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Good Evening. I'm Sylvia Chase, substituting for Lowell Thomas on the CBS Radio Network.

Barring a Yuletide miracle, a return to higher taxes - coming up January One. The President, as you know, yesterday vetoing an attempted six-month extension of present tax cuts - and the House refusing today to override. The tax measure failing to muster a two-thirds majority - by seventeen votes; a result said to have left the President - feeling "obviously quite pleased."

The President then appealing to Congress - to try again. He urges passage of a tax-cut extension - in combination with, quote, "a clear commitment to cut the growth of Federal spending."

The President insists this can still be done. And late today, word from Congress that it will NOT adjourn tomorrow as expected, but stay in session until January third. An apparent attempt to leave the way open to compromise on tax legislation.

SENATE

On another front the Senate today defeated an Administration-backed proposal - with regard to Angola. The measure in question - to prohibit any U.S. civilian paramilitary operations in Angola - but allow continued U.S. covert aid to democratic factions there. It was rejected though - by a margin of nearly three-to-one. This, following another closed session - to debate the touchy issue.

BUSH

The President's nomination of George Bush to head
the CIA - approved today ^{IN COMMITTEE.} ~~by~~ the Senate Armed Services
Committee by a vote of twelve-to-four. This following
receipt of a letter from the President - assuring the
committee Bush will not be his running mate in 'Seventy-Six.
Bush's confirmation - thus virtually assured; but not till
the Senate returns next month - from its year-end recess.

WHITE HOUSE

As promised, a pre-Christmas present today - for New York City. President Ford signing into law - a long-awaited and eagerly-anticipated save-New York bill. Officials saying the city could begin to get the first of-up-to-Two-point-Three Billion/in Federal loans - possibly before the week is out.

SACRAMENTO

Judge Thomas MacBride, who yesterday sentenced Lynette Fromme to life in Sacramento - today assigned a team of bodyguards. This ^{APPARENTLY} due at least in part to ~~an apparent~~ ^{YESTERDAY} threat from the defendant - before she was carried from the courtroom kicking and screaming. Miss Fromme ^(then) telling the Judge: "You fool, I'm just trying to save your life." ^(SHE CONT'D) The International People's Court of Retribution will give you what you deserve."

10 CHARLESTON

Governor Arch Moore of West Virginia and his former Administrative Assistant, William Loy - both indicted today by a Charleston grand jury. The two charged with conspiring to obtain Twenty-Five Thousand ^{DOLLARS} - in exchange for a bank charter for a now-bankrupt loan company.

BUENOS AIRES

Rebel officers in Argentina today seized Buenos Aires Metropolitan Airport - and two of Argentina's six air bases; in the process, capturing and briefly holding - Air Force chief General Hector Luis Fautario.

The rebels want the Army Commander-in-Chief to replace President Peron. Through all of this - we are told - the Capital remained quiet.

MOSCOW

In Moscow - the U.S. and Russia finally reached agreement today - on a new six-year shipping accord. This including a Sixteen-Dollar-a-ton shipping rate - on grain delivered to Soviet ports in U.S. ships; a figure substantially higher than the world rate - on which the Russians had previously insisted. The new pact thus expected to put some thirty idle U.S. tankers - back in service.

LONDON

From London - a report today that Wimbledon
champ Arthur Ashe - may yet claim another British title
this year. In a poll conducted by the BBC - the U.S. tennis
star ^{was} ~~is~~ **FOUND** to be the leading foreign contender - for "Male
Chauvinist Pig of the Year." This for saying he likes his
women "servile" - which apparently went over over there -
about as well as it would over here.