

WASHINGTON REPORT

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The period when an old year is ending and a new year beginning is a time for review of the past and planning for the future. Our resolutions are carefully set down, often reflecting our analysis of what we did right or wrong in days just past and what we hope to do as well or better in the days ahead. A legislator makes his personal resolutions, but, in addition, he thinks some about resolutions of an official nature — that is, the legislative bills he has sponsored previously and the ones he plans to introduce during the coming session of Congress.

During the 90th Congress I sponsored or co-sponsored forty-seven bills dealing with a variety of subjects. I was fortunate enough to see a number of those pieces of legislation, or similar bills, become law. For example, the wire tapping proposal I suggested was included basically unchanged in the Crime Control Act eventually passed by the Congress. Other bills promoting prevention of juvenile delinquency, student loans for higher education and vocational education also won Congressional approval. It is those legislative offerings I can look back on with some pride in my review of the past year, but an evaluation of the proposals that failed to gain final action is more important in planning a legislative program for the 91st Congress.

Of course, no Congressman bats one-hundred percent in getting favorable consideration on the bills he sponsors. But, persistence is often an asset when the content of a proposal seems to have particular merit. In other

words, if a piece of legislation is not passed during one term of Congress, it should be re-introduced with a hope that a new session may hold a brighter prospect. There are some of my "failures" that will be tried again, for they seemed to spark some interest in the 16th District when they were originally drafted.

Between January and March, I plan to re-introduce several bills. The content of some of these proposals will include: (1) Allowing tax credits for higher education costs, (2) Tax-sharing by the Federal government with the States, (3) Greater protection of domestic cigar tobacco prices from unfair foreign product competition, (4) Establishment of a Commission for the Improvement of Government Management and Organization, (5) Providing mandatory penalties for using a firearm in commission of a crime, and (6) Limiting the term of Supreme Court Justices to ten years.

The six legislative ideas listed above will naturally be coupled to a number of completely new suggestions on my part. While some of the new bills are already in the works, I shall leave their content to detailed column discussion later on in 1969.

Perhaps a portion of these proposed bills will be as successful in the 91st Congress as the personal resolutions to which you are fully committing yourself at this time. In any case, you have my guarantee of a legislative commitment to each bill that carries my name in the Congressional session ahead.

Happy New Year to each of you!

Correspondence

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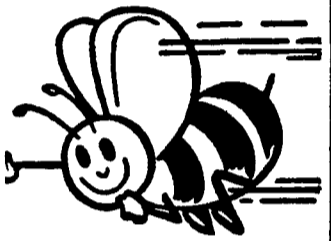
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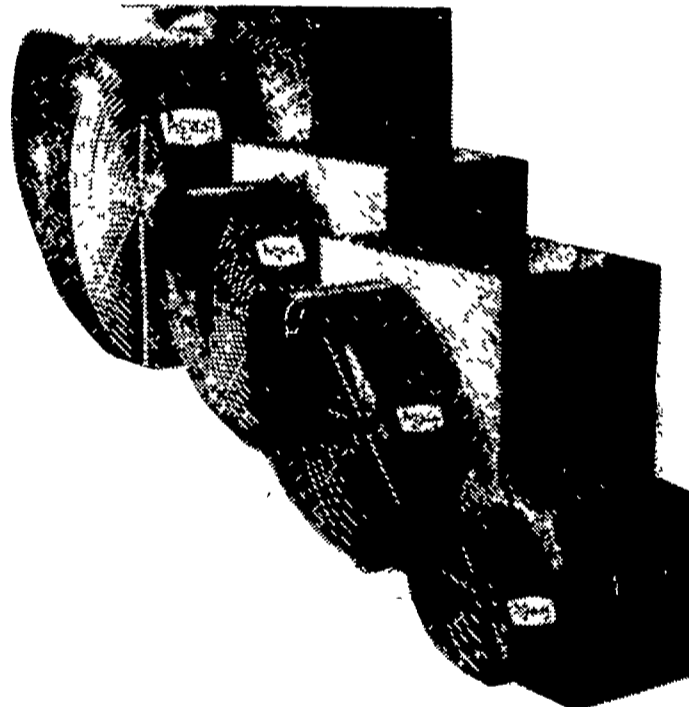
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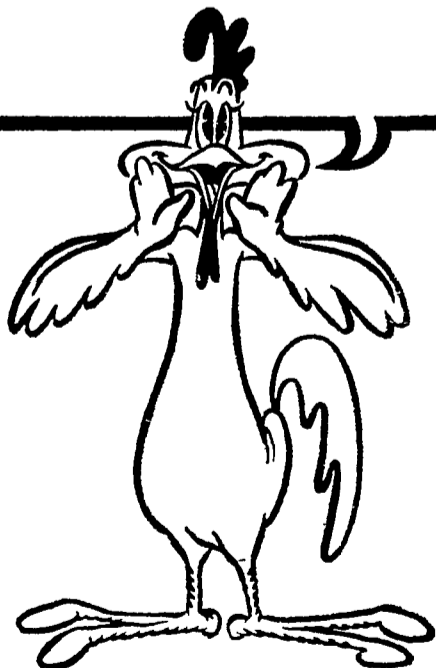
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