

reduction efforts overseas. I look forward to John's leadership on these issues, backed by the personal support of the President, and commend his speedy confirmation to my colleagues.

THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Wednesday, May 9, 2001, the Federal debt stood at \$5,643,268,010,418.43, five trillion, six hundred forty-three billion, two hundred sixty-eight million, ten thousand, four hundred eighteen dollars and forty-three cents.

One year ago, May 9, 2000, the Federal debt stood at \$5,662,963,000,000, five trillion, six hundred sixty-two billion, nine hundred sixty-three million.

Five years ago, May 9, 1996, the Federal debt stood at \$5,088,829,000,000, five trillion, eighty-eight billion, eight hundred twenty-nine million.

Ten years ago, May 9, 1991, the Federal debt stood at \$3,435,605,000,000, three trillion, four hundred thirty-five billion, six hundred five million.

Fifteen years ago, May 9, 1986, the Federal debt stood at \$2,012,034,000,000, two trillion, twelve billion, thirty-four million, which reflects a debt increase of more than \$3.5 trillion, \$3,631,234,010,418.43, three trillion, six hundred thirty-one billion, two hundred thirty-four million, ten thousand, four hundred eighteen dollars and forty-three cents during the past 15 years.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

MAUPIN RECEIVES PATRICK HENRY AWARD

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, The Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia annually presents the Patrick Henry Award to alumni whose lives have been distinguished by dedication to public service. I'm proud to congratulate Colonel Joe Maupin, U.S. Army retired and my Lowcountry Representative in Charleston, SC, who is among the three who will be receiving the 2001 Patrick Henry Award this evening.

Some of my colleagues may remember Colonel Maupin from his time as Chief of Army Liaison here in the Senate, his last assignment before retiring from the Army after 22 years of service. During those 22 years, Joe attended Officer Candidate School, commanded several Field Artillery Batteries, was selected as a Major for Battalion Command and was inducted into the Field Artillery Hall of Fame. I am fortunate to have benefitted from Joe Maupin's dedication to public service, his willingness to get the job done, his ability to relate to people from all walks of life, his sense of humor, and,

most of all, his friendship. I can think of no one more deserving of the Patrick Henry Award than Joe Maupin. My heartfelt congratulations go out to him and to his wonderful wife, Shirley, who made it possible for him to pursue not one, but two careers in public service.●

IN REMEMBRANCE OF STEPHEN GREEN

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, earlier this week, this country suffered a tremendous loss with the passing of Steve Green.

Steve was a veteran reporter and editorial columnist and a very dear person. He worked as a journalist for forty years, covering issues ranging from Congress to national security to social policy.

I got to know Steve as he kept a watchful eye on Congress for the Copley News Service and the San Diego Union-Tribune. He had a quick wit, a keen intellect and a great nose for a story. Above all, he was scrupulously fair in his reporting. And he believed that as a journalist it was his role in life to help this country realize its tremendous potential. How very blessed we are that Stephen used his talent with words and his insight to make us a better, more informed people.

With a wink Steve could puncture the biggest ego. He had the uncanny ability to be skeptical without being cynical. He cared for the people he covered without coddling them. He followed serious issues without losing his sense of humor.

Let me read from an article filed by Steve's colleague and Copley News veteran reporter Findlay Lewis:

Mr. Green's 40-year newspaper career embraced a range of interests and assignments, including a political column that was syndicated around the country. In recent years, his reporting focused on Congress, national security issues and social welfare policy. His work in these and other areas earned him a reputation as a quick study and an incisive writer, who could quickly penetrate to the heart of complex issues.

"Steve Green was a colleague I admired greatly," said Herbert G. Klein, editor in chief of Copley Newspapers. "He thrived on professionalism, which leaves a great legacy for all to follow. He was a man of enormous courage."

A native of Malden, Mass., he graduated from Boston's Northeastern University, where he began his newspaper career. While pursuing his undergraduate degree, Mr. Green filed stories for the wire services and several Boston dailies, and also served as editor of the college newspaper.

Former colleagues at the [Washington] Star describe Mr. Green in those years as a tireless reporter, who never allowed himself to be beaten on a story by rivals from the larger and better-staffed Washington Post.

"He had a knack for getting scoops," recalled Barbara Cochran, one of his editors at the time and president of the Radio-Television News Directors Association. "When he had a good story going he would get this grin on his face—when he felt he had the goods."

His tenure at the [Washington] Post was followed by an editing stint at the Miami News before arriving at The San Diego Union in 1979 as state and politics editor. In the latter capacity, Mr. Green directed the Union's coverage of the 1980 presidential election and of the state political campaigns two years later.

In 1983, Mr. Green joined the Union's editorial board before returning to Washington in January 1984 to fill the newly created position of managing editor in the Washington Bureau of the Copley News Service.

Considered a shrewd student of American politics and foreign affairs by his peers, Mr. Green pursued those interests in a column syndicated by the news service and given frequent prominent display by The Washington Times on its op-ed page.

By the early 1990s, Mr. Green had returned to reporting, providing coverage of Congress, a beat that he knew well from his duty with Washington newspapers. He wrote in depth about the financing problems likely to confront the nation's social welfare programs, such as Social Security and Medicare, and also played a role in the bureau's coverage of President Clinton's impeachment crisis in the Congress. He later took over the Pentagon beat before falling ill.

Survivors include his wife, Ginny Durrin of Washington, a film maker; two daughters from his first marriage—Jennifer Green of San Jose, and Alison Green of Arlington, Va.; brother, Edward Green of Rockville, Md.; sister, Judy Schoen of Lawrenceville, N.J.; and a granddaughter also survive him.

Steve Green was a wonderful man, a wonderful journalist and anyone who knew him will miss him deeply.●

CONGRATULATIONS TO MIKE MILLER

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President I rise today to congratulate Mike Miller from Mitchell, SD. Mike, a starting small forward for the Orlando Magic, has been selected as the National Basketball Association, NBA, Rookie of the Year. As the fifth overall draft pick from the University of Florida, he averaged 11.9 points, 4.0 rebounds and 1.7 assists this year. Mike scored in double figures 51 times this year and scored a season-high 28 points against the Milwaukee Bucks on March 23. Although those statistics are very impressive, perhaps the most impressive part of Mike's rookie season was the leadership role Mike had to assume with the injury to his teammate Grant Hill. He responded to the challenge of filling the shoes of a perennial NBA all-star and he came to be a trusted go-to, clutch player. Of course he showed this type of poise when he made the game winning shot against Butler in last year's NCAA tournament.

By winning this award, Mike has joined the ranks of the very best to ever play basketball. Wilt Chamberlain, Oscar Robertson, Michael Jordan and Shaquille O'Neal are just a few of the basketball luminaries who Mike joins as winners of this award. Those in South Dakota knew that Mike was destined for great things. As a three-time all-state selection and a two time state