

"We see port activity in the New York harbor increasing. It is imperative that we maintain our competitive edge."

Hugo Neu has also invested several million dollars in research and development to find new ways to "mine" the waste metal it produces. About 25% of every automobile that is shredded can't be recycled and has to be disposed of at an environmentally approved landfill, an expensive proposition for many recyclers.

A year ago, Hugo Neu entered into a joint-venture project with Daimler Chrysler and set up a facility in Utah to do research on recycling plastics. Kelman hopes to announce the results of that research in the next two months. In addition, the company is converting waste from the auto shredding process into landfill cover that reduces its tipping fee—money charged by landfill companies for dumping waste. Kelman hopes in the next few years the company will be able to reduce its waste by 50%, with the ultimate goal of producing zero waste.

CORRIDORONE FUNDING

HON. GEORGE W. GEKAS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 26, 2001

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, I am joined in my remarks by my fellow colleagues from Pennsylvania, Representative PITTS and Representative PLATTS. We would like to take this opportunity to note that language was included in the FY'02 Transportation Appropriations bill that reallocated unexpended funds from previous appropriations acts for various projects around the country. Much to our surprise, and disappointment, a project which is critical to the central Pennsylvania region—the CORRIDORONE project—was on the list to be rescinded.

The report language from the Committee states "these sums are not needed due to changing local circumstances or are in excess of project needs." Upon further inquiry, I was informed by the Subcommittee that these funds for the CORRIDORONE project were being reallocated because it was presumed the funds would not be obligated by the September 30, 2001 deadline. However, this is not the case. Capital Area Transit (CAT), the local agency responsible for the project, is proceeding through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) approval process and is expected to obligate the funds within a few short weeks, well before the September 30 deadline. I am at a loss as to why it was thought that these funds would not be obligated. How this misinformation came to be I do not know, but it saddens me that such a vital project for the central Pennsylvania region, and one which has the support of state, local, business, and environmental leaders would suffer such a serious setback due to faulty information.

Representatives GEKAS, PITTS, and PLATTS have written to Chairman ROGERS requesting that the project be removed from the reallocation list or at the very least be granted an extension of one year in order to utilize funds already appropriated and desperately needed. We have also written to the FTA requesting an explanation of their decision to recommend that CORRIDORONE's FY '99 funds be reallocated.

Mr. Speaker, if FY '99 funds were reallocated, CAT would lose half of all federal funds appropriated for CORRIDORONE to date. Coupled with the fact that no additional funds were appropriated for the project this year, reallocation of half its federal funds would almost certainly prevent CAT from completing the CORRIDORONE project. If central Pennsylvania is to successfully move into the 21st century, such an investment in Pennsylvania's future can not be abandoned at this crucial hour.

We look forward to working with the Appropriations Committee to rectifying the situation, but hope that FTA approval to obligate funds will satisfy the Committee and prevent reallocation.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL JOHN COLEMAN

HON. TONY P. HALL

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 26, 2001

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to note the long-term record of selfless service by one of Ohio's own, and a member of the "greatest generation," Colonel John Coleman, United States Army, Retired. This year marks the 50th anniversary of Colonel Coleman's election as National President of the Reserve Officers Association and the 73rd anniversary of his acceptance of the oath of office as a commissioned military officer.

Mr. Speaker, few American's can claim such a rich legacy of service to country and countrymen. We all know the excellent work that is done every day by the staff of the Reserve Officers Association and their numerous volunteer members. But few of us know the significant achievements of Colonel John Coleman in his role as national president of the Reserve Officers Association.

During 1951, Colonel Coleman worked closely with the Marine Corps Reserve Association to gain passage of the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 which became Public Law 476. That act provided the framework for a fully integrated and fully capable reserve force working as partner with the regulars in meeting the nation's defense needs. As a result of the legislation passed, the reserve force became a critical resource for all military engagements that followed.

Colonel Coleman's record of military service began with his commissioning as a second lieutenant of the Field Artillery in 1928. His record is marked by selfless service in numerous staff and command positions including service in combat during World War II. Among his many awards and recognition is his membership in the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara for his contributions to the Army Field Artillery.

Mr. Speaker, Colonel Coleman fully represents the spirit of the Reserve Officers Association and its model, the Minuteman. Just across the street from the East front of the Capitol building stands the Association's headquarters, the Minuteman Memorial Building: an edifice that is aptly named as it represents the acts and sacrifices of so many of its members personified in the nature and deeds of Colonel Coleman.

Just like the Minuteman, who came forward in a time of crisis to help his nation, so did

Colonel Coleman come forward when his nation and his Association needed him. Mr. Speaker, I ask all Americans to join me in a grateful salute to both Colonel John Coleman and his devoted wife, Julia. We are all grateful not only for his service but also to the thousands of men and women who so admirably follow the traditions of one of Dayton, Ohio's greats: Colonel John Coleman.

TO RECOGNIZE THE TEACH OUR CHILDREN FOUNDATION AND THE THIRD ANNUAL BART OATES/RICK CERONE CELEBRITY GOLF OPEN

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 26, 2001

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bart Oates and Rick Cerone, the co-founders of the Teach Our Children Foundation in Newark, New Jersey. On Monday, June 25, 2001, Mr. Oates and Mr. Cerone hosted their Third Annual Oates/Cerone Celebrity Golf Open at the Mountain Ridge Country Club in West Caldwell, New Jersey. This charity event raised funds for the Teach Our Children Foundation, benefiting underprivileged children living in Newark.

The Teach Our Children Foundation, a non-profit organization founded by Bart Oates and Rick Cerone, provides educational and developmental opportunities for children living in Newark. The foundation aims to address problems children face in urban America today, including the presence of drugs, the breakdown of the familial structure, and the difficulties urban schools face in handling these and other issues.

Bart Oates and Rick Cerone are very well known throughout New Jersey for their successful careers in professional football and baseball. Bart Oates, who is a former New York Giant, graduated from Seton Hall's School of Law, and currently is Vice President for Marketing and Client Service at the Gale & Wentworth Real Estate Company. Rick Cerone is a former New York Yankee, an alumnus of Seton Hall University, and founder and president of the Newark Bears Minor League baseball team.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Bart Oates and Rick Cerone, along with the Teach Our Children Foundation of Newark, New Jersey, for providing children with a brighter future and real educational opportunities.

CALLING ON CHINA TO RELEASE LI SHAOMIN AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN SCHOLARS OF CHINESE ANCESTRY BEING HELD IN DETENTION

SPEECH OF

HON. JOSEPH CROWLEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 25, 2001

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Mr. SMITH of New Jersey for authoring this crucial and timely resolution.