

range of the cognitive talents we in the law use in working with the law," to build the finest center in the world for research and teaching about law in order to ensure that law and lawyers are used to make our world better.

And—another bold idea—to make NYU tuition free. This last dream, especially close to his heart these days, would be funded partly by building the law school's endowment so that it generates more income and partly by a structured plan that will see NYU graduates who go into corporate law contributing back to the law school the tuition they never had to pay when they were law students. As president of the Association of American Law Schools—legal education's oldest and most distinguished collectivity—Sexton was remorseless in advocating his idea that practicing lawyers should contribute 1% of their income over \$50,000 to the law school from which they graduated. "It is imperative," Sexton says, "to reduce the enormous debt our graduates incur to pay for their education." (It is not unusual for a student to graduate with \$120,000 in law-school-related debt.) He continues: "If we do not reduce their debt, they will be forced to choose income over service."

Where did all these ideas come from? When asked, Sexton will remind you of Arthur Vanderbilt's hopes, of the dreams of "the Enterpriser," and of Dorsen's expansive notion of "heart." But, too, he speaks of "the Tocquevillian ideal of the law," infusing that ideal with his own insights, as he did in a recent "President's column" in the newsletter of the Association of American Law Schools:

"From the beginning America has been a society based on law and forged by lawyers; for us, the law has been the great arbiter and the principal means by which we have been able to knit one nation out of a people whose dominant characteristic always has been our diversity. Just as the law has been the means for founding, defining, preserving, reforming and democratizing a united America, America's lawyers have been charged with setting the nation's values. Unlike other countries, America has no unifying religion or ethnicity; our principle of unification is law."

Lest this be heard as after-dinner boiler plate, or, worse, an attempt to promote self-satisfaction in his audience, Sexton is quick to point to the historical irony that the American Constitution is becoming a model for nations that have never known the rule of law, precisely at a time "when we in America are becoming more humble about how much we don't know, how much we haven't managed to get right."

Sexton's high-minded idealism, some have noted, is suffused and informed by an Irish-Catholic religiousness lurking just below the surface of his energy, as between the words of all his speeches. It often leads him to enunciate strange definitions in the tin ears of a secular age. "Legal research," in the Sextonian reading, becomes "serious thinking about the 'ought' of the law, not the parody evoked by the phrase 'yet another law review article.'" Where most are content to speak of law as a profession, Sexton lovingly dubs it "a vocation, a deep calling, that governs or ought to govern our professional lives."

It is in this elucidation of ideals and the moral exhortation with which they are pressed home that Sexton is most himself. The single-mindedness of his dedication to his cause permits him more leeway than others allow themselves. As Chief Judge Harry Edwards puts it, "People with true values and beliefs have a big head start in any con-

versation." The school's former Board chair, Martin Lipton, who recently became chair of the university's Board, adds, "Anyone who knows or works with John soon realizes that he is a man not only of vision but of complexity, a man whose drive toward meaning is not encompassed or summed up by the standard references of the academic marketplace: prestige, rankings, or VIPs."

A friend of the Sexton family, the writer and literary scholar Peter Pitzele, recalling John's original vocation as a professor of religion, puts it another way: "I would set John in the historic context of Americans who have worked to create an institution—a corporate body—that in some strange way is, or seeks to be, sanctified. I think it is this drive to sacralize that really animates what John is doing." He adds, "Though genius and genial are etymologically related, in life they rarely are. It seems to me that—rare though the combination is—John is both."

Another friend of Sexton's, and his colleague to boot, Richard Revesz recalls one of the biggest bestsellers of the early 1980s, a novel written by a professor of his at Princeton. In *The Vicar of Christ*, Walter Murphy tells the story of an American law school dean who ends up as Pope. Notes Revesz, with a smile, "Every time John starts out a conversation saying to me, 'Let me be your pastor, Ricky, tell me what's on your mind,' I think to myself of Murphy's novel and I wonder . . ."

TRIBUTE TO LILLIAN A. HART

• Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the late Lillian A. Hart, a committed public servant and devoted wife, mother and grandmother, who bravely battled cancer in the last several months of her life.

Lillian has made it easy for us to remember her—she has left behind an impressive list of accomplishments that most people only hope to achieve in their lifetime. Lillian was a leader in the community and a role model for many women. She was a pioneer, exploring occupations and civic positions women had never held before.

Lillian was the first woman to be the state executive director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Kentucky, her most recent public position. Lillian served Kentucky in this capacity from 1981 to 1989, and received a national award in 1987, for her work on behalf of farmers and all Kentuckians.

Before Lillian became state executive director, she was also the first woman to be appointed a district director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. She served 19 Northern Kentucky counties as district director for 12 years, including in her home county of Pendleton.

Lillian was active in her community, once serving as president of the Pendleton County Republican Women's Club and being chosen as a delegate to the Republican National Convention. She also founded a chapter of Habitat for Humanity in Pendleton County, and was a member of the Kincaid Regional Theatre board of directors.

I am certain that the legacy of excellence that Lillian Hart has left will continue on, and will encourage and inspire others. Hopefully it will be a comfort to the family and friends she leaves behind to know that her efforts to better the community will be felt for years to come. On behalf of myself and my colleagues, we offer our deepest condolences to Lillian's loved ones, and express our gratitude for all she contributed to Pendleton County, the State of Kentucky, and to our great Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO MEG GREENFIELD

• Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I rise today to reflect on the passing of a truly remarkable woman: Washington Post Editorial Page Editor Meg Greenfield. A tough, tenacious and trail-blazing woman, Ms. Greenfield had a sharp intellect, a vibrant sense of humor, and a keen political instinct.

Meg Greenfield was at the center of many of Washington's intellectual, cultural and political developments in the past three decades. Her fiercely independent eye for news gave her the ability to cultivate relationships with individuals from every political, cultural and economic background. Her insightful portraits of life in our nation's capital were profound and memorable.

Ms. Greenfield forever changed the access and acceptance women have in the field of journalism. She astutely examined tough issues such as global disarmament and international affairs which were traditionally seen as "male" issues. She commanded respect and demanded fairness and impartiality from her staff.

In 1978, Ms. Greenfield moved the world with her commentary on issues of international affairs, civil rights and the press. For her efforts she claimed the much coveted Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing. One year later, she moved into the post of Editor for the Washington Post editorial page. A responsibility she undertook with dignity, grace, a keen wit and what she would call "the sensibility of 1950s liberals—conservative on foreign policy and national defense, but liberal on social issues" for over 20 years.

For these and many other reasons I admired Meg Greenfield and her vastly important work. She also played a critical role in my own career. When I ran for the United States Senate, I met with the Washington Post editorial board, and I had heard about the tough, no-nonsense Meg Greenfield. I was very impressed with her, and she believed in me and my ideas for Maryland.

The endorsement I received from the Washington Post in the 1986 Democratic primary was a turning point in the campaign. I was running against two very good friends of mine: the terrific Congressman from Montgomery County, Mike Barnes, and Maryland's

Governor Harry Hughes. The confidence and support I received from Meg Greenfield and the Post editorial board gave me pride and momentum, and helped lead me to victory.

Meg Greenfield's colleagues at the editorial page wrote the day after her death, "The anonymity typical of editorial pages could not disguise the hand of Meg Greenfield. As a writer her work was often instantly recognizable . . . for its felicity and stateliness and not least for its wry and mischievous humor. As an editor she imprinted her special blend of a wise skepticism and a reach for the public good on a long generation of Post editorials." In this tribute, they describe not only her as the consummate professional, but as the wonderful and caring woman that she was.

Meg Greenfield will be dearly missed in the many circles of Washington life. Her spirit and legacy will inspire us for years to come.●

FREEMEN PROSECUTION AWARD

● Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I am pleased to come to the floor to honor a Department of Justice team that is receiving the top prosecution award today at Constitution Hall. This team of 12 prosecutors and investigators was faced with the challenging task of bringing LeRoy Schweitzer, Richard Clark, Daniel Petersen, Rodney Skurdal, Dale Jacobi, Russell Landers, and others, known as the "Freemen," to justice.

As you may remember, the Montana Freemen were a group of individuals who refused to recognize any authority by U.S. officials. Instead, they created their own "republic" and court system. After warrants were prepared for multiple counts of fraud, armed robbery, and firearms violations, they holed up on their ranch for 81 days in a tense standoff. The team recognized today were critical in preparing the warrants, negotiating the peaceful resolution of the standoff, and convicting twenty-one members of the group. In addition, this team worked with many other prosecution teams to prepare and present related cases in over thirty federal districts.

It makes me especially proud that there were seven Montanans among the group being recognized. They are Assistant U.S. Attorney James Seykora, Paralegal Specialist Deborah Boyle, IRS Special Agents Michael Mayott and Loretta Rodriguez, FBI Senior Resident Agent Daniel Vierthaler, FBI Special Agent Randall Jackson, and Montana Department of Justice Agent Bryan Costigan. I also appreciate the contribution of Robertson Park, George Toscas, David Kris, Tommie Canady, and Timothy Healy as award winners contributing from agencies outside of the state. I also think it's only appropriate to recognize the in-

vestigation and prosecution leader, Montana U.S. Attorney Sherry Matteucci. Although this entire prosecution effort fell under her responsibility, as a political appointee, she is not eligible for this award.

The Attorney General's Award for Exceptional Service is given once each year, with the decision based upon the following: performance of a special service in the public interest that is over and above the normal requirements and of an outstanding and distinctive character in terms of improved operations, public understanding of the department's mission, or accomplishment of one of the major goals of the department, exceptionally outstanding contributions to the Department of Justice or exceptionally outstanding leadership in the administration of major programs that resulted in highly successful accomplishments to meet unique or emergency situations, or extraordinary courage and voluntary risk of life in performing an act resulting in direct benefits to the department or nation. From where I sit, this team has met or exceeded all of these high standards during the course of the investigation. Few other prosecutions have received the external scrutiny in the press, Justice management, and the public eye as did the Freemen prosecution. A terrific amount of juggling priorities and concerns was necessary to pull off a peaceful resolution of this crisis. Their conviction record on this case was solid, and will likely be the model from any similar situations in the future.

So, it gives me great pleasure to bring our attention to this team's success, and I add my thanks for a job well done. We wish them nothing but continued success as they move on to other jobs within their home agencies. Again, congratulations on this great, well-deserved honor.●

BEATRIZ RIVAS ROGALSKI

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I rise to salute my Deputy Chief of Staff, Beatriz (Bea) Rivas Rogalski, on the occasion of her upcoming retirement after 25 years of distinguished service to the people of the United States. As director of casework in my House and Senate offices for more than 16 years, she has helped literally thousands of Californians get the timely assistance they need from their federal government. As Deputy Chief of Staff, she is beloved by staff members and constituents alike.

Bea began her public service as I did, in the office of then-Congressman John Burton. In 1974, Bea Rivas was a recent immigrant from El Salvador. While working at Macy's department store in San Francisco, she took a second part-time job to help support her mother.

Bea went to work in John Burton's campaign office on a temporary basis

as a key-punch operator. Given a six-month project, Bea completed it in two months. Following the election, she went to work as a staff assistant in Congressman Burton's district office, answering phones and tracking bills. Her diligence and demeanor quickly impressed her supervisors, who promoted her to case worker.

It was a perfect fit. She quickly learned the most arcane workings of government and did her utmost to help constituents negotiate the shoals of bureaucracy.

Bea has what it takes to help people get their due from their government. She is kind, considerate, generous, and above all patient. I cannot overstate how she always listens carefully, always acts diligently, always goes the extra mile to take care of constituents' needs. She is incomparable and irreplaceable. She will also be irreplaceable.

Mr. President, by serving the people of California so well, Beatriz Rogalski has brought honor on this institution and the United States Government. I hope you will join me in thanking her and sending best wishes to her, her husband Hans Rogalski, and their son Hans, Jr.●

TRIBUTE TO HITCHINER MANUFACTURING COMPANY

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President I rise today to pay tribute to Hitchiner Manufacturing Co., Inc. for receiving Business NH Magazine's 1999 Business of the Year Award.

Since the company moved to Milford, New Hampshire in 1951, Hitchiner has been extremely active within the community. Hitchiner supports the community through contributions to the arts, education, and community welfare. Specifically, they offer much-needed dollars to local and state nonprofits and they make time available for their employees to participate in community affairs. Hitchiner President/CEO, John Morison III, believes when employees work in the community their experiences will translate into a positive experience for the company as a whole.

In addition to being involved in community affairs, Hitchiner Manufacturing is a leader in technology. The company is an international player for investment castings for customers such as General Motors, BMW and General Electric. Hitchiner will soon acquire their tenth patent, thereby establishing themselves as the leader in metallurgical advances.

Hitchiner's profit sharing philosophy has helped create a spirit of team work among its employees. President Morison believes that by sharing the profits and risks, of working as a team, the company will be better equipped to stay on the cutting edge of technology—this is the key to future success.