CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—SENATE

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Mr. SIMPSON. I announce that the Senator from California [Mr. Wilson] is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Have all Senators voted?

The result was announced—guilty 60, not guilty 35, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 264]

(Senator from California [Mr. Wilson] has voted guilty.)

Subject: Article XVII—Court of Impeachment—Judge Alce L. Hastings)

GUilty—60

Baucus Gann
Bond Glenn
Boren Gorton
Boehm Grimm
Bumpers Gravel
Burns Hatfield
Byrd Heinz
Chafee Holms
Cochran Hollings
Cohen Humphrey
Conrad Imouye
Danforth Johnston
DeConcini Kassebaum
Dole Kennedy
Domenici Kerrey
Durenberger Kerry
Exon Kohl
Ford Lautenberg
Fowler Levin

NOT GUILTY—35

Adams Dodd
Armstrong Gore
Benton Gramm
Biden Hart
Bingaman Hatch
Brady Bingham
Breux Leahy
Bryan Lieberman
Burton Mansfield
Cranston Metzenbaum
D'Anastio Mikaklos
Daschle Wilson

ABSENT, NOT VOTING, OR EXCUSED
FROM VOTING—5

Coats Lott
Jeffords Mack

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. On the 17th article, 60 Senators having voted guilty, 35 Senators having voted not guilty. Less than two-thirds of the Members present having voted guilty, the Senate adjudges that the respondent, Alce L. Hastings, is not guilty as charged in the article.

May there be order in the Senate? The Senate will be in order.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. President, I send an order to the desk and ask that it be stated.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the order.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Ordered. That the Secretary be directed to communicate to the Secretary of State, as provided by Rule XXIII of the Rules of Procedure and Practice in the Senate, When Sitting on Impeachment Trials, and also to the House of Representatives the judgment of the Senate in the case of Alce L. Hastings, and transmit a certified copy of the judgment to each.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the order will be entered.

The majority leader is recognized.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE OF COURT OF
IMPEACHMENT

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment for the articles against Alce L. Hastings, adjourn sine die.

The motion was agreed to; and, at 12:15 p.m., the Senate, sitting as a court of impeachment, adjourned sine die.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The absence of a quorum has been suggested. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that there be a period for morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each, to last until the hour of 2 p.m.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered. Accordingly, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business which will expire at 2 p.m. and each Senator is permitted to speak up to 5 minutes each.

Mr. CRANSTON addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from California [Mr. Cranston].

CIVILIZATION BY THE BAY

Mr. CRANSTON. Mr. President, there have been a number of accolades about how Californians behaved in the stress and the chaos of Tuesday's earthquake. I saw this first-hand when I flew to the bay area yesterday.

No one has better characterized the grace, courage, and altruism California demonstrated than Mary McGrory in yesterday's Washington Post. Mary McGrory at the essence of what I believe is the evolving character of California. This is from Mary McGrory's column, entitled "Civilization by the Bay," which appeared in the Washington Post yesterday.

There being no objection, the column was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Washington Post, Oct. 19, 1989]

CIVILIZATION BY THE BAY

(By Mary McGrory)

The earthquake has brought good news and bad. The bad is fallen bridges, collapsed freeways, and people trapped in wreckage. The good news is that Californians are coping in a manner calculated to make us look at them anew.

We tend to laugh at our most populous, most beautiful state. We envy its inhabitants for their flowers, their sunshine, their long white beaches, and put it on them by saying they're ditzy. Their hedonism, their self-absorption, their trendiness—what gives us pamelon and the cat-slim—make them the butt of endless gibes.

We laugh at them for "being in touch with their feelings," for putting braces on their teeth when they're too old for asking strangers what their sign is. Cartoonist Garry Trudeau summed it up in the strip where Boopie, his quintessential Southern California, is made a member of the state's "self-esteem commission."

We were wrong. They are giving us lessons in how to behave with style under impossible conditions.

From the first moment of the earthquake, with Candlestick Park poised for the third game of the local World Series, Californians showed that they understand the first law of life: Never make a bad situation worse.

The potential for mass death in the stadium was horrendous. Sixty-two thousand people kept their heads, listened to usher who told them to wait. We know the death toll at European soccer matches, where the panic-stricken trample the small and the weak and suffocate them.

San Francisco's tradition as our most civilized city was upheld. According to sports-writers-turned-disaster-chroniclers, the ballplayers hurried out of the dugout onto the field and summoned their families to join them, while the fans in the stand prepared to file out. After the first shock, the shaken-up survivors, elated to be still there, applauded.

A stunning ovation for an earthquake? Only in California.

Catastrophe does not always bring out the best in people, as we know from Hurricane Andrew. Remember the looting in St. Croix and the suburbs of Charleston, S.C. A tactful meteorologist from St. Croix said on National Public Radio that "while some people behaved very well, others individualized." Californians did not "individualize." They were too busy pitching in. In a brilliant dispatch from the site of the collapse of the four-lane Oakland freeway, Amy Stevens reported in The Washington Post that nearby residents rushed out with bandages, sheets, ropes, first-aid kits and ladders.