

### UNION BOSSES TAKING MONEY FROM WORKING FAMILIES TO PAY FOR THEIR POLITICAL AGENDA

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

Mr. TIAHRT. Mr. Speaker, we have heard a lot about campaign finance reform, and America thinks it is important that we have the freedom to support candidates that lift up the same ideals they do, freedom to determine which candidate will push for the public policies that will create a better America for their children.

But many working men and women in America cannot do that. See, every month they have taken from their paychecks compulsory union dues, and more than 80 percent of those dues come right here to Washington where union bosses obtain it. These union bosses are taking money from working families who are struggling to provide for their families, and they spend it on their own political agenda and on their own union candidates.

Mr. Speaker, that is not freedom, that is oppression. It is wrong, the Supreme Court said it was wrong in the Beck decision, and so we cannot have campaign finance reform without freeing American workers from the unlawful burden.

Let us make the Beck decision the law of the land.

### VETERANS AWAIT CONGRESSIONAL MOVE ON FROZEN IRAQI ASSETS

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

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, the current issue of the Stars and Stripes, the oldest national veterans newspaper in this land, tells the whole story. The lead headline is "Veterans Await Congressional Move on Frozen Iraqi Assets."

It is referring to the need for a congressional move on the Helms amendment, an amendment that would bar completely the right of every gulf war veteran to assert their claim against the frozen assets of Saddam Hussein. That amendment is wrong, and this morning this House has an opportunity to approve a motion to approve it on a record vote, to go down clearly on the side of the veterans of this country, who have defended this country, and respond to this issue.

And yet even this very morning in the morning newspapers, the author of the Helms amendment still insists on a position that would deny 1 red cent, veterans would not get 1 red cent, from Saddam Hussein if his position prevailed.

Let us approve the motion and send a message across the hall to Senator HELMS that we will stand up for veterans.

### CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS DID NOT STAND IN THE WAY OF THE CLINTON-GORE REELECTION CAMPAIGN

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

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, when Americans opened up their newspaper last week, this is what they found:

DNC Teamsters and the Teamsters traded funds. Clinton-Gore campaign implicated in scheme to raise illegal donations. Court records show that the Clinton-Gore Reelection Committee and the Democrat National Committee conspired with Teamsters to divert money to a union boss's election. They conspired to hide these illegal contributions, and they conspired to swap funds with Teamsters. We know this because three aides to Teamster boss Ron Carey pleaded guilty to these felony charges of diverting funds through various political groups to the Teamsters. It was payback time over at the Clinton-Gore Reelection Committee, and so an illegal laundering scheme was hatched, and no campaign finance laws were going to stand in their way.

Here is how the laundry cycle worked: Take the union funds, put it to Democrat Senate and House election committees; the Clinton-Gore campaign pays back by calling their wealthy donors to send cash to the Carey reelection campaign.

And here we have just one more example of a Presidential legacy that makes Richard Nixon's legacy look like an ethics guide to the Boy Scouts.

### MAKE MY OVERRIDE

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

Mr. TRAFICANT. A spokesman said the White House will reform the IRS and any congressional bill that goes too far will be vetoed; "veto," the magic word. I expect to see Groucho's duck any day here.

Beam me up, Mr. Speaker, and it is time for Congress to take a stand. Who is kidding whom? The White House reforming the IRS would be like Barney Fife trying to reform Al Capone. My colleagues know it, I know it, and the American people know it.

Let us tell it like it is. If the President wants to carry water for the Internal Revenue Service, let him, and it is time for Congress to strap on the six-shooters and tell the President, "Make my override. Veto this."

Let us straighten those bums out.

### ASKING QUESTIONS ABOUT CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

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

Mr. ROGAN. Mr. Speaker, for the last several weeks we have been treated to a daily passionate call for campaign finance reform from our friends on the other side.

To those in the audience who listen to these debates and are actually persuaded by the seriousness of this litany, I suggest they ask a few questions to those people who make a daily practice of delivering these impassioned speeches.

Ask them if accepting campaign contributions from foreign governments should be illegal. If so, why are they silent on the subject, and who do they perceive to be the ones violating this on a routine basis?

Should laundering money from foreign sources to conceal its origin be illegal? If so, ask them who they see as being responsible for this practice.

Should shredding evidence to conceal criminal activity be illegal? If so, who do they see as being responsible for this practice?

Should raising money in Buddhist temples be illegal? Should fundraising on Federal property be illegal? If so, why are they so strangely silent on these real practices?

Listen closely to what these members are not saying, rather than what they are saying, and get a great education as to where they really stand on campaign finance reform.

### ARKANSAS AND AMERICA HAVE COME A LONG WAY IN 40 YEARS

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

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the gentlemen from Arkansas, MARION BERRY, ASA HUTCHINSON, VIC SNYDER, and JAY DICKEY, for their eloquent and passionate remarks in commemorating the 40th anniversary of the integration of Central High School in Little Rock, AR. They reminded me that 40 years ago I too lived in Arkansas and, like JAY DICKEY, was a college freshman. Our heroes were Ernie Green, Melba Patillo, Gloria Ray, Thomas Jefferson, Minnie Jean Brown, Daisy Bates, Wiley Branton, and the rest of the Little Rock Nine.

Someone commented that in 40 years Arkansas has come a long way. I agree. But then I say so, too, has America.

### AMERICA'S VETERANS VERSUS TOBACCO COMPANIES

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

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, in the next hour this House will have a clear choice. It is a choice between America's veterans versus tobacco companies. It is a choice between veterans versus partisanship.

As someone who represents over 40,000 Army soldiers and 60,000 veterans