He was also the first director of NASA Space Flight Operations and worked on the Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, and Centaur projects. The Centaur project involved the launching vehicles that propelled spacecraft to Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.

Serving his country in World War II by producing new technology and helping his country achieve its goals in Space was not enough for Abe Silverstein. After retiring from NASA, Abe went on to work for Republic Steel Corporation, where he developed pollution controls to help keep our air cleaner for future generations.

Abe Silverstein always was contributing to his country, whether it be through wind-tunnel research or in serving as a Trustee at Cleveland State University. He was a man of great personal virtue and strength of character. I am proud, Mr. President, to honor this man today, who his NASA colleagues once described as ‘a man of vision and conviction, [a man who] contributed to the ultimate success of America’s unmanned and human space programs. His innovative pioneering spirit lives on in the work we do today.’

I thank Mr. Silverstein for all his hard work and sacrifice, and I hope that my colleagues will join me in my gratitude.

TRIBUTE TO LES AND MARYLIN GORDON

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Les and Marilyn Gordon, owners of The Candlelite Inn in Bradford, NH, on being named as Inn of the Year by the American Historic Inns and Guesthouses in the United States, Canada and Worldwide.

Built in 1897, The Candlelite Inn has provided a relaxing atmosphere for visiting guests for over 100 years. The Gordons purchased the Inn in 1993, and have successfully continued the tradition of accommodating the needs of discriminating travelers touring the Lake Sunapee Region.

Throughout the year The Candlelite Inn hosts special weeks for their guests to enjoy including: Currier & Ives Maple Sugar Weekend in March, Old Glory Heritage Tours in July, August and September, Folage Midweek Getaways in September and October, and Murder Mystery Parties throughout the year.

I commend Les and Marilyn for the economic contributions they have made to the hospitality and tourism industries in our state. The citizens of Bradford, and New Hampshire, have benefited from their dedication to quality and service at The Candlelite Inn. It is truly an honor and a privilege to represent them in the United States Senate.

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 executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States, which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(For list of messages refer to the Senate Journal.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC–2605. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Bifentrazone; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions” (FRL6788–5) received on June 21, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–2606. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Policy, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Commissioner, Reclamation, Bureau of Reclamation, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–2607. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Policy, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report for the position of Director of the National Park Service, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–2608. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Inspector General, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2609. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2610. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary of Defense, Civil Works, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2611. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Army, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2612. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the designation of acting officer for the position of Secretary of the Army, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2613. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Secretary of the Army, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2614. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the designation of acting officer for the position of Secretary of the Army, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2615. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Financial Management and Comptroller, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2616. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Army, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2617. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of General Counsel, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2618. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2619. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant of the Navy, Financial Management and Comptroller, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2620. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition and Technology, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2621. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Installations and Environment, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2622. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Installations and Environment, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.
EC–2623. A communication from the Assistant Director of Executive and Policy Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2624. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–2625. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–2626. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Merger Review Procedures dated June 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–2627. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Withdrawal of Notice of Federal Tax Lien Certain Circumstances” (RIN1554-AV001) received on June 23, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–2628. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Time Limitation for Requesting Refunds of Harbor Maintenance Fees” (RIN1515-AC04) received on June 26, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–2629. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medical Services; National Funeral Directors Act” (RIN1500-AY319) received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–2630. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Veterans Education: Increased Allowance for the Educational Assistance Test Program” (RIN1545-AV36) received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–2631. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Veterans Education: Increased Allowance for the Educational Assistance Test Program” (RIN1545-AV36) received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–2632. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Inmates of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2633. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Finance, Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2634. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Black Sea Bass Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for Quarter 2 Period” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2635. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Black Sea Bass Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for Quarter 2 Period” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2636. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes in Flood Elevation Determination” (44 CFR 83.31183) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–2637. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes in Flood Insurance” (44 CFR 83.31183) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–2638. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Investment Securities; Bank Activities and Operations; Leasing” (12 CFR Parts 1, 7, 23) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–2639. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fiduciary Activities of National Banks” (RIN1557-AB19) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–2640. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes in the Competition Act of 1998 dated July 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2641. A communication from the Acting Executive Secretary of the Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2642. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to Sweden; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2643. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2644. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to South Korea; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2645. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement for the export of defense articles or services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to France; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2646. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement for the export of defense articles or services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to The Netherlands; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2647. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification regarding the proposed transfer of U.S. origin defense articles valued (in terms of its original acquisition cost) at approximately $1,000,000,000 to the Government of Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2648. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report required by Section 655 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–2649. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2650. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2651. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—SENATE

June 29, 2001

Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska—Amendments to an emergency interim rule implementing 2001 Steller sea lion protection measures (would delay season for Pacific Cod fisheries in the GOA and BSAI) (RIN0648-AQ02) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2654. A communication from the Attorney/Advisor of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs, Office of the Secretary, received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2656. A communication from the Attorney/Advisor of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget and Program Evaluation, Office of the Secretary, received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2657. A communication from the Division Chief of the Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Taking and Importing Marine Mammals: Taking Marine Mammals Incident to Construction and Operation of Offshore Oil and Gas Facilities in the Beaufort Sea” (RIN0648-AM09) received on June 27, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.


EC–2659. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC–2660. A communication from the Acting Director of the Statutory Import Programs Staff, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes to the Pliant Import Program” (RIN00625-AA47) received on June 28, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BYRD, from the Committee on Appropriations: (as amended)

H. R. 2217: A bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 107-36).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first time, and referred to the appropriate committees:

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 1138. A bill to allow credit under the Federal Employees’ Retirement System for certain Government employees which has performed abroad after December 31, 1988, and before May 24, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

S. 1139. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. FRINGOLD, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BURNS, Mr. REED, Mr. FURGAM, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. BENNETT, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

S. 1140. A bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to motor vehicle franchise contracts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAMM (for himself, Mr. NICKLES, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. MUKOWSKI, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 1141. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat distributions from publicly traded partnerships as qualifying income of regulated investment companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 1142. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the minimum tax preference for exclusion for incentive stock options; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 1143. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of former President Ronald Reagan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. Boxer):

S. 1144. A bill to amend title III of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11331 et seq.) to reauthorize the Federal Emergency Management Food and Shelter Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1145. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit to encourage the hiring of certain veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 1146. A bill to amend the Act of March 3, 1875, permitting the state of Colorado to use land held in trust by the State as open space; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MICKLES:


S. 1148. A bill to convey the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project, the Savage Unit of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and the Healey Irrigation Project to the appropriate irrigation districts; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 1149. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to establish a new non-immigrant category for chefs and individuals in related occupations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire:

S. 1150. A bill to waive tolls on the Interstate System during peak holiday travel periods; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 1151. A bill to amend the method for achieving quiet technology specified in the National Parks Air Tourism Management Act of 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DURBON (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CORZINE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. FRINGOLD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BOREN, Mr. MIKULSKI, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. REID, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 1152. A bill to ensure that the business of the Federal Government is conducted in the public interest and that it provides for public accountability, efficient delivery of services, reasonable cost savings, and prevention of unwarranted Government expenditures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself and Mrs. FINSTEN):

S. 1153. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to establish a grassland reserve program to assist owners in restoring and protecting grassland; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 1154. A bill to preserve certain actions brought in Federal court against Japanese defendants by members of the United States Armed Forces held by Japan as prisoners of war during World War II; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. WARNER) (by request):

S. 1155. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SMITH of Oregon:

S. 1156. A bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to provide that low-speed electric bicycles are consumer products subject to such Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. CARNAHAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DODD, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GORE, Mr. HDRMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. JERFORDS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MULLE, Mr. REID, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. TWYMAN, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 1157. A bill to reauthorize the consent of Congress to the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact and to grant Congress to the Southern Dairy Compact, a Pacific Northwest Dairy Compact, and an