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wait with a shotgun. He will bring Senator Beutler out of the air and eternal optimist that Senator Beutler may be, he will not escape that shotgun charge. On the other hand, being the practical politician that I am, I will not attempt to fly. I will sit there and watch what happens to Senator Beutler. And whereas, because of his lack of wisdom based on optimism, Senator Bourne, we could call him a clay pigeon.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The fact that I will sit there and observe this terrible thing happening to my colleague, you could call me a mourning dove. I'm getting in the spirit that I intend to exemplify the rest of the day. This is going to be a lighthearted approach for me, because when I know in advance nothing from nothing leaves nothing, it would be foolish for me to get as upset and exercised as some of my colleagues will do and as some of those people out in the lobby. Thank you. Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the opening on the Chambers amendment to AM3521. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion, Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Chambers, there's always a chance that Senator Tyson will miss the target and there will not be any Senator Beutler falling out of the air but, rather, Senator Beutler will be soaring. And, you know, I don't know whether...I think Senator Tyson's a good shot, but he's probably been distracted by some side discussion on Dante's "Inferno," or something like that, that got him distracted. (Laugh) Anyway, about this time every year I think there's always a lot of consternation and feeling as if...on the part of the body that we aren't getting anything done, and we're right at that point right now that I think is a little bit dangerous, because we certainly could go either way. We could get absolutely nothing done, or we could soar, and I'm trying to think about how we could possibly do what we need to do. Now I've...one of the things I worry about in this discussion that we're having is that we are accepting a certain figure as a fait accompli, and I'm not certain that that's what