

TAPE FOR WEEK OF JAN. 31

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS DELIVERED HIS STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS TO THE NATION, AND WHILE IT SEEMS HE REALIZES THE NEED TO MAKE SOME MID-COURSE CHANGES IN HIS ECONOMIC POLICIES, MAJOR DEFICIENCIES STILL EXIST IN HIS EFFORTS TO STABILIZE AMERICA'S ECONOMY.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT SUPPORT A PLAN TO PUT THE UNEMPLOYED BACK TO WORK----A PROPOSAL THAT HAS BEEN PUSHED BY LEADERS OF THE PRESIDENT'S OWN PARTY.

TODAY, ONE AMERICAN WORKER OUT OF EVERY 9 IS UNEMPLOYED. HERE IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA, THE EMPLOYMENT PICUTURE LOOKS EVEN BLEAKER. THEREFORE, WE NEED A JOBS PROGRAM THAT IS GEARED TO THE REALITIES OF THE PRESENT UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

A PUBLIC WORKS JOBS PROGRAM CAN BE ESTABLISHED, AND THERE IS EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SUCH A JOB STIMULAS PLAN WILL BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEDICINE AVAILABLE TO RELIEVE UNEMPLOYMENT.

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