

Murray Smith Whitehouse
Reed Udall
Schatz Van Hollen

NOT VOTING—7

Alexander Harris Warren
Blumenthal Moran
Gillibrand Sanders

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table and the President will be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant bill clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of David Schenker, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Near Eastern Affairs).

Mitch McConnell, Pat Roberts, Steve Daines, John Barrasso, Tim Scott, Lindsey Graham, John Boozman, Roger F. Wicker, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Richard Burr, Mike Crapo, David Perdue, John Thune, Tom Cotton, Rick Scott, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of David Schenker, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Near Eastern Affairs), shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) would have voted "yea."

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 83, nays 10, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 134 Ex.]

YEAS—83

Barrasso Blackburn Boozman
Bennet Blunt Braun

Burr Hawley Risch
Cantwell Heinrich Roberts
Capito Hoeven Romney
Cardin Hyde-Smith Rosen
Carper Inhofe Rounds
Casey Isakson Rubio
Cassidy Johnson Sasse
Collins Jones Schatz
Cooms Kennedy Schumer
Cortez Masto King Scott (FL)
Cotton Lankford Scott (SC)
Cramer Leahy Shaheen
Crapo Lee Shelby
Cruz Manchin Sinema
Daines McConnell Sullivan
Duckworth McSally Tester
Durbin Menendez Thune
Enzi Merkley Tillis
Ernst Murkowski Toomey
Feinstein Murphy Van Hollen
Fischer Murray Warner
Gardner Paul Whitehouse
Graham Perdue Wicker
Grassley Peters Wyden
Hassan Reed Young

NAYS—10

Baldwin Kaine Stabenow
Booker Klobuchar Udall
Brown Markey
Hirono Smith

NOT VOTING—7

Alexander Harris Warren
Blumenthal Moran
Gillibrand Sanders

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 83, the nays are 10.

The motion is agreed to.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Mitch McConnell, Pat Roberts, Steve Daines, John Barrasso, Tim Scott, Lindsey Graham, John Boozman, Roger F. Wicker, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Richard Burr, Mike Crapo, David Perdue, John Thune, Tom Cotton, Rick Scott, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) would have voted "yea."

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The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 82, nays 9, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 135 Ex.]

YEAS—82

Baldwin Fischer Peters
Barrasso Gardner Portman
Bennet Graham Risch
Blackburn Grassley Roberts
Blunt Hassan Romney
Boozman Hawley Rosen
Braun Heinrich Rounds
Brown Hoeven Rubio
Burr Hyde-Smith Sasse
Cantwell Inhofe Scott (FL)
Capito Isakson Scott (SC)
Cardin Johnson Shaheen
Casey Jones Shelby
Cassidy Kaine Sinema
Collins Kennedy Smith
Cooms King Stabenow
Cortez Masto Lankford Sullivan
Cotton Leahy Tester
Cramer Manchin Thune
Crapo McConnell Tillis
Cruz McSally Toomey
Daines Menendez Warner
Duckworth Murkowski Whitehouse
Durbin Murphy Wicker
Enzi Murray Wyden
Ernst Paul Young
Feinstein Perdue

NAYS—9

Booker Markey Schatz
Hirono Merkley Schumer
Klobuchar Reed Udall

NOT VOTING—9

Alexander Gillibrand Sanders
Blumenthal Harris Van Hollen
Carper Moran Warren

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 82, the nays are 9.

The motion is agreed to.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2024.

Mitch McConnell, Pat Roberts, Steve Daines, John Barrasso, Tim Scott, Lindsey Graham, John Boozman, Roger F. Wicker, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Richard Burr, Mike Crapo, David Perdue, John Thune, Tom Cotton, Rick Scott, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2024, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) would have voted "yea."

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The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 83, nays 10, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 136 Ex.]

YEAS—83

Baldwin	Fischer	Peters
Barrasso	Gardner	Portman
Bennet	Graham	Risch
Blackburn	Grassley	Roberts
Blunt	Hassan	Romney
Boozman	Hawley	Rosen
Braun	Heinrich	Rounds
Brown	Hoeben	Rubio
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Sasse
Cantwell	Inhofe	Scott (FL)
Capito	Isakson	Scott (SC)
Cardin	Johnson	Shaheen
Casey	Jones	Shelby
Cassidy	Kaine	Sinema
Collins	Kennedy	Smith
Coons	King	Stabenow
Cornyn	Lankford	Sullivan
Cortez Masto	Leahy	Tester
Cotton	Lee	Thune
Cramer	Manchin	Tillis
Crapo	McConnell	Toomey
Cruz	McSally	Van Hollen
Daines	Menendez	Warner
Duckworth	Murkowski	Whitehouse
Durbin	Murphy	Wicker
Enzi	Murray	Wyden
Ernst	Paul	Young
Feinstein	Perdue	

NAYS—10

Blumenthal	Markey	Schumer
Booker	Merkley	Udall
Hirono	Reed	
Klobuchar	Schatz	

NOT VOTING—7

Alexander	Harris	Warren
Carper	Moran	
Gillibrand	Sanders	

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 83, the nays are 10.

The motion is agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Com-

modity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2024.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Wyoming.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY

Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, tomorrow, a number of us will be traveling from Washington to France, to Normandy, for the 75th anniversary of D-Day on Thursday. We will commemorate the heroic, selfless efforts of a courageous group of Allied forces, and we will honor all of our World War II veterans.

The 156,000 Americans and British and Canadian troops who stormed the beaches of Normandy, France, on that fateful day, June 6, 1944, turned the tide to win the war in Europe.

Launched from England, the Allies' landing in France was carefully planned and really brilliantly executed. In his D-Day message to the troops, General Dwight David Eisenhower instilled confidence. His message was this:

The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you.

In company with our brave Allies and brothers-in-arms on other fronts, you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe, and security for ourselves in a free world.

That was the message from General Eisenhower.

Well, because of the tremendous sacrifices of our Allied forces, Nazi Germany surrendered unconditionally less than a year later, on May 7, 1945.

The price for European peace and security proved high. In all, there were 4,414 Allied deaths on D-Day alone, and 2,501 Americans were killed that day. Allied deaths in the Battle of Normandy, which lasted until August, topped 226,000.

Now, 75 years later, thousands of veterans and world leaders will gather on this hallowed ground to honor the self-sacrificing soldiers who fought for our freedom.

My home State of Wyoming lost five of its finest sons on D-Day. I want to recognize these heroes who never made it home: Private Raymond Dahlman, PFC Thompson Dicks, Private Thomas Offutt, Jr., PFC Steven Serkovich, and Private Jack Simpson.

I also salute Wyoming's 602 living World War II veterans, including my wife Bobbie's father, Bob Brown of Thermopolis, WY, who served not only in World War II in Europe and then was sent to the Pacific, but he was also called up to serve our Nation once again in the Korean war.

In all, 16 million Americans fought in World War II; more than 400,000 U.S. servicemembers were killed in the war; and most of those who returned home have now passed away.

So today I want to highlight one of my home State's D-Day heroes who died 5 years ago at the age of 92: SSG Chester "Chet" Stephens of Glenrock, WY.

Chet was born in Casper, WY, in 1911 and moved with his family to a ranch south of Glenrock.

At 21, he was called to serve in the Army in World War II, joining the 161st Field Artillery Battalion. Chet supplied ammunition to the battery throughout the war. The 161st landed in Normandy's Omaha Beach in the third wave and fought the Nazis for months.

Chet was awarded the Bronze Star for his heroism in crossing a flooded road to deliver ammunition to his stranded comrades.

His battalion stopped only 7 miles from Berlin, Germany, before he returned home to Glenrock and to his lifelong love of family ranching. In fact, he was still ranching at the age of 92 when he died in 2014.

So I will be thinking of Wyoming's D-Day heroes and all of our State's World War II veterans during the tribute at Normandy.

I will also be thinking of my dad. He was part of the liberation of France, fighting in the pivotal Battle of the Bulge.

I will carry his dog tags with me when I go overseas, the dog tags that he wore during World War II in the liberation of France.

I will also carry with me the medal that was given to the brave soldiers who fought in the liberation of France. The medal says "1944." There is a chain around France with breaks in the chain, and on the back, it says "la France"; it says "libérateurs"—the liberation of France.

I will also have with me the missal he carried, his prayer book. It says: My military missal. There is a crucifix on the front and on the back, a rosary, the crucifix, and then the beads that were elevated in the printing so that one could, in a foxhole, in a time of war, with this in your pocket, pray to your Lord and God.

You know, from the time I was a little boy, my dad would always say: John, you should thank God every day because you live in America. You don't know how fortunate you are.

We are truly blessed to live in this great country, and it is due to the selfless actions of our troops—those brave soldiers who risked their lives—and many gave their lives for the rest of us.

As President Franklin Roosevelt said in his D-Day prayer: "Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our Nation, this day have set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, our religion, and our civilization."

We must never forget those who fought for our freedoms. So many gave their lives to protect our way of life.

We owe an incredible debt of gratitude to our Gold Star families and the sacrifices of those families and of their loved ones.

So on the 75th anniversary of D-Day, it is a time to remember all of our brave service men and women, to reflect on their faithful service to this country, and to recall the sacrifices that they have made and continue to make in defense of this great Nation.

Let me close by saying God bless our troops who fought and died in World