

TRIBUTE TO J.W. "BUD"  
FORRESTER

• Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, "To live fully," said Oliver Wendell Holmes, "is to be engaged in the passions of one's time."

Those words came to mind with the recent passing of the remarkable Oregon journalist, J.W. "Bud" Forrester. Mr. Forrester's family and friends can take solace in the fact that here was a man who truly lived a full life, for here was a man who dedicated himself to the passions of our time.

As a journalist, Bud Forrester earned a reputation as one of the best newspaper editors in my state. Whether at the helm of the Daily Astorian, or my home town newspaper, the East Oregonian, Bud Forrester called them like he saw them, and could always be counted on to stand up for what he believed was right for his community and his state.

That same commitment and common sense were also provided to countless boards and commissions, on which Bud Forrester served throughout his life. President of the Columbia River Maritime Museum, member of the State Board of Higher Education, member of the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission, unofficial advisor to Senators and Governors, community fund raiser and philanthropist extraordinaire—the list of Bud Forrester's contributions go on and on.

I consider myself very privileged to have known Bud Forrester, and know that his legacy of being engaged on the passions of our time will continue in the hands of his son, Steve, who serves as Editor and Publisher of the Daily Astorian.

The bottom line is that Oregon is a better place because of Bud Forrester. I join with countless others in my state in extending my sympathies to the Forrester family, and in paying tribute to a true original who indeed lived life fully.●

SILEX ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH  
DEDICATION

• Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate and honor Silex Assembly of God in Silex, Missouri. On March 26th, they will be dedicating their new church building. This dedication and celebration is a tribute to God's faithfulness to the congregation, which began gathering together in 1942. It is also a tribute to their labor of love and personal generosity, led by Pastor and Mrs. John Pool.

Pastor Pool, who retired in 1985, agreed to step up to the pulpit again when the Silex church called upon him to lead them. Now, at age 81, he and the congregation have built their new church themselves, with volunteer labor and sacrificial contributions of time and money. Mrs. Pool has helped feed the volunteer groups day after day. Their devotion to Christ brings honor to the name of the Lord.

I join those gathered for this wonderful occasion, including the Pool's five

children and most of their grandchildren, in bringing best wishes for a memorable celebration as Silex Assembly of God renews its commitment to the redemptive mission of Christ. May God bless this ministry with many more years of celebration.●

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-8012. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Regulations and Rules of Practice-Case Docketing" (RIN2900-AJ72), received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8013. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Information; Communications with State and Foreign Government Officials" (Docket No. 98N-0518), received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8014. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Paper and Paperboard Components" (Docket No. 95F-0065), received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8015. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of violations of the Anti-Deficiency Act by Air Force personnel; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8016. A communication from the Legislative Liaison, U.S. Trade and Development Agency transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a prospective funding obligation; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8017. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pennsylvania Regulatory Program" (PA-127-FOR), received March 20, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8018. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Subscription Power Sales to Customers and Customer's Sales of Firm Resources", received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8019. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federalism; Intergovernment Consultation", received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8020. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Order on Rehearing (Order No. 2000-A); This Order on Rehearing Provides Clarification to the Final Rule on Regional Transmission Organizations (Order No. 2000)" (RIN1902-AB77), re-

ceived March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8021. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Filing Copies of Reports and Statements with State Officers", received March 17, 2000; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8022. A communication from the Director, Corporate Audits and Standards, General Accounting Office transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the financial statements of the Capitol Preservation Fund for fiscal years 1998 and 1999; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8023. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of proposed legislation; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8024. A communication from the Executive Assistant to the Secretary, Smithsonian Institution transmitting the report of the draft minutes of the January 24, 2000 meeting of the Board of Regents; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8025. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Anthrax vaccine and adverse-event reporting; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8026. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the TRICARE Prime Remote program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8027. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of TRICARE; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8028. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the provision of dental care to dependents 18 years and younger, of members of the Uniformed Services; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8029. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs: Breast Cancer Research Program; Prostrate Cancer Research Program; and Defense Health Research Program"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8030. A communication from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Collection from Third Party Payers of Reasonable Costs of Healthcare Services" (RIN0790-AG51), received March 16, 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8031. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8032. A communication from the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting the FY 2001 Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8033. A communication from the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting the FY 1999 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8034. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of proposed Technical Assistance Agreements and Manufacturing License Agreements with Russia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.