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"QUOTE" OF THE WEEK

'She's a child, not a campaign ...'"

- Ruthie McIntosh, on questions from the press on whether daugher Ellie will become a fixture on the gubernatorial campaign trail

McIntosh begins his next chess game

Entry gives Indiana a marquee race

By **BRIAN A. HOWEY** *in Indianapolis*

Who is David McIntosh?

To most of us, he's the three-term Republican congressman from Muncie who announced this week that he is challenging Gov. Frank O'Bannon in 2000.

People in Washington remember his White House pedigree, working for President Reagan and Vice President Quayle, where he was executive director of the Council on Competitiveness. In Congress, he was the first freshman congressman since Richard Nixon to chair a subcommittee.

People in Kendallville remember him as the oldest of four children whose father died of cancer. He was a childhood friend of George Witwer, worked summers at the Kendallville Foundry and attended Trinity Church. He went from East Noble High School to Yale, and then was a University of Chicago law student studying under Antonin Scalia.

Several people who have observed and studied the political career of David McIntosh see him as an extraordinary figure who has now entered a statewide stage.

"There is no question he is a man of ideas," said Mike Pence, who was the 1988 and '90 2nd CD nominee and is now a radio and TV talk show host. "I really do believe that's what drives the guy. He's in the process to do something and not to be something."

Nina Easton is a former *Los Angeles Times* reporter working on a Simon & Schuster book on the leading young conservatives of our time: Ralph Reed, William Kristol, Clint Bullock, Grover Norquist and McIntosh. "He's certain-

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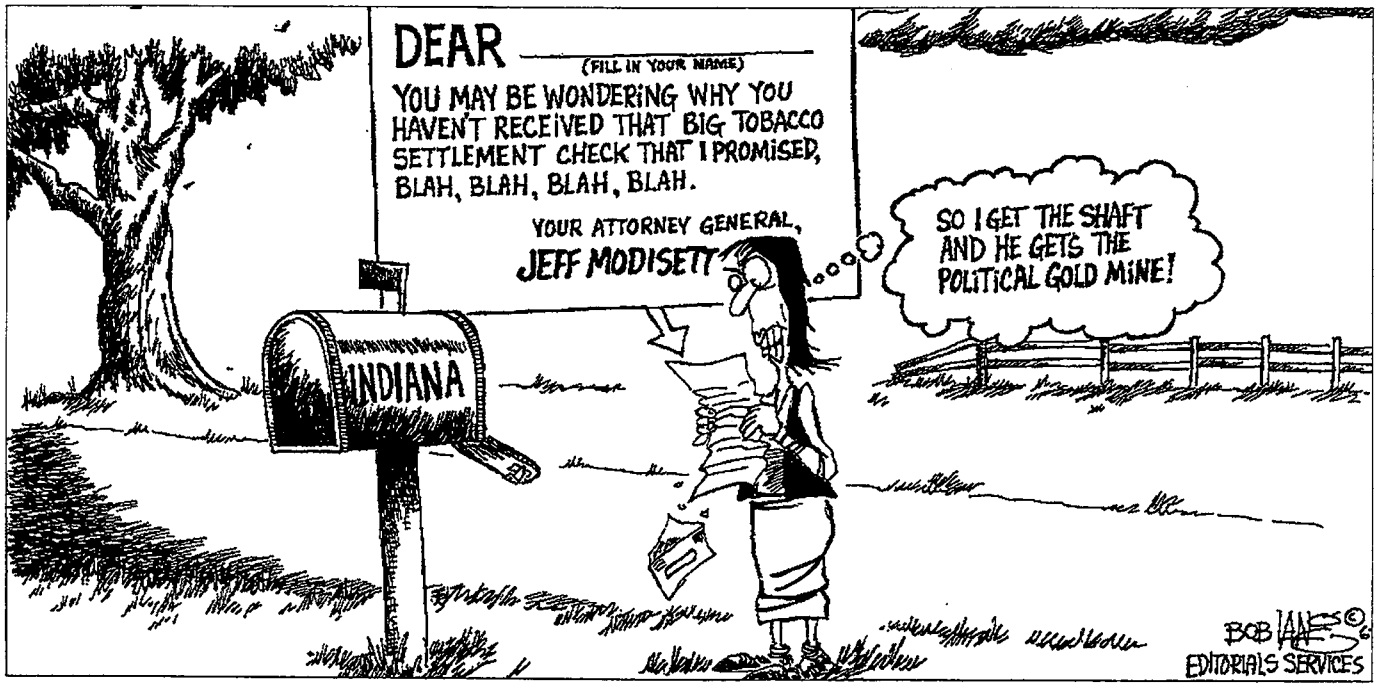

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The hate murder rampage across Indiana and Illinois of Benjamin Smith further heightens the looming showdown over gun control. Smith shot and killed Indiana University student Won-Joon Yoon outside a United Methodist Church, former Northwestern basketball coach Ricky Byrdsong, and injured at least six others before committing suicide in Illinois. It comes on the heels of the demise of legislation that would have required background checks at gun shows and a lengthening of waiting periods. Authorities say Smith obtained two handguns - a .22 caliber handgun and a .380 semiautomatic pistol - from an illegal dealer in Illinois. Bloomington authorities say Smith

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ly a shining star in the conservative movement who came of age in the Reagan era," said Easton, whose book will be published in 2000. "It's been fascinating watching him evolve from a movement conservative out of the University of Chicago Law School to a political figure who can reach a far broader audience. He is known for being quite sharp. Because he was on the Council on Competitiveness he really understands Washignton and regulatory structure. He understands how government works and its intricacies. But he's also had to learn the hard lessons in the Republican revolution; on how to bring the conservative message to a broader audience."

Easton cites two examples of how McIntosh took predictable conservative positions in Congress and then followed up with legislation that cut new turf. "One is his Muncie job fairs," Easton explained. "They have been tremendously successful at a time when the unions were jumping on him for the plant closings. He went a different route. It shows how he evolves."

A second example Easton gives was McIntosh's opposition to a raise in the minimum wage. "He opposed that, but he came up with his own plan of reducing the payroll tax. He tries to come up with alternatives so that he doesn't end up looking so ideological."

She noted that during the 1994-95 Republican revolution in Congress there was "very explosive rhetoric."

"But you didn't hear that come out of David McIntosh. Same thing with impeachment. He always seemed very cautious and careful. But behind the scenes he can be very tough."

Paul Gigot of the *Wall Street Journal* calls McIntosh "among the best and brightest" in Congress who is "smart and smooth enough to be Speaker some day."

"Once upon a revolution, David McIntosh was going to change Washington," Gigot wrote in his column last week. "Instead, he's about to change locations, which tells you all you need to know about the state of the Republican Congress."

The Chess Player

McIntosh is entering the Hoosier stage, where politicians are often analyzed in basketball terms. Evan Bayh loved to play pickup games and Frank O'Bannon

was on the Indiana University roster. Easton was asked how McIntosh's mind works; how he makes decisions.

"He's not athletic," Easton explained. "When he's home he sits in his house and reads books. I would think of him as a chess player. That's how his mind works. He figures out how to outmaneuver his opponents."

A classic example of this occurred at Anderson's East Side Middle School in late October 1994. McIntosh and Joe Hogsett were in a wild scramble for the open 2nd CD seat. They were debating on four successive nights. With 300 people packed into a sweltering room, McIntosh began setting a trap. He reminded Hogsett of comments the Democrat had made in Greensburg about being the best candidate "because he was not from Anderson or Muncie; that he felt it was important that voters in the southern part of the district had an advocate on their side; that Anderson and Muncie were fine places, but they could take care of themselves."

Hogsett had to momentarily collect his thoughts and then responded, "Well, David, for purposes of honesty, you've got to tell people exactly what I said. What I said in Greensburg was, it was interesting that of six candidates in the primary, everybody was from Anderson or Muncie but me. I said that I thought Anderson and Muncie could take good care of themselves with a congressman like me."

"To start the debate with that kind of comment is unfortunate," Hogsett said.

About 20 minutes later, the two were asked about cynicism of the voters regarding politicians. "Well, David, you've already signed a contract that you're backing away from. People understand that was nothing more than a media event, and all of a suddent you're back in the district saying you wouldn't vote for Social Security cuts or Medicaid cuts."

McIntosh then sprang his trap to put Hogsett's king in check. "We've got a saying around our campaign that when you act like Bill Clinton, when you say anything or do anything in order to get elected, that you're pulling a Clinton." McIntosh turned to Hogsett and said, "The Contract with America never said that we would cut Medicare or Social Security. Joe, I think you just pulled a Bill Clinton."

A few minutes later when the issue came to jobs, McIntosh went on the offensive: "I will not say to the people of Anderson, 'You can take care of yourselves.' I will be in Washington fighting for those jobs."

To which Hogsett responded, "Now David, you've pulled a Bill Clinton. I'm very ashamed of you. As I said in Greensburg, I was very clear, we can get you the transcript. I don't know why you intend to mislead the people of Anderson."

Checkmate. Hogsett would later tell HPR that he knew he had lost at 7 a.m. on Election Day when Anderson UAW workers wouldn't look him in the eye as they headed from the voting booth to the plant gates.

Impatiently patient

Those around McIntosh see an intensely intellectual man who at the beginning tried to control the entire picture. "He had trouble learning how to delegate," Easton says of her research. "He wants to do everything. His mind races and he tries to have everyone keep up with it. But he's evolved on that. He's gotten better. A supporter of his described him as one of the most impatient patient people they ever met."

Gigot wrote that McIntosh is one of the few revolutionary Republicans "who hasn't gone native." He publicly opposed the '98 budget deal, "earning the enmity of House leaders." He opposed Speaker-elect Bob Livingston, calling him the "chairman of the pork caucus." But even with Livingston's temporary ascension, kept his committee assignments.

While many Republicans and Democrats discounted McIntosh's reflections on leaving a safe Congressional seat to run for governor, McIntosh surveyed

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frequently handed out white supremacist literature, including 1,000 leaflets in Bloomington on July 4, 1998. "This is a nightmare come true," said Jeffrey Willsey, who heads Bloomington United (Herald-Times). There has been virtually no reaction in the news media from political figures either in Indiana or nationally. U.S. Rep. Julia Carson did complain on June 30 about the "delaying tactics" used by House leadership on the Senate gun safety legislation.

Dan Quayle is telling supporters that he has enough money to run a "spirited" 2000 presidential race (WIBC).

Pat Salzmann has become the first female chair of the Monroe County Republican Party. She defeated Leo Hickman by a 39-35 vote of the county GOP central committee. She replaces Chris Callaway, who resigned to devote more time to his insurance business. She is the wife of Monroe County Prosecutor Carl Salzmann and managed two of his successful campaigns. Salzmann headed the moderate wing of the party while Hickman was the conservatives' choice. "I like Leo, I get along with him," said Salzmann. "But we are different. Let's just say I'm probably more tempered" (Bloomington

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Herald-Times). Hickman's father was once county Democratic chair. Some observers believe Salzmann could be the Republicans nominee against freshman Democratic State Rep. Peggy Welch.

The Hoosier Environmental Council says Indiana has 92 ozone health standard violations in the first two months of the summer season. Indiana ranks 6th in the number of bad smog days. Northwest Indiana had 24 violations; Evansville 19; South Bend 17; Fort Wayne and Marion-Madison counties 12; New Albany 7; and Terre Haute 1. Ohio, located downwind from Indiana's power plants, ranks first with 239 violations. "Hoosiers suffer from air pollution," said Andy Knott of the Council. "Gov. O'Bannon should stop fighting EPA and move quickly to clean up our air."

The Fort Wayne Journal Gazette reported that Mayor Paul Helmke's administration was the first to collide with the state's new annexation law. In proposing the annexation of 170 people, a public hearing was supposed to take place at last Tuesday's Fort Wayne City Council meeting. The hearing wasn't scheduled in time, so it was rescheduled. The new law, which took effect July 1, prompted the Helmke administration to call a special meeting to

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the coming political landscape. He told Gigot, "If we lose the White House in 2000, we're not going to be in the majority in the House. If we win, then leadership will be coming from the administration."

He listens

McIntosh told the press on Wednesday that while he was leaning toward a run for governor for quite some time, he didn't make that final decision until the Fourth of July weekend. His congressional staff repeatedly talked of his "listening tours." Pence and Easton agree.

"He's a real thoughtful guy," said Pence. "He's a big guy for input. The process for the last several months has been tedious for journalists, but he really was plumbing the opinions of a lot of people. He spent a lot of time asking people why he should do it. He is really a true believer."

A true believer?

Pence said, "You know, the majority of politicians are not of that category. They align themselves with the parties and do what's pragmatic. But in each party there are true believers who believe in an agenda and then try to advance it. David McIntosh is really about that. In the most private moments, that never falls off like a facade."

Nina Easton has interviewed McIntosh several times. "I've had different experiences with him. He can be in a sound bite mode like a lot of politicians. But if you get him off that spin mode; when he's not tired or he gets into a different setting, he can be pretty forthcoming and honest. He listens. He doesn't just give his spiel. He listens and then gives a response. That's why reporters in Washington think so highly of him. You can have a discussion. You don't feel like you're being talked to."

The Extremist

McIntosh heads the Conservative Action Team, or CATs, in Congress. Indiana Democrats are on course to paint him as an "extremist." A press release Wednesday said that McIntosh supported a resolution that would have abolished three Cabinet departments - Commerce, Education and Energy - as well as 284 programs.

The same release said that McIntosh favors "rich families over working families" after he voted for a $500 child-care credit for families earning up to $110,000 but would have been unavailable for those earning $20,000 or less. That's a tactic similar to one that left-of-center special interests have tried to use against McIntosh in Washington.

Nina Easton said that in promoting his legislation that would have ended welfare for corporations, "he came up against the denizens of the left - the very powerful liberals who led the charge against Robert Bork. Those people view him as an extremist.

"But the more thoughtful ones in that group portray him very much like the freshman class - white, male, learning their politics through libertarian textbooks and not learning the basics of life. That bad things can happen to good people. That's a critical view of the freshman class. But he's someone who has very much evolved out of that. He's grown and matured."

This aspect of McIntosh falls into the "compassionate face on conservatism" category. It was never more vividly displayed than in his help for 9-year-old Brandon Hepfer of Anderson, who had a rare genetic liver disorder. McIntosh cut through the red tape and got the Food and Drug Administration to approve a new drug for the boy.

Governors get things done

"We expect the congressman to disavow his record which is very, very right of center," said Indiana Democratic Chairman Robin Winston. "With Frank O'Bannon, it's promises made and

promises kept. We've cut taxes here in Indiana. I don't remember when there's been a federal tax cut and the Republicans have been in charge of Congress since 1994."

That is one reason McIntosh is coming home to run for governor. Several people McIntosh talked with were of the governor class - Doc Bowen, Bob Orr and Michigan's John Engler. As Gigot reported, "They all told him they had 'the greatest job in politics.'"

Said McIntosh, "Governors have the chance to show how ideas can work. That's what really excites me. Our state is falling behind and essentially we have to do better in order to make sure Indiana is going to be at the top in the next century."

Easton sees McIntosh's return as part of a reconfiguration of the American conservative movement. "George W. Bush is trying to recapture and reconfigure the conservative movement after it faced all of its traumas in the 1994-95 period. The compassionate conservative is the next chapter of American conservatism. They had to hit a brick wall before they could come out on the other side. Arguably, the governor's mansions are where the action is going to be in the conservative movement."

McIntosh's turn to statewide politics is essential for the Indiana Republican Party. The state has had nearly 800,000-vote spreads between voting for Republicans (Bush/Quayle '88) and Democrats (Evan Bayh '88.) The fear was that even with Sen. Richard Lugar and a strong presidential candidate on top of the ticket, Hoosiers might be inclined to go back and vote for Gov. O'Bannon and keep the House Democrats in power.

The stakes are huge. For the Republicans to retake the Indiana House now controlled by the Democrats 53-47, they are almost certainly going to have to retake the governor's office. The party that controls the House after the 2000 election will be in the driver's seat when it comes to redrawing legislative and congressional districts.

"It was pretty imperative that we make those changes now and make the argument to the public," McIntosh said of the looming redistricting. "They've drawn districts where even if we carry 54 percent of the vote (statewide) they still can control the Indiana House."

McIntosh/Bush parallels

Gigot, in the Wall Street Journal used an anology similar to one HPR has used in recent issues: there are parallels to the task McIntosh has set for himself in taking on Frank O'Bannon and those that faced George W. Bush in 1994.

"Mr. Bush, as it happens, was also a long-shot challenger to a popular Democratic incumbent when he ran to be governor of Texas in 1994. And look what happened to him."

While observers such as Nina Easton understand that being an executive can play to McIntosh's strengths as a political leader, she also sees this governor's race as a career step. "I think it is ambition," she said. "This is the next stepping stone for David. He was the leader of the freshman class in Congress, but not the House. He was a movement leader and he didn't get very far."

McIntosh's staff scoffs at any notion of a goal ending at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. But an upset win over Gov. O'Bannon would bring his resume in line with other political legends.

Republicans say McIntosh is a big underdog. Both parties have seen snapshot polls giving O'Bannon close to 30-point leads. McIntosh's staff calls O'Bannon's support "a mile wide and an inch deep" and points to the full-day kindergarten issue as a case in point.

McIntosh has given Indiana voters the potential for a marquee governor's race with national implications.

"I can't tell you how optimistic I am," McIntosh said on WIBC late Wednesday night. "We're going to go out and fight every day."❖

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pass the annexation.

Dan Quayle will return to Indiana on Aug. 2 for the annual Allen County GOP golf outing.

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission began holding hearings on the proposed takeover of Ameritech by Texas-based SBC. Testimony is expected from SBC and opponents of the $85 million merger. The hearing is expected to last a week.

The Indiana Supreme Court will allow video images from the Ameritech-SBC court hearing to be transmitted via the Internet and satellite television. The hearing is scheduled to take place on July 14. David Remondini, counsel to Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard, said the court is considering allowing camera and electronic coverage of local courtroom proceedings next year. Currently 26 states allow camera coverage of local trials. Most proceedings involving sex crimes, juvenile proceedings and divorces are not allowed to be broadcast. Tippecanoe County Circuit Judge Ronald Melichar is opposed to cameras in the courtroom. "There's something about cameras that brings out the ham in people," the Assciated Press quoted Melichar. "I think the minuses outweight the positivies,

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quite frankly." Of the 117 Indiana trial judges who responded to a recent survey, about two-thirds opposed cameras at the trial court level.

First Lady Judy O'Bannon will lead a People to People Ambassador Program to Russia Oct. 1-12 in Moscow, Novgorod and St. Petersburg.

The First Lady spent June 29 with elementary school children and IDEM Commissioner Lori Kaplan collecting water and soil samples from the White River in Indianapolis. Students from Carmel, Indianapolis, Muncie, Cannelton and Demotte joined Mrs. O'Bannon.

New officers for the Lugar Excellence in Public Service series include: Dottie Hancock, president; Katherine Willing, vice president; Patricia Keiffner, secretary; and Kathleen Ordosh, treasurer.

U.S. Rep. Dan Burton has introduced legislation that qould require the Clinton administration to place Cuba on the annual "majors list" of drug trafficking nations. Burton said the legislation is the result of an investigation of a 7.2 metric ton shipment of cocaine that was seized by Colombian National Police enroute to Cuba. "Where do you think Fidel Castro would

COLUMNISTS ON INDIANA

Dave Kitchell, *Logansport Pharos-Tribune* - The Bush name means baked beans to some, but it means more than beans to Republicans. It now means the next generation of the party - the generation his father tried to reach by choosing Dan Quayle. It is the generation the party forgot when Republicans nominated Bob Dole and Jack Kemp to run against the younger tandem of Bill Clinton and Al Gore. It is a name that now has $36 million behind it, and for party supporters who were waiting for the primary dust to settle before writing a check, there is the thought of all that interest the war chest will accumulate between now and the GOP convention a year from now. Even so, the notion that Election 2000 is over is a bit premature.❖

Frank Gray, *Fort Wayne News-Sentinel* - Sometimes things just don't work out as planned. Take the all-around assault on cigarettes (not cigars, by the way) that happened last year. Tobacco companies agreed to pay states the biggest jackpot in history, $200 billion or so over the next 25 years, to cover the cost of treating smokers whose illnesses were covered by Medicaid. Indiana hasn't seen a nickel of the tens of millions of dollars it is supposed to be getting every year. That's because too many states have yet to iron out all the wrinkles in their agreements with tobacco companies, and in some states, various government entities are fighting over who gets the money. Nobody gets paid until almost all the states have settled these issues. Meanwhile, the concept of hyper-expensive cigarettes is driving people in two different directions, and neither involves quitting. All of a sudden those Nat Shermans, Dunhills and others are looking reasonable. And now there's New York, New York, a new sub-generic.❖

Larry Lough, *Muncie Star Press* - How many shootings do you suppose have been investigated in the last year by law enforcement agencies in East Central Indiana? Surely there were dozens, involving homicides and other assaults, accidental shootings, even suicides. And how many times were those same agencies called to investigate the burning of an American flag? Zero. Which is why those who oppose amending the U.S. Constitution to prohibit flag burning say this is a perfectly good solution to a non-existent problem. And so it was with great urgency that the U.S. House of Representatives, our own Congressman (cum Governor?) David McIntosh among the majority, voted 305-124 recently to advance the amendment to the U.S. Senate. Up to now, the Senate has had the good sense to defeat this limit on free expression under the First Amendment. No burning of Old Glory ever diminished our rights as Americans.

Peter Pitts, *Indianapolis News* - When is a not-for-profit organization not a not-for-profit organization? In the Age of Clinton, the answer seems to be: when the group doesn't support the theological beliefs of the New American Left. Let's call a spade a spade. The Christian Coalition has been ambushed, and all Americans of every religious and political persuasion should be appalled. Recently, for all intents and purposes, the United States government refused to grant Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition tax-exempt status. In short, it takes away the power of the pulpit. Ouch. Result? According to a recent news release from the Christian Coalition, that organization will operate in the same fashion of any traditional business corporation. ❖

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INDIANA MAYORAL RACES 1999

Evansville Mayoral: Republican: County Councilman Russell Lloyd Jr.. **Democrat:** Rick Borries. **1995 Results:** McDonald (D) 19,162, Frary (R) 9,565. **1999 Forecast:** Borries to concentrate campaign on job growth and the attraction of high-tech industry. The 33-year educator will campaign as the "education mayor" who will work with Evansville schools to improve student performance and services. Borries is also going to target the city's 51 neighborhood associations to improve quality of life issues. The Borries campaign estimates it will take $400,000 for the fall campaign **General Status:** *Tossup.*

Indianapolis Mayoral: Republican: Secretary of State Sue Anne Gilroy. **Democrat:** Bart Peterson. **Our Party:** Rev. John Gibson. **Libertarian:** Andrew Horning. **1995 Results:** Goldsmith (R) 64,209, Jimison (D) 39,539, Dillon (L) 7,175. **1999 Forecast:** WTHR-TV poll by Survey USA (500 likely, +/- 4.5) shows Gilroy leading Peterson 48-43 percent. Horning comes in at 5 percent. Only 4 percent is undecided. *NUVO*/TeleResearch had the raced tied at 36-36 in May. On race, Gilroy leads with white voters 52-40; Peterson leads blacks 66-22 percent On age, 18-34 went for Gilroy 48-39 percent. On gender, females went for Gilroy 49-45 percent; males 46-41 percent Gilroy. Former Mayors Lugar and Hudnut joined Mayor Goldsmith at a dazzling downtown reception celebrating 32 years of GOP rule. McIntosh also attended and said that a Gilroy victory is key to his own 2000 race. Gibson qualified Our Party for the ballot. **General Status:** *Tossup.*

Horse Race

INDIANA 2000 RACES

Governor: Republican: U.S. Rep. David McIntosh, George Witwer, John Price. **Democrat:** Gov. Frank O'Bannon. **1996 results:** O'Bannon 1,107,342, Goldsmith 997,505, Dillon 35,261. **2000 Forecast:** Witwer reacted to McIntosh entry by saying, "David is a lifelong friend and I welcome him to the race. This is another positive sign that the governor's race is winnable in 2000." McIntosh made a courtesy phone call to the vacationing O'Bannon on Tuesday and pledged to run a positive campaign on policy. McIntosh strategists were shaking their heads at Democratic press release calling McIntosh a "failed leader" and an "extremist." Polls taken by both parties reportedly show O'Bannon with a more than 20-point lead. McIntosh emphasized his "underdog" status. Formal statewide announcement will come in late August. McIntosh cited South Bend hearing as a reason for no fly-around. Dem Chairman Robin Winston stressed O'Bannon record of 500 new cops, $1 billion in cut taxes, 100,000 new jobs, and a record highway construction program. **General Status:** *Leans O'Bannon.*

Congressional District 2: Republican: Jim Huston, Mike Pence, Supt. Suellen Reed, State Rep. Jeff Linder, Andrew Phipps. **Democrat:** Joe Hogsett, New Castle Mayor Sherman Boles, State Rep. Scott Mellinger, State Rep. Tiny Adams, State Sen. Tim Lanane, Troy Liggett, J.D. Lux. **Geography:** Muncie, Anderson, Richmond, Shelbyville, Columbus and East Central Indiana. **1994 results:** McIntosh 93,592, Hogsett 78,241. 1996 Results: McIntosh 122,288, Carmichael (D) 83,478, Zimmerman (L) 4,662. **1998 Results:** McIntosh (R) 99,584, Boles (D) 62,426, Federle (L) 2,236. **2000 Forecast:** All eyes are on Joe Hogsett and he ain't talkin'. On the Republican side, Huston will analyze his position and make a decision "in short order." McIntosh would like for him to run his gubernatorial campaign. "Dave's decision has brought some closure," Huston said. Pence is mulling his options and seeing what Huston will do. Linder told the *Shelbyville News* that he will make a decision in the next couple of weeks. Our analysis on Linder is that his coup attempt against Paul Mannweiler has compromised his position in the Indiana House. Congress would be a logical step. Linder hasn't run in any tough races and Shelbyville is in the less populated southern part of the district. Whispers on Reed is that she doesn't have good support from district's county chairs. Phipps entered the race. He has a talk radio show

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say these drugs were going?" Burton asked. "The administration is so intent on normalizing relations with Cuba that they are willing to believe anything Castro says. Once again, the truth does not seem to matter to them."

Police in Putnam County arrested two men on I-70 with 1,300 pounds of cocaine last weekend. The shipment apparently was being transported from Texas to the East Coast.

Gov. O'Bannon is asking young people to e-mail him their thoughts at: www.eyac.org. O'Bannon asks, "Is your school a safe place?" "What does a teen need to do to prepare for a good job?" and "How's Indiana doing when it comes to improving race relations?" Said O'Bannon, "Our young people have a lot of great ideas about how to make Indiana a better place, and I want to hear them. I'm on the Internet a lot anyway, so it just seemed natural to ask young Hoosiers to check in with me there."

Rolls-Royce Allison won a $114 million contract to make joint strike fighter engines. The contract prompted U.S. Rep. Julia Carson to declare, "Indianapolis is a center of high-tech manufacturing."

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U.S. Rep. John Hostettler voted for legislation that would make it a federal offense to transport a minor to another state in order to circumvent state parent consent and notification laws.

U.S. Sens. Richard Lugar and Evan Bayh introduced legislation that would honor former University of Notre Dame President Father Theodore Hesburgh with the Congressional Gold Medal. U.S. Rep. Tim Roemer has introduced similar legislation in the House.

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on WMDH 102.5 out of New Castle, and a TV talk show on WHMB out of Noblesville. He's awaiting a ruling from the FEC on when he must stop his broadcasting. Phipps was chair of the Social Studies department at Muncie South HS and retired after 32 years. **Status:** *Leans R.*

Congressional District 5: Republican: U.S. Rep. Steve Buyer. **Democrat:** David Steele. **Geography:** Kokomo, Marion, Peru, Monticello, Lowell, Northern Indiana. **1994 results:** Buyer 108,575, Beatty 43,619, Alfred (L) 3,328. **1996 Results:** Buyer 133,604, Clark (D) 67,125, Lehman (L) 5,255. **1998 Results:** Buyer (R) 101,567, Steele 58,504 (D), Waters (L) 2,317. **2000 Forecast:** Steele reportedly left Purdue and is pondering a second run. His plan in 1998 was a two-cycle approach. Anti-impeachment group put a call for funds out on the Internet and reportedly raised $13 million that could be targeted at the 13 House managers. But Buyer looks very strong at this point. We're not sure how that kind of money flooding into Indiana would play in the 5th. *Cook Political Report* rates this seat "Solid R." At this point, we agree. **Status:** *SOLID R.*

Congressional District 9: Republican: Kevin Shaw Kellems. **Democrat:** U.S. Rep. Baron Hill. **Geography:** New Albany Jeffersonville, Madison, Nashville and SE Indiana. **1994 results:** Hamilton 91,459 (D), Leising (R) 84,315. **1996 Results:** Hamilton (D) 128,885, Leising (R) 97,747, Feeney (L) 2,315. **1998 Results:** Hill (D) 92,477, Leising (R) 87,278, Feeney (L) 2,397. **2000 Forecast:** Kellems filed statement for candidacy and toured Madison, Jeffersonville and New Albany. Hill offered office hours in nine cities "in order to be more accessible to his constituents." Hill's congressional office staff is acting paranoid. Cook Political Report has this race Leaning D. But it shows district with a 3.2 partisan voting index (PVI is a measurement of how each district performs compared to the nation as a whole based on 1992 and 1996 elections). **Status:** *Leans D.*

Congressional District 10: Republican: Marvin Scott. **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 Results:** Carson (D) 69,673, Hofmeister (R) 48,892, Peterson (L) 3,009. **2000 Forecast:** Scott is emerging as a probable challenger, although there may be others. Hofmeister has ruled it out. Growing consensus is that Carson will be safe in this seat until the 2001 redistricting. *Cook Political Report* rates this a likely D and gives it a Partisan Voting Index rating of 4.4 Democratic. We see it as ... **Status:** *SAFE D.*

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