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RECENT ANTI-ADMINISTRATION STATEMENTS MADE BY TEAMSTERS UNION LEADERS

Last Week, The Teamsters Aligned Themselves Against The Administration In An Effort To Gain An Extension In Unemployment Benefits To Laid Off Airline Industry Workers. "Despite opposition from the Bush Administration, House Democrats, with Teamster assistance, won a crucial vote to press for a 26-week extension of unemployment benefits to laid-off airline industry workers. . . . "The airline industry is ailing, and those most affected are the workers," said Teamsters General President James P. Hoffa. "The unemployment rate for airline workers is three times the national average. That's why we did all we could to support this issue." (Teamsters, Press Release, April 9, 2003)

Last Week, The Teamsters Called On The Bush Administration To Immediately Suspend American Aircraft From Receiving Repair Work Overseas, While Warning That Inaction By The Administration Would Be "Unacceptable." "Citing potential threats to safety and security, and lax government oversight, the AFL-CIO and its Transportation Trades Department (TTD) petitioned the Bush administration for an immediate suspension of repair work performed on U.S. aircraft at overseas maintenance facilities on April 10. The Teamsters is one of 35 member unions in the aviation, rail, transit, trucking, highway, longshore, maritime and related industries that are represented by the TTD. . . . 'At a time when airlines face intense pressure to slash costs and cut corners, sending repair work to other countries is a far too tempting way for cash-strapped air carriers to choose profits over safety and security,' [TTD President Sonny] Hall said. 'Inaction by this Administration in the face of these serious concerns is unacceptable." (Teamsters, Press Release, April 11, 2003)

In March 2003, Hoffa Attacked The FAA And The TSA For Allegedly Suspending Due Process Protections To Airlines Workers. "The International Brotherhood of Teamsters is opposing efforts by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to suspend due process protections for airline workers. The new regulations allow the agencies to label airline workers as a security threat while giving no right to an independent review, nor the ability to see the evidence being used against them. 'Our government must address legitimate security needs while respecting workers' basic rights,' said James P. Hoffa, Teamsters General President. 'Due process is one of the central elements of our civil rights and airline workers must keep that right.' The Teamsters have filed regulatory comments with the U.S. Department of Transportation." (Teamsters, Press Release, March 26, 2003)

In A March 2003 Interview With *The New York Times*' Steven Greenhouse, Hoffa Asserted That Bush Does Not Show The Level Of Concern For The American Worker That Is Required. "In Mr. Hoffa's view, President Bush has shown far too little concern for the American worker. 'He has to work on taking care of the average American,' Mr. Hoffa said. 'The great mass of people in this country are struggling right now. We've lost two million jobs since 9/11. We had 308,000 more people out of work in February. We have to urge this administration to understand the plight of the average American, who is having a real hard time right now." (Steven Greeenhouse, "Labor Leader Backs Away From Bush," *The New York Times*, March 16, 2003)

During The Same Interview, Hoffa Listed A Myriad Of Administration Policies That He Considered To Be Anti-Worker And Anti-Union. "Mr. Hoffa ticked off a long list of administration actions that he said were either antiworker or antiunion: moving to open the border to Mexican trucks; supporting the repeal of a law that sought to prevent ergonomic injuries; negotiating trade agreements that have few protections for workers; proposing far tougher financial disclosure rules for unions; sponsoring tax cuts that favor the rich." (Steven Greeenhouse, "Labor Leader Backs Away From Bush," *The New York Times*, March 16, 2003)

Hoffa Disagreed With The Administration's Tax Cut Proposals, Instead Calling For Tax Cuts "Geared More To Working People." "The tax plan has to be geared more to working people,' Mr.

Hoffa said, criticizing the president's proposal to eliminate taxes on corporate dividends. We have to stimulate the economy, and the way to do that is to put money in the pockets of the average American, who spends 100 percent of their income. You don't do that through tax cuts for the wealthy." (Steven Greeenhouse, "Labor Leader Backs Away From Bush," *The New York Times*, March 16, 2003)

Greenhouse Asserted That Hoffa Is "Playing Hard To Get", But Has Left The Option Open For A 2004 Endorsement Of Bush. "Mr. Hoffa seems to be playing hard to get, insisting that his union will look at all the candidates. He floats the possibility of endorsing Mr. Bush, while simultaneously praising several Democratic candidates, especially Representative Richard A. Gephardt, the Missouri Democrat, who was his classmate at the University of Michigan Law School. We are keeping all of our options open, and are urging this administration to be more sensitive to the needs of working families,' Mr. Hoffa said. 'If they're not, we would maintain our options to back other candidates." (Steven Greeenhouse, "Labor Leader Backs Away From Bush," *The New York Times*, March 16, 2003).

In March 2003, The National Right To Work Legal Defense Foundation Claimed That The Teamsters Were Already Targeting "All GOP Candidates" For Defeat In The 2004 Federal Election Cycle. "Inside sources reveal that former Hoffa campaign chief and Teamsters union national field director, Todd Thompson, will be tasked with tripling contributions to the Teamsters political action committee (PAC) and that the funds will be spent to defeat 'all GOP candidates' in the 2004 election cycle." (National Right To Work Legal Defense Foundation, Press Release, March 12, 2003)

In March 2003, Teamsters Communications Director Bret Caldwell Authored A Letter To *The Washington Post* That Refuted Claims That Hoffa Was "A Supporter Of President Bush." "Kirstin Downey's Feb. 28 Business article 'Unions Angry After Chao's Visit' called Teamsters President James P. Hoffa 'a supporter of President Bush.' In January, the Teamsters union and several coalition partners won a court decision halting the administration's attempt to open the southern border to Mexican trucking. The union has also criticized the administration's unfair trade policies and its decision to repeal ergonomics regulations, among other decisions. The Teamsters endorsed Al Gore in 2000. The Teamsters union does have a dialogue with the White House, and we have worked together on some issues. But since he was first elected in 1998, Mr. Hoffa has made it clear that the Teamsters have 'no permanent friends, only permanent interests.' *The Post* should not assume that the union's efforts to develop relationships mean that its positions on issues important to its members will be stifled." (Bret Caldwell, "Editorial," *The Washington Post*, March 11, 2003)

In March 2003, National Review's Stefan Gleason Wrote That Hoffa Deemed The Administration's Labor Secretary Elaine Chao As "Insulting" And "Anti-Labor." "[W]hen Teamsters president James P. Hoffa and AFL-CIO president John Sweeney called Chao 'insulting' and 'anti-labor,' their already dubious credibility as honest advocates for union members vanished." (Stefan Gleason, "Unreasonable Union Bosses," National Review, March 3, 2003)

Robert Novak Asserted That Hoffa Was So Enraged By Secretary Chao's Performance At The 2003 AFL-CIO Winter Meeting That He Vowed To End The Union's Courtship With The Bush Administration. "President James P. Hoffa and other Teamsters Union officials were so enraged by Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao's performance Wednesday at the AFL-CIO's winter meeting in Hollywood, Fla., that they privately pronounced an end to President Bush's long courtship of the big union." (Robert Novak, "Teamsters Have Had It With Bush," Chicago Sun-Times, March 2, 2003)

In February 2003, Hoffa's Spokesman Said The Teamsters Were "Extremely Disappointed" With Administration Decisions, And Asserted That GOP 2002 Mid-Term Victories Could Be The Reason For Such "Aggressively Anti-Labor" Positions. "The union is extremely disappointed with many of the decisions the administration has made in recent months," Hoffa spokesman Bret Caldwell said Thursday. 'We're continuing to have open discussions with the White House. It's just that they're not listening to us as much as they once were. Since the mid-term elections, the administration seems more aggressively anti-labor. Whether they've just determined they don't need labor, I don't know."" (John Gallagher, "AFL-CIO Vents Its Anger At Bush," Detroit Free Press, February 28, 2003)

According To Teamsters Government Affairs Director Mike Mathis, Hoffa Said That Chao's Speech "Should Strengthen Our Resolve To Get The Job Done In 2004." "Chao's comments also angered Teamsters Union President James P. Hoffa. Afterward, he told colleagues gathered for the AFL-CIO's annual meeting that 'this should strengthen our resolve to get the job done in 2004,' according to Mike Mathis, the Teamsters' government affairs director." (T. Shawn Taylor, "Unions Angered By Talks With Chao," *Chicago Tribune*, February 27, 2003)

Hoffa Asserted That The Administration Has "Veered" In The Direction Of "A Policy That Leaves Working People Out And Working Families Out." "I think that this administration has veered dangerously, since the convention, towards a policy that leaves working people out and working families out. And I think that they're not responsive to what's going on." (CNN's "Inside Politics," February 27, 2003)

One Hoffa Confidante Said That Relations Between The Teamsters President And The Bush Administration "Are Becoming More Polarized Than They Probably Have At Any Time." "Relations are becoming more polarized than they probably have been at any time,' said Chuck Mack, an official close to Hoffa. 'To the extent we can, we will continue to work with them. But I would suggest it's becoming more and more difficult to do that." (Leigh Strope, "Teamsters Not Happy With Bush," Desert News, February 27, 2003)

Mathis Stated That The Bush Administration Did Not Understand Labor Issues. "Mr. Hoffa added, Mr. Mathis said: 'We're disappointed frankly that they don't understand labor issues and labor people. The way the secretary presented herself today was proof of that. We think it's important that the labor movement strengthen its resolve as we go into 2004 to elect a president who understands working people." (Steven Greenhouse, "Labor Secretary's Talk Angers," *The New York Times*, February 27, 2003)

Mathis Further Stated That The Teamsters Will Strive To Beat Bush In 2004 If He Does Not Change The Current Anti-Union Course Of His Administration. "Mr. Mathis said Mr. Hoffa, whose union represents 1.4 million workers, had not ruled out backing Mr. Bush. But he added: "The fact is Jim is disappointed with the direction of the administration. Bush has veered to the right since the election, and if he veers back on track, that will change things. But if Bush is not going to do that, we're going to try very hard to beat him. If there's a better Democratic candidate then that's who the Teamsters will support." (Steven Greenhouse, "Labor Secretary's Talk Angers," *The New York Times*, February 27, 2003)

In January 2003, Hoffa Criticized The Administration's Stance On The Issue Of Mexican Trucks. "A federal appeals court yesterday blocked President Bush's plans to open all American highways to Mexican trucks, ruling that the administration could not open the roads until it conducted a study of how the trucks would affect the environment. . . James P. Hoffa, president of the Teamsters union, said, 'In a rush to open the border, the administration failed to pay attention to the health concerns of U.S. citizens."" (Steven Greenhouse, "Courts Bar Mexican Trucks," *The New York Times*, January 17, 2003)

Hoffa Claimed That U.S. Trade Policy Has Not "Focused On The Economic Impact Of Unfair Trade Deals On Working Families." "U.S. trade policy has not focused on the economic impact of unfair trade deals on working families,' Hoffa added. 'We must shape a trade policy that meets the needs of working families and ends the economic race to the bottom.'" (International Brotherhood Of Teamsters, Press Release, January 16, 2003)

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conditions for long-term stability throughout the country. Most Iraqis are staying home

and have enough food to survive for some time.

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* With the help of the Iraqi people, existing

infrastructure is being repaired and capabilities restored. Iraqi railroads are being used to move supplies north. Power and water service is being restored with the help of military engineers and local Iraqis.

* Efforts continue to reestablish reliable medical care throughout Iraq.
 * Coalition forces are working with local authorities and police forces to patrol the streets, and looting is tapering off.

* Civil affairs teams are on the ground, and Coalition

members and Iraqis will meet tomorrow in An Nasiriyah to discuss the future of Iraq and the Iraqi Interim Authority. This will be the first of several meetings as the Iraqi people chart their future free of the oppressive rule of Saddam Hussein. APR 15 2003 11:05 AM FR MAYNARD COOPER 205 254 1999 TO 912024561806

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Via Facsimile Mr. Adam Goldman Associate Director for Public Liaison Office 122 EEOB 17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20500

Re: President Bush's Growth and Job Initiative

Dear Mr. Goldman:

Please find the attached letter that Carl Jones, Chairman and CEO of Regions Financial Corporation will send to all 52,000 registered shareholders. The letter will also be sent to all Regions bank presidents within the company's nine state territory to be forwarded to employees and customers. In addition, the letter will go to the client base of Morgan Keegan, a Regions subsidiary and the largest investment-banking firm headquartered in the South.

On behalf of Regions Financial Corporation, I know that the company is pleased that it can assist the Administration with this worthwhile initiative. Please let us know if Regions can be of further help.

We also plan to contact various members of Congress regarding this matter. Moreover, I am copying my good friends Karl Rove and Jack Oliver so that they will be informed of this activity.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Karl Rove Jack Oliver Steve Bartlett Scott Talbott Samuel E. Upchurch, Jr.



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Dear Regions stockholder:

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As you know, our economy has teetered on the brink of recession during the past three years. While there is no single solution for our nation's slow economic growth, the growth and jobs initiative pending in Congress provides a significant opportunity to place our economy on the road to recovery. The plan would create new jobs for Americans, encourage savings and investment, promote economic growth, and put money back in the pockets of American taxpayers.

In particular, I hope that you will consider supporting the proposal to eliminate personal taxes on corporate dividends. Regions pays what we believe to be a generous dividend of 3.7% to our stockholders. We recognize that dividend payments are an important source of income for many of our stockholders and for 40 million other American families. The proposed elimination of the dividends tax is an acknowledgement by our nation's leaders of the importance of this income to its citizens. Furthermore, the dividends tax is a double tax, as this income is already taxed at the corporate level. The elimination of the tax is expected to create jobs, boost wages and lower the cost of capital for American businesses — meaningful results for all Americans. In addition, by removing the double tax, it should encourage greater dividend payments to stockholders.

If you support the pending jobs and growth proposal and, in particular, the proposal to climinate the double taxation of dividends, then I urge you to contact your representatives in Congress. You may also voice your support by simply logging onto www.trcdividendbenefits.org.

Thank you for investing in our company and in our country, and for your interest in shaping our nation's economic future.

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By Charlie Cook

HAIR-TRIGGER Outrage Is Tiresome, Dangerous

here is much to love about politics and the people it attracts, but one of the tiresome things about covering politics is the highly selective sense of outrage that exists among political people of all

stripes. They're quick to pounce on the slightest transgression—whether real, imagined, or contrived—on the other side of the fence, but are strangely silent when something similar happens on their own side.

Last month, my good friend Stu Rothenberg wrote a dead-on column in Roll Call after Democrats expressed outrage over two comments-one by then-Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., who waxed nostalgic about Strom Thurmond's 1948 presidential campaign, and the other by Rep. James P. Moran, D-Va., who used a poor choice of words in discussing the role of the pro-Israel community in rallying support for war with Iraq. Stu wrote of "the hypersensitivity displayed by self-proclaimed arbiters of political correctness, and in both cases, the reaction is more dangerous than the alleged crimes themselves." This hypersensitivity, he said, was "bound to chill the discussion of issues and create more incentive for the thought police to turn the politically incorrect into political outcasts."

Recently, two more examples of hypersensitivity—one on each side of the aisleoccurred. The first was the GOP reaction to Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kerry's comment that "what we need now is not just a regime change in Saddam Hussein and Iraq, but we need a regime change in the United States." Outraged crics went up; charging that it was treasonous to compare President Bush to Saddam, especially in wartime. I must confess to wincing at the "regime-change" remark that Kerry himself later called a bit "harsh." But because the first and last uniforms I ever wore bore Boy Scout insignia, I give considerable latitude on war-related matters to anyone who has served in combat. As Kerry's campaign press secretary put it, "Unlike many of his Republican critics, Senator Kerry has worn the uniform, served his country, seen combat. So he'd just as soon skip their lectures about supporting our troops."

The Massachusetts Democrat's remarks amused many liberals and Democrats, while conservatives and Republicans (who would never vote for Kerry anyway) were appalled. Most moderates and independents, who will likely decide the 2004 election, won't even be aware of Kerry's candidacy for another six months. And a year from now, few voters will recall his controversial comment.

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An alleged gaffe on the Republican side came when freshnian Sen. Norm Coleman of Minnesota told Roll Call, "1 am a 99 percent improvement over Paul Wellstone." Democrats pounced, with Rep. Betty McCollum of Minnesota calling on Coleman to apologize. She called the remarks "inappropriate and disrespectful" and "an unnecessary attack on a leader our state continues to mourn." Coleman responded that he should have been clearer: "It was my understanding we were comparing my relationship to the White House to the relationship Scnator Wellstone had with this White House." He went on to say he would never want to "diminish the legacy or memory" of Wellstone. Frankly, if Coleman was mercly talking about how well he gets along with the Bush White House. his assessment was correct, if poorly phrased. If he was talking more broadly, his critics were right on target.

Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle, D-S.D., drew fire for saying on the eve of combat in Iraq, "I'm saddened, saddened that this president failed so miserably at diplomacy that we're now forced to war, saddened that we have to give up one life because this president couldn't create the kind of diplomatic effort so critical for our country." Later, Daschle rather lamely claimed that he didn't know war was so imminent. While Daschle was certainly within his rights to criticize the president, his remarks occurred at a time when such attacks should have been muted. The content was not out of bounds, but the timing was.

None of these was a hanging offense, though. The context of Coleman's remarks isn't clear, so it's difficult for an outsider to say whether he was out of bounds. Kerry gave a flip response that probably should have been worded differently, but few of his most vocal critics are in a position to question his patriotism. In Daschle's case, the content was fine, the timing wasn't. In every case, though, the reactions were overblown.

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Fitzgerald not going to pursue re-election

By Rick Pearson Tribune political reporter

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Update: U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald announced this afternoon he will not seek a second term, leaving the Illinois Republican Party scrambling for a candidate in a crucial state for the 2004 elections. The senator said he was concerned about the time he would have to spend away from his wife, his 10-year-old son and his job to campaign.

First-term U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald (R-III.) told close associates Monday night that he would not seek re-election next year, saying he had "no fire in the belly" and citing concerns about the personal cost of another campaign and the lament that his independence had left him with few political friends, sources said.

Neither Fitzgerald, 42, nor his top aides responded to requests for comment as questions about his political future swirled from Washington to Chicago. But sources said he began notifying close political supporters of his decision late Monday.

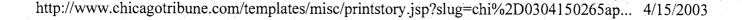
On Tuesday, Fitzgerald plans to make a formal announcement at a luncheon of what was supposed to have been his Chicago-based campaign finance and business leadership committee, the sources said.

The decision by Fitzgerald, a wealthy banking heir from Inverness who was known for bucking the traditional Republican establishment, immediately created the potential for a wide-open GOP primary for the party nomination next March. A handful of Republicans, including businessman Andrew McKenna, had been exploring the possibility of a primary challenge to Fitzgerald.

That list is likely to grow with him out of the race. Former Atty. Gen. Jim Ryan, the unsuccessful GOP candidate for governor last fall, has expressed interest, GOP sources said. Other names being mentioned included former state Sen. Patrick O'Malley of Palos Park and DuPage County Board Chairman Robert Schillerstrom.



Early polling results questioned Fitzgerald's political viability, causing concern in the White House that a weak GOP candidate in Illinois could threaten the party's bare majority in the Senate and undermine President Bush's re-election efforts in a state he lost badly in 2000. Fitzgerald was regarded by many Republicans as the most imperiled of all GOP senators up for election in 2004.



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Publicly, the White House opposed any primary challenge to Fitzgerald. But a Republican close to the Bush administration said efforts had been under way to see if Fitzgerald could be encouraged to drop out.

Fitzgerald served six years in the state Senate before his election to the U.S. Senate in 1998, first bucking the candidate of the GOP establishment in a bruising primary and then defeating first-term incumbent Democrat Carol Moseley Braun by 50 percent to 47 percent in the general election.

Fitzgerald's tenure has been fraught with controversy, which only accentuated deep divisions in a state Republican Party left in shambles following the scandal-clouded rein of former Gov. George Ryan. Fitzgerald and Ryan fought continuously, with the senator demanding federal purchasing rules governing construction of the Abraham Lincoln Library and Museum in Springfield to prevent the former governor's friends from getting beneficial contracts.

That controversy also brought Fitzgerald into conflict with U.S. House Speaker J. Dennis Hastert of Plano. Hastert, a product of the regular Republican organization, berated Fitzgerald for grandstanding.

Two years ago, Fitzgerald went outside the Illinois political spectrum to name assistant federal prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald of New York as the new U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Illinois. Patrick Fitzgerald, who is of no relation to the senator, went on to indict and win convictions of several of George Ryan's associates as part of an ongoing probe into corruption that occurred during Ryan's tenure as secretary of state.

Sen. Fitzgerald also battled Republican business interests as he fought attempts to block the expansion of O'Hare International Airport championed by Ryan and Mayor Richard Daley. Fitzgerald repeatedly vowed a filibuster to block federal legislation to cement the O'Hare project into law. Daley allies, including Democratic U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, never called the measure for a vote because of Fitzgerald's opposition.

Fitzgerald's decision caught some of his closest friends by surprise. "We had just finished organizing one of his [campaign] finance committees," said state Sen. Dave Syverson (R-Rockford). "I just can't imagine that."

Even with his conservative background, Fitzgerald's tenure in the Senate represented an independent political ideology. Though he sided with Republican conservatives on opposition to abortion and other social issues, Fitzgerald also supported tighter restrictions on guns and had a strong environmental record. Despite intense pressure from the Bush administration, he recently voted against oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.

All told, Fitzgerald ended up primarily self-financing his first campaign for the Senate and spent more than \$13 million of his own money.

Concerns about spending more of his personal wealth were among the reasons he opted not to seek reelection, sources close to the senator said. Although new federal campaign spending laws allow candidates to raise money in greater amounts than he was able to do in his first campaign, Fitzgerald still expected that he would be the primary source for dollars.

Tribune staff reporters Diane Rado and Mike Dorning contributed to this report

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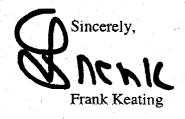
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Dear Karl:

I am writing to request a meeting with you regarding the Administration's proposed economic growth package. I commend President Bush and his team, on behalf of the American Council of Life Insurers ("ACLI"), for leadership on this important initiative. As the fourth largest investor in the US economy, the life insurance industry relies heavily on a strong and growing economy.

With regard to the growth package, the dividends exclusion proposal is praiseworthy. Reducing the cost of capital is something we can certainly support. However, the proposal could have an unintended but very negative effect on the annuities market. Quite simply, such a proposal could immediately and directly extinguish a very important part of our business, one that is integral to another important economic goal – long-term retirement security for individuals.

I look forward to exploring this matter with you in more detail at your earliest convenience.



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'Vis-à-vis the war in Iraq, this Dan Balz piece from today's Washington Post (http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A43777-2003Apr6.html) may not be the most important press of the last three days; but it's still pretty amazing:

The war in Iraq dominates the world's attention and gobbles up television air time and newspaper columns round-the-clock. But at the first in a series of forums for Democratic presidential candidates, Iraq and President Bush's foreign policy took a back seat to the economy, health care and education.

Not one question dealt directly with the war. When Sen. John Edwards (D-NC), the first candidate to participate in the forums, explained his pro-war position to the audience during his opening remarks, he won scattered applause -- not the boos he has often heard at such gatherings.

(Thomas Beaumont writes in the Des Moines Register (http://desmoinesregister.com/news/stories/c4789004/20939101.html): "Edwards...fielded questions about health care and a wide array of economic and social issues during a 90minute town hall-style forum perhaps most remarkable for the absence of any questions about the war in Iraq." Ouch.)

To give Sen. Edwards' experience some perspective, contrast Beaumont's campaign report in the March 16 Register: "Democrats are finding, despite their best efforts in some cases, only one issue matters on the caucus campaign trail right

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Kent County Lincoln Day	4-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Jeb Hensarling	4-Apr-03
Roundtable with Finance Committee / Grove City College event	9-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Lisa Murkowski	9-Apr-03
Republican Women's Federal Fund	10-Apr-03
American Society of Newspaper Editors / Breakfast with Finance Committee (T)	11-Apr-03
Berks County Lincoln Day Dinner	11-Apr-03
RNC Dinner in Palm Beach at Cathy Bailey's home	15-Apr
Hot Springs, AR Lincoln Day Dinner	15-Apr-03
Kanawha County Lincoln Day	15-Apr-03
Brown County Lincoln Day Dinner	15-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Sen. Kit Bond	16-Apr-03
Cass County Lincoln Day Dinner	16-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Rep. Bob Ney	17-Apr-03
Howard County Lincoln Day	17-Apr-03
Harris County Lincoln Day Dinner	17-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Cong. Burr Fundraiser for Boehner/Turner/State-GOP	24-Apr-03 25-Apr-03
RNC Eagles Spring Meeting- Bush Library	25-Apr-03
Harrison County Lincoln Day Dinner	25-Apr-03
VA-10 Jefferson Day Dinner	25-Apr-03
Lincoln Club event	27-Apr-03
RNC Renewal Dinner at Dwight Schar's house	30-Apr-03
Fundraiser for Scott Walker Meeting with IL GOP Finance Committee Editorial Board Meeting with Chicago Tribune	1-May-03 2-May-03 2-May-03
McLean County Lincoln Day	9-May
Wisconsin State GOP Convention	10-May-03
Kalamazoo Lincoln Day Dinner	12-May
Fundraiser for Sen. Bunning	15-May-03
Iowa Statewide Lincoln Day	16-May
Fundraiser for Sam Katz	21-May
Fundraiser for DE GOP	21-May
President's Dinner	21-May
Fundraiser for Bob Peeler	29-May
TN Statesmens Dinner	7-Jun

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Canadian Electricity Association Association canadienne de l'électricité

March 28, 2003

Mr. Karl Rove Senior Advisor to the President White House 2nd Floor, West Wing 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington DC, 20500

Dear Mr. Rove:

It was a pleasure to hear your remarks on March 26, 2003 at the Edison Electric Institute Policy Forum.

As I mentioned in my brief comments during the Q and A session after you spoke, the Canadian Electricity Association (CEA) released its annual North American Energy paper on March 21, 2003. In the context of increasing regional integration and promoting greater energy security, our paper is titled "Enhancing Opportunities for Cross Border Trade and Environmental Performance." The paper identifies seven areas for enhanced cross-border cooperation, including air issues management, which you made reference to in your remarks. I would encourage you to review the paper, and should you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Together with our American counterparts, Canadian electricity companies consider the continued integration of the North American energy marketplace a significant priority, in the interests of consumers on both sides of the border. The open and constructive working relationship we have is a vital one that has evolved over decades, and over many hurdles. We want to continue to build on that relationship, and look forward to continuing to work together in delivering on the President's continental energy vision as set out in the "Cheney Report".

Sincerely,

Hans Konow Canadian Electricity Association

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March 31, 2003

President George Bush

C/o Susan Ralston

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Dear President Bush:

Although I work for a very important, very influential man (Mr. Pat Boone), I myself am a "no-one". Just a working, single mom, who adores her son and does her best to give him a good life. I cherish the moments I have with him and with those I love. I hold no power, nor influence - no great wealth, or material possessions. I am merely just a normal, lower middle-class woman.

But, thanks to you, I am also an American, that is - for the first time in a long time - deeply proud of her President.

I thank you for being a true leader of strength and character. For giving me a leader that I can feel confidence in - not only strategically, but morally. For standing up for the freedoms that my son and I take for granted, even though you must face many trials because of your convictions.

I have never written a letter to a political figure in my life, and this letter doesn't change that. Today, I am writing a sincere letter of gratitude to a true and honorable statesman.

With deepest sincerity,

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Marjan Fariba 4/4/03

Dear Mr. Rove,

I would like to thank you for your timely response. For the second time you have succeeded in getting back to me quickly. Truthfully, I thought the first time it might be a fluke. Now you have established a pattern of respectful attention to detail in responding to a diehard constituent. I am impressed that a person in your position with the daily demands on your time and energy would so respectfully acknowledge the communication of a citizen.

With that said now I have a shameless request. My son's 8th grade class from Saratoga, California will be visiting the Monterey Language Institute on the military base in California. They will also travel to Washington D.C. on April 13th through the 15th to visit that historic city.

It would be an experience of a lifetime and a superior opportunity if my son Kamron and his classmates could meet with you in the White House. I would even fly in myself to meet with you. I respect and completely understand that your available time is extremely limited. For this reason, the eighth grade class itinerary can change to meet your time and schedule.

Again, this is a shameless request and a unique once in a lifetime experience for our young adolescents. *Please say yes.* Included with this fax you will find the names of all students and their teachers.

You are welcome to choose as few or as many as suits your schedule.

Yours truly,

Marian Fariba

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American Israel Public Affairs Committee Political Leadership Development Program





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Dear Friend,

AIPAC is now recruiting for its first ever birthright israel mission.

The AIPAC birthright israel trip is open to Jewish young adults, between the ages of 18-26, who are involved in the American political process, and who have not previously traveled to Israel on a peer educational program. This trip is a free gift from birthright israel – a partnership between the government of Israel, local Jewish communities, and Jewish philanthropic partners. Tentative dates for this program, which we are calling "Capital to Capital," are May 25-June 5, 2003.

We are writing to solicit your recommendations of young political professionals – perhaps on your staff – who may be interested in this exciting opportunity. The program will be unlike any other Israel trip being offered, and it will provide valuable reference points for the seminal issues affecting American foreign policy in the Middle East.

This unique experience creates a nexus between participants' political and Jewish identities by fusing their experience in American politics with their first formal experience with the Jewish State. Together, we will visit Israel's most important sites, as well as places associated with the U.S.-Israel relationship. Our proposed itinerary includes: The Israeli Knesset, an IDF army base, the American Embassy in Tel Aviv and American Consulate in Jerusalem, and the Arrow missile defense testing site.

Registration for this program is now open – a short profile and application form, as well as our proposed itinerary, is enclosed. <u>Space will be limited</u>, so it is important that applicants notify AIPAC of their interest as soon as possible by responding to Brian Jaffee, Campus Programming Director, via e-mail: <u>bjaffee@aipac.org</u> or phone: (202) 639-5334. The deadline for applications is Friday, April 11, 2003.

We hope that you know of young political professionals who may be interested in participating, and that you will encourage them to contact us at their earliest convenience.

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CAPITAL TO CAPITAL: AIPAC'S PROPOSED *birthright israel* ITINERARY

Day 1	Check-in for El Al overnight flight to Israel
Day 2	Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport. Assistance through customs and transfer to Hotel. Welcome Dinner with guests from AIPAC Israel Office Orientation session: getting to know each other and discussing expectations Overnight - Herzliah.
Day 3	Breakfast at the hotel and early meeting: An introduction into Israeli Politics and Society . Guest Speaker - David Horovitz, Editor of Jerusalem Report
	Tour of Tel Aviv and Old Jaffa, including a visit to Rabin Square, and Ben Gurion House.
	Visit to the Inter-Disciplinary Center in Herzliah
	The War on Terror Guest Speaker – Boaz Ganor, Director, International Policy Institute for Counter- Terrorism
	Visit to American Embassy in Tel Aviv. Key issues in current U.SIsrael relations Guest Speaker - American Ambassador
	This evening, Dinner with Young Student Activists – from all parties – an informal opportunity to meet Israel's future Political leaders and get a better understanding of the Israeli Political scene. Dinner to be held either at the home of the American Ambassador or at Tel Aviv University. Overnight – Herzliah.
Day 4	Breakfast at the Hotel
	The Middle East and U.SIsrael Defense Cooperation: A Strategic Assessment Guest Speaker – General Giora Eiland, IDF Chief of Planning
	Visit site of one of the U.S.– Israel joint strategic Military projects Possibly Arrow testing facility.
	Tour Beth Hatefutsoth Museum of the Diaspora. Jewish History and the Connection between Israel and World Jewry Guest Speaker – Natan Sharansky, Minister for Diaspora Affairs

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Dinner at the Hotel Israel Advocacy and Propaganda Response Guest Speaker – Ross Culiner, Israeli Educator, Advocate, and Guide

Overnight Herzliah.

Breakfast at the Hotel

The Israeli Economy and US-Israel Trade Relations

Guest Speaker Representative of the Israel-America Chamber of Commerce.

Leave Tel Aviv for the Galilee and visit sites and people illustrating the various connections to this tiny land – Travel past the Crusader ruins of Caesarea, past the Druze Village of Ussafiah and through Haifa with its blend of Jewish, Arab and Christian inhabitants;

Travel through the Lower Galilee and learn about the importance of the Kibbutz Movement in Israel, its place in the development of the State, and the situation of the Kibbutz 50 years after the establishment of the State.

Continue through the Galilee to Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee for a late afternoon special program on "**Poets and Pioneers**" – who came to settle the land and reclaim their soul... reshaping the land of Israel and its people for the coming generations.

Dinner at a Kibbutz in Galilee

(Campfire with members of kibbutz)

Overnight: Kibbutz

Day 6

Day 5.

Morning –leave the kibbutz and ascend the Golan Heights overlooking the borders with Jordan, Syria and Lebanon. Security considerations in the North and the strategic Significance of the Golan Heights: Tour the Golan Heights and visit an army base accompanied by

Golan Heights: Tour the Golan Heights and visit an army base accompanied by an Israel Defense Force spokesman.

After lunch, leave the Galilee and head for Jerusalem stopping at the Machal Memorial which pays tribute to the many volunteers from abroad, and particularly from the US, who contributed to the defense of the country – a time to say "Shehecheyanu" before entering Jerusalem.

Visit the Haas Promenade overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem for a visual introduction to the complexity of Jerusalem in the search for Middle East peace.

Dinner at the Hotel with guest speaker. Israel in the Media – a discussion and analysis of Israel's changing image. Guest Speaker – Colonel Miri Eisen, IDF Spokeswoman

Overnight – Jerusalem.

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Day 7 Breakfast at the hotel.

Visit Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial, including the Children's Pavilion, and lay a wreath in the Valley of the Destroyed Communities. While 6 million died....US Policy and Implications of Jewish Powerlessness

Guest Speaker - Ross Culiner, Israeli Educator, Advocate, and Guide

Visit Mt Herzl military cemetery where Israel's top leaders are buried – the price to pay... including Americans who have given their lives during the establishment of the State of Israel.

Dialogue with Congressional Delegation visiting from the U.S.

Early afternoon walking tour through the Nachlaot suburbs to see the ultraorthodox prepare for Sabbath.

Kabbalat Shabbat: An opportunity to choose to attend synagogue services at one of the many religious streams of Judaism – Hebrew Union of College, Kol Haneshama or the Great Synagogue of Jerusalem.

Dinner at the Hotel and discussion with guest speaker **The Land and the People: The History and Vision of Zionism** Guest Speaker - Rabbi Levi Lauer, Director of Israel-Diaspora Education at the Shalom Hartman Institute or Avraham Infeld

Overnight - Jerusalem.

Day 8 Shabbat – in Jerusalem

Optional – an opportunity for early morning synagogue services.

Join your tour guide on a walking tour through the old city of Jerusalem, entering through the Zion Gate viewing the Jewish Quarter, the Cardo and on to the Western Wall.

Lunch at the hotel

Afternoon, at leisure or free time for family visits

Dinner at Hotel.

Evening hike along the Burma Road, once a strategic thoroughfare for a besieged Jerusalem during the War of Independence. Learn of the important role played by American volunteers who joined forces with the Israelis to defend Jerusalem.

End the evening with a camp-fire and program of Israeli songs that shaped the nation.

Overnight Jerusalem.

Day 9 Breakfast at the hotel and early meeting Israeli Government Perspective on the Search for Peace...The "Road Map" – where does it lead

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(Speaker ... Bibi Nethanyahu/ Dori Gold/Shimon Peres/ David Agoz)

Visit the American Consulate in Jerusalem **American-Palestinian Relations** Guest Speaker...Acting Consul General Jeff Feltman

Visit and tour the Knesset (Israeli Parliament) and meet with Israeli Politicians. including Yuli Edelstein, Shlomo Benizri, Nissim Dahan, Neomi Hazan etc.

Visit with Hillel at the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus and see the Mt Scopus Sinatra Cafeteria, meeting with student political activists of both Jewish and Arab origin.

Dinner at the Hotel.

The Story of Operation Moses, After dinner, hear an amazing and moving account of the operation of bringing thousands of Ethiopian children to Israel, walking for weeks through the deserts of Sudan - accounted by an officer who participated.

Overnight Jerusalem.

Day 10. The Story of Massada

After breakfast, leave the hotel for a thrilling day trip to Massada and the Dead Sea. Ascend Massada from the Roman ramp and tour the remarkable remnants of this fortress, built to escape the invading Roman Forces. Descend and enjoy time floating in the salty waters of the Dead Sea.

Late afternoon, continue on to Kibbutz Nacshon in the Jerusalem corridor, for a farewell dinner including home-made cheese and wine ...

Evening: Evaluation and summary.

Overnight – Jerusalem

Day 11. Transfer to the airport for departure.

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Participant Application and Profile

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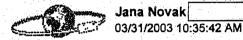
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Wehner, Peter H. Monday, March 31, 2003 11:27 AM Raiston, Susan B. RE: Favor

Can you raise this w/ Karl and ask him how he'd like me to proceed? Thanks. (Jana is daughter of Michael Novak.)

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As this is a personal favor, I wanted to email you from my home address.

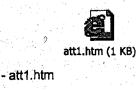
My parent's 40th wedding anniversary is this coming June 29th. While I know my father knows the president well (and Karl, Andy, etc) -- I still think it'd be nice to surprise him and my mother with a nice personal note from the president and Mrs. Bush for the big event.

I know you're the wrong person -- but I was hoping that by going to you, you could perhaps send me to the right person -or even know how to get such a note. Obviously, if possible, I would love a "special" note, rather than one of the rote regular ones sent out to all who contact the White House....

Thanks so much for even considering this request!

Jana Novak

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Thank you so much for even trying!! Michael and Karen Novak

(b)(6) June 29th = 40th wedding anniversary. Thank you!!! Peter_H._Wehner@who.eop.gov wrote:Jana:

Let me see what I can do. What's the mailing address?

Pete

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The 80-20 Initiative, Inc. http://www.80-20initiative.net

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February 22, 2003

P.02

Mr. Karl Rove Senior Advisor to the President Faxed to 202 456-0191 A hard copy is sent via Express Mail

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Dear Mr. Rove:

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May we work together to find a win-win situation out of a lose-lose one?

Are you aware that Rep. Howard Coble's recent statement on internment of Japanese Americans could cost President Bush 1.5 million of about 2.0 million Asian American votes in 2004? It is wrecking the grand design and hard work that President Bush and you laid out in late 2000 to attract minority votes.

My name is S. B. Woo, former Lt. Gov. of Delaware (85-89), and currently president of The 80-20 PAC, Inc. 80-20's ability to deliver a bloc vote in the Asian Am. community in a presidential election is proven by two independent research projects. Here are the facts:

1) See results of a large national survey on how AsAm voted in 2000. It was done by group of professors from Utah, Harvard, Yale and Florida and was partially funded by The National Science Foundation

http://www.80-20initiative.net/NAA_Political_Survey.pdf Specifically, see parag. 4 of p. 1 on how AsAms "voted by more than 2 to 1 for Gore. See also parag. 6 of p.3 where 80-20 was specifically mentioned. At the time 80-20 was only 2 years old. We are now 4.5 years old and much stronger.

2) A book by 3 Syracuse Univ. professors, entitled "Click on Democracy," ranked 80-20 as one of nation's two most effective cyberspace political orgs. in the 2000 election. You probably know 1 of the authors, Steve Davis who used to be the national news editor of "USA Today." http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0813340055/qid%3D10251 98992/ref%3D%3Dsr%5F11%5F0%5F1/104-8613051-5694362

In 2000, 80-20 had only 300,000 valid AsAm e-mail addresses. Today, we have 600,000 and can reach all of them via e-mail in one day.

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Why are we so worked up over Rep. Coble's statement?

Let me share with you our principal "hopes and fears." Our hope is to enjoy equal opportunity and justice. Our fear is that the conservatives in GOP will advocate putting some or all of us in internment camps, if and when, God forbid, we get into a war with some of the Asian nations.

Lastly, let me assure you that 80-20 has no problem endorsing a Republican presidential candidate in 2004, if the Coble episode can be resolved to our satisfaction. From day one, 80-20 has advocated a "SWING bloc vote." Although we endorsed Gore the last time, we are quite prepared to endorse a GOP candidate. The AsAm appointments that President Bush made are deeds that we count strongly in his favor.

I hope you are interested in finding a win-win situation. Please let me know. You will not only be helping to restore the faith of millions of Aslan Americans in the GOP but also helping to make America "a more perfect Union." In addition, you may be helping to prevent another minority from voting in a bloc in favor of the Democratic party permanently. If and when the AsAms have voted in a bloc for a Democratic presidential nomince twice in a row, a pattern might begin to set in.

I'll be glad to travel to D.C. to see you. The conversation can be confidential, if you like. If I don't hear back from you, then I also know your answer.

Sincerely

S. B. Woo President, The 80-20 PAC, Inc. (b)(6) -p or 302 366-0909-fax or sbw@udel.cdu)

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April 1, 2003

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American Federation of Government Employees	AFGE	AFL-CIO	32,736
National Treasury Employees Union	NTEU	Independent	12,130
National Association of Agricultural Employees	NAAE	Independent	2,032
National Association of Government Employees/ International Brotherhood of Police Officers	NAGE /IBPO	AFL-CIO	572
Metal Trades Council	MTC	AFL-CIO	513
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers	IAM	AFL-CIO	482
National Federation of Federal Employees	NFFE	AFL-CIO	240
National Association of Plant Protection and Quarantine Service Employees	NAPPQSE	Independent	225
Fraternal Order of Police	FOP	Independent	97
Service Employees International Union	SEIU	AFL-CIO	47
National Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association	MEBA	AFL-CIO	41
United Food and Commercial Workers	UFCW	AFL-CIO	34
International Brotherhood of Boilermakers	IBB	AFL-CIO	24
International Association of Fire Fighters	IAFF	AFL-CIO	19
Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association	FLEA	Independent	15
International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades	BPAT	AFL-CIO	12
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LABOR ORGANIZATION	# OF Employees Represented ¹	MEMBERSHIP ²
American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organization	160	40
American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO	232,463	58,116 Ø
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO	9	2
American Nurses Association, AFL-CIO	19	5
ANTILLES CONSOLIDATED EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, IND	463	116
Association of Civilian Technicians, Ind	22,173	5,543 (4)
BALBOA NURSES' ASSOCIATION, IND	92	23
CALIFORNIA NURSES ASSOCIATION, IND	6	2
COMMUNICATION WORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO	94	24
CONGRESS OF INDEPENDENT UNIONS OF PUERTO RICO, IND	80	20
FAIRCHILD FEDERAL EMPLOYEES UNION, IND	584	146
FEDERAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNICATORS AND TECHNICIANS, IND	7	2
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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS, CHAUFFEURS, WAREHOUSEMEN, AND HELPERS OF AMERICAN, AFL-CIO	2,960	740
INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO	20	5
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL ENGINEERS, AFL-CIO	13,131	3,283
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INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, AFL-CIO	99	25
LABORERS INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA, AFL-CIO	7,630	1,908
METAL TRADES COUNCIL, AFL-CIO	18,310	4,578
NATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS ASSOCIATION, AFL-CIO	36	9

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AERONAUTICAL EXAMINERS, IND	242	61
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO	45,631	11,408 (*)
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS, IND	161	40
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PLANNERS, ESTIMATORS, AND PROGRESSMEN, IND	169	42
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO	31,014	7,754 (3)
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PROFESSIONAL AIRWAYS SYSTEMS SPECIALISTS, AFL-CIO	43	11
RETAIL, WHOLESALE AND DEPARTMENT STORE UNION, AFL-CIO	857	214
SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICAN, AFL-CIO	1,791	448
Service Employees International Union, AFL-CIO	6,431	1,608
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UNITED FOOD COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO	862	216

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TOTAL			427,875 ¹	 106,969 ²	

¹Based on data in *Union Recognition in the Federal Government* (January 2001, Office of Personnel Management). Includes appropriated and non-appropriated fund employees

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	DHS	DoD		
Total Number of Unions	16	57		
Total Number of Bargaining Units	75	1,556		
Total Number of Members	12,304*	106,969*		
Total Number of Employees Represented	49,219	427,875		
Total Number of Overall Employees	170,000	664,348		

* OPM does not maintain this data. Estimates are based on 25% union membership.

Ralston, Susan B.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sanders, Michael A. Tuesday, April 08, 2003 5:27 PM Ralston, Susan B. Don Margo

Yes. He will be placed in Presidential Corr. Clay will be in OMB and they have a separate program. Thanks Susan. ----- Forwarded by Michael A. Sanders/WHO/EOP on 04/08/2003 05:26 PM ------

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From: Susan B. Ralston/WHO/EOP@Exchange on 04/08/2003 05:26:59 PM

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To: Michael A. Sanders/WHO/EOP@EOP

CC:

Subject: Don Margo

A friend of Karl's wrote in about their son, Don Margo, who applied for an internship in Clay Johnson's office. Do you know his status?

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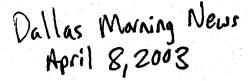
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Instructor suspended after extra-credit offer

College class was given option to attend, write about peace rally

By MATTHEW ZABEL Denton Record-Chronicle

A government instructor at North Central Texas College in Corinth said she was suspended last week for offering her students extra credit for attending an antiwar rally in February.

She said she plans to file a grievance with the college.

"I see it as a way to stop discus-

sion on this topic," said Peggy Connally, the instructor. "In a democracy, I feel that, especially at a college campus, both sides of the issue should be aired."

Ms. Connally, who has taught government for nine years in the North Central Texas College district, said Monday that college officials suspended her April I, citing several anonymous student complaints about her "unfair teaching and not being a good citizen."

"All I can tell you at this point

See STUDENT Page 2B

is there is an investigation ongoing," said Dr. Lee Ann Nutt proyost of the college's Connth campus. "The suspension with pay from one class is the situation we've got here. It's just from one class. The investigation is ongoing. Nothing has been decided at this tame."

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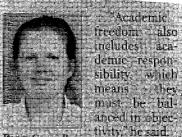
Dr. Nutt would not comment on the nature of the investigation and would not give an ending date for the suspension

In February, Ms. Contaily said, she offered an optional extra-credit assignment to her students in Corinth to attend a peace rally in Dallas and write a paper about the event. She offered a difterent extra credit assignment to her Bowie campus class because the Dallas event seemed too far away to be practical for them

Dr. David Meernik, chairman of the political science department at the University of North Texas, said he's not sure he agrees that Ms. Connally should have been suspended for that assignment, but perhaps she should have allowed students to pick what type of rally they wanted to attend

"It's a good idea to let students choose which rallies they want to go to," he said. "You wouldn't dream of telling students they omild attend a Republicar. Party meeting for extra credit but that they can't go to a Democratic meeting."

Faculty members have academic freedom to teach and give credit in the area of their subject matter, said Dr. Richard Rafes, a University of North Texas administrator who also teaches a course in higher education law.



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made the assignment, she made it, clear that students need not agree with the anti-war viewpoint. Ms. Contaily said. At that time, the war with leag had not begun, and she knew of no rallies in favor of the war she said.

When she

"If a student had come to me and said: I found this pro-war rally, could we attend that instead? I would have considered it, she said."To be fair, you'd have to offer both.

Ms. Connally said she gives a wide range of extra-credit opporfunities each semester. She also had given an assignment for students to research the U.S.-iraq war and to be prepared for a class debate on the subject

Ms: Connally said she plans to file a grevance internally with the college because she thinks school officials suspended, her without due process.

Citing a college policy, Ms. Connally sud students were supposed to bring complaints first to their professor, then to the department chairman and then to the dean.

"If those complaints came to the dean or the vice president they should have been referreback to me," she said. "I'm sur prised this particular issue wa taken this far. If the students has come to me, we could have avoid ed this. This has been blown way out of proportion."

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Ralston, Susan B.

From: Ralston, Susan B.
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2003 11:47 AM
To: Volker, Kurt D.; Fried, Daniel
Subject: Meeting w/ Jean-David Levitte (Amb. of France)

The meeting w/ Amb. Levitte has been scheduled for Tues, 4/8 at 11 AM for no more than 30 min.

(1) Karl would like someone from NSC to attend.

(2) Karl would like to be briefed in advance and he's available at: Tues, 4/8 at 9:15 AM or 10:45 AM (right before the meeting) Mon, 4/7 at 9:15 AM, 10:30 or 11 AM

Let me know. Thanks.

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Dear Karl,

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> This is one important way the American Legion is working in tandem with the Administration, and I wanted you to see their booklet.

Regards,





The American Legion

★ NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS ★ P.O. BOX 1055 ★ INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206 ★ (317) 630-1200 ★ FAX (317) 630-1223 ★

April 4, 2003

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COMMANDER

> The Honorable George W. Bush President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As we discussed at the White House last week, The American Legion is proud to be a charter member of your USA Freedom Corps "On the Homefront" initiative. We are all very proud of America's finest young men and women who are performing so admirably in Operation Iraqi Freedom and combating terror around the globe. They truly are America's heroes.

The 4-million members of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion will do everything possible to support our troops and their families. They are, after all, our comrades.

This week, I am sending the enclosed pamphlet to every one of our 15,000 American Legion Posts around the nation. It provides a template to activate community involvement in letting our armed forces and their families know that the Legion Family is there for them. Additionally, The American Legion has activated a special "Support Our Troops" website at <u>www.legion.org</u> which provides numerous options from which the public can choose to show their support for our troops.

Mr. President, on behalf of Legionnaires everywhere, I pledge our unrelenting commitment to these dedicated Americans and our full support to you as Commander in Chief to do whatever is necessary to achieve total and decisive victory over terrorism, however long it takes. Please let me know if your Legion can assist in other areas as well.

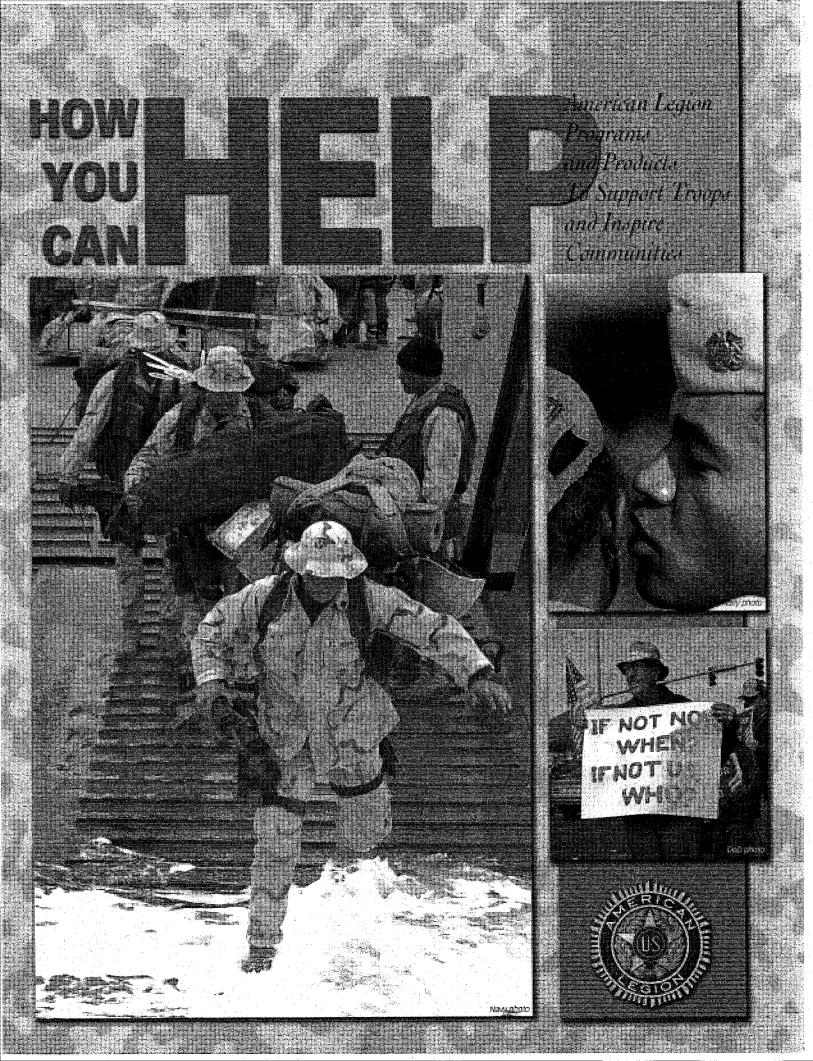
May God bless you and each and every member of the finest military in the world.

Sincerely,

Sonald F. Conley

Ronald F. Conley National Commander

Cc: Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of Defense Gen. Richard B. Meyers, Chairman, Joint Chiefs Gen. Eric K. Shinseki Adm. Vern Clark Gen. Michael W. Hagee Gen. John P. Jumper Gen. Tommy R. Franks



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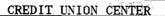
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March 19, 2003

Mr. Karl Rove Senior Advisor to the President White House Washington, DC 20502

BY FAX AND BY MAIL

Dear Mr. Rove:

On behalf of the members of the Massachusetts Credit Union League, Inc. ("League") please accept this letter as an invitation to deliver the keynote address at our upcoming "Hike-the-Hill" program. The date of the event is May 21-22, 2003. The League is the only state credit union trade association, serving 262 federally-chartered and state chartered credit unions that are cooperatively owned by 2 million consumers as members, and operating as part of the Credit Union National Association, Washington, DC.

This annual program is designed to provide an executive, legislative and regulatory briefing by key leaders to our members visiting Capitol Hill. This event has become a valued forum to discuss issues of concern to consumers and credit unions. It is expected that approximately forty (40) CEO's and Chairmen of Boards of Directors, from amongst our largest institutions representing leaders in the Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Ohio financial services community, will attend. The purpose of our invitation and briefing is to further enlighten our members about the new Administration, its agenda and its vision for our country.

It would be an honor to hear the views and thoughts of the Administration as part of our program. It also remains our expectation that the dialog will offer key insights from business leaders in an informal setting.

Our program is presently scheduled to be conducted at the Credit Union House located at 403 C St., NE, Washington, DC. Our schedule, however, remains available to accommodate a location and timeframe of your choice during our visit to Washington.



Mr. Karl Rove March 19, 2003 Page 2

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I will contact your office shortly to discuss this invitation. In the interim, if you or a member of your staff have any questions or concerns, then please do not hesitate to contact me at (800) 842-1242.

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Mr. Karl T. Rove The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Rove,

As Chairman and President of the Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS, we would like to invite you to be one of our honored guests at our Annual Dinner to be held in Washington, DC on June 11, 2003. Our keynote speaker will be Secretary of State Colin Powell. There will be additional remarks by Senators Frist and Kerry, who are among the leading co-sponsors of the bill supporting President Bush's dramatic State of the Union commitment to fight the disease. The MC will be Glenn Close, and the Invocation will be delivered by the Reverend Franklin Graham. We expect Secretary Powell to make a major statement on the global scourge of HIV/AIDS.

The dinner will be held at the Kennedy Center. Dinner co-chairs will be Senator and Mrs. Jesse Helms, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Raines. Please let us know if you will attend, and if you wish to bring your spouse or a guest. Our complimentary space will be extremely limited, as we anticipate great interest in this event, especially from the business community. the prese

The GBC is the world's foremost organization of businesses committed to fighting AIDS. We have 107 members with a total workforce of over three million employees in 178 countries, and are growing rapidly. The GBC works closely with UNAIDS, the ILO, the Global Fund, and other international organizations. Our website (www.businessfightsaids.org) carries the most comprehensive information available on how business should participate in the war against AIDS, and it publishes the plans adopted by many of its members as part of their effort to put an end to the pandemic.

Please let us know if you wish to reserve a place (or two) reserved for you at one of our head tables on June 11th. Call (212) 651-6403, or fax: (212) 651-6405.

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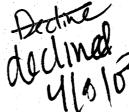
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Good Morning, Nr. Rove!

Thank you, for your letter ackowledging receipt of the Dr. Jack Wheeler article.

Enclosed is a most important article on Islam's "intentions" for the US, along with two Jack Wheeler articles.

I realize you are busy, but I truly appreciate you and your advice to our President.

Blessings, Merle C. Fraser, Jr.

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PS I am the 70 yr old Korean vet who wrote to you.



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TWENTY-YEAR PLAN FOR USA

ISLAM TARGETS AMERICA

When we immigrated from Jerusalem, Jordan in January, 1967, little did I imagine that Islam would become center-stage in world news. As my sincere interest in the growth of Islam in America intensified, I began to discuss, dialogue, and then debate Muslim leaders throughout the world from an Arab Christian's view of Islam. So far, I have had the privilege of participating in over 20 debates and discussions on every continent plus T.V. and radio. Islam Revealed was released in 1988 and is now in its 8th printing. The True Furqan is now in its third printing in the three years it has been published. It is the only book which challenges the Quran in substance, style, language and contents. The True Furqan can be located on www.answers-to-islam.net or www.islam-exposed.org.

The following is my analysis of Islamic invasion of America, the agenda of Islamists and visible methods to take over America by the year 2020! Will Americans continue to sleep through this invasion as they did when we were attacked on 9/11?

1.. Terminate America's freedom of speech by replacing it with hate crime bills state-wide and nation-wide.

2... Wage a war of words using black leaders like Louis Farrakhan, Rev. Jesse Jackson and other visible religious personalities to

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promote Islam as the original African-American's religion while Christianity is for the whites! Strange enough, no one tells the African-Americans that it was the Arab Muslims who captured them and sold them as slaves, neither the fact that in Arabic the word for black and slave is the same, "Abed."

3.. Engage the American public in dialogues, discussions, debates in colleges, universities, public libraries, radio, TV, churches and mosques on the virtues of Islam. Proclaim how it is historically another religion like Judaism and Christianity with the same monotheistic faith.

4.. Nominate Muslim sympathizers to political office for favorable legislation to Islam and support potential sympathizers by block voting.

5.. Take control of as much of Hollywood, the press, TV, radio and the internet by buying the corporations or a controlling stock.

6.. Yield to the fear of imminent shut-off of the lifeblood of America - the black gold. America's economy depends on oil, (1000 products are derived from oil), so does its personal and industrial transportation and manufacturing -41% comes from the Middle East.

7.. Yell, "foul, out-of-context, personal interpretation, hate crime, Zionist, un-American, inaccurate interpretation of the Quran" anytime Islam is criticized or the Quran is analyzed in the public arena.

8.. Encourage Muslims to penetrate the White House, specifically with Islamists who can articulate a marvelous and peaceful picture of Islam. Acquire government positions, get membership in local school boards. Train Muslims as medical doctors to dominate the medical field, research and pharmaceutical companies. Take over the computer industry. Establish Middle Eastern restaurants throughout the U.S. to connect planners of Islamization in a discreet way. Ever notice how numerous Muslim doctors in America are, when their countries need them more desperately than America?

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9. Accelerate Islamic demographic growth via:

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1.. Massive immigration (100,000 annually since 1961)

2.. No birth control whatsoever - every baby of Muslim parents is automatically a Muslim and cannot choose another religion later.

3.. Muslim men must marry American women and Islamize them (10,000 annually). Then divorce them and remarry every five years - since one cannot have the Muslim legal permission to marry four at one time. This is a legal solution in America.

4.. Convert angry, alienated black inmates and turn them into militants (so far 2000 released inmates have joined Al Qaida world-wide). Only a few have been captured in Afghanistan and on American soil. So far - sleeping cells!

10.. Reading, writing, arithmetic and research through the American educational system, mosques and student centers (now 1500) should be sprinkled with dislike of Jews, evangelical Christians and democracy. There are 300 exclusively Muslim schools with loyalty to the Quran, not the U.S. Constitution.

11.. Provide very sizeable monetary Muslim grants to colleges and universities in America to establish "Centers for Islamic studies" with Muslim directors to promote Islam in higher education institutions.

12.. Let the entire world know through propaganda, speeches, seminars, local and national media that terrorists have high-jacked Islam, not the truth, which is Islam high-jacked the terrorists. Furthermore in January of 2002, Saudi Arabia's Embassy in Washington mailed 4500 packets of the Quran, videos, promoting Islam to America 's high schools--free. They would never allow us to reciprocate.

13.. Appeal to the historically compassionate and sensitive Americans for sympathy and tolerance towards the Muslims in America who are portrayed as mainly immigrants from oppressed countries.

14.. Nullify America's sense of security by manipulating the intelligence community with misinformation. Periodically terrorize Americans of impending attacks on bridges, tunnels, water supplies, airports, apartment buildings and malls. (We have experienced this too often since 9-11.)

15.. Form riots and demonstrations in the prison system demanding

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Islamic Sharia as the way of life, not American's justice system.

16.. Open numerous charities throughout the U.S. but use the funds to support Islamic terrorism with American dollars.

17.. Raise interest in Islam on America's campuses by insisting that freshman take at least one course on Islam. Be sure that the writer is a bonafide American, Christian, scholarly and able to cover up the violence in the Quran and express the peaceful, spiritual and religious aspect only.

18.. Unify the numerous Muslim lobbies in Washington, mosques, Islamic student centers, educational organizations, magazines and papers by internet and an annual convention to coordinate plans, propagate the faith and engender news in the media of their visibility.

19.. Send intimidating messages and messengers to the outspoken individuals who are critical of Islam and seek to eliminate them by hook or crook.

20.. Applaud Muslims as loyal citizens of the US by spotlighting their voting record as the highest percentage of all minority and ethic groups in America.

Dr. Shorrosh, D.Min, D.Phil, a member of Oxford Society of Scholars, has traveled in 76 countries, is a Palestinian Arab Christian American who is an author, lecturer and producer of TV documentaries. Islam Revealed is a best seller which has been printed eight times already. His forthcoming tenth book will be available spring 2003 entitled Islam: <u>A Threat or a Challenge</u>. He is in great demand as a talk show guest on radio and television throughout the U.S.A. He has been on CNN, TBN as well as other networks. You can contact him at PO Box 949, Fairhope, AL 36533, FAX 1-251-621-0507 or phone 1-251-680-7770. Also, you may order our materials from our new website: www.focusing-on-islam.com. <u>The</u> <u>True Furqan</u>, our monumental new Quran, is also available for viewing on www.islam-exposed.org.

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by Dr. Jack Wheeler

To the Point

In 1991, as the Soviet Union was collapsing and Central Europe was being liberated, I had a meeting in Prague with Martin Palous, Czech President Václav Havel's principal aide and today Minister of Czech Foreign Affairs. He told me the exact moment when he and other Czech anti-communists knew they had a chance to bring freedom to their country.

"The moment was when we heard," he explained, "on secret short-wave radio, Ronald Reagan tell the world that the Soviet Union was an 'Evil Empire.' At last — at last!! — a President of the United States finally..." and Martin pointed straight up with his index finger, then swept it dramatically down in an arc to the table... "touched to the point. Finally, America and the West had found the courage to name the true identity of the Soviet Union. It was then that we knew we had real hope."

For 16 years now, since January 1987, I have been writing this column for *Strategic Investment*. For 16 years, I have been trying to "touch to the point," to provide the critical insights and identify the fundamental principles of what moves world events. For 16 years I have been faced with the same frustration. It is that this is impossible to do in 800 words a month.

So it is that, with Dan Denning's and Bill Bonner's blessing, I will be making my departure from *Strategic Investment*. My last monthly column will be in April. Starting that month, I will launch my own electronic newsletter. It will be entitled *To the Point*.

Trying to decide what to write about this month typifies the problem I have had for so many years. I could write a column entitled "The Lynchpin," about how the overthrow of the Shah in Iran enabled the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the virus of Islamic radicalism to terrorize the world — and how the coming overthrow of Iran's Mullah dictatorship and its replacement with a pro-West democracy will both crash oil prices and drive a stake into the heart of Muslim terror.

I could write a column entitled "War is Peace," about the remarkable parallels between Islamic morality and communist morality. From Orwellian double-think (war is peace, slavery is freedom), to property-is-theft kleptomania (private/non-Muslim property rightfully belongs to the state/Muslims), to a the-end-justifies-the-means moral code, Marx and Mohammed were in striking ways ideological brothers.

I could write a column on "Solar System Warming," about how so-called "global warming" is part of a solar system-wide phenomenon: Pluto is getting warmer, as are Mercury and Neptunian moons, while the polar caps of Mars are retreating several meters per year. You'd be amazed at how easy the solution is to prevent a hotter sun from heating up the Earth. This will, of course, infuriate the eco-fascists for whom "global warming" is a rationale for destroying the prosperity of Western civilization.

I could write a column on the next oil bonanza (it's in West Africa) and how to make a lot of money from it. Or a column on how to destroy North Korea's Yongbyon bomb-making nuclear plant without those stone age fascists in Pyongyang knowing what did it (clue: it's done with Smart Spears). Or a column on why every other Democratic presidential candidate is a joke compared to Joe Lieberman but why Joe is going to lose anyway to GW in 2004. Or a column on how California is going to rise from Gray Davis' ashes by electing Arnold Schwarzenegger as governor. Or... well, the list is very long.

The world is far, far too big, exciting, and complex for me to cram it into 800 words a month. Plus, it's far too dynamic to stay still for a month. Every month for 16 years now I've written my column, then crossed my fingers that the world would stay put long enough until the lag time between writing, editing, printing, and mailing passed and the issue got into people's hands (normally about two weeks — I'm writing this on Jan. 14).

An electronic *To the Point* will allow me to provide in-depth analyses and insider nuggets about what moves the world on a continual — and instantaneous — basis. I'm really excited about it — and I hope you would be too. If you are, I'd like you to consider subscribing. We're going to launch *To the Point* in April. I'd really appreciate it if you were one of our founding subscribers. To be one of them, you can call Pater Patrone at Precision Communications, 301-657-9482.

Not that this means goodbye. Dan Denning made it clear that he wasn't willing to see me ride off into the sunset. It's just that I'll be writing for *SI* on a periodic, rather than regular, basis. And we've got two more months where "Behind the Lines" will still be there.

By the time you read this, I'll be leading an overland expedition across the Sahara Desert. I'll let you know how it went in the March *SI*. Then in April, you can join me on another kind of exploration, searching the world where we can touch it to the point. ■

BEAR MARKETS, FROM PAGE 1

with call options on the indexes. I would NOT go loading up on blue chips (more on that in moment). But if you look at the S&P chart I've included on page one, you'll see that it's looking pretty "toppy" over the short term, even after the rally off the October lows.

And with a longer-term view, note that the S&P's 200-day moving average, which is moving down, lies at 948. The S&P has not traded above its 200-day moving average since late March 2002. Should it test those October lows...there's no telling where the downside is. If you traced the ascent of the index back to the beginning of the mania in 1995, you'd be looking at around 450. Buying longterm, out-of-the money puts is the surest way to take advantage of this.

Right now, out-of-the money S&P puts have

large premiums. You're not alone if you're looking to hedge against a big and sudden fall in the index. As of this writing, the June 800s are selling for around \$24. If you get closer to being in-the-money, the June 900s will cost you more than double than at \$52.

Going further out in time isn't much help. The September 800 puts are at \$36 and the September 900s are at \$62. There's a chance these premiums could come down. But if you look to the Dow you'll find more reasonable prices, although because the Dow puts aren't as volatile, you'll also see smaller upside gains if the indexes do move down. The Dow is also bucking-up against its 200-day moving average at 8,911. It hasn't traded above its long-term average since June of last year. And if the Dow retraced back to where it started the hyperbolic part of its rally in 1995, you'd be looking at Dow 3,800.

Now, I know there are a lot of even more negative prognostications about where the Dow is headed. There's also the question of time. It could turn out, as my friends at *The Daily Reckoning* believe, that this will be a soft, slow-motion erosion of stock prices. It could take 10 years, as it has in Japan. I personally think that external events will shock the system and accelerate the pace of decline. But for now, let's stick with how you can trade it, should it happen in 2003. Remember, this is a trade, not an investment. You may be able to make some money on it. But if you can't afford to lose the money, your best bet is to own a few gold stocks and sit on the sidelines.

That said, the Dow's October low was 7,286. If we look at long-term out-of-the-money puts, we find some reasonable prices in June of this year. For example, the June 2003 76 puts (DJXRX) go for \$2.60. Even the June 84s (DJXRF) at \$4.50 are reasonable. If you want to go further out, the December 72s (DJXXT) are at \$3.60 and the December 80s (DJXXB) are at \$5.80.

My recommendation if you're looking for a longterm hedge is to buy the June 76 puts (DJXRX) and the December 72s (DJXXT). I'll track these two puts in the weekly e-mails and in the portfolio page on the Web site (http://www.strategicinvestment.com).

Existing Options Positions

On Jan. 7, I sent an e-mail to subscribers to sell the February '03 Amex Diamond 80 puts (DAVNB). Those puts closed at \$.95 that day, which would have left you with a 59%% loss if you got in at the entry price of \$2.30. As I told readers, I had hoped to sell the puts on a decline in the Dow, which has since come. But as I advise readers of my trading service, *Strategic Trader Alert*, if you're going to en-

If the Dow retraced back to where it started the hyperbolic part of its rally in 1995, you'd be looking at Dow 3,800. ter into these positions, keep a mental or actual stop-loss of 25% to prevent yourself from taking an unduly large loss. I replaced those Diamond puts with a longer-dated put, the June 88s (DAVRJ), entry price \$6.30. If you're still in those puts, look to sell them

on further declines in the Dow. I'll keep you posted via e-mail. If you didn't buy those puts, refer to the Dow puts above for a newer recommendation. By the way, if you're looking for a good place to get pricing information on the puts I recommend, try http:// CBS.marketwatch.com. That's where I get all my ticker symbols (also bigcharts.com), and that's where you can find historical pricing information for the options I recommend.

As you can see, trading options on the indexes still entails risk. If you don't have an e-mail address, I suggest you avoid it. It's too hard to keep up with the movements in the market. I'm not trying to scare you, but if you're playing with money you can't afford to lose, sit these trades out and read what I have to say below for a more conservative way to invest in the "big picture" trend.

The Trade of the Decade Heats Up

The trade of the decade, you'll recall, is to sell stocks and buy gold. Pretty simple. But which stocks to sell? Take your pick. Some short-sellers specialize in picking the sickly and weak stocks in the market. And this works just fine as far as it goes.

I have a much simpler approach. In a bear market, most stocks go down. The stocks that go down the most are usually the ones that went up the most during the bull market. Stocks don't obey Newton's law of gravity exactly. But it's not hard to understand that those who've gone up the most have the

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sumption, there must always be some diminution in what would otherwise have been the productive funds of the society.

"With regard to profusion, the principle which prompts to expence, is the passion for present enjoyment; which, though sometimes violent and very difficult to be restrained, is in general only momentary and occasional. But the principle which prompts to save, is the desire of bettering our condition, a desire which, though generally calm and dispassionate, come with us from the womb, and never leaves us till we go into the grave. In the whole interval

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which separates those two moments, there is scarce perhaps a single instant in which any man is so perfectly and completely satisfied with his situation, as to be without any wish of alteration or improvement of any kind. An augmentation of fortune is the means by which the greater part of men propose and wish to better their condition. It is the means the most vulgar and the most obvious; and the most likely way of augmenting their fortune, is to save and accumulate some part of what they acquire, either regularly and annually, or upon some extraordinary occasions."

by Dr. Jack Wheeler

A Positive Scenario for 2003

One hundred and sixty years ago, in 1843, the commissioner of the U.S. Patent Office, Henry Ellsworth, reported to Congress: "The advancement of the arts, from year to year, taxes our credulity and seems to presage the arrival of that period when human improvement must end." (This is the source of the spurious quote attributed in 1899 to Ellsworth's successor, Charles Duell, who never said, "Everything that can be invented has been invented.")

Human improvement did not come to an end in 1843, nor will it in 2003. In fact, I think 2003 is going to be a great year for the U.S. economy. Not spectacular. But I'm willing to bet a glass of Guinness at the Irish Times bar on Capitol Hill that the Dow, S&P 500, and NASDAQ will all be higher at the end of 2003 than they were at the start.

There are two basic reasons for this, and they are both named George W. Bush. GW is determined not to make his dad's mistake, and knows voters must perceive an improvement in the economy for many months, up to a year, before he runs for reelection. Further — and here's the key — his strategy for accomplishing this is to get the government out of the way, stimulating the economy by decreasing tax and regulatory burdens on businesses and investors, and not through socialist subsidies.

In other words, GW's economic policy is to give the real engines of growth — entrepreneurs and small businesses — more freedom to prosper. The timing couldn't be better. The bubble — and its bursting — has come and gone. Both are over. The entrepreneurs who are stepping up now aren't the flashy, arrogant kids of the dot-com Age. They are more sober and experienced, i.e., grown-up. They are coming up with solid technology and business plans that make sense and will make a lot of money.

A good example is Wayne Pierzga. He and his partners are levelheaded engineers who've been

around the entrepreneurial block and know the electromagnetic spectrum inside and out. They've got a proprietary technology to capitalize big-time on a niche of the wireless communications market no one else has.

Instead of launching billion-dollar satellites or erecting gazillions of ground-based repeater towers, they're going to put low-cost, lightweight radio repeaters on existing aircraft flying normal flight routes. Such repeaters on only 14 aircraft at any given time (with two ground stations) will give full coverage for the entire United States east of the Mississippi, providing a high-speed (240+kbs DSL equivalent) Internet and voice connection for business jet and commercial airline passengers, and for the entire shipping industry (cargo planes, trains, trucks, and ships).

In talking to Wayne, what struck me immediately was not just the enormous financial potential of his technology but its national security implications. Every one of the countless shipping containers that enters the United States daily is a possible security threat, containing, say, a "dirty bomb" capable of ruining a city. A small tracking device placed on a container signaling Wayne's system will tell the shipper where it is in real time and if it's being opened after customs inspection. Warren Buffet (who owns NetJets), and Fred Smith (who runs FedEx) may have to get in line behind Tom Ridge (who runs the new Department of Homeland Security) to see Wayne.

I found out about Wayne and his company, Aegeus, through a venture capital (VC) firm that specializes in discovering startups with both proven business savvy and proprietary technology with a fabulous upside — the Artemis Strategy Fund in Bethesda, Md. The Artemis team knows what it's doing more than any other VC outfit I'm aware of. CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

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Amidst the myriad of VC flameouts and retrenching, Artemis developed a smarter strategy that wasn't impacted like so many recent VC debacles. Give Jim DeMocker a call at Artemis — 301-657-6222 — if you'd like to learn more about Wayne Pierzga's Aegeus or get a report on the Artemis investment strategy.

With GW now running the whole Washington show, he is going to make it far easier for folks like Wayne and at Artemis to revitalize the U.S. economy. The latent ingenuity, creativity, and sheer raw ability of so many Americans is staggering. All they need is for the government to take away the regulatory and tax obstacles it sets on the road. You watch. A lot of these ingenious entrepreneurs are going to be unleashed in 2003, and a lot of investors are going to make money with them. It's our job here at *SI* to help you be one of them. This is the start of my 17th year for *SI*, with my first article appearing in the January 1987 issue. I wish you a free, healthy, and prosperous 2003 — and come January 2004, we can talk about it over a Guinness at the *Irish Times*.

\equiv doom, boom and gloom report

by Dr. Marc Faber

A Vision of the Future

The rise of China as Asia's dominant economic and political power raises a number of issues. It is obvious that with a population of 1.2 billion, China will be the largest consumer in the world for most goods and services. Already today, China has more refrigerators, mobile phones, TVs, and motorcycles than the United States, and it is only a matter of time before it will have huge markets for just about any product. As a result, its resource requirements will rise very substantially, and Chinese purchases of oil, coffee, copper, grains, and so on will move commodity prices dramatically.

Just consider the following. Asia, with a population of approximately 3 billion people, consumes 19 million barrels of oil daily. By comparison, the United States, with a population of 285 million, consumes about 22 million barrels of oil — that is a per capita consumption more than 10 times that in Asia. However, consumption in Asia is now rising rapidly. China's oil demand has doubled over the last seven years to around 4.5 million barrels a day. In Asia ex Japan, a similar trend can be observed. Therefore, my guess would be that oil consumption in Asia will double again over the next 10 years or so to anywhere between 35 million and 45 million barrels. It is worth noting that if Asian demand doubled to around 40 million barrels per day, Asia's per capita oil consumption would still be inferior to that of Latin America.

This is fairly realistic given Asia's superior growth prospects, rapid industrialization, and the steady increase in the standard of living in countries that have recently opened up, such as China and Vietnam. With a demand of around 45 million barrels of oil a day, Asia will change the geopolitics surrounding the oil-producing regions of the world, as by then Asia's oil demand will be the largest of any economic bloc. Therefore, I expect China to become far more involved in the Middle East and Central Asia in the years to come, which could lead to some additional tensions in this volatile part of the world. In particular, I regard a clash of Chinese interests in the Middle East and in Central Asia with American, as well as possibly Russian, interests as almost inevitable. A doubling of oil demand in Asia will inevitably lead to significantly higher oil prices in the second half of this decade, when total oil production in the world is expected to peak out.

But it is not only in the oil market that Chinese economic growth will be felt. Take, for instance, the per capita consumption of food in China, which I won't compare to food consumption in some Western countries where a large percentage of the population suffers from obesity. If we look at consumption of meat, milk, fish, fruits, and poultry in China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong, it becomes obvious that the rising standard of living in China will lead to very meaningful increases in its purchases of agricultural products in the years to come; sometime in the future, it will have a similar per capita consumption pattern to those in Hong Kong and Taiwan.

Or compare the per capita consumption of coffee in China with that in Western countries. Annual per capita consumption of coffee in Germany amounts to 8.6 kg, in Switzerland to 10.1 kilograms, and in Japan — where coffee consumption has increased rapidly in the last 30 years — to 2.3 kilograms. In China, per capita consumption is just 0.2 kilograms. If China's per capita consumption rose to just 1 kilograms (a little less than in South Korea), then China would have a total consumption of 1.2 billion kilograms compared to a total consumption of around 70 million kilograms in Switzerland!

What I wish to emphasize here is that if standards of living continue to rise in China, the country will have a huge impact on the world's commodity markets and is likely to push up commodity prices very considerably. In fact, I regard the purchase of a basket of commodities as the safest way to play the emergence of China as the world's dominant economic power.

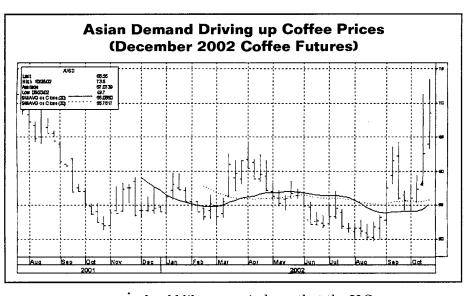
Some readers will, of course, question my optimism about China's growth prospects and point to the large number of problems China is facing. These problems relate largely to its financial system, large bad loans at state-owned banks, underfunded pension fund liabilities, corruption, and the growing wealth inequity between its rural and urban popu-

lations. I am very familiar with all of these problems, since I am usually invited to conferences around Asia to present the bearish case about China.

My bearish case, however, rests more on the fact that it is extremely difficult for foreigners to make much money in China because of its deflationary and highly competitive environment in which foreigners — as was the case in the 19th-century American economy — are regularly taken to the cleaners. But in terms of China's own problems, which, incidentally, are endemic to almost all emerging economies, I believe that, while substantial in scope, they *can* be dealt with. I emphasize *can* be dealt with, because the problem is that China has so far failed to deal effectively with most of the causes of its problems and has postponed making radical financial reforms.

However, I remain convinced that, sometime in the future, China will experience a serious financial crisis, which will then force its policymakers to deal with the bad loan and pension fund issues. You, however, should not be overly concerned about this financial crisis. The American economy of the 19th century also experienced a series of crises, and even a civil war, and yet its economy performed admirably well between 1800 and 1900. Moreover, all rapidly growing economies experience terrific temporary setbacks from time to time — a phenomenon that was already familiar to the father of the business cycle theory, Clement Juglar, who pointed out that the riches of nations can be measured by the violence of the crises which they experience.

But in terms of China's long-term prospects, I



should like to remind you that the U.S. economy also expanded rapidly in the second half of the 19th century — and (this) in a deflationary environment. This was due to several factors, including a rapid increase in its population (rising from 37 million in 1867 to 76 million in 1900), the opening of new territories facilitated by the railroadization of the country, and the application of new inventions to manufacturing, which boosted productivity dramatically. Thus, when we compare the U.S. economy in the second half of the 19th century to China at present, we should not overlook the fact that, in 1850, the U.S. economy was well behind the United Kingdom and the Continent in terms of industrialization; therefore, a catching-up effect came into play.

This is evident when we compare the growth of industrial production in the United States, Germany, and the United Kingdom from 1875 to 1890. In the case of the United States, industrial production grew on average by 4.9% per annum, compared to just 1.2% for the United Kingdom and 2.5% for Germany. America's strong growth in the second half of the 19th century was typical of an emerging economy and is comparable to strong per capita GDP growth in China between 1978 and 1995, averaging more than 5% per annum, while the world's per capita GDP growth only averaged 1.11% over the same period. Moreover, by 1885, the United States, which had hardly any industries at the beginning of the century, led the world in manufacturing, producing 28.9% of the world's manufactured goods, while Britain had been displaced to second, with 26.6%, and Germany to third, with 13.9%. Also, while the United States had produced hardly any cotton around 1800, its plantations supplied five-sixths of the world's cotton by 1860!

The point is simply this: if the United States could become the world's dominant economic power

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by the end of the 19th century from extremely humble beginnings, I think that, with the acceleration of the pace of change that allows regions that open up to industrialize in no time, it is quite probable that within just 10 to 20 years China will be by far the world's most important economy — no matter how many crises it will have to deal with in the interim.

One problem that I can foresee, however, is that, because of its size and increasing economic and military importance, China will grow out of proportion for a harmonious balance of power in Asia. When, in future, China has become Asia's largest trading partner, with respect to both its exports and imports, it will not only be an economic hegemon but will also replace the United States as Asia's most influential political power. That such a transition will at some point lead to serious tensions between the United States and Japan on one side and China on the other is obvious, but the trend towards China's dominance in Asia is well established and, in my opinion, unstoppable.

What Asia Still Needs to Implement!

The philosophers of progress — men such as ARJ Turgot, the Marquis de Condorcet, William Godwin, Adam Smith, etc. — showed that progress depended to a large extent on freedom, equality, and popular sovereignty. Only where restrictions on the individual's freedom to think, work, and create were lifted could society progress. Freedom was considered essential for successful manufacturing and commerce. For Adam Smith, a "system of natural liberty" would only permit three functions for the government: defense from foreign attack, administration of justice, and maintenance of a few important public works.

The origin of progress and economic development in Western Europe is extremely complex, but in essence it highlights what Asia still lacks, to a large extent. However, I am hopeful that the transition from the Asian feudal society to a well-structured market economy and an institutional capitalistic system, as opposed to a feudalistic capitalistic system (such as we still find in many Asian societies, including China), will get under way. The reason I am optimistic is that a feudal system is based on a complete system in which political, economic, and military power are one and the same, and its objectives are security and stability, rather than growth. The market economy and the capitalistic system, however, rest on equality and individual freedom, and on institutions with dependable rules and laws (as opposed to the discretionary justice of manorial or royal courts).

The move towards democracy in Asia and towards a true market economy and capitalistic system seems to be, from a historical perspective, an irreversible trend. That the transition from a political system resembling feudalism to sovereign power with liberal representative governments creates tensions shouldn't be surprising. Countries that have a strong and forward-looking leadership, such as Taiwan, South Korea, and Singapore, may be able to sail through this difficult transition phase smoothly. Other countries whose governments resist the changes or tend to go backwards (such as Hong Kong, which is increasingly run by the property lobby and obeys the commands it receives from China), may face a more uncertain political and social future. Still, even a country such as Indonesia, which, under Sukarno and Suharto, was organized in a very feudalistic fashion, held fair elections in 2001, in which Mrs. Megawati Sukarnoputri was elected by popular vote.

Moreover, it is likely that we will also see big changes in China's political system sometime in the years to come. I would expect these changes to occur at the same time as the coming financial crisis I referred to above, which will simultaneously bring about the necessary financial and economic reforms.

There is another factor that fosters my optimism about the Asian region, and emerging markets in general. Because of feudalistic capitalism and the perceived strength of the American economy in the 1990s, emerging economies suffered from significant capital flight. As a result, individual investors and central banks have a vast pool of funds parked principally in the U.S. capital market. If, however, the political, social, and economic transition outlined above does indeed take place, conditions for a massive repatriation of funds held overseas will be created, which would lead to higher investment activity and boost local asset values.

As explained above, China and India are exporting deflation and will continue to put extreme pressure on Western manufacturers and tradable service companies, as well as on the export-oriented industries of other emerging economies in and outside of Asia. At the same time, China is becoming a major buyer of commodities and will become, in due course, Asia's largest trading partner. The emergence of China as a major buyer of commodities should support commodity prices, and if, in future, the global economy should resume synchronized growth, as was the case in the 1980s (in our opinion, not very likely in the near future), commodity prices could soar. In fact, grain prices, after having built an extended base since 1998, have been rising explosively since June. We therefore still believe that commodity prices are bottoming out and will outperform Western financial markets in the years to come. The purchase of commodity futures, including coffee, cotton, rubber, copper, gold, silver, sugar, etc., is recommended.

rather than rising. [The same as in the 1990s — ed. note] How, then, can there have been inflation? ...owing to decreasing costs following on technical progress, prices would have fallen if an amount of additional credit had not been pumped into the economic system. Hence there was inflation, even if only of the relative kind. But it can be perfectly well argued that the quantitative effect of the inflationary credit expansion was considerably aggravated by an abnormal qualitative distribution of credits. One case is the great expansion of installments credits which gives the impression that the Federal System was trying to administer the heroin not only per os but also per rectum... Another example is the real estate market which was grossly oversupplied with credits. The worst and most conspicuous case, however, was the stock market speculation which was the leader on the road to disaster. For purpose of illustration, it may be mentioned that the volume of brokers' loans rose from 1921 to 1929 by about 900 per cent... We may conclude, then, that the last American boom is a striking example of how the disequilibrating effects of variations in the volume of credit may possibly be greatly aggravated by peculiarities in the qualitative composition of the stream.

[Emphasis added — ed. note]

I have reproduced Röpke's explanation of the 1920s' boom and the following depression, because it immediately becomes obvious that we have a very similar situation today — only with far worse credit excesses and far more "abnormal qualitative distributions of credit." This time, however, the problem is not so much the expansion of brokers' loans, but consumer and real estate credits as well as the leverage that was built up through government-sponsored enterprises (Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, etc.), the derivatives markets, and corporations' specialpurpose entities.

I hope the reader will understand that the current mortgage financing boom and consumer credit explosion are simply not sustainable in the long run and that, at some point, credit expansion in the consumer and mortgage sector will slow down, as it has in the last two years in the corporate sector (see above). The consequences of such a slowdown will obviously be that consumer spending will have to slow down very considerably, which will inevitably hurt the economy, but hopefully will redress some of the external imbalances. So, whereas economists who point out that the consumer is in great shape may be correct now, sometime in the future the consumer may wake up with a terrific "debt hangover," which will force him to retrench. ■

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by Dr. Kurt Richebächer

A New Borrowing Era

Several peculiarities strike us about the American economy. There is, first of all, an unusual emphasis on consumption as the prime mover of economic growth, and there is furthermore a general disregard of what is happening to saving and capital accumulation. Alternatively, the emphasis is on autonomous changes in productivity growth through new technologies as the root cause of economic growth and profitability.

This is a radical departure from the thinking of the old economists. Measured by the rate of productivity growth, the U.S. economy appears to be in excellent shape, definitely better than the whole rest of the world. But measured by its record-low rates of saving and capital accumulation, it is in most miserable shape. What is the right interpretation?

Looking at the whole postwar period, the United States actually experienced its most vigorous and definitely its most healthy economic performance in the 1960s. Its rates of national saving and of capital investment were then at their highest in the whole postwar period, and so were its rates of business profits. The main purpose of moderate borrowing on the part of the consumer at the time was the financing of new homes, and the main purpose on the part of businesses was the financing of new investment in plant and equipment, that is, in tangible assets. In essence, it was overwhelmingly borrowing for capital formation.

This pattern of borrowing began to change gradually in the 1970s and rather dramatically in the 1980s. From then on, debt growth went exponential. Consumer debts have since skyrocketed by 473% and business debts by 382%. These numbers compare with simultaneous GDP growth by 283%.

A drastic change in the use of the new debts was the other striking new feature of the developing borrowing binge. Exploding credit quantity implied plunging credit quality.

Consumers started to borrow like crazy to finance increased current spending, and businesses

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borrowed like crazy no longer to invest in plant and equipment, but to finance financial transactions — mainly leveraged stock buyouts, mergers, acquisitions, and stock repurchases — that were thought to be more appropriate for quickly raising shareholder value.

The Forgotten Need for Saving

No less drastic were the changes in the behavior and the finances of the consumer. On the surface, his finances look far better

than those of the corporate sector as the vertical rise in indebtedness was more than outpaced by the combined rise in market values of houses and corporate equities. Even though the consumer's net worth has modestly declined since the second quarter of 2002, it is still sharply up since the mid-1990s. The question is how quickly these market values will fall, if the U.S. economy weakens again.

Our immediate particular interest, however, is in the macroeconomic dislocations and distortions that are plaguing the U.S. economy in the postbubble aftermath. In the case of the consumer, this macroeconomic damage resides mainly in his massive dissaving, as reflected in the extraordinary plunge of the personal saving rate to almost zero in 2001.

Ever since firms and retailers invented consumer installment credit in the 1920s, U.S. economic growth has become

heavily geared to consumer spending and borrowing. But this traditional consumption bias took a big leap in the 1980s and in particular in the late 1990s. The most striking characteristic of both periods were exploding consumer debts and collapsing national saving.

In the 1980s, in actual fact, the hemorrhage of national saving had caused great and widespread concern. Many American economists expressed their strong misgivings about the implicit negative

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Personal Consumption as

a Percentage of GDP

effects on capital investment. This time, in diametric contrast, nobody seems to care or even take notice.

There seems to prevail a widely accepted view that credit creation makes old-fashioned saving from current income superfluous. As to the equal utter lack of interest in capital formation, the apparent explanation is a singular focus on productivity growth. Why are saving and investing even necessary, if the U.S. economy is enjoying stellar productivity growth without them?

What's wrong with this view? In short, everything. It's macroeconomic nonsense.

What really induced generations of economists

of all schools of thought to elevate saving to an indispensable, key condition for economic growth? The basic reason is that it is the limiting factor for capital investment. Short of nirvana, all resources are scarce. Due to this elementary wisdom, new capital investment can only come about to the extent that somebody makes the resources for the production of the capital goods available. That somebody happens to be mainly the consumer. By saving, that is, by spending less than he earns, he effectively releases the necessary productive resources for investment.

But this necessary release of productive resources is true only for saving from current income, coming implicitly from current production. The attendant release of resources is what makes this kind of saving indispensable for investment and economic

growth. In essence, capital formation represents the surplus of production over consumption, and that has to be made possible by saving.

In today's America, there apparently prevails a very fuzzy conception of the essence and function of saving in the macroeconomic growth process. Typically, people think of it exclusively in terms of finance. But that is by no means the key aspect.

Manifestly, nothing is easier than to replace a lack of savings with credit creation. But this does not replace savings in the sense of releasing productive resources for the production of capital goods. From this perspective, falling savings imply falling investment.

The latter is precisely what happened in the

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PRESIDENTIAL EVENTS

• 03/31/03	Remarks to Coast Guard Workers and Homeland Department Agency Personnel with Secretary Ridge. Topic: Homeland Security
• 04/04/03	Roundtable with Iraqi-Americans.
• 04/04/03	Meeting with His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios.
BRIEFINGS	
• 03/31/03	National Congress on Economic Empowerment and Development with Linda Davenport and Jo Baylor.
• 03/31/03	American Foundry Society with Paul Noe, Linda Conlin, Marianne Horinko. Topics: Administration's Manufacturing Initiative, Environmental Policy, Budget, Jobs and Growth Package
• 03/31/03	American Israel Public Affairs Committee College Student Conference.
• 03/31/03	Class Action Briefing with Jay Lefkowitz.
• 04/01/03	Minnesota Chambers of Commerce with Brian Reardon. Topic: Jobs and Growth Package
• 04/0203	Stand for Israel with Ken Mehlman, Jay Lefkowitz, Elliott Abrams. Topics: War on Terrorism, Homeland Security, Domestic Policy
• 04/02/03	Catholic Laity with Brett Kavanaugh, Jay Lefkowitz, Elliott Abrams, Jim Towey. Topics: War on Terrorism, Homeland Security, Domestic Policy

• 04/03/03	Christian Embassy with Brett Kavanaugh, Brian Reardon, Michael Anton Jim Towey, Jay Lefkowitz, Bruce Cole. Topics: War on Terrorism, Homeland Security, Domestic Policy
• 04/03/03	Education Roundtable with Margaret Spellings. Topic: Head Start
• 04/04/03	Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers Association with Brian Reardon and Al Martinez-Fonts. Topics: Jobs and Growth Package, Homeland Security
• 04/04/03	Center for the Study of the Presidency with Clay Johnson and Photo Opportunity with Mrs. Bush.

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• 03/31/03	Small Business Administration. Topic: Clear Skies
• 03/31/03	Richard Tafel. Topic: Welfare
• 03/31/03	League of United Latin-American Citizens.
• 03/31/03	National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials.
• 04/01/03	International Fire Chiefs. Topics: Homeland Security, Smallpox
• 04/01/03	Fraternal Order of Police. Topics: Homeland Security, Smallpox
• 04/01/03	Centennial Committee of Korean-Americans. Topic: Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
• 04/01/03	National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship.
• 04/01/03	Duane Jenkins, TMD Solutions, African American Small Business. Topic: Technology
• 04/01/03	California Farm Bureau Federation. Topic: Endangered Species Act Regulations
• 04/01/03	Maurice Barboza. Topic: African-American Memorial Issues
• 04/01/03	Richard Glazer, Cindy Courvill. Topic: Malawi NGO
• 04/01/03	Women Small Business Coalition.

• 04/01/03 American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Topic: Medical Liability

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- 04/01/03 National Medical Liability Reform Coalition.
- 04/01/03 Norquist Weekly Strategy Meeting. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq
- 04/01/03 Weyrich Weekly Strategy Meeting. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq
- 04/02/03 Catholic Working Group with Deal Hudson. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq
- 04/02/03 Kate O'Beirne Media Lunch.
- 04/02/03 Stand for Israel Dinner. Topic: War in Iraq
- 04/02/03 American Petroleum Institute. Topic: Homeland Security, Chemical Security
- 04/02/03 Pfizer, Inc.
- 04/02/03 Ann Mulcahy, CEO of Xerox.
- 04/02/03 National Football League. Topic: Homeland Security
- 04/02/03 US Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Topic: Small Business
- 04/03/03 Tax Relief Coalition Dividend Working Group Committee.
- 04/03/03 US Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce. Topic: Asian Pacific American Month
- 04/03/03 Latino Coalition. Topic: Immigration
- 04/03/03 High Tech Leaders. Topic: Jobs and Growth Package
- 04/03/03 Energy Coalition with the House Majority Whip's Office.
- 04/03/03 Ameren Sevices. Topic: Clear Skies
- 04/03/03 African-American Environmental Association. Topic: Clear Skies
- 04/03/03 Stephen Goode. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq
- 04/03/03 Regent University Students. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq

• 04/03/03	Morton Blackwell Lunch. Topics: Tax Relief, War in Iraq			
• 04/03/03	Leonard Leo, the Federalist Society, Edwin Meese, Former Attorney General, and Jay Sekulow, Radio Host. Topic: Judges			
• 04/04/03	David Carmen, Historically Black Colleges and Universities Representative. Topic: Dillard University			
• 04/04/03	Steve Moore, President of Club for Growth. Topics: Tax Relief, Budge			
• 04/04/03	Wayne Peterson Radio Show. Topic: Judges			
• 04/04/03	Jeff Phillips. Topic: Veterans Affairs			

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- 03/31/03 Health and Human Services Call.
- 03/31/03 Conservative Weekly Call with John Bridgeland. Topic: Freedom Corps, War on Terrorism
- 04/01/03 Education Weekly Call with Scholastic and Department of Education.
- 04/01/03 Medical Liability Weekly Call with Alan Gilbert.
- 04/01/03 Small Business Administration Call with Melanie Sabelhaus.
- 04/02/03 Washington Associations and Investment Firms. Topic: Jobs and Growth Package
- 04/03/03 Catholic Weekly Call with John Bridgeland. Topic: Freedom Corps, War on Terrorism

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	with Dr. Christine Beato. Washington, DC
• 04/01/03	Omaha Chamber of Commerce with Steve Friedman. Topic: Jobs and Growth Package. Omaha, Nebraska

• 04/01/03	2003 Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Capitol Forum with Secretary Paige. Washington, DC
• 04/02/03	National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals with Secretary Mel Martinez. Washington, DC
• 04/03/03	Northeast Women's Entrepreneurship in the 21 st Century Summit with Elaine Chao, Hector Baretto, and Mrs. Ridge. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
• 04/04/03	US Mexican Border States Health Promotion Policy Institute – National Conference of State Legislatures with the Surgeon General. San Diego, California
• 04/04/03	National Hispanic Sustainable Energy Conference with Fran Mainella, Director of the National Park Service. Washington, DC
• 04/05/03	Women's Bureau Initiatives Organization for Korean-American Women with Shinae Chun, Director of the Women's Bureau. Springfield, Virginia

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- Message: 50th Anniversary of Share Happily and Reap Endlessly
- Message: Public Service Recognition Week
- Message: Big 33 Football Classic
- Message: Savings and Investing Campaign
- Message: Indiana Leadership Summit
- Message: 2003 Presidential Scholars
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- Message: 108th National Convention of the Children of the American Revolution
- Message: 16th Annual Rita Hayworth Gala Hosted by the Alzheimer's Association
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- Message: World Environment Center Gold Medal for International Corporate Achievement in Sustainable Development
- Message: Annual Spirit of Democracy Awards Hosted by the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation

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3/27/03 letter from Jean-David Levitte re: requesting a meeting with Karl Rove. Please return this form to advise of your recommendation. Thanks.

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Mr Jean-David Levitte, Ambassador of France, would like to meet with Mr Karl Rove to discuss the French American Relation.

Would it be possible to find a date ? Thank you very much. Best regards,

Sandrine

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