

5/8/95

Dole

Welcoming Reception
May 9, 1995
Statuary Hall – U.S. Capitol

- 5:00 p.m. Reception begins
Food and drink served
Music begins
- 5:30 p.m. Clarence Brown, Society President, provides welcoming remarks
introduces Speaker Gingrich
- 5:35 p.m. Speaker Gingrich provides remarks
- 5:40 p.m. Clarence Brown thanks Speaker Gingrich and introduces Senator
Breux
- 5:42 p.m. Senator Breux gives remarks
- 5:47 p.m. Clarence Brown thanks Senator Breux and introduces Senate
Majority Leader Dole.
- 5:49 p.m. Senate Majority Leader Dole makes provides remarks
- 5:55 p.m. Clarence Brown thanks Senate Majority Leader Dole and makes
general presentation to Freshman Members (Initial Election
Certificates) Announces that tours will begin at 6:30 p.m., the
beginning of the tours will be indicated by the ringing bell. Those
who would like to go on a tour should meet the guides at either
entrance of the hall.
- 6:00 p.m. Program ends - reception continues
- 6:30 p.m. Private Capitol tours begin
45 minutes each
To continue until all requests are fulfilled
- 7:30 p.m. Statuary Hall reception ends
Some tours may continue

CAPITOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SALUTE TO FRESHMAN CLASS

**THANK YOU. IT'S A PLEASURE TO
JOIN IN THIS WELCOME TO THE
FRESHMAN CLASS OF THE 104TH
CONGRESS.**

**I'VE BEEN AROUND THIS PLACE
FOR A WHILE--THOUGH NOT AS LONG
AS STROM THURMOND. WHEN I
ASKED STROM WHAT HE
REMEMBERED ABOUT HIS FRESHMAN**

**CLASS, HE SAID HE WAS ALWAYS
SURPRISED HOW WELL HE GOT
ALONG WITH DANIEL WEBSTER AND
HENRY CLAY.**

**BUT IN ALL MY YEARS HERE, I
THINK THIS FRESHMAN CLASS IS ONE
OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING I'VE
SEEN. IN FACT THE ELEVEN
MEMBERS OF THE SENATE
FRESHMAN CLASS ARE AN
EXTREMELY IMPRESSIVE BUNCH.**

**THEY'RE BRIGHT. THEY'RE HARD-
WORKING. AND, THEY'RE ALL
REPUBLICAN.**

**FOR MOST OF THE HISTORY OF
CONGRESS THE RULE WAS THAT
FRESHMAN SHOULD BE SEEN AND
NOT HEARD. ALL THAT HAS
CHANGED NOW, AND THAT'S FOR
THE BETTER. THIS FRESHMAN
CLASS, IN PARTICULAR, WAS SENT
HERE WITH A MESSAGE, AND YOU**

**HAVE EARNED THE RIGHT TO DO ALL
YOU CAN TO KEEP THE PROMISES
YOU MADE WITH THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE.**

**I KNOW YOU'VE RECEIVED A LOT
OF ADVICE SINCE YOUR ELECTION,
SOME OF IT GOOD AND SOME OF IT
NOT SO GOOD. AND FOR WHAT IT'S
WORTH, I WANT TO PASS ALONG
SOME MORE ADVICE. IT'S FROM A
LIST CALLED "10 COMMANDMENTS**

**FOR FRESHMAN MEMBERS" THAT
WAS WRITTEN BY FORMER SENATOR
GENE MCCARTHY.**

**GENE WAS A LIBERAL DEMOCRAT
AND I'M A CONSERVATIVE
REPUBLICAN, SO WE DON'T AGREE
ON MUCH, BUT I'VE PICKED OUT A
FEW OF HIS "COMMANDMENTS"
WHICH I FOUND INTERESTING.**

1. ANY ATTENDANCE RECORD ABOVE 80% IS EVIDENCE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN WASTING TIME ANSWERING ROLL CALLS AND QUORUM CALLS.

2. HONOR SENIORITY. YOU MAY HAVE IT BEFORE YOU WANT IT. HAVING A MEMBER WITH SENIORITY ASSUME A POSITION OF POWER MAKES NO REASONABLE SENSE, BUT LIKE THE PRACTICE OF HAVING THE

**OLDEST SON OF A KING SUCCEED
HIS FATHER ON THE THRONE IT
SAVES A LOT OF TROUBLE.**

**3. NEVER TRUST A STAFF
MEMBER WHO REGULARLY GETS TO
THE OFFICE BEFORE YOU DO AND
WHO STAYS AFTER YOU LEAVE.**

4. DO NOT MASTER THE RULES OF PROCEDURE. THE SENATE RULES ARE SIMPLE ENOUGH TO BE LEARNED, BUT ARE SELDOM HONORED. THE HOUSE RULES ARE USUALLY HONORED, BUT ARE COMPLICATED TO BE MASTERED.

5. AND THE LAST PIECE OF ADVICE COMES FROM A REPORTER FOR THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS, WHO ADVISED SENATOR MCCARTHY

**TO--AND I QUOTE--"NEVER TRUST
THE PRESS."**

**FINALLY, LET ME LEAVE YOU WITH
A STORY THAT WAS IN DAVID
MCCULLOUGH'S OUTSTANDING
BIOGRAPHY OF HARRY TRUMAN.**

**DURING HIS FIRST YEAR IN THE
SENATE, TRUMAN WAS TREATED
LIKE MOST FRESHMAN WERE IN THAT
TIME. HE WAS VERY NERVOUS
ABOUT HOW TO ACT, AND FOUND**

**HIMSELF WONDERING WHETHER OR
NOT HE BELONGED IN THE SENATE--
UNTIL A VETERAN SENATOR SAT
BESIDE TRUMAN ON THE FLOOR ONE
DAY AND SAID, "HARRY, DON'T
START OUT WITH AN INFERIORITY
COMPLEX. FOR THE FIRST SIX
MONTHS YOU'LL WONDER HOW THE
HELL YOU GOT HERE, AND AFTER
THAT YOU'LL WONDER HOW THE
HELL THE REST OF US GOT HERE."**