

may make a nobleman, but he cannot make a gentleman." "A king may make a nobleman, but he cannot make a gentleman." The same can be said for politicians—elections can make a Senator—not always a good one—but they can never make a gentleman. In this age of negative campaigns, of road rage, of obscenities masquerading as popular music, and of television that makes one blush while changing channels, there are few gentlemen to point to, but Senator MOYNIHAN is surely one of those few. He listens carefully, respectful of the viewpoint of the speaker—which is in itself an increasingly lost art, it seems. I have never heard him raise his voice in anger, or comment rudely about another Member, and though his criticisms can be as witty and tart as an Empire apple—the Empire apple is something like the McIntosh apple, very flavorful, tart. I saw some up at Martin's store in Charlestown yesterday, some Empire apples. Despite the standing that he enjoys, he remains an approachable figure, unaffected by the grandeur of his surroundings in this majestic building. Were he to stop and look back at the Capitol, I suspect that he would be enjoying the simple pleasure of tulips and daffodils, nodding, tossing their heads in the sunshine, and not so much savoring the symbol of legislative power embodied in this marble and sandstone edifice.

In the twenty-two years that Senator MOYNIHAN has graced the Senate with his presence, he has brought to the Senate an intellectual puissance and an exalted level of scholarship that have raised the mental caliber of every one around him. He has been more than a Senator from New York, though he certainly has been a good representative of the people of that great State. He has also been an intellectual leader, a sage, and a prophet for the Senate and for the Nation. He has lifted us all up on his broad wings of scholarship.

He is the possessor, the last time I looked at the Congressional Directory some few months ago, he is the possessor of 60 honorary degrees—60. I don't think anyone else in this body, probably in the other body, can equal that achievement.

So he has lifted us all up on the broad wings of his scholarship, his experience and his wisdom, so painstakingly acquired only to be so freely and generously given away.

Herman Melville observed in *Moby Dick* that "... there is a Catskill eagle in some souls that can alike dive down into the blackest gorges, and soar out of them again and become invisible in the sunny spaces. And even if he ever flies within the gorge, that gorge is in the mountains; so that even in his lowest stoop the mountain eagle is still higher than other birds upon the plain, even though they soar." The distinguished Senator from New York is just such a soul, a Catskill eagle, inspiring other birds of the sunlit Senate plain, including this BYRD.

Mr. President, Erma and I offer our best wishes to Senator DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN as he celebrates his birthday with his lovely wife Liz and his family. May he enjoy many, many, many more happy birthdays, and may we, his colleagues, have the high privilege of sharing in those birthdays with him over a period of many, many years away.

Mr. President, I yield the floor. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ROBERTS). The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS-CONSENT AGREEMENT—NOMINATION OF FREDERICA A. MASSIAH-JACKSON

Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the debate relative to the nomination of Frederica Massiah-Jackson be postponed to occur at a time to be determined by the majority leader. It is my understanding that the White House intends to withdraw this nomination by 1 p.m. today. If that does not occur, then it would be the majority leader's intention to begin the scheduled debate at 1 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. GRAMS. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

EXTENSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I also ask unanimous consent that there now be a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. GRAMS. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

95TH BIRTHDAY TRIBUTE TO MIKE MANSFIELD

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I would like to join my colleague from Montana, Senator BAUCUS, in wishing a happy 95th birthday to former Senator and Ambassador Mike Mansfield. If historians were to accept nominations for individuals who are living embodiments of 20th century history, I would nominate Mike Mansfield to be our Democratic representative.

Ambassador Mansfield's life has framed some of the great events of this century, from his service as a 14-year-old sailor in the U.S. Navy in World War I, to his role as an architect of modern American policy toward Japan as long-time U.S. Ambassador. Along the way, Mike Mansfield shaped his-

tory in both ordinary and extraordinary ways: as a miner and mining engineer, as a professor of history and political science, and as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate from Montana, including a remarkable 16-year tenure as Senate Majority Leader.

As you know, Mr. President, Mike Mansfield's majestic portrait now presides over a room that bears his name just off the Senate floor. To Senators, staff, and visitors, it is a reminder of a Senate giant who was a quiet rock of integrity and perseverance. I am honored and grateful that we have the opportunity today to thank this living reminder of America's greatness and its goodness. Happy birthday, Ambassador Mansfield, and best wishes for many more years of good health and happiness.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KYL). Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, I would like to officially notify the Presiding Officer on a change in the status of the nomination that was to have been debated today, that being the nomination of Frederica Massiah-Jackson. The nominee has written the President of the United States asking her nomination be withdrawn.

It is my understanding the President has withdrawn her nomination and, therefore, the Senate will not be conducting a rollcall vote relative to her nomination tomorrow at 2:15 p.m.

Again, it is my hope the Senate can consider today the resolution relative to human rights in Kosovo and conduct a vote regarding that resolution at 5:30 p.m. I understand there may be some objection to bringing up that resolution, but I cannot understand why any Senator would object to a timely consideration of the human rights considerations with regard to what has been happening in Kosovo. At the appropriate time, when we can get an agreement on the wording of the resolution, it will be my intent to bring it to the floor. If some Senator objects, he or she will have to appear and do so.

If not, the Senate should be prepared to consider the nomination of Susan Graber to be a circuit judge, with that vote occurring at 5:30 p.m. today. Susan Graber is a nominee from the State of Oregon to be on the circuit court in that region.