

50-50 tie in the Senate. Some people say, oh, you know, there will just be gridlock and chaos. I am an optimist. I do not see the glass that is half empty. I see this glass as half full. And I think we have a real opportunity to do some things that will benefit our constituents.

—————

HOUR OF MEETING ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2000

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

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

There was no objection.

—————

HOUR OF MEETING ON THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 7, 2000

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Wednesday, December 6, 2000, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Thursday, December 7.

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

There was no objection.

—————

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. POMEROY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of official business.

Mr. HILL of Montana (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of medical reasons.

—————

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MCNULTY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EHRlich, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today and December 6, 7, and 8.

Mr. SALMON, for 5 minutes, today.

—————

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Wednesday, December 6, 2000, at 2 p.m.

—————

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

11147. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the approved retirement and advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list of Vice Admiral Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., United States Navy; to the Committee on Armed Services.

11148. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Consumer Protections for Depository Institution Sales of Insurance [Docket No. 2000-97] (RIN: 1550-AB34) received November 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11149. A letter from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Department of Treasury, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting the Department's final rule—Consumer Protections for Depository Institution Sales of Insurance [Docket No. 00-26] (RIN: 1557-AB81) received November 29, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11150. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting a transaction involving U.S. exports to India; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11151. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report on OMB Cost Estimate For Pay-As-You-Go Calculations; to the Committee on the Budget.

11152. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food [Docket No. 99F-1912] received December 4, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11153. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption [Docket No. 00F-1332] received November 30, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11154. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; Radionuclides; Final Rule [FRL-6909-3] (RIN: 2040-AC98) received November 29, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11155. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Priorities List for Uncontrolled Hazardous Waste Sites [FRL-6910-4] received November 29, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11156. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection

Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Control of Emissions from New Nonroad Spark-Ignition Engines Rated above 19 Kilowatts and New Land-Based Recreational Spark-Ignition Engines [FRL-6907-5] (RIN: 2060-A111) received November 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11157. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Excess Emissions During Startup, Shutdown, Malfunction and Maintenance [TX-130-1-7473a; FRL-6907-8] received November 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11158. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Petition By American Samoa for Exemption from Anti-Dumping Requirements for Conventional Gasoline [FRL-6908-8] (RIN: 2060-AI60) received November 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11159. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Partial Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule for Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District [CA 210-0266; FRL-6908-3] received November 21, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11160. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Georgia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [FRL-6907-3] received November 20, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11161. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revision to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) Administrative Code for the Air Pollution Control Program [AL-054-200027(a); FRL-6910-6] received November 29, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11162. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Options Price Reporting Authority [Release No. 34-43621; File No. 4-434] (RIN: 3235-AH92) received November 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11163. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 25-00 which constitutes a Request for Final Approval to conclude the Memorandum of Understanding with the United Kingdom for the Cooperative Framework for Engineering and Manufacturing Development (EMD) of the Joint Strike Fighter and the U.K. Supplement, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

11164. A letter from the Acting Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Blocked Persons, Specially Designated Nationals, Specially Designated Terrorists, Foreign Terrorist Organizations, and Specially Designated Narcotics