

contract fraud discovery and avoidance. He contributed to studies of spare parts procurement and of ways to improve contracting for major weapons. His next position was as chief, Special Litigation Branch (Environmental), Office of the Judge Advocate General, Washington, DC from December 1983 to January 1985. He organized a team of five attorneys and two engineers to assist Department of Justice in a lawsuit filed against Shell Oil under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act. He then served as General Counsel [SJA] for U.S. Army South and Joint Task Force Panama from July 1985 to June 1989. He managed the delivery of all legal services within the command.

Colonel Cornelison's next assignment was as special counsel to the Assistant Attorney General (Civil Division) for Department of Justice from July 1989 to June 1990. He was selected to serve in this capacity under a fellowship through the Army War College. He represented DOJ on an interagency group responsible for implementing a Presidential executive order calling for a drug-free, Federal workplace, serving as liaison to the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys, and advising on settlement of litigation. He served as chief, Environmental Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General for the Department of the Army from June 1990 to March 1991. He managed the Army's environmental litigation and provided legal advice to the Army staff and executed the Army's environmental program. From March 1991 to September 1993, he was executive to the Judge Advocate General for the Department of the Army. Served as personal advisor and executive assistant to the Army's senior military lawyer. He managed an office of 74 lawyers and 47 support personnel, \$3,000,000 budget, and assisted in providing legal support to the Army worldwide.

Colonel Cornelison currently is serving as assistant for Installations and Environment, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs. He serves as a liaison between Congress and the Office of the Secretary of Defense and as an advocate of the Department's legislative program.

Our Nation, the U.S. Army, his wife Ella and his family, can truly be proud of the Colonel's many accomplishments. A man of his extraordinary talent and integrity is rare indeed. While his honorable service will be genuinely missed in the Department of Defense, it gives me great pleasure to recognize Col. Joseph Cornelison before my colleagues and wish him all of our best wishes in his new and exciting career.

TRIBUTE TO LOUIS HURWITZ

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, I rise today to pay special tribute to Louis Hurwitz of Sioux Falls, SD, on his retirement after 57 years as executive secretary of the Sioux Falls Jewish Welfare Fund, a branch of the United

Jewish Appeal. His tireless efforts in assisting the education, well-being, and happiness of countless Jewish refugees worldwide is admirable.

To understand the depth of Lou's love for and dedication to the happiness of others, one need only review his constant involvement in and uncommon generosity to the Sioux Falls community. His persistently positive impact on others and his continuous commitment to making a difference cannot be overstated. For six decades, Lou has been recognized repeatedly for his hard work on behalf of the Sioux Falls community. His efforts in reaching across religious lines to work with persons of all faiths deservedly has earned the respect and affection of many people, including myself. I extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Lou Hurwitz for his selfless service to the people of South Dakota, the Sioux Falls Jewish community, and thousands of others elsewhere.

Mr. President, Lou's extraordinary dedication to helping others mirrors the teachings of the Hebrew scholar, Maimonides. According to the teachings of Maimonides, the highest level of charity is to enable other human beings to help themselves. I am proud of Lou's efforts in that regard. He has enabled countless Jewish refugees around the world to become stronger. I congratulate Lou for all he has accomplished. He has left a legacy that always will be a source of pride to all South Dakotans. I join with Lou's friends and family members in wishing this extraordinary man the very best in all he has yet to achieve.

IS CONGRESS IRRESPONSIBLE? THE VOTERS HAVE SAID YES

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, the impression simply will not go away: Today's \$4.8 trillion Federal debt is a grotesque parallel to the energizer bunny we see, and see, and see on television. The Federal debt keeps going and going and going—up, of course—always to the added misery of the American taxpayers.

So many politicians talk a good game—when, that is, they go home to talk—and “talk” is the operative word—about bringing Federal deficits and the Federal debt under control.

But, sad to say, so many of these very same politicians have regularly voted for one bloated spending bill after another during the 103d Congress and before. Come to think about it, this may have been a primary factor in the new configuration of U.S. Senators as a result of last November's elections.

In any event, Mr. President, as of yesterday, Monday, May 22, at the close of business, the total Federal debt stood—down to the penny—at exactly \$4,883,843,317,167.73 or \$18,539.15 per man, woman, child on a per capita basis. *Res ipsa loquitur*.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent the Senate immediately proceed to the consideration of Executive Calendar Nos. 124 through 143, and all the nominations on the Secretary's desk en bloc. I further ask that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, that any statements relating to the nominations appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and that the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Eugene Branstool, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Karl N. Stauber, of Minnesota, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Research, Education, and Economics.

AIR FORCE

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601:

To be general

Lt. Gen. Billy J. Boles, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. John C. Griffith, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Lloyd W. Newton, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of general on the retired list pursuant to the provisions to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be general

Gen. Charles G. Boyd, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of general on the retired list pursuant to the provisions to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be general

Gen. John M. Loh, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John S. Fairfield, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Carl G. O'Berry, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Eugene D. Santarelli, 000-00-0000, United States Air Force.

ARMY

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Leonard D. Holder, Jr., 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer for reappointment to the grade of general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, sections 601(a) and 3033:

TO BE GENERAL

To be chief of staff of the Army

Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer to be placed on the retired list in the grade indicated under the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be general

Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer to be placed on the retired list in the grade indicated under the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Marvin L. Covault, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Robert E. Gray, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John E. Miller, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, United States Code, Section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. William G. Carter III, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army.

NAVY

The following named officer to be placed on the retired list in the grade indicated under the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Donald F. Hagen, 000-00-0000, U.S. Navy.

MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment as Commandant of the Marine Corps,

Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, and appointment to the grade of general while serving in that position under the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, section 5043:

To be commandant of the Marine Corps

Lt. Gen. Charles C. Krulak, 000-00-0000, USMC.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Karl N. Stauber, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE, ARMY, MARINE CORPS, NAVY

Air Force nominations beginning Robert D. Curry, and ending Ward Y. Tom, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 30, 1995.

Air Force nominations beginning Major Bradley C. Andreesen, and ending major Charles E. Lowrey, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 3, 1995.

Air Force nominations beginning Major Jose T. Aguinaga, and ending Major Stephen L. Jerentowski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 3, 1995.

Air Force nomination of James C. Ingram, Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 24, 1995.

Army nominations beginning John A. Adams, and ending * Dari Wollschlaeger, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 23, 1995.

Army nominations beginning * Russell R. Moores, Jr., and ending Michael J. Smith, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 30, 1995.

Army nominations beginning James W. Clevenger, Jr., and ending Charles M. King, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 24, 1995.

Marine Corps nominations beginning David F. Allen, and ending Euseekers Williams, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 23, 1995.

Marine Corps nominations beginning Stephen J. Acosta, and ending Gregory N. Zima, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 2, 1995.

Navy nominations beginning Vanita Ahvja, and ending Perry N. Willette, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 30, 1995.

Navy nominations beginning Charles S. Abbot, and ending Jake Zweig, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 30, 1995.

Navy nominations beginning Ryan D. Aaron, and ending David G. Zook, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 30, 1995.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, I would ask to be acknowledged so that I might begin 10 minutes and when

there is 2 minutes remaining, if I could be notified.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Idaho.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, I thank the Chair very much.

I think we have had some tremendous debate on the whole issue of the budget. We have heard people say, yes, there is enough that has been taken out or added or there is too much.

The fact is that on this budget debate, whether or not we should balance the budget, if we follow the status quo, which is by far the easier thing to do today, because we will not have to make the tough votes if we follow the status quo that we have been on for so many years—the fact is if we follow that status quo, we will lose this country.

The spirited, the polite, partisan debate that we have had during the course of this discussion will give way if we pursue the status quo to an absolute crisis situation. Shock waves will be sent throughout the world if in fact the United States reaches that point of financial collapse. And in that situation, Mr. President, as you well know, there will not be a United States to bail us out.

The last balanced budget was 1969. I was a junior in high school in 1969. Now, I can tell you that was not that long ago. I can relate back to that. I now have a daughter who next year will be a junior in high school. So you see, it has been a generation since we have had a balanced budget.

In high school, the last thing that I ever thought about as a high school student was a balanced national budget. It just did not cross my mind, and yet at that time, we had a balanced budget.

But \$5 trillion later, I wished that the adults of that era would have realized what should have been done—\$5 trillion later. Now I am the father of two great kids, Heather and Jeff. Next year they will both be in high school. But the difference between their being in high school and when I was in high school is that they now will owe, as every other American in this country will owe, \$19,000 on the national debt, and they did not do anything wrong except to inherit this \$5 trillion debt.

In the State of Idaho, the State law requires that we must have a balanced budget every year, and in the same world that our Federal Government operates today in its red ink, Republican Gov. Phil Batt gave the people of Idaho a \$40 million property tax relief. The fact of the matter was, it was their money, just as it is the money of the people of America that we are talking about. It is not the Government's money.

So we owe it to our kids to deal with this issue, and we owe it to our parents to deal with this issue, our parents who came through the recession and the Depression and tell us the stories of that