

# AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

## COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be granted permission to conduct a hearing Tuesday, November 7, at 2:30 p.m., hearing room (SD-406), to receive testimony from Dr. Phillip A. Singerman, nominated by the President to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Department of Commerce; and Rear Adm. John C. Albright, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, nominated by the President to be a member of the Mississippi River Commission.

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

## COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 7, 1995, at 10 a.m., in room 485 of the Russell Senate Building to mark up S. 1341, the Saddleback Mountain-Arizona Settlement Act of 1995, a bill to transfer certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, AZ, and immediately following the mark up to conduct a hearing on S. 1159, a bill to authorize a National American Indian Policy Information Center.

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

## COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 7, 1995, at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing on contingency fee abuses.

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

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 7, 1995, at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters.

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

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WHITE-WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development and Related Matters be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 7, 1995, to conduct a hearing pursuant to Senate Resolution 120.

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

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land

Management of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 7, 1995, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing is to consider S. 1371, the Snowbasin land exchange bill, to exchange certain lands in Utah; S. 590, a land exchange for the relief of Matt Clawson; S. 985, to exchange certain lands in Gilpin County, CO; and S. 1196, to transfer certain National Forest System lands adjacent to the townsite of Cuprum, ID.

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

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

### CASINO GAMBLING SURGES IN THE UNITED STATES, TEMPTING MORE TEENAGERS

• Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I ask that the attached article be printed in the RECORD.

The article follows:

[From the Christian Science Monitor, Feb. 17, 1994]

### CASINO GAMBLING SURGES IN UNITED STATES, TEMPTING MORE TEENAGERS

(By David Holmstrom)

A new gambling industry survey indicates that casino gambling has grown explosively in the United States.

Four years ago, only two states—New Jersey and Nevada—offered casino-style gambling. Now, 23 states offer the roll of dice and spinning roulette wheels. Another dozen states are considering legislation approving casinos.

According to the survey by Harrah's Casinos and the polling firm Yankelovich Partners, the number of "household" visits to casinos has almost doubled since 1990. In 1993, the number of visits was 92 million, up from 46 million visits in 1990. (A "household" visit, as defined in the survey, averages out to 1½ persons from the same family.)

Spokesman in the industry now define gambling as "entertainment" and refer to it as the "new American pastime" because the number of people visiting casinos last year outnumbered total attendance at major league baseball games. "The experience we want guests to have at a casino is enjoyment in an atmosphere that is not intimidating but memorable," says Bala Subramanian, corporate director for marketing information and planning for the Memphis-based Promus Company, the parent company of Harrah's.

Casino gambling, for years legal only in Nevada, has grown rapidly as states, cities, and Indian tribes have turned to gambling to try to generate economic development and jobs. Dozens of tribal reservations across the US now offer casino gambling, and riverboat casino gambling is legal in six states along the Mississippi.

Estimated casino revenue for 1993 is \$12.9 billion, up from \$8.3 billion in 1990. The Harrah's survey compiled results from a questionnaire developed by Home Testing Institute on Long Island, N.Y., and mailed to 100,000 households. From that mailing, 18,600 casino players were identified. Their responses were then combined with responses from 2,500 adults in an annual national survey of American values and attitudes by Yankelovich Partners.

Even though 51 percent of the adults in the survey said casino gambling is "acceptable for anyone," the acceptance percentage declined by 4 percentage points from Harrah's 1992 survey. The 1993 survey attributes this decline to casino referendums in southern states that caused heated public debate about gambling.

Critics of gambling say its rapid growth in the US has a dark side, particularly among youngsters and teenagers. "Kids today have grown up in an atmosphere where gambling is promoted by the state, churches, and synagogues, and the availability of it is everywhere," says Tom Cummings, director of the Massachusetts Council on Compulsive Gambling.

"We are getting more and more calls from desperate high schools asking us to put on programs to help kids deal with gambling." A council study of the effects of illegal gambling on 3,000 students found that 32 percent of students who do not gamble said they felt their refusal to partake in it was not normal. "There was tremendous peer pressure on them to gamble," Mr. Cummings says.

In 1992, some 280,000 teenagers were denied entrance to Atlantic City casinos, and another 29,000 were led out of the casinos. Harrah's Casinos has implemented "Project 21" to keep underage gamblers out of casinos by stopping them at the doors or ejecting them once inside.

A second program, "Operation Bet Smart," includes posters around casino floors saying: "Know when to stop before you start."

Harrah's president, Phil Satre, told the National Press Club in Washington recently: "Just like car manufacturers build safety devices into new automobiles, responsible casino operators must take action on the issue of problem gambling. . . . We are not in business to capitalize on compulsive behavior. We are in the business to entertain our customers."

The problem is that gamblers lose money, Cummings says, "and that is millions and millions of dollars diverted out of the mainstream economy. Somebody has to lose all that money."

(At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

## THE ASSASSINATION OF YITZHAK RABIN

• Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I rise today to express my deep sorrow, my shock, and my anger over the cowardly assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Yitzhak Rabin will be remembered as a man of extraordinary courage and unusual vision who lived in a time when both of these traits were scarce.

I first met Yitzhak Rabin when I called on Prime Minister Golda Meir during my first visit to Israel in 1973. As two individuals who shared a commitment to Israel's well-being, our paths crossed on numerous occasions over the course of the next 23 years. I saw him for the last time in October when he came to Washington to commemorate the 3,000th anniversary of King David's entry into Jerusalem.

Yitzhak Rabin was a man who did not mince words—a quality which earned him the respect and trust of a country which has a reputation for toughness. To anyone who encountered

him, it was immediately evident that his overriding concern was for the security of his fellow countrymen.

He was born into the small community of Jews in Palestine, which later formed the core of the nascent State of Israel. He went on to play a key role in the war of independence; commanded the army that unified the city of his birth; served in key Government posts; and, in perhaps his finest hour, he drew upon the lessons of half a century of defending his people to pursue the path of peace which promises to secure the future of the nation he helped create.

Yitzhak Rabin's ability to distill the fundamental choices facing his nation was a quality born of his unique experience as a soldier and a statesman. He articulated in stark terms the reasons why Israel's long-term security hinged on the success of the peace process. He viewed the status quo as unacceptable, because it meant continued violence into the indefinite future and possibly the eventual loss of Israel's Jewish character. He saw that possibility clearly and he believed Israel had to reject it in favor of a path of enlightened self-interest—pursuing an agreement on the basis of land for peace, preserving Israel's Jewish character, achieving normalcy with long-hostile neighbors, and securing Israel's long-term survivability.

Mr. President, many are now suggesting that this terrible assassination was the isolated act of a madman. I wish it were true. But I think that all of us know better.

This act was not perpetrated in a vacuum. It occurred against a backdrop in which a culture of hate and violence was being promoted actively by people who should have known better and behaved more responsibly. The extreme rhetoric was not confined to Israel. Unfortunately, some in this country added their voices to the alarmist cries.

There is a lesson in this for all of us. For while words alone do not kill, they can encourage others to do so. Those who employed hyperbolic rhetoric for the sake of political gain must bear some measure of responsibility for creating a climate in which a cold-blooded assassination could be contemplated as a patriotic and pious act.

I hope that those who irresponsibly stoke the fires of hatred will use this slaying of a great man to look deeply within themselves and change their ways.

Mr. President, this is in many ways Israel's most difficult and emotionally wrenching hour since here creation 47 years ago, because the assassin's bullet was aimed not only at Yitzhak Rabin but also directly at the very heart of the democratic process in Israel. It is a commitment to democracy that has distinguished the Israeli nation from its neighbors in the Middle East and has been the enduring foundation of the long, traditional friendship between Israel and the United States.

As one of the founders and defenders of the independent State of Israel, as

its Prime Minister, and most of all as a devotee of democracy, Yitzhak Rabin personified the process that made possible the progress toward peace in the Middle East. He also understood how violence could threaten both the process and the peace—just moments before he was shot he spoke against violence, which he said had recently taken, in his words, “\* \* \* A shape which damages the framework of fundamental values of Israeli democracy.”

It was that framework of democratic values the assassin was out to destroy—and it is designs of just such antidemocratic violence which Israel and the friends of Israel must deny in memory of Yitzhak Rabin.

I believe that we have already begun to erect that memorial. I believe that this assassination, as deeply as it has shaken us personally, will serve to reinforce the bonds of friendship between Israel and the United States. I believe that we will summon the resolve to successfully complete the unfinished journey on the path of peace embarked upon by Yitzhak Rabin. I believe that his last and greatest gift to his people, to all the peoples of the Middle East, and to the entire world will come to pass, and he will not have died in vain.

And I will remember him as a friend, as a great soldier and statesman—and not as a man who lost his life to violence, but as a man of peace who renewed the life of his Nation.●

#### AMENDING THE PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Agriculture Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1103 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

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

The clerk will report.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1103) to amend the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, to modernize, streamline, and strengthen the operation of the Act.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the bill be deemed read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 1103) was deemed read three times and passed.

#### ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1995

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 8; that following the prayer, the Journal

of proceedings be deemed approved to date, no resolutions come over under the rule, that the call of the calendar be dispensed with, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then immediately resume consideration of H.R. 1833, with Senator SPECTER to be recognized as under the previous order.

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

#### PROGRAM

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, under a previous consent agreement, at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Senator SPECTER will make a motion to commit the bill, H.R. 1833, an act to ban partial-birth abortions. The majority leader has announced that the vote on the motion to commit will not occur prior to 12:30 tomorrow. Senators can therefore expect rollcall votes during Wednesday's session.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:52 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 8, 1995, at 9:30 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 7, 1995:

##### PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

MARKOS K. MARINAKIS, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION, VICE JOHN J. DANILOVICH.

##### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING U.S. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OFFICER FOR PROMOTION IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 3385, 3392, AND 12203(A):

##### To be major general

BRIG. GEN. STANHOPE S. SPEARS, 000-00-0000

##### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 12203 AND 8379, TITLE 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE. PROMOTIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 8379 AND CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE UNDER SECTION 12203 SHALL BEAR AN EFFECTIVE DATE ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8374, TITLE 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

##### LINE

##### To be lieutenant colonel

MONKIA K. BOTSSCHNER, 000-00-0000  
DAVID R. FINK, 000-00-0000  
GARRY T. HICKS, 000-00-0000  
RICHARD D. KING, 000-00-0000  
PAUL J. MADSON, 000-00-0000  
DELLAH R. MORGAN, 000-00-0000  
PAUL T. PEROVICH, 000-00-0000  
DENNIS S. SARKISIAN, 000-00-0000  
KARL E. SCHRIKKER, 000-00-0000  
GEORGE R. SKUDAS, 000-00-0000  
TIMOTHY B. WOJESKI, 000-00-0000

##### MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

##### To be lieutenant colonel

SANDRA L. DARULA, 000-00-0000

##### BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE CORPS

##### To be lieutenant colonel

DAVID B. MORRISON, 000-00-0000