

Governor McKEITHEN. Most States don't have a very large income tax. We can't afford it, when we need the income for the Federal Government's projects, and I am not complaining but I can't think of a fair way to get the money.

Don't misunderstand me. But when you get through with them here in Washington, there is not much income left to tax.

I am not complaining, Senator Jackson. I am not putting the blame on anyone in the Congress, because I support the theory of the income tax, and I am not one to advocate the reduction of taxes, but I say that the State income tax is a very small thing, and I will be glad to get you that information, as nearly as we can, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. The very able chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, who is a distinguished Senator, and a distinguished son of Louisiana, handles all of the revenue raising, and he is aided and abetted over on the House side by a very able whip, Congressman Boggs.

Governor McKEITHEN. That is one of the reasons why I was very careful not to criticize. I will be glad to furnish the committee with that information as quickly as I can, as nearly as we can get it.

The CHAIRMAN. I understand.

Governor McKEITHEN. Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. Senator Anderson?

Senator ANDERSON. Well, let me say I never thought I would live long enough to hear this discussion about the Outer Continental Shelf. I do want to discuss a little history. You may recall that there was a filibuster going on in the Senate. Some of us who were liberals did not like to do it very much. Senator Taft, the majority leader then, spoke up and said there is a filibuster going on and the Senator from New Mexico is the organizer and leader of it. I do remember we had some discussion about it. The so-called filibuster absolutely blocked passage for a long time of the bill, granting to the States the lands the Supreme Court had said belonged to the Federal Government.

There was not 1 inch of tidelands, as such, involved at all, but the title was a better sales point. We who opposed the giveaway finally got the floor, and had a long discussion. Senator Taft appealed to some of us to try to work something out. Price Daniels and others came along, and I made the commitment that if they would support the Continental Shelf proposition, I would try to call off the filibuster.

They did agree, and the idea was proposed to Senator Douglas and others. Senator Taft met us in his little office, and asked what we wanted for a guarantee.

I said, "If Guy Cordon will draft the bill"—he was the best legislative man I ever saw—"If Guy Cordon will draft the bill, we will try to get it approved and then go on with the tidelands discussion."

Senator Cordon did draft it. That is, he sketched out the basic provisions there in Senator Taft's office. Certain commitments were made. I objected at one time that the Outer Shelf was not being unequivocally sealed off, and Guy Cordon said, "This is as strong language as you can get."

We did pass the submerged lands bill, the Inner Continental Shelf bill, and then the Outer Continental Shelf bill. It was a fight, but Senator Taft got on the floor and went around the room and said he had made his commitment for it, and that it had to be passed.