

Saturday, December 19, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed that Articles of Impeachment I and III as specified in H. Res. 611, Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States for high crimes and misdemeanors, be exhibited to the United States Senate.

Representatives Hyde, Sensenbrenner, McCollum, Gekas, Canady, Buyer, Bryant, Chabot, Barr, Hutchinson, Cannon, Rogan, and Graham were appointed managers to conduct the impeachment trial against the President of the United States pursuant to H. Res. 614.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It is next scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 resolution, H. Res. 614, was introduced. Page H12047

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaHood to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H11967

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by yeas and nays vote of 277 yeas to 125 nays, Roll No. 541. Pages H11967-68

Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States: The House completed debate on H. Res. 611, Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors, and adopted Articles I and III. Pages H11968-H12042

Article I: By a yeas and nays vote of 228 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 543, the House adopted Article I, of H. Res. 611: In his conduct while President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, in violation of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend

the Constitution of the United States, and in violation of his constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, has willfully corrupted and manipulated the judicial process of the United States for his personal gain and exoneration, impeding the administration of justice, in that: On August 17, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton swore to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth before a Federal grand jury of the United States. Contrary to that oath, William Jefferson Clinton willfully provided perjurious, false and misleading testimony to the grand jury concerning one or more of the following: (1) the nature and details of his relationship with a subordinate Government employee; (2) prior perjurious, false and misleading testimony he gave in a Federal civil rights action brought against him; (3) prior false and misleading statements he allowed his attorney to make to a Federal judge in that civil rights action; and (4) his corrupt efforts to influence the testimony of witnesses and to impede the discovery of evidence in that civil rights action. In doing this, William Jefferson Clinton has undermined the integrity of his office, has brought disrepute on the Presidency, has betrayed his trust as President, and has acted in a manner subversive of the rule of law and justice, to the