

Certainly on Tuesday of next week, from the distinguished majority leader's comments to us, he said we would come in at 12:30 and start votes at 5.

Does the gentleman know what time, then, that we will conclude business Tuesday night? Will it be 10 or 11? We certainly do not mind working hard Tuesday night, but if we could just have some certainty as to what the time is.

Mr. DELAY. If the gentleman will yield further, the gentleman's concerns are well founded. We found ourselves in circumstances that were beyond our control that caused us to work later than we anticipated this week. But I think the gentleman can count on, at least Tuesday night, going until 10 or 11 at night. We hope to get through the general debate on the defense bill and start votes somewhere around 5 and go until 10 or 11 Tuesday night.

Mr. ROEMER. If the gentleman will continue to yield, would the gentleman from Texas be open to starting much earlier in the morning Tuesday, instead of starting at 12:30, start working, like people in Indiana, about 7:30, 8 a.m. in the morning, and we get business going then to get into this complicated defense bill?

Mr. DELAY. I understand the gentleman's suggestion. I appreciate the suggestion. I do not think other Members would, in that we are trying to hold to the schedules as announced many weeks ago. And Members, particularly those Members from the West Coast, need the time to get here by 5 o'clock Tuesday night or they would have to fly the "red eye" Monday night.

It is an announced schedule, it has been preannounced. Members have already planned their schedules back in their districts, and I think it would be very difficult to start earlier.

Mr. ROEMER. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. BONIOR. I have another question on the schedule. There have been discussions and rumors on the floor that the 3 days at the end of the week, the last week of May, the 29th, 30th and 31st, might be days that the House may not meet.

Can the gentleman enlighten us on the schedule in the latter part of the Memorial Day weekend schedule?

Mr. DELAY. If the gentleman will yield further, right now we are hoping to get our work done on the appropriations bills, and those 3 days, at least at this point, we are planning on using to pass appropriations bills. So we anticipate working those 3 days.

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlemen yield?

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. ENGEL. I thank the gentleman for yielding. I would like to ask the gentleman from Texas a little more clarification about Tuesday night.

Does he anticipate votes Tuesday night on the Defense Authorization Act as well as the others?

Mr. DELAY. If the gentleman will yield further, that is correct. There

will be amendments to the Defense Authorization Act as laid out in the rule, and we anticipate votes on those amendments.

Mr. ENGEL. On Tuesday night?

Mr. DELAY. On Tuesday night, starting about 5. The votes could come as soon as 5.

Mr. ENGEL. So not just votes Tuesday night on the suspensions, votes also on the Defense bill?

Mr. DELAY. That is correct.

Mr. ENGEL. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. BONIOR. I thank the gentleman from Texas.

ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1996

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 1996, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATHAM). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1996

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, May 14, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15, for the purpose of receiving in this Chamber former Members of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF 60-MINUTE SPECIAL ORDER IN TRIBUTE TO MEDAL OF HONOR WINNER ADMIRAL JOHN BULKELEY AND AVAILABILITY OF TAPE

(Mr. DORNAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, two items. No. 1, on the first special order tonight, and I will be doing an hour tribute to a man who was a legend in his life, a living Navy legend up until a few weeks ago, Admiral John Duncan Bulkeley, Medal of Honor winner, the man who took General MacArthur off Corregidor. Fifty-five years on Navy

active duty and not a single member of this administration showed up at his funeral.

Ron Brown, a pleasant chap, got a week of orations and eulogies. Nothing for this Medal of Honor winner. No Senators, no other Congressmen but myself, no Secretaries of the Navy or former Secretaries of the Navy. It was just astounding to me that this great man was all but ignored. I am doing a 1-hour tribute to him today.

Also in my office is available for any Member who wants it, any Senator who wants it, a short tape, 5 or 6 minutes, about a near orgy held in the Federal Building down Constitution, and permission was given by some people on this Hill. See this tape to see what is happening with Federal buildings and homosexual galas.

MINIMUM WAGE AND PENTAGON PORK

(Ms. MCKINNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. MCKINNEY. Mr. Speaker, we've just passed the rule for the Defense Authorization bill.

Soon we will be voting on the Department of Defense's authorization bill. In that bill, Republican leaders have decided to give the Pentagon \$13 billion more than it asked for. At the same time, however, the Republican leadership insists on making deep cuts in Medicare, Medicaid, education, and the environment in their new budget.

This, we are told, is necessary to balance the budget. But if that's the case, then why does the largest bureaucracy in the world—the Pentagon—need a \$13 billion raise?

How is it that the Pentagon gets a \$13 billion increase, but that low wage American workers can't get a .45 cent increase in their hourly wage?

Mr. Speaker, we can and should balance the budget. But we should do it by cutting corporate welfare and reducing our bloated military budget. And to my Republican colleagues I say, if you want to go after wasteful spending, Pentagon pork is a good place to start.

UNITED STATES HOUSING ACT OF 1996

The text of the bill (H.R. 2406), as passed by the House on May 9, 1996, is as follows:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 1260) entitled "An Act to reform and consolidate the public and assisted housing programs of the United States, and to redirect primary responsibility for these programs from the Federal Government to States and localities, and for other purposes", do pass with the following amendments: Strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE*.—This Act may be cited as the "United States Housing Act of 1996".

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS*.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.