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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. HAYWORTH] at 12 noon.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

You have promised, O God, that You are with us wherever we are and whatever we are doing—to heal and to help, to give strength and to make us whole. We pray that we will be receptive to Your promises and receive them with confidence and conviction, that, armed by Your spirit, we will go forth to do those good works that promote justice and equity and truth. We admit that we miss the mark and yet we pray that we will be faithful messengers of Your Word and steadfast stewards of all Your gifts. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Utah [Mr. HANSEN] will lead the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HANSEN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1561. An act to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States; to au-

thorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 1561) "An Act to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States; to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. HELMS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. PELL, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. DODD, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints Mr. FEINGOLD to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bill on Friday, December 15, 1995: S. 1060, to provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government, and for other purposes; and the Speaker signed the following bills on Saturday, December 16, 1995: H.R. 1747, to amend the Public Health Service Act to permanently extend and clarify malpractice coverage for health

centers, and for other purposes; H.R. 1977; making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2336; to amend the Doug Barnard, Jr., 1996 Atlanta Centennial Olympic Games Commemorative Coin Act, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5 of rule I, the Chair announces that he will postpone further proceedings today on each motion to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered or on which the vote is objected to under clause 4 of rule XV. Such rollcall votes, if postponed, will be taken after debate has concluded on all motions to suspend the rules but not before 5 p.m. today.

STUTTGART NATIONAL AQUACULTURE RESEARCH CENTER ACT OF 1995

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 33) to transfer the fish farming experimental laboratory in Stuttgart, AR, to the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 33

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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