

# Stark Blasts Kissinger For Absence

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Alameda county's gadfly Democratic congressman Fortney H. (Pete) Stark Jr., took off after Secretary of State Henry Kissinger yesterday for "finding it more convenient to cavort in Acapulco than to appear before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Stark chose the hallowed halls of Congress for his denunciation of the honeymooning secretary of state later, spicing his comments with such phrases as "hanky panky."

Stark's outbursts was occasioned by support of his so-called "privileged resolution," demanding that the secretary of state furnish the House with all classified diplomatic messages between this country and the Soviet Union relating to last October's military alert.

The resolution, introduced March 25 by Stark and Representative Michael Harrington (Dem-Mass.) went to the House Foreign Affairs Committee a week ago and received an unfavorable 26-to-2 vote.

The resolution, because it was introduced as privileged, required a full House vote.

In urging adoption of the resolution as a "protest" against Kissinger's actions during the October crisis, Stark said:

"He still finds it more convenient to cavort in Acapulco than to come here and deal with the situation which could have led this country into an atomic holocaust."

The resolution was overwhelmingly defeated by voice vote.

Later, Stark insisted to The Chronicle he was entire-

ly serious in his criticism of Kissinger.

"This is a guy who spent his time running around with show girls and movie starlets and now spends his time trying to get respectability in the eyes of the public by sanctifying his hanky panky.

"The result is that he sends second level bureaucrats to give flip and inclusive answers on the most vital and dangerous decisions a public official could ever make."

By "hanky panky" Stark said he was referring to Kissinger's "public display of being a swinger."

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