

committed as debate began, was Vermont's venerable George Aiken, 76, dean of Senate Republicans and a man singularly invulnerable to pressure. (The total cost of Aiken's 1968 primary campaign was \$17.09 for postage; he was unopposed in the November election.) Said one anti-ABM strategist: "If we don't get Aiken, we don't win."

**Like 20 Touchdowns.** Aiken's closest friend is Democrat Mike Mansfield of Montana, the Senate majority leader, with whom he breakfasts at the Capitol daily. In their morning chats, Mansfield observed that if, as seemed likely, ABM squeaked through the Senate by a hairbreadth, the U.S. would be harmed rather than helped in arms negotiations with the Russians. Said Mansfield: "It would be a positive weakness. It would show a deep divisiveness in the country. It would be a Pyrrhic victory."

When Aiken took the floor last week, he echoed that thought. Carefully avoiding the word "compromise," Aiken said: "This pending legislation must be modified to the extent that a strong approval of this Senate will be obtained." If the U.S. starts discussing arms limitation with the Soviets, he argued, "even though the legislation as written could be approved by as many as 51 or 52 votes in this Senate, which I doubt, we would be in an extremely weak bargaining position." Aiken added: "I believe it is absolutely necessary for President Nixon to have a much larger number of votes in this Senate supporting him when we enter into such a conference."

Republican Leader Everett Dirksen, who admits that he is no military expert, scoffed at the Aiken-Mansfield argument. "If you win by one point," he said, "it's as good as 20 touchdowns." While all but four or five Senators are dug into positions as hard as the ICBM silos the ABM is supposed to protect, anything can happen in the week or more remaining before S.2546 comes to a vote. Still, Aiken, who had conferred privately with the President on the issue, gave a clear signal that the Administration was about ready to settle for a compromise—or "modification"—of its original proposal.

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## POLITICAL NOTES

### Chairman Daley's Maxims

*Gentlemen, get the thing straight once and for all—the policeman isn't there to create disorder, the policeman is there to preserve disorder.*

Only one American politician could have said it: Chicago's Mayor Richard Daley, who committed that memorable malapropism while defending police misconduct during last year's Democratic Convention. Taking a leaf from Chairman Mao, Pocket Books has published *Quotations from Mayor Daley*—a bouquet of bluster, sanctimony and lost battles with the English language. Excerpts:  
▶ On his political apparatus: "Organi-



zation, not machine. Get that. Organization, not machine."

▶ On tampering with election results: "We have never held back returns in Chicago."

▶ Why Hubert Humphrey lost Illinois: "He didn't get enough votes."

▶ On Republican denunciations of a 1960 police scandal: "Just say Daley laughed."

▶ On municipal government's fallibility: "Look at our Lord's disciples. One denied him, one doubted him, one betrayed him. If our Lord couldn't have perfection, how are you going to have it in city government?"

▶ To a press conference: "We have had a lot of dishonest newspapermen in this town. We still have. I could spit on some from here."

▶ On law and order: "I would assume any [police] superintendent would issue orders to shoot any arsonists on sight." (April 15, 1968) "There wasn't any shoot-to-kill order. That was a fabrication." (April 17, 1968)

▶ On Viet Nam doves: "Everyone is entitled to his position, but we need unity as well as division. Dissent is one thing but division is another."

▶ On an unacceptable argument: "That is unreasonable reasoning."

▶ On false accusations: "That isn't even true enough to answer." (1960) "I resent the insinuos." (1965)

▶ To a civic gathering: "Ladies and gentlemen of the League of Women Voters . . ."

▶ On the marvels of science: "It is amazing what they will be able to do once they get the atom harassed."

▶ On the fortunes of politics: "They have vilified me, they have crucified me, yes, they have even criticized me."

▶ On the Daley image: "I'm not better than anybody else. I don't want to look like a fellow who tells other people what to do."

▶ *Excelsior*: "Together we must rise to ever higher and higher platitudes."

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