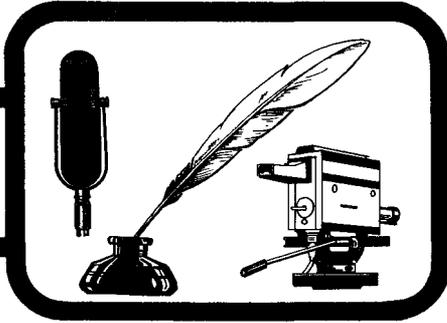


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**NEWS
RELEASE**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MINORITY LEADER GERALD R. FORD ENDORSES DANIEL B. BOYER, JR., FOR CONGRESS

Dan Boyer's candidacy for Congress in the 6th District will give the Republican Party a great lift in the November Election.

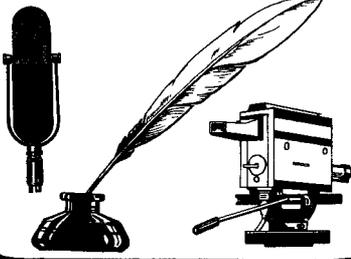
Dan is a young and vigorous man and will represent this District for the benefit of all its citizens.

The voters are deeply disturbed that there is such a wide diversity of opinion among Congressional Democrats and the President in regard to the Vietnam situation. The deep division within the Democratic Party over policy in Vietnam is prolonging the war, undermining the morale of our fighting men and encouraging the Communist aggressor. It has confused the people in other nations about the American purpose and has led North Vietnamese to believe that in time we may falter, that we do not have the necessary will or determination to win.

As a result, the peace that this Nation and the Free World seeks has been delayed, the fighting intensified and the threat of a major war deepened.

With Dan Boyer in Congress, the people of the 6th District will have a strong and constructive voice in support of peace abroad and responsible leadership at home.

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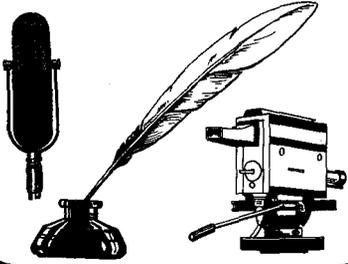
**NEWS
RELEASE**

FOR RELEASE AT 10:30 A.M.
MAY 11, 1966

STATEMENT BY HOUSE MINORITY LEADER GERALD R. FORD, R-MICHIGAN.

Governor Romney has acted wisely in naming my colleague, Rep. Robert P. Griffin, to the Senate seat left vacant by the death of Sen. Patrick V. McNamara. Mr. Griffin is an excellent choice. I know he will serve the people of Michigan well and with the greatest of dedication. Mr. Griffin is intelligent and capable and imbued with the highest ideals a public servant can bring to the office of United States senator. He is fully deserving not only of Gov. Romney's trust but that of all the people of Michigan.

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**NEWS
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE--JUNE 8, 1966

STATEMENT BY HOUSE MINORITY LEADER GERALD R. FORD, R-MICH, RE CALIF, PRIMARY .

The tremendous vote for Ronald Reagan in the California primary tells me that Pat Brown will be looking for a new job after the ballots are counted in November. Reagan is a most attractive, hard-working and dedicated candidate. I feel sure the people of California will prefer him to Brown. The need now is for California Republicans to unite behind Reagan. This will happen because California Republicans as well as Republicans throughout the country are paying heed to the 11th commandment as enunciated by California GOP Chairman Gaylord Parkinson, "Thou shalt not speak ill of any Republican." I say amen to that and predict that California's rank and file Republicans will, also.

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**NEWS
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE--JUNE 9, 1966

STATEMENT BY HOUSE MINORITY LEADER GERALD R. FORD, R-MICHIGAN
RE: CALIFORNIA 14th DISTRICT

I repeat what I have said many times before the balloting in California's 14th congressional district last Tuesday. Republicans will pick up at least 40 House seats this fall.

We will have an uphill battle in the 14th district of California in November but the loss of the late Rep. John Baldwin's seat there to a Democrat for the short term is not at all indicative of what is happening nationwide. Not only was that contest a battle of personalities but the 14th district of California is 3 to 2 Democratic, as borne out by registration figures. Any Democrat who reads the California 14th District results as a sign there will not be substantial Republican gains nationally is just dreaming.

John Baldwin first won the California 14th District seat in 1954 in a squeaker. His plurality was 2,560 votes--he got 50.9 per cent of the total votes--and he had been beaten in an initial try for the seat in 1952.

The fact that Republicans held on to that seat from 1954 to the present was primarily a tribute to Mr. Baldwin, who became so beloved by the people in his district that his victory margins increased steadily over the years. That is why he won by the amazing plurality of 53,000 votes--getting 64.9 per cent of the total vote--in 1964 in a normally Democratic district. The answer is that Democrats were voting for John Baldwin.

In Tuesday's voting in California's 14th District, voters were picking party candidates for the November 8 election and were filling the Baldwin seat for the rest of this year at the same time. This was a device employed by Gov. Pat Brown to give an advantage to the Democratic favorite, Jerry Waldie. Waldie's only Democratic opponent was a nonentity. The leading Republican candidate, Frank Newman, is highly attractive and most capable. But Newman was not well known, and Waldie is majority leader of the state assembly.

I am reliably informed that Waldie never ran against Mr. Baldwin because he knew he couldn't beat him, and that he publicly said as much.

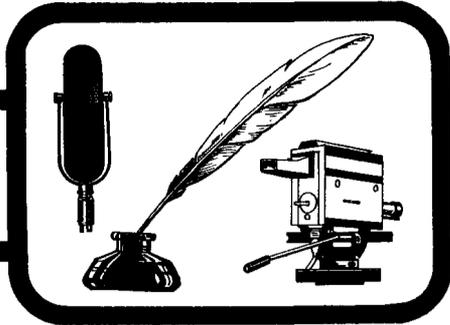
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STATEMENT BY REP. GERALD R. FORD

The Republican vote Tuesday was split among three candidates. Waldie will have a fight on his hands this fall when 14th district Republicans unite behind Frank Newman and it becomes a two-man race.

Contrary to what the House majority leader has said about the election in California's 14th district, it is the Democrats who are engaging in wishful thinking if they are concluding from that race that Republicans will not make sizable gains in November. To use a football term, we'll rock them back on their heels.

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**NEWS
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FOR RELEASE IN WEDNESDAY P.M.'s

JUNE 22, 1966

STATEMENT BY REP. GERALD R. FORD, R-MICHIGAN

WASHINGTON--House Republican Leader Gerald R. Ford today pointed to Connecticut's Fourth Congressional District as one of the targets the GOP will zero in on most vigorously in November.

"I believe the Connecticut Fourth will be one of the 40 or more seats we will add to our present strength on November 8," Ford said.

Ford made the comment preliminary to going to Connecticut this Saturday for two speaking appearances.

He will deliver the keynote speech at the Republican Fourth District congressional convention Saturday afternoon at Bridgeport and also will speak at a GOP fund-raising dinner-dance Saturday evening at Westport. The dinner-dance is sponsored by the Connecticut GOP State Central Committee and the Norwalk GOP Town Committee.

It is virtually certain that Abner W. Sibal, two-term congressman who was defeated in 1964 by Democrat Donald J. Irwin, will be nominated by the GOP convention as the Republican challenger this year.

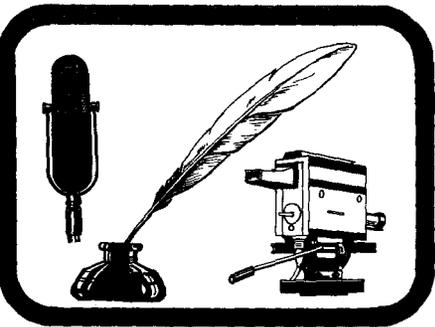
Ford said he was glad to see Sibal seeking reelection because during his four years in Congress Sibal proved to be "a skilled legislator, knowledgeable, imaginative and blessed with a sturdy independence of spirit."

Ford said the Fourth District of Connecticut is a dynamic area that deserves forward-looking representation in Congress.

"In Washington," Ford said, "we expect something special from the legislator who represents Connecticut's Fourth District." "We expect him to make a meaningful contribution to the solution of the problems that confront our nation while remaining alert to the special requirements of his constituency."

"The Fourth District had that kind of representation during Ab Sibal's two terms in Congress," Ford declared. "If Ab is nominated, he can be sure of all possible support to bring him back to the House, where he belongs."

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HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADER

**NEWS
RELEASE**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1966

STATEMENT BY REP. GERALD R. FORD, R-MICHIGAN.

Discerning Democrats in Michigan who supported Detroit Mayor Jerome P. Cavanagh for the Democratic Senate nomination still have an opportunity to vote for a man who is better equipped to serve Michigan in the U.S. Senate than is ex-Governor G. Mennen Williams. For good reasons a great number of Mr. Cavanagh's supporters will decide they prefer Sen. Robert P. Griffin to Soapy Williams on November 8. Sen. Griffin has exhibited his fine qualifications for the office he holds. He fully deserves to continue in that office.

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