A bill (H.R. 2415) to enhance security of the United States missions and personnel overseas, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 886 as passed by the Senate be inserted in lieu thereof. I further ask consent that the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table. I further ask consent that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 2415), as amended, was passed.

(The text of S. 886 was printed in the RECORD of June 22, 1999)

The Presiding Officer (Mr. ALLARD) appointed Mr. HELMS, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CUVENELLI, Mr. GRAMS of Minnesota, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. DODD conferees on the part of the Senate.

NATIONAL AIRBORNE DAY

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 241, S. Res. 95.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 95) designating August 16, 1999, as ‘National Airborne Day.’

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to this resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. 95) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. Res. 95

Whereas the Parachute Test Platoon was authorized by the War Department on June 25, 1940, to experiment with the potential use of airborne troops;

Whereas the Parachute Test Platoon was composed of 48 volunteers that began training in July, 1940;

Whereas the Parachute Test Platoon performed the first official Army parachute jump on August 16, 1940;

Whereas the success of the Parachute Test Platoon led to the formation of a large and successful airborne contingent serving from World War II until the present;

Whereas the 11th, 13th, 17th, 62nd, and 101st Airborne Divisions and the numerous other regimental and battalion-sized airborne units were organized following the success of the Parachute Test Platoon;

Whereas the 501st Parachute Battalion participated successfully and valiantly in achieving victory in World War II;

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Whereas the airborne achievements during World War II provided the basis for maintaining the development of a diversified force of parachute and air assault troops;

Whereas paratroopers, glidermen, and air assault troops of the United States were and are proving in battle that self-reliant, exclusive and honorable fraternity, have earned and wear the ‘Silver Wings of Courage’, have participated in a total of 93 combat jumps, and have distinguished themselves in battle by earning 68 Congressional Medals of Honor, the highest military decoration of the United States, and hundreds of Distinguished Service Crosses and Silver Stars;

Whereas these airborne forces have performed in important military and peacekeeping operations, wherever needed, in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Sinai, the Dominican Republic, Panama, Somalia, Haiti, and Bosnia; and

Whereas the Senate joins together with the airborne community to celebrate August 16, 1999, as ‘National Airborne Day’; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates August 16, 1999, as ‘National Airborne Day’; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on Federal, State, and local administrators and the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, August 4, 1999

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9 a.m. on Wednesday, August 4. I further ask consent that on Wednesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the dairy issue; at 9:45 will be the closing of business; at 10 a.m. will be the cloture vote on the amendment on the bill.

Mr. LOTT. Therefore, the Senate will convene at 9 a.m. and will have 40 minutes of debate, equally divided, on the dairy issue; at 9:45 will be the cloture vote on the dairy amendment. Following the vote, the Senate will resume consideration of the pending Agriculture appropriations bill. Amendments and votes are expected throughout tomorrow’s session of the Senate with the anticipation of completing action on the bill.

After that is completed, we could have a vote on a nomination after some period of debate, and then we would turn to the Interior appropriations bill.

PROGRAM

Mr. LOTT. Tomorrow, the Senate will come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:15 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, August 4, 1999, at 9 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate August 3, 1999:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MICHAEL J. FRAZIER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, VICE STERLING G. PALMER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

GREGORY R. HODER, OF NORTH DAKOTA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION, VICE CLARENCE L. IRVING, JR.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DAVID J. BAYES, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, VICE JOHN RAYMOND GARAMENDI, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

IAN A. TIKEN, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CIVILIAN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, VICE DANIEL A. DREYES, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EDWARD W. STIMPSON, OF IDAHO, FOR THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HIS TENURE OF SERVICE AS REPS. SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION.

THE JUDICIARY

GAIL S. TUSAN, OF GEORGIA, TO BE DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA, VICE G. BENNETT TIDWELL, RETIRED.

RICHARD K. EATON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE, VICE R. KENTON MUGRABE, RETIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE JUDICIARY

KATHRYN M. TURNER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME, VICE AILEEN CATHERINE ADAMS.

IN THE ARMY


To be colonel

ROGER F. HALL, JR., 0000
JOHN E. BERLIN, 0000
HARRIET B. ELL, JR., 0000
GREG G. JOHNSON, 0000
ROBERT A. MARTINEZ, 0000
HENRY C. MCCAIN, 0000
ALAN R. FETTERSON, 0000
TIMOTHY L. ROOTES, 0000
ARNOLD H. SORDIR, 0000
STEPHEN C. CLARKE, 0000
PAUL K. WOHL, 0000

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT (IDENTIFIED BY AN ANNOTATION (*) UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 621, 629, AND 631).

To be colonel

MICHAEL L. COLPOY, 0000
LANCE D. DAVIDSON, 0000
STEVEN J. PRICNOVSKY, 0000
KEITH L. ROBERTS, 0000

To be lieutenant colonel

MARIO T. AVALOS, 0000
PETER J. BLOME, 0000
LACY J. CHOCGRO, 0000
DOUGLAS L. DURAND, 0000
ALAN R. FLUES, 0000
MARK E. SHAARLITT, 0000
DANIEL E. JOHNSON, 0000
CHARLES E. LATIMER, 0000
ROGER F. HALL, JR., 0000
RICHARD L. MILLER, 0000

To be colonel