

TRIBUTE TO G. RUSSELL BASSETT EXPLANATION FOR MISSED VOTES

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 11, 1995

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today and pay tribute to a celebrated community servant, Mr. G. Russell Bassett. On Friday, July 14, 1995, Russ, along with his friends and family, will celebrate his retirement from the Sheet Metal Workers Union Local No. 20. This retirement dinner will take place at the Radisson Hotel in Merrillville, IN.

We are all fortunate to have dedicated people, like Russ, involved in the labor movement in Indiana's First Congressional District. Indeed, Russ personifies true selfless dedication. Russ embarked on his distinguished career in former Sheet Metal Workers Local No. 303, where in 1970, he began as a business manager. In 1983, local No. 303 merged with local No. 20, and in the following year, Russ began 8 years as a business representative for the new local. He retired on July 1, 1995, after nearly 12 years as a business representative of Sheet Metal Workers Union Local No. 20. In all, Russ contributed 39 years of his life to fight for labor rights for his union brothers and sisters.

Russ strengthened the labor movement by contributing in several other capacities. For 25 years, Russ served locals Nos. 303 and 20 as a trustee for the health and welfare fund, the Gary area pension fund, and the joint apprenticeship committee. Moreover, Russ served for 3 years as vice president and executive board member for local No. 303.

Outside of his professional career, Russ has devoted a large portion of his life to the betterment of northwest Indiana. Russ devoted 5 years of his life to the Portage Indiana Economic Development Commission on which he served as chairman, and another 5 years on the Indiana OSHA Safety Review Committee.

As we have just celebrated the birthday of our Nation's independence, let us remember those who have worked hard to fulfill the American dream. I offer my heartfelt congratulations to Russ, who has worked arduously to make this dream possible for others. Russ has proven himself to be a distinguished advocate for the labor movement, and he has made northwest Indiana a better place in which to live and work. I sincerely wish Russ a long, happy, and productive retirement.

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, the evening of July 10, I missed four votes because of the need to be with my wife in child-birth classes. I hope everyone who has been through this process will be understanding of my absence.

If I had been present, I would have voted: No, on rollcall 474, moving the previous question; No, on rollcall 475, the motion to table the motion to reconsider; No on rollcall 476, the committee assignment resolution; and No on rollcall 477, permission for committee to sit for remainder of week while the House is meeting.

A TRIBUTE TO STANLEY
SCOVILLE**HON. GEORGE MILLER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise with great sorrow to inform the Members of the House of Representatives of the passing of our friend and coworker, Stanley Scoville, last Saturday morning.

For nearly a quarter of a century, Stanley Scoville served as a valued, knowledgeable, and dependable colleague on behalf of our former colleague, Hon. Morris K. Udall, and in a variety of positions on the staff of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Stanely was born in Phoenix, and retained a great appreciation and attachment to the Southwest throughout his life. He attended both undergraduate and law school at the University of Arizona, and served as a clerk for U.S. District Court Judge James A. Walsh in 1971-72. At the end of his clerkship, he joined the staff of Congressman Udall in Washington, and from that day forward until his retirement earlier this year, he held a succession of positions on Mo's personal and committee staff, including staff director and counsel, and special counsel to the chairman.

I first met Stanley when I came to the Congress in 1975 as a junior member of the committee, and we worked together on a wide variety of issues, including on the Ad Hoc Select Committee on the Outer Continental Shelf.

Stanley brought to his job a thorough knowledge of energy and environment policy, and a sharp political sense that was invaluable to a vast array of issues that came before our members every year.

Stanley also had a deep commitment to the institution of the House of Representatives itself, and he continued to work with the committee through great personal difficulties because of his belief in our laws and our system of government. His loss will be deeply felt by all those who work on these issues and all those who were fortunate enough to know and work with him.

A memorial service is being held at 1 p.m. this Friday in the Morris K. Udall Hearing Room of the Committee on Resources, 1324 Longworth Building. I hope that Members and their staffs would attend to show their respect and appreciation for this talented and dedicated public servant.

CONGRATULATING "PARAMETERS"
ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY**HON. LEE H. HAMILTON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HAMILTON. Mr. Speaker, Parameters is an official U.S. Army periodical, published quarterly by the U.S. Army War College. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate "Parameters" on its 25th year of publication.

Alastair Cooke has called Parameters "one of the small but odd mixture of magazines I would not want to be without." Daniel Bell has said,

I find Parameters one of the more interesting and useful journals I read, largely because issues and questions discussed rarely are found in Foreign Affairs or Foreign Policy.

A professional military is vital to the United States. Through its candid, provocative essays, Parameters helps to keep our military on the intellectual cutting edge of the many complex problems they face. It also contributes to policymakers' understanding of these problems. And perhaps most important, it provides a forum for honest and open debate within the military.

I salute Parameters on its 25th anniversary, and urge my colleagues to read this important quarterly.