Emotion and Reason in Political Language*

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Abstract

We use computational linguistics techniques to study the use of emotion and reason in political discourse. Our new measure of emotionality in language combines lists of emotive and cognitive words, as well as word embeddings, to construct a text-based scale between emotion and reason. After validating the method against human annotations, we apply it to scale 6 million speeches in the U.S. Congressional Record for the years 1858 through 2014. Intuitively, emotionality spikes during times of war and is highest for patriotism-related topics. In the time series, emotionality was relatively low and stable in the earlier years but increased significantly starting in the late 1970s. Comparing Members of Congress to their colleagues, we find that emotionality is higher for Democrats, for women, for ethnic/religious minorities, for members of the opposition party, and for those with relatively extreme policy preferences (either left-wing or right-wing) as measured by roll call votes.

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“An emotional speaker always makes his audience feel with him, even when there is nothing in his arguments; which is why many speakers try to overwhelm their audience by mere noise.”

– Aristotle

“In politics, when reason and emotion collide, emotion invariably wins.”

–Drew Westen

1 Introduction

In his treatise on Rhetoric, Aristotle suggests that persuasion can be achieved through either logical argumentation or emotional arousal in the audience; success depends on selecting the most appropriate strategy for the given context. Cultivated by these early ideas, the classic dichotomy between emotions and affect (pathos) on the one side and rationality and cognition (logos) on the other has informed all realms of social sciences, from social psychology (LeDoux, 1998), to political philosophy (Elster, 1999), to economics (Frank, 1988). In the day-to-day of political debate, politicians resort to a mix of emotion and reason and search for the right balance between these two elements.

The extent to which politicians engage with this trade-off, and what institutional, political, and psychological factors underlie their choices, is largely unknown. Providing empirical evidence on these questions has been difficult due to the lack of a reproducible, validated and scalable measure of emotionality in political language. In this paper, we propose a measure that satisfies these requirements, and we extensively validate it against human judgement. We then use it for a variegated description of how politicians in U.S. Congress have used emotion in their rhetoric over the last 150 years.

Our approach builds on recently developed computational linguistics tools, which represent semantic dimensions in language as geometric dimensions in a vector space. The algorithm for this purpose, word embedding, transforms words and phrases to vectors, where
similar words tend to co-locate and directions in the space (dimensions) correspond to semantically meaningful concepts (Collobert and Weston, 2008; Mikolov et al., 2013; Pennington et al., 2014). Our goal is to construct a dimension in this space corresponding to reason at one pole and emotion on the other. To this end, we take validated word lists for emotion and reason and construct the poles as the average vectors for these semantically coherent word groups. The relative emotionality of a word is the proximity to the emotion pole, relative to the reason pole. In turn, the emotionality of a document is the relative proximity of the document vector to the emotion pole. We compute scores for 6 million floor speeches reported in the *U.S. Congressional Record* for the years 1858 through 2014.

Our measure of emotionality in political language convincingly survives a rigorous sequence of validation steps, consistent with rising standards in empirical work using text data (Quinn et al., 2010; Grimmer and Stewart, 2013; Goet, 2019; Rodman, 2020; Rodriguez and Spirling, 2020; Osnabrügge et al., 2021). First, we qualitatively inspect the words and sentences that are most associated with the ends of the emotion-rationality spectrum. The inspected examples are intuitive and satisfying. Second, we undertake a substantial human validation effort and ask human annotators to assess the relative emotionality of thousands of ranked sentence pairs. The ranking provided by our preferred measure agrees with human judgment over 90% of the time, a superior accuracy to that obtained applying commonly used dictionary-based methods that count relevant terms.

Given the lengthy historic time period covered by our corpus, we also seek to validate comparisons over time. A targeted human validation shows that the emotionality score is historically valid for the whole time period of the *Congressional Record* back to the 1850s. In addition, we show that our measure of emotionality in politics is distinct from the political topics chosen (Quinn et al., 2010), from positive and negative sentiment (e.g. Rheault et al., 2016), from changes in the sophistication of political language (e.g. Benoit et al., 2019), and from emotionality trends in the broader society (e.g. Morin and Acerbi, 2017). These checks allow us to confidently make comparisons over time and to attribute the observed results to dynamics that are specific to emotion in political language.

In the empirical analysis section, we provide a rich description of how emotion and reason have varied over time, by topic, and across speakers in Congress. First, we look at
long-run rhetorical history using our 150-year time series. Intuitively, emotional expression spikes in times of war. Further, we find a significant increase in emotionality since the late 1970s, coinciding with the introduction of televised Congressional floor debates via C-SPAN. This descriptive evidence is consistent with C-SPAN motivating the use of more emotional rhetoric, in line with previous work on how television has reshaped politics (Gentzkow, 2006; DellaVigna and Kaplan, 2007; Martin and Yurukoglu, 2017; Durante et al., 2019).

Second, we compare emotionality across topics. We find, intuitively, that patriotism, foreign policy, and social issues are discussed with the most emotion, while procedure and federal organization are discussed with the least emotion. Within the realm of economic policy, issues related to taxation and redistribution have increased the most in emotionality in recent years (especially for Republicans), coincident with the post-Reagan increase in economic inequality. In light of recent debates on the ideological foundations of inequality (McCarty et al., 2016; Piketty, 2020), it is illuminating that Republicans use emotional rather than rational appeals when arguing about redistributive policies.

Third, we assess how emotionality varies across politicians’ personal characteristics and institutional factors. Democrats, women, and racial/religious minorities tend to use more emotive language than Republican, male, white protestants serving in the same chamber and year. Further, members of Congress use more emotional language when in the opposition (minority) party. Overall, emotion appears in situations of disempowerment, not just in terms of political party control, but also for disadvantaged identity groups. This result is consistent with explanations of emotional appeals from both behavioural economics and political economy: Emotion may help politicians deal with loss of control or frustration of expectations (e.g MacLeod, 1996; Lin et al., 2006), or it may serve to push policy positions (Jerit et al., 2009) and complement minority representation strategies (see Swers, 2002; Tate, 2018).

Finally, we look at how emotionality is related to partisan polarization. We find that politicians with highly partisan roll-call-voting records (on either the left or the right) use more emotion than their more moderate colleagues. This higher emotional expressiveness is driven both by the speech topics chosen but also by how the same topics are framed. Hence, trends in emotive rhetoric are linked to increasing polarization in U.S. politics (McCarty
et al., 2016; Gentzkow et al., 2019b).

Overall, the paper provides both a methodological and a substantive contribution. Methodologically, we push forward the use of text analysis in economics and political economy (Gentzkow et al., 2019a). The focus of most previous work has been partisan differences in language, taking a supervised learning approach (Gentzkow and Shapiro, 2010; Jensen et al., 2012b; Ash et al., 2017; Gentzkow et al., 2019b). Baker et al. (2016) and Enke (2018) each use a dictionary approach, respectively to analyze policy uncertainty and moral norm priorities. Hansen et al. (2018) use a topic model to analyze central bank communications. Our new method, using word embeddings to scale emotionality, addresses the technical limitations of dictionary methods while still targeting a specific dimension of discourse.

Substantively, we add to the literature on rhetorical choices in political communication, and in particular the role of emotions in politics (e.g. Marcus, 2000; Lau and Rovner, 2009). The previous literature has shown that political speech sentiment and emotional intensity respond to economic conditions (Rheault et al., 2016), ideological divisions (Kosmidis et al., 2019), institutional context (Hobolt et al., 2021), and the characteristics of the speaker (Dietrich et al., 2019; Hargrave and Blumenau, 2020; Boussalis et al., 2021). Consistent with these findings, we find coherent descriptive evidence that emotional rhetoric corresponds to prevailing political opportunities and conditions, including party control, personal identity, and ideological polarization.

From a more historical perspective, a number of studies have attended to the long-run evolution of rhetoric in parliaments. The emerging theme is that of increasingly polarized language, accompanied by a general simplification. Upward trends in divisive language around party lines in U.S. Congress have been repeatedly replicated (Jensen et al., 2012a; Gentzkow et al., 2019b; Rheault et al., 2019), with comparable trends also seen in U.K. Parliament (Peterson and Spirling, 2018; Goet, 2019). Meanwhile, the linguistic sophistication of political speeches has decreased over time (Lim, 2002; Benoit et al., 2019), and confidence among politicians has increased (Jordan et al., 2019). We add an important piece to this picture by observing that the secular trends in polarization, simplification, and confidence have been accompanied by more intense expression of emotion. All of these trends can be understood as a coherent shift toward a rhetoric that addresses voters rather than fellow politicians and
More generally, this research adds to a long tradition on the dichotomy of emotion and reason in social theory and social science (Damasio, 1995; LeDoux, 1998; Elster, 1999). A classic view from economics is Frank (1988), who explores how various emotions support both self-interested and socially conscious decision-making. A subsequent line of work in behavioral economics has shown the role of emotions in supporting prosocial behavior, for example through motivating costly punishment (MacLeod, 1996; Bosman and Van Winden, 2002; Xiao and Houser, 2005; Van Winden and Ash, 2012). Overall, emotions are complementary with rationality in supporting human decisions and communication (e.g. Elster, 1998; Loewenstein, 2000; Kahneman, 2011; Lerner et al., 2015; Wälde and Moors, 2017). Thus, it is not surprising to observe a pivotal role for emotions, along with reason, in political discourse.

2 Measuring Emotion and Reason in Text

This section outlines the approach to measuring dimensions of emotion and reason in unstructured text. After giving some details on the political speeches corpus, we describe the word lists for identifying emotion and cognition dimensions. Then, we introduce word embeddings and how they allow us to scale documents in this emotion-reason dimension.

2.1 Congressional Speeches Corpus

Our empirical corpus comprises digitized transcripts of the universe of speeches in the U.S. House and Senate between 1858 and 2014 ($N = 7,336,112$ speeches). The corpus includes all speeches from the *U.S. Congressional Record*, after removing those speeches that contain readings of pieces of legislation.

The corpus pre-processing can be summarized as follows (see Appendix F.1 for additional details). Each speech in the corpus is first segmented into sentences. To extract the most informative tokens, we tag parts of speech and take only nouns, adjectives, and verbs. Punctuation, capitalization, digits, and stopwords (including names for states, cities, months, politicians and procedural words) are removed. Tokens are stemmed using the Snowball stemmer. After filtering out rare stems (those occurring in less than 10 speeches), we have
2.2 Dictionaries for Emotion and Cognition

The first ingredient in our method is to use thematically categorized lists of words for emotion and reason. To build lists of emotive and cognitive words, we start with Linguistic Inquiry and Word Count (LIWC), a leading set of categorized dictionaries validated by linguistic psychologists (Pennebaker et al., 2015). LIWC researchers have collected coherent sets of words, word stems, and idiomatic expressions that map onto various structural, cognitive, and emotional components of language.

From LIWC we take two word lists. First, to get at reasoning we use the “Cognitive Processing” category, consisting of 799 words, phrases, and wildcard expressions. This category embraces concepts of insight, causation, discrepancy, certainty, inhibition, inclusion, and exclusion. Second, to get at emotion we use the “Affective Processing” category, comprising 1,445 tokens, phrases, and wildcard expressions. This category refers to emotions, moods, and other affective states – both positive (joy, gratitude) and negative (anxiety, anger, sadness).

We reviewed the raw LIWC dictionaries and adapted them to analysis of Congressional speeches (see Appendix F.2 for details). We excluded a number of inappropriate patterns (e.g. emojis, punctuation, digits, multi-word expressions), and a number of words that do not translate well to the Congressional Record (e.g., “admir*” matching to “admiral”). At the end of the process, we have a list of stemmed nouns, verbs, and adjectives representing affective processing (629 tokens) and cognitive processing (169 tokens). Let $A$ and $C$ represent these word lists. Appendix F.5 provides the two final dictionaries and the frequency of each dictionary word in the corpus.

The word lists for emotion and cognition can already be used to produce a dictionary-based measure of emotionality. This type of measure, where one counts the words from the dictionary to detect semantic domains in documents, is the previous standard in social science (Kosmidis et al., 2019; Hobolt et al., 2021). For our analysis below, we produce such a measure based on the relative frequency of these words in each speech (Appendix B.1 describes how this measure is calculated). In the human validation below, we will show
that a dictionary method compares poorly with human judgments about the emotionality of congressional speech snippets.

The problem with the dictionary approach, in our setting as in others, is that the method relies too heavily on the presence or absence of the particular listed words. The dictionary approach requires that the dictionary is reliably specified. This puts a lot of pressure on the researcher to identify all emotive words and their variants. This task could be especially difficult in historical contexts where the set of probative words might not be clear from a contemporary perspective.

A second problem is that the dictionary approach assumes that each word in the emotionality list is treated as equally indicative of emotionality, while each word not in the list is treated as equally indicative of emotionlessness. But this model of language is clearly wrong. For example, the word “like” could refer to preference or to similarity, while the word “dislike” only refers to preference (with “unlike” reserved for dissimilarity). A properly constructed emotion scale would give more weight to “dislike” than “like”, but a dictionary approach assumes binary categories and cannot scale words continuously.

2.3 Embedding Approach to Scaling Emotionality

Word embeddings are well-suited to addressing the main problems with the dictionary approach. Rather than require that all words with emotive content be identified, word embeddings only require that a representative sample of emotive words are identified. In addition, word embeddings can flexibly learn from the corpus the intensity with which words are emotively associated, with no assumptions of discrete categories. In particular, if some emotive words in an historical period are missing from the specified list, their emotive association can still be learned by the model and accounted for by the resulting scale.

Beyond lexicon construction, a continuous scale can capture more subtle linguistic cues implied by full sentences. In contrast, a word-counting approach relies on the sparse, explicit, and intentional placement of emotion-laden words. Thus, as shown in Caliskan et al. (2017) and Ash et al. (2021), word embedding dimensions tend to reveal more about social attitudes than do word counts (see also Garg et al., 2018; Kozlowski et al., 2019).
Word Embeddings. More formally, word embeddings are a tool from natural language processing for learning numerical representations of words based on co-occurrence statistics in a given corpus (Mikolov et al., 2013; Pennington et al., 2014). A word, normally a string object drawn from a high-dimensional list of categories, is “embedded” in a lower-dimensional space, where the geometric location encodes semantic meaning. Semantically related words (e.g. “happy” and “joyful”) will tend to have geometrically proximate vectors. Semantically unrelated words (e.g. “happy” and “econometrics”) will tend to have geometrically distant vectors.

In the context of word embedding algorithms, semantic relatedness means that the words appear in similar contexts. The key intuition is: “You shall know a word by the company it keeps” (Firth, 1957). Take the sentence, “I was ______ to learn that I had won re-election.” While happy and joyful would fit in nicely, econometrics would not. A word embedding algorithm learns word locations that predict which words would best complete any given sentence. The useful result is that directions in the embedding space correspond to semantic dimensions of language (e.g., emotion and rationality dimensions).

Thus we learn a vector $\vec{w}$ corresponding to each word $w$ in the vocabulary based on how words co-occur in Congressional speeches. More technically, we learn word embeddings using the Word2Vec algorithm from Mikolov et al. (2013) applied to the full corpus. We use the python gensim implementation with 300 dimensional vectors, an eight-word context window, and training for 10 epochs. These are all standard hyperparameter choices from the applied NLP literature. Rodriguez and Spirling (2020) and Ash et al. (2021) show that results produced from word embeddings are generally robust to variation in those choices.

Scaling Congressional Speeches by Emotion and Cognition. We now can use the embeddings and our dictionaries to scale speeches in the Congressional Record with an emotionality score. First, the word embeddings are combined with the thematic word lists to isolate directions in embedding space corresponding to emotion and reason. The vector $\vec{A}$ representing emotion is the average of the vectors $\vec{w}$ for the words in the emotion word list, $w \in A$. The vector $\vec{C}$ for cognition is defined analogously.\(^1\)

\(^1\)Some recent papers have used this approach to extrapolate word lists more effectively to the political domain. Word embedding models can expand the dictionaries to larger lists of sentiment or emotion words.
Second, we produce vector representations for each congressional speech, using the same specification as done for the emotion and rationality poles. Let the vector \( \vec{d}_i \) for speech \( i \) be the average of the vectors \( \vec{w} \) of the words \( w \) in the speech.\(^2\) Thus we construct a 300-dimensional vector for each speech in the Congressional Record.

Taking these ingredients together, we can scale texts along the emotion and cognition dimensions. Our measure for the emotionality of speech \( i \) is

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Y_i = \frac{\text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{A}) + b}{\text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{C}) + b}
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where \( \text{sim}(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})/(\|\vec{v}\|\|\vec{w}\|) \) is the cosine similarity between vectors \( \vec{v} \) and \( \vec{w} \). The addition of a constant \( b \) in the numerator and denominator is for smoothing outliers; we set \( b = 1 \) but it can be set to any small positive number. An increase in \( Y_i \) indicates a shift towards the emotion pole relative to the cognition pole. In addition, we can produce separate measures for emotion and cognition, respectively, with \( \text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{A}) \) and \( \text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{C}) \).

A speech that is equally emotive and cognitive would take value \( Y_i = 1 \). Appendix Figure A4 shows the distributions of the measure and its emotive and cognitive components. Appendix Table A4 and Appendix Figure A3 show the distribution of \( Y_i \) and how that evolved over time in U.S. Congress.

**Alternative Emotionality Measures.** For robustness and to assess better the performance of our measure, we calculate two alternative measures of emotionality in speeches based on the previous literature. First, as already mentioned, we compute a count-based measure using the frequencies that the words in our dictionaries appear in each speech. The count-based measure turns out to produce a quite different ranking of speeches than the (e.g. Rheault et al., 2016; Rice and Zorn, 2019; Hobolt et al., 2021). This approach can address the problem of missing words in the dictionary, but it does not address the problem that dictionaries assume discrete categories of words, rather than a continuous scale of emotion.

\(^2\)In the preferred specification, the document vector averages (as well as the emotion and cognition vector averages) are weighted by the smoothed inverse frequency of each word, as done in Arora et al. (2016). That is, words that appear relatively often are down-weighted, while words that are relatively rare – and therefore distinctive – are up-weighted. This weighting improved performance of the metric in human validation, but does not make a difference in the downstream results. See Appendix F.3 and Appendix Table A6. We note, further, that this step of dimension reduction using word embeddings is an alternative to the regularization approach taken by Gentzkow et al. (2019b) to address sparsity in their high-dimensional n-gram representation of the Congressional speeches.
embedding-based measure from Eq. (1). As shown in Appendix Figure A4, the distribution of the count measure is highly sparse and skewed because it relies on the presence or absence of words in the dictionaries. The correlation coefficient is 0.15 with our baseline measure in the full dataset. In addition, the count-based measure performs much worse in the human validation. Still, many of our central results hold when using the count-based measure (Appendix B.1).

Second, we compute an alternative distance metric from the embeddings, based more closely on Kozlowski et al. (2019) and Ash et al. (2021) and using the feature that analogous dimensions in vector space can be constructed with vector differences. In these previous papers, a gender dimension is constructed as the “male” vector minus the “female” vector. Correspondingly, we isolate an emotion-to-cognition dimension as the vector difference $\vec{AC} = \vec{A} - \vec{C}$ (the vector for “affect” minus the vector for ”cognition”). Then the emotion score for document $i$ is the cosine similarity to the differenced vector, $\text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{AC})$.

Conceptually, this “geometric” measure directly leverages the “analogy-solving” capacity of word embeddings. In subtracting cognition from emotion, the scale implicitly assumes a semantic dimension along which an increase in the relatedness to one concept pole (i.e. emotion) corresponds to a decrease in relatedness to the other concept pole (i.e. reason). In contrast, the baseline ratio measure from Eq. (1) relies only on the assumption that vector distances proxy for semantic distances, allowing for cases where an increase in emotion does not imply a decrease in reason. Thus we prefer the ratio measure as the baseline in our setting. Moreover, it performs slightly better than the geometric measure in the human validations. Practically, however, the data reveal that the two measures are highly correlated in the congressional speeches. The geometric measure’s correlation coefficient with our main score is 0.95 in the full sample of speeches, and thus the measures can be used as substitutes. Unsurprisingly, our empirical results are robust to using the geometric measure instead (Appendix B.2).


3 Validation

This section reports our multiple validation exercises (as in Quinn et al., 2010; Goet, 2019; Osnabrügge et al., 2021). First, we show qualitative evidence that our approach captures distinctive semantic dimensions that correspond to emotion and cognition. Second, we compare our measure to human judgements about the emotionality of short speech segments. The pairwise rankings provided by our embedding-based measure agree with human rankings over 90% of the time, much higher than that for a more standard count-based measure.

3.1 Qualitative Evaluation of the Semantic Dimensions

We first ask: Do the vector dimensions underlying our measure capture qualitatively coherent and distinctive semantic dimensions in language? A simple test for semantic validity is to inspect the language associated with the geometric poles for cognitive and emotional language. For each word in the vocabulary outside the lexicon, we compute the relative similarity to the cognitive and emotive poles. This gives a ranking of the words along a single cognitive-to-emotive dimension.

Figure 1 shows clouds for the words that are closest to the cognitive (panel a) and emotive (panel b) centroids, where larger word size indicates closer proximity to the centroid. The word clouds illustrate the clear, intuitive, and distinct flavors of language captured by each linguistic pole. Cognitive language includes logical concepts such as conjecture, discernment, and contradiction. The emotional dimension includes emotive actions such as cringe, terrify, and exclaim.

To evaluate these dimensions of language in context, we next inspect prototypical speech snippets that correspond to the emotional and rational poles. After sampling speeches from the top and the bottom of the distribution, we then sample the most emotive and cognitive sentences within those speeches, for a qualitative analysis.\(^3\)

Appendix Table A1 provides lists of example sentences for the most emotional and most cognitive speeches, respectively. Consistent with the word clouds, there is a clear differential in the tone, following intuitive language for logic and emotion. For example, the emotional

\(^3\)Specifically, we select speeches that fall within the 1st and 99th percentiles for the score distribution. We then exact 10 random sentences among the highest and lowest scoring sentences within the sample.
sentences feature tributes to colleagues and to veterans, while the cognitive sentence include
dry enumerations of policy details. Differences in emotionality also emerge within specific
topics: As illustrative examples, we report the most emotional and most cognitive sentences
about taxation (Appendix Table A2) and abortion (Appendix Table A3). In Appendix F.8, we
provide additional samples of the most emotional and cognitive sentences for each decade
between 1858 and 2014. Qualitatively, our method is facially valid across all decades.

A potential question with our measure is that it might capture positive and negative
sentiment, as opposed to cognition and emotion. Hence, we would like to demonstrate that
emotionality is a separable dimension of language from sentiment. For this purpose, we
construct positive and negative sentiment dimensions in our embedding space using our
centroid method, with positive and negative seed lexicons taken from Demszky et al. (2019)
(see Appendix A.4 for details). We can then assess whether emotionality and sentiment
dimensions work independently.

First, we inspect the $2 \times 2$ semantic context around four centroids in our embedding space:
cognitive-positive, cognitive-negative, emotive-positive and emotive-negative. Appendix Figure A1 shows word clouds for the closest vectors to these four poles, revealing intuitive and
distinctive words in each of these groups. The cognitive dimension has both positive tone
(discern, knowledge, insight) and negative tone (contradict, vague, irrelevant). For emo-
tion, the positive (serene, smile, thrill) and negative (frighten, disgust, sicken) are even more
divergent.

Similarly, in our dataset of speeches, emotionality and sentiment are separable. Appendix
Figure A2 provides a scatter plot of speeches across the two dimensions and shows they are
only weakly positively correlated. The $R^2$ from regressing emotionality on sentiment is just
0.011.

3.2 Validation with Human Judgment

This subsection reports the results of a human annotation task to assess the validity of
our score in capturing emotion and cognition in language (e.g. Lowe and Benoit, 2013). The

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$^4$Appendix Table A5 shows additional examples where we have excluded any sentences containing a word
from the lexicons. These sentences are still clearly and intuitively related to emotion and logic, respectively,
yet they would be missed by a lexicon-based approach.
task is as follows. Coders are provided with pairs of sentences extracted from the corpus. For each pair, they are asked which sentence is more emotional and which sentence is more cognitive. In particular, the coder is provided with three options: (i) sentence A is more emotional than sentence B, (ii) sentence B is more emotional than sentence A, and (iii) the sentences are equivalent or I don’t understand one or both of the sentences. No additional information is provided about where the snippets come from.

In the baseline validation check, sentence pairs are constructed as follows. We start by selecting the 5000 most and least emotional speeches for each decade. From those speeches, we extract and score all the sentences. Finally, we randomly pair sentences that come from the top and bottom 5% of the score distribution. Pairs are always formed from sentences that come from the same decade, and all decades are roughly equally represented in the set of annotated snippets.

The annotators are Amazon Mechanical Turk workers born in the USA and whose primary language is English. Each coder is asked to code 10 sentence pairs (20 sentences). To assess inter-coder reliability, each pair of sentences is annotated by two different coders. In addition, each coder took a simple English comprehension test, which asked them to correctly separate a set of unambiguously emotion and cognition words into two groups.\footnote{These words are, for emotion: Love, Afraid, Glad, Disgust, Joy. For cognition: Consequence, Therefore, Discern, Obvious, Contradiction.}

We obtain 1714 annotations in total. The coders chose option iii (could not understand the snippets or judge the relative emotionality) for only 3.5% of the sentence pairs. These pairs are not considered for the computed accuracy statistics.

Table 1 Panel A reports the results for the main validation exercise. The top row (“Overall”) shows the statistics for the full sample of annotated pairs. In the full sample of annotations (columns 1-3), our score agrees with human judgement 87% of the time. When we restrict to the sample of coders who passed the English comprehension test (columns 4-6), our score agrees with human judgement 92% of the time. If, alternatively, we restrict to annotated pairs where both assigned coders agree on the ranking (columns 7-9), accuracy reaches 93%.

Even if the measure is accurate overall, we must still confront the possibility that it is
not valid for the older time periods in our sample. In particular, inconsistency may come from the use of modern seed dictionaries to evaluate dimensions of language in the past, since word meanings shift over time (Hamilton et al., 2016; Garg et al., 2018). We address this issue directly. In Panel B, we report analogous statistics when subsetting the pairs by the decade when they were spoken in Congress, starting from the first decade, i.e. 1858-1868, up until the sixteenth (incomplete) decade, i.e. 2008-2014. Importantly, there are no significant drops in the accuracy of our score in earlier decades. This temporal validation addresses a major concern with our method: Although it relies on recently developed seed dictionaries that use modern understandings of emotional and cognitive language, the final score produces a time-consistent measure of emotionality. Therefore we can produce meaningful long-run historical comparisons.

In Panel C, we compare the performance in human validation for the two alternative measures of emotionality, described above in the methods section. First, the geometric measure $\text{Sim} \overrightarrow{AC}$ refers to the cosine similarity between each document vector $\vec{d}$ and the cognition-to-emotion dimension $\overrightarrow{AC}$, as done in Kozlowski et al. (2019). This vector-distance alternative obtains very similar accuracy to our baseline measure in the human validation task. Second, *Word Count* refers to the count-based measure giving the ratio of emotion words to cognition words. The performance for the count-based measure is much worse than the embedding-based measures and comparable to random guessing.\(^6\)

4 Empirical Analysis

This section reports the results of our descriptive analysis of emotionality in U.S. Congress. We first explore whether emotional expression varies over time and across topics. Then, we show that members of the minority party resort systematically to more emotional rhetoric. The use of emotional language also differs across individual politician’s characteristics, such as their gender, race and religion, and is positively correlated with ideological extremism.

\(^6\)Appendix A.7 provides some additional results on the human annotation validation. Appendix Table A6 reports a set of complementary assessments using alternative sentencing pairing procedures based on variants of the emotionality measure.
4.1 Emotionality over Time

An initial descriptive question is how the relative use of emotion and reason has shifted over time. We use the long temporal range of our data to show the evolution of emotive language since the start of our data in 1858. These results add to other recent work looking at evolution of party polarization in congressional speeches over this period (Gentzkow et al., 2019b). Outside politics, Garg et al. (2018) use word embeddings to analyze the evolution of gender and ethnic stereotypes since 1910.

Our main descriptive results for emotionality over time are reported in Figure 2. The two time series show the average emotion score of speeches by year in the House of Representatives and in the Senate. Overall, we observe a generally increasing trend towards higher emotionality in political language, punctuated by some sudden spikes.

First let’s consider the spikes in emotion in light of the intuition that political leaders express more emotions at pivotal moments in history (e.g. De Castella et al., 2009). In our data, the first observed spike in the use of emotional language appears around the Civil War and its immediate aftermath (1861 to 1866). Two more major spikes occur in 1917 and 1939. These two years correspond to the entry of the United States into World War I (with President Wilson’s declaration of war against Germany being approved by the Congress), and the beginning of World War II (with Germany’s invasion of Poland). The presence of higher emotionality during these events is intuitive and adds credibility about the behavior of the measure.

Next, consider the broader trends. Emotionality makes a slow but steady increase up until the 1950s, then drops a bit in the early 1970s, and then starts a more rapid increase starting in the late 1970s which continues until the present. This striking pattern is seen for both chambers. The trend break is especially salient for the House of Representatives and is followed with some delay by the Senate.

We highlight that the emotionality trend is quite different from trends in text polarization – that is, differences in the language used by Democrats and Republicans. Jensen et al. (2012b) and Gentzkow et al. (2019b) find historically low levels which then increase only starting in the mid 1990s. Thus, the rise of emotive rhetoric pre-dates the current wave of polarized language. In addition, as shown in Appendix B.4, we can rule out that the shift is
due to changes in the readability or simplicity of language (Benoit et al., 2019). Emotional language is a distinct dimension of political rhetoric that evolves independently from other salient dimensions.

A potential concern is that these trends reflect changes in language generally, rather than changes in the political sphere. To check for this possibility, Appendix B.5 provides a comparison trend in emotionality for a more general historical corpus: Google Books. Emotional language in Google Books actually declines up until the 1980s, after which it shows a small rebound (Appendix Figure A12). Thus, the trends we see in Congressional speeches appear to be specific to politics. Appendix Figure A13 shows that we can normalize the congressional measures by the general-corpus emotionality and the qualitative trends are unchanged.

Given that these trends are indeed politics-specific, that makes the trend break in the late 1970s especially noteworthy. An intriguing possible explanation is the introduction of C-SPAN, a public television network for Congress that started broadcasting from the House in 1979 and from the Senate in 1986. Zooming in on this time period, we note that the first Congress elected after the founding of C-SPAN takes office in 1977. This is the precise timing of the trend break in emotional language. It could be that when television comes online in Congress, that increases the marginal benefit to emotional language in floor speeches as more voters are now viewing them. While such a mechanism deserves additional investigation, it would be consistent with previous empirical work on the effectiveness of emotional appeals in influencing voters (Gross, 2008; Brader et al., 2008; Renshon et al., 2015; Loewen et al., 2017).

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7 This trend in emotional expression is similar to that estimated by Morin and Acerbi (2017), who also use Google Books but focus on fiction. They write: “Our data confirm that the decrease in emotionality in English-speaking literature is no artefact of the Google Books corpus, and that it pre-dates the twentieth century, plausibly beginning in the early nineteenth century”. Acerbi et al. (2013) find similar results.

8 Note that the decreasing trend in Google Books also addresses another potential issue with our measure: that it is built with LIWC, a dictionary based on contemporary language as of 2015. On top of the consistent rates of human validation across decades (Table 1), this confirms again that our measure is not just picking up increasing use of the language used in LIWC; if that were the case, we would also see a similar increase in Google Books.
4.2 Emotionality and Topics

Our second descriptive analysis is to look at how emotive-cognitive content for congressional debates varies by topic. In particular, the observed emotional variation over time may be driven by the selection of different topics over time, and that politicians talk more about emotionally charged issues in recent years. Alternatively, politicians may have changed their rhetoric style in how the same topics are framed.

To understand the relationship between emotionality and topics, we apply an unsupervised topic model (latent dirichlet allocation or LDA, see e.g. Blei 2012). This is the same approach used by Hansen et al. (2018) to analyze the content of Federal Reserve committee transcripts. To summarize, LDA works by assuming a structural model for language, where documents are distributions over topics and topics are distributions over words. The parameters of these distributions are learned from the corpus and then produce interpretable topics to assist unpacking of text results.

We apply LDA to the full pre-processed corpus, with speeches treated as documents and assuming 128 topics. To get at non-emotive dimensions in language, we drop from the vocabulary all words in our emotive-cognitive lexicon. Appendix Table A11 lists the topics learned by the topic model and the most representative words for each topic. Overall, the quality is good and 119 of the 128 topics are recognizable as a coherent topic. For ease of interpretation, we inspected the individual topics and aggregated them into eleven larger categories (also indicated in Appendix Table A11).

Using the trained model, we assign to each speech the topic with the highest probability based on the speech content. Appendix Figure A17 shows the historical proportions of the eleven broad topic categories in congressional speeches over time. Speeches concerning procedural aspects of decision-making comprise the largest single category. The share of procedural speeches shrinks slightly over time, mostly in favor of speeches on social issues and speeches that hinge upon a national narrative, historical heritage, or patriotism. Given the proportional importance of procedure, Appendix Figure A19 shows robustness of our main time series results to dropping procedural speeches.

To show topic-level variation in emotional expression, we residualize out time fixed effects.

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9See Appendix Figure A18 for the time series of topic shares after excluding procedural speeches.
(to adjust for secular trends) and then compute the average topic-specific emotionality. Figure 3 Panel A plots this variation for the eleven topic categories since 1970, producing an intuitive ranking.\textsuperscript{10} The most emotional category corresponds to \textit{National Narrative}, a “patriotism” topic including references to American history, heritage, values, as well as to the sacrifice of American soldiers. Second, the \textit{Foreign Policy} category includes highly emotive speeches on human right violations and the Cold War threat. The ranking of \textit{Social Issues} (e.g. crime, abortion), \textit{Party Politics}, and \textit{Immigration} as emotional is similarly sensible. On the other side of the spectrum, it is not surprising that speeches referring to internal \textit{Procedure} and \textit{Governance} (government organization) tend to rank low and to use more cognitive language.

How does this topic-level variation in emotionality vary by political party affiliation? Figure 3 Panel B reports the ratio of Republican emotionality to Democrat emotionality by topic. First, and perhaps most strikingly, fiscal policy is the most Republican-slanted topic in its emotional content, with the Republican score being 2.5 times larger than the Democrat score. In comparison, most other topics are quite similar across parties in emotive content. The exceptions are two Democrat-slanted topics: social issues, which makes sense in light of Democrats’ defense of civil rights and women’s rights, and economic policy, a topic that is focused on regulation of corporate misbehavior. Thus emotionality helps capture partisan differences in policy priorities.

Next, we explore the time series in emotionality by topic. As illustrated in Figure 4 Panel A, speeches about \textit{Procedure} are the least emotionally charged and their low level remains constant over time. \textit{National Narrative} scores the highest throughout the period, and follows the generally increasing trend. Recalling the discussion above on the emotive trend break in the late 1970s in concert with the arrival of C-SPAN, it is notable that \textit{Economy} and \textit{Society} have the steepest relative increases starting at that point in history. It makes sense that when the public becomes a more salient audience, congressmen start speaking more emotionally about topics of general interest.

Figure 4 Panel B focuses in on speeches from the larger category of \textit{Economy} and shows the breakdown by the three main components: Fiscal, Monetary, and Economic (Regulatory) Policy. In the earlier decades, there was a persistent emotive ranking from regulatory policy

\textsuperscript{10}For the rankings of all 128 individual topics, see Appendix Figure A16.
to monetary policy to fiscal policy. Around the 96th Congress (late 1970s), however, the trend break for Fiscal Policy is most intense. By the 102nd Congress (1991-1992), fiscal policy had become the most emotionally charged topic among economic issues. An intriguing feature of this time period is that it coincides with the Reaganite transformation of fiscal policy and the associated shifts in income and wealth inequality. This result resonates with the partisan slant in emotionality about fiscal policy, and suggests that Republicans use emotional rhetoric to defend inequality-increasing fiscal policies. In light of the evidence that economic inequality increases political polarization (Garand, 2010; McCarty et al., 2016; Piketty, 2020), it makes sense that divisive issues related to redistribution have become more emotionally charged.

4.3 Emotionality and Politician Characteristics

So far we have looked at the broad temporal, topical, and partisan factors explaining emotion and reason in U.S. legislative politics. In this section we assess how emotionality varies across politicians. First, we look at party opposition status. Second, we attend to politician identity characteristics. Third, we compare to partisanship in voting records.

Opposition Status. First, we explore whether U.S. politicians resort to emotionality more when they are in the opposition. As discussed in Green (2015) and Lee (2016), minority-party politicians are engaged in crafting a national message to accrue electoral gains in upcoming campaigns. Emotional language can be used to communicate large and consensual values (Jerit, 2004), and it is more likely to be reported by traditional and social media (Bennett, 2016; Brady et al., 2017). Thus politicians may use more emotional language when they are in the minority party.

As initial visual evidence on this point, Figure 5 plots the average level of emotionality by politician party in the House of Representatives. The background color indicates the party with majority control of the chamber. We see that overall, Democrats and Republicans do not differ much in their use of emotional language. However, members of the minority party are systematically more emotional than members of the majority party, a striking trend that we see consistently flip as the party in control flips. In the long term of Democrat control in the second half of the 20th century, Republicans consistently used more emotional language. In
turn, after Republicans retook the house in 1994, Democrats were more emotive. Throughout the time series, changes in House majorities correspond to changes in relative emotionality in the two parties.\footnote{Appendix Table A9 reports the estimates from a series of ordinary least squares regressions for the effect of opposition status on the emotion score, for both the House and the Senate. The regressions include chamber-year fixed effects and standard errors are clustered by politician. These results confirm that the dynamic relation noted in Figure 5 is statistically significant when looking at both chambers. Including politician fixed effects reveals that the same politician uses more emotional appeals when her party is in a minority position, relative to her personal average level. Results are not driven by the choice of different topics, for example due to mechanical differences in responsibility for procedural functions.}

**Partisanship in Voting.** To delve further into the role of emotional rhetoric in political division, we next explore its relation to ideological policy choices. Previous work has shown that ideological extremists use dissent with their own party to appeal to extreme voters (Kirkland and Slapin, 2018). Extremism can also be associated with simpler sentences and longer speeches (Slapin and Kirkland, 2020). We test whether Members of Congress that are more ideologically polarized are also more likely to use emotional rhetoric.

We measure ideological extremism using DW-NOMINATE, a standard measure constructed from roll call votes. DW-NOMINATE summarizes the tendency of a congressman to vote with Republicans versus with Democrats. As initial visual evidence for a relationship, we see in Appendix Figure A21 that there is a U-shaped pattern between emotionality and vote partisanship. Congressmen with more extreme ideological positions (either left or right) tend to use more emotionally charged language in their floor speeches.

We test the statistical significance of this relationship by regressing emotionality on the squared DW-NOMINATE score, such that it takes larger values for more extreme roll call voting on either the left or the right. Both emotionality and partisanship are standardized to standard deviation one to facilitate interpretation of the coefficients. Chamber-year fixed effects are included to adjust for any chamber-level time-varying factors influencing rhetorical choices, and standard errors are clustered by politician to allow for serial correlation in the error term by politician across speeches and over time.

Table 2 reports the results in the first row of estimates. There is a significant and positive relationship between ideological voting and emotionality (column 1), which holds when adjusting for politician demographics (column 6). The ideology effect is of the same magnitude
even when conditioning on topic fixed effects (column 7), showing that polarized rhetoric comes through the framing of topics rather than selection of topics. 

**Identity Characteristics.** The next question is: Are there observable *individual* characteristics of Congress members who tend to use more emotional language? For example, members from demographic groups that are underrepresented in Congress are typically associated to distinctive policy position and representation choices (e.g. Swers, 2002; Tate, 2018). We explore whether members of underrepresented groups are also more likely to use emotional language.

Demographic information on Members of Congress comes from the CQ Press Congress Collection. The explanatory variables of interest are indicator variables for party, gender, race, and religion. The regression specification is the same as that used above for DW-NOMINATE, with chamber-year fixed effects used to compare Congressmen to their contemporaneous colleagues.

As reported in Table 2, we find that Democrat members of Congress tend to use more emotional language than Republicans (column 2). Column 3 shows that females tend to use more emotional language compared to males, while column 4 shows higher emotion for historically disadvantaged minorities in Congress (blacks and hispanics). Finally, column 5 shows that religious minorities (Catholics and Jews) use more emotional language than Protestants. These factors remain statistically significant when taken together in a single regression (column 6) or when conditioning on topic fixed effects (column 7). In terms of magnitudes, the effects of political party are relatively small (.01 standard deviations in column 6), while the effects for gender are relatively substantial (.25 standard deviations in column 6). 

12 Appendix Table A10 shows robustness of these results when including controls for sentiment, speech length, and minority status.

13 Appendix Table A10 reproduces the main results controlling for the length of the speech and positive or negative sentiment. The results are unaffected by the inclusion of these controls on rhetoric styles: This suggests that the group differences in emotionality are not driven by a different use of language. Table A10 also shows that these relationships are roughly constant over time. To provide additional visual support for these estimates, Appendix Figure A20 shows the time series of emotionality by gender and race. The differences in the use of emotional language across demographic groups is constant over time. Appendix Table A8 reports the same results on the two separate components of the emotionality score – emotion by itself, and reason by itself. See Appendix C.2 for a discussion of the differences in those results.
Considering also the estimate for DW-NOMINATE, this evidence suggests that identity characteristics are more pivotal than political factors for variation in emotion across politicians. An important question, then, is whether the long-run changes in emotionality from Figure 2 are due to a changing composition of politician types. We explore this issue in Appendix Figure A8, where we compare the unconditional time trends with the emotionality score residualized on demographic variables (gender, race, religion). We can see that after this adjustment for demographics, the trends in emotionality remain virtually unchanged.\footnote{In Figure A9 we also include topic fixed effects and can explain some, but not all of the long-run changes in emotionality.}

5 Conclusion

This paper has provided an analysis of emotion and reason in the language of U.S. Members of Congress. We produced a new measure of emotive speech, which combines dictionary methods with word embeddings to look at the relative use of affective and cognitive language. We then analyzed how that measure evolves over time, varies across individuals, and changes in response to electoral and media pressures.

This paper’s substantive contribution is, first, in showing that the secular trends in increasing polarization and increasing simplification of speaking styles have been accompanied by increasing intensity in the expression of emotion. This new rhetoric is more populist in nature, addressing polarized voters rather than fellow politicians, bureaucrats, or elites. In line with this key idea, we find that emotionality has been increasing over time in Congress while it has been decreasing in the broader culture. The steep increase since the 1970s appears to be related to the introduction of televised congressional debates via C-SPAN. These trends speak to the importance of media technology in the strategic value of emotional rhetoric, just as previous work has shown television’s connection with partisanship and populism (DellaVigna and Kaplan, 2007; Martin and Yurukoglu, 2017; Durante et al., 2019).

Second, we produce a series of results on how emotional rhetoric is related to power imbalance and conflict. Emotionality is higher for less empowered political minorities: women, hispanics, blacks, Jews, and Catholics. The status of being in the minority party and there-
fore having less power over policy increases emotional language. Relatedly, we find evidence for emotions as a response for conflict. They increase during wars. Income inequality is an ingredient for class conflict over redistribution, which we can observe in high emotional intensity on fiscal policy. And finally, we find evidence that the more divisive and ideologically polarized members of Congress tend to use more emotional rhetoric.

The new measurement approach and initial descriptive results set the stage for a number of further empirical studies. Notably, further research is needed to understand the role of television in increasing emotional rhetoric. This work could go beyond the introduction of C-SPAN, for example to focus on partisan cable news (e.g. Clinton and Enamorado, 2014; Arceneaux et al., 2016; Martin and Yurukoglu, 2017). Such an investigation should consider how electoral incentives interact with new visibility obtained through television to influence rhetorical choices of politicians.

Another important open question concerns the relation between emotionality and polarization. As affective polarization in the electorate is on the rise in the U.S and Europe alike (Iyengar et al., 2019), more attention should be devoted to understand the possible feedback loops between polarization and emotive speech in parliaments. Do politicians use more emotion when discussing people, policies, or principles?

Beyond these substantive avenues, the new emotionality metric could itself be a useful tool to be applied in other empirical contexts. In Congress, analyzing committee debates would be a natural next step to delve deeper into congressional dynamics. Measuring emotional expression in newsletters that congressmen send to their constituents would provide for interesting insights into linkages between a politician and her constituency. Outside of politics, news articles or television transcripts would be perfect candidates to provide evidence on how expressed emotion is used for different persuasive and professional purposes.

Finally, our methodology may inform experimental studies of how emotionality in political language influences voters. Using the emotion metric combined with generative language models (e.g. Radford et al., 2019; Brown et al., 2020), it is possible to identify or generate comparable political arguments that differ in their use of emotive language. More causal analysis of how emotions influence voters is needed to validate the mechanism of emotional rhetoric as a strategic response to voter preferences.
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**Table 1: Human Validation of Text Emotionality Measure**

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Panel A: Main Analysis

Panel B: Main Analysis by Decade

Panel C: Alternative Measures

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Notes. This table reports the results of the human validation. **Panel A** reports the main analysis with pairs formed by sentences with high and low emotionality scores. **Panel B** reports the breakdown of the main analysis by decade. **Panel C** reports results from alternative measures. **Full Sample** indicates the full set of annotated sentences. **Restricted Sample - English Comprehension** indicates a sample including only responses from coders who passed the English comprehension test. **Restricted Sample - Consistent Coding** indicates a sample including only responses consistently coded by two independent coders. **Accuracy** indicates the share of correct guesses over all guesses. **Blank** indicates the share of questions left blank over the total number of questions. **Sample** is the number of sentences in the sample.
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Figures

Figure 1: Semantic Poles for Rationality and Emotion

(a) Cognitive/Rational Language

(b) Affective/Emotional Language

The wordclouds show the dictionary words that are closest to the respective "poles" of the dimension in the embedding space corresponding to rationality/cognition (a) and affect/emotion (b). Size denotes closeness to the respective word-vector centroid.

Figure 2: Emotionality in U.S. Congress by Chamber, 1858-2014

Time series of emotionality in the Senate (red) and the House of Representatives (green).
Average emotionality by topic, 1970-2014. Panel A reports the emotionality score by topic. Panel B reports the ratio of average emotionality by topic for Republicans over Democrats, centered at 0. Values larger than 0 indicate the Republicans use more emotionality than Democrats when talking about the given topic. Values smaller than 0 indicate the Democrats use more emotionality than Republicans when talking about the given topic. The emotionality score is demeaned by the average level of emotionality in each Congress number. We include only policy topics. The topic Other is excluded.
Figure 4: Emotionality by Topic Over Time

Panel A

Time series of emotionality by topic, 1900-2014. Panel A reports all topics, excluding Other. Panel B reports the breakdown of the Economy topic into its three components, i.e. Fiscal Policy, Monetary Policy and Economic Policy.
Time series of emotionality in the House of Representatives for Democrats (blue) and Republicans (red), 1900-2014. Blue and red areas indicate Democratic majorities in the House of Representatives.
# Emotion and Reason in Political Language

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A.1 Most Emotional and Rational Sentences

He represented his constituents—the workers, the families, the disadvantaged—and made them proud with his tireless efforts at the statehouse in Topeka.

I thank the gentleman from Arizona, and I assure this House that if the Members would visit the Navajo Reservation, would visit the Navajos in their homes, and see the progress that has taken place, they would be proud of the Congress, they would be proud of the Indian Service, and they would be proud of democracy at work.

His strong and helping hand has always been ready to help a neighboring Oklahoman or a cause close to Oklahoma’s heart and interest, and the Oklahoma delegation is deeply grateful for this neighborly spirit on the part of Mr RAYBURN.

I went to speak today at the Health Security Express, those folks who have come cross-country fighting every single day and talking about health care, making it real for people.

Dear Senator LANGER: Let us congratulate you on your appeal to President Truman in behalf of the starving children and old folks of Germany and Austria.

We know he and his lovely wife, Marilyn, are pleased that the need for his services has passed and that they can enjoy their freedom to travel and visit their children, grandchildren and friends again.

Although tears will fall, we will be so grateful to continue to see you even as I speak, walking lightly in front of us.

Officer Wortham lived and died for these folks, for his friends and his neighbors and his countrymen.

So I rise, Mr Speaker, to note this anniversary of 25 years of service of Nancy D’Alesandro Pelosi, from the State of Maryland, the very proud State of Maryland, to have a daughter like Nancy, and a State that is proud of its citizen servant, Nancy Pelosi.

I am proud to be able to number the steelworkers among my friends, and I take pleasure in having this opportunity to pay tribute to this great and dedicated union.

I again emphasize that the pending proposed legislation merely represents guidelines for the executive branch to follow prior to the submission of project proposals for consideration by the Congress.

Speaker, I rise to seek a clarification from the manager of the bill regarding the agreement reached by conferees on the procedure for future appropriation requests for Indian irrigation projects.

This amendment contains technical fixes which include a clarification in the weighing provision of the bill and correction of the placement of language addressing observer coverage.

The Senate and House Committees on Government Operations received explanatory statements on these proposed disposals from the GSA several months after the authorizing act and the requirement for the submission of the outlines of the proposed sales to the committees had expired.

In agreeing to waive consideration of S 2009, the Foreign Affairs Committee does not waive any jurisdiction that it has over provisions in that bill, or the right to seek to participate in any conference on that bill, should one occur.

Speaker, I am making the point of order for the express purpose of preventing the consideration of the bill, inasmuch as the public law to which I have referred says that it shall not be in order for either House to consider a bill which contains such a provision.

Mr PILLION Mr Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to revise and extend my remarks and include the text of the bill I have introduced, an explanation of its provisions, and a summary explanation of the criteria contained in the bill.

I make the inquiry merely for clarification: Is it in order for a Senator to propose, even by unanimous consent, the amending of a resolution not then before the Senate for consideration?

The House conferees have agreed to modifications and clarifications of the House amendments which I believe render the bill acceptable as an interim measure pending a complete review of the Bank’s activities and authority.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendments for failure to comply with the provisions of clause 2 of rule 21, which, as I stated earlier, prohibits unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions in general appropriation bills.

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A.2 Most Emotional and Rational Sentences about Taxation

This so-called virtual elimination of the estate tax is an attack on the middle class and an abandonment of equity or fairness in taxation. Loopholes, you might say, or legitimate provisions in the Tax Code, were able to completely escape taxation.

The gentleman from Florida has stayed at the forefront of fighting wasteful spending and then seeking ways to reduce that, seeking ways to approach the budget process, changes, and also looking for ways to reduce the burden of taxation.

We were both very proud to watch you as you stated some real concerns and problems that we face with this unfair taxation.

There is an element of thought here that everyday Americans should surrender more and more and more and more of their hard-earned money to the Federal Government through taxation because Washington can somehow do a better job with that money.

No relationship between the level of taxation—换句话说，你可以提高税率到100%使一个人不能保留任何东西，这个人将最终不得不带回家什么都没有，但仍然会被激励去冒险用这笔钱来参与这个伟大的经济体系。

California is not suffering by the fact that it is proud to have businesses that share in their prosperity through the taxation process and through being good corporate neighborhoods.

If anything we are only closing up the deficit by increasing taxation, and under this President we have had the largest taxes imposed on the American people that they have ever seen.

They expect me to help drain the swamp, and providing relief from capital gains taxes and death taxes are two important ways to help Americans rise above the muck and mire of oppressive taxation.

The issues of excessive taxation and taxation without representation were the prime reasons sparking the Revolutionary War.

The need for congressional action in the area of interstate taxation has been long recognized and this remedial legislation is overdue.

It would have decided the fundamental questions of appropriation ceilings, and the equally important question of how the funds required by these appropriations would be secured—how much by taxation, and how much by higher public debt; that is to say, inflation.

There is simply a clear need for a rational system of taxation which will prevent double and multiple taxation currently experienced by many interstate movers.

Let's not allow the future of electronic commerce, with its great potential to expand the markets of Main Street businesses, to be crushed by the weight of discriminatory taxation.

In other words, the bill, through arbitrary and unrealistic definitions, allows companies to avoid taxation through certain manipulations.

In short, the problems in this entire area of State taxation are related and it is of the utmost importance that a practical, unified, and workable solution instead of a piecemeal solution be determined and enacted into law once the proposed study has been completed.

He was, in effect, a victim of double taxation since he was already paying ad valorem taxes in Alabama.

Speaker, the purpose of this meritorious legislation is to prevent the double taxation of income under the tax laws of the United States and of the United Kingdom.

Congress has a Constitutional responsibility to ensure that interstate commerce is not unduly burdened by State actions, including unfair and burdensome taxation of such commerce.

It would make assessments for the administration, maintenance, and operation of the homeowners association exempt from taxation.

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A.3 Most Emotional and Rational Sentences about Abortion

Notwithstanding the enormous responsibility of being the leader of the New York Archdiocese, which includes 413 churches, 283 schools, and 35 full and affiliate hospitals, he has repeatedly called on all Americans to face up to the cruelty and the inherent violence and injustice of abortion.

We need a new approach because at the start of this decade we had the most murders, the worst schools, the most abortions, the highest infant mortality rate, the most illegitimacy, the most one-parent families, the most children in Jail, and the most children on Government aid in the world.

Unlike the abortionist, Mr Speaker, who grows filthy rich by grinding, suctioning, poisoning, and dismembering the fragile bodies of unborn babies, the pro-lifers outside these baby slaughterhouses give of themselves to help both mother and child.

Denying Federal funds to poor women for abortions while making available more money to wealthy women to do the same, If they so choose, simply does not make sense.

Under the facade of getting tough on those few people who bomb abortion mills or use violence, the House is poised to stack the deck against peaceful pro-life activists so as to make them prey, an easy mark for ruinous prosecution and civil suits.

You can debate how much money we should spend on different programs, but these partial-birth abortions, when you stick a scissors into the back of a human life and you suck their brains out, there is no debating whether this is compassionate or heartless.

When someone first explained to me that, in the third trimester of a pregnancy, in the seventh, eighth, or ninth month of a pregnancy” that they would partially deliver a baby, and then with the baby going to live if they finish the delivery, at the last second, they would kill the baby in this abortion.

But it always has distressed me when sometimes these arguments come out about pro-life or pro-choice or abortion, that somehow, because a person is only a man, he does not get to have input on that.

Among industrialized nations at the start of this decade, we had the most murders the worst schools the most abortions the highest infant mortality the most illegitimacy the most one-parent families the most children in jail and the most children on government aid.

As a people, we should strive to be ”a just and loving society that does not abandon persons to the choice for abortion, particularly at taxpayer expense, but helps women even through the most difficult circumstances.

The Stenberg court reminded us what a long line of cases has held, that, quote, subsequent to viability, the State in promoting its interest in the potentiality of human life may if it chooses regulate, and even proscribe abortion, except, and they put this in italics, when it is necessary, in appropriate medical judgment, for the preservation of the life or health of the mother, unquote.

And I should note here that during the period in which DOH allowed private paid abortions in military facilities overseas, the regulations then clearly permitted third-trimester abortion only to preserve the life or physical health of the woman.

The cases cited, reaffirmed in Casey, recognize that a State cannot subject women’s health to significant health risks both in that context, and also where State regulations force women to use riskier methods of abortion.

Mr Chairman, I have reviewed records of grants and grant contracts which make it abundantly clear that HEW has sponsored research whose sole purpose 17218 or principle effect was to invent new techniques of performing abortions.

Under its provisions, a covered institution does not have to include the costs of an abortion procedure in insurance for its students or employees.

For many of us, a compromise on the abortion issue was a necessary prerequisite to the enactment of this legislation, While that debate was understandable and important, its unfortunate side effect was to distract many Members from focusing on the very valid and fundamental policy reasons justifying the remaining portions of the bill.

This Panel was convened to review the ethical considerations surrounding the use of tissue from induced abortions in federally funded human transplantation research.

Moreover, it went even further afield by reading into the modified Hyde amendment a mandate on the States to allow abortionists to waive reporting requirements in cases of rape or incest.

Based on our own understanding that the Medicaid Program is essentially a State-run program which receives Federal assistance, and taking into account the administration’s prior and repeated statements that States would maintain the flexibility of deciding whether or not to fund abortions, we did not believe that the Department of Health and Human Services would proceed to order the States to pay for abortions whenever Federal funding is available.

That is a ”truth in labeling” issue, and I am sure that my colleagues will support me in that cause, especially since this kind of honesty and clarity is absolutely necessary if the fundamental distinction or wall of separation between family planning and abortion is to be preserved and the problem of abortion in our society is to be eliminated.

Table A3: Emotional (top) and Rational (bottom) Sentences on Abortion
Random sample of 10 sentences from the top 1% most emotional/rational sentences that include the word ”abortion”, extracted from the top 5000 most emotional/rational documents in the corpus about Social Issues.
A.4 Emotionality and Sentiment

We further seek to investigate the relation between emotionality and sentiment, by distinguishing positive versus negative sentiment. For this purpose, we made analogous lexicons, starting with the seed lexicons from Demszky et al. (2019), which have 7 positive words and 5 negative words. We then enlarge those dictionaries to include, for each dictionary word, the 10 most similar words in our lexicon. The complete word lists are available in Appendix F.4. Let $\vec{P}$ and $\vec{N}$ be the centroids of the positive and negative dictionaries respectively. The measure of sentiment for each document $i$ is the ratio between its cosine similarity with the positive pole and the negative pole:

$$S_i = \frac{\text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{P}) + 1}{\text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{N}) + 1}$$

To explore the role of sentiment within our emotion and cognition dictionaries, we classify each word in the two dictionaries into a positive or negative sentiment subset. We do that by computing the sentiment score for each word in our dictionary, and assigning the label of the closer centroid. Hence, we divide our initial dictionaries into four subsets, and we construct centroids for the positive-emotive words ($\vec{A}_+$), negative-emotive words ($\vec{A}_-$), positive-cognitive words ($\vec{C}_+$), and negative-cognitive words ($\vec{C}_-$). As an indication for what semantic dimensions are encoded, Appendix Figure A1 shows clouds for the non-dictionary words in our lexicon that are closest to the centroids: positive-cognitive, positive-emotive, negative-cognitive, and negative-emotive, respectively. Word size indicate closeness to the centroid. The word clouds illustrate the clear, intuitive, and distinct flavors of language at each linguistic pole.

Figure A2 shows the joint distribution of emotionality and sentiment across speeches. There is no stark preponderance of positive or negative sentiment for different levels of emotionality. This suggests that emotionality and sentiment are two distinct dimensions in our corpus.
**Figure A1: Semantic Poles for Emotion, Cognition, and Sentiment**

Each wordcloud reports the dictionary words that are closest to the respective centroid. (a) describes the cognitive-positive centroid; (b) describes the emotional-positive centroid; (c) describes the cognitive-negative centroid; (d) describes the emotional-negative centroid. Size denotes closeness to the respective centroid. Distance is normalized to the maximum distance by dictionary.

### A.5 Summary Statistics of Emotionality Across Measures

In this section, we provide some descriptive statistics of the emotionality score over time. Table A4 reports the mean, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values for each decade and overall. Figure A3 reports the probability density histogram for the Emotionality score, for each decade in our sample. The distribution become flatter and with fatter tails over time.

Figure A4 reports the frequency distributions of score values in the corpus, for different measures employed in the paper. We compare the distribution of the main emotionality score with a widely used alternative, i.e. the count based measure as in equation 2. The most striking difference is the large incidence of observations with value 1, which corresponds to speeches where dictionary words are absent. This is visible also in the distributions of the Affect and Cognition scores separately. In this case, the distributions are centered around 0, as there is no smoothing, but their main message is the same.
Figure A2: Emotionality and Sentiment in U.S. Congress, 1858-2014
Joint distribution of Emotionality and Sentiment in U.S. Congress.

A.6 Example Sentences not Containing Lexicon Words

Table A5 reports samples of the most emotional sentences extracted from the most emotional and cognitive speeches. The samples only include sentences that do not contain any dictionary words. These sentences would all get a score of 1 when using the count-based measure as in equation 2.
Table A4: Summary Statistics of the Emotionality Score

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A.7 Additional Results from Human Annotations

Table A6 reports an additional assessment of our measure using annotations from alternative sentencing pairing procedures and measure specifications.

Panel A report the results of different sentence selection strategies, holding fixed our measure. In Selection 1, we extract a random sample of sentences from speeches, exclude sentences with a lot of procedural language, find their emotional score, and randomly pair sentences that come from the top and bottom 1% of the score distribution. In Selection 2, we follow the same procedure without excluding procedural sentences. In Selection 3, we extract a random sample of sentences from speeches, exclude sentences with a lot of procedural language, find their emotional score, and then randomly pair sentences that come from the top and bottom 5% of the score distribution. In Selection 4, we follow the same procedure without excluding procedural sentences. All results are consistent with the findings in the main table 1.

In Panel B, sentences are selected fully randomly. With this pairing process, sentences in the pair may or may not significantly differ in emotionality. We explore this by comparing
sentence pairs that diverge more along the metric score, indexed in standard deviations of the metric. When two sentences do not differ in emotionality very much (i.e. the score difference is between 0 and 1 standard deviations), then coders’ guess is barely better than random. As the measured divergence between sentence pairs increases, the measured ranking tends to agree more with the human-judged ranking.

In Panel C, we explore variations in how the measure is constructed. Our main measure is constructed starting form SIF-weighted centroids, both for the emotional and cognitive poles in the embedding space, and equally weighted document vectors. In Measure 1, we use unweighted centroids. In Measure 2 both centroids and document vectors are unweighted. Results are robust to these variations, even though our main strategy seems to better approximate human judgement.
A.8 Most Emotional States and Members of Congress

We collapse our dataset on emotionality by speech at the State level, for two different time periods (1958-2008, 2009-2014). Figure A5 reports the relative use of emotionality across States for the two time periods. Next, we consider Members of Congress who have pronounced at least 10 speeches since 2009. Table A7 reports, for each Chamber, the ten politicians that are associated with highest and lowest average emotionality from 2009 to 2014.
Figure A4: Distribution of Alternative Emotionality Scores

Frequency distribution of values of affect, cognition, and their combination in the full corpus. Emotionality score refers to the main measure as in equation 1; Affect score refers to the cosine similarity between the affect centroid and each document vector; Cognition score refers to the cosine similarity between the cognition centroid and each document vector. Tf-Idf-based score refers to the main dictionary based measure as in equation 2; Tf-Idf-based Affect score refers to the sum of Tf-Idf scores over words from the Affect dictionary; Tf-Idf-based Cognition score refers to the sum of Tf-Idf scores over words from the Cognition dictionary. In Tf-Idf measure, the data are trimmed at the 90th percentile.
I could go on and on and say the same thing about West Virginia’s coal miners, steel workers, loggers, and chemical plant workers all of whom are truly the hardest working, finest people you ever spend time with.

I know the eyes and ears of Minnesotans and South Dakota and North Dakota residents have been watching and they thank you as well.

Officer Wortham lived and died for these folks, for his friends and his neighbors and his countrymen.

Madam Speaker, this past weekend we remembered the brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for this Nation.

No matter how we say it, the Sky Tavern Junior Ski Program In northern Nevada deserves our special recognition and congratulations.

Every weekend Ruthie and I travel around my district and often meet amazing people, individuals who are truly dedicated to being the backbone of our community.

President, I am delighted to join my colleagues in paying this highly deserved tribute to a great friend and neighbor, MARGARET SMITH.

When the parade of October 15 comes and Mr Aristide is hoisted to shoulders of his countrymen and there is a great parade and celebration, something will be lacking in that country, and something that we have created will exist in that country.

When I go home today and I meet those folks that I represent, the people who are not going to get one iota of a tax break on relief, the people in my district currently are probably the hardest working folks, senior citizens, that have paid their way, that have given us the riches that we have in this country.

And generally the crowds that come to those events are older folks, senior citizens especially in Florida, veterans of many wars.

I would ask the Senator from Wyoming if he shares my view that it was the intention of the conferees that funds be released under this provision only in the discretion of the Attorney General, and that the criteria contained within the provision are intended only to determine when States and localities may request such funds.

The conferees accepted the 4-year extension proposed by the Senate, with the maximum annual authorization retained at $5 million.

The amendment, as further modified, is as follows: "Provided, That any reprogramming submission under this General Provision shall be referred concurrently to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; [...]"

The distinguished chairman of the subcommittee, Senator ABDNOR, has already outlined the aggregate total for the bill, but I believe that they bear some repeating.

The conferees recommend an appropriation of $14,653,000 for the Office of Technology Assessment and a new personnel ceiling of 139.

Finally, the amendment provides that the Secretary of the Treasury may not implement the provisions of the act unless he is satisfied that the selection process was conducted in accordance with these criteria.

This criteria outlines that before the President imposes, expands, or extends export controls under this section, he shall submit to Congress a report, and one, two, three, four, five different stipulations.

Speaker, I would call the gentleman’s attention to page 3 of the joint resolution now before the House, and address his attention to line 11 and the words, as follows: "Provided, That no provision which is included in an appropriation Act enumerated in this subsection [...]"

It comes in on page 16, line 2, after the words ""District of Columbia,"" and proposes to strike out the period and insert a comma and the words ""and data related to proposed appropriations incorporated in the annual budget transmitted by the President"

Now, the criteria and procedures set forth in such final proposal shall take effect at the end of the first period of 60 calendar days of continuous session of the Congress after the date of submission unless either the Senate or the House adopts a resolution during such period stating that it does not approve such final proposal.

Table A5: Most Emotional (top) and Rational (bottom) Sentences without Dictionary Words

Random sample of 10 sentences from the top 1% most emotional/rational sentences, extracted from the top 5000 most emotional/rational documents in the corpus. All sentences with dictionary words are excluded.
## Table A6: Human Validation - Additional Results

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| 2-3 sd                               | 0.62        | 0.638                                  | 0.636                             |
| 3-4 sd                               | 0.731       | 0.778                                  | 0.879                             |
| 4-5 sd                               | 0.792       | 0.85                                  | 0.85                              |

| Panel C: Measure Variations          |             |                                        |                                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------------|                                   |
| Measure 1                            | 0.751       | 0.802                                  | 0.828                             |
| Measure 2                            | 0.753       | 0.829                                  | 0.817                             |

**Notes.** This table reports the results of the human validation with random sentence pairs. **Full Sample** indicates the full set of annotated sentences. **Restricted Sample - English Comprehension** indicates a sample including only responses from coders who passed the English comprehension test. **Restricted Sample - Consistent Coding** indicates a sample including only responses consistently coded by two independent coders. **Accuracy** indicates the share of correct guesses over all guesses. **Blank** indicates the share of questions left blank over the total number of questions. **Sample** is the number of sentences in the sample. Panel A reports different sentence selection procedures. In Selection 1, we extract random pairs among the top and bottom 1% of the score distribution, without procedural language. In Selection 2, we do the same, including procedural language. In Selection 3, we extract random pairs among the top and bottom 5% of the score distribution, without procedural language. In Selection 4, we do the same, including procedural language. Panel B reports results from completely random pairs. sd indicates standardized score difference within the pairs. Panel C reports results from variations on our main measure. Measure 1 has unweighted centroids. Measure 2 has unweighted centroids and document vectors.
Figure A5: Emotionality in U.S. Congress by State, 1858-2008 and 2009-2014
Aggregate score of emotionality in U.S. Congress by State for historical (1858-2008) and recent periods (2009-2014).

Table A7: Most Emotional and Cognitive Members of Congress

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**B Additional Material on Emotionality over Time**

**B.1 Alternative Measure of Emotionality: Tf-Idf**

This appendix provides results with a more traditional dictionary-based specification for measuring emotive language. Specifically, for each speech and each dictionary, we calculate the sum of the frequency of dictionary words. The final score is the ratio between the affect and the cognitive score:

\[
Y_i = \frac{1 + \sum_{w \in (i \cap A)} f(w)}{1 + \sum_{w \in (i \cap C)} f(w)} \tag{2}
\]

Where \( A \) is the dictionary of affective words, \( C \) is the dictionary of cognitive words, and \( i \cap A \) and \( i \cap C \) indicate sets of words in speech \( i \) that belong to dictionary \( A \) or \( C \). \( f \) is the tf-idf frequency of word \( w \) calculated on the whole corpus. We test the validity of this measure against human judgment in Table 1 and indicate it as Word Count. Figure A6 shows that the trends in emotionality detected with this measure are very consistent with our main analysis.

![Figure A6: Emotionality in U.S. Congress, 1858-2014](image)

Time series of emotionality in Congress. The score for each speech is the ratio between the sum of Tf-Idf values for affect words over cognitive words contained in the speech.
B.2 Alternative Measure of Emotionality: Vector Distance

This appendix provides results with a measure of emotionality using the method by Kozlowski et al. (2019). Specifically, starting from our affect and cognition centroid, we take their difference to elicit the affect-cognition dimension. The final score for each document is the cosine similarity between the normalized document vector and the normalized affect-cognition dimension vector:

$$Y_i = \frac{\vec{d}_i (\vec{A} - \vec{C})}{||\vec{d}_i|| \ ||\vec{A} - \vec{C}||}$$

Where $\vec{d}$ is the document vector, $\vec{A}$ is the centroid of the affect dictionary, $\vec{C}$ is the centroid of the cognition dictionary, and $|| \cdot ||$ indicates the norm. We test the validity of this measure against human judgement in Table 1, indicated as $Sim \ A\vec{C}$. Figure A7 shows that the trends in emotionality detected with this measure are very consistent with our main analysis.

![Figure A7: Emotionality in U.S. Congress, 1858-2009](image)

Time series of emotionality in Congress. The score for each speech is the cosine similarity between the A-C vector and each document vector.
B.3 Emotionality over Time Partialling out Demographics and Topics

How much of the temporal change in emotionality can be explained by changes in the demographic composition of the Congress? And how much by ideological polarization? To answer this question we take the residuals of a regression of the raw emotionality score on demographic and ideological variables, and plot their evolution over time after adding back the mean. Figure A8 reports the residuals of emotionality after controlling for demographic characteristics, and compares it to the main emotionality score. This should rule out temporal changes in emotionality that are only driven by changes in the demographic composition of the Congress. Figure A9 also include party affiliation, ideology, and fixed effects of speech topics.

B.4 Readability over Time

In this section we explore how readability or simplicity of Congress speeches has evolved over time. For each speech, we calculate the average sentence length (including all tokens). Analogously, we calculate average word length at the speech level. We then take yearly averages of the speech-level averages and plot them over time. In Figure A10, we plot the evolution of average sentence length over time. In Figure A11, we plot the evolution of average word length over time. Both measures are normalized with respect to their maximum value. The two measures reveal that there is no clear pattern in language complexity over time.

B.5 Emotionality over Time in Google Books Corpus

In this section, we account for possible time variations in the level of emotionality in the English language. We calculate our emotionality score on the corpus of Google Books unigrams, and average the score by year. Figure A12 shows that emotionality has on average declined in that corpus. Next, we normalize our main score by the metrics constructed on Google unigrams. If changes in the language drive our results, then the trend should disappear once we plot the normalized score. This does not seem to be the case, as shown in Figure A13.
Figure A8: **Unexplained Emotionality in U.S. Congress, 1914-2014**
The score for each speech is the residual of a regression of the emotionality score on dummies for gender, race (Black, Hispanic, Asian) and religion (Catholic, Jews), after adding back the mean.

Figure A9: **Unexplained Emotionality in U.S. Congress, 1914-2014**
The score for each speech is the residual of a regression of the emotionality score on dummies for gender, race (Black, Hispanic, Asian), religion (Catholic, Jews), party, topic and the squared DW-NOMINATE score, after adding back the mean.
Figure A10: Readability in U.S. Congress, 1858-2014
Time series of readability as average sentence length in U.S. Congress.

Figure A11: Readability in U.S. Congress, 1858-2014
Time series of readability as average word length in U.S. Congress.
Figure A12: Emotionality in Google Books
Time Series of emotionality in Google unigrams, 1900-2009. The score is calculated for each year, over all available unigrams.

Figure A13: Normalized Emotionality in U.S. Congress, 1900-2009
Time Series of emotionality in Congress. The score is normalized by the yearly average emotionality score in Google unigrams.
C Additional Material on Separating Affect and Cognition

C.1 Correlation between Affect and Cognition

Speakers may decide to use emotional and cognitive language in the same speech. Our approach allows us to disentangle the two components of the final emotionality score and analyse their evolution over time. Figure A14 plots yearly averages for closeness to the affect centroid and closeness to the cognition centroid. We observe that over time, political speech has been constantly moving away from logical discourse. At the same time, average affect has increased, and it is mainly responsible for the increase in the emotionality score starting from the late 1970s.

Figure A15 shows the correlation between the affect and cognition scores at the speech level, by chamber and over time. We demean the affect and cognition scores by topic and decile of sentence length, to avoid that the the correlation is driven by specific topics or by predominantly longer or shorter sentences. Results show that, in the multidimensional word embedding space, there is a positive correlation between affect and cognition throughout the time period, although they are far from collinear.

C.2 Identity Characteristics Correlated with Affect and Cognition

Table A8 reports the same results as in Table 2 on the two separate components of the emotionality score. Panel A has results for affect similarity, \( \text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{A}) \), while panel B has results for cognition similarity, \( \text{sim}(\vec{d}_i, \vec{C}) \). A positive estimate in our main table corresponds to a more positive estimate in Panel A and a more negative estimate in Panel B.

The results can be summarized, line by line, as follows:

- The positive effect on roll call voting (DW-NOMINATE) of emotionality consists of a positive effect for both affect and cognition, but the affect effect is larger.

- The positive effect on emotionality of Democrats consists of a negative effect on both margins, but a larger negative effect for cognition.
- The positive effects for female gender, black race, hispanic race, and catholic religion, are a positive emotion effect and negative cognition effect.

These are some notable differences with the main table of results. The statistical associations for gender and ethnicity are the least ambiguous.
Figure A14: AFFECT AND COGNITION SEPARATELY IN U.S. CONGRESS, 1858-2009
Time series of affect and cognition in Congress. The score for each speech is the cosine similarity between
the Affect or Cognition vectors and each document vector.

Figure A15: CORRELATION BETWEEN SPEECH-LEVEL AFFECT AND COGNITION IN U.S.
CONGRESS, 1858-2009
Correlation between speech-level affect and cognition in Congress, by chamber and Congress number. For
each speech, we calculate the cosine similarity between the Affect or Cognition vectors and each document
vector; then we plot the correlation between these two.
## Table A8: Affect, Cognition and Individual Traits

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Notes. Each column shows the OLS regression of the standardized cosine similarity of each speech with the affect centroid (Panel A) or cognition centroid (Panel B), on individual politician characteristics. The sample is composed of all speeches pronounced by Democrat and Republican Members of Congress between 1858 and 2014. All specifications include chamber-year fixed effects. Column 6 also include topic fixed effects. Standard errors are clustered at the politician level. *, **, *** denote significance at the 10%, 5%, and 1% levels, respectively.
D Additional Material on Topics

D.1 Emotionality by Detailed Topics

Figure A16 reports emotionality by topic, for detailed topics. The mapping between detailed and aggregated topics is available in Appendix Table A11.

D.2 Prevalence of Topics over time

We report the relative prevalence of broad topic categories in Congress speeches over time. Figure A17 reports the proportion across all topics. Figure A18 looks at the relative proportion of topics, after eliminating the procedural speeches.

D.3 Main Time Series without Procedure

Figure A19 reports the main time series after excluding procedural speeches, as identified by the Procedure topic. The time trends are not affected by this robustness check.
Figure A16: Emotionality by Topic
Emotionality by Topic, for detailed topics, 1900-2014
Figure A17: Prevalence of Topics in U.S. Congress, 1900-2014
Prevalence by Broad Topic Categories in the U.S. Congress.

Figure A18: Prevalence of Topics in U.S. Congress w/o Procedure Topic, 1900-2014
Prevalence by Broad Topic Categories in the U.S. Congress, excluding procedural speeches.
Figure A19: EMOTIONALITY IN U.S. CONGRESS W/O PROCEDURE TOPIC, 1858-2014
Time series of emotionality in the Senate (red) and the House of Representatives (green), excluding procedural speeches.
E Additional Material on Individual Features

E.1 Emotionality and Opposition

Table A9 reports the regression estimates on how emotionality varies by opposition status.

Table A9: Emotionality and Opposition

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Notes. Each column shows the OLS regression of the standardized emotionality score in a given speech on opposition status. The sample is composed of speeches pronounced by Democrat and Republican Members of Congress, between 1858 and 2014. Opposition is a dummy equal to one if the speech is given by a member of the party representing the minority in a given chamber and year. Standard errors are clustered at the politician level. *,**, *** denote significance at the 10%, 5%, and 1% levels, respectively.

E.2 Emotionality by Individual Characteristics

Table A10 reports additional robustness checks on Table 2. It also includes estimates for restricted time periods in columns 3 to 5. This last estimates reveal that there is no substantive change in the correlation between individual characteristics and emotionality over time. The same in confirmed by the time series in Figure A20.

E.3 Emotionality and Ideology

Figure A21 plots the raw emotionality score against ideology measured as the DW nominate score (dimension 1).
Figure A20: Emotionality in U.S. Congress by Gender and Race, 1914-2014
Time series of emotionality in U.S. Congress by gender (male vs. female) and race (white vs. non white).

Figure A21: Emotionality and Policy Ideology
Binned scatter plot of the raw emotionality score and ideology, for the full sample of speeches, 1858-2014. The horizontal axis reports the DW Nominate Score, dimension 1; the vertical axis reports the average emotionality score by bin.
### Table A10: Emotionality and Individual Features - Additional Controls

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Chamber-Year FE: Y Y Y Y Y
Topics FE: Y Y Y Y Y
Observations: 5 533 119 1 853 335 1 901 693 773 373
R-squared: 0.37 0.37 0.32 0.36 0.51

**Notes.** Each column shows the OLS regression of the standardized emotionality score in a given speech on individual politician characteristics. The sample is composed of all speeches pronounced by Democrat or Republican Members of Congress between 1858 and 2014 in columns 1 and 2, and in the indicated time periods in columns 3 to 5. All specifications include chamber-year and topic fixed effects. Standard errors are clustered at the politician level. *, **, *** denote significance at the 10%, 5%, and 1% levels, respectively.
F Additional Material on Methods

F.1 Text Pre-processing

We identify and drop readings of pieces of legislation as those containing list identifiers, e.g. (a), (b). We then take the following pre-processing steps to obtain the document vectors: (1) Remove punctuation, (2) Remove capitalization, (3) Tokenize, (4) Remove digits, (5) Remove words with less than three letters, (6) Assign parts of speech to words, and keep only Adjectives, Verbs, and Nouns, (7) Stemming (Snowball Stemmer), (8) Remove stopwords.


The model is trained on the full set of sentences obtained by splitting the documents in the corpus. The above-mentioned steps are applied to the sentences, and the final corpus is then used as an input to the word embedding model.

F.2 Word List Pre-Processing

First, we exclude non-verbal expressions (e.g. emojis), punctuation, digits, and multi-word expressions. We applied the remaining wildcard expressions to WordNet’s list of English words and filtered the lists by part of speech (noun, adjective, verb). This procedure eliminates 185 words from the dictionary of cognitive language, and 293 words from the dictionary of affective language. We examined the resulting output and excluded false positive matches (such as “admir*” matching to “admiral”).

To discover additional outlier words, we computed the cosine distance in embedding space from each word to the centroid of the associated lexicon using spaCy’s pre-trained GloVe model (Pennington et al., 2014) and then excluded the most dissimilar words. This procedure excludes words that do not fit well semantically into the group of affective words).
We qualitatively tuned this threshold and settled on removing the top quartile of words in terms of cosine distance. This procedure eliminates 279 words from the dictionary of cognitive language and 536 words from the dictionary of affective language. Appendix F.6 lists all the excluded words.

Finally, we stemmed the remaining words using the snowball stemmer. At the end of the process, we have a list of stemmed nouns, verbs, and adjectives representing affective processing (848 tokens) and cognitive processing (359 tokens). Appendix F.5 provides the two final dictionaries and the frequency of each dictionary word in the corpus.

F.3 Inverse Frequency Weighting for Emotion/Reason Vectors and Speech Vectors

In the baseline specification for the speech vectors and for the vectors representing emotion and cognition, we follow the advice of Arora et al. (2016) and take the weighted average of the vectors, up-weighted by the smoothed inverse frequency (SIF). Formally, for speech $i$ containing a list of words indexed by $w$ with corresponding vectors $\vec{w}$. The document vector for speech $i$ is computed as

$$\vec{d}_i = \frac{1}{|i|} \sum_{w \in i} \frac{\alpha f(w) + \alpha}{f(w) + \alpha} \vec{w}$$

(4)

where $|i|$ is the number of tokens in the speech, $f(w)$ is the relative frequency of word $w$ in the corpus, and $\alpha = 0.001$ is a smoothing parameter. This expression gives the centroid (average) of the vectors of the words, weighted by smoothed inverse frequency. This aggregation metric serves to up-weight relatively rare words, which tend to be more informative about a speech’s distinctive content.

Formally, the poles are the respective (SIF-weighted) vector centroids for the affective and cognitive lexicons, calculated as in Equation (4). We also experiment with unweighted document vectors for the emotion and cognition centroids, and for speeches. Results are robust to those changes, although SIF weighting improves the validation scores with human judgement (Appendix Table A6).
F.4 Dictionaries for Sentiment

We start from two short dictionaries used by Demszky et al. (2019) for positive and negative language.

**Positive:** donat, heart, thought, strength

**Negative:** hatr, hate, griev, grief, wrong

We exclude the word “solidar” from the original positive dictionary, because in our embedding model it is strongly related to Solidarity, the Polish trade union movement. Most related words to “solidar” are indeed “polish”, “ukranian” and “lithuanian”. The words “love” and “bless” are also excluded as they are not part of the model vocabulary. We enlarge those dictionaries by including the 10 closest words in our model lexicon. We stem them and eliminate those stems that appear in our emotion or cognition dictionaries. The final unique stems are used to construct our positive and negative dictionaries.

**Positive:** almighti, benedict, bequest, bit, bosom, bounteou, capabl, charit, chariti, comrad, contribut, donor, etern, fortun, frankli, gift, gladden, god, inmost, moment, moral, nonprofit, philanthrop, prestig, pulsat, resili, solac, solicit, son, soul, spiritu, statur, subscript, superpow, tenderest, thee, thing, throb, touch, wonder

**Negative:** animos, bigot, bigotri, despic, detest, fanatic, heartach, heartbroken, heinou, inconsol, intoller, mistak, mistaken, racism, racist, sadden, someth, strife, vile

F.5 Dictionary word count

We report there the affect dictionary words with their count in the corpus:

- support (1765047), import (1421015), like (1327182), great (1195251), urge (1147658), care (1018579), help (945406), concern (834363), thank (744248), opportun (663106), defens (64762), poet (560160), interest (515530), critic (358826), credit (355314), favor (344079), open (300082), give (318834), person (297694), vahs (295900), fight (273728), encourag (255137), fail (254356), relief (244541), argument (231996), attack (231244), will (231176), difficult (231129), greater (230193), trust (226411), wrong (223848), pleas (222760), lost (215665), suprem (207407), unfortun (203479), danger (199621), lose (194573), engag (191979), privileg (191819), intelli (190802), success (190361), threat (186095), suffer (185778), promis (182905), abus (182144), plag (181065), profit (174714), vital (174202), reject (169572), kall (168554), defend (159789), proud (159078), poor (154155), damag (148873), bad (148577), honor (146566), glad (141824), fear (136374), greatest (136084), victim (135533), advantag (135199), safe (134334), defeat (130311), argu (130044), sever (128463), treat (124171), failur (123622), miss (122448), avoid (121982), troubl (121900), violenc (121248), strength (119151), dissat (118716), enjoy (117240), terroriz (111688), good (109358), threaten (108020), terror (107324), inset (106251), struggl (105775), difficulti (104814), ignor (104205), excel (103453), courag (102785), chang (102261), kid (99418), strength (98544), impress (97810), disagre (95952),
We report there the cognition dictionary words with their count in the corpus:

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F.6 Excluded dictionary words

The following words have been excluded from the dictionary on affect:

battlement, challengeable, helpful, treasury, struggle, ache, vitalism, amortize, sentimentalize, neatest, benefic, harmfulfulness, murderess, amor-
The following words have been excluded from the dictionary on cognition:

perceptually, causway, figuration, meaninglessness, mightwe, oughta, fuse, mustve, causeless, purest, undo, dissimilarity, whichever, figurall, indirectness, allowance, imaginatively, activating, preferment, total, pretend, ignition, effector, correctable, disorienting, curiousness, reevaluation, informatively, perceptibly, mindfulness, mindfully, didit, spitzville, incompleteness, variability, unclearly, attributive, provably, links, wast, obscurantism, commits, comprehensibility, ponderousness, marginalia, couthly, forceps, identifier, persuader, picked, productiveness, reactance, imaging, reflector, unambiguity, needst, stimulative, excluding, vaquer, analyst, separatist, marginalize, triggerfish, proper, reasoner, closure, theorization, memorizer, obscurantist, how, fundamenta, wanna, optionally, analyzer, reactivity, logicism, ambiguously, completed, ponderous, theorem, purism, respectively, referent, secretly, unsolvable, production, lotof, obediently, deducible, effectually, perceptively, bordered, older, correctional, haven, cannot, undid, maker, caustic, launcher, unquestioningly, wearable, ignorer, decisiveness, wouldbe, baaz, precussions, version, shouldve, sortof, pureness, categorial, reactant, persceiver, exacta, ponderosa, lotta, caucistically, factuality, expectable, correlative, rearrangement, quern, betting, purposeless, evaluator, perfects, cohere, kindof, approximately, borderland, confessor, reactionism, versus, ignorer, shouldnt, disorient, implicative, curiously, extremely, Okay, overall, comprehensibility, probabilistically, reactor, aint, stimulant, be, vaquer, recognition, link, meaningfulness, manipulatively, separateness, theoriz, reconstructive, confessional, deducible, querulousness, complete, inductive, categoric, ardent, analysable, restructure, analysand, activator, ignore, hound, resoluteness, distinctness, discriminant, superlative, knowledgeably, indirection, splitter, assumptive, rationalistic, rootless, con, marginalization, morally, guarantor, activation, border, inductor, beta, corrections, activated, categorized, induction, figurene, heeded, bosses, purposefulness, expectorator, unquestioning, producer, puzzle, mustad, referee, complex, manipulator, reconstructed,motoreless, uncleanness, logically, proverbia, adjustable, space, diagnosable, rationalist, addtest, purposesickness, rooting, jua, unawares, actuator, reasoner, cant, tryna, excludes, obscurely, rootbound, inquirer, convincible, reactive, expectorate, relatedness, logicicism, attentitionally, understandingly, generator, founded, insufficiencies, sorta, lotus, reflectively, vocationally, querns, referendum, explicitness, curio, marginality, mischief, generate, overlooked, identity, oppositely, ponderously, wouldnt, adjust, persuasiveness, disorientation, optional, premier, presuppositionally, fuzzed, induce, undone, category, indуют, referal, launching, examiner, consequently, kicks, perceptiveness, figurehead, prescribable, coulndnt, uncered, werrend, provence, provencal, explorer, separation, reflectiveness, vs, enactment, info, namely, launch, possibility, appeared, analyze, infallibility, exacton, blursed, reorganized, analyticity, diagnostician, distinguishable, initiation, informing, particularly, rootstock, grasping, else, everytime, noticea, lot
### F.7 List of Topics in Speeches

In Table A11, we report all the topics produced by the LDA model and our categorization in macro categories.

**Table A11: List of Topics and Topic Categories**

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F.8 Most emotional and cognitive sentences by decade

In the next table, we report some prototypical speech snippets that correspond to the emotional and rational poles, for each decade in our corpus. Analogously to Table A1, we select the 10000 most emotional speeches and the 10000 most cognitive speeches by decade. We then extract 10 random sentences among the 5% highest and lowest scoring sentences within the sample. Again, there is a clear differential in the tone, following intuitive language for logic and emotion across all decades.
1858-1867

The State of New Hampshire may look upon this day and these names we celebrate as her pride and special glory.

He knows what I mean, and he knows whether they have endeavored in vain to satisfy their people, the people among whom they lived and who are their constituents, that out of it would come a safer and better order of things, in which men could entertain whatever convictions they pleased and utter them with impunity at the South and in Mississippi as they can in Massachusetts, on any platform and on every platform; that they could walk up to the polls as they can in Massachusetts, and he who puts a straw across the path of the humblest voter in Massachusetts will have the whole power of her judicial and her executive officers visited upon him to the utmost.

The mountains round about the home of his youth were not more firmly fixed in their abiding place than the faith in God and His law which came to him with his first breath; and their sides were not more rugged or hard to climb than the path along which his early footsteps were led.

We are not only cursed by the want of troops, but we are cursed in another way in those Territories.

Although his body is overscarred with wounds received while defending the flag of his adopted country, yet this dismissal is the deepest wound of all inflicted upon that gallant and noble officer.

That day has passed, at least it is so in this country, and to their honor be it said, to the Catholics and Baptists of the United States the glory is due to having been the first two denominations—the Baptists a little in the lead—to establish on this continent full, unqualified religious freedom.

Eliza Pinkston's husband was killed in the dead hour of night by a democratic band of marauders and her child was taken from her arms and butchered.

It is a question of endurance, as it was announced, and if it becomes necessary we can divide into squads and fight you just as well as the whole can fight you, and we honestly believe we can endure with you, and we propose at least to try it.

And that was the terrible fellow who was there in the wonderful uniform awing the black voters and frightening them from exercising their constitutional privileges. Thus passes away the glory of that calico uniform.

Capital hero achieves a heartless victory over the debtor and the laborer, and the suffering which this victory may bring to countless firesides may sooner or later provoke retaliation.

Of course if this can be disposed of without debate, I have no objection to any suggestion which may be made; but if it is proposed to have a debate here on what is called "civil-service reform," I think we have not time for that.

It is in these words: From the facts thus presented, it clearly appears that the bill which was a bill covering all these claims that the bill under consideration is not necessary to remedy any default of the old continental congress, nor is it necessary to supply any sort of omission upon the part of the United States.

That may be true, not from anything reported by the Committee on Roads and Canals; but nevertheless here is the rule, by which it appears there is express provision made for the consideration by the Committee on Railways and Canals of all matters touching the improvement of the navigation of rivers.

I make the point of order on that that it proposes to instruct the conferees to change what the two Houses have agreed to.

But since the amendment in no way affects the money objects of the bill, the Chair prefers to sustain the point of order on the ground that the amendment is not in his judgment a provision that tends to retrench expenditure, while it must be a provision that the gentleman from New York introduces for the purpose of effecting a new regulation or a change of existing law.

It is reported from the Committee on the Revision of the Laws with the unanimous sanction of that committee.

I will read the sentence: And no Department or officer of the Government shall, during said fiscal year, make any contract or incur any liability for the future payment of money under any of the provisions of title 26 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

I only ask now for the decision of the Chair whether it is not in order to proceed with the consideration of this bill under the rules of the House and under the precedents which have been established.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, resumed the consideration of the bill to authorize the construction of a narrow-gauge railroad from Bismarck to the Black Hills.

We have stricken out, it will be observed, the appropriation of $1,000 and inserted $500, and we have added: And for the purpose of limiting the appropriations, the head of each Department shall report to Congress, at the beginning of the next session of Congress, which is only about four months off the condition of the several libraries in his Department, the number of volumes in each, and duplicates in all, and a plan for consolidating the same, so that hereafter there shall be but one library in each Department, and the amount of annual appropriation necessary to maintain said departmental library.
The Secretary of the Interior will hear the case ex parte; these men will have the ablest lawyers in the country, they will be down here besieging the Department, the atmosphere around them will be all in favor of this wealthy corporation, and what can the poor homesteader up in Michigan do to defend himself against such a conglomeration?

We have not realized the suffering of those who have bought our wheat and our corn, what sacrifices they have made to pay for them.

I recollect a celebrated orator stated it was impossible to convey an adequate conception of the horrors of war unless you described a single case, that of a family, for instance, where the mother and her lovely daughters lived in happiness and apparent safety.

I desire to say that the president, the cashier, and the directors of the Cleveland bank referred to are among the ablest, richest, and best men of both political parties in the northern part of the State.

If his company was reduced in battle to the number of twenty, he might be proud then of the prowess of those men who met with misfortune; but when they are reduced by desertion; or when they are reduced because of a refusal on the part of Congress to fill up these fragments of companies and regiments, then he is not proud.

Is a man who left the Army a perfectly healthy man who is perfectly able as a clerk or stenographer or anything else to make a handsome living, because he has been disabled by the kick of a horse or anything else in the last few years to get a pension?

I simply desire to say this: There are many captains’ widows drawing much larger pay than is proposed to be given to this lady.

Your magnificent docks, lining your Atlantic coast from New York to Galveston, would rot to the water’s edge and your once vast carrying trade—alas, no longer vast, but dwindled under Republican rule to that of a fifth-rate power—would be eaten up by the barnacles of the ocean, every vessel of it.

Each one became a political emissary among the negroes who were hired by the whites, or living on rented patches of their plantations; the struggle of each was to get twenty-five little negroes together and obtain a petition from their fathers or mothers to the school board for the erection of a school-house, and his appointment as their preceptor; for it must be remembered from reading Mr. B. McRide’s evidence that the law gave an absolute right to the parents of each twenty-five negro children, no matter whether they paid a dollar of tax or not, no matter though they might be living on another man’s place and only there for a limited time, to have a school-house furnished and a schoolmaster appointed for their accommodation.

I repeat what I said to-day, and I do it under the solemnity of the position I hold on this floor, that ladies of the highest respectability, ladies of real accomplishments, ladies who have enjoyed wealth and luxury in life, who are now strong and active and ready to work, have come to me in the Marble room of the Senate Chamber, with the blanch of hunger on their faces, asking for opportunity at the hands of Senators, including myself, to obtain employment.

It is proposed, in line 3, to strike out the word “contingent;” so that the clause will read: That in addition to the unexpended balance of the fund heretofore appropriated the sum of $200,000 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, etc.

Beginning in line 24, the amendment reads: And for the purposes of the foregoing provision the sum of $6,000,000 is hereby appropriated, to be available during six years from the date of the ex.

It further provides that when so approved they then shall be subject to the provisions of section 846 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, which makes the same provision as to the accounts of United States attorneys, marshals, and United States commissioners.

The consideration of the proposed rules as reported has been concluded; but the Chair understands that the substitute offered by the minority of the committee at the time the consideration of these rules was entered upon is pending.

I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of what is called the anti-contraction bill. The motion was agreed to; and the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, resumed the consideration of the bill to provide against the contraction of the currency, and for other purposes.

President, the precise condition of the bill now is this: the Senate has voted for the retention of the provision recommended by the Senate Committee on Pensions extending a pension to all who need it.

The Chair lays before the Senate a letter from the Treasurer of the United States, transmitting, in compliance with the requirements of section 311 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, fair and accurate copies of the accounts rendered to and settled with the First Comptroller for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1890.

The Clerk read Mr. Holman’s proposed amendment, as follows: Insert after line 1751 the following: "But no part of the money appropriated by the foregoing provision shall be expended nor any of said clerks employed in the preparation, recording, or issuing of patents to land-grant railroad companies, or to States for their benefit, for land to which such companies were not by law entitled to patents when the time expired within which by the respective laws making such grants the railroads of such companies were required to be completed, until otherwise directed by Congress.

The point of order being insisted on the original resolution, as the Chair has already stated, proposed simply to apply so much money out of the contingent fund as might be necessary; that money having already been appropriated, but the substitute proposes to make a new appropriation, and therefore the Chair thinks the point of order is well taken, and the matter should have its first consideration under the rule in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The law which created that park provided for it in various ways, appropriated some money, and then closed with this clause: Nothing in this act shall authorize rules or contracts touching the protection and Improvement of said reservation beyond the sums that may be received by the Secretary of the Interior under the following provisions, or authorize any charge against the Treasury of the United States.
From a military prison he went forth to the struggle of life, without education and without resources, amid a people prostrated by a great defeat in war and impoverished by its desolating consequences.

These are gotten out by the one-gallused, poor, barefooted men in the mountains.

They fell on each other’s necks—they embraced and wept.

How is the mighty fallen, the strong staff broken and the beautiful rod!

The Secretary read as follows: Ignoring his inferiority of official rank, which, according to established rules the world over was below that of minister resident, between a consulgeneral and charge d’affaires, with the utmost effort of will controlling my outraged sensibilities, while suffering a terrible affliction at the recent sad drowning of a gifted and beloved daughter, I endured this insolent treatment after thirteen years of service as United States minister, without a stain ever before attempted to be made on my official honor or my fidelity to American prestige and to American interests, never during my seventy-three years of life having lifted my voice, my hand, or my rifle against the flag of this American Republic.

We are told that since the flood the legislature of the great Empire State of the South—and it is a great Empire State, of which its citizens are justly proud and of which the citizens of the whole country are proud—we are told that the legislature of Texas has assembled, and we are informed by another gentleman that $5,000 has been appropriated by that body for the relief of the identical sufferers.

There has been a struggle all the time against all banks of issue by a large part of our people, and a struggle between the advocates of State banks and those of national banks.

It is no time for boasting when we are mourning for our dead.

President, within a few years past I have seen it often suggested by way of criticism that it was a waste of time and an improper interruption of our public duties to pause long enough in our daily toil to say farewell in fitting terms over the graves of our fallen comrades.

From the beginning to the sad ending of his public career he held without one wavering moment not only the confidence, but the affection of the people among whom he lived, for whom he labored, and beside whose departed loved ones he has been laid to sleep until the gray dawn of another morning, when those that sleep shall awake, and awake, as he believed, to another, a higher, and a better life.

The Secretary read as follows: Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby, directed to prepare a comparative statement of the customs laws from 1890 to 1897, inclusive, together with official statistics and official data relating thereto; and the provisions of the Senate resolution of March 19, 1897, are hereby continued in force for this purpose.

I ask that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from its further consideration, and that all the papers be referred to the Committee on Territories, in order that that committee, in any bill for the admission of the Territory of Utah into the Union as a State, may provide for its reimbursement.

Now, in Rule XXVI, clause 2, we find the further provision that the second and fourth Mondays in each month shall, when claimed by the Committee on the District of Columbia, be set apart for the consideration of such business as may be presented by said committee.

Resolved by the Senate requesting the Secretary of War to furnish revised estimate of survey of the Back Creek route, etc.

The Chair has referred to a decision which covers exactly the question now under consideration, where an amendment was offered which, while proposing

The amendment simply proposes to strike out the provision for a new office which this bill proposes to create.

On amendments numbered 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109 110 111, and 112: Makes certain necessary verbal corrections proposed by the Senate in the text of the provision to apportion the Territory of Oklahoma and appropriates $1,000 for the expenses of such apportionment.

Unless it be a bill requiring its first consideration in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and the Speaker has ruled that this amendment itself requires its consideration in such committee, therefore the bill is here for no other purpose than for reference to an appropriate standing committee of the House by the Speaker, and after he has indicated the proper reference, then it is in order to move its reference to another committee.

On amendment numbered 180: Appropriates $150,000, as proposed by the Senate, for the Nicaragua Canal survey; and On amendment numbered 190: Inserts the provision proposed by the Senate authorizing the Joint Committee on Printing to have prepared plans for additions to the Government Printing Office.

In addition to that extensive provision in the amendment, according to the text already read by the Clerk, it is not germane to this bill and especially to the section under consideration, and therefore is out of order.
At this camp 20,000 troopers visited and patronized it.

No harder fighting was done during the siege than was done by the men from the American ships of war, and no armed force from any foreign nation exhibited greater courage, steadfastness, bravery, and devotion than did the American marines and blue jackets during those trying days.

Success attended his every footstep, and his people applauded and rewarded his steady advance.

In other words, the volunteers fought in 33 per cent more actions alone than the regulars fought in alone.

I should like to know, in his experience on the District of Columbia Committee, of which he is an old and influential member, if he has not sometimes seen these street car companies looking one way and walking another?

Now, while we are all interested in having the naval parade of the ships of our fleet that have gone to the Pacific, in the harbor of San Francisco, as great and magnificent as may be, I am unwilling, even for so great and commendable a purpose, to do that which I think is in violation of the Constitution of my country and the rights of the citizens of the country and put the power in the hands of the head of a Department to make a crime and have that power become transferable and migratory at the will of the President.

For the past twelve months the country has been regaled with an exhaustive and learned argument as to whether or not the President of the United States had the right to discharge a lot of kinkyheaded niggers from the army, who, in a drunken riot, shot up a helpless and defenseless poople.

As we stood there and heard the beautiful ritual of the Episcopal Church read among the flowers that filled the large hall of the mansion, sent by many friends, we knew that we were attending officially the obsequies of a character who in his own home received the most precious tribute that can be given to a man.

I did not know this matter was coming up until a minute ago, but I take this special opportunity to call attention to it because of one circumstance which may probably be thought to indicate an indifference on our part to the memory of Lafayette and a chill in our gratitude toward that beloved benefactor.

His ship was wrecked in port, and he had only attained the reward of his well-deserved promotion when the summons came to prepare for that change which must come to all the living.

The Chair endeavored to be as clear and explicit as possible on the point as to whether or not the former survey pledged the Government to a continuation of work at that point and, following former rulings and the plain provisions of the statute, held that it did not so pledge the Government.

I offer the amendment in this form, so as to meet the decision of the Chair, striking out every provision authorizing the commission to employ clerks and stenographers, or any appropriation of money, and simply leaving in the provision 'that the Postmaster-General shall detail such clerks and assistants as the commission may want.

President, I ought not to use the word "instruct," but would not the Senator and the other conferees on the part of the Senate regard this last suggestion as the authoritative expression of the Senate, which does not include a reserve provision?

Also, the present substitute does not nullify the civil-service law in regard to the appointment of Inspectors who are to carry out the provisions of this bill, the former substitute of the committee having a provision expressly providing for the suspension of the civil-service law in this regard for one year.

Every paragraph in the bill carrying an appropriation will be read, and I propose, Mr Chairman, in the consideration of the bill under the five-minute rule, as has been the custom in the past, to allow most liberal time for consideration of each specific item; and I therefore prefer not to make any further general statement regarding the bill.

The joint resolution has been amended by the Library Committee by substituting the action of the Senate some days since looking to the same purpose, and also including a provision for a survey of the proposed "Lincoln Way" to Gettysburg.

I want to ask the chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs if it is not true that under this provision of his bill, under the paragraph in lines 19 and 20, there will be expended in the next fiscal year for shells and projectiles by the Navy Department a sum aggregating about $1,000,000?

The Chair will state to the gentleman from Indiana that there is no danger of that contingency arising, because the paragraph having been passed by unanimous consent, even though it were originally subject to the point of order, is now before the committee for perfection, and the Chair finds a long line of unanimous decisions to that effect.

I repeat, Mr President, that if I have any comprehension of the English language, this proposed amendment is in strict furtherance of the purpose of the law which is now on the statute books, and an appropriation to carry out which is proposed by the bill under consideration.

President, the proposed section 3 is identical with section 5153 of the Revised Statutes, with the omission of the words "except customs receipts."
Their tariff law, carried into effect, then ruined our industries, put thousands of workingmen out of work, and so destroyed the market for what the farmer had to sell.

Military discipline may compel the lads of the Navy to sing this song, but no power on earth can compel a free people, as we claim to be, to sing it.

Nor loses faith in man, but does his best. Nor ever mourns over his humbler lot. But with a smile and words of hope, gives zest to every toiler; he alone is great, Who by life heroic conquers fate.

When the generations yet unborn will behold it they will recall the fact that the martyred President sprung from the loins of an humble farmer and frontiersman; that he rose to the highest office within the gift of a mighty and free people; that he illustrates the wonderful possibilities of American citizenship; that he preserved the American Union; that his clear judgment and patriotic purposes brought order out of chaos; and that a grateful and reunited country, desiring to honor his memory, has erected this magnificent memorial to Abraham Lincoln in token of the love, the gratitude, and the veneration with which its citizens regard one of the greatest of all mankind.

Behold a contrast that throws light upon the idle host of England’s unemployed, marching despondently through streets whose shop windows are crowded with wares of German work.

If this exposition is in San Francisco, Japan will be its nearest neighbor; we should expect her to exhibit and attend there largely, and I would like to know whether you can give any assurances that toward this splendid, powerful people the temper of California will change, and that as the Nation’s guests they will be treated with that friendly and respectful spirit they deserve.

Look, again you may behold it exemplified on farm and field, where men in sun and storm toil on through the long days that they may gain a livelihood for those they love.

I command you to mark my illustration: Senators, I choose your boy or your brother, and he works for a living; he is a clerk in a store, depending upon his salary to educate his boy or to send his little girl to school, struggling to pay his rent and maintain his family, or he works in the factory or in the mill; he is a toiler living week by week, and without that week’s allowance cannot maintain his family.

An old farmer was very proud of his pack of dogs, and among them he had a greyhound.

I want Secretary Redfield to know that we in Chicago, at least, do not approve of his attitude during the time that this investigation was being made by him, and if we had our way we would ask for his resignation from the Cabinet on account of the insulting attitude he assumed toward the people who had wives, daughters, brothers, and sisters lying dead on the decks 1916.

On the 2d of March a year ago, in the consideration of bills then pending, the conference committee agreed to the provision exactly in the shape in which this joint resolution presents it.

The information has already been compiled by the Chief of Engineers, who has furnished it to some of us, including the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, for the purpose outlined by the gentleman from New York.

There is no other apportionment known to the Constitution except that according to the census or enumeration; and of course the proposed amendment would be construed together with the other provisions of the Constitution.

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I take it for granted, the chairman will agree that the House ought to have in the report of the committee sufficient data to know what changes would be made in the Revised Statutes.

I understand, that it is proposed to insert that provision.

I understood from the argument of the gentleman from Illinois himself that he did not contend that his amendment was germane to the proposition pending before the House, but contends that it is germane because the proposition pending in the house amends a certain existing statute, and the amendment that he proposes amends or adds to that statute additional provisions to those proposed in the pending bill.

I would not object to a provision that would authorize the modification of these contracts, but I do not believe that because these two instances can be singled out it is therefore a justification for the enactment of this provision.

Accordingly the committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr ADAIR, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that, committee, having had under consideration the bill relating to the assessment for taxation of real estate in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, had directed him to report back the same to the House with sundry amendments, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill as amended do pass.
And, in addition to that, we paid for the food that those servants consumed during the period we were at the Hotel de Crillon.

We have made it a principle of the race in the old country and here for all time in the past, and I hope for all time in the future, that we shall not constantly burden the people with taxes permanently in order to be ready for war whenever war should break out, but that when war should break out we would spur ourselves to the very utmost to meet it with the energy of a great people and the intensity of a great struggling folk called to the struggle by patriotism and by a love of liberty and by a love of civilization.

I have seen there gangs of shackled prisoners, followed by men with rifles or clubs to keep them in line, gazed at by every passer-by.

I submit to the Senators on the other side of this Chamber that while they are holding up legislation looking to the benefit of our soldiers who won the war, while they are blocking legislation looking to proper compensation for our boys, they might at least permit this road building to go on, because in this way they can express their appreciation of and gratitude to the great rank and file of our people who gave their sons to fight and die for our country.

It is true that when we get fortunes exceeding $100, 000, 000 the continual increase of those fortunes in the hands of one or two individuals is a menace to our social fabric; no one can deny it; and if those large fortunes are divided, either through an estate tax or through previous division, as is suggested by the Senator from New York, it will be a good thing for the public welfare, however they may be divided, and, as the Senator from Ohio suggests, for the family as well.

In truth he was strong in argument, was a tireless worker and loved a fight.

They recovered the lost fields of France; they revived the courage of the Allies; they won for posterity a fight that had been lost, and they saved for humanity the ideals of a liberty-loving people.

Your bill would have a wonderful moral effect, if it became a law, which would easily be seen by the thousands and thousands of Germans who would flock to get their papers and who would thus swell the ranks of Uncle Sam’s best and most useful citizens.

It just happened that this dinner was the first anniversary of the conception of a movement led by him to turn over to the starving children of Belgium the fund which the club had for the erection of a new clubhouse and which Col.

It carries the same provision, and even a broader provision, than the Langley bill carried.

This is what the Chair thinks: The rule providing that "no request by a Senator for unanimous consent for the taking of a final vote on a specified date upon the passage of a bill or resolution shall be submitted to the Senate for agreement thereto until, upon a roll call ordered for the purpose by the presiding officer, it shall be disclosed that a quorum of the Senate is present," when a proposed unanimous consent agreement is presented The Senator from Colorado. If I understand him, suggests to the Senator from Idaho that the amendment which was agreed to in the place where the Senator from Idaho suggested it be inserted should be transposed so as to follow the word "support," in line 5, and thus modify the whole provision.

The question is on agreeing to the amendment proposed by the gentleman from Pennsylvania. After the word "containing," in line 5 on page 2, I move to insert the words "amendments proposing," and after the word "containing," at the end of line 6, insert the same words, "amendments proposing," so that it will read: The Committee on Appropriations shall not report any appropriation bill containing amendments proposing new or general legislation, and if an appropriation bill is reported to the Senate containing amendments proposing new or general legislation a point of order may be made against the bill whenever the President is hereby authorized and empowered, " in addition to all other existing provisions of law.

The Secretary of the Interior has declared the project to be feasible, and in the justification for the estimates submitted by the Indian Bureau the assistant commissioner stated that it was possible to save about $50, 000 by the purchase of a canal heretofore constructed; all of which is set forth in the hearings at.

There is considerable doubt in the mind of the Chair, in the absence of exact information, as to just what the effect of this amendment would be, whether it would really extend to some new purposes the use of the funds already appropriated or not, but even if it would, it seems to the Chair that that does not bring it within the prohibition of the rule that no amendment of the Senate providing for an appropriation upon any bill other than a general appropriation bill shall be agreed to by the House managers without express authority.

Here is a proposition consisting of a number of paragraphs, all preceded by certain general provisions—"in time of war," "or of national emergency arising prior to March 1, 1918," "to be determined by the President by proclamation," "the President is hereby authorized and empowered," "in addition to all other existing provisions of law.

At the end of the amendment offered by Mr. MCKELLAB, it is proposed to insert the following provision: Provided, The foregoing shall not apply to any contract executed in compliance with all statutory requirements.

Speaker, I move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill making provision for the Fourteenth and subsequent decennial censuses.
Although their hearts were bleeding, the coup de grace was given when a few days before the arrival of Colonel Landbergh at Port-au-Prince an American officer with a squad of gendarmes descended upon "le Cercle Bellevue," the leading club of that city, and sealed it under orders of the Government.

There is something that makes folk smile, whether they are wont to smile or not.

For every chuckle of delight which dulls the conscience of the conspirators who hoard this and other similarly ill-gotten wealth there results the degradation, poverty, and death of countless millions of outraged men, women, and children.

One of the most humiliating things I have observed in many a day is the spectacle of the ex-service men, the brave boys who fought in the last war, going about the country with their Government certificates in their hands begging the banks to loan them some money on them.

Yet you are putting in the bread line American citizens and feeding jobs to people who openly and publicly walk your streets and state that they are against your Government; that they would like to assassinate the President; that they would like to destroy our form of government.

Where is the man who can send his little child, his little girl or little boy, on a little errand out to the little corner store or over to a neighbor's house who does not sit with fear until that little child returns?

The President said something like this: My fellow countrymen, I want to congratulate the American people on the uniform prosperity we have all enjoyed since this administration came into power.

The four large hunting clubs which control thousands of acres of the finest hunting preserves in the county are widely known, since their membership rolls include some of the wealthiest men in America.

No one would have believed that mighty Rome, with her invincible legions, the proud mistress of the world—no, one would have believed that mighty Rome could ever be destroyed.

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But in the administration of this act there are certain major questions, such as whether a certificate of convenience and necessity should be issued to the carrier who applies for it, or whether a certificate once issued should, under circumstances arising, be canceled, or some change made in the certificate; also questions of rates, fares, and charges, and other questions enumerated in section 8, that have to be referred to the joint board; questions of consolidations, mergers, and acquisitions of control.

Accordingly the committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. LEHLBACH, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, having under consideration the bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the consolidation of national banking associations," approved November 7, 1918; to amend section 5136 as amended, section 5137, ... and section 24 of the Federal reserve act, and for other purposes, reported that that committee had come to no resolution thereon.

Now comes another provision, which reads as follows: The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to disregard the limit of cost fixed by Congress for each of said projects, to purchase additional land for enlargement of sites, and for such purposes to include some of the wealthiest men in America.

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It may be that they will fight among themselves, but it was because of a fight among themselves in Europe that we were drawn into it.

It is a disgrace and an outrage that this country of ours, with an overabundance of foodstuffs, should permit millions of our own people to continue to be undernourished and hungry.

We are over here on a clean shore, by ourselves, looking after our own business, and trying to feed our millions of hungry people, trying to clothe our millions of ragged and starving people.

So let us have a roll call, and those who vote with shame may vote with shame, and we who vote with pride and joy and exultation will record our votes in that fashion, too.

He declared that he rejoiced to be rid of the "greatest plague in the country.

It was a remarkable tribute of love and affection by Louisianans to their slain leader.

The name of Josie Siessly, helpless and dependent daughter of John Siessly, late of Company B, Forty-fourth Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and pay her a pension at the rate of $20 per month.

There are none so blind as those who will not see; and I feel ashamed, thrice ashamed, for the people who seem to be deliberately strangling a great industry.

The $25,000,000 involved in this bill, combined with the funds of the Red Cross, is not half enough to meet the emergency and to fulfill the duty that we owe to the hungry men, women, and children of the land.

There are idle, starving men in your cities who now watch the rural carriers because they are the Government employees.

Under the provisions of that amendment, if adopted, the purpose that I have outlined will be carried into effect.

On page 74, after the sum "$40,150". In line 14, it is proposed to insert the following: Provided, That the Commission may procure supplies and services without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, when the aggregate amount involved does not exceed $50: Provided further, That a statement of expenditures from this appropriation shall be reported to Congress in the annual Budget.

Accordingly the Committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. O'CONNOR of New York, Chairman of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the joint resolution making appropriations for relief purposes, had directed him to report the same back to the House with sundry amendments, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill as amended do pass.

Accordingly the committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. MICHENER, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, having had under consideration the bill making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1932, and for other purposes, reported that that committee had directed him to report the bill to the House with an amendment, with the recommendation that the amendment be agreed to and that the bill as amended do pass.

The motion was agreed to, and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on the District of Columbia with amendments.

Under this provision of the bill now under consideration, authority is given the President to use that money "for the purposes of this act.

Another clarification the amendment proposes is to make it conclusive that the decision of the National Labor Board, rendered in May of last year, establishing the rate of pay and the working conditions for pilots, shall be continued after the 1-year limitation that was included in that decision.

If the Chair understands correctly, the Senator from Arkansas requests that the other provisions of the joint resolution be passed over and that the Senate immediately proceed to the consideration of section 6 and that the vote on section 6 and on all amendments proposed thereto be taken at not later than 5 o'clock p.m.

In answer to the Senator's question, I will say that the joint resolution now under consideration says: That to continue to provide relief, and work relief on useful public projects, as authorized in the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1937, and subject to all the provisions thereof, there is hereby appropriated * * $250,000,000.

The provision to which the Senator refers being an original provision in the bill, an amendment could not be offered to it until after the committee amendments had been disposed of.
I say to Mr Wendell Willkie-and as it has not been so long since he was a Democrat, perhaps he would not resent a little counsel from a Democrat-I say to Mr Wendell Willkie that the one way that he may challenge and receive the admiration of the American people is to show them that he is a statesman and a leader, that he does think enough of the American way of life to be willing, if necessary, to sacrifice his own political fortune for it.

I say, shame on the motion-picture industry, shame on the ladies who are exciting the people of the United States to war.

By passing such a measure we would not be condemning the workers of that particular plant out there alone; we would be condemning the great mass of the toilers of America; and if we condemn them, then I say we are condemning the lifeblood of this country, we are condemning that which will produce the things which will be used to defend America when America needs defense.

But the minute there is trouble we have to play the crusader and tour the world, ramming peace down the throats of people who later hate us for it and call us Uncle Shylock when we send the collector around for the installments.

Speaker, I regret very much that anyone would take the floor on this twenty-third eve of the signing of the armistice and leave the inference with this audience that anyone elected to the Congress of the United States would play politics with the lives of the finest young manhood of the finest country on earth.

I do not believe the gentleman from Michigan knows whether Mr Hoover is a Republican or a Democrat; but he is a mighty fine public servant.

Your fathers who, through their trials and tribulations, their sufferings and sacrifices, created this Nation, in passing to the Great Beyond, threw the torch from falling hands to future generations, of which you of today are one.

These men and women are in the hills of Greece today, ragged, hungry, tired, and beaten in body but not in spirit.

We applauded them in their struggle against gigantic Russia.

The representative of the American Legion Auxiliary which sponsored this magnanimous gesture has called attention to the fact that it is dedicated to our fallen heroes and watered, as it were, by the tears of their sorrowing loved ones.

Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker’s table the bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, by extending its application to additional types of carriers and transportation and modifying certain provisions thereof, and for other purposes, with House amendments thereto, insist on the House amendments, and agree to the conference requested by the Senate.

I endeavored to point out that there is no effort being made now to authorize the awarding of a contract; but that it is necessary to complete these investigations and secure the data before a Budget estimate can be made for the consideration of the Appropriations Committee.

The Attorney General, in his letter of July 28, 1939, to the chairman of the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, makes this statement: The bill proposes to eliminate the provision contained in section 355 of the Revised Statutes that the consent of the legislature of the State in which the land or site is situated must be obtained before the expenditure of public moneys is permitted upon sites for buildings.

President, there is a provision on page 5 of the bill which was unintentionally adopted and which changes the other provisions of the bill I have consulted with the subcommittee having the bill in charge, and we have agreed to an amendment which I will now propose.

Accordingly the Committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr JONES of Texas, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, by extending its application to additional types of carriers and transportation and modifying certain provisions thereof, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

Am I to understand that after the amendments are submitted, the Senator from Arizona proposes to refer the bill and all the proposed amendments to the committee for consideration?

On page 81, after line 23, it is proposed to insert the following: Disposal of surplus commodities: To enable the Secretary of Agriculture to further carry out the provisions of such section 32 and subject to all provisions of law relating to the expenditure of funds appropriated by such section, §46, 949, 756, together with the budgetary reserves of the appropriations made for carrying out the provisions of such section during the fiscal years 1941 and 1942.

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In view of the foregoing I strongly urge that the provision for meeting emergencies and contingencies in the Budget programs of corporations included in H R.
In fact, my brother is very seriously considering getting rid of the very decent house in which he is living, because it is killing both him and his wife in their attempt to keep up the payments.

The folks in his district should be proud to have such a far-seeing businessman in Congress representing them.

I stood on the floor of the Senate and pleaded, in the same manner in which the able Senator from Kansas is now pleading, for aid to the individual who had seen all his personal property swept away, his buildings ruined and wrecked, and who could not get one penny of relief except through the National Red Cross or through the generosity of persons who were willing to make donations.

He grew up in a neighborhood where he intimately knew from early childhood friends and neighbors of many nationalities and in this teeming atmosphere of a big city, he developed his great passion for finding effective means to help improve the living standards and general welfare of the many plain working people and those who came here from foreign shores to take up permanent residence and become citizens of our beloved country.

I know I express the feelings of untold millions of Texans and people from other States when I wish our beloved Speaker great happiness in public service and personal life on this day and all the days to come.

I broke bread with them in the morning and later heard them lift their voices in song before the statue of their national hero and ours, Gen.

In some countries of the earth, especially one, good men and women are afraid to cry out in their agony, and in their despair, and in their poverty, and in their oppression because of secret police who may be standing in the crowd.

Therefore Mr Speaker, we should welcome many more Jarecki's on our beloved free and independent shores.

DEAR SIR: I would like to congratulate you.

DEAR SENATOR MORSE: I am writing this to commend you on your terrific fight to bring grab.

President, the young lady to whom I have referred, and whom the Senate has greeted, deserves commendation for the growth of good public relations between the United States and other countries of the world.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows: Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill to enact certain provisions now included in the Department of Defense Appropriation Act and the Civil Functions Appropriation Act, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows: Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill making appropriations for civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and for other purposes, and all points of order against said bill or any provisions contained in said bill are hereby waived.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs with an amendment.

Reduction of authorizations: Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this act, such provisions shall not be construed to authorize the appropriation, for the purposes of titles I, II, and V of this act, of amounts aggregating in excess of $2,066,000,000.

I think the gentleman will agree with me that the record made there by the Bureau of Reclamation as to justifications for all of the money requested leaves much to be desired in satisfying the criteria of the committee, as set forth by the gentleman from California a few minutes ago; that is with regard to stating the actual work that is to be done and how much will be needed for the specific types of work in fiscal year 1957.

Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill for the purpose of agreeing to the amendment of the Senator from South Carolina?

Section 3679 of the Revised Statutes provides the apportionment and authority for the Bureau of the Budget and the Department of Defense.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows: Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and related laws, and for other purposes, and all points of order against said bill are hereby waived.

It comes in on page 16, line 2, after the words "District of Columbia, " and proposes to strike out the period and insert a comma and the words "and data related to proposed appropriations incorporated in the annual budget transmitted by the President.

I recommend that the foregoing draft of a proposed provision be transmitted to the Congress.
Roger Maris, a North Dakotan, of whom we are all proud, hit two home runs today.

Fifty thousand people waited 3 hours for the President’s cavalcade, delayed by large crowds and rains, to cheer the President to the echo time after time.

Today, while millions of Americans are visiting our military installations and attending the parades of our fighting men and weapons, our hearts swell with pride in the glorious traditions of our country’s Armed Forces and their vital contributions to protecting liberty and justice throughout the free world.

"Today the free world is grateful to see a proud Philippine Republic facing its future with courage and confidence.

President, I am deeply grateful to the able and distinguished senior Senator from Alabama for his kind remarks; and I am certain that his grandparents were among the great number of fine North Carolinians who helped materially to raise the standards of Alabama to those of North Carolina when they removed from North Carolina to Alabama.

Our friends and our allies with whom we have fought shoulder to shoulder in the last World War, and the war before that as well.

They have big cities and the big cities are fighting.

If we, as Americans in a free society, enjoy the privileges of liberty today, we owe a debt of gratitude to the Armenian people.

In Breathitt County down there in eastern Kentucky, we had no draft law whatever in operation during World War I because the Kentucky mountaineers of that county heard there was a big war in progress, then came pouring out of the deep hollows and rolling off of the rough hillsides to volunteer their services to this beloved country in its time of need.

Fight, fight, fight.

For the purpose of obtaining a clarification in respect to the bill, may I ask the Senator from Rhode Island whether there is any intention, in respect to the proposed legislation, that what the Senate is doing today is inconsistent with the Trade Agreements Act or with the trade development assistance bill which is now pending in the Congress?

Is this not required because the 15-percent criteria is an objective standard, while compactness and contiguity are subjective?

We have been assured by the CAA that this particular operation conforms with the criteria as the criteria was adjusted for the purpose of adaptation to this particular matter.

While many Federal grants have explicit statutory provisions spelling out in detail how the funds are to be allotted to the State and local governments, some still permit a portion or all of the funds to be disbursed at the discretion of the program Administrator.

Further, the bill provides that if the claimant does not meet the criteria outlined in the bill he will not be paid and the amounts remaining after the settlement of valid claims will revert to the U S.

A suggestion was advanced, incidentally by me, in the conference, and discussed, to accept the Senate provision on grant agreements with the provision that the Administrator must submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a list of projects to receive Federal grants, with such commitments to become final, if not disapproved, within 60 days by either committee.

This provision in the House bill which goes to all water resources research within the Federal establishment was considered by our committee as one of the most important provisions in the bill.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr FASCELL, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill making appropriations for the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, and for other purposes, had directed him to report the bill back to the House with an amendment, with the recommendation that the amendment be agreed to and that the bill as amended do pass.

Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker’s table the bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, in order to expedite and improve the administrative process by authorizing the Federal Communications Commission to delegate functions in adjudicatory cases, repealing the review staff provisions, and revising related provisions, insist on the House amendments and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

After further study of this matter, the committee may however recommend the advisability of statutory clarification notwithstanding this helpful decision.
Amid the grief of a saddened people, the Courage Crusade was born.

Mr Lewis was a familiar figure to Alexandrians as, in his later and retired years, he would sit in the enclosed porch on the Washington Street side of the house and watch each year the annual Washington’s Birthday parade on February 22.

As a fellow Member who was privileged to serve with Congressman BOB EVERETT for the past 6 years, I am proud to pay this final tribute to his memory and to extend to his mother and other members of his family my heartfelt sympathy.

It all reminds me of the war story about the proud parents who were watching their draftee son in the Army parade and the mother says: Look people.

Under the rules I cannot mention people in the gallery, but on this occasion how splendid it would be if all of us would rise and show our affection to Mr and Mrs Petinaud.

He especially enjoyed his visits with his daughter in North Carolina and often expressed to those in the Alabama delegation his hopes.

One young lady, a resident of a city within our district and presently a senior at a fine woman’s college in Virginia said, “Mr FLYNT, we have been watching the television showing the protest in Washington and I wanted to call and tell you that there are some of us who are not protesting and that we believe in our country and support our President and the action of the House of Representatives in backing him up last week.

On December 10, which was Phil Hart’s birthday, I traveled to the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in northern Michigan, a national park of incomparable beauty, for which Senator Hart worked so hard and wished to be remembered and I was privileged to participate in the dedication of the visitors’ center in his name.

These men will be walking their beat; 170 of them would be privates, and they will be out walking their beats, they will be in the various office buildings, and different places, so they will not need quarters per se.

I must admit, it made me long for the day when all the people of the United States will again feel that they can stand and let all the world know that we are proud of our country and that we are willing to wear our love for it right on our sleeve and in our hearts.

President, I have read with great interest the statement of the conferees on S 1736, specifically with respect to their construction of the language of section 10 I would appreciate a clarification of the extent of jurisdiction which the conferees contemplate for the National Park Service as to provisions for information and interpretation facilities at the Kennedy Center.

Also there was provision for a Joint Committee on Congressional Operations which would specifically study improvements in automatic data processing.

Your conferees are aware of opposition expressed by some Members of the Senate to this provision and thorough consideration was given to their views.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution, which had been reported from the Committee on Public Works with an amendment to strike out all after the resolving clause and insert: That the Secretary of Transportation shall apportion $1,000,000,000 of the sums authorized to be apportioned for fiscal year 1974 for immediate expenditure on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, using the apportionment factors contained in Revised Table 5, House Report Number 92-1443.

There is no provision for altering a scale of assessments between the 3-year assessment periods unless it is clear that there have been substantial changes in relative capacities to pay.

Under these circumstances, we have agreed that legislative proposals to revise the congressional budget process could best be referred to our two committees jointly, with the proviso that if one committee orders the bill reported, the other must report within 30 calendar days of continuous session or be automatically discharged.

The conference report contains a partial version of the Senate provisions which is added to the provision in the Health Programs Extension Act of 1973, so that that provision will not be changed by the addition.

Then it further states that where a Senate amendment proposes legislation the same principle holds true—citing Cannon’s precedents, volume 4, paragraphs 3836 and succeeding provisions.

Plans are to be submitted within 3 years prior to the decennial census and are to conform to criteria established by the Secretary who, in turn, will have authority to require changes in any plans he determines are not in compliance with this criteria.

This includes $42 billion in expiring legislation which is proposed for extension and requires renewal, and $10 billion in new legislation proposed for later transmittal.
Remembering forces us to think of the hearts which once beat high with hope, of young lives snuffed out well before their time, of fields not planted, of homes not built, of children not born.

I pray to God to be with her, and protect her, and give her the spirit to be the good Samaritan, her "mission impossible" always to be possible, with pride of victory to stand on the name of her ancestors, "the Fighting Lady.

I knew him in his hour of deepest sorrow when he lost his wife in a tragic fire and his many friends throughout Alabama were pleased when some years later he married Maryon.

I had the pleasure of joining the 76,000 others at Giants’ stadium to watch the championship game on Sunday.

One could always count on Mr ALLEN for that response that came from the heart and reached out to others less fortunate.

The crowds cheered; they backed the firetruck out.

My deepest sympathy is extended to Dr Lee’s two daughters, Mrs Edward R King, and Mrs Hildred Phillips; son, Mr Roy DeMent Lee; brother, Mr David Frank Lee; and five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

It was therefore sad to witness the terrible injury that Joe suffered this past Monday night during the nationally televised game against the New York Giants.

My heart goes out to his wife, Helen, his daughter, Daphne Mahon Holt, and his three grandchildren.

So, at this joyous season of the yeardoubly joyous for us who are looking forward to a short respite from our daily rounds—my hat is off in a salute of gratitude to that fine group of men and women who stand beside and behind us as we do the people’s business.

It further states that the conferees contemplate that the Commission will "evaluate the relative need of each applicant for the project to serve its customers over the short and long term, including consideration of the reasonable costs and the reasonable availability of alternative sources of power..." Since this is essentially the same analysis as that currently employed by the Commission in relicensing proceedings, I simply seek to clarify that the need for power criterion contained in the conference report contemplates such an analysis in future relicensing proceedings.

The authorization part of this title is important and precedent setting in that it allocates additional resources to SBA’s economic research and analysis, management, technical, procurement and minority small business assistance activities and programs.

Speaker, last December, when the continuing resolution now in force was agreed to by the Congress, the explanation of its provisions delivered on the floor of both Houses included the flat statement that the Secretary was expected to use for 1982-83 the criteria for determining the cost of attendance under the Pell grant program that he had used in 1981-82.

I would like to give my colleagues a factual description of its major provisions, and the best estimates that we have of discretionary budget authority and outlays for those provisions.

The amendment, as further modified, is as follows: "Provided, That any reprogramming submission under this General Provision shall be referred concurrently to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; Provided further, That such reprogramming submissions shall be submitted to the aforementioned Committees at least thirty days prior to implementation of such reprogramming proposals.

The rule did not include the proposed new block billing procedure for natural gas, which is now the subject of a revised proposed rule.

Although the supplemental appropriations bill contains general language that broadly disallows the Bureau from implementing "proposed initiatives," I am not convinced that this is sufficient.

Very simply, my amendment states, in effect, in amending section 302, that no funds be authorized for the purposes of carrying out the service life extension program for the aircraft carrier Saratoga unless that funding decision is based on three factors; namely, first, cost, as determined by GAO and other relevant studies; second, considerations of national security; third, such other factors as the Secretary of Defense deems critical.

The distinguished chairman of the subcommittee, Senator ABDNOR, has already outlined the aggregate total for the bill, but I believe that they bear some repeating.

Accordingly the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore to approve and implement the protocol to the trade agreement relating to customs valuation, and for other purposes, had directed him to report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that the bill do pass.
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Speaker, this week the House of Representatives mourns the loss of one of the finest individuals to ever serve in the Congress.

But what we have been trying to do in this 104th Congress to make this place accountable to those working families that are way back on the West Coast of California and make some sense to the men and women, the moms and dads, that are trying to make it in this very hard economy.

As our friends and loved ones suffer In the oppressive heat In Saudi Arabia, willing to sacrifice their lives to defend our proud Nation, the words to this song ring very true.

He was talking about folks coming together at the PTA, the little league, the ethnic clubs, the sports groups, the folks that work the Habitat for Humanity crowd, all these different organizations out there doing things, giving to the community, giving to others, being creative, the Rotary, the Lions, the religious organizations.

The death and sacrifice of veterans who fought in World War II has bought our Nation 50 years of freedom.

While serving here in the House, Charlie Hayes fought fiercely to protect American Jobs and was active in the fight to increase Federal funds for schools, to increase funds for public works and to protect the rights of ordinary workers.

Their child will be born without its father, but will soon understand that dad was a hero.

I went home this weekend and toured the town of Fritch, the town that was devastated by a tornado that destroyed and damaged over 50 percent of the homes in that small rural town.

But this is a day when I am very proud of my big mouth and I am very proud of the results that we have seen, because the Republicans kept fiddling while the average working American got burned.

Mr Speaker, I serve on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and I watched many Members from the other side of the aisle wave the flag, and talk about being in the parades, and how much they love veterans.

Second, the committees added an explicit requirement that any proposed renewal of the withdrawal be preceded by an analysis of environmental impacts.

I ask unanimous consent that a letter of transmittal requesting consideration of the legislation and a section-by-section analysis explaining its purpose be printed in the RECORD.

This en bloc amendment would, very briefly, do the following: First, strike provisions in the declaration of purpose dealing with "best value" procurement and defense-related professional and technical services; Second, strike sections in the bill which would require amendments to the Federal acquisition regulations and which relate directly to acquisition and procurement policy; Third, clarify that measures taken by the Secretary of Defense to ensure that the availability of reliable sources of critical weapon system components are similar to measures authorized by the new DPA section 107 created the bill, and that such actions be taken in conjunction with existing authorities in title 10 of the United States Code; Fourth, drop reporting requirements dealing with projected capacity and potential prospects for the use of alternative and renewable sources of energy for defense mobilization and Industrial preparedness; Fifth, clarify that any regulations developed to carry out the provisions of this act be consistent with the Federal acquisition regulation; Sixth, strike a provision of the bill which would require that acquisition policies mandated by this act be Incorporated as part of the Federal acquisition regulation within 270 days, Given other changes made in this amendment, this provision is no longer necessary; and, Seventh, modify the offset policy provision of the bill to make it a freestanding statement of congressional policy that the Federal Government should not engage directly in offset arrangement made in connection with sale of defense goods or services to foreign governments.

Originally, we followed GAO's recommendation, and provided funds for a pilot test and independent evaluation of the project.

For the information of my colleagues and for the historic record, I would like at this time to outline the history of Bonneville's Self Financing Act and describe each of the five major issues which were resolved between OMB and Bonneville along with the one item for which additional legislative clarification has been provided: Mr President, in 1974 Congress enacted the Federal Columbia River Transmission System Act, which gave BPA additional authority to carry out its functions in a business-like and financially flexible manner.

The Navy is currently involved in a feasibility study that certainly meet the criteria outlined in this provision.

Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the Senate bill to revise and clarify the authority of the Administrator of General Services relating to the acquisition and management of certain property in the city of New York and ask for its immediate consideration.

Under the Community Reinvestment Act, such evaluations each include the following: First the banking agency's conclusions for each assessment factor identified in the regulations; second the facts and data supporting such conclusions; and third the institution's rating and a statement describing the basis for the rating.

As a senior member of the Appropriations Committee I was particularly concerned with the precise nature of the authority delegated to the President, and worked very hard along with my staff to ensure that the definitions were clear and unambiguous.

For major final rules, GAO shall provide within 15 days to the appropriate committee an assessment of the agency's compliance with the regulatory flexibility, unfunded mandates, and cost-benefit analyses performed by the agency.
He leaves a legacy: a grateful community—a wife—five children.

It is a tragedy that we are putting these old junkers out right now that will not work and we are trying to say that this is the only way we are going to protect our kids and families in America?

It is a fight so that at the end of the day Roberto Cortes has a chance, and his mom and dad can focus on this little boy’s life and that daily struggle, not a struggle with the health insurance companies.

This small town girl was a big time celebrity.

I am proud of our east Texans who worked day and night in the recovery effort.

We are proud to do it, proud to take the risks associated with that hard work-building a port system, the greatest in the North American Continent, and building commerce that allows every State and every parish and every county in America to flourish.

I salute Colonel Paul Underwood, a true American hero, and his family and all those who have fought and died and suffered loss in the name of freedom.

And so to all those who fought, we owe an enormous debt of gratitude.

Yet we are trying to pull them out on the eve of elections when we may restore hope and dignity to people who are our neighbors.

They are defending the principles of democracy and security on which this country was founded, and we salute their tireless mission.

The expiration of the interim agreement has made the role of the Yukon Salmon Panel unclear.

I do concur with the Senator from Wisconsin on his comments and concerns about the organic data collection and analysis provisions in the Agriculture portion of this omnibus appropriations bill.

Based on information from SBA, CBO estimates that implementing those provisions would cost about $3 million per year, subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

"As you know, the bill includes provisions within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Government Reform including Section 2 of the bill regarding federal agency data breach notification amendments under the Federal Information Security Management Act, the chairman of the Health Subcommittee of the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

This amendment would delete a requirement in the bill 10942 0c that any waiver or deviation from a test and evaluation master plan be approved by the director of operational test and evaluation.

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement Bureau of Land Management regulations on Recordable Disclaimers of Interest in Land 2477 right-of-way or to issue a non-binding determination pursuant to the Secretary of the Interior’s Memorandum to Assistant Secretaries dated March 22, 2006, revoking the Department of the Interior’s previous Interim Departmental Policy on Revised Statute 2477 Grant of Right-of-Way for Public Highways.

President, if I may inquire of the Senator, for clarification purposes on her amendment, the amendment, as I understand it, on sales tax deductibility—what is the cost of that amendment?

Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Ways and Means be discharged from further consideration of the bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for the expansion of areas designated as renewal communities based on 2000 census data, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.
President, Veterans Day 2013 gives us an opportunity to set aside our day-to-day worries and celebrate the men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

Then, one by one, the kids—four kids: John, Paul, Sarah, and Ruthie—stood up and gave tributes.

Instead of asking billionaires to sacrifice once it asks more than 2 million middle class civil servants to pay more again.

I visited with her husband and her children, and I know that family is proud to serve their country.

While many of us who represent States on the east coast planned to spend our final week of our August work period traveling our State, touring factories, stopping by schools, and visiting military bases, Mother Nature had other plans.

President Obama said: As fathers, we need to be involved in our children’s lives not just when it’s convenient or easy and not just when they’re doing well—but when it’s difficult and thankless, and they’re struggling.

Again, the people of Louisiana should be extremely proud to have someone who is a fighter, who gave every drop she had of public service for her State and never forgot where she come from.

So today, as we name this post office on behalf of our fallen heroes from Missouri, hopefully we will take time to reflect about the many from Missouri who will not have something named after them but should never be forgotten for their sacrifice and their contribution to the freedoms we enjoy.

These are the unsung heroes of the War on Terror, the loved ones who watch our troops go into battle, and are ready to greet them when they arrive back home.

The day that I saw her last in the hospital, what we spent our time on was Boey and I walking down the halls with Boey trying to cheer up the other youngsters who were at the hospital.

Nevertheless, I believe it is important to come to the floor as the chairman of the Armed Services Committee to express the view that Congress has a right to expect the administration will faithfully implement all the provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008—not just the ones the President happens to agree with.

This revision represents an adjustment to certain House committee budget allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels for the purposes of sections 302 and 311 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended, and in response to consideration of the bill H.R.

I am, therefore, most appreciative of your decision to forego consideration of the bill so that it may move expeditiously to the House floor.

Although CBO has not completed a comprehensive review of S 3297, we have previously prepared cost estimates for numerous pieces of legislation that are similar or identical to most of the major provisions in this bill.

I do want to emphasize that I agree with Senator Shelby that those Federal employees should be required to file in the same timeframes as Members of Congress and their staffs, and that certainly those reports should be accessible online.

It requires the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in consultation with EPA’s Chief Financial Officer, the Comptroller General of GAO, and CBO, to determine whether this bill authorizes the appropriation of funds to implement its provisions and, if so, whether this bill reduces an existing authorization of appropriations by an offsetting amount.

The intent of the amendment is that, since the Government Accountability Office has set a broad range of actions that they recommend in a very general sense, we wanted to provide the flexibility to NASA and to the other agencies—although this amendment only covers NASA—to develop guidelines for the sharing of data that comply broadly with those guidelines set down by the GAO.

I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of S 202, the Accountability Through Electronic Verification Act; that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of the measure; I ask further that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

First, the bill does not include a specific authorization for EPA to implement the bill’s provisions.

Not later than the end of the 1-week period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall submit a report to the Congress certifying whether or not the implementation of necessary regulations under those provisions affected by the amendments made by section 2 and section 3 of this Act is feasible by December 1, 2009.