

criminal. Why criminals have rights. Then there's old John Poindexter, round face, cherubic looking, John Poindexter, who grew a mustache by the time he had to go to trial. Had his wife, loyal, in the way that women are, right on his arm with this criminal, having to support him when I'm sure he didn't ask her before he committed this crime as whether he ought to do it. Then there is old Bud McFarland, old poor Bud. I think he took a Bible took Iran and put some secret messages in it and tried to convert everybody over there to Christianity and lost his way and turned into a criminal in the process. That's why, Senator Schrock, you have to be aware of that Bible. It's dangerous if you don't know what you're doing with it just like these guns, just...in the hands of the wrong person, the Bible is a deadly book. Then to get some catch-all categories, the Wall Street brokers, the Wall Street bankers, the S & L CEOs...oh, is Cudaback a criminal? No, Senator Cudaback, somebody told me not to forget you and I was just wondering which category you are being placed in but I think you're a fine, upstanding gentleman, but if you hang around with that Hefner, I'm not sure what you might turn into. I'll tell you all why I'm doing this. I'll bet if Senator Hefner had his way, if the NRA rights, ites, had their way, they would want every one of these criminals that I listed to be allowed to have a gun and I'll bet some of them do have guns. And do you think they're going in the homes of these criminals and take their guns? You think somebody is going to say that Richard Nixon doesn't have the right to have a gun to defend himself against the threats that may be made against his worthless criminal hide or Spiro T. Agnew?

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's why all those arguments are nonsensical, they don't touch the issue. I genuinely believe, and I'm not joking now, that the mere fact that somebody has been convicted of a crime, a felony, I don't think that should prevent them from being able to obtain a firearm. Everybody in America should have a gun, everybody, and they should be painted red, white and blue or put in flag holsters. Guns are as American as the American flag and Senator Will has suggested that the way to handle this might be to issue upon birth to every child that comes into the world a .45 pistol and maybe that's the way the whole thing ought to be handled. I'm opposed to the amendment that Senator Ashford offered, whether it is being offered by Senator Ashford or by Senator Schellpeper.