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request of the Attorney General to ex-
pedite her consideration.

This Judiciary Committee proceeded with back-to-back days of hearing on the important nominations of Asa Hutchinson to head the Drug Enforcement Administration and James Ziglar to head the Immigration and Naturalization Service. I have no-
ticed another hearing for next Tuesday for judicial and executive branch nomi-
nees, including the President’s nomi-
nees to be Assistant Attorney General
to head the Office of Justice Programs and to be the Director of the National Institute of Justice.

The Senate received the President’s nomi-
nation of a new FBI Director on Wednesday of this week and I pro-
ceeded that same day to notice hear-
ings on that important nomination to begin in chamber at three. I hope that with the cooperation of all Members and the administration we should be able to make progress and work toward Senate consideration of the nomination of Robert Mueller to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
tion before the August recess, if possible. I have asked for the coopera-
tion of all members of the committee, on both sides of the aisle. I noticed the hearings on Robert Mueller’s nomination to begin on July 30. We will see if it is possible for the committee to act on that nomination before the August recess, which would be my preference.

I regret that Senators and their staffs will have not have more time to prepare for so important a hearing as that on the nominee to be the next Di-
rector of the FBI. It is my hope that the

series of oversight hearings regarding the FBI in which we have been en-
gaged, including our hearing this week, have helped and that Senators will be able to adhere to an expedited schedule for the hearing, a brief turn-
around time for written follow up ques-
tions and immediate Committee con-
sideration.

We have set an ambitious schedule of five confirmation hearings this month on the President’s nominees. We have completed three of those confirmation hearings and have another scheduled for each of the next two weeks. We have also reported a number of nomi-
nees in each of the next three weeks, and two Executive Branch nominees before the Senate for consid-
eration today.

The nomination of Ralph Boyd, Jr., to head the Civil Rights Division was reported unanimously and without ob-
jection by the Judiciary Committee.

Senator KENNEDY, in particular, has
been a strong and consistent advocate for this nomination and I thank him for his efforts. This will be one of the least contentious paths for a nominee to head the Civil Rights Division in some time. Indeed, the Judiciary Com-
mmittee refused for the last three years of the Clinton administration even to

report to the Senate President Clinton’s nomination to head the Civil Rights Division. The handling of this nomination and the treatment of the nominee by Members not from the President’s party stand in sharp con-
trast to the treatment of Bill Lann Lee.

I join with Senator KENNEDY in urg-
ing the Senate to act favorably on the nomination of Ralph Boyd, Jr.

NOMINATION OF JOHN D. GRAHAM

Mr. TORRICE1. Mr. President, I rise today to express my opposition to the con-
firmation of John D. Graham, Ph.D. to direct the Office of Informa-
tion and Regulatory Affairs, (OIRA), at the Office of Management and Budget, (OMB).

As Administrator of OIRA, Dr. Graham would be the gatekeeper for all Federal regulations. In my view, Dr. Graham, with his anti-regulatory views, is simply the wrong choice to serve in this important policy making position.

In enacting the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Clean Air Act and other safety and health and environ-
mental laws, Congress made a clear policy choice that protection of health and the environment was to be para-
mount consideration in setting regula-
tions and standards. Dr. Graham’s views and opinions are directly at odds with these policies.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MONT-
GOMERY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF
1951

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Madam Presid-
ent, I believe that it is our families,
friends and communities that create
the very essence of our beings. They
serve as our roots, instilling the values
that shape our personal relationships
and our professional careers.

In youth, we often fail to realize the
crucial role that these people play, and
we often lose touch with the people who mold us into whom we are today.

With the passage of time, we can only
wonder what path we might have oth-
erwise taken had we maintained con-
tact. Today, I would like to join a very
special group of West Virginians—the
Montgomery High School class of 1951—as its members renew the bonds of youth in celebrating the 50th anni-
versary class reunion.

As the members of Montgomery High
School class of 1951 gather for their
50th anniversary reunion, they will re-
call the carefree days of their youth.
Once again, they will refer to them-
selves as the Greyhounds of Mont-
gomery High. Visions of victorious
football games and summer vacations
will waft through their collective

memory as they join in singing their
beloved Alma Mater.

During high school, they remember about Saturday
nights at the Rockette and spending
afternoons with friends at Kelly’s Drug
Store. More importantly, they will re-
member the diversity that makes
Montgomery such a very special place.
Communities such as Cannelton, Kim-
berly, Powellton, Smithers, and Deep
Water joined together, creating a
unique bond that remains today.

The Class of 1951 should be com-
mented for renewing the bonds fostered more than 50 years ago. In celebrating this occasion, its members remind us of the
importance of community in our own
lives.

In honor of Montgomery High School class of 1951, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, I am reminded that ‘‘be-

between the lofty mountains where the
great Kanawha flows, in a valley that
is magic and the seed of wisdom grows.

Hail Montgomery.''

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:42 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of con-
ference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2216) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE
CALENDAR

The following bill, previously re-
ceived from the House of Representa-
tives for concurrence, was read the
first and second times by unanimous
consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2500. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agen-
cies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER
COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were
laid before the Senate, together with
accompanying papers, reports, and doc-
uments, which were referred as indi-
cated:

EC–2957. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the Presi-
dent, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2001 to 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–2958. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, trans-
mitting, pursuant to law, the report of the list of General Accounting Office reports for May 2001; to the Committee on Govern-
mental Affairs.

EC–2959. A communication from the Acting Director of the United States Office of Per-
sonnel Management, transmitting, pursuant