

a grant under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The boat maker earned a \$2.6 million grant under the Maritime Administration's Small Shipyards Grant Program which it has put to use in helping to design a new, state-of-the-art construction building. The spacious facility, which was unveiled in September of last year, measures 42,000 square feet and is able to maneuver vessels up to 200 feet long and 50 feet wide. It features two construction bays, each equipped with two, 20-ton cranes. A central mezzanine contains shop space and offices for production support, supervision, design, and engineering. The company also purchased modern shipbuilding tools and equipment to sharpen their boat-making skills.

In conjunction with this critical Federal aid, many members of the local community collaborated to help the company, raising an astonishing \$140,000 to help replace tools and provide general assistance to the employees. Indeed, the town of Boothbay joined countless organizations like the Boothbay Harbor Region Chamber of Commerce and the Boothbay Region Land Trust to support Washburn & Doughty and its outstanding workers. Their working in concert is truly a testament to Maine's culture of cooperation and its deep sense of community values.

Since the fire of 2008, Washburn & Doughty Associates, Inc. has rebounded at an incredible pace. Late last year, the company posted positive job growth, having gone from 92 employees during early 2008 to 125 employees at present. This 35-percent increase in employment can be directly attributed to the steely resolve and dedicated work ethic of the men and women of Maine's working waterfront.

Undeniably, Bruce Doughty and Bruce Washburn embody these attributes as evidenced by their deep and abiding commitment to the firm's dedicated workforce and their unwavering resolve to rebuild. When times were bleak, they maintained their unyielding focus, and despite encountering countless hurdles along the way, persevered, rebuilt the company, and further solidified its reputation as one of the top steel construction shipyards in the Northeast. I applaud the strong efforts of everyone at Washburn & Doughty to rebuild their company in such an impressive manner, and wish them a smooth road forward full of success.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, 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 9:56 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 1879. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty.

H.R. 3562. An act to designate the federally occupied building located at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner Federal Building".

H.R. 4098. An act to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance on the use of peer-to-peer file sharing software to prohibit the personal use of such software by Government employees, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4899. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

At 12:35 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4849. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, extend the Build America Bonds program, provide other infrastructure job creation tax incentives, and for other purposes.

At 5:17 p.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 bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4938. An act to permit the use of previously appropriated funds to extend the Small Business Loan Guarantee Program, and for other purposes.

At 9:22 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4872) entitled "An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13).".

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1879. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 3562. An act to designate the federally occupied building located at 1220 Echelon

Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 4098. An act to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance on the use of peer-to-peer file sharing software to prohibit the personal use of such software by Government employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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-5206. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cloquintocet-mexyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8816-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5207. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clopyralid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8814-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5208. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ammonium Salts of Fatty Acids (C8-C18 Saturated); Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8809-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5209. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2010; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5210. A communication from the Assistant Secretary (Reserve Affairs), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual National Guard and Reserve Equipment Report for fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5211. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's annual audit of the American Red Cross consolidated financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5212. A communication from the Deputy to the Chairman for Legal Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deposit Insurance Regulations; Temporary Increase in Standard Coverage Amount; Mortgage Servicing Accounts; Revocable Trust Accounts; International Banking; Foreign Banks" (RIN3064-AD36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 24, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.