

banks of the Colorado River. But, until now the Executive Branch has refused to take responsibility for cleaning up this site. Thankfully, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson has recognized the foolishness of this approach and, earlier this year, proposed an "agreement-in-principle" that will enable the abandoned Atlas uranium mill tailings site to be moved away from the Colorado River to a safer location. The Administration has also requested \$10 million for fiscal year 2001 to undertake the studies and data collection necessary to reclaim the Atlas site.

In addition to moving the toxic tailings away from the Colorado River, Secretary Richardson's proposal also includes solutions to several other public lands issues in Utah: the return of certain federal lands to the Northern Ute Indian Tribe; reservation of a production royalty on future oil and gas development of those lands; and protection of a quarter-mile corridor along 75-miles of the Green River adjacent to Ute tribal lands.

This week, I joined Representatives CANNON, FILNER, NAPOLITANO, and 47 other House colleagues in sponsoring H.R. 4165—a revised bi-partisan bill that will accomplish the full range of goals outlined by the Department of Energy and Interior—and most importantly, will assure that the toxic mill tailings are moved away from the Colorado River to a safe location.

DENMARK'S CROWN PRINCE
MAKES DARING TREK ACROSS
GREENLAND

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 5, 2000

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, as a Co-Chair of the Danish Caucus, I would like to take a moment to recognize and commend the actions of the young heir to the Danish throne, Crown Prince Frederik. It is quite encouraging to see a young man who serves as a model of behavior for the youth of Denmark and who uses his time and influence to educate others and serve his country. Presently—instead of lounging about Frederiksborg, the Danish Royal Palace—Prince Frederik is serving as the medic for a four month, 2,200 mile dog sled expedition across Greenland with five other members of the Greenland patrol.

The Los Angeles Times (March 3, 2000) described the Prince's adventure: "The 31-year-old heir to the Danish throne has . . . served in the army, navy, and Danish version of the Seabees. The Harvard graduate will get his pilot's license and will train with the air force after the Greenland expedition, [called] Sirius 2000."

Every step of Sirius 2000 is broadcast on the expedition's website (<http://www.expedition.tv2.dk>), which has drawn "enormous interest, especially among school children who are following the expedition as part of their studies," according to Freddy Neuman, whose public relations agency is handling media inquiries about the trip. The effort unites TV2 with the Ministry of Education in a project to teach young Danes about Greenland.

Crown Prince Frederik's daring outdoor adventure teaches schoolchildren and the general public alike about Greenland, the frigid and thinly populated land that has been under Danish rule for most of the last two centuries. According to the Los Angeles Times, "Scholars and scientists at the Arctic Institute and the Danish Polar Council here say they are thrilled that Frederik's participation is putting the territory, its indigenous people, and the Greenland Patrol—which is marking its 50th anniversary with the event—the global map." Leif Vanggaard, a retired navy captain and surgeon with 30 years experience treating Arctic injuries, said of the expedition: "The TV programs and web site and all these connections to schools make it educational as well as functional."

Mr. Speaker, Crown Prince Frederik's trek across frigid Greenland is helping to remind mainland Denmark of its other thinly populated, yet environmentally rich territory. The Prince's daily courage and dedication to his mission and the nation are notable accomplishments, and an inspirational demonstration of how a privileged young man can wisely use his public visibility to benefit others.

ALPHONSE STROOBANTS

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 5, 2000

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, on April 1, 2000, Mr. Alphonse Stroobants received the Charles Sackett Heart Award from the American Heart Association, Centra Health and the Cardiology Associates of Central Virginia.

The Coveted Charles Sackett award was named for Dr. Charles Sackett, whose drive and vision for cardiac services has made a long lasting impact on the Central Virginia Community.

In his acceptance remarks Mr. Stroobants spoke of his former co-workers at the medical community, and of his many friends through the years.

The son of a coal miner, Alphonse Stroobants was raised in war ravaged Belgium. He fled the Nazi occupation on bicycle into France when he was nine years old in the early 1940's with his parents.

He immigrated to the United States in 1956 and took his first job as an apprentice for a tool and die maker in New York state.

Responding to an ad in the newspaper, he moved to Lynchburg in 1959. He eventually purchased the company where he was working and grew Belgium Tool and Die into a successful business with annual sales in excess of twenty five-million dollars. He sold the company and retired in 1990.

Mr. Stroobants gift to Centra Health has further assisted the development of cardiac services for Central Virginians and the Heart Center is named in his honor.

Long known for his generosity and competitive spirit, he has remained a loyal friend to Virginia. His love for the community is genuine, and his service and philanthropy exemplary.

Mr. Speaker I am honored to know and have as a friend Alphonse Stroobants.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2000 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

APRIL 10

1 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine funerals and burials, focusing on protecting consumers from bad practices.

SD-106

APRIL 11

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Interior Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Energy.

SD-138

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the effects of permanent, normalized trade relations with China on the U.S. economy.

SR-253

Armed Services

To hold hearings on the nominations of Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Gregory Robert Dahlberg, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army; and Madelyn R. Creedon, of Indiana, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration.

SR-222

Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings on the nomination of Christopher A. McLean, of Nebraska, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture; to be followed by hearings to examine the Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether (MTBE) crisis and the future of renewable fuels.

SR-328A

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Children and Families Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine early childhood programs for low-income families.

SD-430

10 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings on S. 282, to provide that no electric utility shall be required to enter into a new contract or