



Made in America Panel Pessimistic that Leftist Media will Finally Start Giving Trump Credit for America's Robust Economy and Job Creation

Why nobody is talking about a looming recession anymore; the potential for 2020 to be as chaotic as 2019; the appearance that Biden is making the same mistake Hillary made in Appalachia by suggesting that closing down coal mines is an opportunity for coal miners to learn new skills or be unemployed; the belief that 2020 will continue America's robust economy and job creation; one-half of working Americans saw an increase in their wages; the importance of sustaining a drug-free work environment; how the Leftist media is driving anti-Trump perceptions while ignoring the real good news about job creation; the challenge to Leftist media to support Bernie Sanders as the Democratic candidate when he is very unpopular among them, were among the topics tackled by host Neal Asbury, co-host Dr. Rich Roffman, and a panel of experts on the nationally syndicated "Neal Asbury's Made in America" show on Radio America (aired by almost 100 affiliates and the Armed Forces Network).

Neal and Dr. Roffman began the show by noting that predictions about a pending recession have largely disappeared. "The economy is recession-proof," according to Neal.

Dr. Roffman agreed, proposing that "it's all about jobs, jobs, jobs."

Both Neal and Dr. Roffman predicted that 2020 will be more raucous than 2019, as the election looms near.

Neal, with strong Appalachian roots, takes great exception to Joe Biden's claim that while he would shut down coal mines, he will retrain former miners as IT specialists. "Hillary Clinton tried this and even she admits it cost her the election," noted Neal.

The first guest on Made in America was Greg McBride, Chief Financial Analyst for Bankrate.com, who predicted that 2020 will see a continuation of the nation's economic expansion, albeit with slow economic growth averaging 2% through the end of the third quarter. He anticipates that the stock market will rise modestly through the first three quarters with the S&P 500 reaching a peak of 3350 before election, while uncertainty-induced volatility takes hold in the fourth quarter. As for the Fed . . . they'll likely remain on the sidelines through the end of 2020.

"We'll see along, steady economic expansion, raising wages that will spur consumer spending. More than one-half of working Americans saw an increase in wages, but much of it was due to merit raises, not cost of living increases," according to McBride.

Neal continues to be concerned about the number of jobs open but without qualified workers to fill them. Skilled labor is especially in demand.

Neal, as an employer of some 700 workers, is adamant about maintaining a drug-free environment for his workers. Workers whose behavior might be impacted by drug use pose a threat to themselves and to their fellow workers.

Both Neal and Dr. Roffman are concerned that 11 states have made marijuana use legal, and the long term effects remain unknown.

The next guest on Made in America was NewsBusters Representative, Dan Gainor, Vice President of Business and Culture for the MRC (Media Research Center), which since 1987, has worked to expose and neutralize the propaganda arm of the Left: aka--the national news or mainstream media.

"While we like to have a little fun with it, our work is very serious, trying to restore honesty in news coverage. You have guys like Bill Maher, a multimillionaire himself, cheering for a recession to prove that Trump should never have been elected. Meanwhile, the economy is robust. At one time, an unemployment rate of 5% was considered ideal, but now we are near 3%. Yet, the Left doesn't see fit to cover this story," according to Gainor.

Dr. Roffman recalls the bond inversion scare of a few months ago, which most news media linked to a precursor to recession, but proved to be inconsequential.

"As for Trump's impeachment, the Leftist media wanted this to happen; they cheered it on. Now they say nothing about Nancy Pelosi's gamesmanship in refusing to bring the impeachment articles to the Senate floor. She is waiting it out, knowing that senators must be in attendance for the trial, keeping them from campaigning back in their home states," noted Gainor.

Both Neal and Dr. Roffman believe that Trump will be reelected in 2020 despite his impeachment, winning by a wider margin than he did in 2018.

Gainor maintains that since 1970, Democrats have been to trying to delegitimize the election of every Republican president.

"They still can't over 2016, and continue to pound the collusion story. If Trump is reelected, Democrats will continue to try to delegitimize the election," predicted Gainor.

Both Neal and Dr. Roffman see sustained economic growth in 2020, which bodes well for a Trump reelection. But they are also wary of something derailing the Trump success, harking

back to the surprising loss by GHW Bush in 1992 when a recession occurred just before the election.

"Whatever happens, much of it will be driven by Leftist media, creating negative perceptions that could impact election numbers," opined Dr. Roffman.

Neal concluded the show by predicting that Leftist media, which would normally support a Leftist candidate, will have a hard time supporting Bernie Sanders, who they do not want as the Democratic nominee.

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