



Kitty and Bob obviously work well together. How important that was in producing and for sustaining the Quayle-Kennedy bill, is hard to say.

Back in the office Bob had said, "Who would have predicted a year a half ago that we would have passed the bill we got in the way we got it." "I should pursue that. What would he have predicted a year and a half ago?"

He, too, went into the Denton matter - said staffers couldn't work it out. Dan and Denton reached agreement. Staffers write it up and Denton produced a different one today. "Did you see Dan talking to Denton. He was shaking his fist. So Denton went back to the earlier one. That's the one I had sold to Kennedy. Then he changed that when Kennedy objected. I was surprised when he changed from 200% to 250%. Kennedy would have accepted the 200%."

He was surprised that Specter pushed so hard--thought he just wanted to make a speech. Said AS would have gotten one vote. On Domenici, he couldn't believe Pete would pop up with something like that and persist. He said Pete had no chance in the committee.

"All the amendments we would have opposed, were withdrawn, one by Kennedy, one by Metzenbaum." That seemed to please him. But they could have been better off beating them on the floor. It might have strengthened them in conference.

I told Bob that my story line was (1) the decision to go and stay bipartisan and (2) the opposition of the administration. He agreed.