

SENATE

Tues. Oct. 1-68

For all practical purposes--the nomination of Abe Fortas as Chief Justice of the United States--^{went out the window today;} killed ["] today in the U.S. Senate. An effort to ["]choke off the filibuster against the Fortas nomination--ending ^{ed} in a vote of forty-five ^{in favor,} ~~for~~ forty-three against; failing by fourteen votes ^{to get} ~~to achieve~~ the necessary two-thirds majority.

Senate Majority Mansfield later saying he would decide in "two or three days"--whether to try again. However, the anti-Fortas forces threatening ~~ing~~ to resume their filibuster, if necessary--to prevent any further consideration of the nomination. Senator Griffin of Michigan asserting, for one ⁷ --that Mansfield now has "a good enough reason for laying it aside."

HOUSE

~~Eisewhere~~ On Capitol Hill--the House Unamerican
Activities Committee opened its Chicago probe today.
Hearing first from a House investigator--^{This as a part of} its study
of violence during the Democratic National Convention.

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James Gallagher testifying that "ten major organizations"
--carefully and painstakingly "planned and plotted to
disrupt the convention." Going so far as to arrange
for a camera crew--said he--"to take pictures of
alleged police brutality."

Their ultimate goal--said Gallagher: To demonstrate
their support of Hanoi in the Vietnam war--also, to
disrupt the American political system.

FBI

At the same time --

^ From the FBI--a charge today that the so-called
"new left"--"has mushroomed into a major security
problem." This--in the FBI's annual report for Sixty-
Seven, Sixty-Eight. Asserting that the "Students for a
Democratic Society"⁾--is "a forerunner in this nihilist
movement,"^e *and* allegedly "leading the new left from passive
dissent to active resistance--in student uprisings at
Columbia University and elsewhere." The report adding
that some in the "new left"⁾--are now "talking about sabotage,
violence and forcible destruction of certain key facilities;
like Selective Service--communications--water systems.

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In another section--the FBI asserting that "the
question of foreign influences in the Black Nationalist
movement"--is also "a matter of grave concern."

VIETNAM

We are told of
~~On the war front~~ a deadly calm today--in ~~the~~
mountains, rice paddies and villages *in Viet Nam,* ~~surrounding Thuong~~
~~Duc.~~ *The* After four days of nearly non-stop attacks, Viet Cong
forces suddenly pulling back from the Green Beret camp area,
~~for what purpose--nobody knows.~~

~~One possibility--that they're hoping to spring~~
~~another ambush on would-be reinforcements.~~ Whatever the
reason ~~though~~--no question about the odds--upwards of ten
to one. An American officer *saying* ~~conceding~~: "If Charlie
wants to take this place--he has the numbers out there;
he'd lose an awful lot of men--but, he could do it."

ERIE

Hubert Humphrey's first definitive statement
on Vietnam--^{was} the target of a bitter comeback today from
Richard Nixon. At Erie, Pennsylvania--Nixon calling
Humphrey's stand "confusing" at best. Adding that
Humphrey's ^{conditional} ~~apparent~~ promise of a bombing halt, if elected
President--could well pull "the rug out from under our
negotiators" in Paris.

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As to Humphrey's statement that ^{he} ~~is~~ is willing to
risk a bombing halt--Nixon asserting "that the risk is not
his." The real risk -- said he--"is ~~that~~ to the thousands
of Americans whose lives would be threatened--if the
North Vietnamese were able to attack in greater numbers
than is presently the case."

Meanwhile, Hubert Humphrey was refusing today--to
expand on his Vietnam views. Instead--at Knoxville,
Tennessee--^{he made} ~~unleashing~~ an attack against third party
candidate George Wallace. While Wallace himself--was ~~in~~
~~marching through~~ Michigan.

MOSCOW

Russia's recent trial acceptance of a Western-style profit-sharing system--apparently a smashing success.

The Kremlin disclosing today that full seventy per cent of all Soviet industry--has now adopted the new bookkeeping procedure. What's more, ^{today} these profit-sharing businesses--
are said to account for fully eighty per cent of all Russian industrial profits.

Summing up--the Kremlin asserting that without a doubt-- "the new system meets the requirements of life, conditions and tasks of the present period of development of the U.S.S.R." As Karl ^{Marx-- spins} ~~Marx~~ in his grave.

TOKYO

For the first time in its three hundred years of existence--the Emperor's garden in Tokyo was thrown open today to Japanese commoners. Hundreds of visitors waiting in line for hours--for a chance to tour the luxuriously-landscaped royal enclosure--now a public park. First-day visitors later describing the beauty of the garden--as "beyond expression"--"an unforgettable experience."

~~However, at least one feature of the garden~~
~~familiar to everyone. All over the place, ^{we} we are told--~~
~~signs saying: "Keep off the grass." ^{in Japanese?}~~
~~In English!~~

TULSA

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From Tulsa, Oklahoma--the story today of a cattle auction, ~~with~~ the bidding proceeding as scheduled-- on a choice Charolais bull; when a woman in the crowd-- waved back at a friend across the ring. "Sold"--said the auctioneer--for thirteen hundred and seventy-five bucks."

It was soon discovered though--that the woman had no ranch, no cattle and, ~~worst of all,~~ no money! Whereupon the auctioneer said: "Okay, we'll back up and take the next lowest bid." Which turned out to be-- you guessed it--

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the first buyer's friend from across the ring *who also hadn't intended to make a bid at all!*

Third time around--the bull finally sold for real.

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would you say
Proving again, Warren, that a little bull--can go a long, long way?

LONDON

London--the much-discussed "perils of too much television"--generally pooh-poohed today by a panel of British psychiatrists. Dr. P.D. Trevor-Roper asserting that TV is blameless--as far as eye damage is concerned. Dr. J. C. Quincannon ^{also} observing that "television slouch"-- is rarely a permanent affliction. And Dr. Hugh Jolly declaring that children should not be prevented-- from seeing so-called "unsuitable" programs; because a child will absorb-- said he-- only that which he is capable of understanding.

^{dear old} By the way--^X Dr. Jolly also ^{says} ~~asserting~~ it's generally wrong to ~~snap~~ off the late show and tell your child-- "get to bed!" ^{Says} Dr. Jolly: "The only justification for sending a child to bed--if he is not tired--is to give his parents a rest." ^{Talk about your permissive Society!!}