



"You're right, he didn't."

"I did all the work on that bill. I'll bet Tsongas didn't even give a speech on it. Those guys put their names on the bill, but they never did the work."

- Kristol said, "You came pretty close on that amendment, didn't you-40 votes?"

"I think we got 36 or 38. The Arkansas delegation was the tricky one on that. Bumpers and Pryor held back on that. They went with us once and against us once." He smiled--Kristol left.

- "What did you think of the Woodward-Broder piece. Everyone said it was a great series, but there were so many things they never even covered. (Kristol had the same complaint.)
- I allowed as how they never gave him credit for the job training bill.
- He said "I worked two years on that. And the administration was against us most of the time. That Meese... You're right, I've never gotten much credit for that."
- I said, "Well, it's not over till it's over." He smiled at that--and yawned.
- "We'll look forward to seeing you again on the campaign trail."
- I said, "Good luck," and left.
- The two guys who had been waiting for him when I got there were fairly lunging through his office door when I came out. And on he went to the next appointment. The head of his Space Council was first through the door.
- I said to Bill and Cynthia that "he looks fine, but he's tired." Bill said, "He is and he's going away for a long weekend."
- I laughed and said, "I was just about to say that you ought to let him go home and sleep in his own bed. But I guess that's what ordinary people do--who don't bounce checks and balance their check books."
- We all laughed and bantered a bit. Cynthia said, "We'll find a trip for you." And I said goodbye; Bill walked me outside and we talked briefly about the Convention. I left, got a taxi and that was it.

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