all the statements the Secretary made that night on "Nightline" that were not true. I think the American public should know. And I intend to find some way to be sure that cabinet officers that discuss pending legislation speak the truth.

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, was leader's time reserved?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

TRIBUTE TO TROOP 7 OF TOPEKA, KS. ON THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, today I take great pride in recognizing Boy Scout Troop 7 from Topeka, KS, for 75 years of honorable Scouting service.

If ever a troop has exemplified the high ideals of Scouting, Troop 7 has. These young men have not only been of great service to their community since 1920, but 147 of them have risen to a rank few achieve, that of Eagle Scout.

The young men of Troop 7 have dedicated themselves to becoming conscientious and responsible citizens with the help of their adult volunteers. The Scout oath and law instill moral uprightness and the precious selflessness of duty to others, while the motto, "Be Prepared," entreats them to never rest on their laurels. This untiring endeavor to personal fulfillment and service to others is a standard of excellence that will challenge them throughout their lives.

Mr. President, it is only fitting that we honor the young men and the adult leaders of Troop 7 on the occasion of their diamond anniversary. After all, Scouting has only been in the United States for 85 years, which makes Troop 7 one of the oldest in the country.

With their record of excellence, I am confident that Troop 7 will continue to embody the spirit of Scouting for many years to come.

TRIBUTE TO CONGRESSWOMAN JAN MEYERS

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, anyone who has been to the Kansas City and Johnson County area during any of the last 6 election years could not go far without seeing campaign signs that said "Jan Can."

The signs were referring to JAN MEYERS, who, since 1985, has represented the Third District of Kansas in the U.S. House of Representatives with great ability

Congresswoman MEYERS announced this week in Overland Park that this will be her final term in Congress, and I wanted to take a moment to pay tribute to my friend and colleague.

JAN MEYERS' dedication to public service extends nearly 30 years. Before her election to Congress, she served 5 years as an Overland Park City councilwoman, and 12 years as a Kansas State senator.

Throughout her years in the political arena, JAN MEYERS has earned a reputation as a public servant of great competence, compassion, and common sense.

During her years here in Washington, she has devoted a great deal of time to fighting the scourge of illegal drugs. She successfully fought to ensure that operators of common carriers involved in accidents that cause death and injury while under the influence of drugs and alcohol would face tough criminal penalties.

Congresswoman MEYERS also spoke out on the need to reform welfare and to return power to the States well before those causes gained favor here in Washington.

But perhaps Congresswoman MEYERS' greatest sphere of influence involved issues affecting small business. Kansas is a small business State, and as ranking member, and now chairman of the House Small Business Committee, JAN MEYERS never stopped fighting to reduce the regulatory and tax burdens on America's small businessmen and women.

I look forward to working with Congresswoman MEYERS in the year ahead, and wish her, her husband Dutch, and their family many years of health and happiness.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR MARK HATFIELD

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, 45 years ago a young political science professor went to Silverton, OR, to announce his candidacy for the Oregon State House of Representatives.

In the years that followed, MARK HATFIELD would return to Silverton to announce his candidacy for the Oregon State Senate, for secretary of state, for Governor, and for U.S. Senator. And each and every time MARK HATFIELD put his name on the ballot, Oregonians responded by voting for him in overwhelming numbers.

Not only did MARK HATFIELD never lose an election, he never lost the total trust and respect or Oregonians.

Last Friday, Senator HATFIELD returned again to Silverton.

Only this time, he did not announce his candidacy for a sixth term in this Chamber—even though he would easily have been reelected.

Instead, Senator HATFIELD announced that he will retire from the Senate at the end of the 104th Congress so that he can return to Oregon. And I might say, I had the pleasure of watching much of his retirement speech on C-SPAN.

And when Senator HATFIELD leaves this Chamber for the final time, he will

leave behind an enduring legacy of statesmanship, leadership, dignity, and integrity.

No matter if any Senator agreed or disagreed with MARK HATFIELD, no one could ever doubt that he was standing up for what the he believed was right for Oregon and for America.

And just as Oregonians have grown to count on Senator HATFIELD's leader-ship, many Senators have also grown to count on his friendship.

Many of us will never forget the day when our late colleague Senator Stennis was shot in a burglary attempt, and how Senator HATFIELD raced to the hospital to be with Senator Stennis, and how he personally manned the telephone lines, responding to inquiries about the condition of Senator Stennis.

Senator HATFIELD also served his country during World War II, where he saw battle at Iwo Jima and Okinawa, and was among the first U.S. servicemen to enter Hiroshima following the atomic explosion.

With Senator Hatfield's retirement, the Senate will also be losing one of the Nation's leading scholars of the life of Abraham Lincoln. And those colleagues who have not seen Senator Hatfield's Lincoln collection are now on notice that they have about a year to do so.

In one of the last letters that Lincoln wrote, he said that his goal was not just that America be a Union of States, but also a "Union of hearts and hands."

That goal has also been the life's work of MARK HATFIELD, and the Senate, Oregon, and America, are all better because of him.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR AL SIMPSON

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, finally Saturday night another of our colleagues announced his retirement.

Mr. President, 40 years ago, then-Senator John Kennedy wrote a bestselling book called "Profiles in Courage." It consisted of biographies of a number of U.S. Senators who took courageous positions in their time.

If a similar book was written today, I have no doubt that it would include a biography of our colleague, Senator ALAN SIMPSON.

As my colleagues know, Senator SIMPSON returned to his home town of Cody, WY, this weekend to announce that he would not be a candidate for a fourth term in the U.S. Senate.

Again, I had the pleasure of watching about 45 minutes of his retirement speech to the Cody Chamber of Commerce on C-SPAN.

In his announcement, however, Senator SIMPSON left no doubt that his final year in the Senate would be no different from the first 17—from immigration to entitlement reform, he will continue to courageously tackle the toughest and most controversial of issues, calling them as he sees them, and letting the cards fall where they may.

AL SIMPSON is a man of strong opinions, but he also is someone who knows

how to count votes and how to get things done. As Republican whip for 10 years, AL was a trusted member of our leadership team.

He made being Republican leader a much easier job—and all Senators will attest to the fact that with his unique sense of humor, AL has made serving in the Senate much more enjoyable.

Senator SIMPSON has served in Washington for 17 years, and although he and his wife, Ann, have devoted themselves to many cultural and charitable causes here in the Nation's capital. AL SIMPSON never forgot that Wyoming was home.

The great Alf Landon once said that "there are some intelligent people in Washington. But there are more of them in Kansas." AL SIMPSON never forgot that there are also more of them in Wyoming, and he has never tired of fighting for returning power to where it belongs—to the people of Wyoming and our other 49 States.

I have long thought that AL embodies the "American spirit" that many Americans associate with Wyoming and with the American cowboy. He is honest, independent, and judges people not by money or position—but by character.

AL's father also represented Wyoming here in this Chamber. And when Milward Simpson passed away in 1993, AL delivered a very moving eulogy on the Senate floor.

I re-read that eulogy the other day, and it struck me that the words spoken about a father, could also be applied to the son.

AL SIMPSON said:

My father was a man who did not just take little philosophies and paste them on the wall and then ignore them and yet say, "I live by that." No, he did live by those things that he told us . . . and one of those things he told us was "I cannot tell you how to succeed, but I can sure tell you how to fail—and that is to try and please everybody."

Mr. President, AL SIMPSON is retiring from the Senate, but he is not retiring from life. He will continue to make a difference. He will continue to live by his philosophies. And he will continue to succeed, because no matter what, AL SIMPSON won't try to please everybody—and Wyoming and America would want it no other way.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that there be a period for the transaction of morning business until the hour of 7:15 p.m.

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

THE BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, before discussing today's bad news about the Federal debt, how about another go, as the British put it, with our pop quiz. Remember—one question, one answer.

The question: How many millions of dollars in a trillion? While you are

thinking about it, bear in mind that it was the U.S. Congress that ran up the enormous Federal debt that is now about \$12 billion shy of \$5 trillion.

To be exact, as of the close of business yesterday, December 4, the total Federal debt—down to the penny—stood at \$4,988,891,675,281.12. Another depressing figure means that on a per capita basis, every man, woman and child in America owes \$18,937.92.

Mr. President, back to our quiz—how many millions in a trillion?: There are a million million in a trillion, which means that the Federal Government will shortly owe five million million.

Now who is not in favor of balancing the Federal budget?

TRIBUTE TO LADY CLIO CRAWFORD

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, Lady Clio Crawford was a personal friend of mine. I recall many great conversations with her when I was a student at Oxford. I remember in particular a wonderful dinner at Elizabeth's Restaurant, at which we discussed all of Africa and the problems of the emerging states of the continent. Having spent much of her life there, she was an expert on Africa. Later, when I was a lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Vietnam, serving in the Mekong Delta, she sent me some audio tapes on which she spoke to me, expressed concern about my safety, and wished me well. Her son, Tony, was a good friend of mine at Oxford University.

Lady Clio Crawford passed away in Geneva, Switzerland, on October 25, 1995, after a short illness.

Lady Clio Crawford was born Clio Colocotronis on February 2, 1925. Her mother came from the island of Crete and her father from the Peloponnese. Her family were direct descendants of Gen. Theodore Colocotronis, who was instrumental in liberating Greece from Turkish occupation 150 years ago, and whose statue and name adorn presentday Athens. At the age of 17, Clio Colocotronis, whose family were living in Alexandria, Egypt at the time (her father was a banker), was courted by and married Vassos Georgiadis, who was a highly successful Greek industrialist in East Africa and some 20 years her senior. Clio Georgiadis bore two sons in Kampala, Alexander and Antony, but she became a widow at the tender age of 27 in 1952.

With all the energy, courage and determination which were hallmarks of this remarkable lady, she took over responsibility of her late husband's multi-faceted business empire: This included the East Africa Tobacco Co. which was one of Africa's dominant corporations. She learned the complexities of the businesses, expanded them, and even diversified in Europe to become a major shipowner. But what she considered her major achievement was bringing up her two sons on her own, ensuring they had the best education at Oxford and U.S. business schools,

watching with pride as they succeeded in life.

In 1961, she married Sir Frederick Crawford, who was then British Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Uganda. After he handed Uganda over to majority rule in 1961, he moved to Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), where he became the head of the British South Africa Co. and was on the boards of many Anglo-American companies in southern Africa. Sir Frederick Crawford sadly died in 1978.

Lady Clio Crawford resided in Geneva since that time. She travelled extensively throughout her life. She was one of the most energetic, charming, imposing and kind-hearted persons I have ever met. From her early days and throughout her life, she was also very actively involved in all sorts of charities. She became the honorary consul for Greece in Uganda, which was the first time a woman held this post. She was head of the Red Cross, and was instrumental in establishing the Greek Orthodox Church in Uganda. In Switzerland, she and her sister were very much the pillars of the Greek community. Lady Crawford had a close connection with Oxford University in that her husband, Sir Fredrick, was a graduate of Balliol College. Her sons and stepsons all attended St. Edmund Hall (one of Oxford's oldest colleges), with which she maintained a close association over the years. She and her family were generous sponsors of many college developments and an area of St. Edmund Hall bears her name. She left behind two sons, Alec and Tony Georgiadis, who have charming wives-Ann and Elita—and six grandchildren, three from Tony and Elita (Clio, Vassos John and Ileana), and three from Alec (Vassos, Nicholas and Phil-

In tribute to this grand lady, I quote the comments sent to her family by a former vice chancellor of Oxford University:

"I remember her as one of the most cheerful, energetic, independent and altogether delightful women I have every met. I always found her confident good humour and marvellous 'joie de vivre' infectious. . . She never seemed to lack the vigour and vitality and warm understanding which were her hallmark. She was a wonderful, gracious lady who enriched the life of a friend like myself. The thought that I shall not see her again is a sad wrench. May she rest in peace—no one better deserves to do so.

TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND DR. RICHARD C. HALVERSON

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay my respects to the Rev. Richard Halverson, whose recent passing saddened all of us in this Chamber. He was, for us, a spiritual Rock of Gibraltar, always present as a reminder of eternal values, in the midst of even the most temporal of debates.

One of the remarkable things about the life of this faith-filled man is the fact that he became the Chaplain of the