

Week, a time for us to look back on the year's efforts to prevent fire-related deaths, injuries, and property damage, and an occasion to reflect on the important role of the brave men and women who comprise our national fire service.

Mr. President, as you know, fire is a serious problem in the United States—an average of 4,000 Americans die from fire annually and nearly 30,000 Americans sustain fire-related injuries every year.

Fire Prevention Week falls on the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 which tragically killed 250 people, burned 17,000 buildings, and rendered over 100,000 people homeless. As a Nation, we have made significant progress in our efforts to improve firefighting and prevention methods since then, but we still have a long way to go. More recently, the Happy Land Social Club fire of 1990 in New York City which claimed the lives of 87 people reminds us of the massive destruction that can be caused by fire.

Increasingly, however, the efforts of our fire service and organizations such as the National Fire Protection Association, the annual sponsor of National Fire Prevention Week, are making a difference. Due to a thoughtful, multipronged attack, in which battles are won by not having them fought in the first place, fire-related deaths are at an alltime low—reduced to 4,275 last year from 8,900 deaths in 1913 when standardized recordkeeping began.

No one is immune to the dangers of fire. On February 26, 1994, nine Marylanders were killed in a single family home simply because a candle was placed too close to a sofa bed. In order to avoid tragedies like these, members of the fire service, the National Fire Protection Association, and others use National Fire Prevention Week each year to renew and strengthen their commitment to fire-related education programs, construction and engineering improvements, and more effective fire regulations. In line with a recent escalation in efforts to minimize fires caused by carelessness or neglect, the theme of this year's Fire Prevention Week is "Watch What You Heat."

I salute the American Fire Service on the occasion of National Fire Prevention Week and I join in their call to make our country as fire safe as possible.●

ETHEL STAATS CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I invite my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mrs. Ethel Staats from my hometown, Greenbrae, CA, on the very special occasion of her upcoming 100th birthday on October 22, 1995.

Mrs. Staats has, throughout her 100 years, been a devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She had 3 children, 14 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren. She has been the foundation of a very strong and close family.

In addition, she has dedicated herself to the care and support of others in the community. In her youth, she was a respected nurse, caring for others, and now, in her later years, she has been spending much of her time babysitting and caring for the children of our neighborhood. When my grown children were babies, Mrs. Staats was always there to lend a hand.

She continues to enjoy baseball and football on the radio, with a particular interest in the San Francisco Giants and the Cincinnati Reds.

She happily resides at Rafael Convallescent Hospital in San Rafael, CA. As she says, "If I have to be some place other than home, this place is great."

Ethel Staats is a special woman, one of those senior citizens whom we can all look to with admiration, and who deserves mentioning on her very special day. I wish her the best for her future years and happiest of birthdays.●

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT J. LEWIS

● Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, one of the greatest pleasures of our service in the Senate, is that we have the opportunity to call the Nation's attention to acts of extraordinary service and sacrifice by our citizens, and to record those acts as a part of our proud and uniquely American history of leadership by the People.

On more occasions than any of us can count, Mr. President, our praise and thanks have been earned by members of a group who truly embody the highest ideals of citizenship and service—our Nation's firefighters. During this National Fire Prevention Week, I am especially proud to pay tribute to a firefighter from my State, Capt. Robert J. Lewis of the Talleyville Fire Company.

On June 30 of this year, the Talleyville Fire Company was dispatched to help battle a house fire in Brandywood, a community just north of Wilmington, DE. There was heavy smoke coming from the attic, and the firefighters immediately went to work with handlines directed to the upper floor of the house.

An engine crew from the nearby Claymont Fire Company was assigned to search the main attic. In the course of that search, Claymont Firefighter Greg Denston was caught when fire broke through the wall, engulfing the attic in flames and leaving little chance of escape by way of the staircase.

In the course of working his way to the attic, Firefighter Denston had lost his helmet, and his protective mask had become dislodged when the flames broke through the wall. He alertly activated his personal safety signal device, hoping that someone would hear his call for help.

Rescue Capt. Robert J. Lewis did hear, Mr. President, and he responded.

Captain Lewis found a Claymont Fire Company helmet at the bottom of the attic staircase. He fought his way

through heavy smoke and intense heat, and managed to get to the attic by way of the kind of fold-down stairs that can be hard to navigate under the best of circumstances. And these were surely the worst of circumstances.

The attic was literally under siege by the fire. But Captain Lewis managed to locate Firefighter Denston and to pull him down the stairs, where several other firefighters helped get their injured comrade out of the house and on his way to medical treatment. Firefighter Denston was hospitalized for 7 days, and has continued his recovery at home.

The hope of that recovery is only possible, Mr. President, because Robert Lewis answered the call for help, as firefighters do every day in cities and towns across America.

Captain Lewis' professional instincts—and all firefighters are professionals—his professional instincts were perfect; he acted precisely as his training had taught him.

But training can only teach you how to save a life. It cannot make you do it.

The personal instinct that led Captain Lewis to act quickly and decisively—automatically, without pausing to weigh the pros and cons, putting his concern for another above his concern for his own safety—that instinct comes from deep within. It is something hard to define, but it makes ordinary citizens into heroes every day.

One American writer described it this way: "There is a certain blend of courage, integrity, character and principle which has no satisfactory dictionary name but has been called different things at different times, in different countries. Our American name for it is 'guts.'" Training makes a professional; guts, Mr. President, make a hero.

Capt. Robert J. Lewis of the Talleyville Fire Company did not become a hero on June 30, 1995. He was already a hero, as were his fellow firefighters, because they know that every time they answer the call they may be putting their lives at risk. And still they answer—without pausing to weigh the pros and cons, putting their concern for others above their concern for their own safety—each and every time.

In recognizing Captain Lewis for his extraordinary service, we recognize all firefighters. They represent and summon the best in us—the best of the American character—and we are grateful to them all.●

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1995

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it stand in recess until the hour of 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, October 12, 1995; that following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be deemed approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that there be a period of

morning business until the hour of 11 a.m. with Senators to speak for up to 5 minutes each with the exception of the following: Mr. KOHL, 10 minutes; Mr. BURNS, 10 minutes; Mr. HATCH, 30 minutes.

I further ask unanimous consent that at 11 a.m. the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 927, the Cuba sanctions bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, I further ask that any first-degree amendments be filed up to 1 p.m. tomorrow under the provisions of rule XXII.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, a cloture motion was filed on the pending substitute amendments to the Cuba sanctions bill, and it is the hope of the two leaders that the cloture vote could occur tomorrow late evening.

A second cloture motion was filed, and that vote is expected to occur Friday morning. Also, the Senate could begin consideration of the State Department reauthorization bill if available.

RECESS UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:31 p.m., recessed until Thursday, October 12, 1995, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate October 11, 1995:

THE JUDICIARY

P. MICHAEL DUFFY, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA VICE MATTHEW J. PERRY, JR., RETIRED.

SUE E. MYERSCOUGH, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS, VICE HAROLD A. BAKER, RETIRED.

JED S. RAKOFF, OF NEW YORK, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, VICE DAVID N. EDELSTEIN, RETIRED.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

WILLIAM P. FOSTER, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 3, 2000, VICE ROY M. GOODMAN, TERM EXPIRED.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

LOWELL LEE JUNKINS, OF IOWA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION, VICE EDWARD CARLES WILLIAMSON.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING CADET OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD ACADEMY FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF ENSIGN:

JORDAN D. ISAAC

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD PERMANENT COMMISSIONED TEACHING STAFF AT THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE OF COMMANDER:

KURT J. COLELLA
GEORGE J. RAZENDES

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY

WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10 U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. ALEXANDER J. KREKICH, 000-00-0000
IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICERS FOR PERMANENT PROMOTION IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 618 AND 628, TITLE 10, U.S.C., AS AMENDED, WITH DATE OF RANK TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE.

LINE OF THE AIR FORCE

To be colonel

LARRY E. FREEMAN, 000-00-0000
JOHN S. NEWTON, 000-00-0000
DOUGLAS B. WALTER, 000-00-0000

To be lieutenant colonel

JASON BAIRD, 000-00-0000
WILLIAM J. BUCKLEY, 000-00-0000
JAMES D. CARNAHAN, 000-00-0000
CALVIN W. MORRIS, 000-00-0000

To be major

SEAN P. CAIN, 000-00-0000
DAVID A. FENNELL, 000-00-0000
JAMES D. HEDGES, 000-00-0000
CHARLES D. HOWLAND, 000-00-0000
JAMES R. KING, 000-00-0000
KURT R. LA FRANCE, 000-00-0000
RICHARD C. MCEACHIN, 000-00-0000
ROBERT S. MCGEHEE, 000-00-0000
ROBERT F. STAMMLER, 000-00-0000

MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

To be lieutenant colonel

JOHN B. CARLETON, 000-00-0000

DENTAL CORPS

To be colonel

GERALD R. CRANE, 000-00-0000

To be lieutenant colonel

JOHN R. EMBRY, 000-00-0000

MEDICAL CORPS

To be colonel

STEPHEN A. MCGUIRE, 000-00-0000

To be major

CHARLES R. FRIEND, 000-00-0000
TERRY L. HASKE, 000-00-0000
PATRICK M. LASSEN, 000-00-0000

CHAPLAIN

To be major

ALLEN L. HECKMAN, 000-00-0000
BOBBY V. PAGE, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 531, TITLE 10, U.S.C., WITH GRADE AND DATE OF RANK TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE PROVIDED THAT IN NO CASE SHALL THE OFFICERS BE APPOINTED IN A GRADE HIGHER THAN THAT INDICATED.

LINE OF THE AIR FORCE

To be captain

MICHAEL A. FRALEY, 000-00-0000
DENNIS WREN, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 531, TITLE 10, U.S.C., WITH A VIEW TO DESIGNATION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8067, TITLE 10, U.S.C., TO PERFORM DUTIES INDICATED WITH GRADE AND DATE OF RANK TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE PROVIDED THAT IN NO CASE SHALL THE FOLLOWING OFFICER BE APPOINTED IN A HIGHER GRADE THAN INDICATED.

NURSE CORPS

To be captain

TIMOTHY L. COOK, 000-00-0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER, ON THE ACTIVE DUTY LIST, FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE U.S. ARMY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 618, 624 AND 628, TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.

To be lieutenant colonel

DEREK J. HARVEY, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203(A) AND 3370:

ARMY NURSE CORPS

To be colonel

BARBARA HASBARGEN, 000-00-0000
PATRICIA PELLEGRINO, 000-00-0000
ELIZABETH PIDCOCK, 000-00-0000

DENTAL CORPS

To be colonel

STEPHEN J. GOEPFERD, 000-00-0000

MEDICAL CORPS

To be colonel

STANLEY L. FLEMMING, 000-00-0000
RICHARD A. HURD, 000-00-0000
BILLY R. NORDYKE, 000-00-0000
CARL A. PATOW, 000-00-0000

MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

To be colonel

ALAN K. ABRAHAM, 000-00-0000
ROGER S. BLACKSTOCK, 000-00-0000
THOMAS R. BROWN, 000-00-0000
MICHAEL R. CHEEK, 000-00-0000
MALCOLM B. WESTCOTT, 000-00-0000
ROBERT A. WIRTZ, 000-00-0000

ARMY MEDICAL SPECIALIST CORPS

To be colonel

WILLIAM H. O'GRADY, 000-00-0000

VETERINARY CORPS

To be colonel

GARY VROEGINDEWEY, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203(A) AND 3366:

ARMY NURSE CORPS

To be lieutenant colonel

MARY B. ALEXANDER, 000-00-0000
HELEN E. ALM, 000-00-0000
JUDITH B. ANDERSON, 000-00-0000
SHERYL L. ANDRAKIN, 000-00-0000
FRANCES ARROWSMITH, 000-00-0000
PAULA M. ATTWELL, 000-00-0000
KIMBERLY BALLANTYNE, 000-00-0000
LINDA A. BARILE, 000-00-0000
RICHARD B. BARNES, 000-00-0000
TERRY V. BAXTER, 000-00-0000
SUK K. BEARDTAYLOR, 000-00-0000
MARY T. BENNETT, 000-00-0000
IRMA L. BERNARD, 000-00-0000
STEPHEN BLACKBURN, 000-00-0000
JANET M. BLOK, 000-00-0000
MARY E. BOUDREAU, 000-00-0000
DAVID M. BOUDREAU, 000-00-0000
CAROL L. BOWDOIN, 000-00-0000
SHARON W. BRAMMER, 000-00-0000
MARIA A. BRANSON, 000-00-0000
BOBBY L. BREWTON, 000-00-0000
MERRY A. BRINKLEY, 000-00-0000
VIVIAN J. BURDICK, 000-00-0000
LORETTA BURTON, 000-00-0000
MARK S. BUTCHER, 000-00-0000
MARY K. BUTRUM, 000-00-0000
DORIS P. CALDWELL, 000-00-0000
DEBORAH K. CAMPBELL, 000-00-0000
KATHLEEN CAMPBELL, 000-00-0000
CHRISTINE CARRS, 000-00-0000
ROBBIN L. CARTER, 000-00-0000
MINNIE E. CLARK, 000-00-0000
SANDRA G. COLE, 000-00-0000
PATRICIA J. COMEAU, 000-00-0000
CLARICE COMMISSIONG, 000-00-0000
RICHARD N. COONRADT, 000-00-0000
TERRY M. CRASS, 000-00-0000
JOYCE L. CROCKETT, 000-00-0000
CHRISTINE CROMARTY, 000-00-0000
ROBYN R. DADIG, 000-00-0000
GARY R. DALEGOWSKI, 000-00-0000
MILDRED R. DAMICO, 000-00-0000
ELLEN M. DENNIS, 000-00-0000
LYNN M. DERICKSON, 000-00-0000
DIANA M. DISTEFANO, 000-00-0000
MAUREEN C. DONER, 000-00-0000
FLOYD D. DRAKE, 000-00-0000
SHARON A. DRAYTON, 000-00-0000
MICHAEL W. DURAN, 000-00-0000
JOHN R. EDDY, 000-00-0000
PETER ENG, 000-00-0000
I. FERNANDEZDELGADO, 000-00-0000
NOREENE L. FOSTER, 000-00-0000
ROBERT L. FOSTER, 000-00-0000
JEWERLENE FOWLER, 000-00-0000
MARIA FUENTESSTORRES, 000-00-0000
MARK A. GALANTOWICZ, 000-00-0000
RONALD G. GAMACHE, 000-00-0000
TERESA K. GAMBLIN, 000-00-0000
HELEN L. GANT, 000-00-0000
DEBRA A. GAYER, 000-00-0000
HAYWARD S. GILL, JR., 000-00-0000
MICHAEL F. GMASTER, 000-00-0000
CONNIE F. GODJIKIAN, 000-00-0000
JEROME L. GONZALES, 000-00-0000
KAREN M. GOODMAN, 000-00-0000
JAMES R. GOODWIN, 000-00-0000
MARY A. GOULD, 000-00-0000
KATHY M. GRAHAM, 000-00-0000
LINDA J. GRAVES, 000-00-0000
JOHN A. GREEN, 000-00-0000
SANDRA GREEN, 000-00-0000
LARRY D. GRONLAND, 000-00-0000
MARY A. GROSS, 000-00-0000
LINDA A. HAFENBREDL, 000-00-0000
MORRIS W. HALL, 000-00-0000
WANDA G. HALL, 000-00-0000
DIANE A. HAMMER, 000-00-0000
PAMELA K. HANSON, 000-00-0000
MICHAEL D. HARPER, 000-00-0000
RUTH M. HARRIS, 000-00-0000