While McDonald’s will always be their No. 1 customer, they’re also with the one who brung you,” Honesty quips—Great Harvest has room in its production schedule to develop other business. One contract they’ve won is with the U.S. military to develop a soft roll that they believe as rationals during the military’s war games. “It’s an exotic, tough bun to make,” Honesty said, but could prove to be a lucrative one now that they’ve got the military species down pat. They’re also looking into doing private labeling for supermarkets, Beavers said.

One thing the pair wants to ensure down the road is that the bakery remains a minority venture, Honesty said. Beavers welcomes the opportunity to bring two of his four grown children into the company. And even though they’ve left their corporate jobs, they still consider themselves a part of McDonald’s extended family. A very important leg on that three-legged stool that keeps McDonald’s centered.

“Theirs is a passion for McDonald’s,” Honesty said. Beavers welcome the opportunity to bring two of his four grown children into the company. And even though they’ve left their corporate jobs, they still consider themselves a part of McDonald’s extended family. A very important leg on that three-legged stool that keeps McDonald’s centered. “We’ve got a passion for McDonald’s,” Honesty said.

REPORT PART OF THE BUSINESS
Name: Best Harvest Bakeries
Location: Kansas City, Kansas
Production capacity: 3,000 dozen buns an hour; 17 million dozen buns, or soft rolls, a year
Shifts: Five days a week for three shifts
Size: 32,000 square feet
Employees: about 175
Customers: 560 McDonald’s restaurants, the U.S. Military, which just awarded Best Harvest a contract to make a bun that serves as rations during military “war games” (all the oxygen is taken out of the package so the bun stays fresh for three years).

Goal: “To become the premier supplier of grain-based products having outstanding quality in a service environment that exceeds our customers’ expectations while ensuring that our customers receive unsurpassed value from our relationship.”

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT
Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED
As in the previous session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees. (The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT ENTITLED “THE WEKIVA RIVER ROCK SPRING RUN AND SEMINOLE CREEK”—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 113

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, accompanied by an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

To the Congress of the United States:
I take pleasure in transmitting the enclosed report for the Wekiva River and several tributaries in Florida. The report and my recommendations are in response to the petitions of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Public Law 90-542, as amended. The Wekiva study was authorized by Public Law 104-311.

The National Park Service conducted the study with assistance from the Wekiva River Basin Working Group, a committee established by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to represent a broad spectrum of environmental and developmental interests. The study found that 43.5 miles of river are eligible for the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (the “System”) based on free-flowing character, good water quality, and “outstandingly remarkable” scenic, recreational, fish and wildlife, and historic/cultural values.

Almost all the land adjacent to the eligible rivers is in public ownership and managed by State and county governments for conservation purposes. The exception to this pattern is the 3.9-mile-long Seminole Creek that is in private ownership. The public land managers strongly support designation while the private landowner opposes designation of his land. Therefore, I recommend that the 41.6 miles of river abutted by public lands and as described in the enclosed report be designated a component of the System. Seminole Creek could be added if the adjacent landowner should change his mind or if this land is ever purchased by an individual or conservation agency who does not object. The tributary is not centrally located in the area proposed for designation.

I further recommend that legislation designating the eligible tributaries specify that on-the-ground management responsibilities remain with the existing land manager and not the Secretary of the Department of the Interior. This is in accordance with expressed State and Federal desires. Responsibilities of the Secretary should be limited to working with State and local partners in developing a comprehensive river management plan, providing technical assistance, and reviewing effects of water resource development proposals in accordance with section 7 of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

We look forward to working with the Congress to designate this worthy addition to the National Wild and Scenic River System.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON,

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE
At 12:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Noland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill and as a result, requests the concurrence of the Senate:

EC-9188. A communication from the Chairman of the National Science Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9199. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.
EC–9200. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC–9201. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9202. A communication from the Corporation For National Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9203. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9204. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9205. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9206. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9207. A communication from the Chairwoman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9208. A communication from the Executive Director of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9209. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9210. A communication from the Controller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of General Accounting Office inspectors to be released in April 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9211. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Performance Plan for fiscal year 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without an amendment:

S. 2715. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to require States to use Federal highway funds for projects in high priority corridors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2724. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Army to carry out an assessment of State, municipal, and private dams in the State of Vermont and to make appropriate modifications to the dams; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S. 2725. A bill to provide for a system of sanctions for chimpanzees that have been designated as being no longer needed in research conducted or supported by the Public Health Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. Domenici, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Ashcroft, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Bond, Mr. Breaux, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Chafee, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Gore, Mr. Graham, Mr. Gramm, Mr. Graham, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Smith of New Hampshire, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Thurmond, and Mr. Voinovich):

S. Res. 322. A resolution encouraging and supporting the involvement of families with children in their children’s lives and designating June 18, 2000, as “Responsible Father’s Day”; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Jeffords, and Mr. Breaux):

S. 2714. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a higher purchase price limitation applicable to mortgage subsidy bonds based on median family income; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2717. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to gradually increase the estate tax deduction for family-owned businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 2718. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Transportation and the Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Administration from taking action to finalize, implement, or enforce a rule relating to the hours of service of drivers for motor carriers; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2719. A bill to provide for credit for service development and trade promotion for Native Americans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. Hatch, and Mr. Inouye):

S. 2720. A bill to provide for development and trade promotion for Native Americans; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 2721. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Reid, Mr. Breaux, and Mr. Conrad):

S. 2721. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to introduce new technologies to reduce energy consumption in buildings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Breaux, and Mr. Jeffords):

S. 2722. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a mortgage subsidy bond backed by the Federal Housing Authority; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 2723. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a higher purchase price limitation applicable to mortgage subsidy bonds based on low- and moderate-income, first-time home buyers.

Providing affordable, fair, and quality housing for all people is important.

THE HOME OWNERSHIP MADE EASY (HOME) ACT

Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, today I am introducing the Home Ownership Made Easy (HOME) Act, which will expand home ownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income, first-time home buyers.