

JFK Pushes Tax Bill, House Responds Quickly

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Kennedy strode directly into the battle over his tax bill yesterday during his news conference and Democratic forces in the House presented him with a big victory a few hours later.

The President disparaged Republicans for opposing the measure which calls for new incentives to businesses to modernize their plants, and for withholding income taxes on dividend and interest payments.

WHEN THE showdown came late in the day, House GOP forces lost 225 to 190 in a move to strike out those major provisions. A second, 219-196 roll-call then passed the bill and sent it to the Senate.

Kennedy put himself smack on the firing line at a news conference, which also produced news of the retirement of Supreme Court Justice Charles Evans Whittaker, bleak prospects for a nuclear test ban, an appeal for state legislatures to give city voters equal representation and a word of appreciation to the Soviets for proceeding "with care" in the Berlin crisis.

The administration's tax plan

was heading for an afternoon showdown in the House when Kennedy declared, "We need this bill."

KENNEDY INSISTED the bill would spread the tax burden fairly.

"And I find great difficulty in understanding the position of any political party which makes it a matter of party objective to defeat this bill at this most important time," he said.

The President opened his conference with a vigorous argument for his tax measure. Then he announced Whittaker's retirement and served notice that the United States will accept no nuclear-test agreement that doesn't provide for inspections.

Whittaker must leave the court after nearly five years on doctor's orders, Kennedy disclosed.

IMMEDIATELY after the conference, the White House issued a statement elaborating Kennedy's

position on nuclear test controls. It was generally a reiteration of this country's demand for international inspections, which the Soviet Union rejects, to check against violations. And it acknowledged that "we seem to be at a real impasse" with the Soviets.

Gemini Spacecraft Model Displayed

ST LOUIS, (AP)—A full-scale model of the Gemini space craft designed to take two astronauts into orbit for a week or more was unveiled yesterday. It could play a major role in manned flights to the moon.

The wooden and glass mock-up is larger but quite similar in appearance to the bell-shaped Mercury capsule used in America's manned space shots. The Mercury has only one-day orbital capabilities.

Conference Asks Treaty Preamble

GENEVA (AP)—The 17-nation view following a three-hour session. SPECIFICALLY, the delegates instructed their co-chairmen — American Ambassador Arthur H. Dean and Zorin—to work out agreed language for a preamble and report back by the middle of next week if possible.

In British eyes, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. Zorin seemed determined to plug the Russian disarmament line from first to last, with little consideration for the views of the non-Communist nations. The various delegates to help them in Americans took a more hopeful

view following a three-hour session. SPECIFICALLY, the delegates instructed their co-chairmen — American Ambassador Arthur H. Dean and Zorin—to work out agreed language for a preamble and report back by the middle of next week if possible. Leaders of the other delegations will submit comments and suggestions of their own by Monday morning and these ideas will be considered by Dean and Zorin. The co-chairmen also may call in non-Communist nations. The various delegates to help them in Americans took a more hopeful

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