

Two things they did make a big impression on me. I visited their church once, and I learned they were building a new sanctuary closer to the Washington, D.C. line in a higher crime, higher drug rate area, because they thought it was part of their ministry to change the lives of the people who needed them.

The second thing I want to say is that once Reverend Cherry was at a meeting at the White House with some other religious leaders, and he left early to go back to his church to minister to 150 couples that he had brought back to his church from all over America to convince them to come back together to save their marriages and to raise their kids. This is the kind of work that citizens are doing in America. We need more of it, and it ought to be lifted up and supported.

The last person I want to introduce is Jack Lucas from Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Jack, would you stand up?

Fifty years ago, in the sands of Iwo Jima, Jack Lucas taught and learned the lessons of citizenship. On February 20th, 1945, he and three of his buddies encountered the enemy and two grenades at their feet. Jack Lucas threw himself on both of them.

In that moment, he saved the lives of his companions and miraculously, in the next instant a medic saved his life. He gained a foothold for freedom, and at the age of 17, just a year older than his grandson—who is up here with him today, and his son, who is a West Point graduate and a veteran—at 17, Jack Lucas became the youngest marine in history and the youngest soldier in this century to win the Congressional Medal of Honor.

All these years later, yesterday, here is what he said about that day: "It didn't matter where you were from or who you were. You relied on one another. You did it for your country."

We all gain when we give, and we reap what we sow. That's at the heart of this New Covenant: Responsibility, opportunity, and citizenship. More than stale chapters in some remote civic book, they are still the virtue by which we can fulfill ourselves and reach our God-given potential and be like them, and also to fulfill the eternal promise of this country, the enduring dream from that first and most sacred covenant.

I believe every person in this country still believes that we are created equal, and given by our Creator the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

This is a very, very great country, and our best days are still to come.

Thank you, and God bless you.

At 10 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m., the President of the United States retired from the Hall of the House, followed by his Cabinet.

The Chief Justice of the United States and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court retired from the Hall of the House.

The ambassadors, ministers and charges d'affaires of foreign govern-

ments retired from the Hall of the House.

The SPEAKER, at 10 o'clock and 40 minutes p.m., then declared the joint session of the two Houses dissolved.

The Vice President and Members of the Senate retired from the Hall of the House.

¶11.30 REFERENCE OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On motion of Mr. SOLOMON, the message of the President, as delivered, together with the accompanying documents, was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 104-1).

¶11.31 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana, for today;

To Mr. BISHOP, for today; and

To Mr. TORKILDSEN, until 3 p.m. today.

And then,

¶11.32 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. SOLOMON, at 10 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶11.33 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 44. Resolution providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 17) relating to the treatment of Social Security under any constitutional amendment requiring a balanced budget and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 1) proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States (Rept. No. 104-4). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶11.34 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, and Mr. SPRATT):

H.R. 645. A bill to amend the International Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for non-recognition of gain on the sale of eligible small business stock if the proceeds of the sale are reinvested in other eligible small business stock; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WYDEN:

H.R. 646. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to index the basis of certain capital assets for purposes of determining gain or loss; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 647. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for awards to an employee under a performance-based reward plan and to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a program to promote implementation of performance-based reward plans and employee decisionmaking participation programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in

addition to the Committees on Economic and Educational Opportunities, and Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 648. A bill to improve small business export assistance; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

H.R. 649. A bill to authorize the collection of fees for expenses for triploid grass carp certification inspections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. GILMAN:

H.R. 650. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act concerning exclusion from the United States on the basis of membership in a terrorist organization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ANDREWS (for himself, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. HOYER):

H.R. 651. A bill to direct the President to establish a commission for making recommendations to improve the Federal emergency management system; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BATEMAN:

H.R. 652. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide a grant to the board of directors of the George Washington Boyhood Home Foundation for the Stabilization, preservation, and interpretation of the archeological resources and visual integrity of Ferry Farm, boyhood home of George Washington, America's first President; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 653. A bill to designate the U.S. courthouse under construction in White Plains, NY, as the "Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HOLDEN:

H.R. 654. A bill to provide for the conversion of the assistance for the Tamaqua Highrise housing project in Tamaqua, PA, from a leased housing contract to tenant-based assistance; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. WALKER:

H.R. 655. A bill to authorize the hydrogen research, development, and demonstration programs of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. KING:

H.R. 656. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make organizations controlled by individuals who promote prejudice or bias based on race, religion, or ethnicity ineligible for assistance under programs administered by the Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

H.R. 657. A bill to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of three hydroelectric projects in the State of Arkansas; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MINETA, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. MATSUI):

H.R. 658. A bill to amend the Civil Rights Act of 1991 with respect to the application of such act; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. OBERSTAR:

H.R. 659. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to permit Federal firearms licensees to conduct firearms business with other such licensees at out-of-State gun shows; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. BONO, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. GOSS, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. CANADY, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. MILLER of Florida, and Mrs. SCHROEDER):

H.R. 660. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THORNTON:

H.R. 661. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional safeguards to protect taxpayer rights; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. VUCANOVICH (for herself and Mr. ENSIGN):

H.R. 662. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 50 percent limitation on the amount of business meal and entertainment expenses which are deductible; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ZIMMER (for himself, Mr. STUMP, Mrs. MYRICK, and Mr. ROHRABACHER):

H.R. 663. A bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to prevent luxurious conditions in prisons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 664. A bill to amend chapter 5122 of title 42, United States Code, to ensure Federal disaster assistance eligibility for certain nonprofit facilities; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. FIELDS of Texas:

H.J. Res. 63. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that Federal judges be reconfirmed by the Senate every 10 years; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. MILLER of California):

H. Con. Res. 18. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that United States investors, lenders, and corporations should assume the full measure of risk and responsibility for their investments and loans in Mexico since the devaluation of the peso on December 21, 1994, and that loan guarantees that are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States and that could result in any direct or indirect financial obligation on the part of United States taxpayers should not be provided to the Mexican Government; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

¶11.35 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 3: Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. MOORHEAD, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. VUCANOVICH, Mr. WALKER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BRYANT of Tennessee, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 11: Mr. DREIER, Mr. DELAY, Mr. POMBO, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, and Mr. SALMON.

H.R. 24: Mr. FOX.

H.R. 26: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. ZELIFF.

H.R. 43: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LOWEY, Mr. MINETA, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. NADLER, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. RANGEL.

H.R. 58: Mr. WELLER.

H.R. 70: Mr. TAUZIN and Mr. BALLENGER.

H.R. 78: Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 104: Mr. FIELDS of Texas and Mr. LIGHTFOOT.

H.R. 110: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 117: Mr. BONO and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 123: Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. POMBO, Mr. JONES, Mr. FUNDERBURK, and Mr. SMITH of Texas.

H.R. 127: Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. VENTO, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H.R. 139: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas.

H.R. 142: Mr. FOX.

H.R. 218: Mr. TEJEDA, Mr. METCALF, Mr. HEINEMAN, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. EMERSON.

H.R. 221: Mr. BORSKI, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. DELAURO, and Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 230: Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.

H.R. 259: Mr. BONO.

H.R. 260: Mr. EMERSON and Mr. GALLEGLY.

H.R. 305: Ms. PELOSI, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. CANADY, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. LIPINSKI, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. BEILENSON, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. KLUG, Mr. POMBO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FILLNER, and Mr. FOX.

H.R. 353: Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas and Mr. YATES.

H.R. 354: Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. ROHRABACHER.

H.R. 359: Mr. THORNTON, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. EWING, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. HYDE, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. WILLIAMS, and Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 370: Mr. CHRYSLER, Mr. PAXON, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. EMERSON, and Mr. SMITH of Texas.

H.R. 372: Mr. EVERETT and Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 373: Mr. EVERETT, Mr. LIGHTFOOT, Mr. MYERS of Indiana, and Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 375: Mr. EVERETT and Mr. HEFLEY.

H.R. 394: Mr. SAXTON, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. KOLBE.

H.R. 436: Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BEREUTER, and Mr. PAXON.

H.R. 447: Mr. SERRANO, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. SABO, Mr. FROST, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. LAUGHLIN, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. BREWSTER, Mr. PARKER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. VISLOSKEY, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. GUNDERSON, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. WILSON, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. EVANS, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. CHAPMAN.

H.R. 464: Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. BUNN of Oregon, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. SOUDER, and Mrs. VUCANOVICH.

H.R. 482: Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. NEY, and Mr. PACKARD.

H.R. 491: Mr. STEARNS, Mr. ROYCE, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. BLUTE, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. HAYES.

H.R. 502: Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. HYDE, Mr. PAXON, Mr. WALKER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. HERGER, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. BAKER of California, and Mrs. VUCANOVICH.

H.R. 519: Mr. FOX, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. ZELIFF.

H.R. 521: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

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H.R. 588: Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.J. Res. 2: Mr. HAYES, Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas, Mr. WALKER, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. GOODLING.

H.J. Res. 3: Mr. MCINTOSH.

H.J. Res. 5: Mr. HAYES and Mr. MINGE.

H.J. Res. 14: Mr. FOLEY.

H.J. Res. 16: Mr. MONTGOMERY.

H.J. Res. 28: Mr. MCINNIS.

H.J. Res. 48: Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. CHRYSLER, Mr. GUNDERSON, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. LUCAS.

H.J. Res. 53: Mr. SAWYER and Ms. WATERS.

H.J. Res. 55: Mr. POMEROY and Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas.

H. Con. Res. 17: Mr. FOX.

H. Res. 33: Mr. SERRANO and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.

¶11.36 DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 2: Ms. COLLINS of Michigan.

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The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

¶12.1 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, January 24, 1994.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶12.2 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

195. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense—Comptroller, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the Department of the Army, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

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197. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Economic Security, Department of Defense, transmitting the strategic and critical materials report during the period October 1993 through September 1994, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 98h-2(b); to the Committee on National Security.

198. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting information on changes in district offices; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

199. A letter from the Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Comptroller General's 1994 annual report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719(a); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

200. A letter from the Chairman, Agriculture and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, transmitting the 1994 annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to Public Law 95-452, section 5(b) (102 Stat. 2526); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

201. A letter from the Co-Chairman, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the inspector general for the period April 1, 1994, through September 30, 1994, pursuant to Public Law 95-452, section 5(b) (102 Stat. 2526); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

202. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year