

Mr. Speaker, 70 years have seen remarkable changes in astronomy and at the Adler Planetarium & Astronomy Museum. Yet, Max Adler's vision remains as vital as ever. Astronomical discovery will continue to push the boundaries of human knowledge, challenging our most basic understanding. The Adler will be there as an evolutionary educational resource and guide for all of us seeking to learn more about our Universe.

HONORING THE 257TH ORDNANCE COMPANY

HON. JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. BALDACCI. Mr. Speaker, on this day 55 years ago, the bells rang out for VE Day. World War II was finally over in Europe.

I want to pay tribute to members of the 257th Ordnance Company whose "behind the scenes" work was essential to making the Allies' victory over the Axis powers possible. One member of the Company, Harry Dixon, is from my district. Harry is hosting a reunion of fellow members of the Company in June.

The Company performed exceptionally in keeping the mighty military machine moving. The Instrument Section, in which Harry Dixon served, was responsible for maintaining military property from watches, to tanks, to artillery.

During their service, they won the admiration of all with whom they served for their technical proficiency, their Yankee ingenuity, and their grace under fire. No job was too large or too small.

Without the work of these brave American men, it is likely that other soldiers would have been unable to perform their duties. Well-maintained equipment is crucial to a successful campaign, and the men of the 257th took their work seriously.

Harry Dixon and his fellow members were among the countless unsung heroes of World War II. While the Company received many commendations and 5 were awarded the Bronze Star, few Americans know their names. What we do know, however, is that without these men, the War would have continued much longer and cost our world even more.

And so 55 years later, it is an honor to be able to say thank you to Harry Dixon and the rest of the 257th Ordnance Company. I offer them every best wish as they gather for their reunion this summer.

HONORING ETHEL BAMPFIELD DENMARK

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Mrs. Ethel Bampfield Denmark, an educator, community leader, wife, parent, and a pillar of her community. Ethel Bampfield was born in Hampton, South Carolina, to Mr. and Mrs. James H. Bampfield. In 1958, she graduated from the Mathis School for Girls and enrolled

in Florida A & M University. She was a proud graduate of FAMU in 1968, and joined her family, who had moved to Brooklyn, and made it her home for the past thirty-two years.

When Mrs. Denmark began her career in the field of Juvenile Justice, it never occurred to her that she was beginning an impressive, challenging, and extensive career that today holds for her many positive memories, and opportunities for meaningful moments of reflection. In 1969, Mrs. Denmark was hired as a caseworker at the Manida Juvenile Center For Girls. Had it not closed, this innovative center would have become part of the New York City Department of Juvenile Justice. After spending approximately two years with the Manida Juvenile Center For Girls, Mrs. Denmark decided to seek a graduate degree. In 1972, she began pursuing her Masters of Social Work Degree at Hunter College School of Social Work. In 1974, she earned her MSW degree, and shortly thereafter accepted a position as a Foster Care Worker and the New York State Division for Youth. In the years that followed, she also obtained her license as a New York State Certified Social Worker.

While pursuing the position with the Department of Youth, Mrs. Denmark met Thaila Carpenter-Paige and Beatrice A. Hudson, two women she came to know, respect and appreciate over the past 26 years. Throughout her career with OCFS, she feels fortunate and blessed to have had mentors who recognized her abilities, believed in her potential, and provided opportunities that contributed to her growth and development while she was with the Division for Youth.

Over the past three decades, Mrs. Denmark has remained very aware of all of the people who have contributed to her professional achievements. On behalf of Mrs. Denmark, I want to thank everyone who touched her life, and to convey to them her belief that her work in the Downstate area rang of success only because of the efforts of those with whom she worked—those who supported her and provided her with valuable opportunities.

Mr. Speaker, today Mrs. Denmark wants to pay homage to her family: her husband James Denmark, an outstanding contemporary artist; her mother, Mrs. Johnnie B. James, and; her children and grandchildren. She believes that, had it not been for her families' blessing, she would not have been able to devote the time and energy that she did to her very demanding career. Even as she prepares to retire, Mrs. Denmark continues to participate actively in the Brown Memorial Baptist Church in Brooklyn, as well as in a number of social and civic organizations, and also to serve on various Boards and Committees.

Mr. Speaker, Ethel Bampfield Denmark feels fulfilled for having had the opportunity to touch as many lives as she has through teaching, and learning, during her tenure with OCFS. Her travels brought her to us in Brooklyn, where she has stayed for three decades, always enjoying the experience of life to its fullest. She has earned this honor, and I hope that my colleagues will join me in wishing her peace and happiness as she continues her travels through this remarkable journey we call life.

CHINA AND THE ITC

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address a serious rash of problems revolving around the enforcement of our trade laws. This body, in concurrence with the rules of the WTO, has enacted laws to ensure fair and equitable trade for American industry and its workers. Unfortunately, our own International Trade Commission appears to have decided to disregard these laws, as recently demonstrated in its decision regarding the dumping of cold-rolled steel into the United States and its seemingly rubber-stamp approach to Sunset determinations whereby foreign unfair traders can have the offsetting duties—which were applied only after they were found to be engaged in unfair trade—erased just by showing up at the ITC and asking.

As troubling as the situation is now, I'm afraid I can see far greater problems on the horizon—problems that quite possibly will accompany China's accession to the WTO. Congress has been asked to accept that China's entry into the WTO contains meaningful protections against unfair trade practices by Chinese companies. In light of the ITC's recent failure to correctly apply the U.S. Trade laws and to effectively respond to massive foreign unfair trade, I am losing confidence in our ability to counter unfair trade from China and other countries.

This matter is deeply troubling to me. The domestic steel industry has suffered through massive dumping of foreign steel in the U.S. market over the last two years. The Administration responded by declaring a policy of "zero tolerance" for unfair trade. The Congress provided the necessary funding to the Commerce Department to investigate this unfair trade and Commerce did its job. It found that, in the case of cold-rolled steel for example, that foreign producers were illegally dumping by as much as 80 percent.

The ITC, however, did not do its job. The ITC determined that dumped steel imports more than doubled during the period of investigation and consistently undersold domestic steel. It also found that, during a period of record demand, the U.S. steel industry experienced significant revenue losses, with several major steel producers even forced into bankruptcy. Nevertheless, the ITC inexplicably determined that this massive dumping of cold-rolled steel was not even a cause of this injury to the domestic industry. Without a determination of injury—which is irrefutable in these cases—U.S. industry and its workers have no form of relief and nowhere to turn. As legislators and appropriators, it is our responsibility to reevaluate the ITC and whether it is properly managing its resources and correctly adhering to Congressional intent.

Just last year the Administration committed to "zero tolerance" for unfair trade, yet this commitment apparently doesn't extend to the ITC. I'm tired of promises of "zero tolerance" and think it's time we insist on some action. Before we allow the Administration to sell us an agreement with China that promises to benefit America, let's insist on some proof that promises are sometimes answered.

IN MEMORY OF REVEREND
RUDOLPH S. SHOULTZ

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I share an article from the March, 2000 issue of the Pure News, published in Springfield, Illinois, by T.C. Christian.

BUT HE TRIED TO HELP SOMEBODY

(By T.C. Christian, Jr.)

It would be wonderful if I could remember and name all the wonderful people who have made a difference in my life, but that just can not be done. Part of the problem is that there have been too many to count and no matter how good my intentions may be, somebody would undoubtedly be missed.

However, death has a way of refreshing our memory by placing yesterday's faces, deeds and conversations on a giant screen where we can all watch the previews at the same time.

Such was the case in hearing about the death of Reverend Rudolph S. Shultz, pastor of the Union Baptist Church in Springfield, Illinois. His death refreshed my memory that life is but a book, sometimes a short story, sometimes several chapters, sometimes a happy beginning and sometimes a sad ending.

After reading and listening to all the different tributes paid to this man whom some even called the "Godfather," a stranger would have to conclude that "this preacher must have helped somebody." In one chapter of the "Life of Reverend Rudolph S. Shultz," somebody called him a civil rights leader who fought in the trenches, another writer said he not only fed his members with religion but fed them with state jobs, one minister said the good Reverend adopted him as his son and just before we get to the final chapter, there was recognition of the awards he received and how he provided housing for senior citizens.

In reminiscing about yesterday, I decided to review another book yet to be published. This book's title is "The Life of T.C. Christian, Jr." This book contains several chapters about Reverend Shultz.

In chapter one, the author (yours truly, of course) is introduced to the Reverend and a friendship develops.

In another chapter, which was written and dated November, 1983, Reverend Shultz appears on the front page of the very first issue of The Pure News. Also in that chapter, the author describes how Reverend Shultz provided personal assistance to help maintain the existence of the newspaper you're now reading.

The chapter in the middle of the book describes the wedding of the author which was also performed by Reverend Shultz. And in "telling it like it is," in that same chapter (as a result of the Reverend's political connections) the author's newly wedded bride was soon to be employed in the Governor's office.

And incidentally, we did not agree on everything which gives credence to a statement made by one minister during the funeral when he said, "If two people think just alike, one of them is not necessary."

Reverend Rudolph S. Shultz, who died on March 3, 2000 at the age of 81, was a living legend. Perhaps his legacy can best be remembered as a preacher who was always trying to help somebody.

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of National Nurses Week, and to especially express gratitude and appreciation to the outstanding Nursing Staff at Edward Hine's Junior Veteran's Medical Center.

Throughout the year, these compassionate, hardworking nurses are entrusted with the care of our nation's veterans. The nursing staff at Edward Hine's Junior Veteran's Hospital is comprised of 518 Registered Nurses (RN), 144 Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN), 40 Nursing Assistants (NA), 56 Health Care Technicians (HCT), and 91 Clerks, all dedicated individuals whose diligent care is deeply appreciated. I recognize their commitment and endless efforts to offer exceptional patient care, while taking part in research, education, quality improvement, infection control, administration, and many other areas. Clearly these nurses make a tremendous contribution to the well-being of their patients.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to those who served and sacrificed for our freedoms. It is only fitting they in turn receive the best quality care.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, I am proud and honored to offer to my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives an example of the American Spirit where traditional patriotic values of "Helping Sharing, Always Caring for Our Veterans" are practiced on a daily basis. The Nursing Staff at Edward Hine's Junior Medical Center is recognized for their professionalism, sensitivity and interpersonal skills as well as their altruistic dedication.

IN HONOR OF LEMONT'S MEGAN
DOHERTY—ONE OF AMERICA'S
TOP TEN YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

HON. JUDY BIGGERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Megan Doherty of Lemont, Illinois, for being named one of America's top ten youth volunteers by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

As my colleagues are no doubt aware, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honor outstanding volunteer community service. The award was created five years ago by Prudential to encourage youth volunteerism and to identify and reward young role models.

And what a role model Megan is.

Though just a junior at Mt. Assisi Academy in Lemont, she has proven that one person can make a difference.

Over the past two years, Megan raised more than \$56,000 to bring 29 young cancer victims of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster in Ukraine to Illinois for life-saving medical treatment and dental care that were not available to them in their own country.

Inspired by a speech by the executive director of "Camps for Children of Chernobyl," Megan first asked her parents only to be a

host family for one of the sick children. However, upon learning that the children had to travel in groups of 10 or more to hold down costs, she set out to find enough host families and raise enough money to bring an entire group to Lemont.

She was more than successful.

In the summer of 1998, 13 cancer-stricken children traveled to Lemont, and 16 more came in 1999. Two of the children underwent major surgery and another is now in the process of being adopted by an American family.

Megan isn't finished either. She plans to bring another 16 Ukrainian children to Lemont this summer.

Being named as one of the top ten youth volunteers in the nation—out of more than 20,000 nominees—is a true achievement.

More importantly, though, at a time when we all too often hear only of the senseless or negative acts of our nation's youth, Megan proves again the enormous capacity for goodness that our children and youth possess.

It is an honor to represent this outstanding young woman in Congress and a privilege to recognize her achievements here today.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM AND
CATHERINE UPCHURCH

HON. J.D. HAYWORTH

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a wonderful Arizona family on the very happy occasion of the 40th anniversary of William and Catherine Upchurch. From this marriage came two beautiful daughters who have always been a source of pride and joy to their parents. Susan Upchurch was born on May 1, 1962, and Sharon Upchurch was born on November 5, 1963.

The marriage of Sharon Upchurch to Michael Maita has been blessed with two children. William and Catherine are the proud grandparents of Alyssa Morgan Maita, born on January 5, 1998, and Andrew Jordan Maita, born on October 1, 1999.

I am pleased to help honor the Upchurches, their strong and enduring marriage, and the wonderful family they have raised. Mr. Speaker, I am sure the whole House will join me in wishing the Upchurches all the best in the years to come.

RECOGNITION OF FOOD ALLERGY
AWARENESS WEEK

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 8, 2000

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to bring to the attention of my colleagues the celebration of Food Allergy Awareness Week, which will be observed around the country this week, May 8–12. The Food Allergy Network, which is based in my district, is celebrating this week to increase the public's awareness of food allergies and anaphylaxis.

Scientists estimate that more than 6 million American children and adults have food allergies. A food allergy is the immune system's