

As Vivian leaves the university and the State of Iowa behind, she leaves a legacy that will live on in the hearts of many, as well as in the record books. Vivian built the Hawkeyes into a national powerhouse, lifting the team's overall record to 357-223, and taking them to 10 national postseason tournament appearances.

Eight Hawkeye players have been named to the all Big Ten team, and seven have been named academic all Big Ten during Vivian's time at Iowa. By guiding her team to wins in 148 of 173 regular season home games, attendance has risen to an average of 6,147 fans for each game.

Iowans will always remember her for leading her team to the NCAA Final Four in 1992-93 for the first time in school history, just months after losing her husband, Bill Stringer, to a heart attack. Her triumphs that year were not just on the basketball court, but they were triumphs of the human spirit.

Vivian has meant a lot to women's athletics in general. She has brought her successes at Iowa to a national level, and garnered much respect for women athletes and coaches. In the world of college athletics, women have too often taken a backseat to men's athletics, and clearly do not receive the level of support that men's athletics does. Vivian has done much to raise women's athletics to a higher level, and indeed, she has enjoyed much success.

As sorry as the State of Iowa is to see her go, the step she is taking is a giant step forward for women's athletics, as well as an important step forward for Vivian and her family.

Vivian Stringer is truly a remarkable woman. She has triumphed in the face of tragedy, and has made a lasting impression on the people of Iowa, and on women's athletics. She accomplished the goals she set at Iowa, namely filling Carver-Hawkeye Arena, and taking the Hawkeyes to a Final Four. She successfully put Iowa women's basketball on the national map. She will be missed.●

INVENT AMERICA

● Mr. WARNER, Mr. President, America's hope and America's future lies with America's children—the leaders of tomorrow. Our young people embody the spirit of the Nation's can-do philosophy. That is why I am pleased today to honor "Invent America!", an outstanding nonprofit education program and invention competition which encourages young Americans to be creative and innovative.

"Invent America!" has touched the lives of millions of students from kindergarten through eighth grade, providing schools with the tools they need to teach problem-solving skills and strong values, all through the art of invention. Now funded solely by the private sector, the program provides an exciting opportunity for young Ameri-

cans to become young entrepreneurs. It encourages those children to expand the horizons of their knowledge and to dare to achieve.

Now celebrating its 10th year of "bringing bright ideas out of young minds," the program's successes are numerous. The National "Think Link," a brainchild of "Invent America!", offered 50,000 teachers across our country simultaneous training via satellite (at no cost) on how best to use the program in the classroom. A 12-year old winner in the program rode an "Invent America!" float in the Rose Bowl Parade in recognition of her award-winning invention to recycle cardboard. A young man who created a biodegradable golf tee that also fertilizes started a brand new business. In fact, several of the new ideas discovered through the program are now creating new jobs and new industries in America.

This year, one of the national winners, Kristopher Howard, from Tennessee, has been invited to testify before the subcommittee on Disability Policy. He invented the "Handi-Cuff," a special device which aids the disabled.

Designed and administered by the nonprofit United States Patent Model Foundation, headquartered in Alexandria, VA, "Invent America!" is funded in part by the Chrysler Corp., Magna International, Motorola Corp., Black & Decker and Xerox Corp. Those corporate sponsors are hosting competition finalists at a special celebration here in the Nation's Capital. The highlight of that celebration takes place tonight: the "Invention-Reinvention" event at the Smithsonian's Arts and Industries Museum, hosted by the Chrysler Corp. The ten best student inventors in America will be honored, and their inventions exhibited.

Mr. President, I am delighted to pay tribute to perhaps our Nation's most treasured vision: the future of America as seen through a child's eyes.●

TRIBUTE TO JIM FINNEGAN, EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

● Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a friend and New Hampshire institution—Jim Finnegan. Jim is retiring this week as the editorial editor of the Union Leader newspaper in Manchester, NH.

Before moving to New Hampshire to begin writing editorials for the Union Leader 38 years ago, Jim was involved in talk radio in Pennsylvania where his populist, conservative principles, and commitment to his causes cost him his job. But he found a home at the Union Leader. Late publisher William Loeb and Jim were a perfect match—both unwavering, bedrock conservatives who used their pens to promote the ideals and traditions that reflect New Hampshire values. Bill Loeb's wife, Nackey, took over the helm after Bill passed away and, of course, she and Jim have the same relationship of mutual admiration and respect.

Jim was born 65 years ago in Philadelphia. He attended the Milton Hershey School for boys where the Dickensian regimen instilled strict discipline and high moral standards in the young Jim. That discipline and commitment to excellence is behind the nearly 40,000 editorials Jim has written over the years.

Jim's editorials have elicited strong responses from Union Leader readers during his nearly four decade tenure at the paper. The Union Leader has the most extensive "Letters to the Editor" section in the State, largely due to citizens reacting to Jim's outspoken opinions.

Jim's editorials have received national awards and helped the paper remain in the American political spotlight. He is a leader in the national conservative movement, dedicated to preserving the right-to-life, and a fan of opera and boxing. His love of boxing has helped Jim "take the gloves off" when writing his opinions on the editorial pages of New Hampshire's largest newspaper.

Jim's editorials have run the gamut from heaping praise to fearless criticism. However, he has never used party or personality as a criteria for criticism. His editorials have always been non-partisan, non-personal, and issue-oriented. He has used his pen to promote the issues in which he profoundly believes—faith, justice, good government, individual liberty, and freedom.

Victims and beneficiaries of his words agree on one thing: Jim Finnegan is a man of integrity, wisdom, wit, and principle.

On Tuesday August 1, 1995, Jim Finnegan will celebrate his 65th birthday and his final day as Editorial Editor of the Union Leader newspaper. I would like to join his family, friends, and colleagues in wishing him the happiness he so richly deserves. He will be missed by all of us who read the unique and thought-provoking editorial pages of the Union Leader.●

THE V-CHIP

● Mr. SIMON. Mr. President, today, I would like to share with my colleagues a Chicago Tribune editorial which makes a compelling argument against the Senate's V-chip proposal. I urge all of my colleagues to review it.

I ask that the full text of the article be printed at this point in the RECORD.

The article follows:

[From the Chicago Tribune, July 14, 1995]

POWER TO THE PARENTS ON TV VIOLENCE

The good news on the TV violence front is that a national consensus seems to have developed that something must be done to control the messages and images reaching American children.

The bad news is that some of the methods Congress is considering to achieve that control would do violence to the constitutional right to free expression—and that is intolerable.

There is, however, a way that promises effective control and respects the Constitution. But it will require restraint by Congress, cooperation by the TV industry and—