

In the beginning, the Russell Creek Academy began with training departments for teacher and pastor training. In 1907 the Russell Creek Academy provided classes in music, art, and a diploma program for an enrollment of 200 students. Campbellsville University has now grown to 2,300 students as of last fall, with 38 undergraduate programs and 9 graduate programs, all while encompassing 75 acres of beautiful land near Campbellsville, KY.

To make sure that the university will continue to grow and progress for the next 100 years as it has this past century, many improvements are being made across the campus to add to its beauty and improve life for students. For instance, great progress is being made on the 800-seat Ransdell Chapel and the new Heilman Student Center. With the new School of Nursing, new tennis courts and the 48-bed addition to the Resident Village, Campbellsville University is looking forward to many new projects to keep up the demand and growth of this institution.

Academically, the School of Nursing program began this year and is off to a great start. Campbellsville University has also expanded its master of business administration program, moving along with the technological revolution by offering the program online in addition to the traditional MBA classes that the University has offered and been so well-known for over the years.

The students enrolled at Campbellsville University are proudly preparing a time capsule to commemorate this centennial celebration that will be opened in another 100 years, in 2107. The capsule will enable students 100 years from now to look at a time before they became students at Campbellsville University and compare its first 100 years to the next.

According to Dr. Michael V. Carter, the school's president, "at Campbellsville University, faculty encourage students to grow stronger spiritually and find their true purpose in life, which is the greatest discovery of all." I hope that the history and tradition of this great school, encapsulated in the time capsule that they are preparing, will aid in that discovery for the students of today and a century to come.

Madam President, I ask that the entire Senate join me in congratulating Campbellsville University on this auspicious occasion; with 100 years of excellence in education behind us, we look forward to the next 100 with high hopes and anticipation.

HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

SPECIALIST RAYMOND "NEAL" MITCHELL, III

Mrs. LINCOLN. Madam President, I wish to pay tribute to the life of Army SPC Raymond "Neal" Mitchell III. Specialist Mitchell gave his life serving our Nation in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Although he may no longer be with us, his legacy and spirit will live on through the lives he touched and the example he set for others.

Originally from Tennessee, Specialist Mitchell moved to West Memphis, AR, in 2002 to live with his grandparents and attend West Memphis Christian School. While going to school, Mitchell helped his grandparents with the business they had operated for more than 18 years. Teachers at West Memphis Christian School remember Specialist Mitchell for the tremendous strides they witnessed him make as a student and as a person. The quiet young man they knew came out of his shell and became involved in the school and the community. Specialist Mitchell clearly valued the company of friends and family and considered returning one day to coach baseball. Upon graduating in 2004, he enrolled at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 2005.

While serving in the Army, Specialist Mitchell became an infantry man. Despite the ever-present danger, he courageously devoted his skills where he felt they were needed most—becoming the point man, or lookout, for his patrol. When asked why he became a point man he said, "I'm not the best shot . . . but I'm the fastest." It was a testament to his bravery, desire to serve his country and devotion to his fellow soldiers. In August 2006, his unit deployed to Baghdad where he served as a driver and gunner for humvees while on patrol. Over Thanksgiving he had the opportunity to return home on a 2-week leave from Iraq. During his leave, he spent time with his family in Tennessee and had a chance to visit his old school in West Memphis. He told his grandmother that after completing his service in the Army, he planned to go back to Arkansas State University and try out for the baseball team.

Tragically, Specialist Mitchell died on January 6, 2007, from wounds sustained during routine security operations in Baghdad. On January 15, he was laid to rest in Smyrna, TN, with full military honors. He was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

The loss of someone so young and full of life, and loved by so many is a tragic reminder of the terrible consequences of war. While I could never find the words to adequately express the sorrow felt by friends and family of Neal Mitchell, I hope they can find some solace knowing that he lived his life with passion and with love. My thoughts and prayers are with his family members, friends, and all those who knew and loved him.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CONGRESSMAN CHARLIE NORWOOD

Mr. GRAHAM. Madam President, I wanted to take this opportunity to say a few words about my close friend and colleague who passed away yesterday, Congressman CHARLIE NORWOOD.

There is no doubt that with the death of CHARLIE NORWOOD the State of Georgia has lost one of her favorite sons. We were elected to serve in the House

of Representatives the same year and represented adjoining districts in Georgia and South Carolina.

CHARLIE was a dear friend of mine.

I have never met anyone in politics with more passion about what they believe than CHARLIE NORWOOD. He was a great representative for the people for the people of the 10th district of Georgia, and in his years of service he made a real difference in the Congress.

There is no doubt CHARLIE's leadership, his wisdom, and his wit will be sorely missed.

Now is the time to keep CHARLIE's family in our prayers. But we should also celebrate a life well-lived. Knowing CHARLIE NORWOOD like I do, I am confident he would not have wanted it any other way.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. BROWNBACK. Madam President, due to inclement weather resulting in flight delays around the country on February 13, I was regrettably unable to arrive in Washington before the Senate voted on the motion to invoke closure on H.J. Res. 20. Regarding vote No. 46, I would not have voted in favor of the motion to invoke cloture on H.J. Res. 20. My vote would not have altered the result of this motion.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

REGINALD JONES

Mr. MENENDEZ Madam President, I rise today to join with my colleague, Senator FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, and our House colleague Congressman DONALD PAYNE in honoring Reginald Jones, a distinguished and inspiring figure in African-American history. In recognition of Black History Month, we gathered with residents of New Jersey to pay tribute to Mr. Jones on Saturday, February 10, 2007, at the Newark Museum in Newark, NJ, during "A Salute to Heroes."

Raised in Newark, NJ, Reginald Jones has dedicated his life to serving our great Nation. First, as a proud marine, he defended the freedoms and liberties we all hold dear as Americans.

It was while stationed in Guantanamo Bay that Reginald discovered boxing, a sport which led him to win the bronze medal at the 1971 Pan-Am Games in Cali, Colombia. In 1972, Reggie was selected as a member of the U.S. Olympic Team in Munich, Germany. In a boxing match that led to many changes in the sport, Reginald, a light middleweight, found himself in the ring with Valerie Tebugov of the Soviet Union. Judging discrepancies did not allow Reginald to advance to medal rounds, but Reginald received a good sportsmanship award for the dignity he displayed throughout the games, which he fondly recalled in a Star Ledger article as an "opportunity to make many friends."

Now, as a caseworker with the New Jersey Division of Children and Families Services for more than 20 years,

Reginald continues to serve our Nation, caring for and watching over the neediest children, ensuring that future generations have access to the same opportunities that helped Reggie reach his goals.

There is no doubt Reginald Jones is an exemplary leader and a profoundly committed individual who is a true role model for the Nation. Therefore, I am pleased to pay tribute to Reginald Jones, and know my colleagues will join in wishing him continued success.

TOMMIE SMITH

Madam President, I also rise today to join with my colleague, Senator FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, and our House colleague Congressman DONALD PAYNE to honor Tommie Smith, a distinguished and inspiring figure in African-American history. In recognition of Black History Month we gathered with residents of New Jersey to pay tribute to Dr. Smith on Saturday, February 10, 2007, at the Newark Museum in Newark, NJ, during "A Salute to Heroes."

Tommie Smith was born to Richard and Dora Smith on June 6, 1944, in Clarksville, TX. The 7th of his family's 12 children, he moved to California at a young age. His father was a sharecropper, and Tommie used to pick cotton at neighboring farms to help with the family finances.

During high school he excelled at football, basketball, and track. He received his bachelor of arts degree from San Jose State University in social science, with double minors in military science and physical education, and his masters degree in sociology from Goddard Cambridge in Boston, MA. As a sophomore college student, Tommie began breaking world records in track and went on to tie or break a total of 13 world records. He is the only man in the history of track and field to hold 11 world records simultaneously.

In 1968, Tommie was selected for the U.S. Olympic team for track and field. The 19th Olympiad, held in Mexico City, witnessed Tommie Smith breaking the world and Olympic records for the 200-meter race with a time of 19.83 seconds. On October 16, 1968, as the "Star Spangled Banner" played, Tommie stood on the victory podium, draped with his Olympic gold medal, shoeless, and together with his teammate, John Carlos, raised a clenched fist, covered in a black leather glove, in what has come to be recognized as a historic stand for "power, liberation and solidarity." Both Tommie and John were members of the Olympic Project for Human Rights. This silent act received both cheers and jeers, and Tommie was suspended by the U.S. Olympic Committee and ordered to leave Mexico. But Tommie Smith was not dissuaded from his commitment to championing the cause of oppressed people.

After the Olympics, Tommie returned to San Jose State University. Upon graduation, Tommie played professional football with the Cincinnati Bengals for 3 years. But teaching and

coaching were his true calling, and he later became a track coach at Oberlin College, in Ohio, where he also taught sociology, and at Santa Monica College, in California. Now a resident of Georgia, Tommie has dedicated his time to speaking to students across the country, urging them to stand up for what they believe in and to have "faith and hope."

Since 1968, Tommie Smith has been recognized for his actions in defense of civil rights and for his athletic prowess by various organizations including the National Track & Field Hall of Fame, the California Black Sports Hall of Fame, the County of Los Angeles and the State of Texas. He was honored with the 2004 dedication of the Tommie Smith gymnasium in Saint-Ouen, France, and a 2005 honorary doctorate degree of humane letters from San Jose State University.

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COMMEMORATING ARIZONA'S STATEHOOD

Mr. KYL. Madam President, 95 years ago today Arizona became the 48th State in the Union when, on February 14, 1912, President William Taft signed the Arizona Statehood Act.

Today, just as almost a century ago, Americans are drawn to Arizona's economic opportunity, culture, and natural beauty. At the time of statehood, Arizona's population numbered in the hundreds of thousands, but it was growing quickly, from around 200,000 in 1910 to over 330,000 in 1920. Today, it is the Nation's fastest growing State, with a population of more than 6 million.

Tourists flock to the State for its cultural heritage and scenic beauty. Arizona is home to four national parks and many other national monuments and historic sites. Many who visit these sites are heading the advice of Theodore Roosevelt, who said of the Grand Canyon, "You cannot improve on it. But what you can do is to keep it for your children, your children's children, and all who come after you, as the one great sight which every American should see."

From its days as a rough Wild West territory to the dynamic State it is today, Arizona's beauty and culture has captivated those who have experienced it. I wish the State a happy birthday.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

KANSAS AIR NATIONAL GUARD

• Mr. BROWNBACK. Madam President, I wish to acknowledge the accomplishments of the Kansas Air National

Guard, specifically the 190th Air Refueling Wing which celebrates its 50th anniversary on February 23, 2007. The enormous sacrifice and dedication of these heroic men and women reflects well on themselves, the 190th Air Refueling Wing, and the Kansas Air National Guard. They truly make all Kansans proud.

This outstanding military organization began as the 117th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron located at the Hutchinson Naval Air Station in Hutchinson, KS. The unit was federally recognized on February 23, 1957. Over the course of its 50-year history, the 190th has flown the F-80, B-57A, B-57G, RB-57, EB-57, KC-135A, KC-135D, KC-135E and currently the KC-135R. The unit was stationed at Hutchinson Naval Air Station—later the Hutchinson Air National Guard Base—until 1967 when the unit was transferred to Forbes Air Force Base in Topeka, KS.

The 190th Air Refueling Wing at Forbes Field continues to be a leader in the Air National Guard. The unit recently received two prestigious awards—the Spaatz trophy—awarded to the overall outstanding Air National Guard Flying Wing—and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. We owe these brave servicemen, servicewomen, and their families a debt of gratitude. I thank them for their 50 years of service and extend my best wishes to them for the next 50 years and beyond.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 742. An act to amend the Antitrust Modernization Commission Act of 2002, to extend the term of the Antitrust Modernization Commission and to make a technical correction.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD). ●

At 4:00 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 437. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 West Eisenhower Street in Rio Grande City, Texas, as the "Lino Perez, Jr. Post Office". ●

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 437. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 West Eisenhower Street in Rio Grande City, Texas, as the "Lino Perez, Jr. Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.