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A Compromise is A Lack of Leadership

"The desire of millions of Americans to restore balance to our federal courts has been thwarted behind closed doors by 14 senators." --Gary Bauer, president of American Values

Seven RINO'S Listed

"The arithmetic tells the story. The Democrats won the battle over who gets to shape the federal judiciary. In both tone and substance of their rhetoric, the Democrats believe they won, and who can argue with them?

The Republican leadership is subdued, as befits a losers' locker room. The Republicans will pay dearly for the events of Monday night, when seven Democratic and seven Republican senators took over the leadership of the Senate, for a long time to come. Since the Republicans occupy the White House and command what ought to be a solid Senate majority of 55 members, this should have been no contest. But for the sixth and seventh Republican defections, the GOP would have had a rare, even historic, opportunity under the Constitution to nominate and approve, in up-or-down votes, highly qualified judges for the nation's highest courts.

Because **John Warner (VA RINO)**, John McCain, Lincoln Chafee, Lindsey Graham, Susan Collins, Olympia Snowe and Mike DeWine abandoned their leaders in the Senate and snubbed the president, that historic opportunity was lost." --The Washington Times.

Comment: Please call Sen. Warner's office and politely express your disapproval of his actions. Ed.

"Public affairs go on pretty much as usual: perpetual chicanery and rather more personal abuse than there used to be...." --John Adams

The judicial supremacists have struck again.

May 25, 2005 by Phyllis Schlafly

Amid claptrap from the liberals about a need for an independent judiciary, a federal judge in Nebraska repudiated 70 percent of Nebraskans who voted to keep marriage as the union of a man and a woman.

Like a rabid dog that attacks again and again, the federal judiciary knows no restraint. Bite us once, shame on the dog; bite us repeatedly, shame on us for allowing it.

Here is the language that U.S. District Judge Joseph Bataillon said is unconstitutional: "Only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska. The uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska."

Appointed by President Clinton, Judge Bataillon's salient credential was his service as the Nebraska Democratic Party State Chairman from 1993-95. As a former party activist, he understands very well that same-sex-marriage advocates cannot achieve their goal by vote of the people or their elected representatives, so their undemocratic game plan is to use supremacist judges.

Those who assert that any outrageous judicial decision becomes the law of the land will now claim that Bataillon's decision is the new law. They will claim that despite the overwhelming rejection of same-sex marriage licenses by voters nationwide, we must respect this new rule invented by this Democratic-Party-Chairman-turned-judge.

How long will Congress sit idly by, watching representative government disintegrate in the face of judges determined to rewrite our laws and

remake our culture? Senator Bill Frist (R-TN) had declared his support for traditional marriage and Senator Rick Santorum (R-PA) had chimed in that "the future of our country hangs in the balance," but they gave us only words without action.

Congress should not wait for a higher federal court to act on Judge Bataillon's impudence, a process that might take years. Congress should immediately take this issue away from the federal courts by denying jurisdiction over any claim that the definition of marriage in federal or state law violates the U.S. Constitution.

We have no assurance that higher federal courts will overturn Bataillon's ruling. It will be argued, wrongly I believe, that his decision is the logical progeny of two Supreme Court decisions, *Romer v. Evans* and *Lawrence v. Texas*, which are striking examples of the Supreme Court's willingness to twist the Constitution to attack Judeo-Christian values.

Both those decisions were written by Justice Anthony Kennedy, who is fond of citing foreign sources. The mischief of those decisions is becoming increasingly apparent and should stimulate renewed calls to consider impeachment.

Will Congress just grumble but do nothing to stop out-of-control judges from replacing self-government with the Imperial Judiciary? If Congress fails to act, we can expect similar atrocities to continue as supremacist judges remake America into a society that rejects traditional marriage and even banishes the Pledge of Allegiance, the Ten Commandments, and the Boy Scouts. <http://www.eagleforum.org/>

"The Houses of Worship Free Speech Restoration Act"

There is an epidemic in our houses of worship, and it will have serious repercussions on every church-going person in the nation.

Since 1954, courts have effectively

Sen. Warner, 441-3079 and Senator Allen at 518-1674. Congresswoman Drake – 497-6859.
Cong. Randy Forbes 547-1000. Cong. Robert "Bobby" Scott - 380-1000

silenced pastors from addressing their congregations on the critical moral, spiritual, and political issues of the day.

It was in 1954 that then-Senator Lyndon B. Johnson passed legislation giving the IRS the power to "muzzle" free speech in our houses of worship. Today, lawyers and judges are using this law to prevent religious leaders from taking a stand on any number of issues.

This muzzle hasn't always been on our religious leaders. In fact, history clearly illustrates that clergy once had--and used--the authority to speak out on issues. Given the state of our current culture, few would argue that our religious leaders need to speak out on critical issues like abortion, same-sex marriage, and more--today!

Right now, there is a movement underway in Congress to lift this "gag order" from our religious leaders. The Houses of Worship Free Speech Restoration Act (H.R. 235) introduced by Rep. Walter B. Jones (R-NC), restores religious free exercise and free speech rights of churches and pastors by removing the threat of IRS retribution.

This is a timely piece of legislation and deserves the attention of every Christian in America. Together, we must move with one voice to inform our religious leaders of this exciting development-- encouraging them to support the removal of this decades-old muzzle! From Dr. Gary Cass, Executive Director, Center for Reclaiming America for Christ

Comment: Call our reps and ask them to vote 'for' H.R. 235. Let's give Pastor Nate his freedom to speak out. Ed.



Help Restore U.S. Independence

Urge Your Rep. to Get the U.S. Out of the WTO!

During the week of June 6th, the full House is expected to vote on H. J. Res. 27, a joint resolution "Withdrawing the approval of the United States from the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization.(WTO)"

Contact your representative immediately and urge him or her to help restore American independence by voting "Yes" on H.J. Res. 27, a measure to withdraw U.S. membership in the WTO. *Email from STOPTHE FTAA.*

Comment: Remember this, the UN is BAD, the US is good. We need to get out of all of these entangling alliances with the UN, ie; the WTO, and the NAFTA and DO NOT get into any agreement SUCH as LOST, CAFTA or FTAA. Call your elected or his aide and register your opinion, it is important. Ed.

Bloggers Are Good, But Not That Good

A study released by Pew BuzzMetrics, "Buzz, Blogs and Beyond," compared political blog activity, influence and buzz-generation to political coverage in other media. The experimental research suggests that political bloggers can make an impact on politics, but they often follow the lead of politicians and journalists. Though they may be a powerful new force in U.S. politics, they have not displaced traditional media in terms of information and influence.

Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act

Vote Passed (272-162, 1 Not Voting)
This House bill would permanently repeal the estate tax.
Rep. Thelma Drake voted YES.

Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act

Vote Passed (302-126, 7 Not Voting)
The House gave final approval to this bill intended to make it harder for people who declare bankruptcy to get out of paying their debts.
Rep. Thelma Drake voted YES

Dear Abby,

My husband is a liar and a cheat. He has cheated on me from the beginning, and when I confront him, he denies everything. What's worse, everyone

knows he cheats on me. It is so humiliating. Also, since he lost his job four years ago he hasn't even looked for a new one. All he does is buy cigars and cruise around and BS with his pals, while I have to work to pay the bills. Since our daughter went away to college he doesn't even pretend to like me and hints that I am a lesbian. What should I do?

Signed, Clueless

Dear Clueless:

Grow up and dump him. For Pete's sake, you don't need him anymore ...You're a United States Senator from New York, act like it.

"Report: Muslim World Largely Anti-American" -- Associated Press. Duh!

COMPUTER HINTS

- * Use Anti-virus software and Firewall software all the time for your protection. AntiVIR and ZONEALARM are good ones and they are free and can be downloaded.
- * Don't broadcast your friends Email addresses all over the web, use BCC instead of To: or Cc: when sending Emails. BCC hides the email addresses.
- * Upgrade to WinXP if you are still using Win 9x. Much better OS.
- * Store your sensitive data on CD's and not on your computer. Hackers can and will get into your computer and they'll find more than you'd like. Editor.

IMPORTANT WORLD NEWS

Paris (CNSNews.com) – With three days to go until French voters give their verdict to the draft European Union constitution, opinion polls are consistently pointing to a victory for the “no” camp, an outcome some E.U. officials lament could be disastrous for Europe. President Jacques Chirac, a champion of the E.U. project, is facing a severe political crisis...

Viewer Poll

Do you believe the European Union is beneficial to its member states?

Yes, it ensures peace and economic cooperation	6%	<input type="text"/>
No, it weakens members by subtracting some of their sovereignty	74%	<input type="text"/>
I don't care since the U.S. is not a member	20%	<input type="text"/>

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