QUARTERLY REPORTS-1996 APRIL

The mailing and filing date of the April quarterly report required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, is Monday, April 15, 1996. All principal campaign committees supporting Senate candidates in the 1996 races must file their reports with the Senate Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Building, Washington, DC 20510–7116. Senators may wish to advise their campaign committee personnel of this requirement.

The Public Records office will be open from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. on April 15, to receive these filings. For further information, please contact the Office of Public Records on (202) 224–0322.

REGISTRATION OF MASS MAILINGS

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COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1996

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I support the motion to go to conference on S. 1004, the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1996. Both the House and the Senate have passed versions of this bill. The House called for a conference with the Senate to resolve differences in the bill and appointed conferees. The Senate must respond to this request. We need to do this before the recess so staff can meet and have issues ready for the conferees to vote on in early April.

My colleague from South Carolina opposes going to conference on this bill. I do not understand why he is so opposed to going forward with this basic process. Last time I checked, conference is the process to resolve differences between the House and the Senate. The House has its bill. We have the Senate bill. Conferees sit down together to iron out the differences. Why should he object?

I know there is a provision in the House-passed Coast Guard bill that my colleague opposes. Each year, hundreds of foreign crewmembers file suit in U.S. courts against foreign ship owners in U.S. courts. Since 1989, 724 of these cases have been filed in one Florida county alone. The House bill includes a provision that would address this flood of nonresident crew cases against ship owners being brought in the United States. The House passed this provision as part of the Coast Guard bill twice.

Mr. President, I happen to agree with the House provision. There is no public or private policy reason to litigate these cases in the U.S. legal system.

These cases: Contribute to the overcrowding of court dockets, frustrate the ability of U.S. citizens to obtain timely resolution of their claims, and require citizens to serve as jurors on cases which do not affect U.S. public or private interests.

In Dade County, FL, it costs about \$3,000 a day to conduct a jury trial. The U.S. taxpayer and consumer should not bear the cost of litigating these cases in our courts.

Of course we know who opposes this provision—the trial lawyers. There is no reason for these foreign cases to be heard in U.S. courts at the expense of the U.S. taxpayer, but a small handful of trial attorneys enriched by these cases resist any change. The trial lawyers as a group resist this tiny change because they see it as the camel's nose under the tent.

We have seen this from the trial lawvers before:

We saw it with reform of the general aviation liability laws. The lawyers nearly wrecked a whole industry before Congress was able to enact a very modest reform

We saw it with modest efforts to reform securities laws. The President vetoed this measure at the urging of the trial lawyers and sustained his first veto override.

We saw it as recently as last week with efforts to oppose reasonable product liability laws. The trial lawyers may prevail on the President to veto this as well.

To take a quote from a former candidate, the trial lawyers will oppose any legal reform until hell freezes over, and then they will fight on the ice. That is what is happening here.

The trial lawyers do not care what is good for the country, what makes sense for consumers and businesses, what the burden is to the taxpayer. They only care if it enhances their ability to rake in huge contingency fees. If a change affects that ability, they will oppose it no matter how reasonable or meritorious.

A recent Florida Supreme Court case highlighted the problem created in Florida by lawyers using its courts for the whole world's litigation. In Kinney System, Inc. versus The Continental Insurance Co., the Florida court noted that the growing trend of lawyers filing suit in the United States for injuries occurring outside the United States was growing to abusive levels. The court was concerned about the burden these cases impose on trial courts. The court concluded, "(n)othing in our law establishes a policy that Florida must be a courthouse for the world, nor that the taxpayers of the State must pay to resolve disputes utterly unconnected with this State's interests." I agree.

Mr. President, the forum selection provision in the House Coast Guard bill

is a reasonable legal reform that attempts to address part of the problem described in the Kinney case.

The provision will: Help assure the U.S. courts are available for U.S. citizens, provide an alternative to devoting scarce judicial resources to cases utterly unconnected to the Nation's interests, and assure that nonresident alien seamen receive fair treatment.

It does not affect the ability of U.S. citizens or permanent resident aliens to bring suit in U.S. courts.

It does not leave foreign crewmembers without a remedy. The provision would honor forum selection provisions in foreign employment contracts where there is an adequate remedy available to the seaman. And these remedies are available in other countries. Contrary to what the trial lawyers may want to believe, the United States is not the only civilized nation in the world. I have a whole stack of letters from different countries outlining the remedies available to seamen: Jamaica, Canada, Greece, Italy, Norway.

Mr. President, I could go on, but this issue should be resolved in conference. Its in the House bill—its not in the Senate bill. We need to resolve the differences between the House and the Senate on this important bill and go on and send it to the President. The only way we are going to do this is agree to the House request for a conference and appoint conferees. I urge my colleagues to do that and let the Senate get on about its business.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR RUSSELL AND SENATOR NUNN

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I want to comment on two very distinguished Senators from Georgia, Senator Richard Brevard Russell and his successor, the very able Senator SAMUEL AUGUS-TUS NUNN. On January 24, 1996, I had the great pleasure of taking part in the dedication of a statute of Senator Russell in the rotunda of the Russell Senate Office building. The unveiling of Senator Russell's statue last month occurred 25 years after Senator Russell's death in 1971. I was very pleased to be a part of this ceremony, because of my own high regard and esteem for Senator Russell. Twenty-four years ago, in 1972, I offered the resolution to rename the "Old Senate Office Building," as it was then known, in honor of Senator Russell. The grandeur embodied in both the building and the statue are fitting monuments to the very great legacy of statesmanship bequeathed to us by Senator Richard Brevard Russell.

The statue of Senator Russell stands in front of the entry to the Senate Armed Services Committee, where Senator Russell served as chairman for fifteen years during his 38-year Senate career, and where Senator NUNN has served as chairman and ranking member for ten years. Senator SAM NUNN is a worthy successor to Senator Russell's great legacy on national defense.

He was first elected to the Senate on November 7, 1972, to complete the unexpired term of Senator Russell, and has since won reelection three times. Together, Senator Russell and Senator NUNN have provided 62 years of remarkable service to the Senate and the Nation, and 20 years of consummate leadership on national defense. If we add to that number the leadership on national defense offered by Senator Nunn's granduncle, Representative Carl Vinson, who for many years was chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, this record of leadership is even more remarkable. Senator NUNN's legacy on defense matters, and his service to the State of Georgia, is equally distinguished.

Like Senator Russell and Representative Vinson before him, Senator NUNN has devoted himself to sustaining and improving the military strength of the United States. He was instrumental in crafting the 1986 Defense Reorganization Act that has shaped the forces that the United States deploys today. He has dedicated himself to ensuring the quality of the all-volunteer force, and to seeing that these men and women are adequately compensated and cared for. He has also fought the Pentagon to preserve systems that DoD did not always want, but which ultimately proved their worth. One such system was the F-117 Stealth fighter. which was invaluable during Desert Storm. Since that fight, Senator NUNN has pushed to spread the benefits of stealth technology to the next generation of fighters, including the F-22. Finally, Senator Nunn has demonstrated his leadership in strengthening and preserving the NATO alliance, complementing U.S. military strength with the seamless and coordinated combined strength of our European allies.

He has become, in the process, a leader in U.S. foreign policy as well. Senator Nunn will be remembered for championing the Nunn-Lugar program to effectively reduce the Soviet nuclear threat to the United States, for his efforts to address and counter the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and for his role in shaping and defining the use of U.S. military force. He has been an integral part of every debate concerning the use of U.S. military forces, from Vietnam, to Lebanon, to the Persian Gulf War, to Somalia, Haiti, and Bosnia. I respect the cogent and well thought out arguments that Senator Nunn invariably brings to the discussion. He brings to these difficult debates a mature understanding of the subtleties of each situation and a clear vision of the strategic interests of the United States. To each debate, his talents for achieving a compromise are tested and proven anew. This ability surely will be missed after his departure from the Senate.

Mr. President, the State of Georgia has offered to the Congress and the nation statesmen and leaders of remarkable ability and durability during this century. The Congress and the nation have been the better and the stronger for the service of these sons of Georgia, from Carl Vinson, to Richard Brevard Russell, to SAMUEL AUGUSTUS NUNN. The legacy of these three men alone, and on national defense and security issues alone, is a remarkable testament. I am honored to have served with all three. As I have said before, Senator NUNN stepped into big shoes when he came to the Senate. With his retirement this fall, he will leave an equally large pair of shoes to fill.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a letter to me from Senator Nunn, along with the transcript of the ceremony, be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES,
Washington, DC, February 14, 1996.
Hon. Robert C. Byrd,
U.S. Senate,

U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR SENATOR BYRD: Please find enclosed a transcript of the Richard B. Russell Statute Dedication Ceremony of January 24, 1996. Your active participation in planning and chairing the dedication ceremony ensured its success.

I believe it would be a fitting tribute to Senator Russell for these proceedings to be a part of the historical record honoring his distinguished career. If you deem it appropriate, I would be honored for you, in your role as chairman of this special event, to insert the transcript into the Congressional Record.

I know your heartfelt remarks at the dedication ceremony meant a great deal to Senator Russell's family, friends, and former colleagues. Your personal remarks about my own service in the Senate at the ceremony and later, after my 10,000th vote, will always be among the most meaningful memories of my career in public service.

Sincerely,

SAM NUNN.

Enclosure.

SENATOR RICHARD RUSSELL STATUE DEDICATION, JANUARY 24, 1996, RUSSELL SENATE OFFICE BUILDING ROTUNDA

PROCEEDINGS

Senator Nunn. Our beloved Senate Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, will give the invocation

Chaplain OGILVIE. Let us pray. Almighty God, sovereign of our beloved nation and Lord of our lives, we praise you that you call leaders to shape the course of history.

We have gathered here today to thank you for the impact on history of Senator Richard Russell. Here in this building that bears his name we place this statue of his likeness. May this statue call all of us to the excellence that distinguished his career, the nobility of his character that made an indelible mark on history, and his faith in you that gave him supernatural gifts of wisdom and discernment and vision.

Thank you for the lasting impact of the rare blend of humility and stature, patriotism and statesmanship, that made him a legend in his own time—Georgia's pride, a lodestar leader, a senator's senator for 38 years, and a truly great American. May we measure our commitment by his indefatigable faithfulness and set as a benchmark for our lives his belief that work in the government is one of the highest callings.

In this spirit of dedication to your best for America and in affirmation of this giant of

history, we renew our commitment to serve you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Senator Nunn. Ladies and gentlemen, please be seated.

Charlie Campbell, the president of the Russell Foundation, will give more elaborate introductions, but let me begin by welcoming the members of the Russell family here today. I understand there are about 100 of you. We are very, very proud to have each and every one of you here.

The Russell trustees and supporters, we welcome you, and we thank you for all of your efforts in making this historic day possible; past and present members of the United States Senate who will be introduced later; and friends and admirers of Richard B. Russell.

This is indeed an important event in the life of the United States Senate. Every day since I have been serving in this unique legislative body, I have considered it a great honor to be the temporary holder of what I think of as the Russell seat in the Senate.

I am also proud that I had the opportunity to follow Senator Russell's footsteps as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, which he chaired so ably for 15 years during the Cold War, the Korean War, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and the construction of the Berlin Wall.

I will never forget when I was a 23-year-old lawyer sitting in the back of the Senate Armed Services Chamber right down the hall as Congressman Carl Vinson of Georgia, the chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, presented the House position on a legislative matter to Senator Richard Russell at the other end of the table, also of Georgia and chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. Those were the days for Georgia and for our nation.

Twenty-seven years later, as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I watched with the rest of the world as the Berlin Wall was torn down, Eastern Europe regained its freedom, and the Soviet empire disintegrated. I have often thought that this occurred without a nuclear war and without worldwide destruction in considerable part because of the wise leadership of Richard Russell and Carl Vinson in building a strong United States and a strong NATO alliance.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn: When this historic building was named in honor of Richard Brevard Russell in 1972, the powerful imprint of his record of service was still very fresh in the memory of the Senate and of our nation. Today, with the dedication of this magnificent statue, we have occasion to remember why Richard Russell made such an indelible imprint on the history of Georgia, the U.S. Senate, and our nation.

Although our nation is very different today than it was at the time of Senator Russell's election in 1932, or even at the time of his death 25 years ago, his service and his example are more instructive now than ever before.

In this context, no one is better suited to begin this ceremony of remembrance, recognition and dedication than our next speaker. Like Richard Russell, Vice President Al Gore was molded by his southern heritage and by a loving family that encouraged and supported his early and energetic and total commitment to public service.

Like Richard Russell, Al Gore is the son of a prominent political father. Indeed, Al Gore, Sr., served in the Senate with Richard Russell and with many in attendance here today. Richard Russell's own father was Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court, and in that capacity, administered the oath of office when his son became Governor Russell of Georgia.

Just as our vice president was known as "Young Al" when he began his political career, Richard Russell was known as "Young Dick." Like Richard Russell, Al Gore spent a lot of time on the family farm, and as young boy these youthful experiences gave both men a special understanding of people who work with their hands, work in manual labor, as well as an abiding appreciation of conservation and the environment.

Like Richard Russell, Al Gore served on the Senate Armed Services Committee and devoted a considerable portion of his time to building a stronger America and a safer world. Like Richard Russell, Al Gore was elected as a very young man to Congress, and he has dedicated his life to the people of his state and to the people of our nation.

Ladies and gentlemen, please help me welcome the Vice President of the United States.

[Applause.]

Vice President Gore: Thank you.

[Continuing applause.]

Vice President GORE: Thank you very much. Thank you. Thank you very much, ladies and gentlemen.

And, Senator Nunn, thank you for your very kind words of introduction. One of my greatest honors in the time I served in the United States Senate was serving under your chairmanship in the Armed Services Committee, and thank you so much for your kind words.

Senator Byrd and Senator Stevens, two close friends and great leaders of this institution, other members of the Senate who are present—forgive me for not even attempting to single out individual senators because there is such a great turnout and such a large presence here at this event—former members of the Senate who are here, as well.

Governor Zell Miller, thank you for honoring us and this occasion with your presence here, and thank you for your leadership

in Georgia and in our country.

To Charles Campbell, Chairman of the Richard B. Russell Foundation; to Frederick Hart, the sculptor; and to Chaplain Ogilvie—thank you for your invocation; to members of the family of Senator Russell—Carolyn Nelson and Pat Peterson especially, sisters of Senator Russell; to all of the other family members who are here.

It is an honor to him that so many of you are present. This really is a very, very special day, and to hear Sam Nunn introduce me with even slight comparisons is beyond what I can—that sets off my hubris alarm, Sam, because Senator Russell is rightly regarded as a legend, and all who had the privilege of serving with him understand that.

Incidentally, not too many days ago some tourists remarked to an acquaintance of mine from Tennessee that they had seen the Al Gore statue on the White House lawn, and I said, "What day was that?"

[Laughter.]

Vice President Gore: It's been so cold here recently people who don't know me thought I was frozen stiff. But in any event, ladies and gentleman, from this day forward, in the Rotunda of this majestic building named in his honor, a statue of Richard Brevard Russell will stand sentry. Georgia's senator, America's senator, a legendary figure in American politics will gaze over us—a fitting tribute to a towering presence.

I knew Senator Russell when I was a young man. I did not have the opportunity to serve in the Congress during his time of service, but my father's service in the Congress overlapped with his for 32 years. These two men had a great deal in common. Eighteen of those years my father served in the Senate with Senator Russell. Both were sons of the South and both provided shoulders on which a new generation of Democrats now stands.

Both believed that public service was an honorable calling that demanded common courtesy and rewarded basic decency. Both marched in the direction pointed by the compass of their conscience, no matter the prevailing winds or the calls to shift their course

I remember often hearing my father say that whatever their occasional disagreements—and they did have some; on occasion they stood toe to toe, but when it came to certain core ideals; love of country, devotion to duty, respect for principles, they always saw eye to eye. But whatever the occasional disagreements, on one matter my father was resolute whenever he spoke about Senator Russell. Dick Russell had a heart of gold and was one of the most honorable individuals ever to serve in the United States Senate throughout its more than 200-year history.

To six United States presidents, Richard Russell was a mentor and an occasional menace. He stood up for Franklin Roosevelt at the 1932 Democratic Convention, nominating him for president when some people thought Roosevelt couldn't win. And then he stood up to Roosevelt a few years later, casting a deciding vote against his court-backing plan when some people thought Roosevelt couldn't lose.

He challenged Harry Truman for the presidential nomination in 1948, but he challenged the nation to honor Truman's authority as Commander-in-Chief when he presided over the Senate's Army MacArthur hearings three years later.

President Johnson knew him best among all the presidents served by Richard Russell, and the relationship between Richard Russell and Lyndon Johnson began as so many of his relationships had. Johnson was the student, and Russell was the teacher.

They became very, very close friends, even though they too had occasional disagreements and feuded from time to time. And Johnson owed much of his rise to the benevolence and wisdom of the Georgia Giant.

Senator Russell, we all remember, was an austere man, and, ironically, Johnson lavished him with gifts from time to time-fancy neckties, glass bowls, one time a watch just like the one that President Johnson wore. And, as the story goes, one Christmas Johnson gave Senator Russell a beautiful Christian Dior handkerchief. The Senator thanked him, and he said, "Now, Lyndon, I'm going to have to buy a new suit to go with this."

When Johnson was vice president, he hosted a dinner in Senator Russell's honor, which was a grand affair swarming with cabinet officers, elected officials and Washington's elite. And at that dinner, Johnson told the assembled gathering that if he were able to personally choose the president of the United States, he would select Richard Russell.

Richard Russell was indeed a president's senator and a senator's senator. And if things had gone a little bit differently, if the South had been a little bit different, if other things had been just a little bit different, he might have been a senator's president.

On some things Senator Russell was way ahead of his time, a little bit like that great Barbara Mandell song "I Was Country Before Country Was Cool." For example. Richard Russell was reinventing government before reinventing government was cool

We're still in that period before reinventing government is cool.

[Laughter.]

Vice President Gore: As governor, he reduced the number of state bureaus, commissions and agencies from 102 to 17. He cut the cost of government 20 percent, saved the state the then-astronomical sum of a million dollars. He knew that a government that didn't spend money as wisely and carefully

as a family could never earn any family's respect.

On national security, of course, Senator Russell had no peer. He championed a robust national defense, and he helped build a Pentagon that was the envy of the world. He also influenced all of those who came after him. Many members of the United States Senate today owe something of their bearing and approach to the job to their learning experience in watching Senator Russell.

In fact, I have sometimes though—and I dare say I'm not the only one—in watching the level of excellence brought to the job of chairman of the Armed Services Committee and now ranking member by Sam Nunn—that his experience, along with others, in watching Senator Russell was an important factor in giving our nation the degree of commitment to public service that we find from so many who watched Senator Russell carefully.

But perhaps his most lasting influence was on matters that were less explosive and less immediately tied to life and death, less immediately newsworthy—bringing electricity to rural America, getting loans for Georgia's farmers, making sure that poor children could eat a decent lunch at school. And there was always that reverence to his life, his spartan apartment, his utter devotion to the Senate as an institution, his enduring self-lessness that inspired even those with whom he disagreed.

I do understand that more than 100 members of the Russell family are here this afternoon, and we all thank you for sharing your outstanding brother, uncle, cousin with the United States of America.

I guess we all should have expected, however, that even at the dedication of his statue, Senator Russell would make certain he had the votes to come out on top in case any question was put.

[Laughter.]

There's no need to worry about that this afternoon. Today and forever, this leader, this patriot, this legend, remains where he belongs—in the Senate standing tall.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn. Thank you very much, Mr. Vice President. Richard Russell was an astute judge of the character and the quality of his fellow senators. He made his judgment, not only on the basis of their words, but also on the basis of what he observed—their deeds. When Richard Russell determined that you were a man or woman of honor, he was your champion for life.

One young senator who met this Russell test was Robert Byrd. The last vote Senator Russell cast before he died was cast from his hospital bed in favor of Robert Byrd's bid to become the majority whip of the Senate in 1971.

Senator Russell was an advisor and confidant to six presidents. He served under seven, but only a brief time under one. He had the deepest respect for the office of President, so much so that he never called any sitting president, even his old friend and protege Lyndon Johnson, anything but Mr. President.

With a similar respect, Senator Byrd never called Senator Russell anything but Senator Russell. Senator Russell believed strongly in the independence and coequal role of the Congress of the United States, and he insisted on more than one occasion that he had not served under six presidents, Al, but, rather, he served with six presidents—a real difference.

Like Richard Russell, Robert Byrd reveres the Senate of the United States, not just because he serves in it, but because of his respect for its role in the history of our nation and the world. Like Richard Russell in his day, Robert Byrd by the power of his intellect, by the depth of his understanding of history and the Senate rules, by the strength of his character and by his faith in God, is today the custodian of the Senate ideals that go back, not only to the founding fathers but, indeed, to ancient Rome.

Like Richard Russell, Robert Byrd embodies the traditions, the dignity, and, indeed, the honor of the United States Senate. It is my great privilege to introduce the honored friend of Richard B. Russell, Robert C. Byrd

[Applause.]

Senator BYRD. Thank you.

Mr. Vice President, my colleagues, fellow Americans, ladies and gentlemen.

If I appear today to wear a pained expression, that's because I have some pain. If any of you have ever had the shingles, you know what I'm talking about. Although a great number of people think I wear that expression all the time.

[Laughter.]

And they're not far wrong.

I want to thank, first of all, the Senate Chaplain, Dr. Ogilvie, who performed the most important part in the program. I thank Mr. Campbell for inviting me to participate in this program. And I thank Sam Nunn. He stepped into some big shoes when he came to the Senate, and those shoes fit today.

[Applause.]

The Duke of Wellington once said that the presence of Napoleon on the field was worth 40,000 men in the balance. And so it is when Sam Nunn speaks on the subject of our national defense. He has no peer in the Senate, and everybody listens.

Let me say that I'm very grateful for the presence of so many of our colleagues here today. My eyes are growing dim, but I had the pleasure of personally greeting some of my colleagues before I came up here. So I want to thank John Warner and Danny Inouye and former Senator and former Judge Mr. Griffin; Thad Cochran and Jesse Helms, Mark Hatfield and Paul Sarbanes; and the only man in the Senate who has served longer in the Senate than I have. Strom Thurmond.

[Applause.]

Senator Byrd. That is in the Senate.

My tenure on the Hill is a little bit more than Strom's. Claiborne Pell. And our old friend Russell Long.

[Applause.]

Senator Byrd. Our great friend Mac Mathias, Paul Coverdell. I think I see Ted Moss and Wyche Fowler. There may be others. You'll forgive me if I can't see you from here, but thank you for coming.

When I first came to the Senate in January 1959, my office was in Room 342 of this building, then known as the Old Senate Office Building. That was still 13 years before the Senate would adopt the resolution that I offered renaming the building in honor of Senator Richard Brevard Russell.

Yet even though his name was not yet affixed to the wall of the building, it might well have been because he was the senator, the uncrowned king of the southern block, and he was as truly a Senate man as was Henry Clay or Daniel Webster or John C. Calhoun or Thomas Minton or any of the other giants who had preceded him.

Back in January 1959, I was the other relatively young senator of 41. Twenty years my senior, Senator Russell had already served over a quarter of a century in the United States Senate. He was a patrician in all aspects of the word, and of all the senators with whom I have served over these past 37 years, he was the only senator whom I never addressed by his first name when speaking to him personally. That was the measure of my respect and admiration for Senator Richard Russell.

On many occasions I sought his opinion and advice, and I always found him cour-

teous and easy to talk with. He was urbane and scholarly, courtly and polite, a statesman by every definition.

His arrival in Washington in 1933 coincided with the start of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal Administration. Recognizing the severity of the Great Depression, Senator Russell gave loyal support to President Roosevelt whom he viewed as a great leader who sympathized with the problems of ordinary citizens. Russell's colleagues quickly recognized the talents and the abilities of this young senator. As a freshman, he won an almost unheard of appointment to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Richard Russell never married. We used to

Richard Russell never married. We used to say he was married to the Senate. Governor Miller, he studied its traditions and its customs, its rules, its history and its practices assiduously. Ted Stevens, Senator Russell avoided speaking often on the floor but preferred to do his work quietly in the committee rooms.

Senator Russell's philosophy of government was rooted in constitutionalism. His belief in the limits of federal power and the separation of powers among the three equal branches of government was the main force behind his opposition to what were popularly known then as civil rights acts. His attitude toward the role of government he summed up once by saying, "I am a reactionary when times are good; in a Depression, I'm a liberal"

He was always regarded as one of the most fair and conscientious members of this body. The truth of this was clearly demonstrated during the Senate inquiry of President Truman's dissmissal of General Douglas MacArthur from his command in Korea. Senator Russell presided over those hearings from May 3 to June 27, 1951. During that time, he was unfailingly courteous and was particularly solicitious of the General's views. In hindsight, it has been claimed that his judicious handling of this volatile event did much to diffuse an explosive situation.

Through it all he served his nation well. Richard Russell followed his own star. He did not pander. His confident was his conscience. He was always the good and faithful servant of the people. He was good for the Senate, and he loved it dearly. I can say without any hesitation that he was a remarkable senator, a remarkable American, a remarkable man who enjoyed the respect and the affection of all who served with him.

In the death of Senator Russell, I felt a great personal loss. From my first days in the Senate, I looked upon him as my mentor, and he was the man I most admired in Washington, a man of great intellect, the finest of public servants, and his patriotism of love, of country, will never be excelled.

"I saw the sun sink in hte golden west. No angry cloud obscured its latest view. Around the couch on which it sank to rest shone all the splendor of a summer day and long the lost of view its radiant light reflected from the skies delayed the night. Thus, when a good man's life comes to a close, no doubts arise to cloud his soul with gloom, but faith triumphant on each feature glows, and benedictions fill the sacred room. And long do men his virtues wide proclaim, while generations rise to bless his name."

And so to his kinspeople, to his kinspeople and his host of friends, I say, I am honored indeed to have been invited to participate in this ceremony in which we dedicate this handiwork of the sculptor to the memory of Richard Brevard Russell, late a senator from the state of Georgia. How poor this world would be without the memories of its mighty dead. Only the voiceless speak forever, the memory of this noble man will ever be like a star which is not extinguished when it sets upon the distant horizon. It but goes to shine

in other skies and then reappears in ours as fresh as when it first arose.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn. The distinguished senator we will hear from next also served with Senator Russell, but from across the table. Like Richard Russell, Ted Stevens' record of supporting his state's concerns and his record on national and international issues have made him a formidable force in his own home state and throughout the nation. In his own state of Alaska, his record discourages most potential opposition and crushes those who are daring enough to run against him.

Like Richard Russell, Ted Stevens has chaired the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee and has been an effective proponent of a strong national defense. Like Senator Russell, Ted Stevens is a champion of both our veterans and our men and women in uniform, and he fights to see that our troops have the weapons and the equipment they need to prevail in combat.

Like Richard Russell, Ted Stevens believes that when our flag is committed, it is time to transcend partisan politics and to support our troops. Richard Russell once described the legislative process well when he said, quoting him, "Only through a meeting of the minds and by concessions can we legislate." Like Richard Russell. Ted Stevens under-

Like Richard Russell, Ted Stevens understands that the legislation requires cooperation and coalition building in both political parties, not only to pass but to last.

Ted, to you and to my good friend and colleague Paul Coverdell, one message to majority leader Bob Dole who wanted to be here today but had other pressing commitments. In Georgia, we have a small town that might remind Bob Dole of home in case he ever has any reason in the next few weeks or months to wander into our territory, and it's called Russell, Georgia. We'll be proud to have him there at any time.

I am proud to present to you the distinguished senator from the state of Alaska, a friend of Richard Russell, the Honorable Ted Stevens.

[Applause.]

Senator STEVENS. Thank you very much, Senator Nunn. You embarrassed me with that introduction. I am delighted to be able to pinch-hit for Senator Dole and to be here with this distinguished group.

After listening to my good friend—and he is my great friend—Senator Byrd, I am reminded of a friend of mine that told me when he was ready to make a speech he felt like Lady Astor's seventh husband. He knew what he had to do, but he didn't know how to make it interesting.

[Laughter.]

Senator STEVENS. After a speech such as Senator Byrd's and the vice president's, I'm humbled to be here. But I am delighted to be here, Sam, because as you said, Senator Russell was the Chairman of the Subcommittee that I've been chairman of twice now, and that's the Defense Subcommittee, and I really feel greatly the responsibility of that position.

Because he spent half of his lifetime in the Senate and enjoyed relationships with every president from Franklin Roosevelt to Richard Nixon, as you've heard, Senator Russell had a deep understanding of the nation and a deeper understanding of how our government works, more so than most Americans.

He was very generous in sharing his wisdom and insight with new senators regardless of their political affiliation. That legacy lives on today, and I am one of the beneficiaries as Senator Nunn mentioned. Senator Henry "Scoop" Jackson and Senator Mansfield, Senator Stennis are people who served with him. They served as mentors for me and others, regardless of politics.

When we came to the Senate, and I came to the Senate 28 years ago, we were the recipients of the attention of Senator Russell, and we were guided by the senators that he had so well instilled with the love of this institution. As they took us under their wing, as Senator Russell had done to them, they counseled us in our first years in the Senate. Those were years when senators were seen and not heard for a few years, but I was an appointed senator so they sort of made an exception because they weren't sure I'd be back.

I think that there was no question that at that time we all recognized that we were serving with the foremost congressional authority on our nation's defense, and really the architect of our nation's security. He was chairman of the Armed Services Committee and chairman of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee at the same time as I recall. I always remember that because I'm sorry that I can't enjoy that same circumstance. Senator Hatfield will understand that.

But it is something for all of us to remember that he worked primarily to assure that this nation remained strong. And he was very bipartisan in dealing with that, and I'm very serious about saying he took time with young senators to explain his understanding of defense and why it was so necessary to keep such a firm foundation.

I think he played a greater role than any other senator in shaping the defense establishment of our post-World War II period here in America. President Nixon said this of Senator Russell: When the security of the United States was at issue, six American presidents leaned upon this great patriot, Richard Russell. He never failed them.

By remaining bipartisan, Senator Russell kept our nation from retreating into isolationism during a period that was very essential to our history, the period right after World War II.

Long before Dwight Eisenhower became president, Senator Russell and Ike were great friends. Their friendship continued and grew after Eisenhower was in the White

In testimony to America's spirit of democracy throughout the world, Senator Russell showed our nation the importance of rebuilding, rebuilding not only our nation but our enemies'—Germany and Japan—after World

Ensuring that the Marshall Plan became a reality was one of Dick Russell's real goals, and he was most successful. And while he was a tower of strength for our national defense, I am sure you know, Sam and the senators here from Georgia, he was a faithful representative of the people of Georgia. He saw better than others the future of the burgeoning discoveries in science and ensured that funds would be available for research in new technologies in medicine, agriculture and in conservation.

I feel truly honored to have been able to serve with Richard Russell, and I am deeply honored to my friend Robert Dole for being elsewhere so I could say it here today. Twenty-five years ago, just a few years after his death, I was a young senator, but I joined other senators in paying tribute to our departed friend.

Let me just repeat now what I said then. He never sought publicity nor attempted to impress his colleagues with flashy rhetoric, but that is not to say he was not a forceful advocate and a fierce adversary. I am confident that history will mark him as a consummate statesman who transcended regional boundaries to become a senator for all here in the United States. He was a paragon worth emulating by those who would pursue a life in public service.

Nothing has changed in the 25 years since I said those words. Russell is still a great influence, his legacy is alive today as it was

then, his achievements and unique abilities will never be forgotten as Senator Byrd has so ably said, and I'm pleased to be here to be part of the dedication of this statue and pleased even more, as I said, to have been fortunate enough to have been able to serve with this great man, Richard Russell.

Thank you very much.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn. Like Richard Russell, our next speaker has dedicated his life to public service, and has recognized that political leadership is an honorable calling. Like Richard Russell, Zell Miller comes from north of what we in Georgia call "The Gnat Line," the geological fall-line that separates north Georgia from south Georgia, with 90 percent of the gnats on the southern side of the line where I live.

Many north Georgia politicians never get elected because they never master a vital skill; that is, to be able to blow away the gnats and talk at the same time.

[Laughter and applause.]

Senator Nunn. Like Richard Russell, Zell Miller clearly mastered this skill despite his geographic disadvantage.

Like Governor Richard Russell and Senator Richard Russell, Governor Zell Miller has been a champion of job creation and fiscal responsibility.

Like Richard Russell, Zell Miller has a powerful commitment to the education of all of our children. As governor of Georgia, Richard Russell recognized and reorganized higher education. He established the Board of Regents and paved the way for Georgia's top institutions to become leaders in our nation.

In Washington, Senator Russell was the father of the school lunch program, one of his proudest accomplishments.

As governor, Zell Miller established the HOPE Scholarship Program which enables every student in Georgia who achieves a B average in high school to receive free tuition in college for as long as they maintain a B average. Currently, over 105,000 Georgia students are being helped by this program.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn. As governor, Zell Miller is the father also of Georgia's pre-kindergarten program, the most comprehensive program for four-year-olds in the entire nation, one of his proudest accomplishments.

Ladies and gentlemen, I am proud to introduce the Governor of Georgia, my good friend, the Honorable Zell Miller.

[Applause.]

Governor MILLER. Thank you.

Thank you very much, Senator Nunn, for that introduction, but, most importantly, thank you for all that you have done for our state of Georgia and for this nation.

[Applause.]

Governor MILLER. Mr. Vice President, Senator Byrd, Senator Stevens, Senator Coverdell, other members of the U.S. Senate present and past, members of the Georgia Congressional Delegation past and present, Russell Foundation Chairman Charles Campbell, former Georgia Governor Ernest Vandiver, and Mrs. Betty Russell Vandiver and all the members of the Russell family—

[Applause.]

Governor MILLER [continuing]. Distinguished guests and ladies and gentlemen.

It is certainly a great honor to be on this platform and to have this opportunity to speak on behalf of the state of Georgia at this ceremony. Although it has now been 25 years, a quarter of a century, since his passing, many of us knew and still vividly remember Richard Russell.

Some knew him as a senator's senator whose knowledge and reverence of the United States Senate as an institution was

so deep that even his colleagues who opposed him on the issues or bad conflicting philosophies of government had a level of respect for him that bordered on reverence.

Others knew Richard Russell as a president's senator, personal advisor, as we have known, to six Presidents beginning with Franklin Roosevelt. It was often said that the only power that the president had that Dick Russell didn't have was the ability to push the button. And no president would have thought of pushing that button without first consulting with Senator Russell.

But back home in Georgia we knew him as our senator, and when we sent him to Washington in 1933, it was because we already knew what a remarkable leader this man was.

Dick Russell became the youngest member of the Georgia Legislature when he was elected state representative at the age of 23, and he became Speaker of the House of Representatives in Georgia while he was still in his 20s. He was elected the youngest governor in Georgia's history at the age of 33. During those early years in state government, he honed the leadership skills that served him so well in Washington.

He was open, he was honest in his dealings, he was always fair and civil to both sides in an argument, and once he had given his word he stood by it without equivocation.

He was a genuine representative of the people who shunned political labels and special interests, and he was scrupulous about doing his homework on the issues, so that when he spoke, it was from personal understanding.

The Dick Russell we Georgians knew regarded public service as his life and his work and devoted himself unstintingly to it. He worked 12-hour days, cooked his own meals, washed his own socks in an austere bachelor apartment. He cared deeply about his large family, and his only indulgence was frequent visits with his kinfolk at the Russell family home in the little town of Winder, Georgia.

Many of you, of course, remember him as Mr. Defense, the powerful chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. And in Georgia, we still feel the positive economic impact of the many federal facilities be brought to our state.

In Georgia, we also remember, however, that by his own measure, as Senator Nunn mentioned awhile ago, in his own mind the highest accomplishment of his career and the only piece of legislation for which he jealously guarded his authorship, was the school lunch program.

Here in Washington, his name lives on in this impressive Senate Office Building. In Georgia, the infrastructure is a little less imposing. The post office in Winder is named for him, as is an elementary school in Cobb County, an agriculture research center in Athens, the federal district courthouse in Atlanta, an Army Corps of Engineers reservoir, and a scenic stretch of north Georgia highway.

But we really remember him better through ideas and intellect, the Russell Chair in American History at the University of Georgia; the Russell All-State High School Debate Championship; the Russell Teaching Awards; the Russell Leadership Program for Outstanding College Students; the Russell Public Policy Symposium; and the Russell Library for Political Research and Studies.

These activities are supported by the Richard B. Russell Foundation, which also commissioned this statue to bring a remembrance of the man himself into this building that honors him.

But at the same time that we always remember Richard Russell as Georgia's senator, the unfailing champion in Washington of our interests and our state, at the same

time we remember that, as another great Georgia Senator by the name of Sam Nunn pointed out, Richard Russell was a states-

And these are Sam Nunn's words: He understood the simple and powerful truth that the best way to serve your state is to do the best job you can in serving your nation.

And that is what made him a senator's senator and a president's senator and a Georgia's senator, and a senator for the ages.

[Applause.]

Senator Nunn Ladies and gentlemen to conclude our program and acknowledge our special guests and, in particular, the Russell family. I would like to call on Mr. Charles Campbell.

Charlie served on the staff of Senator Russell during the last six years of his life and was his administrative assistant at the time of Senator Russell's death. Senator Byrd will recall that Charles was with Senator Russell when he cast his last vote that I mentioned earlier and that Senator Byrd mentionedhis vote by proxy from his hospital bed in 1971 for Senator Byrd to be majority whip.

It is my pleasure to introduce the Chairman of the Richard B. Russell Foundation and someone who must have been the youngest administrative assistant in the history of the United States Senate, Mr. Charlie Campbell.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. Thank you, Senator Nunn. Vice President Gore, Senator Byrd, Senator Stevens, Senator Nunn, Governor Miller, other distinguished guests, friends and family of Senator Russell, ladies and gentlemen.

On behalf of the Russell Foundation, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the dedication and unveiling of the Russell statue and to thank you for your attendance.

There are so many distinguished guests present that we cannot hope to recognize all of them, but I know Senator Russell would be particularly pleased with the large number of currently serving and former members of Congress in the audience. And I would like to ask all of the currently serving and former members of Congress, both House and Senate in attendance, to please stand and let us recognize them.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. I want to recognize individually the senators who are here and who served with Senator Russell. You have already met Senator Byrd and Senator Stevens. The other senators who served with Senator Russell and who are present today and still serving in the Senate are:

Senator Mark Hatfield of Oregon. Senator William Roth of Delaware.

Senator Strom Thurmond of South Caro-Senator Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island.

And Senator Daniel Inouve of Hawaii. I'd like to ask them to please stand and be recognized.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. We are also delighted to have present certain former members of the Senate who served with Senator Russell. some for extended periods of time. I would now like to recognize these senators:

Senator Vance Hartke of Indiana. Senator Birch Bayh of Indiana.

Senator Charles Mathias of Maryland. Senator Robert Griffin of Michigan. Senator Russell Long of Louisiana.

Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana

Senator George McGovern of South Dakota.

Senator Frank Moss of Utah

Senator William Proxmire of Wisconsin. And Senator Harrison Williams of New Jer-

I'd like to ask these senators to stand, please, and be recognized.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. As many of you know, Senator Russell was one of 13 brothers and sisters, and the Russell family is an exceedingly large family. It is well-represented here today. I would like to ask each member of the Russell family in attendance to please stand.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. We also have with us a number of the members of Senator Russell's staff or the staff of the committees which he chaired or on which he served, and I would like to ask the members of the Russell staff who are in attendance to please stand.

[Applause.]

Mr. Campbell. The Russell Foundation, of which I am honored to serve as Chairman, is fortunate to have a dedicated Board of Trustees, the names of whom are published in your program. A number of the Russell trustees are in attendance today, and I would like for them to stand and be recognized.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. Each of the donors who contributed \$5,000 or more to the Russell statue are listed in your program, and I would like to ask the individual contributors or representatives of corporate contributors who are in attendance today to please stand and be recognized.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. A project such as the Russell statue could not be accomplished without the assistance of a lot of people. I particularly want to thank Senator Sam Nunn and his staff for the many things they have done to bring this project to fruition, and I also can't let the occasion pass without saying, Senator, particularly in light of your retirement now, how much we appreciate your 24 years of Richard Russell-type service in the United States Senate.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. Senator Paul Coverdell and his staff have been of immeasurable assistance to us in putting on this program, and I want to ask Senator Coverdell to please stand and be recognized.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. Senator Russell's close friend, Senator Robert Byrd, has served as the official sponsor of the dedication of the Russell statue and the reception that will follow in the Caucus Room on the third floor of the Russell Building, to which you are each invited. I would like to thank Senator Byrd and his staff for all of the help they have given us with the Russell statue dedica-

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. With respect to the Russell statue itself, we are indebted to the stone carver and the sculptor. As you will see when the statue is unveiled in a few minutes, the master stone-carver at the National Cathedral, Mr. Vincenzo Palumbo, who carved the Russell statue from a large block of white Italian marble using the model developed by the sculptor, did an outstanding job. I would like to ask Mr. Palumbo and his family to stand and be recognized.

[Applause.]

CAMPBELL. We were particularly blessed to have a talented sculptor who had a special interest in this project. The Russell Foundation selected Frederick Hart from a number of sculptors who were interviewed. We were particularly impressed by some of his public works, including the soldier figures at the Vietnam Memorial, and the Creation sculptures at the entrance to the National Cathedral here in Washington.

Frederick Hart is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, and he was already well-acquainted with Richard Russell's career before commencing his work on the Russell statue. In

fact, his father was in the television business and was active in the 1952 campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination on behalf of the late Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee who was a candidate for president

Senator Russell was himself a candidate for president in the 1952 Democratic Presidential Primaries.

Frederick Hart is not only an excellent sculptor, but was a pleasure to work with on the Russell statue. I would like to ask Rick and his wife and two sons who are in the audience to please stand and be recognized at this time.

[Applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. And before we unveil the Russell statue. I would like to make a request of three groups, if they would, to, after the dedication is over, come down front so we can have some photographs made of these groups with the statue.

The first ones are senators here who served with Senator Russell, both currently serving senators and former senators.

Secondly, the Russell trustees.

Third, the Russell staff.

If you would come down after the dedication is over to the front so we can have some photographs made with the statue.

Now, for the unveiling of the statue. I would like to ask the sculptor, Frederick Hart, and Senator Russell's two surviving sisters, Mrs. Pat Peterson and Mrs. Caroline Nelson, who are seated over here, to come forward to unveil the statue.

[The statue is unveiled.]

[Sustained applause.]

Mr. CAMPBELL. Rick, I think that Senator Russell, who was known to be quite a critic of portraits and likenesses, would say that it's a great job, and thank you so much.

That concludes our program. Everyone is invited to the reception up on the third floor in the Caucus Room, and thank you very much for attending.

[Applause.]

[Whereupon, the ceremony was concluded.]

DR. VERNE CHANEY

Mr. PELL. Mr. President, before entering the Senate I was closely associated with the International Rescue Committee [IRC], serving as a vice president in charge of IRC's Washington office. During my time with IRC, I had the privilege of knowing the legendary Dr. Tom Dooley, who helped to found Medical International Cooperation [MEDICO] as a division of the IRC with the goal of providing medical assistance to the underserved in Southeast Asia.

In 4 short years with MEDICO, Dr. Dooley established 17 medical programs in 14 countries and raised millions of dollars for their support. Dr. Tom Dooley truly became a legend in his own time.

Tragically, Dr. Dooley died of cancer in January 1961, one day after his 34th birthday. However, Mr. President, Dr. Dooley's magnificent work did not cease with his death. A dedicated colleague, Verne Chaney, M.D., gave up a lucrative private practice of thoracic surgery in Monterey, CA, to establish the Dooley Foundation. This year marks the 35th anniversary of the Dooley Foundation and Dr. Chaney has served as its president throughout the 35 year of its existence.