

Jonesboro, Doyle enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force to fight in World War II before the United States had entered the war. He then went on to serve in Burma with the U.S. Army Air Corps. His return from the war and transition into civilian life brought him to Batesville, where he started his professional career. Doyle tried his hand in several businesses in those early years, even traveling southern States selling Masonic Bibles, until establishing the Doyle Rogers Realty and Insurance Agency in 1953.

This company would later become the Doyle Rogers Company. This company's real estate projects have shaped the Arkansas landscape and the Little Rock skyline. In 1982, Doyle's vision led to the development and opening of the Statehouse Convention Center and Excelsior Hotel, a world-class facility now known as the Peabody Hotel. A few years later, Doyle added the Rogers Building, a 25-story office tower now called the Stephens Building. These projects still stand proud along the Arkansas River in downtown Little Rock and assisted in the rejuvenation of business development in downtown Little Rock.

Doyle would go on to purchase Metropolitan National Bank in 1983 and relocate its headquarters to downtown Little Rock. He serves as chairman of the board, and during his tenure the bank has grown to one of the largest in the State. His success with Metropolitan National Bank and his other projects led to his induction into the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame in 2006. With this induction, Doyle joined a prestigious group that includes Sam Walton, William Dillard, and Don Tyson.

Many of Doyle's friends speak of his relentless work effort and dedication to the causes he holds dear. Education has been one of those issues over the years. He has served on the board of trustees of Hendrix College as well as advisory boards for the School of Business and School of Law at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. He holds honorary degrees from Lyon College and Philander Smith College. I know these institutions and countless students have benefited from Doyle's business acumen and visionary leadership.

Doyle attributes much of his success to the love and support of his great family. He married the love of his life, the former Josephine Raye Jackson, in 1941. Together they have been blessed with two children, Barbara Rogers Hoover and Doyle W. "Rog" Rogers, Jr., and six grandchildren. He noted in an interview with Arkansas Business:

The way you enjoy your life is through your family. Material things are good, but being with your family, watching them grow and prosper is probably the greatest reward.

Batesville is one of my State's oldest cities. Situated along the White River, it was used as a shipping point decades before Arkansas was granted statehood. With this history, Batesville has been home to many notable residents,

from professional athletes and NASCAR drivers to several former Governors. Doyle Rogers has certainly earned the honor of being listed as a great resident of Batesville. Even with Doyle's business success, he has remained humble to his roots, always believing in the value of hard work and loving the great city of Batesville. In 2004, my good friend and former Congressman Marion Berry said this of Doyle:

In a day and age when the presiding belief is in order to grow up and succeed you must escape Rural America, Doyle Rogers and his family lived in Batesville, Arkansas for more than 50 years, proving success comes with hard work, not a change of zip code.

I agree with my former colleague. Doyle's life and work are worthy of praise, and I am proud of the legacy he has built. I know that whatever endeavor Doyle chooses to pursue in the future, he will continue to have a positive impact on Batesville and Arkansas. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Doyle Rogers for this honor bestowed on him by the city of Batesville and thank him for a job well done.●

REMEMBERING MAYOR EMORY MCCORD FOLMAR

● Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I wish to pay tribute to a friend and the former mayor of Montgomery, AL, Emory McCord Folmar. He passed on from this life on November 11, 2011, and I wish to honor Mayor Folmar's courage and service to his country, the State of Alabama, and the city of Montgomery.

Mayor Folmar was born in Troy, AL on June 3, 1930, to Marshall Bibb Folmar and Miriam Woods Pearson Folmar. At the age of 14, the Folmar family moved to Montgomery, AL, where he graduated from Sidney Lanier High School in 1948. Mayor Folmar attended the University of Alabama, where he earned a B.S. in business in just 3 years. During his time at the Capstone, he served as a cadet colonel in the Army ROTC and was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Upon graduation, Mayor Folmar received a regular Army commission and was assigned to the parachute training and instructors' school for the 11th Airborne Division of the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Benning, GA.

He married Anita Pierce in February 1952, immediately prior to his deployment to the Korean war theatre later that summer. During that intense conflict, Mayor Folmar was wounded in combat and received the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart. He also received the French Croix de Guerre for his actions with the 23rd Regiment of the 2nd Infantry Division and French troops. Following the Korean war, he was assigned to Fort Campbell, KY, as an airborne jump master until 1954. Mayor Folmar was then and until his last breath a true American patriot who loved, respected, and defended the

men and women who serve our Nation in uniform. As everyone knew, this was a part of his very being.

Emory and Anita then moved to Montgomery, where he joined his brother, James Folmar, to run a successful construction and shopping center development company. In 1975 Mayor Folmar was urged to enter political life and run for the District 8 seat on the Montgomery City Council. He was elected president of the city council and became mayor of Montgomery in 1977 in a most remarkable election. He was elected mayor with 65 percent of the vote, despite having 57 competitors. Mayor Folmar went on to serve as mayor for 22 years until 1999. Mayor Folmar was a fiscal conservative who was most proud of the financial health of the city. He was famous for maintaining a balanced budget and establishing a healthy reserve fund. Mayor Folmar was also known to walk municipal ditches and visit public property in order to ensure that municipal services were operating at peak performance. He would often say, "It's not what you expect, it's what you inspect." He was perhaps one of the greatest mayors in the history of Alabama and one of the best in America. He was honest, courageous, a superb manager, and, quite noticeably, direct and plain spoken.

In 1980, Mayor Folmar served as State chairman of President Ronald Reagan's finance committee, and in 1984, he served as Reagan's State campaign chairman. In 1982, Mayor Folmar ran a competitive race as the Republican candidate for the Governor's office in Alabama. Mayor Folmar also served as the State campaign chairman for Bush-Quayle in 1988 and again in 1992. After retiring from politics, Mayor Folmar worked as a business consultant and then was appointed commissioner of the important Alabama Beverage Control Board in 2003 by Gov. Bob Riley. He served the State in this role until 2011, doing superb work making the department leaner and more productive.

On a personal note, I had the pleasure of working closely with Mayor Folmar when he served as campaign chairman for my first campaign for the Senate in 1996. I will always appreciate and remember his support throughout the years and his leadership in Alabama. Those of us who knew Mayor Folmar know also that he was a man of faith who was an elder at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Montgomery, AL. Governor Riley noted how impressed he was with Mayor Folmar's wisdom and scriptural knowledge. Emory Folmar had the reputation in Alabama as an extremely intelligent, hard-working, honest, and headstrong leader. He was all that and more.

His dedication to serving the Nation in military conflict and to serving the citizens of the State of Alabama and city of Montgomery, AL, as a public servant will continue to inspire others for generations to come. We shall miss

his leadership in the public arena. I feel quite privileged to be a U.S. Senator and to have the honor to pay tribute to Mayor Emory McCord Folmar's life and service to this great Nation.●

REMEMBERING JAMES LUCIEN HINTON

● Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I wish to remember Mr. James Lucien "Jimmy" Hinton, who passed away on December 3, 2011, in Tuscaloosa, AL, at the age of 88. He was one of Alabama's best known and respected citizens.

Mr. Jimmy was born in Tuscaloosa on April 8, 1923. He grew up in the Little Sandy community, attended the University of Alabama in the 1940s, and served in the U.S. Army. In 1958, he married Jean Jolly and they had three children: Jimmy, Jr., Mary Katherine, and Elizabeth. He loved his family and enjoyed spending time at his farm, Sedgefield Plantation, in Dallas County.

Mr. Jimmy was a highly successful businessman and involved in many businesses during his lifetime, starting his own sawmill company at the age of 16. He was engaged in the lumber business, real estate development, a box and pallet factory, automobile business, asphalt business, and the family owned a meat-packing company, R. L. Zeigler Co., Inc., where he served as chairman of the board. He also served as a board member for the First National Bank of Tuscaloosa and Southern United Life Insurance Company. In 1999, he was inducted into the Alabama Business Hall of Fame.

Mr. Jimmy loved his family very much and particularly enjoyed hunting and fishing with them and his many friends at Sedgefield. He often opened Sedgefield for national and State field trials and also allowed hunts for persons with disabilities and terminal illness. He began the first Life Hunts for such hunters over 25 years ago, and many have benefited from his care and concern. He supported a host of worthy causes over his life.

In 1998, Jimmy received the Governor's Award and was named Conservationist of the Year for his dedication to conservation in Alabama.

He was a passionate supporter of the University of Alabama and its athletics program. Paul W. "Bear" Bryant and he were famous friends. He served on the University of Alabama Presidents Cabinet and the Board of Visitors of the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration.

I knew Mr. Jimmy for a number of years. It was easy to see why he engendered such affection and respect. A decisive and strong man, certainly, he nevertheless was totally unassuming. That background of country living, his love of hunting and the outdoors, his success in business, and his association with athletics at the iconic University of Alabama combined in a special way to shape who he was. People saw him for who he was. There was a rare com-

ination of strength, modesty, and loyalty deep in his character. And to a very unusual degree, this remarkable businessman, who never sought the limelight, was well known and loved throughout our State.

Alabama and the Nation have lost one of its finest citizen. My sympathy is extended to his family upon this loss, but they have been given a wonderful heritage of industry, humility, and public service.●

RECOGNIZING THE LANSING REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

● Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, my colleague Senator CARL LEVIN and I would like to pay tribute to the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its annual dinner.

From the very first dinner held in 1912 to the present, the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner has played a significant role in bringing business and community leaders together to celebrate exciting developments in the region. Although the format of the evening may have changed over the years, the mission remains the same: to serve as the premier business networking event of the year and to celebrate the contributions of individuals and organizations that make the region great.

The group of Lansing area business leaders who formed the Lansing Business Men's Association certainly paved the way for the tradition that is celebrated today. After changing their name to the Lansing Chamber of Commerce, Ransom E. Olds, founder of Oldsmobile, addressed the first annual meeting at the Masonic Temple. The association had encouraged him to come back to Lansing from Detroit and build a factory, which he did. This clearly established the chamber as the community leader in fostering economic growth and creating jobs.

I am very proud that the Lansing Chamber founded the now internationally known ATHENA Award in 1982. What started as a visionary way to support, develop and honor local women leaders, has now become a global movement with more than 6000 awards presented in 500 communities in the United States, Canada, Russia, the United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom.

It is exciting that on February 22, 2012, the 100th Annual Dinner will be celebrated at the Lansing Center. This event will not only celebrate the chamber's history and the many people who made things happen over the past 100 years, it will include updates from current business leaders and the presentation of the 2011 Community Service, Outstanding Small Business and Legacy Awards.

More than just a dinner, this event showcases the businesses and people who have helped make this region into what it is today and shape its future.

We are pleased to congratulate the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce on this special occasion and wish them many more years of success.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, 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 submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2079. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

H.R. 3247. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service Located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

H.R. 3248. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 1162. An act to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE).

At 2:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 2302, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council: Mr. ISRAEL of New York.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2079. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3247. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located