

want to commend them for the leadership that they have displayed on this issue and I too would hope that next week, when we cast a vote, that we would not be rewarding China; we would not be rewarding those who do not provide equal rights and equal treatment to us all.

So I too shall be voting no on the establishment of permanent normal trade relationships with China.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to come to the floor at this time to recognize the Field Museum of Chicago as it celebrates the much awaited public unveiling of Sue, its world-famous 67-million-year-old Tyrannosaurus Rex.

In case any of us are not familiar with this colossal fossil, Sue is the largest and most complete Tyrannosaurus Rex ever found and was named after the fossil hunter who found the remains in South Dakota's Black Hills in 1990.

After 2½ years of cleaning, restoring and preserving her more than 250 fossilized bones, Sue is now ready to meet the public.

When fully erected in Stanley Field Hall, Sue stands 13 feet high at the hips and 42 feet long from head to tail. Her five foot long skull is so heavy that the museum will install a replica on the skeleton and place the real skull on display for visitors. As a result, visitors will be able to get an up-close view of the predator's massive head. They can also view animated CT scans of the skull and touch a variety of casts of Sue's bones, including a rib, forelimb and tooth.

The Field Museum plans to use Sue's massive appeal to bring the wonders of science to school children and other audiences throughout Illinois and the Nation. Sue will be installed in the new Hall of Paleontology and Earth Sciences Research with related exhibitry, research and educational programming, including a fossil prep lab where visitors can observe museum staff at work on real bones.

The new hall will not only illustrate the history of Sue and other dinosaurs but will also serve as a springboard to interest visitors in related questions such as mass extinction events, plant and animal evolution, plate tectonics, biodiversity through time and women in science. The museum plans to develop related curriculum and teacher training and offer 2 electronic field trips in which students can see and talk to scientists in the field as they are conducting excavation and research.

To celebrate Sue's unveiling, the Field Museum will be hosting a number of special dinosaur-related programs from May 17 through May 21, including a day of family entertainment, a family festival, a lecture by the lead researcher and a concert performance featuring the Chicago Chamber musicians about the life and times of Sue.

Mr. Speaker, while gleaming scientific data from Sue is a key aim, Sue is also an extraordinary tool for teaching visitors about paleontology, the geologic forces that shape our planet, vertebrate fossils and other scientific work. Sue has only just started to reveal her educational potential and will no doubt continue to yield new information about dinosaurs and the world in which they lived for many years to come. Please join me in recognizing the Field Museum as they share Sue with the world.

I also invite my colleagues, their staff and families, as well as other Americans, to join in the fun at the June 6 opening reception for a sneak peak at the national tour of a T. Rex named Sue at Union Station in Chicago.

Mr. Speaker, while we have seen seven wonders of the world, eight wonders, this is truly another wonder of the world and we invite the world to come and see it.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mrs. CAPPS (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of family business.

Mr. ETHERIDGE (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 12:30 p.m., on account of family business.

Ms. LOFGREN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of a family engagement.

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. DIXON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. MCINNIS, for 5 minutes, May 22.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 777. An act to require the Department of Agriculture to establish an electronic filing and retrieval system to enable the public to file all required paperwork electronically with the Department and to have access to public information on farm programs, quarterly trade, economic, and production reports, and other similar information; to the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 1509. An act to amend the Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3629. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to improve the program for American Indian Tribal Colleges and Universities under part A of title III.

H.R. 3707. An act to authorize funds for the construction of a facility in Taipei, Taiwan suitable for the mission of the American Institute in Taiwan.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On Wednesday, May 17, 2000:

H.R. 1377. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9308 South Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building."

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 22, 2000, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

7716. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Importation of Wood Chips From Chile [Docket No. 96-031-2] (RIN: 0579-AA82) received April 24, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7717. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Public Notification Rule [FRL-6580-2] (RIN: 2040-AD06) received April 12, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

7718. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and