

All Things Obama, Like ‘Trade’ and ‘Care’

For the last while two of Obama’s signature endeavors, trade agreements (Obamatrade) and Obamacare have been under “threat.” I take that back - the word ‘threat’ is a bit of an overstatement. Perhaps ‘supposed reconsideration’ is a better expression. All of that came to an end this week. On Wednesday (062415) the Senate passed the TPA, which enables Obama to include what he wants in trade measures such as the TPP, the TTIP, and the TiSA. Since the House passed the TPA six days earlier (061815) the bill now lies on Obama’s White House desk for his signature. Thus Obamatrade is now a done deal. (Don’t be silly enough to believe either the House or the Senate will reject any of the three trade measures when they come up for a vote.) And in regards to Obamacare – well the Supreme Court insured its safety and perseverance today (062515.) AND BY THE WAY – Obamatrade is simply a vehicle for Obama to press on with his immigration policies.

To sum all this up, when you also take into account the attack on the Confederate Battle Flag and all other things Southern – “the S - - - has hit the fan” or “We are up S - - -’s Creek.” Meanwhile, just in case we Southerners, we conservatives, we anti-Obamatrade and we anti-Obamacare folks get out of control there is always Jade Helm.

Today Rush Limbaugh was going on about the Supreme Court decision – playing audio recordings of Jonathan Gruber that clearly show the word “State” referred to the States and not the Federal Government:

From the Limbaugh Program, Rush speaking, “The chief justice, however, taking it upon himself to interpret this law politically, not reviewing it judicially. That equals the full politicization of the court. Of course the left is running around and they’re just beaming and happy and pointing out, “Hey, hey, he’s appointed by George W. Bush. I mean, you guys gotta be very careful criticizing him.”

“This decision also -- little side note here -- makes a huge liar out of Jonathan Gruber, who was the chief author and architect of this law, because Gruber countless times over many months, specifically -- I mean, this is incredible. Gruber making speeches, making appearances, pointed out that it was purposeful to say that only could you get a subsidy through a state exchange. They purposely did not provide subsidies from the federal exchange because they were trying to apply political pressure to all the governors to sign up and create an Obamacare exchange.”

The thought passed through my mind, and I do not hesitate to say the thought caused me to be irked at Rush: ‘Just why in the heck did you not go through all of this at the same intensity when the oral arguments were made. Perhaps if you did then one of the lawyers would have been intelligent enough and aware enough to pick up on what you were saying and used it in oral arguments. Then Chief Justice Roberts could not have made his closing argument that the word “State” was in reference to the federal government as well as the States. Blowing off steam at this point is after the horse got out of the barn and is on the other side of the world.

Getting back to Obamatrade – I am similarly frustrated that I do not recall Rush dwelling on the issue of the TPA, the TPP, etc. In fact, I don't think I heard him say much of anything on the subject even after the House and Senate passed the TPA. I wonder if perhaps he is in favor of the TPA. I hope I am wrong in my thought.

But let me get to the main reason for this rant of mine:

From time to time Rush Limbaugh has said he would let us know when it is time to panic.

Today Rush said, “Well, there's no way to spin this, folks. It's just a disaster. I think many of us are witnessing now the complete corruption of Washington, DC, meaning the objective has been to corrupt the government and success appears to be, at this moment in time, in hand. As it was pointed out to me earlier today, the left has the government that they've always wanted.”

So tell me Rush, are you not saying that IT IS TIME TO PANIC?