

They laughed as a picture, claimed to be his retirement portrait, was unveiled: It was a photograph of Crowell, notorious for his love of motorcycles, astride his fancy bike. During his acceptance speech, Crowell choked up when he thanked his wife, Judy, a former agency employee and fellow motorcyclist, for her help.

The agency director, Air Force Lt. Gen. Kenneth Minihan, recited some of the administrative landmarks of Crowell's career.

Crowell, 58, a native of Louisiana, began in New York City in 1962 as an agency recruiter. In 1969, when he sought an assignment to operations, he became instead an executive assistant to the then-director. He eventually got to operations, where he rose to be chief of W group, whose function remains secret, and then chief of A group, which focused on the then-Soviet Union. After a year in private industry, he rose through other posts to the deputy directorship on Feb. 2, 1994.

Among his organizational accomplishments were conceiving a crisis action center and linking the agency with other producers of intelligence to improve information exchange.

His more public initiatives included the museum and the VENONA disclosures, which sought to maintain public support for the agency after the disappearance of the Soviet Union. The National Encryption Policy seeks to enable the agency to read the messages of terrorists and international criminals who use computer-based, unbreakable ciphers while enabling individuals to use good cryptosecurity to preserve such rights as security on the Internet.●

GIVING CHILDREN IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL A CHANCE TO SUCCEED

● Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, last week, a remarkable event took place while Congress was in recess. Two private citizens gave 1,000 low-income children in the District of Columbia a chance.

On Monday, October 13, 1997, Ted Forstmann, the newly elected chairman of the Washington Scholarship Fund, and John Walton, director of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., each contributed \$3 million for students in the District to receive a quality education. The Washington Scholarship Fund currently provides private school scholarships to 460 low-income District students. With the contributions from Mr. Forstmann and Mr. Walton, the Washington Scholarship Fund will be able to provide these needed scholarships to an additional 1,000 low-income students.

Mr. Forstmann made it very clear that this initiative is not a political statement for or against public education in the District. This is simply a commitment to give children a chance to succeed. In describing the prospects of many of the District's children to William Raspberry of the Washington Post, Mr. Forstmann said, "It's like being born already dead. There are too many children like that, and I just feel we have to do what we can for them."

In praising this powerful gesture for children, my hope, Mr. President, is that corporate America will follow Mr. Forstmann and Mr. Walton's example. Responsible business investments in-

clude investing in human capital and the value-added impact of a quality education. There is no better investment than America's children.●

HONORING RAYMOND W. FANNINGS

● Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN. Mr. President, it is my pleasure and my privilege to join the family, friends and colleagues of a distinguished citizen of Chicago, IL, Mr. Raymond W. Fannings, in honoring him as he retires from the Chicago Child Care Society. Mr. Fannings served as executive director of the Chicago Child Care Society for the past 18 years.

Raymond Fannings leaves the agency with a rich legacy. He has more than 35 years of faithful and distinguished service in the field of child welfare. His contributions are widely recognized and his many community service awards serve as a testament to his compassion, commitment, talent, and vision. As the first African-American Executive Director of the Chicago Child Care Society, he has built bridges and forged interracial coalitions in behalf of the values held and goals pursued by this renowned social service provider.

Under Mr. Fannings' leadership, the Chicago Child Care Society expanded its mission and became a moving force in the development and provision of family preservation services. Raymond Fannings also recognized the importance of responding to community needs. He dedicated substantial resources to both develop and implement services in many of the economically distressed communities surrounding his agency.

During Mr. Fannings' illustrious career, he served as president of the Child Care Association of Illinois and as a board member of the United Way Crusade of Mercy. He is the current president of both the Child Care Association of Illinois and the Black Executive Directors Coalition. He has served on the Child Advisory Committee, the Governmental Affairs Committee for United Way, and the United Way Board of Directors. He is also a board member of the Free People's Clinic, president of the St. Mark Credit Union, and an active member of St. Mark United Methodist Church in Chicago.

Mr. Raymond Fannings has distinguished himself as one of Chicago's most valuable leaders, and his achievements and dedication are a shining example to us all. His efforts have opened avenues of faith, hope, and opportunity for many children and their families. As my neighbor and friend, I know that retirement will only be the beginning of a new chapter of his advocacy for children and for community. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.●

TRIBUTE TO DEAN KAMEN FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Dean Kamen of Manchester, NH. Mr. Kamen was recently inducted into the renowned National Academy of Engineers for his invention and commercialization of biomedical devices and fluid measurement and control systems.

Mr. Kamen is currently the president of DEKA Research and Development Corp. of Manchester, NH. He studied at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where he earned his degrees in physics and has also received an honorary doctorate of science degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute as well as Daniel Webster College. Dean has more than 35 U.S. patents attributed to him which range from a volumetric pump with replaceable reservoir assembly to an integral intravenous fluid delivery device.

Dean's innovations and significant contributions to the field of engineering have strengthened the economy of New Hampshire as well as the Nation. Dean is also recognized for using skills and influence to promote scientific inquiry at this critical time in America, a time when more young people are needed in the fields of science. Combining sports and scientific discovery, Dean established the FIRST robotics competition for young people. He is currently working on a science and technology museum project in Manchester, NH, which will be a valuable addition to the town, as well as the scientific community.

Entrance into the National Academy of Engineers is an extremely prestigious honor. In fact, it is among the highest honors with which an engineer can be bestowed. Engineers are nominated and then elected to the academy by the current membership. Becoming a member is a validation of an engineer's great contributions to science by his peers, and many scientists work to achieve this honor throughout their lives. Dean is one of 85 engineers and 8 foreign associates who was inducted into the academy in early October.

Dean's induction into the National Academy of Engineering is only one of the numerous honors he has received. He is a fellow with the American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering, in addition to being appointed a senior lecturer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Renewed the world over in various science fields for inventions and advances in engineering, Dean has established a tradition of greatness with his work. In 1995 he was awarded the Hoover Medal for "innovation that has advanced medical care worldwide, and for innovative and imaginative leadership in awakening America to the excitement of technology and its surpassing importance in bettering the lot of mankind." Dean has also received the International John W. Hyatt Service to Mankind Award for service to humankind through the use of plastics.