

... those men and women who work as orderlies, housekeepers, and nurses' aides in health care facilities are far from overpaid.

The fact remains, however, that there are many problems to be solved before Americans can once again enjoy quality, affordable health care for all. A good start locally would be for IHC to rethink some of its billing policies and the remuneration schedule for its top executives. Those two moves may not solve all the problems, but they would make some Cache Valley mayors and, we trust, quite a few other folks feel a whole lot better.

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We must stop abortion! We must insist this task force submit a strict abortion bill that will end this ruthless savagery and protect these precious little babies, because unborn babies are people too.

Sonya Ray
Genola

Stop pipelines

Editor:

On October 3, before the House Subcommittee on Mines and Mining (of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee), Jim Hansen ignored a perfect opportunity to advance his pipeline bill out of committee and onto the floor. This pipeline bill (H.r. 4023) introduced by Jim Hansen on February 20, 1990, would preclude the Wasatch Variation Natural gas pipeline route.

Since May of 1988, Hansen has told constituents and opponents of the Wasatch Variation, that he would help us prevent it. Since then, the FERC and now two pipelines have forced the Wasatch Variation to a pre-construction reality. Since introduction of H.R. 4023, Jim Hansen has done nothing to stop it or work for its passage.

Construction to begin early next year, jobs, property owners, and communities face the double barrel shotgun of what is Utah's largest natural gas pipelines. Survey and staking completed, and construction proceedings beginning, the hammer is upon us.

Hansen, will you stop the Wasatch pipeline as you said you would? Or would

Gorbachev changed spots; still a leopard

In one of his Philipics against the tyrant Antony, the Roman orator Cicero anticipated the reasoning that would lead to the recent presentation of a Nobel Peace Prize to Mikhail Gorbachev: "That, senators, is what a favor from gangsters amounts to; they refrain from killing someone, and then they boast that they have spared his life." The Nobel Committee is apparently in the business of commending gangsters who have refrained from killing when they have had the opportunity to do so.

If Gorbachev's Nobel is meant as a consolation prize to Marxism — which has come in second in the "Long Twilight Struggle" — perhaps it will serve a noble purpose. If continued probity on the part of the soviet regime can be purchased at the price of a medal, \$700,000 and perfunctory acclaim, it would be a bargain. But the award is an amplification of the Gorbachev personality cult and an enrichment of the statist conceit upon which perestroika is predicated.

Gorbachev, who is still a committed Leninist, sees freedom as worthwhile only in an instrumental sense. From the perspective of Marxists and other tyrants, freedom is a quantity that government can ration, rather than a set of natural rights that government must respect. How often has Gorbachev been praised for "giving freedom to the Soviet People" — as if freedom were the property of rulers like Gorbachev?

Brass spends big bucks on recruitment ads

WASHINGTON — The Marine Corps is trying to get new mileage out of a 4-year-old recruitment ad, one of the most expensive ever produced by the Pentagon for television. The ad — a medieval fantasy worthy of George Lucas or Steven Spielberg — is now airing during Sunday afternoon football games.

The ad shows a knight in shining armor being dubbed by a king. With the help of lightning bolts, the knight turns into, what else, one of the few, the proud — a Marine.

When the ad was produced in 1986, it



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The gulag still exists under Gorbachev, and the death penalty is occasionally administered for "economic crimes"; such crimes include the sundry "sins against equality" that are the result of individual initiative. The Soviet Union, which has correctly been referred to as "The most comprehensive failure in the history of human enterprise," bears tragic testimony of the pointless misanthropy of the Marxist idea. Yet Gorbachev will not relinquish the hope that somewhere there exists a "true socialist model" upon which to build a perfect society. How much longer will the suffering Soviet masses have to pay the human cost of this quest?

Perhaps the Russian masses will shortly find relief. Paul Craig Roberts of the Cato Institute has just returned from a conference on free-market economics sponsored by the Soviet Academy of Sciences. At the

conference Gorbachev was roundly denounced as a reactionary apparatchik determined to hold onto power with the help of western counterparts — specifically George Bush, James Baker, and sundry Western banking magnates.

Soviet economist Larisa Piyasheva, sounding a note familiar to western "right-wingers", denounced perestroika as nothing more than a search for western credits and declared, "Our economic system is wrong. We must translate supply-side texts so that we can teach our students."

Roberts insists that "The day is near when even Western academics will have to acknowledge that communism is dead and buried in its homeland, and justly so."

Who then should have received the Nobel? Repentant Soviet official Ilya Zaslavsky effectively nominates "an old American actor who, nearly eight years ago, predicted the democratization of our country ... I believe that the true originator of our reforms was none other than that old actor Ronald Reagan."

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in Long Beach, Calif. — without Cher — and the Navy is still embarrassed by the fallout from the video. It was so racy that even MTV would not air it until after the junior set had gone to bed.

PROPAGANDA OR REALITY — George Bush is peeved at the American media for what he thinks is too much Iraqi propaganda on network TV. The networks have shown footage of well-stocked grocery shelves, rigorous