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A LIBERAL CALL TO VICTORY

by Jack Sheinkman ADA President

This ADA newsletter, with our Congressional Voting Record, comes to you at the end of one of the most critical campaigns in recent memory. President Clinton and Vice-President Gore may be ahead in the polls, but we must not let up on our efforts. Instead, we must recommit ourselves to a strong campaign for victory across the nation at every level of government. The future of our country depends on it.

Although ADA has had major differences with President Clinton -- such as his decision this summer to sign the welfare bill -- it is time to set those differences aside and wage an all-out war for victory in 1996. The President is the candidate who best represents core liberal values. His reelection, coupled with major changes in the House and Senate, will provide a foundation on which liberals can build with a positive vision for the future.

And, win we must. The 1996 election has the potential for being so close that we cannot afford to waste our votes on symbolic, "protest," or third party candidates. Our worst nightmare will occur if we wake up on November 6th to find that Bob Dole and Jack Kemp have been elected, and Republicans have retained control of both the Senate and House of Representatives.

At stake is America's bridge to the future, and the New Deal legacy of American liberalism. Newt Gingrich

and Co. want to repeal 60 years of economic and social progress. Our children and grandchildren will be condemned to live in the bleak conditions of a 19th Century laissez faire society, rather than a liberal, progressive society of the 21st Century.



ADA President Jack Sheinkman and Vice-President Al Gore, Jr.

Even if Clinton-Gore continue to stand tall in the polls, we cannot assume that close Congressional races automatically will come our way. When McGovern lost by 23% in 1972 and Mondale by 18% in 1984, Democrats still were able to gain two seats each time in the Senate and to hold their losses in the House to under 15 seats. In 1996, Republicans, hoping to repeat history, are fighting to hold on to majorities in both chambers.

For liberals, the battle for Congress is as important as the Presidential race. A Democratic Congress would mean that liberals would chair most Senate and and House committees; former ADA National President Charles Rangel (D-NY), for example, would become chairman of the critically important House Ways and Means Committee,

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1996 ADA VOTING RECORD

CONGRESS DIVIDED BUT DID NOT CONQUER

Senate Statis	tice.		
Year:		<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
Democrats	81%	89%	81%
Republicans	19%	8%	12%
Combined	54%	45%	£4%
House of Rep			
Year:	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	1996
Democrats	70%	83%	74%
Republicans	12%	7%	11%
Independents	100%	100%	100%
Combined	46%	42%	40%

Over the past two years, arrogant, Republican majorities in the Senate and House of Representatives failed, despite their best efforts, to cut or kill basic federal programs that help middle class and low income Americans. But, with growing support from an outraged middle America, Democrats in the 104th Congress rallied to stop many of the (Please see Congress, page 13)

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Alaska																					
Stevens T (R)	_	?	_	+	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	20
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Indiana	_																				_
Lugar R (R)	?	_	_	+	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	-	-	_	_	_	_	5
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Simon P (D)																			+		90
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Grassley C (R)							_	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	_	-	_	-	+	-	15
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1996 Senate Vote Descriptions

1. Fiscal 1996 D.C. Appropriations—School Vouchers, H.R. 2546. A motion to limit debate on the District of Columbia budget. The bill would have provided \$14,930,000 more than either the \$712,070,000 in federal funds granted in fiscal 1995 or the Administration's FY '96 request. The bill would have granted the D.C. City Council the option of using \$5 million in federal money to provide \$3,000 vouchers for low-income D.C. children to attend a local public or private school. Rejected 54-44, Feb. 27, 1996. (N = +)

2. Fiscal 1996 International Family Planning, H.R. 3019. McConnell (R-KY) amendment to eliminate the President's authority to restore funding for international family planning agencies if he finds that denial of those funds would result in more pregnancies leading to a "significant increase in abortions." Rejected 43-52. March 14, 1996. (N=+)

3.Health Insurance--Medical Savings Accounts, S. 1028. Kassebaum (R-KS) amendment to strike Dole (R-KS) provision establishing medical savings accounts, that would permit individuals to make tax deductible contributions to special accounts to pay medical expenses. Adopted 52-46. April 18, 1996. (Y = +)

4.Health Insurance—Mental Illness Coverage, S. 1028. Kassebaum (R-KS) motion to table (kill) Domenici (R-NM) requirement that health plans may impose neither limits nor financial requirements on mental health services not imposed on coverage for services for other conditions. Motion rejected, thus retaining Domenici's promental health care provision, 30-68. April 18, 1996. (N = +)

5. Fiscal 1997 Budget Resolution--Medicare, S. Con. Res. 57. Abraham (R-MI) motion to table (kill) Rockefeller (D-WV) amendment to restore \$50 billion over six years to the \$158 billion in cuts in projected Medicare spending proposed in the budget resolution, paying for it by ending various corporate tax preferences and reinstating expired taxes. Abraham motion agreed to 55-43. May 16, 1996. (N=+)

6. Fiscal 1997 Budget Resolution--Medicaid Spending, S. Con. Res. 57. Domenici (R-NM) motion to table (kill) Boxer (D-CA) amendment to increase Medicaid spending by \$18 billion to the level requested by the President, paying for it by ending certain corporate tax preferences, also expressing the sense of the Senate that Medicaid changes should maintain coverage for all currently covered populations, while maintaining current measures protecting spouses and adult children from impoverishment as the result of long-term nursing home care, and continuing current federal nursing home quality standards and enforcement. Motion agreed to 55-45. May 22, 1996. (N = +)

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Louisiana																					
Johnston J (D)		-			+													-	+		60
Breaux J (D)	-	_	+	_	+	+	+	_	+	_	+	+	+	+	-	+	_	+	+	-	60
Maine																					
Cohen W (R)	-	+	_	_	_	-							-	+	-	-	_	+	-	+	25
Snowe O (R)	-	+	-	+	-	_	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	35
Maryland																					
Sarbanes P (D)					+																95
Mikulski B (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	95
Massachusetts																					
Kennedy E (D)					+																90
Kerry J (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	95
Michigan																					
Levin C (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	_	_	+	+	+	85
Abraham S (R)	_	_	-	+	-	_	+	-	-	_	-	+	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	-	15
Minnesota																					
Wellstone P(D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	95
Grams R (R)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
Mississippi																					
Cochran T (R)	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	?	?	?	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
Lott T (R)	_	_	_	+	_					_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
Missouri																					
Bond C (R)	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	10
Ashcroft J (R)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
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Bradley B (D)																					85
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New York																					
Moynihan D (D)	+														+	+	+	+	+	+	90
D'Amato A (R)	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	_	+	-	-	25
North Carolina																					
Helms J (R)	-	-	-	+	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Faircloth (R)	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	5
North Dakota																					
Conrad K (D)					+																85
Dorgan B (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	_	85
Ohio																					
Glenn J (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	95
DeWine M (R)	_	_	_	+	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	15
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1996 Senate Vote Descriptions

7. Fiscal 1997 Budget Resolution-Davis-Bacon. Nickles (R-OK) motion to table (kill) Kennedy (D-MA) amendment expressing the sense of the Senate that the budget resolution does not assume the repeal of the Davis-Bacon Act, which requires federal construction contractors to pay workers the local prevailing wage. Motion rejected, thus reaffirming Davis-Bacon, 40-60. May 22, 1996. (N = +)

8. Balanced-Budget Amendment, H. J. Res. 1. Passage of a joint resolution for a Constitutional amendment to balance the budget by 2002 or two years after ratification by three-fourths of the states, whichever is later. Three-fifths of the entire House and Senate would be required to approve deficit spending or an increase in the public debt limit. A simple majority could waive the requirement in times of war or in the face of a serious military threat. Courts would be prohibited from raising taxes or cutting spending unless specifically authorized by Congress. Rejected 64-35 (Twothirds vote required). June 6, 1996. (N = +)

9. Fiscal 1997 Defense Authorization-Missile **Defense Cut, S. 1745.** Dorgan (D-ND) amendment to cut the authorization for missile defense by \$300 million, reducing it to the \$508 million requested by the President. Rejected 44-53. June 19, 1996.

(Y = +)

10.Fiscal 1997 Defense Authorization--President's Request, S. 1745. Wellstone (D-MN) amendment to cut the \$267.3 billion Defense Authorization by nearly \$13 billion to the level requested by President Clinton. Rejected 34-65. June 26, 1996. (Y = +)

11.Small Business Tax Package--Minimum Wage Increase, H.R. 3448. Bond (R-MO) amendment to delay by six months a 90-cent increase in the minimum wage; to exempt employees of businesses with annual gross sales under \$500,000 from the minimum wage increase; and to deny new employees the minimum wage increase for the first six months of employment. Rejected 46-52. July 9, 1996. (N = +)

12."Right to Work"--Cloture, S. 1788. Lott (R-MS) motion to limit debate on a bill to repeal a section of the National Labor Relations Act that allows collective bargaining agreements to require employees to pay union dues. Motion rejected 31-68. July 10, 1996. (N = +)

13. Teamwork (company unions), H.R. 743. Passage of the bill to undermine the National Labor Relations Act by allowing U.S. businesses to circumvent unions by establishing, labormanagement, "workplace groups", selected by employers only, to address such issues as productivity, quality control and safety. Passed 53-46. July 10, 1996. (N = +)

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Oregon																					
Hatfield M(R)	_	+	+	+	_	_	+	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	_	_	_	+	_	_	55
Wyden R (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	+	+	95
Pennsylvania																					
Specter A (R)	+	+	_	+	_	_	+	_	_	_	+	+	_	+	_	_	_	+	+	+	50
Santorum R(R)	_	_	_	+	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	15
Rhode Island																					
Pell C (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95
Chafee J (R)	+	+	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	_	+	_	+	_	+	-	+	40
South Carolina																					
Thurmond S(R)	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5
Hollings E(D)	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	_	+	_	_	_	+	+	+	70
South Dakota																					
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Tennessee																					
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Gorton S (R)	_	_	+	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	15
Murray P (D)					+															+	90
West Virginia																					
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Feingold R(D)	+	+	+		+										_	+	+	+	+	+	95
Wyoming																					
Simpson A (R)	_	+	_	+	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	+	_	+	20
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- VOTED PRESENT TO AVOID C POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- DID NOT VOTE ?
- I NOT ELIGIBLE MEMBER

1996 Senate Vote Descriptions

14. Budget Reconciliation--Welfare Overhaul--Education of Legal Immigrant Children, S. 1956. Exon (D-NE) motion to waive the Budget Act to permit a vote on a Kennedy (D-MA) amendment that would have exempted children from the ban on welfare benefits to legal immigrants. Motion rejected, thus killing Kennedy amendment, 51-48. July 23, 1996. (Y = +)

15. Budget Reconciliation--Welfare Overhaul, **H.R. 3734.** Passage of the bill to slash about \$56.3 billion through fiscal 2002, mostly by cutting aid to legal immigrants and funding for food stamps. It would end the 60 year federal guarantee of AFDC for children, give states discretion through block grants, require welfare recipients to work within two years of getting benefits, and generally limit recipients to five years of benefits. The bill would make it harder for disabled children to qualify for Supplemental Security Income, and restrict food stamp benefits. Most legal aliens would be denied Supplemental Security Income, food stamps and, at the option of a state, Medicaid benefits. Passed 74-24. July 23, 1996. (N = +)

16. Nuclear Waste Storage, S. 1936. Passage of a bill to establish a temporary nuclear waste storage site at Yucca Mountain, 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas, NV. Passed 63-37. July 31, 1996. (N = +) 17.Same-Sex Marriage, H.R. 3396. Passage of a bill to ban federal recognition of gay marriages and authorize states to refuse to recognize same-sex marriages conducted in other states. The bill effectively prohibits the federal government from allowing same-sex partners to receive spousal or survivor benefits under such programs as Social Security, government pensions, or income tax. Passed 85-14. Sept. 10, 1996. (N = +)

18. Sexual Orientation Non-Discrimination, S. 2056. A bill to prohibit job discrimination based on sexual orientation by extending the remedies of the 1964 Civil Rights Act to sexual orientation. Rejected 49-50. Sept. 10, 1996. (Y = +)

19. Fiscal 1997 Treasury-Postal Appropriations-Managed Care Treatment Options, H.R. 3756. Wyden (D-OR) motion to waive the Budget Act to permit a vote on an amendment to prohibit managed care organizations from gagging physicians so they may not tell patients all of their health care options. Motion rejected 51-48. Sept. 11, 1996. (Y = +)

20. Fiscal 1997 Treasury-Postal Appropriations--Federal Health Plan Abortions, H.R. 3756. DeWine (R-OH) motion to adopt House language prohibiting federal health insurance plans from covering abortions except in case of rape, incest, or to preserve the life of the woman. Motion agreed to 53-45. Sept. 11, 1996. (N = +)

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1. Fiscal 1996 Omnibus Appropriations-Lobbying by Federal Grantees, H. R. 3019. Istook (R-OK) amendment to require private groups (including charities providing social, educational and legal services) that receive federal grants to report how much of their <u>private</u> money is spent on lobbying federal, state or local government, advocating for or against any candidate for public office, working for or against any ballot proposition. Adopted 211-209. March 7, 1996. (N = +)

2. Anti-Terrorism and Death **Penalty** Enforcement, H. R. 2703. Convers (D-MI) amendment to delete provisions restricting habeas corpus appeals by death-row prisoners. The amendment also would have made it a crime to target children in an act of terrorism; eliminated the current requirement that U.S. citizens enter into arbitration with a foreign country before filing suit against that country for sanctioning terrorism; increased federal penalties for bombing property; permitted finding guilty a defendant who transfers explosive material used in a violent crime, without proof he had reasonable cause to believe it would be used that way; and required that criminal aliens, facing expedited deportation proceedings be given a summary of any classified information the panel has. Rejected 129-294. March 14, 1996. (Y = +)

3.Immigration Restrictions--Temporary Agriculture Worker Program, H. R. 2202. Pombo (R-CA) amendment which would have allowed U.S. agribusinesses to bring several hundred thousand temporary foreign workers to work in their fields, taking jobs from U.S. farm workers and depressing wages and working conditions in U. S. agriculture. Rejected 180-242. March 21, 1996. (N = +)

4. Fiscal 1996 Omnibus Appropriations-Education, Environment, Worker Protection, H. R. 3019. Obey (D-WI) motion to increase funding for Pell Grants and other Department of Education programs; the Environmental Protection Agency; job training and worker protection programs in the Department of Labor; Low-Income Energy Assistance; Public Safety and Community Policing Grants. Motion rejected 194-207. March 21, 1996. (Y = +)

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5. Repeal Ban on Assault Weapons, H. R. 125. Passage of bill to repeal the current ban on use, sale and manufacture of certain semiautomatic assault-style weapons. The bill would also repeal the ban on large-capacity ammunition feeding devices and their components; require mandatory minimum prison sentences for committing violent crimes with certain firearms and increase penalties for subsequent offenses; and direct the Justice Department to set up a program enhancing prosecution of violent criminals who use firearms. Passed 239-173. March 22, 1996. (N = +)

6.Minimum Wage-Debt-Limit, H.R. 3136. Bonior (D-MI) motion to add to the Debt Limit bill an amendment increasing the minimum wage. Motion rejected 192-228. March 28, 1996. (Y = +)

7.Health Insurance Revisions, H.R. 3103. Dingell (D-MI) amendment to substitute language similar to Kennedy (D-MA)-Kassebaum (R-KS) proposal. Dingell would assure portability and prohibit insurers from canceling or refusing coverage based on an employee's health, but would not increase medical savings accounts and would not address medical malpractice, fraud in the Medicare and Medicaid programs, or long-term care insurance. Dingell also would increase to 80 percent the share of health insurance costs that self-employed taxpayers may deduct. Rejected 192-226. March 28, 1996. (Y = +)

8. Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment, H.

J. Res. 159. Passage of a joint resolution for a Constitutional amendment requiring a two-thirds majority vote in <u>both</u> the House and the Senate in order to raise taxes. Congress would be able to waive this super-majority requirement during a declared war or when Congress and the President concur in a joint resolution stating that the United States is engaged in a military conflict that threatens national security. Rejected 243-177(Two-thirds vote required) April 15, 1996. (N = +)

9.Housing Overhaul—Family Rent Cap, H. R. 2406. Frank (D-MA) amendment to cap public housing costs or assisted housing rent at 30 percent of family income. Without the cap, rents could be raised beyond the financial means of lower income households who rely on public housing for their shelter. Rejected 196-222. May 9, 1996. (Y = +)

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U.S. HOUSE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS 10. Product Liability-Veto Override, H. R. 956.

Passage would override President Clinton's May 2 veto of a bill to limit punitive damages in product liability cases to two times compensatory damages or \$250,000, whichever is greater, with lower limits for small businesses. Under the bill, a plaintiff could bring a lawsuit up to two years after discovering both the cause and the injury itself. For some products, the bill would limit the time to file a suit to 15 years after the delivery of a product. The bill also would abolish joint and several liability for non-economic damages. Rejected 258-163 (Two-thirds vote required). May 9, 1996. (N = +)

11. Fiscal 1997 Budget Resolution—Congressional Black Caucus Substitute, H. Con. Res. 178. Payne (D-NJ) substitute to balance the budget by 2002 by cutting spending by \$333.1 billion, mostly from defense, and increasing revenues by \$486.6 billion, mostly by eliminating corporate tax loopholes. The substitute would maintain Medicare and Medicaid funding at levels the Congressional Budget Office estimated were necessary to continue current services and increase funding for education and job training. Rejected 63-362. May 16, 1996. (Y = +)

12. Fiscal 1997 Budget Resolution -- Medicare, Medicaid, Welfare, etc. Cuts, H. Con. Res. 178. Adoption of the conference report on the concurrent resolution to establish a six-year plan to balance the federal budget by 2002 by cutting projected spending by \$702.5 billion and cutting taxes by \$122.4 billion, for a net deficit reduction of \$580.1 billion. Projected spending cuts over six years include \$158.1 billion in Medicare, \$72 billion from Medicaid, \$53 billion from welfare and \$297.9 billion from discretionary spending. The resolution sets binding budget levels for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1997: budget authority, \$1.633 trillion; outlays, \$1.622 trillion; revenues, \$1.469 trillion; and deficit, \$153.4 billion. Adopted 216-211. June 12, 1996. (N = +)

13. Fiscal 1997 Defense Appropriations Compromise Coalition Budget, H. R. 3610. Schroeder (D-CO) amendment to reduce total appropriations by \$6.5 billion. Rejected 148-265. June 13, 1996. (Y = +)

14. Fiscal 1997 Defense Appropriations "Star Wars", H. R. 3610. DeFazio (D-OR) amendment to stop National Missile Defense program funds for space-based interceptors, "Star Wars" or space-based directed-energy weapons. Rejected 190-208. June 13, 1996. (Y=+)

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- 15. Fiscal 1997 Interior Appropriations--Logging Roads, H. R. 3662. Kennedy (D-MA) amendment to cut \$42 million in Forest Service funding for construction of new timber logging roads. The unamended bill reduces the Forest Service's \$164.1 million administrative appropriation for road construction by only \$12 million and reduces the \$50 million Purchaser Credit Program appropriation by \$30 million. Rejected 211-211. June 20, 1996. (Y = +)
- 16. China's MFN Status, H. J. Res. 182. Joint resolution to disapprove President Clinton's decision to renew most-favored-nation (MFN) trade status for China from July 3, 1996, to July 3, 1997. MFN trade status is granted to our best trading partners, applying our lowest tariff rates to their products. Rejected 141-286, thus the President and MFN were upheld. June 27, 1996. (Y = +)
- 17.Same-Sex Marriage-Suspending Federal Definition of Marriage, H. R. 3396. Frank (D-MA) amendment to suspend the implementation of the federal definition of marriage (only between a man and a woman) in any state that adopts a different definition through law, popular vote or failure to override a state court ruling. Rejected 103-311. July 12, 1996. (Y = +)
- 18. Budget Reconciliation--Welfare Overhaul, H. R. 3734. Passage of the bill to slash about \$61.1 billion through fiscal 2002, mostly by cutting aid to legal immigrants and food stamps. The bill would end the federal guarantee of AFDC benefits for children, give states broad discretion through block grants, require welfare recipients to work within two years of receiving benefits and generally limit recipients to five years of welfare benefits. The bill also would make it harder for disabled children to qualify for Supplemental Security Income, restrict food stamp benefits and deny most legal aliens Supplemental Security Income, food stamps and Medicaid benefits. Passed 256-170. July 18, 1996. (N = +)
- 19. Health Insurance Revisions, H. R. 3103. Stark (D-CA) motion to do everything possible to improve coverage of mental health care insurance coverage while minimizing impact on the cost or availability of insurance. Motion rejected 198-228. Aug. 1, 1996. (Y = +)

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20. Override Veto of Ban of Late-Term Abortions, H. R. 1833. Passage, over President Clinton's April veto, of the bill banning a late-term abortion procedure. Anyone convicted of performing this procedure would be subject to a fine and up to two years in prison. An exception would be granted only when it is the only medical procedure that would save the life of a woman. Passed 285-137. Sept. 19, 1996. A two-thirds majority of those present and voting (282 in this case) was required to override a veto. (The Senate voted 57-41 to sustain the veto on September 26, 1996.) (N = +)

Senate Heroine and Zeroes:

Senate Heroine: 100%LQ: Barbara Boxer (D-CA)

Senate Zeroes: 0% LQ:

- L. Craig (R-ID)
- S. Frahm (R-KS)
- B. Frist (R-TN)
- P. Gramm (R-TX)
- J. Inhofe (R-OK)
- D. Kempthorne (R-ID)
- C. Mack (R-FL)
- J. McCain (R-AZ)
- D. Nickles (R-OK)
- F. Thompson (R-TN)

House Heroes and Heroines 100% LQ

- E. Clayton (D-NC)
- W. Coyne (D-PA)
- R. Dellums (D-CA)
- B. Frank (D-MA)
- L. Gutierrez (D-IL)
- J. Jackson (D-IL)
- J. Lewis (D-GA)
- C. McKinney (D-GA)
- J. Nadler (D-NY)
- B. Sanders (I-VT)
- E. Torres (D-CA)
- N. Velazquez (D-NY)

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from which all tax, trade, welfare and health care bills must emerge. With a Democratic President Clinton would be Congress, forced to move in more liberal directions. We would all be playing as part of the same And that would be a hell of a difference from the hell we've lived with since 1994.

In addition, the Senate and House races will be critical battlegrounds in these final weeks and our challenges are major: For example, former ADA president Senator Paul Wellstone (D-MN) and ADA ally Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) are under But, we also are mounting heavy fire. strong challenges of our own. Among the endangered right-wing Republicans are Senator Jesse Helms in North Carolina; Senator Larry Pressler in South Dakota; and Senator Bob Smith in New Hampshire. We also have opportunities for gains in open seats such as Kansas and Maine, where relatively moderate Republicans are retiring. In the Senate, Democrats need six, and in the House, 20 seats in order to reclaim the majority.

Over this past year, ADA has fought hard to "Re-Elect Bill & Take Back the Hill" (ADA's campaign button slogan which was proudly worn and adopted by delegates to the Democratic Convention in Chicago; by First Lady Hillary Clinton's inner circle; and by many Congressional candidates). We have spoken out in mailings, speeches, media interviews, talk shows and on C-We have raised money for SPAN. liberal ADA/PAC and supported Congressional candidates at twice the level of any year since 1986.

We have helped to coordinate voter registration drives in North Carolina and New Mexico where liberal challengers face especially difficult races. ADA chapters also are engaged in their own neighborhoods, cities and states.

Each and every ADA member also should be doing something to help liberals win what is our most critical election since 1932.

Wear a campaign button; put bumper stickers on your car; put up a lawn sign or a poster in your front window. Contact local ADA chapters or campaign headquarters

and volunteer to stuff envelopes or make Re-elect Clinton-Gore."

- * Write letters to the editors of your local Anniversary. comment on each of the debates; support Clinton-Gore; state your reasons for supporting liberal Senate and House candidates. Help publicize the 1996 ADA scores and negative votes of right-wing Republicans that are published in this issue of ADA Today. Attend candidate forums and ask questions about issues that are most important to you. Speak up against Republican candidates when they attack "liberals." Let people know that liberals stand for freedom, equality, and opportunity. and the New Deal legacy of economic security and social justice, as well as American leadership in an international community.
- * Dig down deep and make a contribution of \$100, \$250, \$500 or more to a close Senate or House race or make an additional contribution to ADA/PAC. For assistance in identifying key races, contact Valerie Dulk-Jacobs in the ADA National Office: 202-785-5980. Mail it as quickly as possible! There's not much time left. ADA/PAC will write its own last checks
- * Help your local campaign organization canvass on the weekend of November 2-3. If you can, take a day off from work or other commitments on Tuesday, November 5th to help get out the vote. Poll watch. Make telephone calls. Give rides to the polls. Make sure that all your friends, family and co-workers who are of like liberal minds actually vote. Make sure you vote yourself!
- * Above all, work, work, work for victory. Your individual effort is paramount. We can't rely on one-vote margins for victory. This election is just too important!!

As the election returns start coming in on the evening of November 5th, each and every ADA member should be able to settle back in the knowledge that he or she has made every effort humanly possible to help influence America's future. We have only a few weeks left to help make history. Let's make our children and grandchildren proud.

Then, after November 5th, ADA's work telephone calls in these final weeks. will continue. We will not rest until we Circulate widely ADA's "10 Reasons to reach the promise of liberalism's greatest visions. In 1997, ADA will mark its 50th I will look forward to newspapers or call local radio talk shows: celebrating it with you, and using the occasion to renew our commitment to the highest principles of our nation.

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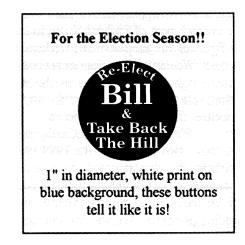
worst features of Newt Gingrich's (R-GA) 'Contract with America." And, in blocking many of the excesses, Congressional Democrats got important help President Clinton's veto promises.

To their chagrin, Republicans discovered that the American people rejected their agenda, once its real intent became clear: the destruction of valuable programs.

Indeed, many Republicans were as appalled as Democrats at the Dole-Gingrich effort. When Congress adjourned in October, Republicans tried to forget the "Contract." In effect, they acknowledged they often had been forced to compromise or give up. They failed to achieve their goal to destroy the Federal government -- although they shut it down for 27 days in the winter of 1995, at a cost of \$1.4 billion to American taxpavers.

ATTACKS ON MEDICARE

The Dole-Gingrich leadership planned to make severe cuts in Medicare and Medicaid. Dole even "bragged" about his vote against Medicare when it was passed 30 years before. Gingrich declared that Republicans would have Medicare "wither on the vine" (Please see Congress, Page 15)



ADA TURNS 50! JOIN OUR CELEBRATION!!!

On January 3, 1947, in Washington's Willard Hotel, a group of liberal activists gathered to form Americans for Democratic Action. Under the leadership of such giants as Eleanor Roosevelt, theologian Reinhold Niebuhr, Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., James Loeb, economist John Kenneth Galbraith, labor leader Walter Reuther, Vice President Hubert Humphrey then Mayor of Minneapolis, and Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., they set out with a vision for the future that reaffirmed the worth of all men and women. In the best traditions of the New Deal, they believed that government had a positive role to play in the lives of all Americans. ADA's founding statement said, in part, that we are "an organization for those who have not abandoned hope. We desire to mobilize the illimitable energies of our democratic tradition against the blind folly of conservatism..."

The Chicago Sun declared, "For several reasons the



Eleanor Roosevelt

ADA will...appeal. It has most of the talent and leaders -- men and women who have proved their liberalism on the firing line and have much to contribute to American politics." That statement was true in 1947 and it remains true today.

The intervening fifty years in ADA's history have been marked

with challenges and changes. And, ADA has much to be proud about. In 1948, we led the fight for a strong plank in the Democratic platform that has defined the Party's commitment to civil rights for over a generation. We fought McCarthyism in the 1950's. In the 1960's, we were the first national organization to oppose the Vietnam War and the first to call for the impeachment of Richard Nixon in the 1970's. We continue to fight for full employment, workers' rights, and a fairer tax system. We battle for nuclear arms control and for international human rights, for increases in the minimum wage and for affordable quality health care for all, and for Federal budget priorities that reflect human needs.

We survived Joe McCarthy and the Reagan-Bush era, and now, two years after the 1994 Gingrich "revolution", we celebrate our victories and survival anew while rededicating ourselves to the continuing fight for ADA's core liberal values which include a deep and abiding faith in democracy as our guiding principle. We will continue to work against the "blind folly of conservatism" no matter what guise it takes, and continue to strive toward a liberal vision of American society.

That has been ADA's mission for the past 50 years; it will be our mission for the next half century and beyond.

In conjunction with the ADA Education Fund, ADA this year began a series of celebratory events for our 50th anniversary which will culminate at our 1997 national convention. In March, our Massachusetts chapter sponsored a seminar on the influences of ADA founder John Kenneth Galbraith on American liberalism. ADA founder Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr, former ADA national director Leon Shull and Harvard professor Stephen Margolin participated in the panel discussion.

On September 27 and 28, the ADA Education Fund sponsored a symposium on "ADA, the Roosevelt Legacy and the Future of American Liberalism" which was the first event in the nation to observe Roosevelt History Month (October 1996). The September 27th panel featured former ADA president Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-HI) as moderator, along with ADA founders Schlesinger and Robert Nathan and ADA president Jack Sheinkman who discussed ADA's founding and the New Sheinkman quoted liberally from Eleanor Deal legacy. Roosevelt and provided a bridge from the founding visionaries to the September 28 panel on the "Future of American Liberalism" which featured labor leader and writer Gus Tyler, Dr. Susan Tolchin, author of the newly published The Angry American: How Voter Rage is Changing the Nation, and Youth for Democratic Action (YDA) president Jamal Watson, with ADA secretary Ellen Vollinger as moderator.

ADA's 50th Anniversary Committee is co-chaired by Bernard Bellush of Long Island, New York and Molly Yard of Pittsburgh and Washington. The committee is working on a number of other projects to commemorate our founding including ADA's 1997 calendar, oral history interviews with key ADA leaders, and the collection of other historical materials. We also hope to produce a film on ADA that will premiere at the 1997 ADA national convention.

ADA's 50th national convention, June 19-22, 1997, will provide both a look at the past and begin our work for the future. The convention banquet on June 21 will hear ADA founder Galbraith and honor two dedicated women: AFL-CIO Senior Vice President Linda Chavez-Thompson and Gloria Johnson, president of the Council of Labor Union Women. All that is needed for a truly perfect event is your participation so mark your calendar now and plan to attend. For further information contact the ADA national office. To contribute to 50th anniversary projects, send your check to the ADA Education Fund, 1625 K Street, N.W., Suite 210, Washington, D.C. 20006. Your contribution will be tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

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as a means of eliminating it. And, then, they tried to convince the American people that they were only trying to save it!

They repeated this tactic on Medicaid, education, the environment, and regulatory agencies such as the Food and Drug Administration. It became clear that Americans -- Democratic or Republican, upper, lower and middle class alike -- would not consent to destroying essential protections and programs.

Republicans also proposed huge tax cuts that went to the wealthiest families in the country, while proposing to <u>raise</u> taxes on the working poor. Astonishingly, they tied the tax cut to cuts in Medicare. Public reaction was quick: total rejection.

BALANCED BUDGET BATTLES

In 1995, when the Senate fell one vote short of the necessary two-thirds majority, Congress failed to pass a dangerous Constitutional amendment to balance the Federal budget by 2002. But, Republicans kept hammering away on cutting the Federal budget. In 1995, President Clinton vetoed a bill that would have made drastic cuts in Medicare, Medicaid, and other basic programs for the poor.

The budget battles ended up showing clearly that it was the federal role in helping people and protecting the environment that was under Republican attack. It was not simply an effort to balance the budget.

In the end, Gingrich and Senator Trent Lott (R-MS), who replaced Dole as Senate Majority Leader in the spring of 1996, had to compromise and largely accept President Clinton's budget proposals. As a result of President Clinton's tough stand, the environment, education, Medicare and Medicaid emerged better than expected. Social Security, a key target of conservative Republicans, also was spared; radical conservatives even stopped talking about <u>privatizing</u> it. Republican victories in the 1996 elections would restore it to the list of legislative priorities.

WELFARE

Conservative did win some battles, however, with devastating and long-lasting effects. The worst was passage of the so-called "welfare reform" legislation. This new law ended America's commitment that no child should go hungry, or lack housing or clothing. Under original Republican proposals, children even would have been denied medical care, but with a veto threat, President Clinton forced Republicans to leave Medicaid reform out of the legislation.

ADA opposed the Republican welfare legislation as a shameful act that would haunt America for years to come. President Clinton had vetoed two previous versions of the bill, and ADA urged him to do so again, but unfortunately, the President signed it while promising to seek changes in the future. Sadly, far too many other Democrats caved in to election-year expediency as well. It was a sad day in American history, and one which ADA intends to work diligently to reverse.

Other programs that suffered were the Legal Services Corporation, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), Internal Revenue Service, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and the foundations for the Arts and Humanities.

EXTRA BILLIONS FOR THE PENTAGON

Republican spending allergies did not extend to the military budget. Even the end of the Cold War and a bloated Pentagon budget were not enough to satisfy the radical conservative appetite for unnecessary military expenditures. Even though the Pentagon had not requested it, Members of Congress who enjoyed "playing soldier" found money that wasn't there for social programs and devoted it to weapons.

WORKING FAMILIES WIN ONE

The Gingrich-Dole team bitterly opposed an increase in the Minimum Wage until they realized its huge public support. Even then, they did not agree graciously. Instead, they tried to force amendments to remove protections for millions of working poor. Public opinion, President Clinton's support, and the forceful, skilled leadership of Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA) thwarted those efforts. The Republican leadership also accepted incremental health care reforms to require portability of health insurance for workers; coverage of pre-existing conditions; and "parity" for mental health benefits.

PERSONAL RIGHTS UNDER ATTACK

Under the leadership of the most extreme freshman class in decades, Congress zeroed in on the so-called "wedge" social issues, trying to demonize certain groups of people and divide America. Women, gay men and lesbians, immigrants, poor people, all felt the attack. They had partial success and would have had more except for President Clinton's veto.

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The Gingrich-Lott leadership team led the fight against same-sex marriage and against anti-discrimination legislation for gays (Please see Congress, Page 16)

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and lesbians. Women's reproductive health care options came under attack as well: out of 53 votes, liberals won only 5. For example, Congress passed but, fortunately, failed to override President Clinton's veto of one bill to prohibit a late-term abortion procedure. Republicans pushed a punitive immigration bill that would have denied government benefits to legal immigrants -- even those who work and pay taxes. They restricted habeas corpus appeal rights for prisoners on death row and they tried to repeal the ban on assault weapons.

BUYER BEWARE

Finally, another favorite radical conservative target during the 104th Congress was the Federal regulatory system which protects our health and welfare. It gives us safe food and medicines, promotes fair competition, and protects the environment. To ensure that their legislative goals would meet minimal opposition, Republicans attempted to limit the ability of non-profits to advocate in the public interest. Fortunately, in these areas, liberals generally won the battles, but they also made clear what Gingrich, Dole and their allies really have in mind: rewarding big business interests at the expense of the American people.

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