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## CLOTURE VOTE IN THE SENATE

- Q. The Senate is expected to try to change the number of votes needed to cut off debate, cutting it from 2/3rds to 3/5ths. It may be necessary for Vice President Rockefeller to cast a tie-breaking vote on this legislation. Has the President taken a position on this issue or instructed the Vice President how to vote?
- A. The President is not taking a position on the question of making it easier to cut off debate in the Senate. As far as the President is concerned, it is strictly a Senate matter vand if it is necessary for the Vice President to break the tie,
  Rockefeller will have to make that decision himself.