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The Senate met at 12 noon, on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

### PRAYER

The guest Chaplain, the Reverend Richard C. Halverson, Jr., of Arlington, VA, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

As we bow in prayer, in anticipation of St. Valentine's Day and of a burdensome schedule, let us reflect upon those we love most: our children and grandchildren.

The story is told about Charles Francis Adams (1807-1886), son of John Quincy Adams and a successful politician, that on a certain day Charles entered these words into his diary: "Went fishing with my son—a day wasted." His son, Brooks Adams (1838-1918) also kept a diary, and on that same day, Brooks made this entry: "Went fishing with my father—the most wonderful day of my life!" (Obtained from Fran Woods, Washington Fly Fishing Club).

Our Heavenly Father, as we consider this "most wonderful, wasted day" of a father spending time with his son, we recall the final words of the Old Testament which declare: "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet \* \* \* and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers \* \* \*"—Malachi 4:5, 6. And the New Testament which says, "\* \* \* where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."—Matthew 6:21.

Lord, we confess that sometimes we do not treasure our children as we ought, and sometimes our heart is more with our achievements than with our descendants. Often, those we most love, we most neglect.

We pray, therefore, in the midst of demanding schedules, that Thou wouldst graciously turn our hearts to our children and grandchildren, with Valentines of time not wasted.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, for the information of Members, following the time for the two leaders, which will be reserved, there will be a period for morning business not to extend beyond 1 o'clock with Senators permitted to speak for not to exceed 10 minutes each. At 1 o'clock we will resume consideration of House Joint Resolution 1, the constitutional balanced budget amendment and the pending Reid amendment.

At 5 o'clock today, there will be a rollcall vote on adopting the committee funding resolution, Senate Resolution 73. Further rollcall votes are possible today. We have not made that determination yet. We are trying to get an agreement to have some of those votes tomorrow morning to accommodate some Senators who are necessarily absent. We are not going to accommodate those who are just absent. But there are some necessarily absent. I think we can understand that on Mondays and Fridays we will have votes, and anybody who is not here on Monday and Friday will just take that risk. Certainly they have a right to do that.

I also hope that we can bring to a conclusion the debate on the balanced budget amendment. We have been on it for 2 straight weeks. There has been no effort on this side to slow down the debate. We spent hours and hours and days and days on a couple of amendments. My view is that it is time that we bring this to a conclusion. We would like to do so before late Thursday evening.

So I just suggest to my colleagues that there will be late sessions tomor-

row night, Wednesday night, and Thursday night. We will not be in session on Friday. We will not be in session on next Monday or Tuesday. But we will be in session on next Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, unless the two leaders can reach some agreement on disposition of this, and additional matters.

I thank the Chair.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business for not to extend beyond the hour of 1 p.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein for not to exceed 10 minutes each.

Mr. THOMAS addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHELBY). The Senator from Wyoming [Mr. THOMAS] is recognized.

### IWO JIMA

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I rise to be one of the first to speak about some things that happened 50 years ago which were a part of our freedom and a part of our history. So I am pleased to do that.

Mr. President, on this date 50 years ago, one of the most powerful armadas ever assembled in American military history prepared to depart Saipan in the Mariana Islands. Their destination was a tiny, 8-square-mile piece of volcanic sand and rock in the Western Pacific—Iwo Jima.

The importance of capturing Iwo Jima was its strategic location, almost midway between Japan and the recently captured Mariana Islands. Since the summer of 1944, the Japanese home

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