

Americans will plainly see the results of our crime bill as they feel safe again on their streets not locked fearfully in their homes forced to watch deceptive campaign commercials.

COMPACT-IMPACT AID

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

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, what do you get when you combine an unfunded mandate with unrestricted immigration? You get one messed up Federal policy.

Under the terms of the compacts between the United States and the former islands of the trust territory, the citizens of these newly independent countries can immigrate to the United States with absolutely no restrictions. To offset the expected costs of this immigration, the Federal Government also promised to reimburse the local governments for this impact.

Guam has incurred costs of \$70 million for this immigration, and Guam has received a whopping \$2.5 million in reimbursement. The Interior appropriations bill for fiscal year 1996 contains nothing for compact reimbursement.

I urge my colleagues to support my amendment to restore the compact-impact reimbursement of \$4.58 million requested for Guam. It is time for the Federal Government to pay up, and to end this ridiculous immigration policy.

THINK ABOUT THE BAD SITUATION OF THE JAPANESE ECONOMY BEFORE DRIVING THEM OVER THE CLIFF

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

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, it is come to this. We are down to the last few hours of what is a dangerous game of chicken with Japan. Tonight we will know whether we are going over the cliff or if one or both sides are going to blink in this dispute.

Well, everyone knows that Japan-bashing is popular. After all, the proposed sanctions are only going to hurt a few rich people who drive a car like Lexus, or did they ever think about Sam, who I met this last Friday at the Lexus dealership, who takes great pride in servicing those Lexuses and is very much a middle-class American?

It seems to me there is no game plan here; there is no end game. If we go all the way through with this, the economic and political ramifications for our relationship with Japan are going to be enormous. What happens if the other side retaliates? What will happen to Boeing and General Electric who are doing business in Japan today? Did the administration consider how little room the Japanese have to negotiate,

given the bad situation of their economy today?

Mr. Speaker, all we can do by driving them over the cliff is to harden their resolve and allow them to blame the United States for the problem. Mr. Speaker, the time has come for some responsible action in this area, to get Japan to do fundamental deregulation, not to get voluntary import quotas accepted by Japan. We need a different strategy.

HOW DO REPUBLICANS BALANCE THE BUDGET?

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

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow we begin another debate on the budget. The issue is how will we balance the budget? Who will be helped and who will be hurt?

The answer is now clear. The Republican majority wants to help only the richest 1 percent in this country, the millionaires, the billionaires. The Republican majority wants to help the military-industrial complex by buying more toys like the B-2 bomber that the Pentagon told us we did not even need.

Mr. Speaker, how do Republicans balance the budget? By giving the wealthiest a tax break and buying more toys for the Pentagon.

How do Republicans pay for this? By cutting the programs that will help out our seniors, our veterans, our students; by cutting Medicare, by cutting Medicaid, by cutting the veterans' programs, by cutting \$10 billion out of financial student assistance programs and by cutting social security.

The issue is, who will we help and who will we hurt? Will it be the millionaires and billionaires that will be helped? Will it be the seniors and the veterans and the students that will be hurt? I and the Democrats will stand with the seniors, the veterans and the students.

THE JEWISH HOSPITAL OF ST. LOUIS

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

Mr. TALENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of the outstanding work of the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis. In conjunction with BJC Health System and Washington University School of Medicine, the hospital will be honored in a White House Ceremony today. It is being awarded a multiyear humanitarian grant to work with health care facilities in Riga, Latvia.

The St. Louis health professionals will be working with three hospitals including Riga's State Hospital for Children, as well as the maternity and local Jewish hospitals. Working to improve the quality and delivery of health care, the St. Louis mission will

lend its expertise to a community that needs guidance modernizing medical techniques and privatizing its healthcare system.

The staff of the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis is reaching across geographical, linguistic and ideological barriers to help those who need it most, the children and the infirm.

It is my pleasure to be able to express our gratitude for the work of the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis which has healed so many lives at home and will now heal many lives around the world.

REPUBLICANS BALANCING THE BUDGET ON THE BACKS OF OUR NATION'S SENIORS

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

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my outrage with the Republican proposal to balance the budget on the backs of our Nation's senior citizens. The Republican budget proposal would force our seniors to pay more than \$1,000 out of pocket each year while giving the very wealthiest 1 percent of Americans a windfall of \$20,000 a year in tax cuts.

It is outrageous that, at a time when our Nation's seniors are struggling more than ever to make ends meet, the Republicans have chosen to make it harder than ever for them to access quality health care. While it is important to work toward a balanced budget, we cannot force seniors to pick up the tab, while to add insult to injury, giving a tax break to the very wealthiest Americans. The Republicans claim that they must cut Medicare, because they project that the entire system will be out of money in 7 years.

Mr. Speaker, I say to my colleagues, "But even if you accept the Republican figures, and I don't, their Medicare cuts are 2½ times greater than called for to make their figures balance. The real purpose of this drastic cut in Medicare is to pay for a windfall for the very wealthy, not to save the future of Medicare for seniors."

Again I say, Mr. Speaker, "For shame."

WHO SAID WHAT ABOUT MEDICARE?

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

Mr. HOKE. Mr. Speaker, as my colleagues know, the beauty of the well is that one can say anything that they want at any time, regardless of what the facts may be. Let us look at Medicare and who said what about Medicare.

The President's trustees, the President's trustees, three members of the President's Cabinet, have said that the Medicare Trust Fund will be broke, bankrupt, out of money—without anything—in 6 to 7 years. That is under