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**MEMORANDUM  
OF CALL**

TO: Sally

YOU WERE CALLED BY—  YOU WERE VISITED BY—

Lee Edwards  
OF (Organization) Vermont

PLEASE CALL → PHONE NO. 802/658-4240  
CODE/EXT. 802/658-4240

WILL CALL AGAIN  IS WAITING TO SEE YOU

RETURNED YOUR CALL  WISHES AN APPOINTMENT

MESSAGE

*Re: Mike Ford  
48 Georgians  
4 days  
New Eng. St.  
Mon. - Thurs.*



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President Ford Committee

86 Main Street

Burlington, Vermont 05401

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Sally:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter I wrote to Mike Ford and the newspaperings from several dailies. There are two dailies in Manchester + Bennington that we won't have until Monday. Also, there are no weekly articles included. We won't have those until the middle of next week. I will continue to forward them to you as they come in.

Thanks,

LEE

# Vermont

## President Ford Committee

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86 Main Street

Burlington, Vermont 05401

October 15, 1976

Dear Mike:

The President Ford Committee of Vermont can't thank you enough for your visit. What an exciting day! It will be my most memorable day of the campaign.

I was brought up in a religious family and I have maintained my religious upbringing, however, I have not professed Christian responsibilities to my friends and fellow workers. It takes a tremendous amount of courage and dedication to talk about Christian responsibilities.

As you stood on the lawn in front of the community church in Jamaica with the leaves rustling and the sun shining, homemade donuts and cider being served, and excited little school children listening to your words about commitment to "my Lord, my family, and my country," you renewed my faith and many, many others' faith in these three most important aspects of life.

Your family has proven to be a great asset to our President. The conversations about your visit to Vermont are accompanied by very warm feelings toward you and your father's candidacy. I hope you will continue to travel in your father's behalf because the sincerity that you show, reflects in the people you talk with.

Please come back and bring Gail for a few days of the best skiing in the nation! Ski Vermont.

Thank you,

Lee Edwards  
Executive Director

LE: phl



Vermont

President Ford Committee

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The item described below has been transferred from this file to:

- X   Audiovisual Unit  
      Book Collection  
      Ford Museum in Grand Rapids

Item: 5 3"x5" Black and White photos of Mike Ford  
campaigning in Jamaica, Vermont on October 10, 1976

photos sent by Lee Edwards, Exec. Dir of the  
Vermont PFC

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# ENERGY

- OBVIOUSLY A DIFFICULT PROBLEM
  - GROWING DEMANDS
  - LIMITED SOURCES
  - AGGRAVATED BY ECOLOGICAL CONSIDERATIONS
  - MANY CONFLICTING INTERESTS, E.G., LOW \$ COST VS. POLLUTION
- OPTIONS ON GROWING DEMAND
  - CONSERVATION
  - HIGHER EFFICIENCY
- OPTIONS ON LIMITED SOURCES
  - MUST CONSIDER ALL SOURCES
    - FOSSIL FUELS (OIL, GAS, COAL)
    - NUCLEAR FUELS
    - HYDRO
    - OTHER PROMISING SOURCES
      - SOLAR, WIND, TIDAL
  - MUST TRADE-OFF COSTS & BENEFITS
    - NEEDS, LOCATION, SUPPLY, ETC.
    - DEPLETION FACTORS
    - R & D EXPENSE
- ECOLOGICAL CONSIDERATIONS
  - ALL ENERGY SOURCES HAVE RISKS
  - MINIMIZE RISKS WHILE SATISFYING NEEDS
  - BE SENSITIVE TO ENVIRONMENT
- STRIVE FOR A BALANCED APPROACH
  - ADMITTEDLY DIFFICULT, KEEP OPEN MIND



NEW HAMPSHIRE - A STATE MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN ITS GEOGRAPHIC SIZE (ONE OF ORIGINAL 13 COLONIES)

A <sup>STRONG</sup> LINK IN THE CHAIN OF OUR NATIONAL SECURITY

- FB-111 BOMBER BASE, A PART OF STRATEGIC DETERRENCE (PEASE AIR FORCE BASE)
- PORTSMOUTH NAVY YARD, A CENTER OF SUBMARINE ACTIVITY OVER THE YEARS

A SYMBOL OF EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

A DAIRY STATE ?



Gayle-~~10~~

Mon

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Mike ~~Pres~~

Betsy Scofield - Mass 617/482-1181

9:00 Sunday <sup>Annual East Boston</sup> <sup>Old Day Revival</sup> <sup>mayors breakfast</sup>  
Breakfast with Mayor ~~White~~ (90 min)  
Lombardos Rest.

? Pres availability of A -

Frank Matera  
Treasurer for Humphrey -  
endorsing and for - announcement  
just before pres availability

East Boston town?

1 pm - 3 + 4 pm  
Columbus Day Parade [motorcade

12 Old father home - Don Orione  
5 citizens

Will you be willing to do  
such show as Get My America?

Ray Fontana, St. Chrm  
of PFC  
Mass.



John Mudge 603.228.0175  
Ex. Dir. of N.H. PFC 224.0376 (hm)

Sat. Oct 9.

10AM Volunteer St Paul School  
high school

Durham, N.H. foll. #4 by en-route  
at gas stores, malls etc.

Univ of N.H. vs. Maine  
Afternoon football game  
walk thru tailgaters

Durham +

N. Market

Stratton -> by (farmers for

Ford Chrm's home

Exador

\* Dairy farm state \$6-7,000  
\* Poor state welfare  
\* Nuclear energy  
15 miles to  
Vermont plant

we have to  
explore each of  
energy sources  
oil gas coal

John Messen 603.885.3222

advance 603.889.9186 (hm)

Monday Bill Enity - 802.362.1125

9:15 Bene, N.H. People for Ford Co

9:55 Brattleboro big cafeteria 15 min 90% women

Holstein Friesian agricultural organ. - 300 employees

11:30 Mt. Snow. Fall Foliage Festival

to Jamaica, Vermont

(Front porch Rept) main st. small

Stratton Mt. Edward rep. retiring town  
Vermont Syn. Orches. Feneway Lee Edwards (state)

1:30 Manchester H. Ext. Dir.

Bennington Greg Storey  
op press self

6:20PM Airport

Go. Grady. S.S.

~~1987 Denise P.~~  
~~Radio - Mrs. Ford~~

Mike

Sunday Oct 10

- 9 AM Breakfast w/ Mayor White  
Lombardo's (17 Porter St.)  
no remarks  
Frank Occhipintini, maitre'd
- 11 AM QrA (Boston Rm)  
prom<sup>democ.</sup> atl. for HHH w/ endorse Ford by QrA  
Sandwiches
- 1130 Don Orione Home, Orione Hts. Section  
Home for older Italian people  
great residents
- 1230 Lv. for parade
- 130 Col. Day parade  
2 hrs. — Tom Terranova  
miles in 1st Division (3 miles)

Just Thurs.  
3 days of  
study for  
papers for

took light  
load this semester  
to help in campaign  
w/ graduate in May



617.768.7293

Mike Ford

Int. Reg.

10-7 Anne Prasley, PFC Hq. 457.6621  
(phone)

10-7 Ken Briggs, N.Y.T. (phone) follow-up on Pres. int  
w/ Natl. Rel. Broadcasters (Sept 16)

Religious  
Reporter 212.556.1388

212.556.1234 (gen. #)

Elspeth  
Art

~~\* Social ofc. on Dinner for Martha Graham  
exp.~~

\* Mike Ford's schedule

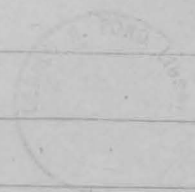
~~\* Video Tape <sup>Oct 29</sup> <sup>call time?</sup> Susan Ford  
- Magnum <sup>7:00</sup>  
- Ed. Main. Am. <sup>time?</sup> 8:15~~

Tentative Oct 29 - N. Hampshire - <sup>(6)</sup> Ford Caravaning  
Oct. 10 Boston - Col. Day Parade  
Oct. 11 Vermont - caravaning  
# 9 or #

~~Mike~~  
Mike Ford 212-556-1388  
Ken Briggs N.Y. To phone int  
> follow-up Nat'l Relig Broadcasters w/ Pres.  
[6/10] 6/22  
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~~Lyn 9:00 (Chan)  
Oct. 29 (Susan) (2nd  
(WETA)~~

Susan Ford } Louis Mohoney + Richmond  
Cooking - e



SHEILA

DONALD A. CLAREY

October 13, 1976

Dear Susan, <sup>PORTER</sup>

Enclosed are the newsclippings, Mike's  
Schedule, the program of festivities and three  
thank you notes.

I had a wonderful time doing  
the event and don't hesitate to call  
on me again.

Don  
MIKE'S 10/10  
ADVANCEMAN



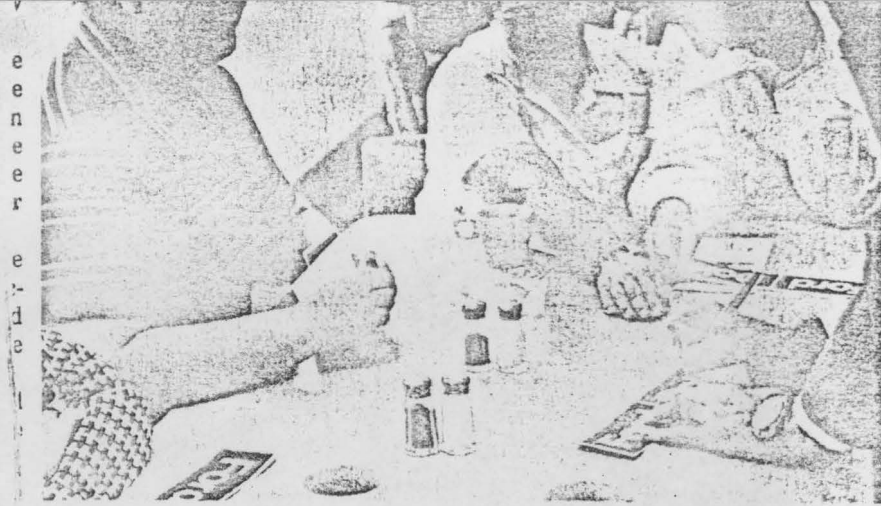


Michael Ford.

# Restraint 'Not Physical' But Cord Was Broken

BRATTLEBORO, (AP) Eastern European countries, — The Secret Service said a The President made the misunderstanding was remark in San Francisco during responsible for two agents a nationwide TV debate. removing a newsmen Monday "I think he needed to clarify from a room of people waiting it more than he did," said to greet President Ford's son, Ford.

Michael. "I think what his intention was there that the United States will not recognize the do- agents forcibly took him from a mination of Eastern Europe by the Soviet Union.



THE ELDEST SON of President Ford, Michael, campaigning for his father's shook hands and gave out autographs at the Holstein-Friesian Association in today. He said that President Ford "recognizes the indomitable spirit and will of Eastern Europe," and "this is what the United States will fight for." He cannot use military force," but will "exercise strong influence" diplomatically European countries from the Soviet Union's dominance. While debating h Jimmy Carter last week, Ford said that Eastern Europe was not under Soviet

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PRESIDENTS' PROGENY met in Jamaica Monday. Mrs. Robert T. Gannett, granddaughter of President Theodore Roosevelt, was introduced by her husband, Sen. Gannett, left, to the eldest son of President Ford, Michael, right, while Secret Service guards like the one in the background watched. Mrs. Gannett said that she was impressed by the young representative of the "first family."

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# Ford's Son Brings Presidential Campaign To Southern Vermont

By VIRGINIA PAGE

JAMAICA — A quiet-spoken seminarian hit the campaign trail on behalf of his father, the President of the United States, in southern Vermont Monday. Michael Ford, 26, of Gordon Conwell interdenominational seminary in Essex, Mass., said that he had been campaigning only three weeks.

He told a group of schoolchildren and Vermont politicians in a brief speech in Jamaica that he and his wife, Gayle, "have stayed under cover and haven't done much traveling" during the campaign.

"But we feel that we have the responsibility and obligation to our family and our children and our country as American citizens and an obligation to Our Lord as we believe in him to be involved in the political process," he said.

### First Visit

This was "Mike" Ford's first visit in Vermont. After landing at the Keene, N.H., airport with a phalanx of Secret Service guards, he went to the Holstein-Friesian offices in Brattleboro. There he

shook hands and signed autographs with employes and local candidates, and made his only political comments during an extremely brief press conference.

(Just previously, the Secret Service had harassed most of the representatives of the press by demanding to see their identification, testing their cameras, and in the case of Larry Smith of WTSA, shoving him against a wall and breaking the microphone of his tape recorder.)

Asked why the Secret Service picked on the news reporters, but not on the innumerable politicians and ordinary people who flocked around Ford, an agent replied, "You have closer proximity."

### Military Force

Michael Ford said during the press conference "I enjoy being with people and talking about what I believe in: one thing is my Christian faith, and the other thing is my father. I respect Gov. Carter's Christian faith, and I also respect my father's Christian faith. The difference between my father's and Gov. Carter's Christian faith is in style and expression."

He then got entangled in the question of

what President Ford meant when he said during the last debate with Carter that Eastern European countries are not dominated by the Soviet Union. Young Ford said that his father meant that the people of those countries "have an indomitable spirit, and will not be dominated, and we recognize their decision to seek freedom. This is what the United States will fight for."

But when asked about the word "fight," and if that meant military intervention, he quickly added, "We can't use military force, but we can exert a strong influence" diplomatically.

### Crafts Fair

Ford's press conference was then abruptly ended, and he only rarely referred to political issues during his tour of Mt. Snow and Jamaica. He lunched at Mt. Snow with Barbara Snelling, the wife of Richard Snelling of Shelburne, the Republican candidate for governor, with T. Garry Buckley of Bennington, Republican candidate for lieutenant

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on Thursday and Friday to the judge his 90 minute instructions to them.

# Michael Ford in Fender-Bender

DURHAM, N.H. (AP) — Three cars of a motorcade, including one carrying President Ford's oldest son, Michael, became entangled in a minor accident Saturday on a rain slicked highway, a spokesman for the President Ford Committee said.

mediately after the incident the motorcade proceeded to the University of New Hampshire campus where the 26-year-old Ford watched part of the UNH-Maine football game.

Ford is making a three-state swing through New England in

of the region.

Michael Ford, a theology student at Essex, Mass., said he is "certain that some (Eastern European) countries feel... (Soviet) influence" but that the official U.S. policy is "to

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Larry Smith P-11

## Gets Apology

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. (UPI)

— A radio newsman who was pushed around by Secret Service agents during a campaign visit Monday by President Ford's son Michael has received apologies from state and national officials of the Ford campaign.

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# Michael Ford Campaigns in the County on Monday

President Ford's oldest son, Michael, will campaign for his father in Brattleboro and other northern Vermont towns. Residents, the White House confirmed this morning. The President's son is scheduled to arrive in Brattleboro 10 days. Republican vice presidential candidate Robert Dole returned to the White House this morning.

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## Ford Son Says Campaign Is Aimed at the People

Michael Ford, the President's oldest son, will demonstrate in Windham County Monday that at 2:15 p.m. Then he will travel to Bennington, scheduled to arrive at 3:45.

"the Ford campaign is aimed at the people," according to Ford campaign official William Fritts. Fritts, who is chairman of the "People for Ford" committee working in Vermont, said he

# Newsman Complains

BRATTLEBORO,

(UPI) — A radio newsman has filed formal complaints he was pushed around by Secret Service agents during a campaign visit by Michael Ford, the president's 28-year old son.

WUSA News Director Larry Smith charged he was preparing for a pre-arranged interview Monday with Ford when agents dragged him forcibly from the room, shoved him against a wall, insulted him, searched his recording equipment and broke a microphone.

Smith said he had been told earlier by officials of the President Ford Election Committee to enter an office building where the president's oldest son was due to meet workers.

He said he awaiting Ford and interviewing

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FORD'S SON  
VISITING VERMONT  
BRATTLEBORO (UPI) —  
President Ford's oldest son  
Michael, 28, today was  
scheduled to make a nine



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## Secret Service Agents Rough Up Vt. Newsman

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WUSA News Director Larry Smith

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BRATTLEBORO, VT. (UPI) -- A RADIO NEWSMAN HAS FILED FORMAL COMPLAINTS HE WAS PUSHED AROUND BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS DURING A CAMPAIGN VISIT BY MICHAEL FORD, THE PRESIDENT'S 26-YEAR OLD SON.

WTSA NEWS DIRECTOR LARRY SMITH CHARGED HE WAS PREPARING FOR A PRE-ARRANGED INTERVIEW WITH FORD YESTERDAY WHEN AGENTS DRAGGED HIM FORCIBLY FROM THE ROOM, SHOVED HIM AGAINST A WALL, INSULTED HIM, SEARCHED HIS RECORDING EQUIPMENT AND BROKE A MICROPHONE.

SMITH SAID HE HAD BEEN TOLD EARLIER BY OFFICIALS OF THE PRESIDENT FORD COMMITTEE TO ENTER AN OFFICE BUILDING WHERE THE PRESIDENT'S OLDEST SON WAS DUE TO MEET WORKERS. HE SAID HE WAS WAITING FOR FORD AND CONDUCTING A SEPARATE INTERVIEW WHEN HE WAS GRABBED BY THE SECRET SERVICE AGENTS.

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BRATTLEBORO, VT. (UPI) -- A RADIO NEWSMAN WHO WAS PUSHED AROUND BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS DURING A CAMPAIGN VISIT MONDAY BY PRESIDENT FORD'S SON MICHAEL HAS RECEIVED APOLOGIES FROM STATE AND NATIONAL OFFICIALS OF THE FORD CAMPAIGN.

WISA NEWS DIRECTOR LARRY SMITH SAID TUESDAY THAT THE OFFICIALS HAD TOLD HIM THEY WERE SORRY ABOUT THE INCIDENT. SMITH SAID HE HAS NOT YET HEARD FROM THE SECRET SERVICE.

SMITH CHARGED HE WAS DRAGGED FORCIBLY FROM A ROOM BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS, SHOVED UP AGAINST A WALL AND INSULTED. HE ALSO SAID HIS RECORDING EQUIPMENT WAS SEARCHED AND HIS MICROPHONE WAS BROKEN.

UPI 10-13 11:33 AM



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FORD-REPORTER

BRATTLEBORO, VT. (AP) -- A RADIO STATION NEWSMAN SAID TODAY HE WAS HELD TO A WALL AND HIS TAPE RECORDER WAS DAMAGED BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS BEFORE A PRE-ARRANGED INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT FORD'S SON.

THE SECRET SERVICE DENIED THAT PHYSICAL FORCE WAS USED AND SAID THE INCIDENT STEMMED FROM A MISUNDERSTANDING WITH THE FORD CAMPAIGN STAFF.

LARRY SMITH OF WISA RADIO SAID HE FILED A COMPLAINT WITH FORD'S STATE CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS AND THE BOSTON OFFICE OF THE SECRET SERVICE AFTER HE WAS UNABLE TO RECORD AN INTERVIEW WITH MICHAEL FORD.

HE SAID A FORD COORDINATOR TOLD HIM TO ENTER A RECEPTION AREA PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW, BUT TWO SECRET SERVICE AGENTS LATER CAME INTO THE ROOM AND HELD HIM "PINNED AGAINST THE WALL," BREAKING THE MICROPHONE CORD ON HIS RECORDER.

AFTER SEARCHING HIS EQUIPMENT, HE SAID, THE AGENTS RELEASED HIM WITHOUT EXPLANATION. A THIRD AGENT LATER APOLOGIZED, SMITH SAID. "HE SAID SOMETHING LIKE, 'THE AGENTS WERE A LITTLE EDGY.'"

JACK WARNER, SECRET SERVICE SPOKESMAN IN WASHINGTON, SAID THE AGENTS DID NOT KNOW SMITH HAD BEEN GIVEN PERMISSION TO ENTER THE ROOM.

"BUT THE AGENTS SAID THEY WERE NOT PHYSICAL WITH THE REPORTER," WARNER SAID.

SMITH SAID HE COULD NOT TAPE HIS INTERVIEW WITH FORD, 26, BECAUSE OF THE BROKEN MICROPHONE CORD.

YOUNG FORD WAS ON A CAMPAIGN SWING THROUGH NEW ENGLAND.

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## Michael Ford visits Manchester

Buchheit

President Ford's son Michael (second from left) poses with Barbara Snelling, wife of GOP gubernatorial candidate Richard Snelling, T. Garry Buckley, candidate for lieutenant governor and his wife Barbara Buckley at Manchester's Republican Headquarters near the Battenkill Arcade on Routes 11 and 30 yesterday afternoon. The younger Ford was warmly received by a jubilant throng of Ford supporters and Republican officials. (See related story on page 1.)