

The campaign for an independent Sikh state was fuelled in 1984 by Sikh outrage over the Indian Army's storming of Amritsar's Golden Temple.

In October that year, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, who had ordered the action against the temple, was assassinated by her own Sikh bodyguards.

After the installation of a state government headed by Beant Singh, in 1992, the militancy withered away. However, Singh was killed in a car bomb blast last year.

TRIBUTE TO COL. LINWOOD H.
"WOODY" SNELL, JR.

HON. TERRY EVERETT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the achievements of Col. Linwood H. "Woody" Snell, Jr., upon his retirement from the Air Force after 30 years of exemplary service. Colonel Snell began his career as a distinguished graduate of the North Carolina State Reserve Officer Training School, and will end his service as the commandant of the Air Force Human Resource Management School at the Air University in Montgomery, AL.

Among Colonel Snell's many assignments was as the chief of the Inquiries Division and later as the associate director of the Office of Legislative Liaison for the Secretary of the Air Force. His complete understanding of the legislative process, along with his sound judgment, greatly benefited the Congress, the Air Force and the Nation.

Colonel Snell continued to demonstrate his leadership abilities when he assumed command of the 363d Combat Support Group at Shaw AFB in South Carolina. His leadership skills were further honed as the Assistant Chief of Staff for the U.S. Air Forces in Europe, followed by a stint as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel for the U.S. Air Forces, Europe, Ramstein AB, Germany.

Woody has served the Air Force with great distinction, and has earned our respect and gratitude for his many years of service to our Nation's defense. My colleagues and I bid Woody a fond farewell, and wish he and his family the very best as they move on to face new challenges and rewards.

REMEMBERING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICAN AUTHOR F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

HON. BRUCE F. VENTO

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. VENTO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the centennial celebration of the birth of an extraordinary Minnesotan, author F. Scott Fitzgerald. I am proud to say that Mr. Fitzgerald was not only a native Minnesotan, but he hailed from my home city of St. Paul, MN. Regarded by many as one of this Nation's all-time great novelists, the young author contributed short stories and novels with a distinctly American cultural view to a captivated American readership. His most famous work, "The Great Gatsby," today remains a widely

read classic in literature classes across the United States.

F. Scott Fitzgerald was born in St. Paul in 1896, and during the week of September 23, 1996, the city will be hosting a festival in honor of the 100th anniversary of that occasion. The Festival Committee has planned many events highlighting the literary contributions made by the author during his lifetime. Included in the schedule of events are readings of his works and a literature festival focused on educating high school students. A statue honoring the author will also be unveiled and placed in downtown St. Paul near a revamped theater also named after the author this past year.

The Nation was fortunate to savor the special stories of this most talented individual, whose works leave an important legacy for us and for our children. I'm sure my colleagues will join me in paying tribute to the literary accomplishments of this fine American author, and I join the Nation in applauding the literary classics page of history devoted to St. Paulite F. Scott Fitzgerald.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL PATRICK FLANAGAN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. FLANAGAN. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, due to the bad weather here in Washington, my plane was diverted from Washington National Airport to Baltimore Washington International Airport. There, the plane had to refuel and we waited for the weather to clear in Washington. We waited for some period of time but, eventually, flew to Washington National, from which I made a mad dash to be here to cast my vote. Unfortunately, the gavel had banged on the last vote of the day just minutes before I reached the Capitol.

I want to note for the record that had I not been delayed due to bad weather, I would have been here to vote yes on rollcall No. 402, to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 447, establishing a toll free consumer hotline to determine if a product is "Made in America." I also would have voted yes on rollcall No. 403, to suspend the rules and pass House Concurrent Resolution 120, Supporting the Independence and Sovereignty of Ukraine and the Progress of its Political and Economic Reforms.

DETROIT NEWSPAPERS AND THE 14-MONTH STRIKE

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, In the 1930's and 1940's, Mahatma Gandhi used nonviolent civil disobedience to win independence for India. In the 1950's and 1960's, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., used nonviolent civil disobedience in the struggle against racial discrimination in the United States. In the late 1980's opponents of apartheid engaged in nonviolent civil disobedience outside the South African Embassy in Washington, DC. Last week,

some of the Nation's top labor leaders and politicians were arrested in a nonviolent sit-in on the front steps of the Detroit newspapers which are embroiled in a 14-month strike that has had a devastating impact on 2,000 striking workers and their families.

The Detroit sit-in, which marked the first time labor leader John Sweeney has been arrested since becoming president of the AFL-CIO, took place on the 414th day of a strike in which the Detroit Free Press and the Detroit News are losing more than \$5,000 an hour—or about \$1 million a week.

I was among the 21 protestors who blocked access to the newspaper building on the Friday before Labor Day. We took nonviolent action to reaffirm the validity of the collective bargaining process and to focus attention on the struggle of working class people to secure decent wage jobs. In the tradition of civil rights protests, we knowingly broke the law to demonstrate our moral resolve to force the newspapers to bargain fairly with the strikers.

Among the strikers and supporters watching us that day were a middle-aged African-American man with heart disease who has lost his home and his health insurance; a teenaged girl who talks wistfully of prestrike days when her father had the money to take the family to Detroit Red Wings games, and a striker's wife who lost her 15-year job around the same time her husband lost his.

Each of these people represents untold thousands of Americans whose lives have been uprooted by socially myopic companies that ignore their responsibility to be fair and respectful to employees and the community.

The outcome of this strike will resonate across the country. If the newspapers can destroy the unions in Detroit, the future of all unions is in jeopardy. It is time for people of good will to join me and others in urging the Detroit newspapers and the striking workers to settle this dispute at the bargaining table or to submit to binding arbitration.

Common sense, decency and historical tradition demand that this labor dispute be brought to a quick and just conclusion.

1100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HUNGARY

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the State of Hungary and Hungarian-Americans everywhere in commemorating the 1100th anniversary of the settlement of the Hungarian people—1,100 years ago the ancestors of the Hungarian people settled in the Carpathian Basin.

Before this time Hungarian ancestors roamed the area as a seminomadic people, but in 895–896 A.D. Magyar tribes passed through the Verecke pass in the Carpathian mountains and settled on the plains. The fertile land of the region helped the agrarian tribes to settle permanently in the Carpathian Basin. The Magyar system of social and political institutions served as a direct link to the foundation of the Christian Kingdom of Hungary.

The Hungarian Apostolic Kingdom was established in 1001 A.D. by Saint Stephen, the