

degrees. By the end of the Civil War, the university had graduated a total of 145 students. By 1920, the student population was 1,072, but it was not until after World War II that the university began to approach its present size.

In the 1950s, the student population grew from 4,600 to 8,000, and the 1960s saw enrollment burgeon from about 10,000 to some 18,000 students on the Athens campus. Today, the Athens campus is comprised of more than 200 buildings on 1,800 acres, including state-of-the-art facilities featuring the latest in educational technology. Reinforcing the university's ongoing commitment to diversity, the Athens campus serves approximately 20,000 students hailing from all 50 States and about 100 nations. The university's service as a major educational and cultural institution in southeastern Ohio includes regional campuses in Chillicothe, Ironton, Lancaster, St. Clairsville, and Zanesville. These regional campuses collectively enroll about 8,500 students, making the full-time, part-time, and continuing education enrollment for Ohio University nearly 29,000.

The university offers more than 270 undergraduate areas of study and a 20 to 1 undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio. On the graduate level, the institution grants master's degrees in nearly all of its major academic divisions, and doctoral degrees in selected departments. Ohio University is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and has been designated a Doctoral/Research University-Extensive, the highest classification, by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Throughout its life of change and growth, Ohio University and the town it calls home, Athens, has still successfully balanced all the advantages of a major university with the appeal of a caring and personal atmosphere. If there ever was a college town, Athens is it. The university's intellectual and cultural environment blends well with Athens' lively and quirky small-town atmosphere to create a setting where students, faculty and town residents live together in a community whose quality of life is difficult to match.

A university of people, not a place or buildings, and the people of Ohio University—its students, staff, faculty, and alumni—have made their world a richer place. I am proud to be a Bobcat and proud of the accomplishments that so many alumni have made.

Congratulations to Ohio University on 200 years of history, rich in providing excellence in higher education. ●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:06 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, 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. 265. An act to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2912. An act to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government.

H.R. 4060. An act to amend the Peace Corps Act to establish an Ombudsman and an Office of Safety and Security of the Peace Corps, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4317. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Lufkin, Texas, as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 295. Concurrent resolution congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on the occasion of its 35th anniversary and for its remarkable commitment and contributions to Detroit, the State of Michigan, and the United States.

H. Con. Res. 417. Concurrent resolution honoring the Tuskegee Airmen and their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, the world's foremost Air and Space Supremacy Force.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 1233. An act to authorize assistance for the National Great Blacks in Wax Museum and Justice Learning Center.

The message also announced that the House being in possession of the official papers, the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill (H.R. 2660) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, shall be, and they are hereby, discharged to the end that H.R. 2660 and its accompanying papers, be, and they are hereby, laid on the table.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 265. An act to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2912. An act to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 4060. An act to amend the Peace Corps Act to establish an Ombudsman and an Office of Safety and Security of the Peace Corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4317. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Lufkin, Texas, as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 295. Concurrent resolution congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on

the occasion of its 35th anniversary and for its remarkable commitment and contributions to Detroit, the State of Michigan, and the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 417. Concurrent resolution honoring the Tuskegee Airmen and their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, the world's foremost Air and Space Supremacy Force; to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on June 2, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2092. An act to assist the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-7704. A communication from the Senior Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Revisions to Incident Reporting Requirements and the Hazardous Materials Incident Report Form; Response to Appeals" (RIN2137-AD21) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7705. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment; End-of-Train Devices" (RIN2130-AB52) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7706. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Merchant Marine Training" (RIN2133-AB60) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7707. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations (Including 2 Regulations) [CGD08-04-021], [CGD01-04-036]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7708. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations: Chincoteague Channel, Chincoteague, VA [CGD05-03-168]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7709. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area: [CGD11-04-001], San Francisco Bay, San Pablo Bay, Carquinez Strait, Suisun Bay, Sacramento River, San Joaquin River, and Connecting Waters, California" (RIN1625-AA11) received on May 25, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7710. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regatta and Marine