Speaker of the House and the Speaker's intent to write a book.

I think the gentleman from Missouri, in continuing to raise accusations, clouds over the Speaker, because of the fact that he is preparing to write a book and publish that book, does a disservice to this House, and I think a disservice to the tradition that we want to have leaders in this Nation who not only have ideas and thoughts and wisdom and insight but also express those ideas and those thoughts and that wisdom and insight in books and make them available for the American people and for the people of the world.

I thought, as I walked down here, when I listened to the gentleman complain bitterly that the Speaker of the House might write a book, I thought about the great leaders in the West who have written books, and I thought about Winston Churchill, who wrote "The History of the English-Speaking Peoples," written when he was in office and who wrote following World War II "The History of World War II," a multivolume book, that has been the source of wisdom for many of those who came after him, and I thought of our great President, Teddy Roosevelt, who wrote many books, who wrote "The Winning of the West", "Trails of a Ranch Man", "The Naval War of 1812", "Through the Brazilian Wilderness", "The Strenuous Life", "The Rough Riders", who was a prolific writer and, you know, Teddy Roosevelt, of all of the, and I disagreed with the Speaker the other night when he said that Franklin Roosevelt may have been the biggest figure on the political stage in this century, the biggest political figure.

I think the other Roosevelt, Teddy Roosevelt, was the biggest political figure of this century, and Teddy Roosevelt left his energy and left his imprint on succeeding generations up to and including this generation of political leaders, because he wrote. He wrote, and he made his words available to the American people. He made his words available to Europeans and to Asians and to people around the world. I think in many ways Teddy Roosevelt's words and his books were such ambassadors of what this country is all about, as his speeches and his career.