

# Demo Liberals May Filibuster on Tax Reform Bill

Washington - (AP) - Democratic liberals in the Senate are making threatening noises hinting that their filibuster over the communication satellite bill was just a beginning.

They are not happy about what they see in Congress or about the Kennedy Administration's attitude on some issues.

Their next big effort may come on the administration's tax reform bill which was put on a chopping block in the Senate Finance committee. Here they will be with the administration in fighting to restore House provisions dealing with expense accounts and with withholding taxes on dividends and interest.

But already they are worrying that the Administration's promised 1963 tax bill will offer too much relief to business and upper-bracket individuals and too little to the low bracket taxpayers.

**Noisier Fashion**

It is not clear what the liberals would accomplish by talking a more beligerent stance except to air their protests in noisier fashion. They have no place to hang their hats outside the Democratic party. They cannot hope to build a working coalition with like-minded Republicans that would represent a majority of the senate.

About half of those who opposed the satellite bill are regarded by fellow Democrats as unworkable too independent and uncompromising to play on the team.

Our senatorial party is holed against us," Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) complained last week. "We are in a sense pariahs. However, when election time comes around, they want our help

because they know that the Democratic party cannot elect a President without the great industrial states.

The national party comes around and asks for our help and they put clauses in the platform putting themselves to progressive steps, such as civil rights. The bipartisan oligarchy will, however, sit back and say, 'oh, yes, that is only a party pledge. Wait until we get them in the Senate. Then we will cut their throats'."

**Four Parties**

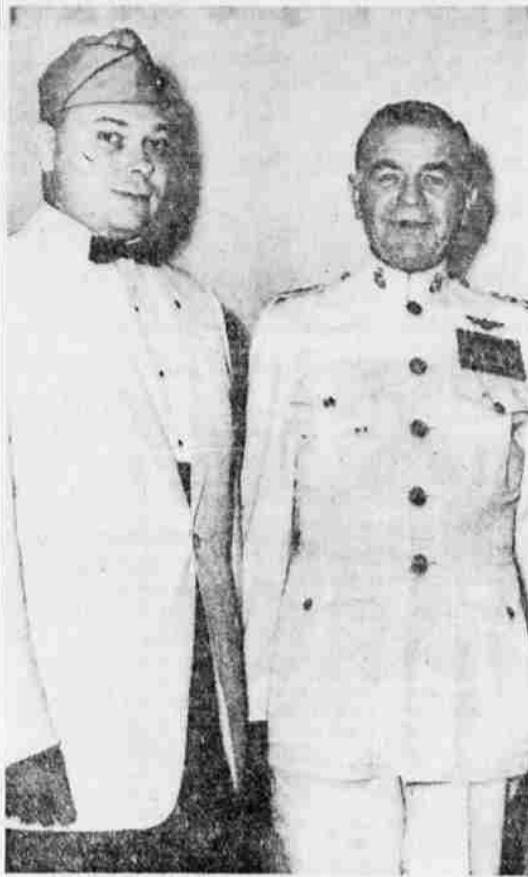
In the same speech, Douglas said the Senate is really composed of four parties - Liberal Democrats from the North and West, largely conservative Southern Democrats, a conservative bloc including most of the Republicans and a small band of GOP liberals.

His argument was shaky when applied to the line-up in the Senate on the Satellite Bill. Of the Democrats supporting the bill, 32 came from northern and western states which Douglas regards as the natural habitat of Democratic liberals.

Only a fraction of the opposition came from the big industrial states. Of the 15 Democrats on record against the bill, 10 came from small or relatively small states which did not give their electoral votes to President Kennedy in 1960.

**TWO BIRDS**

Pittsburgh - (AP) - Bud Pascoe demonstrated his marksmanship ability Wednesday on the Churchill Valley Country Club golf course. While hitting a shot over a small lake on the seventh hole, Pascoe bagged a duck in flight.



**HEADS LEAGUE**-Raymond B. Butts of Alexandria, Va., left, has been elected commandant of the Marine Corps League in Tampa, Fla. Standing next to Butts is the assistant commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, Lt. Gen. John C. Munn of Washington, D.C. (UPI)

# The Medical Roundup

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What is an audiogram? It is the record made by a little electrical instrument which shows just how much hearing a person has lost for each of several "tones of vibration frequencies" (related to the pitch of the sound). A person can have good hearing perhaps for low tones and very poor hearing for high tones.

This sort of thing may make it hard for him to understand the somewhat garbled speech that he can hear. The intensity of the sounds heard in each of the several ranges of "sound-wave cycles per second" is measured in "decibels" (units of sound intensity).

If a person has an uneven loss of hearing, an ordinary hearing aid may not help much because it increases the intensity of all the sounds, and not the intensity of just those sounds that are not well perceived. This can leave the sound of words so distorted that it is hard to understand them. According to an article by Terry S. Griffing and D. Erik Hallberg, of the Mayo Clinic, if a person is to understand conversational speech, he must be able to hear sounds with frequencies between 500 and 4,000 cycles per second, and an intensity of at least 30 decibels.

**Trouble in 'Conduction'**

The type of hearing loss is determined by seeing how well the person can hear through the bone back of the ear lobe. If he can hear normally through the bone, but not through the air, then he has trouble in the "conduction" of the sound through the tiny bones in the middle ear, and perhaps through the all-important "stapes window" into the inner ear. If there is poor bone conduction, that will mean that the nervous hearing mechanism is at fault, and that is sad because the defect cannot be helped with any operation. Sometimes there is a mixture of nerve deafness and conduction-deafness.

The ability to hear tends to fall off in the cases of many older persons, and specially if they have a hereditary tendency to this sort of thing. To a large extent the trouble with older people who cannot hear well is in the inner ear.

Unfortunately, in many cases, hearing-aids fail to help the deafness of older persons. Senile old people, for a number of reasons, usually have great difficulty in using a hearing aid. But many old persons should give it a good trial. Also, all older persons who have lost some of their hearing should be well studied by a good "ear man," because sometimes an operation on the middle ear can give enough help so that then a hearing aid can be used with advantage.

**UN BUDGET UP**

United Nations, N.Y. - (AP) - A 1963 United Nations budget estimate of \$86,649,500, \$4,504,760 above the current year's amount, was submitted Wednesday by Acting Secretary General U Thant. Thant estimated that member nations would be assessed for a total of \$71,825,000. Another \$14,823,000 would be raised through staff assessments, UN postage stamp sales, guided tours, gift shops and related activities, Thant estimated.

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### Grange News

**Desert Pegasus**

At its last meeting, Desert Pegasus 4-H members looked over the results of the Jackson County Horse fair.

The club made a good showing with three of the members eligible to go to the state fair Aug. 25-28. They are Dale West, Regina Krambeal and Leslie Krambeal. Leslie, however, will not be able to represent the Pegasus since he has not reached the required age for attendance at the state fair.

Three of the Pegasus, Kathy McGuire, Dale West and Regina Krambeal, placed among the top in judging in Jackson county. Tommy Sutton received first place in the trail horse event. Regina entered the Yreka show in Siskiyou county, Calif., and won first place and the trophy in the pony class. She and her horse received first place and money in the halter class.

Three other fair trophies were taken by the Pegasus. Leslie Krambeal received the county high-point trophy in the junior division; Dale West, county high-point trophy in the intermediate division; and Regina Krambeal, the English championship trophy.

Karyl Bishop, Reporter

**Phoenix Grange**

The recent Phoenix Grange meeting was opened with the seating drill.

Guest of the evening was State Overseer Roscoe Roberts, who was escorted to the master's station. Another guest was Victor Croxton.

Agricultural report by Marvin Hixon stated that family farms are becoming obsolete because too much extra work is a necessity to meet living expenses. It is believed that the small farm may be part of the cause of farm surplus.

Croxton spoke on Senate Bill 487 regarding certain monopolistic trends in power and public utilities. He also told of his difficulty in obtaining information about the meeting time for this subject and to learn that it would be at a time when few people would be able to attend.

Vaughn Quackenbush reported a larger pear crop this year and said the progress being made in the study of pear decline is believed responsible.

An insurance report was made by Roberts and special comment was made pertaining to insurance held by Phoenix members.

During the literary program Croxton read some of his poems and there were readings by Mrs. Sol Cox, Mrs. Lloyd Whiteside and Mrs. L. O. Penland. Mrs. Robert Meadows sang with an accompaniment by Mrs. Fred Meadows.

**PRISONERS INCREASED**

Washington - (AP) - The number of prisoners in federal, state and local prisons reached a record high of 220,329 at the end of 1961, according to the Federal Bureau of Prisons. This was a 3.5 per cent increase over 1960.

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