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EISENHOWER, HOOVER JOIN IN DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL TOWER TO LATE SENATOR TAFT

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- President Eisenhower, ex-President Herbert Hoover, government officials and friends of the late Senator Robert A. Taft stand during the playing of the National Anthem at ceremonies dedicating a 100-foot bell tower to the long-time leader of the Republican Party in the U.S. Congress. Left to right, front row, are: Representative B. Carroll Bease of Tennessee, presiding officer; Vice President Richard Nixon, leader of the Senate; Mr. Hoover; the President; Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Representative Clarence J. Brown of Ohio. The structure, housing 27 carillon bells to ring out the hours, stands on Capitol Hill near the seat of the Legislative Branch of the Government. The bells were cast in the Paccard Bell Foundry in Annecy, France. A ten-foot statue of the Senator, by the American sculptor Wheeler Williams, stands at the base of the tower. Architects were Douglas W. Orr and Fred M. Kramer of New Haven, Connecticut. Funds for the \$1 million structure were raised by popular subscription after the Senator died of cancer in July 1953. (59-760)



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