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“QUOTE” OF THE WEEK

“We are not going to be a rubber stamp for either the president or the prosecutor”

- U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton, on how Congressional

Democrats will handle the scandal surrounding President Clinton, to CNN on Tuesday

Hoosiers cautious in assessing Clinton

Quayle first to call for President to leave office

INDIANAPOLIS - Hoosiers were cautious in their assessment of President Clinton's testimony before a criminal grand jury Monday and his dramatic and controversial speech to the nation hours later.

Reaction ranged from the view point that it's none of our business (former congressman Andy Jacobs) to annoyance and caution from Republicans. The most conspicuous exception was former Vice President Dan Quayle, who told Ted Koppel on ABC's *Nightline* that President Clinton "did, in fact, commit perjury." Quayle was the first major national Republican figure to call for Clinton's resignation following the speech.

The *Lafayette Journal and Courier's* lead headline tended to sum it up best with a question: "Clinton - national embarrassment or private business?"

"We honestly don't know probably 98 percent of what Ken Starr actually knows," said U.S. Rep. John Hostettler (Jessica Wehrman, *Evansville Courier*).

Hostettler's opponent, Gail Riecken, took calls from reporters on Monday night and Tuesday. Riecken press secretary Heather Fidler told HPR, "We're supportive and happy that the president told the truth to the American people and we're hoping this will allow us to put this behind us so we can focus on the issues concerning the people of the 8th district."

U.S. Sen. Dan Coats told the *Courier*, "The whole atmosphere here in Washington is consumed with the issue of obstruction of justice, of potential lying and cover-up, of he said, she said," Coats explained.

Gov. Frank O'Bannon's reaction was that the scandal was a "deep, family tragedy," said his spokesman, Phil Bremen, who added the the governor tended to side with Clinton when he defiantly told the nation that it was a family matter. Yet O'Bannon told WIBC's Eric

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5th CD Democratic candidate David Steele declined to defend what his campaign described as the "embattled president," saying instead he feels Clinton's lack of integrity constitutes a failure of leadership." Steele called his Monday a day of irony. He was a keynote speaker in Hartford City before the Blackford Federation of Teachers and encouraged them to develop moral character in their students. Monday evening, he said, he watched his party's president admit to lapses in character. "Character is the cornerstone of citizenship and service," said Steele. "What we saw last night was a very sad moment in the life of the First

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President, *from page 1*

Berman on Monday morning that politicians have to expect to lose some privacy when they enter into public office.

Carter: 'I'm glad he came forward'

Former Attorney General Pamela Carter seemed to sum up the Democratic position the best. Speaking on the *Garrison Show* on WIBC in Indianapolis, Carter said, "I'm glad he decided to have come forward and spoken to the American people. I think that's been long overdue. I'm glad he indicated he had misled the American people in terms of the story he told. I also thought he provided the kind of presidential leadership necessary. In his message, he gave direction for us to move forward.

"He has to have some degree of privacy and he will still have to address issues that still loom, but they are private for him. In the public context, he said we would need to move forward and get to the other national agenda. I think he is signaling he has done the best that he can do at this point and he is now signalling back to the American people who have been very much consistent in their views."

When Mike Pence asked Carter about Clinton's decision to go "on the offense," Carter,

who is vice chair of the Indiana Democratic Party, responded, "He was also acknowledging this is a very complex issue. It's not just one thing. It's not just legal. It's not just private. It's not merely public, it's not merely national. It's all of them. He needed to make sure we knew he had to fight on all those fronts."

U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton told CNN on Tuesday, "The House will play the role of the grand jury. That means my responsibility as a House member is to weigh the evidence. I have to withhold judgment until I have all the evidence and I think that's how every House member should be reacting."

While Democrats like Carter and Jacobs spoke out, most Democrats on the ballot in Indiana did not make public statements. The *Wall Street Journal* reported, "Some congressional Democrats pointedly declined White House suggestions Monday night that they publicly defend the President and call for the investigation to end."

NBC's Claire Shipman reported that one Congressional Democratic leader said, "They haven't told us the truth for seven months. We're not going out on a limb for them now."

Buyer: 'A defining moment'

U.S. Rep. Steve Buyer, speaking on

WRTV in Indianapolis on Monday night, reacted like this: "My first impression was that I was pleased the president stepped forward and gave a statement to the country. I thought it was very appropriate. It was a defining moment for Bill Clinton's presidency."

Buyer, who sits on the House Judiciary Committee, continued, "When he changed his statement and admitted he had misled not only his wife, but the entire country, prosecutors, delayed all of this for seven months with great cost and pain to the nation, he has suffered a loss of a tremendous amount of credibility."

Buyer was asked if the admission that the president had lied in a Paula Jones case deposition would lead to impeachment. "That part we don't know. When the independent counsel ... finds credible evidence of obstruction of justice and subornation of perjury, he has a legal duty to then send that report to those of us who sit on the Judiciary Committee. It's a very serious matter that I will spend a lot of time on."

Bayh expects ups and downs

Former Gov. Evan Bayh reacted through spokesman Tom Sugar by saying, "Obviously this is an unfortunate situation. The president admitted it was improper and wrong to engage in this kind of activity and it was appropriate that he said as much. Now it is our task is to hopefully move beyond these issues and address the real problems and opportunities before us."

Last week, Bayh told HPR that he sees the autumn months as politically "volatile" as the Lewinsky scandal plays out, not unlike what his father experienced in 1974.

"I don't think any of us know what the fallout is going to be," Bayh said. "The events of Monday are going to be an important juncture. When Ken Starr releases his report that is going to be an important juncture."

Bayh said he was fascinated with the blurring of "hard news and entertainment" over the past seven months. "I've had to even ask myself what's going on when at the end of the day I'll be checking to see what's on and I find myself spending three or four minutes watching what Geraldo has to say."

Quayle's opportunity

Quayle had been thinking about calling for Clinton's resignation, sensing that the president was about to change his story over the weekend. "I thought about it a lot," Quayle told HPR on Tuesday. "I saw what McCurry said in the *New York Times* about changing his story. I thought, 'If he does, what he is doing is that he lied under oath. If he was a military officer, he would be court-martialed. When he went that way, the question I had to ask was, 'When do I make that known.'"

Quayle said that Koppel had been trying to reach him during the day and when the two finally connected after the speech, Quayle said he would be calling for Clinton's resignation. "Ted said, 'We'll give you that opportunity' on Monday's *Nightline*."

When Quayle spoke live from the WRTV studios, he told a national audience, "The best way to put this behind us - do what's in the best interest of the country - and that is for Bill Clinton to leave."

Quayle told HPR on his call for resignation, "It's sort of lonely right now. But I'm confident others will join."

In the meantime, Quayle said, "It's going to be a messy ordeal."

Republicans see low turnout

Indiana Republicans were cautious. Brad Tracy of the House Republican Caucus called the turn of events an "American tragedy." He added, "I think the end result will be that voter turnout is going to go down."

Former Indiana Republican Chairman Gordon Durnil asked this pointed question: "If Clinton changes his story and admits that he has been lying for the past eight months, shouldn't he be required to pay the costs of the investigation over those months? That's what happened to Newt Gingrich."

HPR forecast:

President Clinton may wish this to be a "private matter." But it's not going to go away. Winston Churchill probably would call it, "Not the beginning of the end, but the end of the beginning."

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Family and in the life of our nation. However, if it moves us toward the truth and a higher standard for all public officials, it can be the beginning of a brighter moment as well - a time in which public officials regain the public's sacred trust."

NBC News reported that 70 percent of those surveyed had watched President Clinton's speech.

Reaction from Hoosiers around the state varied. The Fort Wayne Journal Gazette's Frank Gray reported, "If Bill Clinton was looking for understanding, sports fans might not be a good place to start. Sports lovers might forgive baseball players and boxers for their crimes, but they didn't have much sympathy for Clinton on Monday night." Gray reported that when Clinton spoke of his "lapse in judgment," a bar patron in Fort Wayne's Alumni Club yelled, "That's news?" Moments later, someone yelled "Up yours!" Others screamed "liar!" and "Impeach him!"

The Anderson Herald-Bulletin's Keri S. McGrath's lead story opened this way: "Both President Clinton and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky share blame in the latest scandal to taint the Clinton White House, a sam-

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1998 Racing Form

CNN has Clinton poll numbers dropping 20 percent

Just minutes after President Clinton's speech Monday night, ABC News reported that his approval rating stood at 61 percent, with 32 percent disapproving. CNN/USA Today/Gallup had his ratio at 62/32 percent. But by Tuesday afternoon, CNN was reporting a 20 percent drop in less than 24 hours, from 60 percent on Monday to 38 percent on Tuesday. A CBS/New York Times poll shortly after the speech had 58 percent satisfied with the president's speech and 63 percent said the Starr investigation should be dropped. Still, the good news for President Clinton is that only 25 percent in the CNN poll supported a call for his resignation.

But that kind of bleeding of Clinton's numbers represents a Democratic nightmare for congressional and legislative candidates. While Republicans are publicly saying they'd rather have Clinton stay in office because it will become Al Gore's millstone in 2000, they are also concerned about the damage to the integrity of the office. Meanwhile, Democrats will be watching the poll numbers over the next week. If they fall too far, the potential for party members to jump ship and try to salvage the mid-term elections will be tempting.

In our status report, **Toss-Up** means the race is within a statistical margin of error or we're on to something; **Leans** is just outside the margin of error and up to 9 percent; **Likely** is 10 to 15 points; and **Solid** means watch out for a landslide.

HORSE RACE

Congressional Races

U.S. Senate: Republican: Fort Wayne Mayor Paul Helmke. **Democrat:** Evan Bayh. **1992 Results:** Coats 1,267,972, Hogsett 900,148. **1998 Forecast:** Paul Helmke has begun a pattern of taking the issues to Bayh. Joe Follick of the *Fort Wayne News-Sentinel* wrote it like this: "U.S. Senate candidate Paul Helmke continued his campaign by news conference Thursday morning, attacking his Democratic opponent for placing too much power with the federal government and not enough with cities and states." Helmke used the Project Vote Smart survey to show that he had answered all 12 questions on the survey, while Bayh had answered just six. Said Helmke, "Our ex-governor ... wasn't able to give an answer on who should be in charge of education, job training, transportation and welfare." But Project Vote Smart director Richard Kimball said Helmke's use of the survey is "clearly an unethical use of our database." Kimball added, "If someone doesn't answer it is not a negative; it could mean more than one answer was given. We told Helmke and Bayh if they use this stuff in an attack ad, we will frown on it." Helmke had a busy campaign schedule this week, appearing in Michigan City, LaPorte, Lafayette, Indianapolis and Elkhart. Helmke was emphasizing three points: his record as mayor of Fort Wayne, his governmental philosophy, and positions on the issues. Bayh, meanwhile, is temporary hobbled with a walking cast on his leg. Bayh told HPR that he has not had conversations with President Clinton since the annual Renaissance Weekend at Hilton Head, S.C. in late 1997. **Status:** Likely D.

Congressional District 8: Republican: U.S. Rep. John Hostettler. **Democrat:** Evansville Councilwoman Gail Riecken. **Geography:** Evansville, Bloomington, Vincennes and SW Indiana. **1994 results:** Hostettler 93,529, McCloskey 84,857. **1996 Results:** Hostettler 109,582, Weinzapfel (D) 106,134, Hager (L) 3,799. **1998 Forecast:** Riecken calls Hostettler's vote against campaign finance reform a "shameful action, illustrating he's out of touch with Americans on the issues" (Wehrman, *Evansville Courier*). Hostettler spokesman Michael Jahr said the congressman voted against the Shays-Meehan campaign reform bill because regulating issue advertisements

"was a limitation of freedom of speech." Riecken announces that Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala will campaign for her on Aug. 31 in Bloomington and Evansville. **Status:** Toss-Up.

Congressional District 10: Republican: Gary Hofmeister. **Democrat:** U.S. Rep. Julia Carson. **Geography:** Indianapolis. **1994 results:** Jacobs (D) 58,573, Scott 50,998. **1996 Results:** Carson 90,869, Blankenbaker 69,248, St. Angelo (L) 3,505. **1998 Forecast:** Hofmeister had U.S. Rep. John Linder, head of the GOP conference, campaigning for him in Indianapolis on Tuesday. Hofmeister said he thought Clinton's nationally-televised speech "was less than candid." Hofmeister added, "The jury is still out, both literally and figuratively." U.S. Rep. Julia Carson told WRTV, "I don't believe the Congress is ready to accuse someone of a high crime and impeachable offense based on that kind of behavior." The *Cook Political Report* assessed the 10th CD race. Of Hofmeister, the report said, "Hofmeister's fund-raising has been quite weak. Although he had over one month as a high-profile challenger in which to raise money and yet had only \$32,676 in the bank as of June 30." As for Carson, Cook reported, "Carson will most likely continue to rank as one of the most vulnerable House members this year. Republicans think that this district is more conservative than Carson's voting record would indicate, and believe they have the candidate who can make that case. Carson, however, has been underestimated before and continues to surprise even the greatest skeptics." Cook concluded, "Carson has the edge, but this is a race that we will be watching very closely for developments." Another Washington-based prognosticator, Stuart Rothenberg who publishes the *Rothenberg Political Report*, wrote, "Republican operatives are increasingly optimistic that they can knock off freshman Democrat Julia Carson and win a seat they have been eyeing for years." Said Linder, "Not only are we upbeat about Gary Hofmeister, we're downright thrilled." Hofmeister accused Carson of voting against an amendment that would have prohibited taxpayer money from being spent on free hypodermic needles for heroin addicts. "By supporting taxpayer money for drug addicts, Julia has once again shown that she is out of touch with the wishes of her constituency," Hofmeister said. **Status:** Toss-Up.

Indiana House Races

House District 53: Republican: Councilman Robert Cherry. **Democrat:** Sarah Wolf. **Libertarian:** Phil Miller. **Geography:** Greenfield, Rushville, Hancock and Rush counties. **1994 Results:** Gulling (R) 13,945 unopposed. **1996 Results:** Gulling (R) 20,174 unopposed. **1998 Forecast:** Cherry campaign puts out a mailer telling its version of the recent controversy surrounding his child support payments. Cherry's primary opponent, Mark Higgins, assesses the fall campaign like this: "Bob has a juggernaut for a campaign. He has everything properly in place. Bob Cherry will crush Sarah Wolf. My personal opinion is that Sarah now believes this herself and is having trouble maintaining a confident facade." **Status:** Leans R.

House District 60: Republican: Jeff Ellington. **Democrat:** Peggy Welch. **Geography:** Bloomington, Bloomfield, Lawrence, Greene and Monroe counties. **1994 results:** Bales 11,825, Anderson 5,210. **1996 Results:** Bales 15,743, Germann (L) 1,931. **1998 Forecast:** Ellington is rumored to have a poll showing him comfortably ahead. Welch signed a League of Woman Voters fair campaign pledge on Monday. "I will run my campaign with integrity, and I look forward to a clean and fun campaign," Welch said (Steve Hinnfield, *Bloomington Herald-Times*). Ellington signed the pledge during the primary and said he intends to abide by it. Both candidates tell the *Herald-Times* that they would like to conduct numerous debates this fall. Ellington said, "This is a very important race this year. It's going to determine the control of the Indiana House of Representatives." **Status:** Leans R.

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pling of local residents say." In the second paragraph, she quoted Pendleton resident Sandy Wilder saying, "The guy's a slug. He has the morals of an alley cat and holds the highest position in our country." The *Herald-Bulletin* also quoted a Clinton supporter, Josh Smith, who said, "He should have told the truth from the beginning."

The *Evansville Courier* quoted a 34-year-old man, Roger Walker, as saying, "Everybody knew he did it, but at least now he's apologized." Said an Evansville woman, 26-year-old Heather Novak, "All this was about is people in politics trying to make themselves look good, but this makes us all look bad."

Four Ku Klux Klan members showed up at an Elkhart City Council meeting in robes and hoods Monday night as the council debated an ordinance that would make wearing hoods in public a crime. The council passed two ordinances by a 9-0 vote. City attorney Paul Each told the council, "The ordinances before you are both constitutionally firm." Council President Tim Neese said in opening remarks that nobody would be allowed to wear a mask or hood while speaking to the council. That prompted the KKK members to

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leave City Hall without incident. Mayor James Perron is expected to sign the ordinances into law. Earlier this summer, Logansport passed a similar ordinance.

While Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith told members of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Chicago that he favored the merger of NBD-First Chicago and Banc One, Gary Mayor Scott King expressed his opposition. "Neither bank has established an acceptable track record of investment in this community," King said (Gary Post-Tribune). King added, "I'm a realist. The merger is going to occur."

U.S. Rep. Steve Buyer, State Sen. David Ford and Hartford City Mayor Opal Lord toured areas of that city ravaged by flood waters. Hartford City received five inches of rain in two storms in July, then nine inches of rain on Aug. 4 (Muncie Star Press). Said Buyer, "Just driving through the community, the damage would have been difficult to see - or even imagine."

Michigan City Mayor Sheila Brillson told the South Bend Tribune that the Blue Chip casino has pumped in \$7.3 million in tax revenues for the city since it opened a year ago.

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Bayh talks about tax issues, global warming, on sending troops into war

INDIANAPOLIS - Former Gov. Evan Bayh and HPR Publisher Brian Howey finally sat down for an hour to talk public policy issues as the U.S. Senate race heads into the fall campaign.

Here are excerpts from their wide ranging conversation at Indiana Democratic Headquarters:

HPR: At the state convention, you came out in favor of the flat tax as well as the elimination of the marriage penalty. How did those positions evolve?

Bayh: I'd like to take a common sense approach to these kind of issues. There is a consensus that the tax code is too complicated and much too expensive to deal with. It's at the point where it is not conducive to economic growth and it's just not fair. The question is how do you do that. I am in favor of a much simpler, much flatter and certainly a much fairer tax code. Now what does that mean? I hope to take in income tax code from a thousand pages to just a few, with limited deductions and exemptions. I doubt if we're ever going to truly flat tax. I think most would oppose the elimination of home interest. We should keep the charitable deduction. With the issue of whether it's one rate, two rates or three rates, that's a question we have to address. I have a concern about just a single rate. That is, depending on where you set that rate, there are experts who say that if you set it at a level necessary to balance the budget there would be tens of millions in the middle class who would actually have their taxes increased. I don't think this is the time to be raising taxes on millions of middle class families. So maybe we would have three tax brackets.

HPR: What about consumption taxes which could mean the elimination of the IRS?

Bayh: My thoughts today are we ought to center on a flatter, fairer tax code as a first step and then have a debate. At least in the near term, a consumption tax would just be too big of a jump.

HPR: Is there one tax plan that's been proposed that you would align with?

Bayh: Not a perfect one. There will be some elements in each plan I could support.

HPR: Why did you decide to support the elimination of the marriage penalty?

Bayh: It's a matter of basic fairness. I want to encourage families and people to stay together.

HPR: Is there any scenario where you could see yourself supporting a tax increase?

Bayh: It would be hard to envision a scenario. I think one thing we learned in 1992 with 'read my lips' is that is probably not a responsible approach to take. I would only do so as a last resort or if the country was on the verge of going bankrupt or in time of warfare.

HPR: What did you learn from your 1993 experiences with the proposals to raise the hospital and cigarette taxes?

Bayh: I don't want to get into a semantic debate, but if you recall it was specifically written into the hospital law that the 1 percent could not be passed on to consumers, the thought being that surely there was 1 percent of economies and cost cutting savings that could be realized to help provide for Medicaid services. I don't think it's accurate to label that a tax increase.

HPR: You proposed a tobacco hike in '93 just before we began seeing record surpluses. Was that a learning experience for you?

Bayh: Well sure. Again, all of life is a learning experience. It's only too bad that it isn't 20/20 looking forward. At that time, you have to remember what we were facing: a very slow economy; all of the budget projections had been too optimistic; there was a gap - a deficit - we had to address that for all we knew could have been greater than predicted. Secondly, there was a lot of uncertainty whether we could make the

cost reductions in Medicaid. I had a lot of proposals, but we were going to be challenged in the courts. We were ultimately able to save hundreds and hundreds of millions of dollars in Medicaid. In fact the total today is more than a billion, but at the time it was not clear we were going to be able to get that job done. Another fact is that we only proposed 18 cents a pack, far less than the \$1.10 this year, and that part of that was going to be dedicated for schools. All of those things taken into consideration, I did what I thought was right at the time. As it turned out, we had better budget projections, hospital costs that were rising 20 percent a year suddenly dropped. If we'd known those things, we would have gone a different rout.

HPR: With regards to the \$1.10 a pack cigarette tax this year, what are your thoughts?

Bayh: It started off as a well-intended, narrowly focused initiative with regard to issues of smoking and health consequences. That's the correct focus. It then became a Christmas tree bill. In the end, it lost its support and deservedly so. As for my own position, I would support a tightly focused bill to combat teen smoking. But I would not support a bill that would raise tobacco prices to astronomical levels to support all sorts of things, and so in the final analysis, I would not have supported the bill.

HPR: Congressman McIntosh said that the Kyoto global warming treaty could cost Indiana thousands of jobs. What is your position on that?

Bayh: I think David is right. I would not support that treaty in its current form. I think it's not equitable. It would allow some of our economic competitors to essentially double their emissions of greenhouse gases over the next decade or two while we would be asking our companies and workers to cut back substantially. You would run the risk of having the same emissions and yet we would be the only ones making the sacrifices. When we were dealing with acid rain, we had environmental credits and we let the marketplace work.

HPR: How would you approach HMO reform?

Bayh: I tend to favor free markets and market-based solutions as a way to provide

goods and services. There is more to life than pure efficiency. So here is the public policy challenge to combine the efficiency of the market place at the same time with other values. How do we protect those who need health care with market-based solutions? Some of the proposals in the Patients' Bill of Rights I agree with, like including a mechanism to give people the right to a second opinion. There ought to be a right to appeal some decisions that have been made. Some right for doctors to tell you what they really think. You ought to be able to lay out a range of options for patients. I don't think we want government running medicine. There ought to be a market-based system with a heart and a human face.

HPR: If you win this election, what committees would you like to serve on?

Bayh: I have resisted the temptation to answer that kind of question because I don't want to be presumptuous.

HPR: I'm going to ask Paul Helmke the same question.

Bayh: I can tell you this: First Dick Lugar currently serves on the Agriculture and Foreign Relations committees. It wouldn't be in the state's best interest to have two senators on the same committees. Secondly, just in terms of what my own interests are, I'm interested in fiscal issues, economic issues. I would like to be allowed to serve on a committee that dealt with budget matters, finance matters - Finance, Commerce, Appropriations. The second area of interest are more human, social service issues - education, for example, a committee dealing with that cluster of issues.

HPR: Any specific issues you see yourself as a champion?

Bayh: Preserving Social Security for future generations; so we know that it will be there. I think that will be one of the big challenges of our generation. I would be honored to play that kind of role. That's the kind of thing I get excited about.

HPR: One of the things I often hear Republicans lamenting about was they wish you were in their party.

Bayh: Their chairman once described me as the best Republican governor this state has ever had. I take every opportunity to

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Brillson said, "Are we dependent on it? No, but I'd sure hate to lose it."

9th CD Democratic candidate Baron Hill's walking tour of the sprawling district has covered eight counties thus far. "I'm thrilled when I enter a town and there are folks waiting to join this walk," said Hill. "Every mile I walk brings me closer to the people of the 9th District, the people I want to represent in Washington."

WTHR-TV reported that U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton will likely receive an ambassadorship after his term concludes this year. When Hamilton was asked what his likely assignment would be, he said he would rather the White House make the announcement.

Secretary of State Sue Anne Gilroy raised \$30,000 at the Lilly summer home on Lake Wawasee over the weekend. About 150 people attended the fete at the historic estate.

Preliminary figures in a state-sponsored survey on welfare reform show that 25 percent of former welfare recipients lost their new jobs within three months (Joseph Dits, South Bend Tribune). "Job retention is a big problem," said Paul Barrett, the St. Joseph County IMPACT supervisor. Said James

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Hmurovich, director of the Indiana Division of Family and Children, "Rome wasn't built in a day. We're tearing down a very old welfare system. I'm very pleased with the progress we've made."

Former Vice President Dan Quayle said that he and his wife, Marilyn showed up at almost 27 Republican picnics in New Hampshire last weekend. The Quayles are campaigning for the 2000 Republican presidential nomination.

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remind him of that.

HPR: I have no idea how where you stand on foreign policy. How do you balance trade opportunities with China and human rights?

Bayh: The world is changing so rapidly. It's a false choice to say we have to be true to our nation's tradition of standing up for human rights or we can't be involved in trade with violating countries. I believe we should combine the two. We should never hesitate to express our opinion. But having said that, I don't think embargoes ever work. The Germans and Japanese will sell them what they want any way and that gives us less leverage. You run the risk of having no progress in human rights and you penalize your own workers and businesses. I would favor the constructive engagement approach. But there are some things you draw the line on, like slave labor or child labor. We should not permit those products to be imported into the United States.

HPR: When we grew up, we were taught the Holocaust should never happen again. Yet we've seen it happen repeatedly. How do you view the Bosnia and Kosovo situations?

Bayh: What is our responsibility as a free country in a dangerous world? It's a balance. On

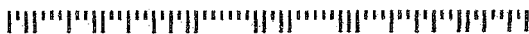
one hand, we have a moral responsibility to do what we can to prevent genocide. If you allow that genie to get out of the bottle - that is just such a horrific thing not to tolerate it at all. At the same time, we've got to make sure we don't assert American ground troops in every local battle. We need to look for ways to bring pressure to bear, but not in a willy-nilly fashion.

HPR: What will guide you when the issue of sending American troops into battle confronts you?

Bayh: Have you seen "Saving Private Ryan."

HPR: Yes.

Bayh: I've got to tell you, I did come away from that as a father of two sons thinking: voting to send someone's kids into that kind of situation would be the last thing on earth I'd want to do. It ought to be the last resort, not the first option. What a profound paradox to resolve. We have a moral imperative and obligation to try and prevent genocide and at the same time, we have a moral obligation not to just insert our sons and daughters into every conflict. You have to weigh those. Put me down in the camp of wanting a strong defense and understanding that we have an obligation as the sole superpower and as a democracy to try and prevent genocide and to foster freedom around the world.



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