REMARKS OF MR. DARRYL R. FRANCIS, CHAIRMAN, DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS COMMITTEE, AT THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARDS PROGRAM, STOUFFER'S INN, MARCH 13, 1970 --

THANK YOU, CARL WEBER, FOR THAT KIND AND FLATTERING INTRODUCTION. IT IS INDEED A PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE THIS EVENING TO REPRESENT THE CITIZENS COMMITTEE. YOU HAVE MET THREE OF OUR COMMITTEE HERE AT THE SPEAKER'S TABLE AND TO THESE GENTLEMEN, AND OUR TWO MISSING MEMBERS, CHANCELLOR DRISCOLL AND ROBERT HILLARD, GO MY SINCEREST THANKS FOR JOBS WELL DONE.

AS YOU CAN SEE FROM YOUR PROGRAM, THIRTY-SEVEN OF YOUR

FELLOW CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES WERE NOMINATED FOR THE

THREE HONORS TO BE PRESENTED AT THIS TIME. IT WAS A PLEASURE

TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY A FEW MINUTES AGO OF MEETING ALL

THIRTY-SEVEN OF THESE LUCKY PEOPLE IN PERSON. I THINK THE

WORD LUCKY APPLIES IN THIS INSTANCE. A MAN OR WOMAN IS

to function and administration of the character and administration.

MIGHTY LUCKY TO BE CHOSEN BY HIS SUPERVISOR AND FELLOW
EMPLOYEES TO REPRESENT THEM IN THIS TYPE OF COMPETITION.

AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THIS WAS REAL COMPETITION.

BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE CITIZENS COMMITTEE, I CONGRATULATE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU FOR THE OUTSTANDING JOBS YOU ARE DOING. YOU ARE ALL A CREDIT TO YOUR AGENCYS, YOUR GOVERNMENT, AND TO YOURSELYES.

THE PRICE WATERHOUSE MAN, HERE WITH THE SEALED ENVELOPE

BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE SECRECY OF THESE THREE NAMES

HAS BEEN AS WELL GUARDED AS ANY OSCAR OR EMMY AWARD WINNER.

YOUR GENERAL CHAIRMAN, PHIL POLLOCK, SET A NEW RECORD FOR

THE WAY SE SOME THE BEST-KEPT SECRET. RUMOR

HAS IT THAT EVEN THE ENGRAVER HAD TO KEEP A BLINDFOLD ON

WHILE HE WORKED ON THE PLAQUES.

IN THE PROFESSIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC FIELD OF ENDEAVOR WE HAD EIGHT CANDIDATES AND EACH ONE WAS AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS STORY OF A DEDICATED PROFESSIONAL SERVING HIS AND HER GOVERNMENT IN THE BEST MANNER AT ALL TIMES, PLUS THE LITTLE EXTRA THAT MAKES A MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE FAMILY ALSO A GOOD NEIGHBOR. WITH THIS PROFESSIONAL PERSON WE HONOR THE FIELD OF LAW. THIS YOUNG LADY'S PERFORMANCE OF HER OFFICIAL DUTIES DURING SEVENTEEN YEARS OF FEDERAL SERVICE HAS DEMONSTRATED HER EXCEPTIONAL COMPETENCE TO THE EXTENT THAT SHE HAS BEEN PROMOTED FROM THE GRADE GS-7 TO GS-14, THE HIGHEST GRADE FOR A CIVILIAN ATTORNEY IN HER AGENCY.

IN THE FIELD OF GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AND FISCAL MATTERS,
HER EXPERTISE IS SO NOTEWORTHY THAT HER ADVICE IS CONSTANTLY
REQUESTED BY OTHER ATTORNEYS. THE GOVERNMENT AND
CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL WITH WHOM SHE DEALS HOLD THE HIGHEST

RESPECT FOR HER PROFESSIONAL ABILITY AND INTEGRITY AND GREAT REGARD FOR HER AS A PERSON. IN SPITE OF A PHYSICAL HANDICAP, SHE HAS PARTICIPATED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF MANY PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS AND HAS FREQUENTLY BEEN A VOLUNTEER FOR VARIOUS CHARITABLE FUND DRIVES. IN 1969 SHE WAS HONORED BY THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN AS THE WOMAN OF THE YEAR. THIS YOUNG LADY ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SCHOOL OF LAW; JOINED THE GOVERNMENT IN 1952 AT THE ARMY FINANCE CENTER IN INDIANAPOLIS; MOVED TO THE FRANKFURT, GERMANY PROCUREMENT OFFICE FOR FIVE YEARS, AND THEN RETURNED TO THE STATES IN 1967 TO HER PRESENT AGENCY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT TO YOU

THE WINNER OF THE 1970 PROFESSIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC FEDERAL

CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD - - - THE CHIEF,

SECONDARY ITEMS AND BREAKOUT PROCUREMENT DIVISION, OFFICE

OF THE COMMAND STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE, UNITED STATES ARMY

AVIATION SYSTEMS COMMAND - - - MISS JOYCE I. ALLEN.

(Miss Allen comes forward, accepts the plaque, and responds)

THANK YOU, MISS ALLEN. OUR SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR HOST OF FRIENDS.

THE NEXT CATEGORY IS THAT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND FOR THIS AWARD WE HAD TWELVE CANDIDATES AND AGAIN, TWELVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WOULD MAKE YOU PROUD JUST TO SHARE THE SAME OFFICE WITH THEM. AND ONCE AGAIN, WE FAVORED THE LADIES. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT OUR PREFERENCE FOR WOMEN IS GOING TO MAKE US ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR PANELS OF JUDGES IN THE FIFTEEN YEAR HISTORY OF THIS EVENT.

THIS YOUNG LADY HAS HAD TWENTY-FOUR YEARS AS A FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE, TWENTY-THREE OF THEM WORKING WITH RECORDS. HER SUPERVISOR'S ENDORSEMENT READS, "NOT ONLY HAS HER RECORD OF JOB KNOWLEDGE AND ACCURACY BEEN OUTSTANDING, BUT SHE HAS ALSO BEEN RATED OUTSTANDING IN QUANTITY OF WORK PRODUCED, COOPERATION AND DEPENDABILITY AS WELL. HER HIGH PRODUCTION IS ATTRIBUTED TO HER DEDICATED SENSE OF GIVING A FULL DAY'S WORK FOR A FULL DAY'S PAY. DURING THE PAST YEAR, SHE WAS 27% ABOVE THE UNIT AVERAGE IN HER OUTPUT, OR OVER ONE-FOURTH MORE WORK COMPLETED THAN THE GROUP AS A WHOLE".

THIS IS UNDOUBTEDLY ONE OF THE FINEST RECOMMENDATIONS ANY BOSS COULD GIVE AN ASSOCIATE.

OUTSIDE OF OFFICE HOURS, HER RECORD OF SERVICE TO HER CHURCH,
HER SORORITY, AND VARIOUS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS MAKES A
MOST IMPRESSIVE ENDORSEMENT OF HER DEDICATION TO HER FELLOWMAN. FOR TWENTY-TWO YEARS SHE HAS BEEN SERVING AS A

VOLUNTEER RED CROSS FIRST AID INSTRUCTOR. THIS IS A LADY
WHO WAS BORN IN MOUND BAYOU, MISSISSIPPI, ATTENDED VASHON
HIGH SCHOOL HERE IN ST. LOUIS AND THEN CONTINUED HER EDUCATION
AT THE WASHINGTON TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL AT NIGHT. SHE HAS
RAISED FIVE CHILDREN AND THREE OF THEM ARE COLLEGE GRADUATES;
A DAUGHTER IS TEACHING IN HIGH SCHOOL, A SON IS MEMBERSHIP
RESIDENT DIRECTOR AT THE YMCA, AND ANOTHER DAUGHTER IS IN
CHARGE OF THE TESTING PROGRAM FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI AT ST. LOUIS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PRESENT A SUCCESSFUL MOTHER,

A GOOD NEIGHBOR, A COMPETENT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE - - - 
A TRULY HAPPY WOMAN ---- THE WINNER OF THE 1970 ADMINISTRATIVE

SERVICES FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD - 
A MILITARY PERSONNEL CLERK, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION,

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE, NATIONAL PERSONNEL

RECORDS CENTER, MRS. PEARLINE J. GOLLIDAY.

(Mrs. Golliday comes forward, accepts the plaque, and responds.)

THANK YOU, MRS. GOLLIDAY. WE HOPE THIS HONOR IS EVIDENCE OF YOUR COMMUNITY'S APPRECIATION FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

AND NOW, LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THE MANAGERIAL AND TECHNICAL AWARD. SEVENTEEN MEN AND WOMEN WERE NOMINATED FOR THIS CATEGORY AND THIS, TOO, PROVED TO BE A DIFFICULT DECISION FOR YOUR JUDGES. THE LADIES FAILED TO SWEEP THE AWARDS THIS EVENING AND A GENTLEMAN MANAGED TO RECEIVE THE NOD IN THIS DECISION. AND A MOST UNUSUAL GENTLEMAN HE IS. HE JOINED THE FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE IN 1946 AND WHILE SERVING AS BUDGET OFFICER AT THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION REGIONAL OFFICE HE COMPLETED STUDIES FOR A MASTER'S DEGREE IN ECONOMICS AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY. HE THEN EMBARKED ON THE STUDY OF LAW AT ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY AT NIGHT, EARNED HIS LAW DEGREE IN 1958 AND SUBSEQUENTLY PASSED THE STATE BAR. SINCE 1955 HE HAS PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING AT HIS AGENCY. HE HAS EXHIBITED KEEN INSIGHT INTO THE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONTINUED GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF A WELL-INTEGRATED DATA PROCESSING PROGRAM AND HAS VIGOROUSLY PROMOTED THE CONCEPT OF CENTRALIZED DATA AUTOMATION MANAGEMENT TO INSURE MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS IN THE USE OF COMPUTERS.

HE IS A GUEST LECTURER ON AMERICAN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
PROGRAMS ON THE SUBJECT, "PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING
COMPUTER-BASED INTEGRATED INFORMATION SYSTEMS".

HE IS ACTIVE IN HIS CHURCH, IS SECRETARY OF THE OLIVETTE HUMAN

RELATIONS COMMISSION, AND JUST RECENTLY RETIRED AS
LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVES.
IN THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY HE HAS SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE
FEDERAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION; IS PRESENTLY CHAIRMAN OF THE
FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL AND AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMMITTEE OF THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD OF ST. LOUIS.

A SIDE NOTE TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT WON THE TOP AWARD

THIS EVENING - - THIS GENTLEMAN WAS ALSO NOMINATED FOR

THIS AWARD IN 1958 AND AGAIN IN 1964, SO THE THIRD TIME HAS BEEN

THE CHARM.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT TO YOU THE 1970 MANAGEMENT AND TECHNICAL FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR, THE COMPTROLLER OF THE AERONAUTICAL CHART AND INFORMATION CENTER, MR. JOHN I. JOHNSON.

(Mr. Johnson comes forward, accepts plaque and responds)

CONGRATULATIONS, MR. JOHNSON. YOU HAVE ESTABLISHED AN ENVIABLE RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT.

THAT COMPLETES MY PART OF THE PROGRAM, SAY AGAIN
HOW MUCH WE ALL HAVE ENJOYED PARTICIPATING AS YOUR CITIZENS
COMMITTEE. IT WAS A VERY DIFFICULT ASSIGNMENT TO CHOOSE
ONLY THREE FOR THESE TOP AWARDS. TO THE THREE WINNERS OUR
HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES. TO THE THIRTYFOUR "ALSO RANS" WE REPEAT OUR CONGRATULATIONS. THIS EVENING
YOU WERE MEMBERS OF THE MOST SELECT GROUP OF MEN AND WOMEN
SERVING OUR GOVERNMENT IN THIS AREA. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK
AND I FOR ONE HOPE YOU ARE ALL BACK IN THE RUNNING FOR THE
1971 AWARDS.

THANK YOU, PHIL POLLOCK, FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY OF SERVING ON YOUR COMMITTEE. IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE BEING PART OF THIS OUTSTANDING PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

(Carl Weber returns to lectern)