Ladies and Gentlemen: Tonight we pay tribute to a man we hold very close to our hearts, a person who is not only a gentleman but a gentle...man. Now you wouldn't think of a sheriff as being gentle, but that's what Paul Dague is. Maybe that's why he gave up the job of Chester County sheriff back in 1946.

One good reason for having a testimonial dinner for Paul—and of course there are many reasons—is that he is such a quiet and unassuming person. He has never tooted his own horn, so we have to do it for him.

Paul Dague is a truly humble man. Some politicians make a show of being humble. That of course is not genuine humility. But talk to an

elevator operator or a policeman who worked on Capitol Hill during the 20 years that Paul Dague was in Congress, and they'll tell you that Paul always had a big hello for them. That's the real meaning of humility, the kind of humility that finds a man caring about little people.

Show me a man who's really humble and I'll bet you he is a deeply religious man. Paul Dague is just such a man. Because he's truly humble he makes no show of his deep love of God and his devotion to the teachings of Christ. But to this day he gives of himself by teaching Sunday School. While he was in Congress he belonged to the Capitol Marine Club and became known as their unofficial chaplain because he always led them in prayer. He also was a regular at the Thursday morning prayer breakfast. He even tried to avoid all Sunday speaking engagements.
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They just had us around for laughs during the 89th Congress, but it's a different story now. Last year we were on the entertainment committee, so to speak. But now we're at least on the board of directors, and next year we could get control. Everyone who believes in good, decent government and a sound economy get out and vote for...
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For our country to prosper we need good men like Paul Dague who are willing to serve in high public office, and we need good citizens who are willing to participate in the process.

To the degree that Americans take the time to acquaint themselves with the problems of government and to assist in their solution, to that extent will we enjoy the fruits of good government. When Americans become involved in government, in the job of governing themselves and in electing the best possible candidates to office, we achieve that best of all combinations—a government of laws as well as men. Thus is good government fashioned.

It was Edmund Burke, who once said: "All that is necessary for the forces of evil to win in the world is for enough good men to do nothing.”

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THEY JUST HAD US AROUND FOR LAUGHS DURING THE 89TH CONGRESS, BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT STORY NOW. LAST YEAR WE WERE ON THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE, SO TO SPEAK. BUT NOW WE'RE AT LEAST ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND NEXT YEAR WE COULD GET CONTROL. I URGE THAT EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN GOOD, DECENT GOVERNMENT AND A SOUND ECONOMY GET OUT AND WORK FOR THOSE OBJECTIVES.

Thank goodness the votes in 50 states created some balance in the BRDOO-FOOED Congress.

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