

home, and a prospective resident come back and take a second look.

One of the goals of the Postal Service is to be a good citizen in every community it serves. Besides contributing to a record 91 percent on-time delivery performance in the local area, Postmaster Smiley and his staff and taking a leading role in helping to make their community a better place to live. The partnership between the city of East Orange and the U.S. Postal Service is a solid example of the benefits of this type of cooperation.

OROVILLE, CA, A 1996 ALL-AMERICA CITY FINALIST

HON. WALLY HERGER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 1996

Mr. HERGER. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Oroville, California, has been named a 1996 All-America City Finalist by the National Civic League and;

Whereas, only 30 cities in the United States were designated as All-America City Finalists and only three cities were so designated in the State of California and;

Whereas, Oroville has traced its "can do" spirit from the rough-and-tumble days of the California Gold Rush to the glorious development of our Nation's railroads, to the timber boom and creation of an agricultural marketplace, to the building of Oroville Dam, the largest earth-filled dam in the United States, which created Lake Oroville with its 167 miles of scenic shoreline and;

Whereas, the citizens of the Oroville community will be taking their "can do" spirit and pride to Ft. Worth, TX to bring back the title of being one of the 10 All-America Cities in the United States for 1996;

Now, therefore, I Wally Herger, Member of the United States House of Representatives, consider it an honor and privilege to pay tribute and recognize this fine community and commend them upon their efforts in making Oroville an "All America" city each and every day of the year, and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting them as an All-America City finalist for 1996. From the nuggets of the Gold Rush era to the energy and enthusiasm of the people of the 1990's, Oroville has been and will continue to remain for years to come the "city with a heart of gold."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 1996

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, April 16 and Tuesday, April 17, 1996, I was unable to cast my floor vote on rollcall votes 116 through 120.

I would like to state for the record, had I been able to, I would have voted "no" on 116 and 117, and "aye" on 118, 119, and 120.

SUPPORTS NAMING NEW NURSING FACILITY IN HONOR OF THE LATE SENATOR JOHN HEINZ

HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the late Pennsylvania Senator John Heinz and urge my colleagues to support H.R. 3376, which will name the new nursing care facility at the Aspinwall VA Hospital in his honor. An advocate for the elderly and a defender of Pennsylvania's interests, John Heinz was an asset for the city of Pittsburgh and the State of Pennsylvania. He built a well-deserved reputation as one of the State's most popular public officials.

Henry John Heinz III was born in Pittsburgh, the only son of H. J. Heinz II and the great-grandson of industrialist Henry J. Heinz, who founded H. J. Heinz Co. in 1869. The Heinz family is often credited with helping transform Pittsburgh.

John Heinz was educated at Phillips Exeter Academy, graduated from Yale University in 1960, and received an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School in 1963. A scholar with natural business acumen, John Heinz graduated in the top 10 percent of his Harvard class. After business school, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and spent 1 year on active duty and 5 years in the Air Force Reserves.

After working for a number of years in the family business, John Heinz ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in 1971. Heinz served for nearly 20 years in the U.S. Congress, 5 in the House and 15 in the Senate, with interests and influence ranging over a wide field of complex subjects including trade, tax, health care, and pension policy.

Despite his privileged upbringing, John Heinz spent much of his time in Congress working on behalf of steelworkers, the elderly, and the disabled. His mostly blue-collar constituents approved of his candid, grassroots style despite his enormous wealth.

John Heinz worked in Congress to improve the lives of Americans. His interest in health care for the elderly found an outlet on the Aging Committee, which he helped establish in the 1970's. As ranking minority member of the Aging Committee, he focused national attention on abuses in nursing homes and fraud in the Medicare Program. He also spearheaded a successful effort to strengthen Federal regulation of health insurance for the elderly. Constantly working on behalf of his constituents, one important legislative accomplishment was crafting trade legislation to adopt a more assertive policy on imported steel and other items that had an unfair advantage when competing with the products of Pennsylvania. Always concerned about the strength of American families, one of John Heinz' last major initiatives in the Senate was an unsuccessful effort to require the Pentagon to ensure that no single parents or couples with children be deployed to the Persian Gulf.

The late Senator John Heinz III was a scholar, a patriot, and a dedicated public servant. He was a strong advocate for the citizens of Pittsburgh and the State of Pennsylvania. I urge my colleagues to join with me in supporting H.R. 3376 so that we may pay a fitting tribute to John Heinz by naming the new nurs-

ing care facility at the Aspinwall VA Hospital in his honor.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SCHOOL LUNCH

HON. WILLIAM F. GOODLING

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, yesterday the National School Lunch Program celebrated its 50th anniversary. This is 50 years of providing children with the nutrition they need to do well in school.

As a former educator, I could tell the difference between those children who ate lunch and those who did not. Those who did not were not as engaged in the educational process. They were hungry, they were tired and they just didn't focus.

Mr. Speaker, this is a program which many said we wanted to eliminate. But that was never our intention. If it was, I would not be up here today, commemorating its 50th anniversary.

This program has proven its value over and over again. The goal of House Republicans was to provide States and local school food service providers with the flexibility they needed to provide nutritious, healthy meals which students would eat. We weren't trying to eliminate it, we were trying to make it better so additional children would participate. Currently only 50 percent of low-income children participate in the program and 46 percent of middle- and upper-income children participate. There was certainly room for improvement.

Last week the President signed into law a bill which I authored and which I hope will provide school food service workers with some of the additional flexibility they need to encourage more children to participate in this program. "You can't teach a hungry child," and, considering only 50 percent of low-income children participate in the program, we have a long way to go before we insure these children are well-fed and able to receive the education they need to succeed in life.

Mr. Speaker, I compliment school food service workers throughout the United States on their commitment to feeding our Nation's children. Their dedication is outstanding.

I take this opportunity to wish the National School Lunch Program a happy 50th birthday and wish it many, many more years of success in providing nutrition to schoolchildren throughout the United States.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT BULOW

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to honor an outstanding individual on his retirement from 27 years of outstanding service to the community of Morley, MI. Mr. Robert Bulow has served the students of Morley Stanwood High School for over 25 years as a teacher, athletic instructor, administrator, confidant, and friend to the many people whose lives he touched. In addition to his service to the people of Michigan,

Bob served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps for 4 years, including a year of service in Vietnam.

During his career, he taught shop and drafting classes for 17½ years and spent the last 10 years teaching American Government and history. He was a class sponsor for 3 years. Bob served as president of the Morley Stanwood Education Association for 16 years and helped negotiate teacher contracts for 22 years.

Bob's accomplishments in high school coaching are quite extensive. He coached the golf team for 12 years and the tennis team for 11 years. He coached junior varsity girls basketball for 12 years and his 1987–88 team had a perfect record of 20 wins and no losses. He coached the boys ninth grade basketball team for 7 years, and the boys eighth grade and boys varsity basketball teams 1 year each. Bob also coached junior varsity softball for six seasons and varsity softball for eight seasons. His softball team won their district tournament in 1993. Combined, that means Bob was at the helm of a school sports team for 50 seasons. Bob is a member of the Michigan Sports Sages, an elite club of people who have been active in school sports their entire careers.

It is work such as Bob's that inspires us all to achieve the best we can, and to promote these qualities in others. Mr. Speaker, I know you will join my colleagues and I in honoring the work of Mr. Robert Bulow and the legacy of service and commitment he has left for us all.

RETIREMENT OF DR. JOHN N. ARRINGTON

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great friend and community leader from California's 50th Congressional District. Dr. John Arrington has dedicated his life to improving the educational and social well-being of children throughout the San Diego Unified School District. With his retirement on June 10, we will lose his presence on school campuses throughout San Diego, but not his continuing leadership in the community.

Those of us in the educational community are well aware of the commitment to educational excellence that John has shown throughout his distinguished career. He has also been an active participant in helping to improve living conditions in his community, notably as a leader and officer of the Southeast Kiwanis Club.

John began his educational training by earning his bachelor of science degree from Tuskegee University in 1963. He received his master's degree in school administration from San Diego State University in 1974, and his Ph.D. in school administration from U.S. International University in 1977. He also received training from the Howard University School of Law in 1967, and he earned a counseling credential from San Diego State University in 1972.

John has distinguished himself as a teacher, counselor, and administrator for nearly 30 years, serving as district administrator, vice-principal, and principal in the San Diego Unified School District.

Nationally recognized for his work, John has been honored by the Administrators Association, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Kiwanis International, the Association of California School Administrators, and the Parent Advisory Task Force.

As he retires from a sterling career in education that was marked by vision, creativity, and strong leadership, I joined his family and friends in congratulating him on nearly 30 years as an inspiration to us all.

MEMORIES OF A CONGRESSIONAL PAGE

HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Albert Anness of Waukesha, WI, served as a congressional page in the House of Representatives during the first session of the 81st Congress. His experience as a page was the beginning of a lifetime of political involvement and activism.

Recently, Mr. Anness wrote a particularly touching vignette about a unique and special moment during his service as a page. Below is his story, which I think we will all find very interesting.

CHANCE MEETING

(By Albert R. Anness, House Democratic Page, Spring 1949)

In the story I am about to tell, I was alone. The only footsteps were mine; no human voice was within earshot. Solitude was my only companion.

It was past mid-afternoon as I passed through the Rotunda of the Capitol and neared the House of Representatives. The statue of Will Rogers stood gazing down upon the House Chambers. The large doors by which President Truman had recently entered to deliver his State of the Union message were now closed. The House Chambers were quiet and dark.

I don't remember why I was in the Capitol Building that afternoon. The House stood in adjournment and besides being assigned to the Ways and Means Committee, I had no floor duties. I was probably running some long forgotten errand.

Turning left, I began walking down the corridor toward the Democratic cloakroom door. I was heading for the underground passage returning to the New House Office Building.

Walking down the corridor I recall the sunlight streaming thru, the large window was beginning to lose its brilliance as evening began its resolute march to darkness.

As I neared the cloakroom entrance, my solitude was broken by the arrival upon the scene of the only other participant in my story, Congressman Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts. The Democratic cloakroom door opened and out he stepped. This was a little surprising, because, at the time, he was the Republican Minority Leader.

In a corridor usually bustling with activity, Congressman Martin and I were totally alone. He was a friendly man of medium height with jet black hair that belied his age in the mid-sixties. Congressman Martin was also the last Republican Speaker of the United States House of Representatives until Newt Gingrich, forty-six years later in 1995.

We barely had said hello, when he stumbled and began falling down the cloakroom stairs. If I had not been passing at that pre-

cise moment, he would have had a very nasty fall on the marble floor. As it happened, he fell harmlessly into my arms escaping injury. Congressman Martin thanked me and went on his way. This happened more than forty-six years ago, but it will forever remain indelibly in my memory.

RECOGNITION OF SEYI FAYANJU'S VICTORY IN THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHY BEE

HON. WILLIAM J. MARTINI

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. MARTINI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend a very worldly young man. One of my constituents, Seyi Fayanju of Verona, recently won the National Geography Bee.

Since the age of 4, Seyi has been attracted to geography. His knowledge of our world spans the globe, from the new republics in the East to the obscure islands of the Pacific and the Atlantic. This remarkable youth has not only accumulated a broad wealth of geographical facts, but he continues to expand his awareness with a zeal that is truly admirable.

Seyi has been recognized by his teachers at the Henry B. Whitehorne Middle School as one of the most gifted and well-rounded pupils they have ever taught. His talent for geography comes naturally. He continually impresses his teachers and peers with his ability to rattle off the capitals of far off places and identify the most remote mountain ranges and bodies of water.

This intense level of geographical understanding enabled Seyi to succeed at the State level and then go on to represent New Jersey in the national competition. The questions for the geography bee were prepared by the National Geographic Society. Seyi received a rare and perfect score in the finals to become the winner of the national contest.

Mr. Speaker, the National Geographic Society began this competition back in 1989 in response to the public's frustration with the lack of geographical knowledge of our youth. Seyi Fayanju has answered the challenge of the public and we are proud of his achievements. I commend this exceptional student on his academic feat and hope that his accomplishment will spark the desire of other students, nation-wide, to take interest in the unique and wondrous places our great world has to offer.

CONGRATULATIONS MR. AND MRS. JOHN MALONE

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 1996

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor a very special couple, Mr. and Mrs. John Malone, formerly of Elizabeth, NJ. On Sunday, June 23, 1996, John and Elizabeth Malone will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary by renewing their wedding vows at St. Walburga Monastery in Elizabeth, NJ.

John Malone served the city of Elizabeth for 36 years as a firefighter before retiring from the force in 1985. Elizabeth Malone worked