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(ENDORSEMENTS)

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD'S HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER, THE GRAND RAPIDS PRESS, TODAY ENDORSED FORD FOR ELECTION IN WHAT IT SAID WAS "A VERY NARROW CHOICE."

THE PRESS HAS THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN WESTERN MICHIGAN. IT IS A MEMBER OF THE BOOTH NEWSPAPER GROUP, WHICH HAS SEVEN OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPERS IN THE STATE.

"IT WAS A VERY NARROW CHOICE INDEED," THE PRESS SAID EDITORIALY IN OPTING FOR FORD OVER DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JIMMY CARTER. "THE TILT TOWARD MR. FORD IS BECAUSE WE KNEW HIM WELL, AND WE HAVE BEEN HAUNTED BY WHAT WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT MR. CARTER AND HIS INTENTIONS IF HE WERE ELECTED."

ANOTHER WEST MICHIGAN NEWSPAPER, THE BATTLE CREEK ENQUIRER AND NEWS, A GANNETT NEWSPAPER CHAIN AFFILIATE, ENDORSED FORD WEDNESDAY, SAYING: "WE TRUST THE PROVEN RECORD OF FORD OVER THE PROMISES OF CARTER ON CRUCIAL ISSUES."

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TULSA, OKLA. (UPI) -- THE TULSA TRIBUNE WEDNESDAY ENDORSED PRESIDENT FORD AND SAID JIMMY CARTER HAD BEEN UNABLE TO TARNISH FORD'S CHARACTER.

"GERALD FORD IS AN HONEST, SOMEWHAT PEDESTRIAN, UNGLAMOROUS MAN FROM MICHIGAN," THE NEWSPAPER SAID. "IN THE HURLY-BURLY OF DEBATE HE IS CAPABLE OF PUTTING HIS FOOT IN HIS MOUTH, AS WITNESS THE GAFFE ABOUT THE INDEPENDENCE OF RUSSIA'S SATELLITES. BUT CARTER'S EFFORTS TO SMIRCH HIS CHARACTER HAVE COME TO NOTHING."

THE TULSA DAILY WORLD ENDORSED FORD SUNDAY ON ITS FRONT PAGE. IT FOLLOWED THAT WITH A SECOND PAGE-ONE ENDORSEMENT TODAY, SAYING THE PRESIDENT SHOULD BE ELECTED TO GIVE BALANCE TO THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

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JOHNSON CITY, TENN. (UPI) -- THE JOHNSON CITY PRESS-CHRONICLE ENDORSED PRESIDENT FORD TODAY, SAYING IT BELIEVES THE PRESIDENT WOULD BE MORE LIKELY TO CUT "THE SIZE AND SHAPE OF GOVERNMENT" AND GET IT OFF PEOPLE'S BACK.

THE NEWSPAPER ALSO SAID IT FAVORS:

-- "A COME-TO-GRIPS POLICY AGAINST INFLATION, A POLICY THAT RECOGNIZES THAT WE CANNOT SPEND OUR WAY INTO THE GOOD LIFE NOR TAX OUR WAY INTO UTOPIA.

-- "A BALANCED APPROACH TO SOCIAL NEEDS AND REFORMS, AN APPROACH THAT MAKES A DIFFERENTIATION BETWEEN WHAT IS PHILOSOPHICALLY DESIRABLE AND WHAT IS FISCALLY POSSIBLE.

-- "A CONCERTED EFFORT TO MEET, AT LONG LAST, THE NEEDS OF MIDDLE AMERICA, THAT PART OF THE POPULATION WHICH BEARS THE BURDEN OF THE WELFARE STATE ON ONE END OF THE STICK AND THE WEIGHT OF TAX LOOPHOLES FOR THE VERY RICH ON THE OTHER END."

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BURLINGTON, VT. (UPI) -- THE BURLINGTON FREE PRESS, VERMONT'S LARGEST DAILY NEWSPAPER, TODAY ENDORSED GERALD FORD FOR PRESIDENT.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID IN AN EDITORIAL THAT THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE GIVES VOTERS A BETTER CHOICE THAN THEY HAD IN 1972 BETWEEN RICHARD NIXON AND GEORGE MCGOVERN. IT PRAISED JIMMY CARTER FOR "HIS HIGH GOALS AND IDEALS" AND FOR HIS ABILITY AS AN ADMINISTRATOR.

BUT THE FREE PRESS SAID THE FORMER GEORGIA GOVERNOR'S EXPERIENCE IS LIMITED AND CHARGED HE HAS BEEN "OVERBEARING AND UNREASONABLE" IN ATTACKING THE FORD ADMINISTRATION AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN GENERAL.

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KEENE, N.H. (UPI) -- THE KEENE SENTINEL WEDNESDAY ENDORSED JIMMY CARTER FOR PRESIDENT.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID IT PREFERRED CARTER TO PRESIDENT FORD BECAUSE "THERE IS A NEED FOR CHANGE IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE UPPER ECHELONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH."

THE SENTINEL SAID SUCH A CHANGE WOULD BE A BREAK WITH "THE EVIL LEGACIES OF THE RECENT PAST: THE WAR IN VIETNAM, AS WELL AS MORAL CORRUPTION AND THE APPALLING ABUSES OF TRUST AND POWER WE NOW KNOW EVEN REACHED THE TWO HIGHEST OFFICES IN THE LAND.

"GERALD FORD WOULD NOT REPRESENT A BREAK," IT SAID. "JIMMY CARTER WOULD."

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AM-FORD SKED 10-28

BY DONALD LAMBRO

CINCINNATI (UPI) -- PLEDGING TO MAKE TAX CUTS HIS "NO. 1 PRIORITY" IF ELECTED, PRESIDENT FORD CUT A CAMPAIGN SWATH THROUGH THE MIDWEST THURSDAY EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE HE HAS THE MOMENTUM TO DEFEAT JIMMY CARTER ON TUESDAY.

ALONG THE WAY:

-- RICHARD CHENEY, THE PRESIDENT'S CHIEF OF STAFF, TOLD REPORTERS ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE THAT FORD HAS TURNED THE CORNER TO VICTORY, HAVING CRACKED THE DEMOCRATIC SOUTH, HELD ONTO THE REPUBLICAN MOUNTAIN AND FARM STATES AND PULLED EVEN WITH CARTER IN THE EIGHT BIG INDUSTRIAL STATES.

-- FORD TOLD A REPUBLICAN RALLY IN INDIANAPOLIS THAT CARTER HAS SLIPPED IN THE POLLS BECAUSE HIS CAMPAIGN "HAS RELIED VERY, VERY HEAVILY ON THE DISCARDED OLD PROGRAMS OF MORE AND MORE BIG SPENDING."

-- AIDES SAID THE PRESIDENT, DURING THE FOUR FINAL DAYS OF THE CAMPAIGN, WILL CRISS-CROSS A TIER OF STATES STRETCHING FROM TEXAS TO NEW YORK AND, AFTER VOTING IN HOMETOWN GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., WILL RETURN TO THE WHITE HOUSE TO AWAIT THE OUTCOME.

ON THURSDAY FORD FLEW FROM PHILADELPHIA TO INDIANA, WHICH HE IS FAVORED TO CARRY, AND ON TO OHIO FOR APPEARANCES IN CINCINNATI AND CLEVELAND.

IN OHIO, WHERE 25 ELECTORAL VOTES ARE AT STAKE, HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY REPUBLICAN GOV. JAMES A. RHODES AND SEN. ROBERT TAFT JR., R-OHIO, IN A MOTORCADE THROUGH DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI TO ADDRESS A RALLY IN THE CITY'S FOUNTAIN SQUARE.

BEFORE FLYING ON TO CLEVELAND TO PREPARE FOR ANOTHER STATEWIDE TELEVISION BROADCAST, THE PRESIDENT MET BRIEFLY WITH GOP LEADERS FROM NEIGHBORING KENTUCKY.

IN INDIANAPOLIS, FORD TOLD LOCAL BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADERS AT THE MASONIC SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL THAT "TAX CUTS ARE THE NO. 1 PRIORITY IN THE NEXT FORD ADMINISTRATION." CARTER, HE SAID "HAS AN OBLIGATION TO SAY WHERE HE STANDS ON A TAX CUT."

"OF ALL THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MR. CARTER AND MYSELF, NONE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE ECONOMY," THE PRESIDENT SAID, CITING THIS AS THE REASON FOR CARTER'S "DRASTIC SLIPPAGE" IN THE POLLS.

DESPITE FREEZING TEMPERATURES, FORD WORE NO TOPCOAT AS HE BOUNDED DOWN THE RAMP OF AIR FORCE ONE IN INDIANAPOLIS TO SHAKE HANDS WITH GOV. OTIS BROWN AND OTHER DIGNITARIES AT THE INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT.

"I NEED YOUR HELP," FORD TOLD THE INDIANAPOLIS AUDIENCE. "I NEED YOUR SUPPORT, I NEED YOUR VOTE."

OUTSIDE THE CATHEDRAL, FORD STOPPED HIS MOTORCADE AND PLUNGED INTO FRIENDLY CROWDS LINING THE STREET.

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One of the key decisions was not spelled out explicitly in briefing papers but was confirmed by Robert Fri, deputy administrator of the Energy Research and Development Administration. He said that pending further study, Ford has put off the idea of government participation in a plutonium reprocessing facility already partially completed by private industry near Barnwell, N.C.

As anticipated, Ford also urged that nuclear supplier nations restrain the transfer of reprocessing and uranium enrichment technology to other countries for at least three years.

And, with the eventual use of plutonium at least postponed if not to be cancelled in the long run, Ford said the United States would begin expanding facilities for storing radioactive waste materials, including plutonium, which emerge from the spent fuel of nuclear reactors.

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BY STAN BENJAMIN

WASHINGTON (AP) -- IN A MAJOR POLICY CHANGE, PRESIDENT FORD TODAY ANNOUNCED A SLOWDOWN IN MOVEMENT TOWARD USE OF PLUTONIUM AS A FUTURE NUCLEAR FUEL.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW POLICY IS DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE HAZARD OF A WORLDWIDE SPREAD OF ATOMIC WEAPONS. PLUTONIUM CAN BE USED AS A FUEL ITSELF AND ALSO IS A POTENTIAL WEAPON.

AT A CAMPAIGN STOP IN CINCINNATI, FORD CALLED ON ALL NATIONS, INCLUDING THOSE WHICH EXPORT NUCLEAR MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT, TO JOIN IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO NATIONS THAT DON'T ALREADY HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO MAKE THEM.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS ELABORATED ON THE POLICY AT A BRIEFING IN WASHINGTON.

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By HOWARD BENEDICT

Associated Press Writer

CINCINNATI, Ohio AP - As aides claimed he had deeply eroded Democrat Jimmy Carter's support in the Deep South, President Ford moved to blunt Carter's criticism of his leadership on nuclear policy by unveiling a program to prevent the spread of atomic weapons.

Ford's welcome Thursday in downtown Cincinnati was among the biggest of his campaign and was well-planned to produce the sort of television pictures of a triumphal motorcade that Carter generated a day before in New York City.

Cascades of shredded ticker tape were dropped from office buildings and hundreds of red, white and blue balloons were sent aloft on signal as Ford rode past thousands of onlookers during lunchtime. The President sat on the roof of his limousine, feet dangling through an open sun hatch, with Sen. Robert Taft Jr., heir to a Cincinnati-bred Ohio Republican dynasty, beside him.

In a long-awaited announcement, Ford called on all nations to join in a cooperative effort to expand peaceful uses of nuclear energy while stemming the spread of nuclear weapons. Parts of Ford's plan had leaked to news organizations more than three weeks ago - just before the Ford-Carter debate in San Francisco on foreign policy.

At that time, Carter said Ford was simply pirating and rehashing ideas that Carter himself had enunciated in a United Nations speech last May. Since then, the Democratic presidential candidate has regularly accused Ford of failing to provide leadership in the field.

Ford coupled the nuclear policy announcement with word that construction of a uranium enrichment plant at Portsmouth, Ohio, will begin early next year. He said the plant would play a critical role in his nuclear energy plan and would "mean 6,000 new jobs for southern Ohio."

The President said the federal government would spend \$4.4 billion for the Portsmouth plant which "will assure a central role for Ohio for years to come in providing fuel needed for nuclear power plants in the United States and around the world."

Ford had announced the initial decision to build the plant on an Ohio visit during last spring's primary race against Republican challenger Ronald Reagan. Ford aides say that announcement helped Ford win in Ohio in June, and they hope Thursday's announcement will do the same for Ford over Jimmy Carter next Tuesday.

Earlier Thursday, Ford had told an overflow crowd of several thousand at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Indianapolis, Ind., that Carter has suffered "a precipitous decline in popularity" because the Democrat's campaign depends on a "discredited old formula of more promises, more program, more spending."

Aboard Air Force One on the flight from Indianapolis to Cincinnati, White House staff chief Richard B. Cheney contended that Ford's campaign had made such deep inroads in the Deep South that Ford may need to carry only four of the eight most populous industrial states to win Nov. 2.

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Campaign '76

By The Associated Press

The Ford-Carter campaign debates have prompted an increased number of similar confrontations at the local level this year, with gubernatorial and congressional candidates squaring off for frequent broadcast sessions.

Officials in a few states report that debates are a traditional part of political campaigns. But an Associated Press spot check shows that there was an upsurge of interest this year because of the first presidential debates in 16 years.

The local debates - some carried live and others relayed by delayed telecast - prompted fewer polls and analyses than the presidential ones. There was no measure of their impact available, although in a few cases television officials said viewer reaction was minimal.

Stan Cramer, public affairs director of KCMO-TV in Kansas City, said: "The real factor in the increased number of debates is the willingness of the candidates to debate this year. That is where the road block is usually thrown."

At the same time, Cramer said, viewers seem apathetic. "My feeling is that they don't really care," he said. "I think the people are still making their choices on nonissues. I don't think the public understands the real issues in many of the races."

The format of the debates has varied from state to state. Candidates in Wyoming, Washington, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Florida, Delaware and Connecticut met in confrontations generally paralleling the Ford-Carter sessions, with questions from a panel of reporters and a chance for each candidate to reply to his opponent's answers.

Elsewhere, the debates were closer to joint news conferences - with different questions to each candidate.

The presidential debates did not include the minor party candidates. Eugene J. McCarthy, running as an independent, lost a bid for equal time. Several state confrontations, in contrast, included as many as eight candidates for a single office and some politicians said the size of the field diluted the impact.

In Wisconsin, for example, Democratic incumbent William Proxmire and Republican challenger Stanley York were joined by Michael McLaurin, Labor party; William Hart, Democratic Socialist; Robert Norlander, Socialist Labor, and Robert Schwartz, Socialist Workers.

York said that because of the array of candidates "Proxmire and I ended up defending the free enterprise system from the Socialists rather than delineating the differences between the two major candidates."

There have been four broadcast debates in Washington State, where Dixy Lee Ray, a Democrat and former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Republican John Spellman are seeking the governorship. The first three sessions were patterned after the presidential debates; the fourth was a head-on confrontation, with the candidates asking each other the questions.

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UNDATED: the questions.

Spokesmen for both candidates said the debates were helpful. Most observers agreed that the fourth session was the most interesting. "With all deference to the members of the press who ask good questions, I think my opponent asks better ones," said Spellman. "What about the public reaction?" "We had people calling saying we were carrying too much politics and others saying they really appreciated the opportunity to watch the candidates in action," reported the manager of one television station.

The debate among the senatorial candidates in Massachusetts will have tough competition. It's scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, opposite the New England Patriots-Miami Dolphins football game.

The debate - which will be rebroadcast later - is sponsored by WTEV in New Bedford with a panel of three reporters asking questions of the incumbent, U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts, and Republican Michael Robertson, U.S. Labor party candidate H. Graham Lowry and Socialist Workers nominee Carol Henderson Evans.

Robertson tried to get Kennedy to agree to a one-to-one debate, but the senator refused.

U.S. Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., and his Republican opponent, Dr. John Grady, met twice in debates patterned after the presidential ones. Chiles asked after the first debate for a change in format to allow the candidates to question each other. The sponsors refused.

There have been three debates - with three formats - between U.S. Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, D-Maine, and his Republican challenger, Robert A. G. Monks.

"It was the best opportunity the public has ever had in Maine to see the candidates for Senate," said Bruce McGorrill, station manager of WCSH-TV in Portland, which was host for the first debate.

Each candidate said he was pleased. "I think most people felt Ed Muskie's experience and great skill as a debater and enormous knowledge of government would leave a small puddle on the floor where I was at the beginning of the debate," said Monks. "And the fact that such did not turn out to be the case was important to me."

Muskie said polls conducted by his staff after the debates were favorable. He also said he believed the public has been "looking for answers" this year and watched all the debates.

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BY NICHOLAS DANILOFF

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD PROPOSED TODAY A THREE-YEAR MORATORIUM BY ALL NATIONS ON THE EXPORT OF TECHNOLOGY FOR REPROCESSING SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL WHICH COULD BE DIVERTED INTO ILLICIT NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

IN MAJOR STATEMENT ON NUCLEAR POLICY, FORD ALSO ASSERTED THE WORLD'S NUCLEAR EXPORTER NATIONS HAVE A "SPECIAL OBLIGATION" TO ENSURE RELIABLE SUPPLIES OF NUCLEAR FUEL TO DEVELOPING NATIONS IF THEY AGREE TO FOREGO ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR REPROCESSING EQUIPMENT.

THE EXPORT OF NUCLEAR REPROCESSING EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN HIGHLY CRITICIZED BY DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE JIMMY CARTER BECAUSE IT COULD ADD TO THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

THE FORD ADMINISTRATION, HOWEVER, IN RECENT MONTHS HAS BEEN EXERCISING STRONG PRESSURE ON FRANCE TO FOREGO THE SALE OF REPROCESSING EQUIPMENT TO PAKISTAN, AND SIMILARLY SOUGHT TO STYMIE A WEST GERMAN SALE TO BRAZIL.

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HE SAID REPUBLICANS FOUGHT SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS IN 1935 AND MEDICARE IN 1965 AND ADDED "RECENTLY THEY HAVE SOUGHT TO REDUCE THEIR RECORD OF DEFICIT BY OPPOSING SOCIAL SECURITY COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS. LAST YEAR THEY PROPOSED CUTBACKS IN SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS, REDUCTIONS IN FOOD PROGRAMS FOR THE ELDERLY, AND INCREASES IN THE COST OF MEDICARE."

GOP VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE ROBERT DOLE WAS DISPATCHED TO THE WESTERN STATES -- NEW MEXICO, COLORADO, MONTANA, WASHINGTON AND OREGON -- FOR A HEAVY DAY OF CAMPAIGNING.

HIS DEMOCRATIC COUNTERPART, WALTER MONDALE -- ADMITTEDLY BONE-WEARY FROM 18-HOUR CAMPAIGN DAYS -- WAS RESTING AT HIS WASHINGTON HOME.

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THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS OFFICE MADE AVAILABLE FOR'S PROPOSALS FOR IMMEDIATE CIRCULATION. THE PRESIDENT, MEANWHILE, WAS CAMPAIGNING IN OHIO.

IN HIS STATEMENT, FORD DECLARED:

"I CALL UPON ALL NATIONS TO JOIN US IN EXERCISING MAXIMUM RESTRAINT IN THE TRANSFER OF REPROCESSING AND ENRICHMENT TECHNOLOGY AND FACILITIES BY AVOIDING SUCH SENSITIVE EXPORTS OR COMMITMENTS FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST THREE YEARS...

"I BELIEVE, MOST IMPORTANTLY, THAT NUCLEAR SUPPLIER NATIONS HAVE A SPECIAL OBLIGATION TO ASSURE THAT CUSTOMER NATIONS HAVE AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF FUEL FOR THEIR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, IF THOSE CUSTOMER NATIONS FOREGO THE ACQUISITION OF REPROCESSING AND ENRICHMENT CAPABILITIES AND ACCEPT EFFECTIVE PROLIFERATION CONTROLS."

THE MAIN SUPPLIER NATIONS ARE THE UNITED STATES, SOVIET UNION, FRANCE, WEST GERMANY AND CANADA.

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AFTER CAMPAIGNING IN PENNSYLVANIA, CARTER FLEW TO CLEVELAND, OHIO,
ANOTHER IMPORTANT STATE IN HIS ELECTORAL VOTE QUEST. POLICE ESTIMATED
SOME 20,000 SUPPORTERS TURNED OUT FOR A MIDTOWN RALLY.
"EVERY VOTE COUNTS," HE SAID IN CLEVELAND. "WE ARE AHEAD IN THE
POLLS BUT WE COULD STILL LOSE AN ELECTION."
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AM-POLITICS SKED 10-28
BY STEVE GERSTEL
UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
PRESIDENT FORD SAID THURSDAY THAT JIMMY CARTER'S ECONOMIC
"POLICIES OF PANIC" HAVE DRASTICALLY ERODED THE DEMOCRAT'S
ONCE-FORMIDABLE LEAD FOR THE PRESIDENCY. BUT CARTER SNAPPED "I'M NOT"
WHEN ASKED IF HE WAS LOSING GROUND FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.
CAMPAIGNING IN SWING-STATE PENNSYLVANIA, CARTER SOUGHT THE BACKING
OF OLDER VOTERS AND CHARGED THAT FORD HAS NEGLECTED THE NEEDS OF
SENIOR CITIZENS. HE SAID, "THAT WON'T HAPPEN WHEN I'M PRESIDENT."
"THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEMONSTRATION OF NEGLECTING THE WELL-BEING
OF SENIOR CITIZENS," CARTER TOLD TWO GATHERINGS IN PITTSBURGH BEFORE
FLYING TO ERIE AS THE PACE OF HIS ONCE-LEISURELY CAMPAIGN QUICKENED.
FORD FLEW INTO INDIANAPOLIS FOR HIS FIRST STOP OF ANOTHER LONG DAY
ON THE TRAIL AND TOLD A GOP RALLY AT THE SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL THAT
CARTER HAS SUFFERED A "DRASTIC SLIPPAGE" IN THE POLLS BECAUSE OF
DEMOCRATIC SPENDING POLICIES.
HE CLAIMED CARTER SUPPORTS ECONOMIC "POLICIES OF PANIC" THAT CALL
FOR CURING INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT BY "BIGGER AND BIGGER
GOVERNMENT SPENDING."
ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE, HEADING FROM INDIANA TO OHIO, WHITE HOUSE
CHIEF OF STAFF RICHARD CHENEY SAID FORD HAS PUT TOGETHER A
COMBINATION THAT WILL BRING HIM VICTORY TUESDAY.
CHENEY CLAIMED FORD HAS CRACKED CARTER'S ONCE-SOLID SOUTHERN BASE,
IS HOLDING THE TRADITIONAL REPUBLICAN MOUNTAIN AND PLAINS STATES AND
RUNNING NECK-AND-NECK IN THE BIG EIGHT INDUSTRIAL STATES.
"WE ARE SURE OF GETTING THE REQUISITE NUMBER 270-PLUS ELECTORAL
VOTES BUT EXACTLY HOW MANY MORE, I DON'T KNOW," CHENEY SAID.
CARTER, ASKED IN ERIE WHETHER HE WAS LOSING GROUND IN THE FINAL
STAGE OF HIS 22-MONTH CAMPAIGN FOR THE WHITE HOUSE, SNAPPED "I'M
NOT."
BUT HE TOLD A RALLY OF ABOUT 7,500 IN PERRY SQUARE "THERE ARE A
LONG, TOUGH FIVE DAYS AHEAD" AND THAT IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO TAKE
ANYTHING FOR GRANTED.
IN CLEVELAND, CARTER TOLD AN ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD THAT "EVERY VOTE
COUNTS. WE ARE AHEAD IN THE POLLS BUT WE COULD STILL LOSE AN
ELECTION."

AND DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CHAIRMAN ROBERT STRAUSS TOLD REPORTERS WEDNESDAY NIGHT THAT "REPORTS FROM THE FIELD" SHOWED CARTER AHEAD IN THE KEY STATES OF NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA AND TEXAS AND ADDED "CALIFORNIA IS A DRAW."

BUT POLLS IN NEW YORK AND ILLINOIS -- CONSIDERED CRUCIAL TO BOTH CANDIDATES -- SHOWED CARTER STILL AHEAD BUT SLIPPING.

THE LATEST NEW YORK DAILY NEWS POLLS SHOWED CARTER'S LEAD IN THE EMPIRE STATE DROPPING FROM NINE TO SIX POINTS. A SIMILAR POLL BY THE CHICAGO SUN-TIMES PUT FORD WITHIN LESS THAN A PERCENTAGE POINT OF CARTER AFTER PICKING UP 3.4 PER CENT.

CARTER, QUIZZED BY REPORTERS ABOUT THE GEORGIAN'S PREDICTION THAT HIS ECONOMIC POLICIES WOULD PROVIDE TAX CUTS IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, SAID HE COULD NOT GIVE AN EXACT FIGURE BECAUSE "I DON'T KNOW."

FORD HIT HARD AT CARTER ECONOMIC POLICIES, CHARGING THAT, "SINCE HIS PARTY CONVENTION HE HAS RELIED VERY, VERY HEAVILY ON THE DISCARDED OLD PROGRAMS OF OF MORE AND MORE BIG SPENDING.

"OF ALL THE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MR. CARTER AND MYSELF, NONE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE ECONOMY."

SPEAKING TO ABOUT 400 PERSONS IN PITTSBURGH, CARTER SAID HE WOULD APPOINT A FULL-TIME COUNSELOR "AT MY SHOULDER" SO THAT THE NEEDS OF THE ELDERLY WOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED.

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By DAVE RILEY

Associated Press Writer

President Ford today called on all nations to join in an effort to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and expand the peaceful benefits of nuclear energy. Jimmy Carter has accused him in the past of failing to display leadership in this field.

Ford said in Cincinnati, Ohio, that "a comprehensive statement on nuclear policy" would be issued in his name later in Washington. It was still being drafted when Carter, earlier in the campaign, urged new steps to restrain nuclear proliferation.

The President said his objective was to "strengthen the commitment of all nations to the goal of nonproliferation" and to establish a stronger foundation for increased use of nuclear energy here and abroad.

The focus on nuclear concerns came after Carter and Ford discussed taxes, domestic programs and federal spending.

Carter said his economic program almost inevitably would bring a substantial tax cut. Ford countered that his opponent's popularity is taking a "precipitous decline" because he keeps promising more programs and more spending.

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Carter talked about the tax cut at a news conference in Erie, Pa. Asked how large it would be, he said: "I don't know."

Ford told an overflow crowd of several thousand at a Scottish Rite Cathedral in Indianapolis, Ind., that Carter has "relied heavily on the discredited old formula of more promises, more programs, more spending."

After his speech, the President flew to Ohio, for appearances in a state where the presidential race, with 25 electoral votes at stake, is expected to be close. Carter, too, flew to Ohio, and was to fly on to New York.

At a rally in Cleveland, Carter seemed to retreat a bit in his tax-cut statements.

With a good economic growth rate and low inflation and unemployment rates, "perhaps," there could be "some tax cuts," he said. "I am very careful not to promise that for sure."

That contrasted to his earlier statements that his policies would make a tax cut "almost inevitable."

Ford chose to make his initial nuclear announcement in Ohio because of federal plans to spend \$4.4 billion to build a new uranium enrichment plant at Portsmouth, Ohio. The administration previously had estimated the spending at \$2.8 billion. Government officials said the increase is attributable to inflation.

Ford said construction can begin early next year and will mean 6,000 new jobs in southern Ohio. He often tries to deliver some good news when his brings his campaign into a new area.

White House sources have said Ford has decided the spread of nuclear technology, especially involving the reprocessing of spent fuel from reactors for use in weapons, is inevitable, and that U.S. policy should try to slow and control it rather than try to stop it.

Environmentalists and disarmament advocates argue for trying to halt the proliferation.

Sources have said a commission assigned by Ford last July to suggest changes in U.S. policy has recommended prohibiting nuclear weapons development by countries which buy U.S. technology, coupled with a cutoff of fuel supplies if the ban is violated.

The commission also has recommended an international agreement for guarding nuclear materials and renegotiation of 30 U.S. agreements with other nations to strengthen prohibitions on weapons development, the sources said.

When parts of Ford's proposals were leaked, Carter said the President was pirating and rehashing ideas the Democratic candidate had offered first. The commission recommendations as reported by the White House sources are not dissimilar to Carter's.

He had recommended that the United States refuse to sell nuclear reactors to nations which do not submit to "international safeguards." And he has recommended that all nations submit to a voluntary moratorium on purchasing reprocessing technology.

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CARTER LEAD
BY LYNNE OLSON

CLEVELAND (AP) -- JIMMY CARTER SAID TODAY HE CANNOT PROMISE A SUBSTANTIAL TAX REDUCTION THAT A DAY EARLIER HE HAD DECLARED WOULD BE THE "ALMOST INEVITABLE" RESULT OF HIS ECONOMIC POLICIES AFTER FOUR YEARS IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

ADDRESSING A RALLY AS HE ARRIVED HERE ON HIS CONTINUING TREK THROUGH STATES WHERE THE ELECTION RACE WITH PRESIDENT FORD IS TIGHT AND POSSIBLY CRUCIAL, THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE SAID THAT WITH A GOOD RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH, LOWERED INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT, "PERHAPS" THERE COULD BE "SOME TAX CUTS."

HE ADDED, "I AM VERY CAREFUL NOT TO PROMISE THAT FOR SURE."

CARTER HAS SAID THAT ON THE BASIS OF PROJECTIONS BY HIS ADVISERS, THE GOVERNMENT COULD HAVE AN ADDITIONAL \$60 BILLION A YEAR BY THE END OF FISCAL 1981 -- AN AMOUNT THAT REPUBLICAN CRITICS OF CARTER HAVE TERMED IMPOSSIBLY LARGE.

IN A RADIO INTERVIEW ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT IN PITTSBURGH, HE HAD TOLD A LISTENER WHO ASKED ABOUT TAXES THAT RATHER THAN HIGHER TAXES UNDER HIS ADMINISTRATION, THERE WOULD BE "A MUCH MORE LIKELY PROSPECT OF TAX REDUCTION IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS."

CARTER WENT ON TO SAY, "I BELIEVE THAT IS ALMOST INEVITABLE," BUT GAVE NO INDICATION OF HOW MUCH OF A TAX CUT HE HAD IN MIND.

DURING AN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE IN ERIE, PA., ON THURSDAY, CARTER WAS ASKED HOW HE COULD ACHIEVE HIS GOAL OF A GENERAL INCOME TAX REDUCTION WHILE PAYING FOR PROPOSED NEW PROGRAMS AND BALANCING THE BUDGET BY THE END OF HIS FIRST TERM.

CARTER REPLIED THAT HIS ADVISERS SAY A GROWTH RATE OF FIVE TO SIX PER CENT IN THE ECONOMY AND A REDUCTION IN UNEMPLOYMENT FROM THE PRESENT 7.8 PER CENT TO FOUR PER CENT ARE ATTAINABLE, AND IF REALIZED, "THERE IS GOING TO BE ABOUT \$60 BILLION ACCUMULATED PER YEAR ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT WE HAVE NOW."

CARTER SAID, "I WOULD GUESS A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THAT WOULD GO FOR A TAX CUT, AND A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION WOULD GO FOR IMPLEMENTING NEW PROGRAMS."

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RUSSELL, N.M. -- ROBERTA DOLE WORKED TODAY FOR A MINIMAL NUMBER OF ELECTORAL VOTES IN WESTERN TERRITORY WHERE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET IS CONSIDERED TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE.

THE STATES IN WHICH THE GOP VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE CAMPAIGNS TODAY -- NEW MEXICO, COLORADO, MONTANA, WASHINGTON AND OREGON -- HAVE A TOTAL OF ONLY 30 ELECTORAL VOTES.

EVEN WHEN DOLE VISITS CALIFORNIA FRIDAY WITH ITS ALL IMPORTANT 45 ELECTORAL VOTES, HE WILL CONCENTRATE ON FARM AREAS RATHER THAN STOP AT MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS.

WITH FIVE CAMPAIGN DAYS LEFT, DOLE HAS SETTLED INTO A ONE-NOTE CAMPAIGN CHORUS -- THAT PRESIDENT FORD HAS KEPT THE NATION AT PEACE THROUGH STRONG LEADERSHIP.

"WHEN IT'S ALL SAID AND DONE, WHEN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE STOP TO REFLECT THAT WE ARE AT PEACE ... WE'RE GOING TO ASK OURSELVES 'WHY CHANGE?'" HE SAID AT LINCOLN, NEB.

"WE ARE RESPECTED BY OUR FRIENDS, WE ARE RESPECTED BY OUR POTENTIAL ADVERSARIES. WE ARE AT PEACE. IS THERE ANYTHING WRONG WITH BEING AT PEACE IN THE WORLD?"

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NEW YORK (UPI) -- DESPITE MANY EXCELLENT GAINS BY INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES, THE RISE IN CORPORATE PROFITS SLOWED IN THE THIRD QUARTER TO 17 PER CENT OVER A YEAR AGO FROM 33 PER CENT IN THE SECOND QUARTER, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL REPORTED THURSDAY.

THE FINANCIAL DAILY BASED ITS SURVEY ON RETURNS FROM 512 CORPORATIONS. THE AUTOMOBILE AND EQUIPMENT GROUP WITH A GROSS GAIN OF 252 PER CENT PACED THE RISE. BUT THIS IS EXPECTED TO BE KNOCKED DOWN BY UNFAVORABLE PROFITS OF FORD AND A BIG LOSS BY AMERICAN MOTORS.

ON A QUARTER-TO-QUARTER BASIS AS OPPOSED TO YEAR-TO-YEAR, GROSS CORPORATE EARNINGS IN THE THIRD QUARTER WERE ABOUT EVEN WITH THOSE OF THE SECOND QUARTER.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL POINTED OUT THAT THERE IS NOTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT YEAR-TO-YEAR PERCENTAGE GAINS SLOWING DOWN IN THE SECOND YEAR OF A RECOVERY AFTER A SHARP RECESSION. NEVERTHELESS, THE THIRD QUARTER SLOWDOWN WAS SHARPER THAN MANY ECONOMISTS EXPECTED.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (UPI)--ROYAL INDUSTRIES ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY IT FILED SUIT SEEKING TO ENJOIN MONOGRAM INDUSTRIES, INC., FROM MAKING A TENDER OFFER FOR 55 PER CENT OF ROYAL'S SHARES. THE SUIT, FILED IN FEDERAL COURT IN LOS ANGELES, CHARGES MONOGRAM WITH FAILING TO DISCLOSE PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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By STAN BENJAMIN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON AP - In a major policy change, President Ford today announced a slowdown in movement toward use of plutonium as a future nuclear fuel.

Administration officials said the new policy is designed to reduce the hazard of a worldwide spread of atomic weapons. Plutonium can be used as a fuel itself and also is a potential weapon.

At a campaign stop in Cincinnati, Ford called on all nations, including those which export nuclear materials and equipment, to join in an effort to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons to nations that don't already have the capability to make them.

Administration officials elaborated on the policy at a briefing in Washington.

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CALIF. PRESIDENTIAL

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- JIMMY CARTER'S COMFORTABLE LEAD IN CALIFORNIA OVER PRESIDENT FORD HAS MELTED TO NOTHING, BUT DEMOCRATIC LEADERS SAY "IT'S ALL COMING TOGETHER" NOW IN THE CARTER CAMPAIGN.

FORD, DESPITE SPECTACULAR GAINS IN VOTER PREFERENCE POLLS, STILL HAS THE REGISTRATION FIGURES STACKED HEAVILY AGAINST HIM IN CALIFORNIA WHOSE 45 ELECTORAL VOTES GIVE IT THE BIGGEST CLOUT OF ANY STATE.

THE PRESIDENT WAS ONE PERCENTAGE POINT AHEAD OF CARTER IN THE LATEST CALIFORNIA POLL, AFTER TRAILING BY 20 POINTS TWO MONTHS AGO.

BUT IN THE SAME PERIOD, A REGISTRATION DRIVE HAS SIGNED UP THREE NEW DEMOCRATS FOR EVERY NEW REPUBLICAN. DEMOCRATS NOW OUTNUMBER REPUBLICANS BY ABOUT 2.1 MILLION, AROUND 58 PER CENT TO 36 PER CENT.

LEADERS OF BOTH PARTIES SAY THE RACE FOR CALIFORNIA'S 45 ELECTORS MAY BE DECIDED BY THE SIZE OF THE VOTER TURNOUT AND THE IMPACT OF A STATE BALLOT PROPOSITION PUSHED BY FARM LABOR LEADER CESAR CHAVEZ.

FORD SAID BEFORE HIS FINAL SWING THROUGH CALIFORNIA LAST WEEK THAT THE STATE IS ON HIS MUST-WIN LIST.

"THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER COMBINATIONS, BUT CALIFORNIA HAS 45 ELECTORAL VOTES. THAT MEANS CALIFORNIA IS THE REAL KEY STATE IN ANY REALISTIC COMBINATION," FORD TOLD NEWSPAPER EDITORS.

CARTER UNDERScoreD THE EMPHASIS HE PUTS ON CALIFORNIA WITH PLANS TO SPEND THE FINAL DAY OF HIS TWO-YEAR-LONG CAMPAIGN FOR PRESIDENT AT GET-OUT-THE VOTE RALLIES IN THREE CALIFORNIA CITIES.

AFTER EQUALLY SLOW AND DISORGANIZED STARTS, THE FORD AND CARTER CAMPAIGNS BOTH ARE ATTRACTING LARGE NUMBERS OF VOLUNTEERS.

"IT CAN GO EITHER WAY NOW, AND IT'S GOING TO BE VOTER TURNOUT THAT DECIDES IT," SAID REPUBLICAN STATE VICE CHAIRMAN MIKE MONTGOMERY.

"YOU'RE GOING TO SEE PEOPLE FROM BOTH PARTIES CRISS-CROSSING THE STREET IN THE SAME PRECINCTS. IF THERE ARE KIDS AT HOME, WE'LL BABYSIT. IF THEY'RE IN TRACTION, WE'LL WHEEL THEM TO THE POLLS. WE NEED AN 80 PER CENT TURNOUT OF THE REPUBLICANS TO WIN, AND WE'RE ORGANIZING TO GET 80 PER CENT," MONTGOMERY SAID.

"IT WILL BE CLOSE, WITH THE REMAINING VARIABLE BEING THE TURNOUT," SAID GRAY DAVIS, CHIEF ADVISER TO DEMOCRATIC GOV. EDMUND BROWN JR.

DAVIS AGREED CARTER'S CAMPAIGN WAS SLOW STARTING IN CALIFORNIA. BUT HE SAID THE VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE WAS A SUCCESS, AND THAT VOLUNTEERS ARE IN PLACE FOR THE GET-OUT-THE-VOTE DRIVE.

"IT'S COMING TOGETHER. YES. WE WILL WIN," DAVIS SAID. "THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT MORE ELIGIBLE VOTERS PREFER GOV. CARTER TO GERALD FORD. A BIG TURNOUT WILL PRODUCE A SUBSTANTIAL VICTORY FOR GOV. CARTER. A MODEST TURNOUT WILL PRODUCE A CLOSE VICTORY."

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CINCINNATI-FORD (N55) INSERT AFTER 3RD GRAF:

IN DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI'S FOUNTAIN SQUARE, FORD WAS GIVEN ONE OF HIS BIGGEST WELCOMES OF THE CAMPAIGN. IN A WELL-PLANNED EVENT LIKELY TO PRODUCE TELEVISION PICTURES OF FORD ON THE ROAD TO MATCH THOSE THAT DEMOCRAT JIMMY CARTER GENERATED DURING AN ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME WEDNESDAY IN NEW YORK CITY.

CASCADES OF SHREDDED TICKER TAPE WERE DROPPED FROM OFFICE BUILDINGS ONTO THE FORD MOTORCADE AND HUNDREDS OF RED, WHITE AND BLUE BALLOONS WERE SENT ALOFT ON SIGNAL. THOUSANDS WERE ON HAND AS FORD DROVE THROUGH THE AREA AROUND LUNCHTIME, SITTING ON THE ROOF OF HIS LIMOUSINE, FEET DANGLING THROUGH AN OPEN SUN ROOF, WITH SEN. ROBERT A. TAFT JR., R-OHIO, BESIDE HIM.

THE PRESIDENTIAL 4TH. GRAF.

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CARTER

CLEVELAND (AP) -- JIMMY CARTER PLEDGED TODAY THAT AS PRESIDENT HE WOULD NOT RAISE THE SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES OF LOWER AND MIDDLE INCOME PERSONS, ALTHOUGH HE WOULD WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS KEPT PACE WITH INFLATION.

COURTING THE VOTES OF SENIOR CITIZENS, WHO HAVE THE HIGHEST VOTING PERCENTAGE OF ANY AGE GROUP, THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TOLD A BREAKFAST ATTENDED BY THE ELDERLY IN PITTSBURGH:

"I PLEDGE MY ADMINISTRATION WILL MAINTAIN THE STRENGTH AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM. I'LL DO IT WITHOUT RAISING SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES ON LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME FAMILIES."

BUT, HE ADDED, "WE SHOULD ALSO MOVE CONTINUALLY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM ALWAYS KEEPS PACE WITH INFLATION."

WITH ONLY FIVE DAYS LEFT IN THE CAMPAIGN, CARTER CONCENTRATED THURSDAY ON PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO AND NEW YORK, ALL CRUCIAL STATES IN CARTER'S BATTLE WITH PRESIDENT FORD.

CARTER WAS TO SPEAK AT A RALLY IN CLEVELAND, THEN FLY BACK TO NEW YORK TO ATTEND GET-OUT-THE-VOTE MEETINGS WITH UNION LEADERS IN QUEENS AND BROOKLYN. HE WAS TO END THE DAY WITH A SPEECH AT HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY IN LONG ISLAND.

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FORD LEAD (TOPS N35)
BY FRANK CORMIER

CINCINNATI, OHIO (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD SAID HERE TODAY HE WAS CALLING ON ALL NATIONS "TO JOIN IN A COOPERATIVE EFFORT TO EXPAND THE BENEFITS OF PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WHILE PREVENTING NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION."

ARRIVING FROM INDIANAPOLIS, IND., ON A MIDWESTERN CAMPAIGN SWING, FORD SAID THAT "A COMPREHENSIVE STATEMENT ON NUCLEAR POLICY" WOULD BE RELEASED IN HIS NAME IN WASHINGTON LATER.

THE PRESIDENT SAID HIS OBJECTIVE WAS TO "STRENGTHEN THE COMMITMENT OF ALL NATIONS TO THE GOAL OF NON-PROLIFERATION" AND TO ESTABLISH A STRONGER FOUNDATION FOR INCREASED USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY HERE AND ABROAD.

THE PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT, LONG IN THE DRAFTING STAGE, CAME TOWARD THE END OF A CAMPAIGN IN WHICH DEMOCRAT JIMMY CARTER ALSO HAS BEEN URGING NEW STEPS TO RESTRAIN THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AROUND THE WORLD.

CARTER HAS ACCUSED FORD OF FAILING TO DISPLAY LEADERSHIP IN THIS FIELD AND, WHEN PARTS OF FORD'S PROPOSALS WERE LEAKED EARLIER, CARTER SAID FORD WAS JUST PIRATING AND REHASHING IDEAS THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE HAD OFFERED FIRST.

FORD CHOSE TO MAKE HIS INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT HERE BECAUSE OF FEDERAL PLANS TO SPEND \$4.4 BILLION TO BUILD A NEW URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT AT PORTSMOUTH, OHIO. SAYING THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CAN BEGIN EARLY NEXT YEAR, FORD SAID IT WOULD "MEAN 6,000 NEW JOBS FOR SOUTHERN OHIO."

THE ADMINISTRATION PREVIOUSLY ESTIMATED FEDERAL SPENDING ON THE PLANT AT \$2.8 BILLION.

FORD HAS OFTEN TRIED TO DELIVER SOME GOOD NEWS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, USUALLY OF AN ECONOMIC NATURE, WHEN HE BRINGS HIS CAMPAIGN INTO AN AREA.

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AM-EHRLICHMAN SKED 10-28.

BY JAMES A. KIDNEY

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- FORMER NIXON WHITE HOUSE AIDE JOHN EHRLICHMAN, A TWO-TIME LOSER IN FEDERAL WATERGATE TRIALS, WAS ORDERED AT HIS OWN REQUEST THURSDAY TO START SERVING A 2 1/2 TO 8 YEAR PRISON TERM.

THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SAID EHRLICHMAN -- FIRST OF THE THREE MAJOR WATERGATE COVERUP DEFENDANTS TO ENTER PRISON -- CHOSE TO SURRENDER THURSDAY AFTERNOON, WELL BEFORE THE MONDAY NOON DEADLINE SET BY THE TWO JUDGES WHO APPROVED HIS REQUEST TO COMMENCE IMPRISONMENT.

JUSTICE OFFICIALS SAID EHRLICHMAN WAS REPORTING AT AN UNDISCLOSED HOUR TO THE MINIMUM-SECURITY FEDERAL PRISON CAMP AT SAFFORD, ARIZ., 127 MILES NORTHEAST OF TUSCON.

THE IMPRISONMENT-BY-REQUEST ORDER HAD NO EFFECT ON CODEFENDANTS FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN MITCHELL OR FORMER WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF H.R. HALDEMAN, WHO REMAIN FREE PENDING FURTHER ORDER OF THE DISTRICT COURT.

EHRLICHMAN'S LAWYERS WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO EXPLAIN THEIR CLIENT'S REASONS FOR REQUESTING IMPRISONMENT NOW, OR TO SAY WHETHER HE WOULD PURSUE APPEALS TO THE SUPREME COURT.

EHRLICHMAN, WHO ONCE ASKED TO ATONE FOR HIS ROLE IN COVERING UP THE WATERGATE BREAK-IN BY AIDING NEW MEXICO'S INDIANS, ASKED THAT HIS PERSONAL BOND BE REVOKED AND THAT HE BEGIN SERVING HIS SENTENCE FOR OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, CONSPIRACY AND LYING IN THE WATERGATE COVERUP CASE.

HE WILL ALSO BEGIN SERVING A 20-MONTH TO FIVE YEAR SENTENCE ON A SECOND CONVICTION: VIOLATING THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DANIEL ELLSBERG'S PSYCHIATRIST, BY ORDERING THE "WHITE HOUSE PLUMBERS" TO BREAK INTO THE PSYCHIATRIST'S OFFICE IN SEARCH OF INFORMATION ON ELLSBERG -- THE MAN WHO LEAKED THE PENTAGON PAPERS TO THE PRESS.

THURSDAY'S IMPRISONMENT ORDER, ISSUED JOINTLY BY WATERGATE TRIAL JUDGE JOHN J. SIRICA AND GERHARD GESELL, THE JUDGE IN THE ELLSBERG BREAK-IN CASE, GAVE NO REASON FOR EHRLICHMAN'S VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF FREEDOM.

THEY GAVE HIM THE CHOICE OF REPORTING TO FEDERAL MARSHALS OR TO THE WARDEN OF THE SAFFORD CAMP ANY TIME ON OR BEFORE NOON MONDAY.

THE WATERGATE COVERUP CONVICTIONS OF EHRLICHMAN, MITCHELL AND HALDEMAN WERE UPHeld OCT. 12 BY THE U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS IN WASHINGTON.

THAT COURT ALSO AFFIRMED EHRLICHMAN'S ELLSBERG BREAK-IN CONVICTION LAST MAY, BUT ALLOWED HIM TO REMAIN FREE PENDING FURTHER APPEAL TO THE SUPREME COURT.

ALTHOUGH THE SUPREME COURT HAS YET TO DECIDE WHETHER TO HEAR THE WATERGATE AND ELLSBERG APPEALS, THE CHANCES FOR REVERSAL APPEAR SLIM.

THE JUSTICES HAVE DECLINED TO REVIEW ANY OF THE WATERGATE-RELATED CONVICTIONS OF THOSE WORKING IN OR FOR THE NIXON WHITE HOUSE. FEWER THAN ONE IN 10 APPEALS TO THE SUPREME COURT ARE EVER GRANTED REVIEW.

SINCE HIS WATERGATE CONVICTION JAN. 1, 1975, EHRLICHMAN HAS WRITTEN A NOVEL, GENERALLY WELL-RECEIVED BY CRITICS, ON THE PRESIDENCY AND THE CIA.

HE HAS SEPARATED FROM HIS WIFE, GROWN A BEARD AND LIVES QUIETLY IN SANTA FE, N.M., WHERE HE HAS TAKEN AN INTEREST IN THE LEGAL PROBLEMS OF INDIANS.

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Urgent

LONDON AP - The British pound sank to another record closing low today, ending the trading day in London at \$1.5690. That marked a 24 per cent drop from the currency's value of about \$2.06 just one year ago.

Dealers blamed the continuing slide on a nervous market's reaction to insistence by the ruling Labor party's leftist-dominated executive committee that the government must not cut public services in its effort to curb the country's crippling budget deficit.

In London trading, the pound closed Wednesday at \$1.5720, rose slightly to \$1.5730 by midmorning today, then dropped to \$1.5645 at midafternoon before closing at \$1.5690.

The U.S. dollar, usually used as a medium when one currency is sold and another bought, was dragged down again with the pound, dealers said. The dollar lost ground against most European currencies and gained only on the pound and the weak Italian lira.

Gold bullion prices, meanwhile, gained more than \$5 per ounce in reaction to higher price levels at the International Monetary Fund's gold auction Wednesday.

The metal closed at \$123 a troy ounce in Zurich, up from \$117.625 Wednesday and \$115.625 Monday. In London, Europe's other major gold market, gold closed at \$122.875 per ounce, compared to \$118.125 Wednesday and \$116.375 Monday.

The Labor party's policymaking executive committee reportedly angered Prime Minister James Callaghan on Wednesday by criticizing key points of his administration's economic strategy.

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ALASKA PIPELINE

WASHINGTON (AP) -- THE BUILDERS OF THE ALASKA PIPELINE TODAY SAID THE FORD ADMINISTRATION SHOULD WAIVE SAFETY STANDARDS FOR 86 DEFECTIVE WELDS BECAUSE THEY DO NOT IMPAIR THE PIPELINE.

E. L. PATTON, HEAD OF THE ALYESKA PIPELINE SERVICE CO., SAID THE DEFECTS IN THE WELDS ARE "ONLY NOMINALLY, IF AT ALL, OUTSIDE" THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY'S PIPELINE WELDING STANDARDS WHICH WERE ADOPTED FOR THE PROJECT IN THE LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE 800-MILE PIPELINE.

PATTON SAID THE COMPANY HAS TESTED AND ANALYZED THE DEFECTIVE WELDS. WHILE THEY WERE FOUND TO BE SUBSTANDARD, HE SAID, THEY DO NOT IMPAIR THE FITNESS AND SAFETY OF THE PIPE OR ITS ABILITY TO WITHSTAND MAXIMUM STRESSES UNDER ALL CONCEIVABLE OPERATING CONDITIONS.

ALYESKA AND THE OIL COMPANIES BEHIND THE CONSTRUCTION CONSORTIUM, SAID PATTON, "ARE CONVINCED THE REPAIR OF THE WELDS FOR WHICH EXEMPTIONS ARE SOUGHT IS COMPLETELY UNNECESSARY."

PATTON'S STATEMENT CAME AT A DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HEARING CALLED TO DETERMINE IF THE TESTING TECHNIQUES USED BY ALYESKA ARE VALID AND IF ENOUGH TECHNICAL DATA EXISTS TO PROPERLY EMPLOY THE TECHNIQUES.

PAMELA RICH, REPRESENTING A COALITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, SAID THE FORD ADMINISTRATION SHOULD INSIST THAT ALYESKA MEET THE STANDARDS IT AGREED TO IN RETURN FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT THE PIPELINE.

THE STANDARDS ARE THE INDUSTRY MINIMUM, SHE SAID, DESIGNED TO MEET STRESSES OF A MORE HOSPITABLE ENVIRONMENT THAN THAT OF THE ARCTIC.

FURTHERMORE, SHE SAID, THE WELDS IN QUESTION ARE IN SUCH CRITICAL LOCATIONS AS UNDER STREAM BEDS BURIED IN PERMAFROST. THEY ARE IN THE VERY AREAS WHERE STRESSES WILL BE THE HIGHEST AND (ENVIRONMENTAL) IMPACTS THE GREATEST, SHE ADDED.

THE DEFECTS, SHE SAID, ARE THE DIRECT RESULT OF INADEQUATE MONITORING AND INSPECTION BY ALYESKA AND ADMINISTRATION INSPECTORS.

OTHER WITNESSES SAID THE TESTING TECHNIQUES WERE VALID. A REPORT BY THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS RELEASED EARLIER THIS MONTH FOUND THAT ALYESKA'S CONCLUSIONS WERE CONSERVATIVE.

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ADD CARTER, WRIE (UP-059)

AFTER CAMPAIGNING IN PENNSYLVANIA, CARTER FLEW TO CLEVELAND, OHIO, ANOTHER IMPORTANT STATE IN HIS ELECTORAL VOTE QUEST. POLICE ESTIMATED SOME 20,000 SUPPORTERS TURNED OUT FOR A MIDTOWN RALLY.

"EVERY VOTE COUNTS," HE SAID IN CLEVELAND. "WE ARE AHEAD IN THE POLLS BUT WE COULD STILL LOSE AN ELECTION."

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SEN. ROBERT DOLE WILL VOTE IN KANSAS ON ELECTION DAY AND RETURN TO WASHINGTON IN THE LATE AFTERNOON. HE WILL BE AT THE PRESIDENT FORD COMMITTEE ELECTION PARTY AT THE SHERATON PARK DURING THE EVENING. THE CONTACT PRIOR TO ELECTION NIGHT IS BARBARA MCCAFFREY AT THE FORD-DOLE HEADQUARTERS, 457-1995.

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SEN. WALTER MONDALE WILL VOTE IN MINNESOTA ON ELECTION DAY AND WATCH RETURNS IN A SUITE AT THE LEMMINGTON HOTEL IN MINNEAPOLIS DURING THE EVENING. CREDENTIALS WILL BE REQUIRED AND THERE WILL BE A PRESS ROOM AT THE HOTEL. CONTACT SUSAN TANNEBAUM AT THE CARTER-MONDALE HEADQUARTERS IN ATLANTA, (404) 897-5137.

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CINCINNATI, Ohio: an area.

The White House received seven weeks ago the report of a commission assigned by Ford last July to recommend changes in U.S. policy.

Diplomatic sources have reported since then that American embassies have been told to outline Ford's proposals to the 14 countries which supply nuclear technology, including the Soviet Union, France, West Germany, East Germany, Japan, and Great Britain.

White House sources say Ford has decided that the spread of nuclear technology, especially that involving the reprocessing of spent fuel from reactors for use in weapons, is inevitable and that U.S. policy should attempt to slow and control that spread rather than try to stop it.

Environmentalists and disarmament advocates have argued for trying to halt the proliferation of this technology.

Sources said the commission recommended that the 14 supplier nations agree to a moratorium until 1980 on export of reprocessing technology.

Other recommendations included:

-A prohibition on nuclear weapons development by countries which buy U.S. nuclear technology, coupled with a cutoff in fuel supplies if the prohibition were violated.

-An international agreement for guarding nuclear materials.

-A renegotiation of 30 U.S. agreements with other nations in order to strengthen prohibitions on weapons development.

These proposals are not dissimilar to Carter's. He had recommended that the United States refuse to sell nuclear reactors to nations which do not submit to "international safeguards," and that all nations submit to a voluntary moratorium on the purchase of reprocessing technology.

Earlier in Indianapolis, Ford said Carter has suffered "a precipitous decline in popularity," because his campaign depends on a "discredited old formula of more promises, more programs, more spending."

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CINCINNATI, Ohio, Insert after 3rd graf: The President . . . and abroad.

In downtown Cincinnati's Fountain Square, Ford was given one of his biggest welcomes of the campaign. It was a well-planned event likely to produce television pictures of Ford on the road to match those that Democrat Jimmy Carter generated during an enthusiastic welcome Wednesday in New York City.

Cascades of shredded ticker tape were dropped from office buildings onto the Ford motorcade and hundreds of red, white and blue balloons were sent aloft on signal. Thousands were on hand as Ford drove through the area around lunchtime, sitting on the roof of his limousine, feet dangling through an open sun roof, with Sen. Robert Taft Jr., R-Ohio, beside him.

The presidential 4th graf.

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PM-EHRLICHMAN 10-28

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- CONVICTED WATERGATE CONSPIRATOR JOHN EHRLICHMAN -- AT HIS OWN REQUEST -- WAS ORDERED TODAY TO BEGIN SERVING HIS PRISON SENTENCE BY MONDAY AT AN ARIZONA WORK CAMP.

THE ORDER, SIGNED JOINTLY BY JUDGES JOHN J. SIRICA AND GERHARD A. GESELL, APPLIED TO EHRLICHMAN'S DUAL CONVICTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE WATERGATE COVERUP AND APPROVING A BREAKIN AT THE OFFICE OF DR. DANIEL ELLSBERG'S PSYCHIATRIST.

ACCORDING TO THE ORDER, EHRLICHMAN ASKED TO BEGIN SERVING CONCURRENT SENTENCES TOTALING 30 MONTHS TO EIGHT YEARS.

EHRLICHMAN HAD BEEN FREE ON PERSONAL BOND IN BOTH CASES. THE U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS HERE HAS AFFIRMED BOTH CONVICTIONS BUT LAWYERS PLANNED APPEALS TO THE SUPREME COURT.

NO REASON WAS GIVEN IN THE COURT ORDER FOR EHRLICHMAN'S REQUEST THAT HIS FREEDOM BE SURRENDERED.

HE WILL BE CONFINED TO THE FEDERAL WORK CAMP AT SAFFORD, ARIZ.

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PM-Dole, 1st Ld, a044, 410
By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

ROSWELL, N.M. AP - Aides to Sen. Bob Dole say the Republican vice-presidential candidate can't remember telling a national television audience that this century's wars were "Democrat wars."

Despite his use of the phrase as recently as Monday, the candidate does not recall saying it during his nationally televised debate with Democratic candidate Walter Mondale 10 days ago, they said.

Dole told a party breakfast here today he received an early morning phone call from President Ford, who told him, "We're beginning to put it all together," and urged him to "keep doing what we're doing, it will come out all right for America next Tuesday."

He also quoted Ford as saying, "We've got the momentum. It's moving just right."

Dole was flying from here to Denver, where he was to attend a luncheon with former California Gov. Ronald Reagan, who has been campaigning primarily on behalf of congressional candidates.

Dole didn't indicate whether Ford, in the phone call, had discussed Dole's evident change of position on the "Democrat wars" comment. But he told the group he had made many statements in the campaign, including "some we didn't remember we made."

Dole reportedly had been under pressure from GOP leaders to back off the remark, which aides privately said was hurting the Republican campaign.

So when the subject came up in Troy, Ohio, on Tuesday, Dole said, "no, I don't believe" that either World War II or Vietnam were partisan wars.

It was a clear retreat from his characterization during the debate of these wars as "Democrat wars." But Dole denied he had reversed his position, saying he raised the subject in Troy only because "I didn't want the media to be confused."

He was then asked, "Are you still calling them Democrat wars?"; "Never did," Dole responded.

Dole's press secretary, Larry Speakes, later said Dole "did not recall that specific quote from the debate."

Speakes said a partial debate transcript, including the two references Dole made to "Democrat wars," was shown to Dole on his campaign jet Wednesday but the candidate still could not recall the words - which he actually used twice during the debate.

Dole claimed Watergate is "not a very good issue any more than the war in Vietnam would be or World War II or World War I or the war in Korea, all Democrat wars, all in this century."

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PM-Rhodesia Talks, 2nd Ld, a099, 130

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By ROON LEEWALD

Associated Press Writer

GENEVA, Switzerland AP - The black-white conference on the future of Rhodesia opened here today in an atmosphere of deep pessimism.

Start of the talks, bringing together white Prime Minister Ian Smith and four black nationalist leaders, was delayed for several hours by "technical difficulties," attributed to black protests against Britain's handling of the conference arrangements.

The conference chairman, Ivor Richard, told newsmen before the opening of the meeting the major problem was the "enormous depth of suspicion between the two sides. One sees it, one can almost feel it in the air around this building and this town.

Aim of the conference is to arrange peaceful transition to black rule in the breakaway British colony in southern Africa where blacks outnumber the ruling whites by 6.4 million to 278,000.

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PM-Canal Suit, 1st Ld, a051-52, 220

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Eds, This lead corrects erroneous report of restraining order.

ANCON, C.Z. AP - A civil suit filed in U.S. District Court here contends President Ford, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and U.S. Special Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker are infringing the constitutional rights of American residents of the Panama Canal Zone by negotiating a new canal treaty with Panama.

The Associated Press erroneously reported earlier that District Judge Guthrie F. Crowe had issued a temporary restraining order Wednesday stopping the negotiations. Crowe took under advisement an application for the restraining order and gave Ford, Kissinger and Bunker 60 days to respond to the suit.

The U.S. marshal's office here has set in motion the machinery for them to be served summonses in connection with the case.

William R. Drummond, a Canal Zone policeman identified in the court documents as legislative chairman of the Canal Zone Central Labor Union, ALF-CIO, claims in the suit that under the proposed new treaty, extension of Panamanian law to U.S.-citizen residents of the Canal Zone would breach these citizens' Fifth Amendment rights "not to be deprived of property or liberty without due process of law."

An agreement signed by Kissinger and Panama's then-Foreign Minister Juan Antonio Tack nearly three years ago foresees transfer to Panama of the jurisdiction the United States has exercised over the Canal Zone since 1903.

Bunker returned: 8th graf.

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(CARTER)

(BY HELEN THOMAS)

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"THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEMONSTRATION OF NEGLECTING THE WELL-BEING OF SENIOR CITIZENS," HE TOLD TWO SEPARATE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 400 OLDER PERSONS AT PITTSBURGH.

THEN HE FLEW TO ERIE, WHERE HE TOLD REPORTERS HE WAS NOT LOSING GROUND TO FORD IN THEIR RACE FOR VOTES NEXT TUESDAY. AND HE SAID AGAIN THAT HE COULD CUT TAXES DURING FOUR YEARS IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

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PM-FORD-CHENEY 2TAKES 10-28

BY RICHARD H. GROWALD

CINCINNATI (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD HAS PUT TOGETHER A VICTORY OVER JIMMY CARTER BY CRACKING THE DEMOCRATIC SOUTH, MASTERING THE REPUBLICAN MOUNTAIN AND FARM STATES AND RUNNING NECK AND NECK IN THE NATION'S EIGHT BIG INDUSTRIAL STATES, WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF RICHARD B. CHENEY SAID TODAY.

CHENEY TOLD REPORTERS ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE EN ROUTE HERE THAT THE CAROLINAS, LOUISIANA, VIRGINIA, MISSISSIPPI AND TEXAS NOW MAY FALL TO FORD IN A SOUTH ONCE CONSIDERED BY MANY AS SOLID FOR CARTER.

"WE ARE SURE OF GETTING THE REQUISITE 270-PLUS ELECTORAL VOTES, BUT EXACTLY HOW MANY MORE, I DON'T KNOW," HE SAID WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT THE MARGIN OF PREDICTED VICTORY IN NEXT TUESDAY'S ELECTION.

CHENEY SAID FORD HAS MASTERED HIS ONCE-QUESTIONABLE HOLD ON THE TRADITIONAL GOP STRONGHOLDS IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS AND MIDWEST, AND HAS DONE SO WELL IN CALIFORNIA HE DECIDED NO FURTHER PERSONAL CAMPAIGNING IS NEEDED THERE.

CHANEY SAID UNTIL FORD HAD SPOTTED A SURGE IN DIXIE, HE FIGURED HE NEEDED TO WIN FIVE OF THE NATION'S EIGHT BIGGEST STATES TO GET THE ELECTION -- CALIFORNIA, TEXAS, ILLINOIS, MICHIGAN, PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK.

WITH HIS STRENGTH IN THE SOUTH, THE PRESIDENT NOW CAN WIN PERHAPS WITH ONLY FOUR OF THE BIG EIGHT, CHANEY SAID.

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CHENEY SAID THE DAILY FORD POLLS SHOW THE BATTLE "VERY, VERY CLOSE" IN THE BIG EIGHT. ASIDE FROM CALIFORNIA, HE SAID ILLINOIS "LOOKS GOOD" AND FORD HAS SURGED "SLIGHTLY AHEAD" IN TEXAS.

ASKED WHY THE TIDE HAS TURNED FROM HEAVY EARLY FAVORITE CARTER, CHENEY TICKED OFF A NUMBER OF FORD CAMPAIGN TACTICS:

-- SAVING THE HEAVIEST TELEVISION ADVERTISING FOR THE FINAL 10 DAYS, INCLUDING DIXIE-WIDE SPECIAL FIVE MINUTE PROGRAMS BY RONALD REAGAN AND JOHN CONNALLY.

-- FORD'S TAPING OF HALF-HOUR STATEWIDE POLITICAL BROADCASTS IN EACH OF THE BIG EIGHT STATES.

-- UNDECIDED VOTERS SWINGING TOWARD FORD AFTER THE THIRD DEBATE.

-- INCREASING VOTER INTEREST ON FOREIGN POLICY AND VARIOUS ECONOMIC MATTERS SUCH AS INFLATION, JOBLESSNESS.

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BC-Watergate Reforms, 1st add, 170

WASHINGTON: the proposal.

-Barring any person who played a leading role in the presidential campaign from becoming attorney general, assistant attorney general, director of the FBI, IRS or CIA and other investigative agencies. Ford said "I strenuously question the advisability of restricting presidential appointment power" Carter endorsed the proposal, but said he wanted to retain the ability to fill second and third echelon posts in the Justice Department with "capable and fair-minded people who advised or assisted a presidential candidate during his campaign."

-Public financial support for congressional elections. Carter endorsed the proposal. Ford said he approved public financing for this year's presidential election but said it should not be extended until an evaluation is made of how well it worked.

-Federal attorneys maintaining logs of outside contacts. Carter supports. Ford saw merit in broadening a current ban but wanted to insure the proposal "does not serve to burden government with another form of red tape."

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PM-Ford, 2nd Ld, a112, 280

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By FRANK CORMIER

Associated Press Writer

CINCINNATI, Ohio AP - President Ford said here today he was calling on all nations "to join in a cooperative effort to expand the benefits of peaceful uses of nuclear energy while preventing nuclear proliferation."

Arriving from Indianapolis, Ind., on a Midwestern campaign swing, Ford said that "a comprehensive statement on nuclear policy" would be released in his name in Washington later.

The President said his objective was to "strengthen the commitment of all nations to the goal of nonproliferation," and to establish a stronger foundation for increased use of nuclear energy here and abroad.

The presidential statement, long in the drafting stage, came toward the end of a campaign in which Democrat Jimmy Carter also has been urging new steps to restrain the spread of nuclear weapons around the world.

Carter has accused Ford of failing to display leadership in this field and, when parts of Ford's proposals were leaked earlier, Carter said Ford was just pirating and rehashing ideas the Democratic presidential candidate had offered first.

Ford chose to make his initial announcement here because of federal plans to spend \$4.4 billion to build a new uranium enrichment plant at Portsmouth, Ohio. Saying the construction project can begin early next year, Ford said it would "mean 6,000 new jobs for southern Ohio."

The administration previously estimated federal spending on the plant at \$2.8 billion.

Ford has often tried to deliver some good news from the federal government, usually of an economic nature, when he brings his campaign into an area.

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PM-CARTER 2NDLD-PICKUP5THGRAF A085 10-28
(PREVIOUS PITTSBURGH)

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HE PULLED NO PUNCHES IN HIS PITTSBURGH TALKS TO THE SENIOR CITIZEN GROUPS.

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CARTER ARRIVED IN ERIE AND WAS GREETED BY AN ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD OF ABOUT 7,500 PERSONS.

HE TOLD SUPPORTERS THERE WAS "A LONG, TOUGH FIVE DAYS AHEAD" BEFORE TUESDAY'S ELECTION. HE SAID IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO TAKE ANYTHING FOR GRANTED BUT ASSERTED HE WAS NOT LOSING GROUND IN SOME POLITICAL POLLS, AS THE FORD CAMP HAS CONTENDED.

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BC-Ehrlichman, 110

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By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON AP - John D. Ehrlichman, the No. 2 assistant in Richard Nixon's White House, today asked to begin serving his Watergate sentences. He was ordered to report to a prison camp in Arizona by Nov. 1.

Ehrlichman, who now lives in Santa Fe, N.M., was not in court when his lawyer relayed his request to go to jail now, rather than await the outcome of his appeals to the Supreme Court.

The former domestic counselor to Nixon was sentenced to serve 20 months to five years after his conviction in the so-called White House Plumbers case, and then to 30 months to eight years for conviction in the Watergate cover-up trial. The sentences run concurrently, which means he will be eligible for parole in 2½ years.

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PM-Ford-Nuclear, 1st Ld, a042, 170

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WASHINGTON AP - President Ford called on all nations today to join in an effort to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and expand the peaceful benefits of atomic energy.

The President, on a campaign stop in Cincinnati, Ohio, said "a comprehensive statement on nuclear policy" would be released in his name in Washington later in the day.

Ford made his initial announcement in Cincinnati because of federal plans to build uranium enrichment facilities at Portsmouth, Ohio. The President said construction could begin early next year and would mean 6,000 new jobs.

The presidential statement, long in the drafting stage, came toward the end of a campaign in which Jimmy Carter, trying to unseat Ford from the White House, also has been urging new steps to restrain the spread of nuclear weapons.

Ford said his objective is "to strengthen the commitment of all nations to the goal of nonproliferation," and to establish a stronger foundation for increased use of nuclear energy here and abroad.

The White House: 2nd graf

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PM-Ehrlichman 1st add, a205, 180

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WASHINGTON: 2½ years.

He will be the first of the major defendants in the 1974 Watergate cover-up trial to go to prison. The others, former Atty. Gen. John N. Hitchell and former Nixon chief of staff H. R. Haldeman, also have appeals pending in the Supreme Court. All three were turned down in the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Ehrlichman was convicted of conspiring to violate the civil rights of the psychiatrist treating Pentagon papers figure Daniel Ellsberg. Testimony was that Eh

lichman authorized a break-in by White House agents known as the Plumbers at the analyst's Beverly Hills, Calif. office.

He also was convicted in the cover-up case of conspiring to obstruct justice, obstructing justice and multiple counts of lying under oath.

He could have remained free in both cases while the appeals process continued.

After Ehrlichman was denied a reversal in the Plumbers case, U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell ordered Ehrlichman to prison. But Ehrlichman asked the appeals court for a stay of sentence, pending his appeal to the Supreme Court, and it was granted. In the cover-up case, decided Oct. 12, no order had been issued yet for his imprisonment.

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WASHN: his imprisonment.

The order for Ehrlichman to report to jail was signed jointly by Gesell and U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica who presided over the cover-up trial in late 1974. It says that Ehrlichman must report to the warden of the federal work camp at Safford, Ariz., or to U.S. marshals in the District of Columbia on or before Nov. 1.

The order said that Ehrlichman's lawyer, Stuart Stiller, told the court that Ehrlichman "now wishes voluntarily to surrender his personal bond and to begin service of the concurrent sentences."

Stiller apparently spoke with the judges in their chambers.

The 51-year-old Ehrlichman has been living in virtual seclusion in Santa Fe, N.M., since his cover-up conviction. He recently published his first novel, "The Company," and had finished several chapters of a second.

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UP-056

(WATERGATE)

(BY WILLIAM CLAYTON)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- SAM DASH, FORMER COUNSEL TO THE SENATE WATERGATE COMMITTEE, SAID TODAY ATTORNEY GENERAL EDWARD LEVI HAS BEEN PLACED IN "AN ESSENTIAL AND INHERENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST" SITUATION BY PERSONS URGING HIM TO INVESTIGATE PRESIDENT FORD'S ALLEGED ROLE IN THE WATERGATE INVESTIGATION.

DASH ALSO TOLD REPORTERS THAT FORD AND JIMMY CARTER DIFFER CONSIDERABLY ON ALMOST ALL WATERGATE REFORMS BACKED BY THE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE FOR WATERGATE REFORM. THE PANEL IS MADE UP OF FORMER WATERGATE INVESTIGATORS AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN OFFICIAL WRONG DOING.

DASH ACCUSED FORD OF MAKING "MISLEADING AND INACCURATE STATEMENTS" ABOUT HIS ROLE IN BLOCKING A 1972 INVESTIGATION BY THE HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE INTO FINANCING OF ILLEGAL WATERGATE ACTIVITIES.

DASH SAID FORD CONTENDED THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR HAD INVESTIGATED AND CLEARED HIM, "AND THE ACTUAL FACT IS THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR SAID IT WAS NOT IN HIS JURISDICTION."

DASH SAID FORD CONTENDED THAT LEVI HAD INVESTIGATED AND CLEARED HIM "AND THE ACTUAL FACT IS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAD DECIDED NOT TO MAKE AN INVESTIGATION."

"THOSE WERE MISLEADING AND INACCURATE STATEMENTS," DASH SAID.

LEVI, WHO WAS APPOINTED BY FORD, "WAFFELS AND REALLY WILL NOT DO IT" WHEN ASKED TO PROBE FORD, DASH CONTENDED.

AND HE ADDED, "I JUST BELIEVE MR. LEVI FINDS HIMSELF IN AN UNTENABLE POSITION ... BEING ASKED TO INVESTIGATE HIS BOSS. THIS IS AN ESSENTIAL, INHERENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST."

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UP-053

(FORD-TUCKER)

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) -- ACTOR FORREST TUCKER, MASTER OF CEREMONIES AT PRESIDENT FORD'S INDIANAPOLIS RALLY TODAY, GOT HIS BIGGEST LAUGH WITH A JOKE ABOUT THE CHILDHOOD OF A LITTLE BOY NAMED JIMMY CARTER. "IT SEEMS THAT LITTLE JIMMY CUT DOWN A PEANUT TREE AND HIS FATHER SAID 'JIMMY, DID YOU CUT DOWN THAT PEANUT TREE?'"

"LITTLE JIMMY SAID, 'I CANNOT TELL A LIE -- MAYBE I DID AND MAYBE I DIDN'T.'"

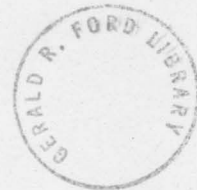
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THE WHITE HOUSE
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FORD-ENDORSEMENT

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AP) -- THE ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS ENDORSED PRESIDENT GERALD FORD IN AN EDITORIAL IN TODAY'S EDITIONS.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID THE CAMPAIGN "HAS BEEN RELATIVELY FREE OF GREAT ISSUES ... AND IT HAS BEEN AN UNIMPRESSIVE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN."

"THE FORD ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN UNEVENTFUL. SOME CRITICIZE HIM FOR THIS. WE REGARD IT AS A RELIEF," THE EDITORIAL SAID. "THINGS ARE UNEVENTFUL, AND PEACEFUL, AND THERE ARE SIGNS OF HOPE FOR A WAR-INFLATED, AND DAMAGED, ECONOMY."

THE PIONEER PRESS SAID THAT DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JIMMY CARTER "STRIKES US AS BEING IMPULSIVE IN THE EXTREME AND, HENCE, SOMEWHAT DANGEROUS. HE IS AS THIN-SKINED AS RICHARD NIXON. HIS PERSONAL ENTOURAGE IS INEXPERIENCED AND ARROGANT. HE IS TOO QUICK TO REACT IN A WORLD AND IN A TIME THAT CALLS FOR MORE REFLECTION AND LESS REFLEX."

THE NEWSPAPER SAID IT RECOMMENDED THE ELECTION OF FORD "WITHOUT RESERVATION."

THE PIONEER PRESS ENDORSED NIXON, A REPUBLICAN, IN THE 1972 PRESIDENTIAL RACE AND ENDORSED DEMOCRATS HUBERT H. HUMPHREY IN 1968 AND LYNDON JOHNSON IN 1964.

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MRS. SADAT

TOKYO (AP) -- EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT'S WIFE SAYS SHE FAVORS PRESIDENT FORD IN NEXT WEEK'S ELECTION BECAUSE IF JIMMY CARTER WINS

"WE HAVE TO START AGAIN, AND WE ARE IN A HURRY" FOR PEACE.

"WE KNOW ALREADY PRESIDENT FORD ... HE ALREADY KNOWS THE (MIDDLE EAST) PROBLEM. IF ANOTHER ONE COMES WE MUST START THE PROBLEM ALL OVER AGAIN," JIHAN SADAT TOLD THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB OF JAPAN.

"IT'S UP TO AMERICA AND IS NONE OF OUR BUSINESS. BUT WE KNOW PRESIDENT FORD VERY WELL."

MRS. SADAT, WHO IS VISITING JAPAN FOR A WEEK AS THE GUEST OF PRIME MINISTER TAKEO MIKI'S WIFE, WAS ASKED ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE WITH THE CURRENT ISRAELI GOVERNMENT.

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UP-044 (FORD-REPORTER)

CHICAGO (UPI) -- TELEVISION REPORTER PHILIP WALTERS SAID PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SWORE AT HIM AND TOLD HIM "WE'RE NEVER DOING ANYTHING FOR YOU" AGAIN BECAUSE HE TRIED TO QUESTION PRESIDENT FORD ABOUT AN INTERVIEW WITH PLAYBOY MAGAZINE.

WALTERS, WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT FOR WBBM-TV, A LOCAL NETWORK-OWNED CBS STATION, INTERVIEWED FORD AT THE ARLINGTON PARK HOTEL DURING HIS VISIT TUESDAY.

WALTERS SAID AN INTERMEDIARY WHO SET UP THE INTERVIEW TOLD HIM HE SHOULD NOT POSE LOADED QUESTIONS TO THE PRESIDENT. WALTERS DECLINED TO IDENTIFY THE INTERMEDIARY.

THE CORRESPONDENT SAID HE TOLD THE WHITE HOUSE HE COULD NOT ACCEPT "ANY KIND OF CONDITIONS" ON THE INTERVIEW.

WALTERS SAID HE MADE NO COMMITMENTS AND THE INTERVIEW WAS CONCERNED MOSTLY WITH FORD'S COMMENTS ON HIS MIDDLE CLASS MIDWEST BACKGROUND.

"NESSEN WAS IN THE ROOM AND AT THE END OF THE INTERVIEW I TRIED TO ASK FORD ABOUT PLAYBOY BUT BEFORE I COULD GET THE QUESTION OUT RON STOPPED ME AND SAID, 'WAIT A MINUTE. THAT'S NOT FAIR.' AND I SAID, 'I CAN'T ASK THAT?'"

PART OF THE EXCHANGE WAS TELEVISED ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S NEWS.

FORD "KIND OF SMILED AND LOOK PERPLEXED," WALTERS SAID. "MR. PRESIDENT, ALL I'M TRYING TO ASK YOU IS HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT A PLAYBOY INTERVIEW."

BEFORE THE PRESIDENT COULD ANSWER, WALTERS SAID NESSEN INTERVENED AND SAID, "THAT'S IT."

WALTERS SAID NESSEN TOLD HIM, "WE'RE NEVER DOING ANYTHING FOR YOU" AND SHOUTED OBSCENITIES AT HIM IN THE HALL. WALTERS DENIED PUBLISHED AND TELEVISED REPORTS THAT NESSEN HAD TOLD HIM HE "WAS THROUGH AT THE WHITE HOUSE."

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-FORD-NUCLEAR

WASHINGTON (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD IS MAKING FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS LONG-AWAITED PROPOSALS TO CONTROL THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AND WEAPONS.

THE WHITE HOUSE RECEIVED SEVEN WEEKS AGO THE REPORT OF A GOVERNMENT COMMISSION ASSIGNED BY FORD LAST JULY TO REVIEW AMERICAN POLICY AND RECOMMEND CHANGES.

SINCE THAT TIME, DIPLOMATIC SOURCES REPORT, AMERICAN EMBASSIES ABROAD HAVE BEEN TOLD TO BRIEF THE 14 MEMBERS OF THE NUCLEAR 'SUPPLIERS CLUB' ON THE NEW U.S. PROPOSALS AND RALLY SUPPORT FOR THEM.

THE CLUB--INCLUDING THE U.S.S.R., FRANCE, WEST GERMANY, EAST GERMANY, JAPAN, AND GREAT BRITAIN--HAS BEEN MEETING PRIVATELY IN LONDON SINCE 1975 TO CONSIDER THE WAY IT WILL DOLE OUT NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD.

FORD'S PROPOSALS WILL BE THE U.S. POSITION WHEN THE CLUB MEETS AGAIN, PERHAPS NEXT MONTH.

THE TIMING OF FORD'S ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO HAS POLITICAL RAMIFICATIONS, COMING IN THE FINAL WEEK OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. SINCE MAY, WHEN HE SPOKE ON THE SUBJECT AT THE UNITED NATIONS, DEMOCRAT JIMMY CARTER HAS BEEN ACCUSING THE ADMINISTRATION OF LACK OF LEADERSHIP ON THE NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION PROBLEM.

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BY LEWIS LORD

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

JIMMY CARTER PROMISED TODAY TO PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE NATION'S ELDERLY IF HE IS ELECTED PRESIDENT. PRESIDENT FORD SAID CARTER'S BIG LEAD IN THE POLLS HAS BEEN CUT DRASTICALLY BECAUSE THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE IS AN ADVOCATE OF WASTEFUL SPENDING PROGRAMS.

THE TWO CANDIDATES SNIPPED AT EACH OTHER DURING ANOTHER FULL DAY OF CAMPAIGNING IN VOTER-RICH AREAS OF THE NORTHEAST AND MIDWEST.

CARTER ADDRESSED TWO SEPARATE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 400 SENIOR CITIZENS IN PITTSBURGH BEFORE FLYING TO ERIE, PA.

HE ACCUSED FORD OF NEGLECTING THE NEEDS OF THE ELDERLY AND PROMISED, "THAT WON'T HAPPEN WHEN I'M PRESIDENT."

"THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEMONSTRATION OF NEGLECTING THE WELL-BEING OF SENIOR CITIZENS," CARTER SAID.

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"SINCE HIS PARTY CONVENTION HE HAS RELIED VERY, VERY HEAVILY ON THE DISCARDED OLD PROGRAMS OF MORE AND MORE BIG SPENDING," FORD TOLD A REPUBLICAN RALLY AT THE INDIANAPOLIS SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL.

"OF ALL THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MR. CARTER AND MYSELF, NONE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE ECONOMY," SAID FORD.

THIS, FORD SAID, HAS CAUSED A "DRASTIC SLIPPAGE" IN CARTER'S POLL STANDINGS, WHICH EARLIER IN THE RACE SHOWED A BIG LEAD FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE.

HE SAID CARTER SUPPORTS ECONOMIC "POLICIES OF PANIC" THAT CALL FOR CURING INFLATION AND JOBLESSNESS BY BIGGER AND BIGGER GOVERNMENT SPENDING."

ON WEDNESDAY, TWO OF THE NATION'S LEADING POLLSTERS, GEORGE GALLUP AND LOUIS HARRIS, AGREED THAT THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST IS CLOSE AND COULD GO EITHER WAY.

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PITTSBURGH-CARTER (N27) INSERT AFTER 3RD GRAF:
AT A NEWS CONFERENCE IN ERIE, CARTER REITERATED THE STATEMENT AGAIN,
BUT WHEN ASKED HOW LARGE TAX CUT MIGHT BE, HE REPLIED, "I DON'T
KNOW."

EMPHASIZING ANOTHER THEME THAT HAS BECOME A FIXTURE OF HIS REMARKS
AT VIRTUALLY EVERY STOP, CARTER PLEADED WITH SOME 7,000 PERSONS AT A
RALLY IN ERIE TO BE SURE TO VOTE. "QUITE OFTEN PRESIDENTS ARE ELECTED
OR DEFEATED BY A SMALL MARGIN," HE SAID, NOTING THAT AN AVERAGE OF
ONE MORE VOTE IN EACH PRECINCT EIGHT YEARS AGO WOULD HAVE ELECTED
HUBERT HUMPHREY OVER RICHARD NIXON.

"IT IS A MISTAKE TO TAKE ANYTHING FOR GRANTED, ONE STATE OR ONE
PERSON," HE SAID.

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CARTER

BY JAMES GERSTENZANG

PITTSBURGH (AP) -- JIMMY CARTER SAYS THAT IF HE IS ELECTED "A
SUBSTANTIAL TAX REDUCTION" WOULD BE THE ALMOST INEVITABLE RESULT OF
HIS ECONOMIC PROGRAM BY THE END OF FOUR YEARS.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE SAID WEDNESDAY NIGHT THAT A
TAX CUT, THE SIZE OF WHICH HE DID NOT SPECIFY, WOULD FOLLOW A
REDUCTION IN UNEMPLOYMENT AND STABILIZATION OF THE NATION'S ECONOMIC
GROWTH RATE.

THE FORMER GEORGIA GOVERNOR DISCUSSED TAX CUTS IN A LOCAL RADIO
INTERVIEW, REPEATED THE STATEMENT FOR REPORTERS, THEN AMPLIFIED IT AT
A DINNER FOR ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PA., DEMOCRATS.

HE WAS SCHEDULED TO GIVE A SPEECH TO SENIOR CITIZENS TODAY IN
PITTSBURGH. HE WAS THEN TO FLY TO ERIE, PA., AND CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR
RALLIES BEFORE FINISHING THE DAY IN NEW YORK.

ON WEDNESDAY, HE WAS CHEERED BY A CROWD ESTIMATED BY THE SECRET
SERVICE AT 50,000 IN A RALLY IN NEW YORK'S GARMENT DISTRICT.

THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE THEN FLEW TO PITTSBURGH. APPEARING ON A
LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM HE ANSWERED A QUESTION FOR A LISTENER ABOUT TAXES
AND THE ECONOMY BY SAYING THAT, RATHER THAN RAISING TAXES, THERE WAS
A "MUCH MORE LIKELY PROSPECT OF TAX REDUCTION IN THE NEXT FOUR
YEARS."

"I BELIEVE THAT IT IS ALMOST INEVITABLE," HE SAID.

HE WAS LATER ASKED BY REPORTERS IF HE MEANT A GENERAL TAX CUT AND
NOT JUST A SHIFT OF THE TAX BURDEN ONTO THOSE IN UPPER INCOME
BRACKETS. HE SAID, "I WOULD SAY THAT IS TRUE."

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CARTER ADDRESS'D TWO SEPARATE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 400 OLDER PERSONS IN CONNECTION WITH CARTER-MONDALE SENIOR CITIZEN DAY OBSERVED BY PARTY ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

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"IN 1935, THE REPUBLICANS FOUGHT TOOTH AND NAIL AGAINST SOCIAL SECURITY. IN 1965, THEY FOUGHT JUST AS HARD AGAINST MEDICARE," HE TOLD SENIOR CITIZENS IN PITTSBURGH. HE ALSO EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT HE WILL WIN NEXT TUESDAY.

"RECENTLY, THEY HAVE SOUGHT TO REDUCE THEIR RECORD OF DEFICIT BY OPPOSING SOCIAL SECURITY, COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS. LAST YEAR, THEY PROPOSED CUTBACKS IN SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS, REDUCTIONS IN FOOD PROGRAMS FOR THE ELDERLY, AND INCREASES IN THE COST OF MEDICARE."

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AFTER HIS SPEECHES, CARTER WAS ASKED IF HE IS STILL CONFIDENT OF WINNING THE ELECTION DESPITE RECENT NATIONAL POLLS SHOWING FORD CLOSING THE GAP.

"YES," THE GEORGIAN REPLIED.

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POLITICS LEAD

BY DAVE RILEY

JIMMY CARTER SAID TODAY HIS ECONOMIC PROGRAM ALMOST INEVITABLY WOULD BRING A SUBSTANTIAL TAX CUT. PRESIDENT FORD SAID CARTER'S POPULARITY IS TAKING A "PRECIPITOUS DECLINE" BECAUSE HE KEEPS PROMISING MORE PROGRAMS AND MORE SPENDING.

CARTER TALKED ABOUT THE TAX CUT AT A NEWS CONFERENCE IN ERIE, PA. ASKED HOW LARGE IT WOULD BE, HE SAID: "I DON'T KNOW."

FORD TOLD AN OVERFLOW CROWD OF SEVERAL THOUSAND AT A SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL IN INDIANAPOLIS, IND., THAT CARTER HAS "RELIED HEAVILY ON THE DISCREDITED OLD FORMULA OF MORE PROMISES, MORE PROGRAMS, MORE SPENDING."

AFTER HIS SPEECH, THE PRESIDENT FLEW TO CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR CAMPAIGN APPEARANCES IN A STATE WHERE THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE, WITH 25 ELECTORAL VOTES AS STAKE, IS EXPECTED TO BE CLOSE. CARTER, TOO, PLANNED A RALLY IN CLEVELAND LATER IN THE DAY, AND WAS TO FLY ON TO NEW YORK.

CARTER BEGAN HIS DAY BY PROMISING SENIOR CITIZENS IN PITTSBURGH THAT HIS ADMINISTRATION WOULD "MAINTAIN THE FISCAL INTEGRITY OF OUR SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM."

HE CAMPAIGNED WEDNESDAY IN NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA AND DECLARED IN PITTSBURGH THAT HIS ECONOMIC POLICIES WOULD MAKE A TAX CUT "ALMOST INEVITABLE" IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS. HIS ONLY REFERENCE TO ITS SIZE WAS TO CALL IT "SUBSTANTIAL."

FORD'S RUNNING MATE, SEN. BOB DOLE, APPARENTLY UNDER PRESSURE FROM WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY TO BACK AWAY FROM HIS DEBATE CONTENTION THAT THE WARS OF THIS CENTURY WERE PARTISAN CONFLICTS, CHANGED THAT STATEMENT, THEN SAID HE DIDN'T CHANGE IT, AND THEN DENIED HE EVER SAID WORLD WAR I, WORLD WAR II, KOREA AND VIETNAM WERE "DEMOCRAT WARS."

CARTER'S RUNNING MATE, SEN. WALTER MONDALE, WAS TAKING TODAY OFF AFTER A SWING THROUGH PENNSYLVANIA, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY AND WEST VIRGINIA.

FORD, CONTENDING THERE IS A "DISTINCT DIFFERENCE" BETWEEN HIS ADMINISTRATION AND THAT OF RICHARD NIXON, IS WORKING TO PUT DISTANCE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND HIS PREDECESSOR.

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CAMPAIGN 76:

FLORIDA -- 17 ELECTORAL VOTES HINGE ON VOTER TURNOUT

BY BARBARA FRYE

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (UPI) -- ROSALYNN CARTER PUT IT BLUNTLY:

"IF IT WEREN'T FOR FLORIDA, WE WOULDN'T BE HERE."

JIMMY CARTER'S VICTORY IN FLORIDA'S MARCH PRIMARY ENDED GEORGE WALLACE'S PRESIDENTIAL DREAMS AND LAUNCHED HER HUSBAND ON HIS LONG TRIP TO THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

"NOW WE ARE PLEADING WITH YOU TO VOTE NOV. 2 BECAUSE EVERYTHING RIDES ON A BIG TURNOUT FOR JIMMY," SHE SAID.

CARTER SENT HIS WIFE ON A LAST-MINUTE GOODWILL MISSION TO FLORIDA'S CAPITAL JUST TO CARRY THIS MESSAGE. SHE WAS HERE LESS THAN TWO HOURS, BUT GOV. REUBIN ASKEW AND THE TOP PARTY HIERARCHY FLOCKED TO HER SIDE -- AND SHE GOT MAXIMUM MEDIA EXPOSURE.

EVERYONE AGREES A BIG VOTER TURNOUT WILL GIVE THE STATE'S 17 ELECTORAL VOTES TO CARTER. A LIGHT TURNOUT WILL SWING THE STATE TO PRESIDENT FORD.

"THIS ELECTION RIGHT NOW IS A TIE. IT'S HANGING ON A CLIFF. EVEN ONE VOTE CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE," SAYS JIM SEBESTA, PRESIDENT FORD'S CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR.

BECAUS DEMOCRATS OUTNUMBER REPUBLICANS 3-1, FORD'S PEOPLE ARE CONTACTING EVERY DEMOCRAT THEY CAN REACH IN THE BIG POPULATION CENTERS -- HOPING TO SWITCH THOUSANDS OF THEM TO THE PRESIDENT.

"WE'RE MOBILIZING 10,000 VOLUNTEERS TO TURN OUT THE VOTE," SEBESTA SAID.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY DIRECTOR GREG FARMER SAYS HIS TEAM IS TELEPHONING EVERY DEMOCRAT AND URGING THEM TO VOTE FOR CARTER.

ELECTION OFFICIALS EXPECT A LOW TURNOUT, BUT WON'T BE MORE SPECIFIC THAN A PREDICTION THAT "MORE THAN 50 PER CENT" OF THE RECORD 4,047,596 ELIGIBLE VOTERS WILL GO TO THE POLLS. THE HIGHEST TURNOUT ON RECORD IS 74 PER CENT FOR RICHARD NIXON IN 1972.

FARMER SAYS THE LAST POLL SHOWED CARTER LEADING BY 6 POINTS. SEBESTA SAYS A LATER GOP POLL CUT THE CARTER LEAD TO 3 POINTS "AND THAT MADE NO ALLOWANCE FOR A LOW TURNOUT OR THE MCCARTHY FACTOR."

REPUBLICANS ARE COUNTING ON THE CANDIDACY OF INDEPENDENT EUGENE MCCARTHY TO SIPHON SOME OF CARTER'S SUPPORT.

THE CAMPAIGN IS BEING MUDDIED BY A COUPLE OF LAST-MINUTE DEVELOPMENTS.

STATE DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN ALFREDO DURAN SAYS REPUBLICANS CIRCULATED A LETTER IN MIAMI'S LATIN COMMUNITY IMPLYING FIDEL CASTRO WANTS CARTER TO WIN; AND RAN ADS IN JEWISH NEWSPAPERS IMPLYING THAT ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER YITZHAK RABIN WANTS FORD.

SIMULTANEOUSLY, TWO FORMER BLACK DEMOCRATS SWITCHED TO THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AND ARE CALLING FOR A BLACK BOYCOTT OF ALL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES.

MARION DAVIES, FORMER NAACP FIELD DIRECTOR FOR FLORIDA, AND ROOSEVELT JONES, UNSUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER, SAYS THEY PROPOSED THE BOYCOTT BECAUSE DEMOCRATS HAVE BROKEN THEIR PROMISES TO BLACKS AND ARE TAKING THE LEAD TO EXECUTE BLACK INMATES ON FLORIDA'S DEATH ROW.

REPUBLICAN PARTY EXECUTIVE HERB HARMON DENIES THE BOYCOTT CAMPAIGN IS BEING BANKROLLED OR MASTER-MINDED BY THE GOP.

"I SUSPECT THE BLACKS ARE FRUSTRATED BECAUSE THEY HAVE RECEIVED LESS ATTENTION THAN THEY EXPECTED FROM THE DEMOCRATS," HARMON SAID.

"THE REPUBLICANS HAVE APPARENTLY DECIDED THEY CANNOT WIN THE ELECTION BY RUNNING ON PRESIDENT FORD'S RECORD, SO THEY ARE TRYING TO SCARE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE," DURAN CHARGED.

REGARDLESS OF WHICH CANDIDATE CARRIES FLORIDA, BOTH PARTIES CONCEDE DEMOCRATIC SEN. LAWTON CHILES WILL WIN A SECOND TERM.

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POLITICS

UNDATED - Jimmy Carter says his economic policies would probably result in a tax cut; President Ford says Carter is losing ground because he relies on "discredited old formulas" for getting votes. New material, political roundup, developing.

UNDATED - The Ford3Carter campaign debates prompt similar confrontations at the local level, with gubernatorial and congressional candidates squaring off for an increased number of broadcast sessions. New, should stand. With Wirephoto.

LOS ANGELES - Jimmy Carter's comfortable lead in California over President Ford has melted to nothing, but Democratic leaders say "it's all coming together," now for Carter in the state with the biggest bloc of electoral votes. New material, will stand.

NUCLEAR

WASHINGTON - The Ford administration prepares to announce its proposals on how to control the spread of nuclear technology and weapons. New material, may stand, mid-afternoon release expected.

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WATERGATE REFORMS

BY HARRY F. ROSENTHAL

WASHINGTON (AP) -- IN DIFFERING WAYS, PRESIDENT FORD AND JIMMY CARTER HAVE TOLD AN ORGANIZATION OF FORMER WATERGATE PROSECUTORS THAT THEY SUPPORT REFORMS TO HELP PREVENT OFFICIAL AND CORPORATE LAWLESSNESS.

WITH ONLY A MINOR CAVEAT, CARTER EXPRESSED HIS APPROVAL OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS IN A QUESTIONNAIRE SENT TO MAJOR PARTY CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE BY THE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE FOR WATERGATE REFORM.

THE PRESIDENT, HOWEVER, COUNTERED WITH SOME SOLUTIONS OF HIS OWN, SAYING "I HAVE AN ABIDING PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO CORRECTING PAST ABUSES -- AND PREVENTING FUTURE OFFICIAL MISDEEDS."

THE QUESTIONS DEALT WITH APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL PROSECUTORS, A DIVISION TO INVESTIGATE GOVERNMENT CRIMES, FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, CONTROL OF INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES, BARRING POLITICAL APPOINTEES FROM HIGH LAW ENFORCEMENT POSTS, PUBLIC FINANCING OF CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS AND REQUIRING FEDERAL ATTORNEYS AND INVESTIGATORS TO KEEP A LOG OF ALL OUTSIDE CONTACTS.

THE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE WAS ORGANIZED RECENTLY BY LAWYERS WHO WORKED FOR THE SENATE WATERGATE COMMITTEE, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL WATERGATE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE AND SOME OTHER PROMINENT LAWYERS.

CARTER CHECKED OFF THE "APPROVE" BOX FOR ALL QUESTIONS AND SAID IN A COVERING LETTER, "I NOT ONLY FAVOR THESE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS, BUT I WILL MAKE THEM AN IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY FOR MY ADMINISTRATION SHOULD I BE ELECTED."

FORD WROTE OF HIS "ABIDING PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO CORRECTING PAST ABUSES AND PREVENTING FUTURE OFFICIAL MISDEEDS." HE ADDED THAT WHILE HE IS PROUD OF PROGRESS ALREADY MADE, "WE MUST TAKE ADDITIONAL STEPS TO INSURE THAT PUBLIC CONCERNS ARE FULLY SATISFIED."

THE PRESIDENT SAID HE HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF A SENATE BILL CONSIDERED DURING THE LAST SESSION OF CONGRESS THAT HAD INCORPORATED MANY OF THE PROPOSALS SUGGESTED BY THE CITIZENS COMMITTEE. INSTEAD, HE FAVORS A NEW MEASURE -- "A SOUND, CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH."

HERE IS HOW THE CANDIDATES STAND ON THE VARIOUS PROPOSALS:

--AUTOMATIC APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL PROSECUTOR WHERE A HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IS THE TARGET. FORD BACKS LEGISLATION TO CREATE A PERMANENT PROSECUTOR, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT. CARTER INDICATED FULL SUPPORT FOR THE COMMITTEE'S STAND.

--A NEW DIVISION IN THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED LAW VIOLATIONS BY OFFICIALS IN ALL BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT. CARTER SUPPORTS FULLY; FORD WOULD DO NEARLY THE SAME THING, BUT BY STATUTE.

--BROAD AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF INCOME AND ASSETS BY CONGRESSMEN, FEDERAL JUDGES AND TOP GOVERNMENT APPOINTEES. BOTH SUPPORT.

--LEGISLATION TO STRENGTHEN CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OVER THE FBI, CIA AND OTHER FEDERAL INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES. FORD REPLIED THAT HIS GUIDELINES FOR THE FBI "PROVIDE SUFFICIENT ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS," AND SAID THE NEXT CONGRESS MUST DETERMINE THE MATTER OF CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT. CARTER GAVE HIS UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL.

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By FRANK CORMIER

Associated Press Writer

INDIANAPOLIS AP - President Ford said today that Jimmy Carter has suffered "a precipitous decline in popularity," because his campaign depends on a "discredited old formula of more promises, more programs, more spending."

Addressing an overflow crowd of several thousand persons in the Scottish Rite Cathedral here, Ford continued to sound the note of optimism that his campaign managers have derived from public opinion polls and other indicators showing the race against his Democratic opponent is very close.

Ford flew to Indianapolis from Philadelphia as he continued a windup barnstorming tour aimed primarily at capturing a number of key states with large blocs of electoral votes.

In his homestretch bid for election to a four-year term, the President has begun talking about two issues that Carter may have expected to have to himself - unemployment and Richard Nixon.

In television broadcasts aimed at voters in Illinois, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, Ford has had Joe Garagiola, his traveling sidekick and television master of ceremonies, pose questions on both topics.

In the telecasts, sportscaster Garagiola, a onetime baseball player, former TV game show host and automobile commercial pitchman, sets up Ford with questions the President wants to answer.

Another regional campaign telecast was scheduled today from Cleveland.

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(IN WASHINGTON OFFICIALS SAID SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A.
KISSINGER IS SENDING HIS TOP AFRICAN EXPERT TO GENEVA NEXT WEEK TO
LEAD A REINFORCED AMERICAN DELEGATION AT THE CONFERENCE.

(THEY SAID THE AMERICAN TEAM WOULD BE LED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
OF STATE FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS, WILLIAM E. SCHAUFLE, JR., WHO HAS
NEGOTIATED CLOSELY WITH THE BLACK PRESIDENTS OF THE FRONT LINE STATES
BORDERING RHODESIA AND RHODESIAN NATIONALISTS.

THE U.S. DELEGATION WILL NOT DIRECTLY PARTICIPATE IN THE
CONFERENCE BUT WILL BE ON HAND TO MAINTAIN CONTACT AT A SENIOR LEVEL
WITH THE PARTIES TO THE CONFERENCE.

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(PREVIOUS PHILADELPHIA)
BY RICHARD H. GROWALD

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD SAID TODAY JIMMY CARTER HAS
SUFFERED A DRASTIC SLIP IN PUBLIC OPINION POLLS BECAUSE OF DEMOCRATIC
SPENDING POLICIES. HE CITED GREAT BRITAIN AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE EVILS
OF GOVERNMENT OVER-SPENDING.

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"OF ALL THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MR. CARTER AND MYSELF, NONE IS
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THE PRESIDENT SAID GREAT BRITAIN IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT COULD
HAPPEN UNDER DEMOCRATIC SPENDING POLICIES.

FORD SAID THE BRITISH POUND HAS FALLEN TO ITS LOWEST LEVEL IN
HISTORY, AND "THE COURAGEOUS BRITISH PRIME MINISTER OF THAT TROUBLED
NATION HAS GONE TO THE HEART OF THE PROBLEM," FORD SAID.

HE QUOTED PRIME MINISTER JAMES CALLAGHAN AS SAYING THAT THE
BRITISH USED TO BELIEVE THAT GOVERNMENT SPENDING WAS THE SOLUTION TO
RECESSION. HE QUOTED CALLAGHAN AS SAYING SUCH A REMEDY HAS PRODUCED
NOTHING BUT GREATER LEVELS OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND MORE INFLATION.

"WE MUST NOT LET IT HAPPEN IN THE UNITED STATES," FORD SAID.

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PM-JAWORSKI 10-28

HOUSTON (UPI) -- FORMER SPECIAL PROSECUTOR LEON JAWORSKI REJECTS AS "SILLY" WATERGATE COMMITTEE LAWYER SAM DASH'S CHARGE THAT A STRONGER PROSECUTOR MIGHT HAVE BLOCKED THE PARDON OF FORMER PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON.

DASH, FORMER SENATE WATERGATE COMMITTEE COUNSEL, SUGGESTED IN A WOMEN'S WEAR DAILY INTERVIEW WEDNESDAY THAT PRESIDENT FORD "WOULDN'T HAVE DARED PARDON NIXON" IF HE THOUGHT JAWORSKI WOULD RESIST IN COURT OR BY GOING TO THE PEOPLE.

JAWORSKI, A HOUSTON LAWYER, RIDICULED THE SUGGESTION.

"I GOT A CALL FROM PRESIDENT FORD AT 9:30 A.M. HE PARDONED NIXON AT 11 A.M. HOW COULD I HAVE GONE TO THE PEOPLE? THAT SHOWS HOW SILLY THIS IS," JAWORSKI SAID.

"THERE WAS NO POSSIBLE WAY TO ATTACK IT. THERE IS NO LIMIT TO PRESIDENTIAL PARDON. IT WOULD HAVE TO BE FOUGHT OUT IN THE CONSTITUTION," JAWORSKI SAID.

"I'M SURE THAT WHEN FORD PARDONED NIXON, HE DID NOT THINK HE WOULD GET ANY KIND OF REACTION" FROM JAWORSKI, DASH SAID, SUGGESTING FORD BELIEVED JAWORSKI WAS TOO WEARY OF WATERGATE TO INTERVENE.

JAWORSKI SAID DASH WAS IN NO POSITION TO KNOW WHETHER OR NOT THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR WAS WEARY BECAUSE THE TWO HAD NO CONTACT DURING THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS OF THE INVESTIGATION.

"IF HIS (DASH'S) COMMENTS (IN THE INTERVIEW) ARE NO MORE ERUDITE THAN THE QUESTIONS HE ASKED ON THE WATERGATE COMMITTEE, THEN I'M NOT CONCERNED," JAWORSKI SAID.

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BY RICHARD C. GROSS

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (UPI) -- YUGOSLAVIA SAID TODAY IT DID NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE THE TARGET OF A SOVIET-LED INVASION.

THE STATEMENT BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN CAME IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT THIS COMMUNIST BALKAN NATION HAVING SURFACED AS AN ISSUE IN THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

THE SPOKESMAN'S PREPARED REMARKS SEEMED TO SUPPORT THE CONTENTION VOICED BY JIMMY CARTER DURING HIS DEBATE WITH PRESIDENT FORD FRIDAY THAT IT WOULD BE "EXTREMELY UNLIKELY" FOR THE SOVIET UNION TO INVADE YUGOSLAVIA.

"WITH REGARD TO EVENTUAL DANGER TO YUGOSLAVIA FROM THE SOVIET UNION, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN THAT," THE SPOKESMAN, MIRKO KALEZIC, TOLD REPORTERS AT HIS WEEKLY NEWS CONFERENCE.

"ANYWAY," HE SAID, "THE SOVIET UNION AS WELL AS THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS HOW MUCH THE PEOPLES OF YUGOSLAVIA PROUDLY AND VIGILANTLY DEFEND THEIR INDEPENDENCE."

HIS REMARKS WERE MADE ONLY SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE THE EXPECTED OFFICIAL VISIT TO BELGRADE OF LEONID I. BREZHNEV, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY. YUGOSLAV SOURCES SAID HE WAS COMING TO YUGOSLAVIA IN MID-NOVEMBER.

CARTER SAID HE WOULD NOT MILITARILY AID YUGOSLAVIA IF IT WERE ATTACKED. FORD SAID HE WOULD NOT DISCLOSE WHAT OPTIONS HE WOULD TAKE. SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER SAID IN SUPPORT OF FORD THAT THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE'S VIEW WAS DANGEROUS.

"WE HAVE NEVER EXPECTED ANYBODY TO BE OUR PROTECTOR," KALEZIC SAID. "YUGOSLAVIA HAS WON ITS PLACE AND ENJOYS GREAT PRESTIGE IN THE WORLD AS AN INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST AND NONALIGNED COUNTRY WHICH IS DEVELOPING ALONG ITS INDEPENDENT ROAD AND SEEKS GOOD RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES.

"YUGOSLAVIA HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AS A FACTOR OF STABILITY IN EUROPE AND THE WORLD."

KALEZIC SAID AN ATTACK ON YUGOSLAVIA WOULD BE DOOMED TO FAILURE "BECAUSE IT IS UNATTAINABLE IN OUR TIMES AND BECAUSE EVERY ATTEMPT OF THIS KIND WOULD PROVOKE INCONCEIVABLE CONSEQUENCES FOR WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY."

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BY JOHN A CALLCOTT

GENEVA, SWITZERLANDS (UPI) -- THE START OF THE RHODESIA CONFERENCE ON ESTABLISHING BLACK MAJORITY RULE IN THE AFRICAN COUNTRY WAS DELAYED FOR TWO HOURS TODAY BECAUSE OF WHAT A BRITISH SPOKESMAN CALLED "TECHNICAL REASONS."

THE FOUR BLACK NATIONALIST DELEGATIONS, THE WHITE GOVERNMENT GROUP OF PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH AND THE BRITISH CHAIRMAN, IVOR RICHARD, HAD ALL TURNED UP AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, EUROPEAN HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, FOR THE FORMAL OPENING OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, ORIGINALLY SET FOR 3 P.M. (10 A.M. EDT).

SMITH LEFT THE BUILDING AT 3:05 P.M., TELLING REPORTERS, "THE UMPIRES HAVE APPEALED AGAINST THE LIGHTS SO ITS BEEN PUT OFF TWO HOURS. I'M GOING FOR A CUP OF TEA."

A BRITISH OFFICIAL SAID "A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS HAVE ASKED IT BE POSTPONED FOR TWO HOURS."

THESE DELEGATIONS WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED, NOR WERE THE REASONS GIVEN FOR THEIR REQUEST.

NEWSMEN, PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TELEVISION CAMERAMEN HAD BEEN IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PALAIS DES NATIONS FOR ONE HOUR BEFORE THE SCHEDULED OPENING. THEY WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE CONFERENCE HALL'S SPECTATORS GALLERY.

THE ENTIRE AREA AROUND THE COUNCIL CHAMBER HAD BEEN SEALED OFF. SMITH'S REFERENCE TO "UMPIRES" WAS NOT AT ONCE CLARIFIED BUT IT COULD HAVE REFERRED TO A STATEMENT MADE LAST WEEK BY RICHARD THAT HE WOULD RATHER BE KNOWN AS "AN UMPIRE" THAN "A REFEREE" AT THE CONFERENCE.

RICHARD, CALLING THE TALKS "UNIQUE AND HISTORIC," TOLD NEWSMEN A FEW HOURS EARLIER THAT THE CONFERENCE COULD GO ON FOR FIVE OR SIX WEEKS. "YOU ARE ASKING ME QUESTIONS THAT ARE FIVE OR SIX WEEKS DOWN THE ROAD IF THIS CONFERENCE IS GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL," THE CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN SAID.

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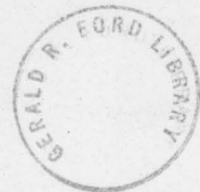
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RHODESIAN CONFERENCE: It Opens Today

GENEVA, Switzerland - Negotiations that may provide the last chance for peaceful transition to black rule in Rhodesia open today, but prospects for agreement are increasingly poor. Developing, conference opens at 10 a.m. EDT.

With Rhodesia-at-a-Glance.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS: Ford Proposals Expected

WASHINGTON - President Ford is expected to announce proposals designed to curb the spread of nuclear weapons, an issue that Democratic presidential challenger Jimmy Carter has been raising in the campaign. New, may stand.

KOREAN LOBBYING: Concern Over Probe

WASHINGTON - There's growing diplomatic concern here that the disclosure of a federal investigation into South Korean lobbying activities could divert attention from the reasons why the two countries are so important to each other. New material, may stand.

FORD-NIXON: President Seeks Distance

UNDATED - President Ford, contending there is a "distinct difference" between his administration and that of Richard Nixon, is working feverishly to put distance between himself and his predecessor. Politics Roundup. New material, may stand. With Wirephotos.

DOLE-WARS: What Did He Say?

ROSWELL, N.M. - Did Republican vice presidential candidate Bob Dole really say that World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam were "Democrat wars?" Well, he says he "never did." New material, may stand.

EUGENE MCCARTHY: OFF N.Y. BALLOT

ALBANY, N.Y. - Independent Eugene McCarthy has once again been ruled off the presidential ballot in New York, a victory for Democrats who feared he might take the margin of victory from Jimmy Carter. New material, may stand.

PENNSYLVANIA RACE: It's A Toss-up

PHILADELPHIA - The political line on Pennsylvania is crucial, and it's still a toss-up in the narrowing election struggle between President Ford and Democratic challenger Jimmy Carter. So important is the nation's third largest state, with its bloc of 27 electoral votes, that Carter and Ford scheduled more time in Pennsylvania than anywhere else in the campaign's closing days. New, will stand.

FERRY CAPTAIN: "Almost Legally Drunk"
NEW ORLEANS - A coroner says a Mississippi River ferry captain was "almost legally drunk," and unable to handle his boat properly when it collided with a tanker last week, killing an estimated 78 persons. New material, may stand.

SEN. GURNEY: Bitter In Victory
ORLANDO, Fla. - Bitter in victory after being found innocent of perjury, former Sen. Edward J. Gurney criticizes "these mean, vicious and vindictive people from the government." New material, should stand.

MINORITIES-COLLEGE: Enrollment Is Up
WASHINGTON - Minority enrollment in the nation's colleges and universities rose 11.7 per cent between 1972 and 1974, the U.S. Office for Civil Rights announced today. New, should stand. For release at 6 a.m. EDT.

THE BOX: School Closes It
AURORA, Neb. - Parents' complaints have brought an end to a school's practice of placing children in a refrigerator-sized cardboard box in an attempt to "reduce disruptive behavior." New, will stand.

INDIAN HOUSING: Residents Fight It
SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. - Residents worried about a possible influx of unemployed Indians are hoping to persuade the federal government not to approve a tribe's plan to build a housing development within the city limits. New, will stand.

PEOPLE:

BING CROSBY TO CROON IN BAR-CHURCH
LAS VEGAS, Nev. - Bing Crosby will appear in his first and probably last public concert here Nov. 26. Crosby, who has sold more records than any other artist, will not be coming to make money for himself but to help a Catholic priest move his congregation out of a saloon. New, will stand.

TOTIE FIELDS MAKES A COMEBACK
BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. - Can a famous comedienne get laughs with a routine about a leg amputation and seven months spent in a hospital bed? Yes, if the comedienne is Totie Fields and she's talking about her own operation. New material, will stand.
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By LEE LINDER

Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA AP - The political line on Pennsylvania is crucial, and it's still a toss-up in the narrowing election struggle between President Ford and Democratic challenger Jimmy Carter.

So important is the nation's third largest state, with its bloc of 27 electoral votes, that Carter and Ford scheduled more time in Pennsylvania than anywhere else in the campaign's closing days. Their vice presidential running mates also foraged for Keystone State votes.

"We're neck and neck now," claimed Martin Hamburger, executive director of Ford's drive in a state where Democrats outnumber Republicans by 650,000 out of 5.2 million registered voters. Only New York and California have more voters and more electoral votes.

Latest polls show Carter with a three-point edge, and Ford still gaining from the summer's 12-point bulge.

"It's going to be close," acknowledged Joseph Timilty, Carter's state campaign manager. "There's no question we have more votes than Ford in Pennsylvania. But we're not running against him at the moment, we're running against apathy."

Only five times out of 24 elections in this century has a candidate won the presidency without Pennsylvania's electoral votes. Woodrow Wilson did it in 1912 and 1916, Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1932, Harry Truman in 1948 and Richard Nixon in 1968.

"Pennsylvania is of paramount importance," Timilty says. "We can win the White House without Pennsylvania but it would make it, awfully, awfully difficult."

Hamburger takes a similar position: "Pennsylvania is absolute crucial to Ford. We need this state and also New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan to beat Carter."

A low turnout, coupled with leakage to independents Eugene McCarthy and Lester Maddox, could wreck Carter's chances. Democratic state leaders, led by Gov. Milton Shapp, are increasing get-out-the-vote pitches, particularly in the party's urban strongholds of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Erie, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Allentown and Easton.

Even the million-dollar battle for U.S. Senate, to succeed retiring Republican Minority Leader Hugh Scott, doesn't seem to have excited the public. Polls here also come up nearly even between Republican John Heinz, spending \$2.2 million of his personal pickle-and-ketchup fortune, and Democrat William Green, who's hoping to raise about \$800,000.

In contrast, Carter's Pennsylvania campaign is costing \$180,000 and Ford's \$157,000.

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PHILADELPHIA: Ford's \$157,000.

Both presidential candidates plan major personal appearances in the state as the campaign comes to a close.

Carter is counting on the whopping Democratic registration bulge, state AFL-CIO support which usually has an impact, and slippage in the normally Republican rural "Bible Belt," which appears to like the former Georgia governor's Baptist, Southern and farm background.

But Pennsylvania is known for its fussy, independent ticket-splitters, party and union loyalty notwithstanding. Since 1956 in three of four U.S. Senate races during a presidential election, and during all four gubernatorial contests, straight party voting was ditched. Winners of the two top races came from different parties.

"Pennsylvania behavior is one-third Republican, one-third Democrat and one-third ticket splitter, and the ticket splitters will decide the election," predicted Hamburger.

Dennis Thiemann, Democratic state chairman, confident his candidates are ahead, said that "all we have to do in the final days is..."

...the almost inevitable result of his economic program by the end of four years.

The Democratic presidential candidate said Wednesday night that a tax cut, the size of which he did not specify, would follow a reduction in unemployment and stabilization of the nation's economic growth rate.

The former Georgia governor discussed tax cuts in a local radio interview, repeated the statement for reporters, then amplified it at a dinner for Allegheny County, Pa., Democrats.

He was scheduled to give a speech to senior citizens today in Pittsburgh. He was then to fly to Erie, Pa., and Cleveland, Ohio, for rallies before finishing the day in New York.

On Wednesday, he was cheered by a crowd estimated by the Secret Service at 50,000 in a rally in New York's Garment District.

The Democratic candidate then flew to Pittsburgh. Appearing on a local radio program he answered a question for a listener about taxes and the economy by saying that, rather than raising taxes, there was a "much more likely prospect of tax reduction in the next four years."

"I believe that it is almost inevitable," he said.

He was later asked by reporters if he meant a general tax cut and not just a shift of the tax burden onto those in upper income brackets. He said, "I would say that is true."

Carter has said previously that he would redistribute part of the tax burden to benefit lower and middle-income taxpayers, decreasing taxes for families earning up to \$25,000 a year by closing tax loopholes that allow the rich to escape paying taxes and by lowering tax rates.

At the Democratic dinner, he made a brief reference to a tax cut while ending his speech.

"We've made some normal projections - in four years a balanced budget, a normal growth rate of 5 to 6 per cent . . . get unemployment down to 4 per cent," he said. He said this would increase revenue by \$60 billion.

He would use the increased income, he said, "partly for a substantial tax reduction."

One of the candidate's advisers, Greg Schneiders, said he thought Carter meant that if the tax level is changed, a cut was more likely than an increase.

"He is not proposing a tax cut or saying he expects to have one," Schneiders said, before Carter spoke at the dinner about the increased revenue and the use to which he would put it.

Many at the New York rally on Wednesday were members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, long a backer of Democratic candidates. Members of other unions were bused to Fifth Avenue where an estimated 10,000 persons, including lunchtime shoppers, lined Carter's route to the rally.

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PITTSBURGH: the rally.

According to Bill DuChessi, an AFL-CIO official serving as Carter's labor troubleshooter during the final weeks of the campaign, the garment workers were let off their jobs at 11:30 a.m. to attend the rally near their plants after the union worked with Carter staff members for more than a week to organize the demonstration.

"Brother, they got their marching orders," he said.

After the rally, Carter met privately for about 20 minutes with Terrence Cardinal Cooke, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of New York. Monsignor Eugene Clark, an archdiocese spokesman, said a major topic was abortion, an issue that has troubled Carter. Carter says he opposes abortion but opposes amending the Constitution to prohibit it. He is frequently met by antiabortionists protesting his stand.

Clark said both men agreed that abortion was wrong but that the conversation did not change Carter's view about

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By FRANK CORMIER

Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA AP - President Ford, traveling through key states doing his television show with Joe Garagiola, is talking about jobs and Richard Nixon, two issues that Democratic nominee Jimmy Carter may have expected to have to himself.

In two successive taped campaign television broadcasts aimed at voters in Illinois, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, Ford has had Garagiola, his traveling sidekick and TV master of ceremonies, pose questions on both topics.

In the telecasts, sportscaster Garagiola, a onetime baseball player, former television game show host and automobile commercial pitchman, sets up Ford with questions the President wants to answer.

Ford was moving his campaign today into Indiana and Ohio, with another regional campaign telecast scheduled from Cleveland.

The White House press office and campaign aides told reporters the first two broadcasts in a series of six - aimed at California and Illinois voters - were broadcast live. But deputy campaign chairman John Deardorf acknowledged Wednesday that both had been taped.

Wednesday, in the television show from Philadelphia, Garagiola set up Ford for a statement on unemployment by saying: "Jimmy Carter says a lot of people are out of work - the most ever. You say that the most ever are working. What is it?"

Said Ford, in what must be considered a carefully considered response: "Well, both of us are right, Joe, and I think he would acknowledge it like I just did."

Ford then said Carter has suggested that "somehow in the 1950s they had a magic economic formula."

Ford went on: "I think that we have to be perfectly honest - that in the period of the 1950s we had about 3½ million people on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force and the Marines. We now have about 2.1 million on active duty - about 1½ million less than at that time."

"Now, if we took a million and a half people out of the labor market and moved them into uniform in the military, we could significantly reduce the unemployment figures. All I'm saying is, he ought to weigh the full record out. . . ."

Ford told his audience on the paid television show:

"We are not going to have any increase in active duty personnel. We aren't going to send troops overseas. And we aren't going to be engaged in a military conflict in order to try to solve our economic problems. We want high employment and peace at the same time."

Earlier, Garagiola served up a soft question that is becoming a standard for Ford's television show, seeking Ford's reaction to those who refer to "the Nixon-Ford administration."

Said Ford: "My opponent on occasion says Nixon-Ford administration. I'd like to remind him he's running against Jerry Ford - he's not running against former President Nixon. Well, what is the difference? The difference is that since I've been president we've done away with what is commonly called the imperial presidency. We have relaxed the atmosphere. We have reduced the White House staff. We have given to the Cabinet bigger responsibility. . . ."

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PHILADELPHIA: bigger responsibility. . . ."

When Garagiola asked if Ford got much mail or heard much about a Nixon-Ford association, the President responded:

"Well, in the first place, Joe, we don't get much of it, because I think the average guy in the street knows that on Aug. 9, 1974 there was a distinct break between the previous administration and between my administration.

"They know that I inherited a great many problems, and that we have made some real headway in those problems, and they hold me accountable - and I'm glad they do. If I make a mistake, I'm accountable, and when I do something right, and I think we've done many effective things. . . ."

At that point Ford broke off his sentence to cite what he said were initiatives in seeking peace in the Middle East and Southern Africa.

The jobs and Nixon-Watergate issues almost always are discussed by Ford in response to questions lobbed at him by a campaign aide.

In stump speeches, Ford customarily bears down on two other issues, as he did at a Republican fund-raising dinner in Philadelphia Wednesday night.

He said then: "There are many reasons why we can appeal to independents, Democrats, Republicans. But there are two things that I think are almost overriding. Peace - one of the greatest achievements of this administration is the fact that we have peace and not a single young American is fighting or dying on any foreign soil tonight, and we have the military strength and the diplomatic skill to keep it that way in the next four years and we will. . . ."

"Another overriding concern of the American people is that their tax burden is rising, locally and statewide. I can say - and look them right in the eye - and say to taxpayers in Oregon or California, New York or Pennsylvania, that President Ford recommended in January of last year a \$28-billion tax reduction with a \$28-billion restraint on federal spending. Congress gave us half of both. . . . Now I make a pledge to you. Congress didn't do the job. It is going to be on their shelf next January."

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Names in the News

AUBURN HEIGHTS, Mich. AP - First Lady Betty Ford, campaigning for her husband in southeastern Michigan, had a happy reunion with a Golden Retriever named Jerry.

The Fords' pet dog, Liberty, delivered a litter of pups in September 1975, and the First Family donated one to the Leader Dogs for the Blind School in Rochester, Mich. Jerry now wears a harness he may use someday to guide a blind person.

The dog seemed nervous when he took the stage at Avondale High School in Auburn Heights amidst bursting balloons, cheerleaders and a band playing the fight song of the University of Michigan, President Ford's alma mater.

"I almost shed a few tears when I saw my puppy," Mrs. Ford told the crowd. She said the name Jerry is "quite appropriate," but she added, "He looks just like his mother."

"I wish I could say my Jerry was as well behaved," the First Lady joked.

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With Wirephotos
By DAVE RILEY

Associated Press Writer

President Ford, contending there is a "distinct difference" between his administration and that of Richard Nixon, is working to put distance between himself and his predecessor.

Ford campaigned Wednesday in New Jersey and Pennsylvania and was flying to Ohio and Indiana today.

Democratic nominee Jimmy Carter campaigned Wednesday in New York and Pennsylvania and declared in Pittsburgh that his economic policies would make a tax cut "almost inevitable" in the next four years.

Ford's running mate, Sen. Bob Dole, apparently under pressure from within his own party to back away from his debate contention that the wars of this century were partisan conflicts, changed that statement, then said he didn't change it, and then denied he ever said World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam were "Democrat wars."

Carter's running mate, Sen. Walter Mondale, was taking today off after a swing through Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and West Virginia.

Ford's willingness to bring up Nixon's name in public marks a departure from his previous strategy of barely admitting to the existence of the resigned former president.

In the past, when Ford was placed in a position where he had to mention Nixon, the former president became "my predecessor." Once twice, Nixon was referred to as "Lyndon Johnson's successor."

But Ford in the past two days has used paid television shows beamed to voters in several states to contrast his administration with that of Nixon and to assert that there is a difference between the two.

The Ford television programs are in a talk show format in which Ford is lobbed friendly questions by sportscaster and supporter Joe Garagiola. On Wednesday, Garagiola noted the Democrats refer to a "Nixon-Ford administration."

Ford replied that "the average guy in the street knows there's a distinct difference" between Nixon and Ford, the President said. He said he does not get large quantities of mail that link him with Nixon, but that his mail does "hold me accountable" for the state of the nation in the past two years.

And, Ford said, Carter is "running against Jerry Ford. He's not running against former President Nixon."

On Tuesday, in a broadcast aimed at Illinois voters, Ford said the difference between him and Nixon was that there is "no pomp, there's no ceremony, there's no dictatorial authority," now.

Meanwhile, Carter mentioned the possibility of a tax cut in a radio interview in Pittsburgh when he told a questioner that instead of raising taxes there is a "much more likely prospect of tax reduction in the next four years. I believe it is almost inevitable."

Asked later if he meant there could be a general tax cut, he said, "I would say that is true."

Carter previously has said he would redistribute the tax burden to give tax cuts to lower- and middle-income families by closing tax loopholes, lowering tax rates and throwing more of a burden on upper-income taxpayers.

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UNDATED: upper-income taxpayers.

In a speech Wednesday night, he said his plans for cutting unemployment, balancing the budget and steadying the national growth rate would increase revenues by \$60 million. That money, he said, could be used "partly for a substantial tax reduction."

Later, a Carter aide said the candidate was not proposing a tax cut or saying he expects to have a tax cut. But the aide said Carter meant that if the tax level is changed, a cut would be more likely than an increase.

Meanwhile, Dole said he really wasn't switching his position when he dropped his reference to "Democrat wars," it was just that he didn't remember using the phrase in his televised debate with Mondale.

The transcript of the debate shows Dole used the term "Democrat wars," twice. Reporters covering the candidate recalled him defending the phrase in the past week and using the term as late as Monday.

But the assertion that the wars of this century had been partisan conflicts irked Democrats and shocked some high level Republicans, and there were indications that Dole was getting pressure from the GOP campaign to backtrack on the statement.

So the Republican vice presidential candidate declared Tuesday in Troy, Ohio, that "no, I don't believe," that either World War II or Vietnam were partisan wars.

But Dole said Wednesday that he was not reversing his position and that he only brought up the subject in Troy because "I didn't want the media to be confused."

He was then asked, "Are you still calling them Democrat wars?" "Never did," Dole responded.

Dole's press secretary, Larry Speakes, said Dole "did not recall that specific quote from the debate." And Speakes said the candidate still did not remember saying anything about any "Democrat war," even when shown a partial transcript of his debate.

In Washington, pollsters Louis Harris and George Gallup told the National Press Club that their figures indicate the voter turnout will be the key factor in the election.

Gallup said the voter turnout next Tuesday will be about normal for a presidential year and that that will help Ford. Harris said his surveys indicate turnout may be low and that will help the Republican.

Gallup said his latest figures show Carter with a 6 per cent lead over Ford, and Harris said he thinks Carter's lead is about 3 per cent.

Independent candidate Eugene McCarthy campaigned in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, saying he plans to challenge federal election laws. He said the laws are designed to give the two major parties a monopoly on American politics.

McCarthy lost a round in his fight to be listed on the New York ballot when the state's highest court ruled that his nominating petitions failed to meet state requirements.

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WASHINGTON AP - President Ford is making final preparations to announce his long-awaited proposals to control the spread of nuclear technology and weapons.

The White House received seven weeks ago the report of a government commission assigned by Ford last July to review American policy and recommend changes.

Since that time, diplomatic sources report, American embassies abroad have been told to brief the 14 members of the nuclear "suppliers club," on the new U.S. proposals and rally support for them.

The club - including the U.S.S.R., France, West Germany, East Germany, Japan, and Great Britain - has been meeting privately in London since 1975 to consider the way it will provide nuclear technology to the developing world.

Ford's proposals will be the U.S. position when the club meets again, perhaps next month.

The timing of Ford's announcement also has political ramifications, coming in the final week of the presidential campaign. Since May, when he spoke on the subject at the United Nations, Democrat Jimmy Carter has been accusing the administration of lack of leadership on the nuclear proliferation problem.

The problem is the increasing likelihood that conventional nuclear reactors and fuels intended for the generation of electricity can be used by recipient countries to make atomic bombs.

India demonstrated the potentialities to the world when it detonated a nuclear device in 1974, using nuclear fuels and technology that it had been given for peaceful purposes.

Nuclear generators require an "enriched," isotope, or form, of uranium; the enriched uranium represents a tiny and unusable fraction of the uranium that occurs in nature. Nuclear generating technology includes the ability to enrich natural uranium. Highly enriched uranium can be used in atomic bombs.

More foreboding is the spread of plutonium, which is found in the spent fuel from conventional nuclear reactors. If separated out from the spent fuel, it can be used as fuel itself.

But plutonium is also a potential weapon. A country which is able to separate the plutonium from reactor fuel residue has conquered the most difficult step in building an atomic bomb. In addition, even tiny bits of plutonium are dangerously radioactive and toxic and remain that way for years.

Concern about the plutonium problem grew this year when France and West Germany agreed to sell the technology for reprocessing spent fuel and separating plutonium to Pakistan and Brazil, respectively.

The Nuclear Policy Review Group which Ford appointed last summer included representatives from more than a dozen government agencies involved with weapons, energy and the environment.

The commission split on which direction American policy should take: attempting to sit on the spread of fuel reprocessing technology, or acknowledging that the spread is inevitable and attempting to slow and control it.

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The environmentalists and disarmament proponents on the commission recommended that the United States oppose the development and spread of reprocessing technology and instead sponsor efforts to find ways to use spent nuclear fuel without separating the plutonium.

The State Department and the Energy Research and Development Administration recommended that the United States sponsor a carefully controlled international program to develop reprocessing technology.

One suggestion toward that end was for a \$500-million investment in a reprocessing plant at Barnwell, S.C., that would serve as a laboratory for developing ways to safely guard and handle plutonium.

Two weeks ago, White House sources said Ford was leaning toward the second option.

The commission also recommended that the 14 members of the suppliers club agree to a moratorium until 1980 on the spread of reprocessing technology. Whether that could include a retroactive cancellation of the French and West German sales to Pakistan and Brazil was not clear, the commission said.

Other commission recommendations included:

- A firm prohibition of weapons development by countries which buy American nuclear reactor technology. It would be backed by an immediate cutoff of fuel supplies if broken.

- An international agreement on physically guarding plutonium and other materials, both from theft by terrorists and inadvertent release into the environment.

- Control of spent nuclear fuel and plutonium by the International Atomic Energy Agency. This envisions construction of several nuclear waste storage centers around the world.

- A guarantee by the United States to provide enriched uranium to countries which have nuclear reactors to nations which abide by the prohibition on weapons development.

- A concerted U.S. effort to renegotiate the bilateral agreements under which 30 nations are currently getting U.S. assistance with nuclear reactors. Although none get direct American technology regarding reprocessing, the renegotiation effort would try to strengthen the prohibition on weapons development.

Those proposals are not dissimilar to those advanced by Carter. He has recommended that the United States refuse to sell nuclear reactors to nations which will not submit to "international safeguards." He suggested the development of "centralized, international," enrichment and reprocessing plants. And he called for a world energy conference to discuss alternatives to nuclear energy and safeguards against proliferation.

Carter criticized the secrecy of American diplomacy and said Ford had knuckled under to the atomic energy industry and the "cynics," who feel proliferation is inevitable.

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PM-Dole, Bjt - 2 Takes, 490-690

By TOM RAUM

Associated Press Writer

ROSWELL, N.M. AP - Aides to Sen. Bob Dole say the Republican vice presidential candidate has suffered a lapse of memory and can't remember telling a national television audience that this century's wars were "Democrat wars."

Dole aides said Wednesday that, despite his use of the phrase as recently as Monday, the candidate has no recollection of using the term during his nationally televised debate with Democratic candidate Walter Mondale 10 days ago.

The Republican vice presidential candidate reportedly had been under pressure from GOP leaders to back off the "Democrat war" remark, which aides privately said was hurting the campaign.

So when the subject came up again in Troy, Ohio, on Tuesday, Dole said, "No, I don't believe," that either World War II or Vietnam were partisan wars.

It was a clear retreat from his characterization of these wars in his televised campaign debate as "Democrat wars."

But Dole denied that he had reversed his position, saying he only brought up the subject in Troy because "I didn't want the media to be confused."

He was then asked, "Are you still calling them Democrat wars?" "Never did," Dole responded.

Dole's press secretary, Larry Speakes, later said Dole "did not recall that specific quote from the debate."

Speakes said a partial debate transcript, including the two references Dole made to "Democrat wars," was shown to Dole on his campaign jet Wednesday but the candidate still could not recall the words.

Actually, Dole used that phrase twice during the debate.

During the debate, Dole claimed Watergate is "not a very good issue" any more than the war in Vietnam would be or World War II or World War I or the war in Korea, all Democrat wars, all in this century.

"I figured up the other day, if we added up the killed and wounded in Democrat wars this century, it would be about 1.6 million Americans, enough to fill the city of Detroit."

Despite his loss of memory about the debate, Dole often referred to the war statements last week. And the day after the debate, in Wichita, Kan., he defended his television remarks about "Democrat wars" and warned Democrats that if they mention Watergate "then we'll dredge up a few wars."

He expanded on the theme last week and, asked often if he planned to follow through with his "Democrat war" threat, he replied that he planned "to fight fire with fire."

Dole has accused Democratic presidential candidate Jimmy Carter of changing positions on the issues. But Wednesday's switch was not the first time that he appeared to change his own position.

Earlier in the campaign, Dole told a Mexican-American group in Hollywood, Calif., that he had not taken a public stand on a state issue involving farm-labor relations. But the previous week he had spoken against the measure in another part of the state.

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When asked by reporters about the contradiction, Dole denied telling the Hollywood group that he had not taken a public position, then reversed himself later in the day and admitted that he had told the group just that.

When published reports surfaced alleging that former President Richard Nixon had asserted his innocence of Watergate misdeeds in his unpublished memoirs, Dole was asked by a TV interview whether he felt Nixon was innocent.

"I don't think he was innocent," said Dole, who was GOP national chairman in 1972 at the time of the Watergate break-in.

However, asked nearly the identical question about Nixon's guilt or innocence in a second broadcast interview on the same day, Dole responded that he hadn't read Nixon's memoirs and "I don't see how anyone could make any valid comment."

On Tuesday, Dole criticized Carter for "tipping his hand in advance" to the Soviet Union by saying that he would not go to war in Yugoslavia if the Russians sent troops into that country. Then, Dole said that like Carter, he would not support sending troops to Yugoslavia. Dole later said he misspoke himself when saying that he would not go to war in Yugoslavia under the same circumstances.

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PM-Mondale, 250
By MIKE SHANAHAN
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WASHINGTON AP - Sen. Walter Mondale generally makes the same speech at every stop as he campaigns for vice president.

In West Orange, N.J.; Albany, N.Y.; Cleveland; McKeesport, Pa.; Philadelphia; Camden, N.J.; Akron, Ohio; Wilkes Barre, Pa.; and Morgantown, W.Va. Mondale had a common theme learned by heart.

Reciting local unemployment figures, Mondale declared Wednesday at each stop: "Since they the Republicans took office, inflation has tripled. Since Ford took office, we have 50 per cent more Americans out of work."

And he usually can turn each question back to his own themes.

Asked about a split in the local Democratic party at one stop, Mondale answered briefly, then launched into an oft-repeated theme of economic mismanagement under Ford.

While his comments are not fresh, they are aimed at the local television stations that are filming them for the first time.

Mondale staff workers acknowledge that many campaign stops are planned around television markets. In Pittsburgh, for example, an estimated two million potential voters could be reached in one campaign stop. In New York and New Jersey, the figure jumps to as many as nine million.

Mondale took today off to prepare for a final pre-election campaign drive through key states such as Ohio, Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

Aides said the Minnesota senator will spend election day in his native Minnesota.

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PM-Krol-Ford, 180

PHILADELPHIA AP - President Ford paid an unannounced call on Cardinal John Cardinal Krol of the Roman Catholic Church, and spokesmen for the two men couldn't agree on who had sought the 12-minute meeting.

A spokesman for the cardinal and Ford spokesman Ron Nessen were asked who had asked for the meeting. The church spokesman said it was Ford, but Nessen quickly interjected that the cardinal "invited the President to stop here."

As the President and the prelate parted, a reporter asked the cardinal, "Are you supporting President Ford next Tuesday?"

"I can't hear you," the cardinal said.

"Do you want Mr. Ford to win on Tuesday?" the reporter insisted. The cardinal gave no indication he heard the question.

As Ford's motorcade pulled away, the reporter tried again, calling the same question from the car window.

"Hi, nice to see you," said the cardinal.

"Yes or no?" the reporter persisted.

"Have a nice trip," the cardinal replied.

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PM-Reagan-Ford, 380

WASHINGTON AP - Ronald Reagan will be spending the remaining days of the campaign helping the Republican ticket in California and other Western states rather than stumping for Ford in the South as presidential aides had asked.

The former California governor refused a request by Ford's campaign manager, James A. Baker III, to campaign on the President's behalf in three key states in the final days of the presidential race, Ford aides said Wednesday.

But a spokesman for the President Ford Committee said Baker had agreed it would be better for Reagan to devote most of his time between now and Nov. 2 boosting the Republican cause in California.

There have been recurring reports that some Ford campaign aides are disturbed by what they view as a reluctance on Reagan's part to campaign for the man who narrowly defeated him for the Republican nomination.

While pledging his full support for Ford, Reagan has devoted most of his personal campaign efforts to congressional and state-level Republican candidates. A few days ago he begged off, pleading another commitment, when Ford wanted him to appear at a Ford campaign rally in the Los Angeles area.

Ford aides also were disappointed that Reagan did not appear with the President in a paid telecast that was broadcast live statewide in California.

A Ford spokesman said Baker had called Holmes Tuttle, a Reagan adviser, to ask whether Reagan would be willing to campaign in Florida, Mississippi and Texas as well as California. All are states where polls and other indicators show Ford's contest with Democrat Jimmy Carter is close, and where personal appearances by Reagan might draw enough conservative support to tip the balance in Ford's favor.

Reagan, the committee spokesman said, already was committed to campaign appearances in several Western states in the next several days before returning to California for the campaign windup.

California and Texas are among the states that Ford himself has pegged as crucial to an election victory. Florida, while not on that list, has a big bloc of electoral votes.

The Ford committee spokesman recalled that Reagan had campaigned in Texas within the past week and "since he was already there for us, there wasn't any reason for him to go again."

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By JAMES GERSTENZANG

Associated Press Writer

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. AP - It was, perhaps, the most important day of his vice presidential campaign and there was Walter Mondale, lounging against a marble ashtray stand in a hotel lobby, kibitzing with reporters.

He was about to go to Houston's Alley Theatre for a test of equipment before his debate with Sen. Bob Dole, his Republican counterpart, when he spotted a cluster of reporters awaiting him. He couldn't resist a little playful banter.

It is typical of Walter Frederick Mondale - "Fritz," to his family and friends - that he enjoys repeating a humorist's crack that most people think "Mondale" is a suburb of Los Angeles.

"I think he's right," Mondale usually appends.

His triumph in winning election as the 42nd vice president of the United States comes almost two years after the Minnesota senator became an early dropout from the ranks of the contenders for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Early in 1974, when Sen. Edward M. Kennedy made clear he was not planning to run for president in 1976, Mondale saw an opening for a liberal candidate and began acting more and more like a presidential hopeful. He traveled around the country on speaking tours, raising funds for local candidates and gathering a campaign staff.

But after testing the waters for nearly a year, he dropped his bid on Nov. 21, 1974, in the face of a poor showing in the polls, competition from other liberals and low recognition among the voters.

"I just didn't have the overwhelming desire you need to do all the things you have to do to get nominated and elected. To beg's fail and the rate is higher for women and minorities.

She predicts the 1,000 or more women business owners expected in the finting, interior decorating, travel services to perhaps sensitivity training.

Equitable vice president Kenneth Albrecht said in an interview from New York that he found many directories for minority firms and some for firms headed by handicapped persons but none for women-owned firms.

Albrecht is optimistic about the difference a directory will make.

"I think over time its impact will be significant," he said. "I believe there are a lot of companies that would be more than happy to purchase supplies and services from qualified firms owned by women. But one problem is where do you turn."

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MINNEAPOLIS: college campus.

Although he spent half his campaign days taking part in so-called "media events," geared primarily to providing pictures for local television programs, Mondale complained in conversations that the nature of campaigns, particularly vice presidential campaigns, did not afford ample opportunities for serious discussions of issues.

Mondale claims to like to "ponder" issues carefully, to "chew them over" and read a book before making decisions. The lack of time to do this was a factor in his decision to drop out of the presidential race.

"The absolutely unbelievable schedules, the 18-hour days, the weekends. Above all, there's no time to sit down and think through an issue, to read books and other things you should to test and probe an idea to be sure you're on the right track, to talk with leaders in the field. That has always been my way. I'm just uncomfortable with the snap judgements that one makes when you're tired or don't have a chance to think things through."

After he dropped out of the presidential race, he put his thoughts together in a book, "The Accountability of Power," on the growth of presidential power and what he viewed as Congress' failure to curb it.

He said Congress had allowed the President to become too strong, particularly in foreign affairs. "The task we face is . . . to redefine the role of the presidency, to acknowledge the importance of presidential power but to insist on the greater importance of accountable presidential power," he wrote.

The senator became the Democrats' vice presidential nominee on July 15, rising out of the relative obscurity in which he had operated in the U.S. Senate for 12 years despite his short-lived presidential campaign.

Since his start in Minnesota politics - he was the state's youngest attorney general at age 32 in 1960 - he has been the protege of Hubert H. Humphrey. Their ties stretch back to 1948 when Mondale, then a college sophomore, quit a summer job as an inspector in a pea factory to work in Humphrey's first Senate campaign.

In 1964 Mondale was appointed to fill Humphrey's Senate seat after Humphrey was elected vice president. Mondale was elected to the Senate in 1966 and again in 1972, when he won by a landslide although the national Democratic ticket headed by Sen. George McGovern was swamped in Minnesota by former President Richard M. Nixon.

Mondale compiled a strong liberal record in the Senate, opposing antibusing legislation, voting for gun control and the Equal Rights Amendment. He has been active in work to curb child abuse, earning a reputation as one of the leading legislators in the area of child care.

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"I just didn't have the overwhelming desire you need to do all the things you have to do to get nominated and elected. To begin a campaign without a total commitment on my part is unfair to everyone. I admire those with the determination to do what is required to seek the presidency, but I have found that I am not among them," he said then.

Critics said he lacked the stomach to run for the presidency. Other observers, including those close to him, saw his decision as that of a political realist who was making little progress and was not widely known.

Mondale, 48, has a puckish, dry humor that takes hold when he is relaxed. One of his most frequent targets, as it was in the lobby of Houston's Rice Rittenhouse Hotel, is the senator himself.

It is a side of Mondale not often seen by the public during his campaign, where contact was often limited to such events as coffee and ponckis - Polish jelly donuts - at a Polish-American club on Milwaukee's South Side, a factory tour in South Bend, Ind., a visit to a union hiring hall in a Los Angeles ghetto or a speech on a college campus.

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MINNEAPOLIS: child care.

Mondale likes the north country of Minnesota, and after important events in his political life, he has retreated there.

When asked what he gets from the setting, he replied: "Everything. It's much cheaper and far more effective than a psychiatrist. There's something about a few days in the woods that'll do more for you than anything else."

Mondale is the son of a Methodist minister and a graduate of the University of Minnesota, which he attended after three years at Macalester College.

His wife, Joan, 46, is also a minister's child. She also attended Macalester College, but the two did not meet until after graduation. They were wed Dec. 27, 1955.

The former Joan Adams, she is a potter and also wrote a non-fiction book, "Art in Politics," published in 1972. She has given tours of Washington's National Gallery of Art and also tours of the nation's capital historic and artistic points of interest for convention groups.

The Mondales have three children, Theodore, 18; Eleanor Jane, 16, and William, 14.

Mondale has hypertension, or high blood pressure, and takes five pills daily to control it.

An aide said during the campaign that Mondale does not engage in any particular regimen to keep fit, although he plays a mediocre game of tennis when he finds the time.

Mondale's younger brother, Mort, a music teacher in Aberdeen, S.D., has described the senator as "a complicated guy and very intense."

"When he was young, he spent years searching for what to do," the younger brother said. "Then he found politics and now he's doing it."

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By MIKE SHANAHAN

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DAYTON, Ohio AP - Democratic vice presidential candidate Walter F. Mondale said Wednesday that President Ford has "politicized the defense budget," and allowed the quality of American fighting forces to deteriorate.

Campaigning before generally enthusiastic crowds in Ohio and New Jersey, Mondale also denied for the first time a frequent charge by his GOP counterpart Bob Dole that the Minnesota Democrat voted consistently against proposed increases in the Pentagon budget.

After flying on to Morgantown, W. Va., Mondale was to return to Washington to take Thursday off before a final campaign push lasting until election day. He plans to spend election day in his native Minnesota.

Mondale told a noon rally of about 3,000 persons in Dayton that Ford added \$1.5 billion to his proposed defense budget when he felt threatened by Ronald Reagan during the Texas primary election campaign.

He said the President added another \$1 billion in proposed Pentagon spending before the Republican convention began in Kansas City.

"They were not trying to defeat the Russians, but Ronald Reagan," Mondale declared. "And so they politicized the defense budget."

He cited General Accounting Office reports to support his contention that "our fighting forces have been allowed to deteriorate . . ." Mondale said half the Navy's combat vessels are not "combat ready," and that a "big proportion" of Air Force fighter planes are in poor condition. Mondale gave no specific figures.

In the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, he said, "our forces . . . are not positioned in the right places."

"I have a very good record on defense," Mondale said. "I am on the Senate Budget Committee, I voted for \$6 billion in real increases in defense spending," during the last Congress.

At Camden, N.J., in a state hard hit by unemployment, Mondale told a rally at a Polish-American Citizens Club that joblessness is a direct result of Ford administration economic policies. He said New Jersey's unemployment rate of 11 per cent is highest in the nation.

September's unemployment rate was 7.8 per cent nationwide, with 7.4 million persons out of work.

"I have never met a worker on welfare who didn't want a job," Mondale declared. His audience of about 400 persons stamped their feet in approval.

Then, at the Dayton rally, Mondale said the Republicans have "grown so desperate they have to distort the record" on his defense voting. There are several defense-related industrial plants in the Dayton area.

Mondale has voted for some cuts in the defense budget. He opposed production now of the B1 bomber while supporting continued research and development on the supersonic bomber and he voted for an amendment to cut \$317 million in spending for additional Minuteman missiles.

"I have made a distinction between strength, missiles and waste," Mondale told his audience, standing in 30-degree weather.

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MORGANTON, N.C. AP - Former Sen. Sam Ervin of North Carolina said Wednesday he has agreed to make radio and television commercials to support Jimmy Carter.

Ervin, who retired two years ago, was chairman of the Senate Watergate Committee. He said that Carter had requested his help by telephone Tuesday. Content of the commercials will be "up to my discretion," Ervin said.

Ervin said he will mention in the commercials his contention that while President Ford was House minority leader, he was responsible for attempts to block a House Watergate investigation before the 1972 election. Ervin has previously made that opinion public.

The Ervin commercials are to be used in North Carolina in the final four days of the campaign, a Democratic spokesman said, adding that Carter's Atlanta headquarters

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AM-Pollsters, 450
By EVANS WITT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON AP - The last two months of campaigning have created such doubts about Jimmy Carter among voters that the election is not too close to call, pollster Louis Harris said Wednesday.

"If ever there was a year in which the odds favor the Democrats, it is 1976," Harris told the National Press Club. "The Democrat should win by 12 to 15 points."

"Doubts about Carter are the key to why the election is close," he said. Voters are concerned, he said, about Carter's experience, his "fuzziness" on issues and his independence from traditional political leaders.

"If Jimmy Carter does lose this election - and I for one will not say he won't - he will have booted the biggest lead in modern election history," Harris added.

Carter led Ford by 35 points in the Harris poll immediately after the Democratic convention in July. Harris now says Carter has a three to four point lead, making the election too close to call.

Harris said doubts about Carter have increased since the Democratic convention. For example, he said a poll in July found 40 per cent of the voters thought Carter had the experience needed for the presidency, against 36 who said he did not. But the latest poll showed 57 per cent were worried about Carter's experience, with only 35 per cent not concerned.

Pollster George Gallup and Harris agreed that the debates have helped Ford, but disagreed on why.

"The debates have had the effect of increasing interest among the voters," Gallup said. "The apathy of earlier months has been largely dispelled."

This increased interest and possibly increased turnout seem to be benefiting Ford, Gallup said, but did not elaborate.

He said he expects more people to vote this year than in 1972, although the percentage turnout will be about the same 55.5 per cent as four years ago.

Harris differed with Gallup, saying his polls show a possible turnout lower than in 1972. He argued that this could be good for Ford.

"If turnout is below 50 per cent, Gerald Ford's chances will materially improve. If it's above 55 per cent or moves toward 60 per cent, Jimmy Carter will be hard to stop," Harris said.

Harris said Carter has put together the old New Deal coalition of the young, the poor and the minorities, while Ford appeals more to the college-educated, the suburbanites and the white collar workers.

Harris's final poll will be published election day, with Gallup's final survey due next Monday.

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But later aboard Carter's airplane on a flight to Pittsburgh, Pa., Powell said the discussion with Cooke covered "a whole range of subjects," and Carter described Cooke afterward as interesting and gentle.

Monsignor Eugene Clark, a spokesman for the archdiocese, said after the meeting that the subject of abortion, which has caused problems for Carter throughout the campaign, was a major topic.

Carter has said that he opposes abortions but would not favor a constitutional amendment prohibiting them. Clarke said there was no change in the candidate's views after the meeting.

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AM-Ford, 2 takes, 490-930
BY HOWARD BENEDICT

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PHILADELPHIA, AP - President Ford carried his battle for a full term in the White House to vote-rich New Jersey and Pennsylvania on Wednesday, telling audiences he believes he has the momentum to win next Tuesday.

The President campaigned along Atlantic City's famed Boardwalk, where he kissed Dorothy Benham, the reigning Miss America, then moved on to Philadelphia where he was to spend the night. Ford's windup barnstorming tour is scheduled to return to the Midwest on Thursday.

"Because of the large and enthusiastic crowds we've met in several key states in the last few days, I can't help but be impressed that we have the momentum to win," Ford said in Atlantic City.

On the President's arrival here, a reporter told him that a poll had him slightly ahead in Pennsylvania and asked him how he felt. "We're going to keep working 24 hours a day," Ford replied. "We're confident we can win in Pennsylvania."

New Jersey and Pennsylvania are two of the nine states Ford says are crucial if he is to defeat Democrat Jimmy Carter. During a state-wide television program in Chicago Tuesday, Ford listed the others - all with large electoral votes - as New York, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Texas and California.

Aides say Ford must win five or six of these states to win the election, and the President's final 10-day closing campaign blitz eventually will cover all of them.

At a news conference in Atlantic City, Ford elaborated on a statement he made Tuesday in which he said the fundamental difference between his administration and that of Richard Nixon is that he, Ford, does not exercise dictatorial authority or run an imperial White House.

It was the first time Ford has ever publicly suggested that his predecessor tried to exercise dictatorial powers in the White House.

Expanding on the remark Wednesday, the President said, "I significantly have reduced the power and authority of the White House staff and have transferred much of that authority to cabinet members.

"The White House now performs its function as set up by the Constitution. An imperial presidency is not my idea of the office."

In his first appearance here, a speech at Villanova, a Catholic university, Ford expressed strong support for the nation's private schools.

"Competition in education is just as important as competition in athletics," he said. "We must maintain our public school system throughout the United States."

And he added, "We must find ways through the tax system to ease the burden of families whose sons and daughters attend nonpublic schools and to help them cope with the expenses of a college education."

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PHILADELPHIA: college education."

In his only reference to Carter, Ford said: "There are some in this political year who claim that more government, more federal spending and more taxes will solve our problem. More government is not the solution. Better government is."

In an earlier appearance before some 7,000 persons on a sunny but wind-chilled day on the Atlantic City boardwalk, Ford delivered his standard campaign speech which emphasizes what he calls his accomplishments in office and asks the voters to give him a mandate for four more years.

Later he addressed 2,500 persons attending a convention of the New Jersey School Boards Association in a Boardwalk hotel.

The President told them that if elected, he will resubmit a bill which he said would cut red tape involved in delivering federal school funds to local communities.

The proposal, rejected by Congress earlier this year, would consolidate 44 present federal aid-to-education programs into one block grant program.

"That's what we want," he said. "The money to get to your school district with a minimum of federal red tape."

Ford said that under his proposal, which he said he would submit with improvements, each state would establish its own plan for spending federal education funds and 75 per cent of the money would be distributed to local school agencies to use as they see fit.

"I have been a firm believer in local control of community schools - not control by Washington, D.C.," the President said.

Continuing the campaign practice of offering good news to local areas he visits, Ford also announced that he has decided to keep the National Aviation Facilities Experimental Center in New Jersey instead of moving it to Oklahoma, and at the same time has authorized a \$50 million expansion of the center.

This, the President said, will create 1,800 construction jobs and eventually expand the facility's staff by about 2,000.

Earlier in the day, as Air Force One flew east from Chicago, it became briefly involved in an impromptu chase with Carter's chartered jet, which passed the Presidential aircraft over Cleveland.

Although it has three engines to Air Force One's four, the Carter plane was flying at a higher altitude and therefore moving faster as it headed for New York. The two planes were not within sight of each other but the pilots were aware of each other's positions. Carter aides claimed Air Force One speeded up as Peanut One gained on it.

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PM-World Grain, 310
By BRIAN B. KING
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON AP - The Agriculture Department says world grain and rice production in the 1976-77 trade year will reach almost 1.3 billion metric tons, about 1.2 per cent more than estimated in mid-September and enough to allow the first rebuilding of stocks this decade.

That would amount to a 78 million ton increase over the preliminary estimate of the 1975-76 crops.

It means this harvest would be the first in five years that was significantly larger than the expected demand for the grains, a report Wednesday said.

Consumption of grains and rice was projected in the report at slightly more than 1.27 billion tons of 2,204.6 pounds each, leaving about 25 million tons of new grain for a world reserve next June 30.

"During the past seven years, consumption has averaged 12 million tons larger than production, with the result that stocks have declined," the report said.

A build-up of stocks generally is associated with a decrease in the upward pressure on grain prices and, in turn, less pressure on the prices of consumer food's raw ingredients.

The boost in the monthly estimates was a result of already reported improvements in the prospects for wheat and feed grain crops in the Soviet Union, Canada and Australia, said the Agriculture Department analysts.

"This year's projected excess of production over consumption is due to generally good weather for world crops in 1976, plus a continuation of the rather sharp upward trend of harvested area which began in 1973," their report added.

The forecast area being harvested worldwide was 735 million hectares or more than 1.8 billion acres, a jump of almost 5 per cent from 1973-74 and 1.52 per cent from last season. Yields per acre also improved, to near the 1973 level.

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HARTFORD, Conn. AP - Secretary of State Henry Kissinger denies Jimmy Carter's accusation that the Ford administration has a record "blustering and bluffing" in international affairs.

"In the last week of the campaign," Kissinger told a news conference Wednesday, "many things are said in which the candidates get carried away with themselves."

"The United States attempts to make no promises it does not keep and to make no threats it does not intend to execute."

Kissinger was here to make an off-the-record speech to business and community leaders and to hold a news conference. He denied his purpose was political or improper in making what his aides describe as an educational appearance less than a week before the election.

Backing up President Ford, Kissinger criticized Carter, the Democratic presidential nominee, for saying he would not send American troops to Yugoslavia should the Soviets intervene after the death of President Tito.

"I do not believe the United States should give a checklist ahead of time in areas where it does not have any formal commitment about what precisely it would or would not do," Kissinger said.

Beyond that, he said, the United States has an interest in Yugoslavia's "independence and nonalignment," because its future affects U.S. security.

Regarding any possible Soviet move, Kissinger said: "I do not believe it is fruitful to pursue this matter in a political campaign. It is too serious an issue."

On another subject, Kissinger said a Soviet attack on China would be considered "a grave matter" by the United States. He said the Ford administration is not trying to obstruct a patching-up of relations between the two countries.

Earlier, Pravda, the Soviet Communist party newspaper, had accused Kissinger of trying to make campaign capital. In a jab at the Russians, Kissinger commented, "I don't know whether the Soviet Union, with its record of elections, is the best to judge what affects American politics."

Discussing the Geneva conference on Rhodesia, Kissinger said he does not expect a stalemate but that if the talks falter "the United States will do its best to get them started."

This appeared to leave open the possibility of a Kissinger appearance at Geneva. He said that "we will do what is asked by the parties to bring the negotiations to a successful conclusion."

Kissinger's next overt act in that direction was to dispatch William Schaufele Jr., assistant secretary for African affairs, to Geneva.

Schaufele, a State Department source said, would not be a participant in the conference, but would try to serve as an intermediary.

His presence is necessary to provide an official American spokesman on the subject of financial-aid guarantees to white Rhodesians and any prospective black government, the source said.

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AM-Gold-Dollar, 120

LONDON AP - The American dollar had mixed fortunes on European exchanges Wednesday. Gold was steady in Zurich and rose 50 cents in London.

The dollar declined in Frankfurt and Amsterdam, improved in Zurich, Milan and London and closed unchanged in Paris.

Closing prices were: Frankfurt, 2.4011 marks, down from Tuesday's 2.4120; Paris, 5.0010 francs, unchanged; Zurich, 2.4368 francs, up from 2.4295; Amsterdam, 2.53 guilders, down from 2.54; Milan, 864 lire, up from 863.95.

Gold bullion was steady in Zurich, closing at \$117.625. It moved \$118.125 in London from Tuesday's \$117.25, in advance of another sale of gold by the International Monetary Fund.

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PM-Economic Rdp, 2 Takes, 470-630

WASHINGTON AP - The price of a typically equipped 1977 U.S.-made automobile is up \$333 from the 1976 version, but government officials say they foresee no further increases in this year's models.

The Council on Wage and Price Stability, which monitors inflation for the federal government, said Wednesday that manufacturers are expected to stabilize their income by turning out more cars rather than by raising prices again.

The council, after studying confidential data from the four largest auto manufacturers, reported a 4.1-per-cent hike in the price of 1977 subcompacts, a 6.9-per-cent increase in mid-sized cars and an over-all average boost of 5.9 per cent.

In other economic developments:

-General Motors reported record-shattering profits in the third quarter, reflecting improvement in the national economy.

-The Labor Department announced that output per hour of work was up at an annual rate of 3.8 per cent last quarter, a leveling off. Hourly compensation of workers, adjusted for inflation, rose 1.2 per cent, the smallest gain in five quarters.

-Liberal economists said the Ford administration's sharp cutback in federal spending during the last quarter must share the blame for lagging economic growth. Spending was \$7.6 billion below the budget, but administration spokesmen denied any direct connection to the slump. But the size of the spending cutback took them by surprise.

-The International Monetary Fund approved a loan to the Mexican government of more than \$950 million, reliable sources said. The IMF acted after the peso dropped Wednesday to 26.5 per U.S. dollar, compared with 19.9 on Tuesday. The decrease in the value of the peso is good news for American tourists. A dollar now buys more than twice as many pesos as it did before the Mexican currency first began to float on international markets on Aug. 31 in an effort to curb Mexican spending abroad.

A hotel room that rented for \$40 six weeks ago now costs \$22.80.

The Council on Wage and Price Stability, in reporting on the automobile industry, said Chrysler raised 1977 prices by 6.2 per cent Ford by 5.7, General Motors by 5.8 and American Motors by 5.1 per cent.

As an industry, the auto manufacturers are showing increased costs of \$335 per 1977 car and per-car income up by \$295 over 1976 models. The companies' pretax profit margin on the '77s is expected to be 6.7 per cent, compared with 7.9 per cent on 1976 models, the council estimates.

Domestic production of passenger cars in this model year was forecast at 8.9 million vehicles, 400,000 more than last year.

Meanwhile, the largest car maker, General Motors, reported record net profits during the third quarter of \$397 million on sales of \$10.4 billion. Profits were \$1.37 per share, up 63 per cent from the same period a year ago.

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By HARRY ATKINS

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Congress has accomplished a difficult task with the Forest Management Act of 1976. Both environmentalists and the timber industry, traditional opponents, indicate they can live with the measure, an Associated Press survey shows.

The bill, signed into law last Friday by President Ford, permits clear-cutting of timber in national forests, long a bugaboo of environmental groups, but it puts limitations on the practice.

"The bill provides important protection for sensitive marginal lands," said Brock Evans of the Washington office of the Sierra Club.

"It contains clear-cutting guidelines that are acceptable."

Clear-cutting involves leveling an entire stand of timber instead of selectively cutting trees, a practice that environmentalists have contended leaves ugly scars on forests and destroys animal habitats.

But the new law allows clear-cutting only in areas where it can "blend with the terrain."

"It the new law also focuses on some new area that never were spoken to before," said a spokesman for the National Resources Defense Council in Washington D.C.. "For instance it stipulates that there are certain minimum ages before trees may be cut.

"We hope it will preserve some young trees. If so, that means that we are not going to see our forest become a sapling forest."

About 14 per cent of the nation's 1.7 million acres of national forest were clear-cut in 1975, according to Mike Hathaway, a forester for the Eastern Region of the U.S. Forest Service in Milwaukee.

Hathaway said Tuesday that any significant jump in that figure would come in in Virginia, West Virginia, the Carolinas, Texas and Alaska - where a lawsuit had halted clear-cutting in national forests.

"I see completely eye-to-eye with the act the President signed," Hathaway said. "The law is very broad and leaves much of the responsibility for management of the forests up to the local national forest service manager, as we think it should be."

J. E. Tibbs, manager of the R. S. Burrus Lumber Co. in Marlinton, W.Va., said the new law would "reopen lumbering" in his area.

"The injunction put a screeching halt to timber cutting in West Virginia," Tibbs said. "There was no way you could operate."

Tibbs said, however, the new law likely won't create many new jobs. He said most companies would either hire back men they had laid off, or would now be able to shift part-time employees to full time.

"It's something we can live with," said Lynn Sandberg of Mead Paper, whose output of almost half the Upper Peninsula's one-million cord annual harvest makes it Michigan's largest woodbuyer.

Sandberg added that he expected no change in Mead's operation in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where clear-cutting was always legal.

A spokesman for ITT-Rayonier in Washington State, said passage of the law could open the way for Rayonier to expand production in the Northwest, "and that, of course, will affect the number of jobs."

One negative note was sounded in Washington, D.C., by Tom Barlow, coordinator of a coalition of citizens' groups that fought the bill.

"The bill lacks almost any protection for wildlife," he said, "and that's a real shame, really a tragedy. The wildlife groups blew it."

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PM-Auto Profits, 380

By OWEN ULLMANN,

Associated Press Writer

DETROIT AP - With record third-quarter sales and profits, General Motors has demonstrated the auto industry's resurgence from bust to boom.

The world's largest auto maker reported Wednesday that it earned \$397 million on sales of \$10.2 billion in the July-September period. GM is the second auto maker to turn in a record performance for the quarter.

GM's profits rose 63 per cent from the same 1975 quarter and topped the previous high of \$267 million set in 1973, the industry's last boom year. The firm's sales in the period were up from the previous record \$8.3 billion a year ago.

Chrysler Corp. reported on Monday record third-quarter profits of \$76 million, reversing a record \$79-million loss of a year ago when the industry was struggling out of its worst recession in 40 years.

Ford Motor Co., which reports its results later this week, had been expected to earn record profits for the period as well. But a 28-day strike by the United Auto Workers which started Sept. 14 cut earnings by \$100 million, according to financial analysts.

Meanwhile, the chairman of a still-struggling American Motors Corp. said losses in fiscal 1976 were "substantially larger" than the \$10 million to \$15 million analysts had estimated.

Roy D. Chapin Jr. said that despite net profits of \$4.8 million during the first nine months of the fiscal year, AMC lost money for the full year ended Sept. 30 because of heavy red ink incurred during the July-September period. He said details would be released next month.

AMC, which lost \$27.5 million in 1975, has been hurt because of poor demand for small cars. The firm's 1976 sales are off 24 per cent from 1975 levels.

For this year's first nine months, GM's profits are a record \$2.11 billion, more than three times the \$635 million earned in the same 1975 span. Sales of \$34.1 billion are up from \$25.2 billion in 1975.

The UAW, which still must negotiate a new contract for 390,000 GM workers, said GM "once again has reported a torrent of profits . . . and cannot escape its responsibilities at the bargaining table."

Talks toward a new contract between the union and GM were put on the back burner Wednesday, when the UAW announced that Chrysler would be its next strike target and set a Nov. 5 deadline.

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GM sold 1.79 million vehicles worldwide during the July-September period, another record. Despite the good news, the firm's employment is down 60,000 from the 794,000 in 1973.

Chrysler announced on Monday that its \$76.2-million profit during the period broke a 26-year-old record, a dramatic turn-around from a \$79-million loss a year ago.

But bad news is coming from Ford and American.

Because of a United Auto Workers strike, Ford profits for the quarter are expected to reach no more than \$25 million, industry analysts say.

And Roy D. Chapin Jr., chairman of American Motors, indicated Wednesday that the firm will report losses of \$20 million for the third quarter. American showed a \$4.8-million profit in the first nine months of the year.

The reversal is traceable, analysts say, to a sharp decline in the market for small cars, an American Motors specialty.

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Arriving in Pittsburgh later, Carter said on a local radio program that a tax reduction is "almost inevitable" in the next four years.

Asked about the statement later, he said, "I would say that's true."

Previously, Carter has said that by closing tax loopholes that allow the rich to escape paying taxes he could increase total revenues. That, he has contended in the past, could make it possible to reduce taxes across-the-board.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. AP - Interior Secretary Thomas Kleppe says he thinks Congress should abandon attempts to unnecessarily restrict surface mining.

Kleppe, speaking at a Citizens for Ford dinner Tuesday night, said increased coal strip mining was the main way for the nation to gain energy independence. The dinner, sponsored by several groups supporting President Ford, was attended by some 120 persons related to the strip mining industry in Alabama.

About a dozen people picketed the hotel where Kleppe spoke. They carried signs protesting strip mining in national forests and the destruction of Alabama land to supply coal to foreign steel mills.

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AM-Productivity, 400

By ROBERT A. DOBKIN

AP Labor Writer

WASHINGTON AP - Productivity of the nation's private economy work force leveled off in the third quarter, the Labor Department reported Wednesday, reflecting the slowdown in the economy.

The department said productivity, or output per hour of work, in the total private economy rose at a 3.8 per cent seasonally adjusted annual rate in the third quarter, equal to the second quarter rate but below the first quarter's 7.4 per cent pace.

The third quarter productivity gain reflected a 4 per cent rise in output, on an annual basis, and a two-tenths of 1 per cent increase in hours worked.

However, productivity in manufacturing and in the nonfarm business sector were down from their first-quarter rate.

In manufacturing, productivity rose at a 5.7 per cent annual rate during the July-September period following an 8.7 per cent rise in the previous quarter. Productivity in the nonfarm economy rose at a 3.6 per cent annual rate compared with 5.4 per cent in the second quarter.

Workers gained little in buying power, the department said, as "real" hourly compensation in the private economy rose 1.2 per cent. This was the smallest quarterly increase since the seven-tenths of one per cent gain in the 1975 second quarter at the height of the recession.

"Real" hourly compensation is hourly pay adjusted for inflation. In manufacturing, real compensation fell 1.3 per cent in the third quarter and rose only eight-tenths of one per cent in the nonfarm business sector.

Compensation per hour rose at a 7.4 per cent annual rate in the third quarter for the total private economy, at 7 per cent for the nonfarm sector and at 4.7 per cent in manufacturing, the government said.

The productivity gains lessened the impact of rising wages on unit labor costs, however.

Unit labor costs rose at an annual rate of 3.4 per cent in the third quarter for the total private economy. They increased at a 3.2 per cent pace in the nonfarm sector, and declined 1 per cent in manufacturing.

In the second quarter, unit labor costs rose 3.6 per cent for the total private economy, 3.3 per cent in the nonfarm sector and decline 1.3 per cent in manufacturing.

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PM-CARTER SKED 10-28

BY HELEN THOMAS

PITTSBURGH (UPI) -- RESPONDING TO PRESIDENT FORD'S ATTACK, AND FACED WITH NARROWING POLLS, JIMMY CARTER SAYS A SUBSTANTIAL TAX CUT IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS IS INEVITABLE.

CARTER UNVEILED HIS PROPOSAL FOR A GENERAL TAX CUT DURING A CAMPAIGN SWING IN THE PITTSBURGH AREA WHERE HE EXHORTED DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADERS TO GET OUT THE VOTE TUESDAY.

"IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY IN THE NEXT FIVE DAYS. IT'S GOING TO BE CLOSE," HE SAID.

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IN A PREPARED ADDRESS FOR A GATHERING OF SENIOR CITIZENS IN PITTSBURGH, CARTER CHARGED THE FORD ADMINISTRATION HAS NEGLECTED OLDER AMERICANS.

HE SAID A NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM SHOULD BE DEVELOPED TO IMPROVE SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE. BUT HE ADDED, "ONE IMPORTANT REFORM WE CAN BEGIN IMMEDIATELY WOULD BE TO SHIFT THE FOCUS OF OUR PROGRAMS AWAY FROM INSTITUTIONS AND TOWARD OUT-PATIENT AND HOME HEALTH SERVICES."

HE SAID THAT CURRENTLY 72 PER CENT OF ALL MEDICAID PAYMENTS GO FOR NURSING HOME CARE WHILE 0.2 PER CENT IS SPENT FOR HOME HEALTH ALTERNATIVES, ALTHOUGH EXPERTS ESTIMATE AS MANY AS 40 PER CENT OF NURSING HOME RESIDENTS COULD BE CARED FOR AT A LOWER COST IN THEIR OWN HOMES.

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CARTER HAD A FULL DAY OF CAMPAIGNING AHEAD WITH A SPEECH AT THE SENIOR CITIZENS BREAKFAST BEFORE FLYING TO ERIE. HE WILL ALSO CAMPAIGN IN CLEVELAND BEFORE RETURNING TO NEW YORK FOR ANOTHER ROUND OF HANDSHAKING AND SPEECH MAKING IN BROOKLYN.

THE NEW YORK DAILY NEWS HAS PUBLISHED A NEW POLL THAT SHOWS CARTER'S NINE POINT LEAD OVER FORD HAS BEEN CUT TO SIX PER CENT, A CAUSE OF CONCERN TO THE CARTER CAMP.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CONTENDER HAS BEEN UNDER HEAVY ATTACK BY FORD WHO MAINTAINS THE BEST TAX REFORM IS A TAX CUT. FORD ALSO HAS CHARGED THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM WOULD COST BILLIONS AND WOULD MAKE A TAX CUT IMPOSSIBLE.

BUT CARTER SAID WEDNESDAY IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO PHASE IN INCREASED REVENUES THAT HE EXPECTS TO BE ABOUT \$60 BILLION OVER THE NEXT FOUR YEARS AS A RESULT OF A 5 OR 6 PER CENT RESTORED GROWTH RATE, WHICH COULD COVER BOTH NEW PROGRAMS AND A GENERAL TAX CUT.

CAMPAIGN OBSERVERS ARE BEGINNING TO CALL THE ELECTION CLOSE IN MOST OF THE STATES WITH THE BIGGEST ELECTORAL VOTES. BUT CARTER'S AIDES SAID HE REMAINS 4 TO 6 SIX POINTS IN FRONT, ACCORDING TO THEIR SAMPLINGS.

IN HIS SPEECHES, CARTER HAS STRESSED THAT ELECTIONS CAN BE WON OR LOST BY ONLY A FEW THOUSAND VOTES. HE CITES SUCH CLIFFHANGERS AS 1960 WHEN JOHN KENNEDY DEFEATED RICHARD NIXON BY ONLY A SLIGHT MARGIN AND IN 1968 WHEN NIXON WON OVER HUBERT HUMPHREY.

CARTER DREW SOME 60,000 SUPPORTERS TO A RALLY IN THE GARMENT DISTRICT OF NEW YORK WEDNESDAY. HIS AIDES SAID THE TURNOUT WAS BIGGER THAN THE PARADE HELD FOR GEN. DOUGLAS MCARTHUR WHEN HE RETURNED FROM KOREA.

CARTER MET WITH NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY DEMOCRATIC LEADERS, LABOR LEADERS, AND VOLUNTEERS IN A STEPUP REFLECTING HIS DESIRE TO TOUCH ALL BASES IN SEEKING IMPORTANT POPULAR VOTES IN THE NORTHEASTERN STATES.

ROBERT STRAUSS, CHAIRMAN OF THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE, APPEARED AT SEVERAL OF THE GATHERINGS WITH CARTER AND TOLD REPORTERS

PA. FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WAS THOMAS E. DEWEY IN 1948. JIMMY CARTER GOES TO ERIE TODAY, AND WHILE HE DOESN'T INTEND TO LOSE, THERE ARE SIGNS OF WORRY IN HIS CAMPAIGN.

"IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY," HAS BECOME A STANDARD LINE IN THE CARTER SPEECH IN THE CLOSING DAYS OF THE CAMPAIGN. "IT'S GOING TO BE CLOSE," HE SAYS WHEN ASKED HOW IT LOOKS IN SOME OF THE BIG ELECTORAL-VOTE STATES THE WINNER MUST CARRY.

CARTER BELIEVES HE IS AHEAD, BUT KNOWS THE GAP IS NARROWED AND FEARS THAT VOTER APATHY COULD WIPE OUT HIS LEAD. HE SAYS THE VOTERS HAVE BEEN TURNED OFF BY WATERGATE AND OTHER SCANDALS THE PAST FEW YEARS AND DON'T BELIEVE THEIR VOTE WILL CHANGE THE GOVERNMENT.

"WHEN YOU CLAIM IN A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN THAT THINGS WILL BE BETTER, THE VOTERS THINK YOU'RE MAKING AN IDLE PROMISE," HE SAID. "THERE'S A GENERAL FEELING WE CANNOT TRUST THE POLITICAL SYSTEM, WE CANNOT TRUST POLITICAL LEADERS ANYMORE. WE'VE BEEN BETRAYED TOO MUCH."

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CHAIRMAN ROBERT STRAUSS, THE PARTY'S HEAD CHEERLEADER, INSISTS THINGS LOOK VERY GOOD. HE SAID IN NEW YORK CITY WEDNESDAY THAT "REPORTS FROM THE FIELD" SHOWED CARTER AHEAD IN NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, OHIO, PENNSYLVANIA AND BY SIX POINTS IN TEXAS.

"CALIFORNIA IS A DRAW," HE SAID.

BUT SPEAKING TO THE SAME MEETING A FEW MINUTES LATER, CARTER DIDN'T SEE THINGS QUITE AS ROSILY. "IN NEW YORK WE'RE STRONG," HE SAID. "THAT IS GENERALLY CONCEDED. NEW JERSEY IS CLOSE. OHIO AND ILLINOIS ARE VERY CLOSE."

THE CARTER CAMPAIGN STAFF IS TELLING REPORTERS THEIR SLIPPAGE HAS STOPPED -- AND THEY STILL HOLD A BIG ENOUGH EDGE TO SCORE A POPULAR NARROW VICTORY AND A SUBSTANTIAL ELECTORAL WIN.

BUT THERE IS EVIDENCE THE ELECTION IS NOT BEING TAKEN FOR GRANTED AND ADDED STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN TO BOLSTER THE CARTER VOTE. FOR INSTANCE:

-- CARTER WENT INTO NEW YORK CITY WEDNESDAY AND GOES BACK TO BROOKLYN TODAY. THE LATEST STATEWIDE POLLS SHOW HIM AHEAD -- BUT SLIPPING.

-- AT EVERY STOP DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS CARTER HAS ADDED TO HIS SCHEDULE EXCLUSIVE TELEVISION INTERVIEWS WITH EVERY MAJOR LOCAL STATION. THIS IS SOMETHING HE HASN'T DONE SINCE THE EARLY PRIMARIES, WHEN HE WAS TRYING TO BUILD IDENTIFICATION.

-- HIS SCHEDULES ARE BEING MADE UP AT THE LAST MINUTE, CRAMMING MORE EVENTS INTO EVERY STOP. UP TO NOW, THE CAMPAIGN PACE HAS BEEN MORE LEISURELY THAN THAT OF JOHN KENNEDY IN 1960 AND HUBERT HUMPHREY IN 1968. NOW THE DAYS ARE LONGER, THE EVENTS MORE CLOSELY SPACED.

CARTER HAS SAID HE WILL NOT ENGAGE IN LAST-MINUTE CAMPAIGN RHETORIC, STEP UP HIS ATTACKS ON PRESIDENT FORD OR CHANGE THE BASIC THEMES OF HIS SPEECHES. BUT THERE HAVE BEEN SUBTLE BUT SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THAT SHOW HE IS REACTING TO THE STYLE OF THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN.

FORD HAS HAMMERED AWAY AT THE HIGH COST OF CARTER'S PROPOSED SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND SAYS THEY CAN ONLY BE PAID FOR WITH A TAX INCREASE. FORD, MEANWHILE, SAYS THE BEST TAX REFORM IS A TAX CUT, AND THAT'S WHAT HE WILL DO.

CARTER HAS ARGUED THAT HIS PROGRAMS WILL BE PAID FOR WITH THE \$60 BILLION IN REVENUE GROWTH IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS. WEDNESDAY, FOR THE FIRST TIME, HE SAID HE WOULD USE SOME OF THAT MONEY TO CUT TAXES -- A NEW THEME FOR CARTER.

IT WOULD BE WRONG TO SAY THAT DESPERATION OR DESPAIR HAS HIT THE CARTER CAMPAIGN THIS WEEK. CARTER'S CONFIDENCE STILL SEEMS STRONG, AND HE TALKS INCREASINGLY ABOUT WHAT HE PLANS TO DO WHEN HE'S ELECTED.

BUT SOMEONE SUGGESTED THAT THE RACE WAS GETTING SO CLOSE -- THAT APATHY WAS RUNNING SO HIGH -- THAT FORD COULD WIN BY A FEW THOUSAND VOTES.

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EDITORS: FORD LEAVES FOR INDIANAPOLIS AT 7:25 A.M. EDT

BY RICHARD H. GROWALD

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) -- POLISHING A NEW SPEAKING STYLE, PRESIDENT FORD TARGETED INDIANA AND OHIO FOR HIS CAMPAIGN BARNSTORMING TODAY, CONFIDENT HE IS ON HIS WAY TO UPSETTING JIMMY CARTER IN THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE.

FORD WAS FLYING FROM PHILADELPHIA TO INDIANAPOLIS FOR LATE-MORNING CAMPAIGNING BEFORE GOING ON IN THE AFTERNOON TO CINCINNATI AND CLEVELAND, OHIO.

THROUGHOUT HIS TRANSCONTINENTAL JOURNEY TO ELECTION DAY, THE PRESIDENT REPEATEDLY HAS TALKED OF HIS FEELING THAT HISTORY WILL SHOW HE CAME FROM THE LOWER DEPTHS OF SUMMERTIME PUBLIC OPINION POLLS TO A NOV. 2 TRIUMPH.

"WE HAVE THE MOMENTUM," HE SAID AT ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. AIRPORT WEDNESDAY.

"IT REMINDS ME JUST A BIT OF THE KIND OF MOMENTUM THAT ONE OF MY IDOLS, A DEMOCRAT, HARRY TRUMAN, EXPERIENCED IN THE FINAL DAYS OF HIS (1948 UPSET VICTORY) CAMPAIGN. WE HAVE THE MOMENTUM GOING, THE PEOPLE ARE INTERESTED AND I THINK WE ARE GOING TO SURPRISE SOME FOLKS," FORD TOLD REPORTERS.

HIS DAY TO DAY CAMPAIGN TOPICS AND APPROACH IS GEARED TO THE DAILY POLLING OF KEY STATES, TELEPHONED TO HIS CAMPAIGN ENTOURAGE.

FORD'S CAMPAIGNING FLEXIBILITY SURPRISED REPORTERS.

FOR EXAMPLE, ON WEDNESDAY HE RASPED OUT A STUMP SPEECH IN FAMILIAR STYLE ON THE ATLANTIC CITY BOARDWALK, BUT STEPPED INSIDE A SEASIDE HALL AND ADDRESSED SOME 3,000 SCHOOL BOARD OFFICIALS WITHOUT MENTIONING THE ELECTION.

LATER IN THE DAY THE PRESIDENT, WHOSE POSITION ON ABORTION HAS WON HIM MORE CORDIALITY THAN CARTER FROM ROMAN CATHOLIC LEADERS, RECEIVED A ROARING, WHISTLING, STOMPING RECEPTION FROM STUDENTS AT A PACKED VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY RALLY.

AT VALLEY FORGE A FEW HOURS LATER, THE PRESIDENT STOOD ALONE ON THE STAGE OF A THEATER IN THE ROUND.

"I HAVE NEVER BEEN TO A POLITICAL MEETING WHERE I OCCUPIED THIS KIND OF PODIUM BEFORE," FORD TOLD AN AUDIENCE OF 3,000 SEATED ALL AROUND HIM.

"THE LAST TIME I HAD SPECTATORS OR PARTICIPANTS OR THE PUBLIC ALL AROUND ME WAS BACK WHEN I WAS PLAYING FOOTBALL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN."

FORD STOOD ON THE WHITE STAGE HOLDING A MICROPHONE IN HIS RIGHT HAND, MUCH IN THE STYLE OF A LAS VEGAS ENTERTAINER. HE KEPT MOVING AROUND THE STAGE, STEPPING OVER THE MICROPHONE CORD. GONE WAS THE USUAL FORD HABIT OF SHOUTING INTO THE MIKE. HE TALKED SOFTLY AND THE AUDIENCE LISTENED INTENTLY.

FORD WAS SCHEDULED FOR SPEAK FOR 10 MINUTES, BUT HE SAID HE WOULD TALK FOR 15. HE ASKED FOR NO APPLAUSE. IT LASTED 28 MINUTES AND THE APPLAUSE, BEGUN HALTINGLY, GREW TO THUNDER.

THERE WAS NOTHING NEW IN WHAT FORD SAID. HE TALKED OF HIS VISION OF THE FIRST PRESIDENTIAL TERM OF AMERICA'S THIRD CENTURY -- JOBS, CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE ELDERLY, SOCIAL SECURITY FINANCES, INFLATION, CRIME, TAXES AND GOVERNMENT SPENDING AND CONTINUING HIS RECORD OF HAVING NO AMERICANS IN COMBAT ABROAD.

BUT THE STYLE WAS NEW. REPORTERS WHO IN THE PAST HAVE DUCKED OUT FOR DRINKS WHILE FORD SPOKE MOVED FORWARD AND JOINED THE AUDIENCE.

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BY STEVE GERSTEL

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

GEORGIA'S JIMMY CARTER, ELATED BY TENS OF THOUSANDS WHO GAVE HIM A HERO'S WELCOME ON THE STREETS OF NEW YORK CITY, SAID WEDNESDAY HE WAS CONFIDENT OF WINNING THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. BUT PRESIDENT FORD, CLAIMING THE MOMENTUM WAS HIS, PREDICTED HE WOULD SCORE A "TRUMAN" UPSET VICTORY NOV. 2.

WITH ONLY SIX DAYS LEFT BEFORE THE ELECTION, FORD AND CARTER TOOK THEIR CAMPAIGNS TO THE POPULOUS EAST AND ITS RICHES OF ELECTORAL VOTES IN THEIR CLOSE STRUGGLE FOR THE PRESIDENCY. BOTH WERE CHEERED BY THE CROWDS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

AFTER A HECTIC DAY IN NEW YORK CITY, WHICH INCLUDED THE BIGGEST TURNOUT OF HIS 22-MONTH QUEST FOR THE PRESIDENCY, CARTER ARRIVED IN PITTSBURGH WHERE HE WAS MET BY A SMALL BUT ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD. IN A BUOYANT MOOD, CARTER BRUSHED OFF AIDES WHO TRIED TO STEER HIM TO HIS CAR AND SHOOK HANDS WITH FOLLOWERS WHO CAME TO THE AIRPORT.

"I HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE THAT I SHALL BE THE NEXT PRESIDENT," CARTER SAID AT THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY AIRPORT. "WE'RE AHEAD IN THE POLLS BUT IT'S VERY CLOSE."

IN BOTH A SPEECH AND A TELEVISION INTERVIEW, CARTER SAID IT WAS "INEVITABLE" THAT A GENERAL TAX CUT WOULD ACCOMPANY HIS PROPOSED TAX REFORM AND HE APPEARED TO SUGGEST ECONOMIC CONDITIONS WOULD DICTATE SUCH A REDUCTION.

FORD ALSO HUNTED VOTES IN PENNSYLVANIA -- WHERE LOCAL POLLS GIVE FORD A SLIGHT EDGE FOR THE STATE'S 27 ELECTORAL VOTES -- AND TOLD A RALLY AT VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY, NOTED FOR ITS GREAT TRACK STARS, THAT "THIS LONG DISTANCE RUN IS ONE RACE I'M GOING TO WIN."

FOR THE SECOND DAY IN A ROW, FORD SOUGHT TO SEPARATE HIMSELF FROM RICHARD NIXON AND WATERGATE.

FORD SAID THAT AMERICANS HAD BEEN "BETRAYED BY CORRUPTION AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF OUR GOVERNMENT" WHEN HE ASSUMED OFFICE IN AUGUST, 1974. HE ADDED "AS I SAID THEN, OUR LONG NATIONAL NIGHTMARE IS OVER."

HE SAID IN CONTRAST TO NIXON, THE WHITE HOUSE NO LONGER IS "AN IMPERIAL PRESIDENCY. WE DON'T USE DICTATORIAL AUTHORITY."

BOTH CANDIDATES SOUGHT TO BURNISH THEIR CREDENTIALS WITH CATHOLIC VOTERS -- FORD PAYING A VISIT TO CARDINAL JOHN KROL IN PHILADELPHIA AND CARTER MEETING PRIVATELY WITH CARDINAL TERENCE COOKE IN NEW YORK CITY.

CARTER RECEIVED THE BIGGEST RECEPTION OF HIS CAMPAIGN IN NEW YORK CITY AS HE BATTLED FOR THE STATE'S 41 ELECTORAL VOTES WITH A MOTORCADE THAT ROLLED DOWN FIFTH AVENUE AND INTO THE MIDTOWN GARMENT CENTER FOR A RALLY. ALTHOUGH THE CROWDS WERE HUGE, THE APPLAUSE WAS MORE POLITE THAN ENTHUSIASTIC.

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BY SARA FRITZ

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- SOME LABOR UNIONS WHO FAVOR JIMMY CARTER HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTING BITTER CAMPAIGN MATERIAL THAT LINKS PRESIDENT FORD TO RICHARD NIXON, WATERGATE AND EVEN COAL MINE DEATHS.

ATTACKS ON FORD HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED IN RECENT WEEKS BY THE UNITED MINE WORKERS, UNITED AUTO WORKERS AND MACHINISTS UNIONS.

THE ANTI-FORD MATERIAL HAS BEEN KEPT SEPARATE FROM UNION PRO-CARTER CAMPAIGN PROMOTIONS, BUT THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE OBVIOUSLY IS INTENDED TO BENEFIT.

AS ONE UNION SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED: "IF THE CANDIDATE (CARTER) DID THIS IT WOULD BACKFIRE ON HIM. BUT IF LABOR DOES IT, PEOPLE SORT OF LAUGH."

THE UNITED MINE WORKERS RECENTLY PUBLISHED AN ADVERTISEMENT THAT PICTURED SIX PALLBEARERS CARRYING A DEAD MINER TO HIS GRAVE.

CHARGING BOTH NIXON AND FORD HAVE FAILED TO PROTECT HEALTH AND SAFETY IN THE MINES, IT DECLARED: "VOTE AS IF YOUR LIFE DEPENDED ON IT. BECAUSE IT DOES."

ANOTHER AD IN THE MINE WORKERS NEWSPAPER SHOWS BEDRIDDEN MINER ORVILLE MCCOY STARING BLANKLY AT A NIGHT TABLE COVERED WITH MEDICINE BOTTLES. THE TEXT EXPLAINS HE HAS BEEN DENIED FEDERAL BLACK LUNG BENEFITS.

"ORVILLE MCCOY CAN'T WAIT FOUR MORE YEARS," THE HEADLINE SAYS.

A POSTER DISTRIBUTED AMONG SOME MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PICTURES FORD ARM-IN-ARM WITH A GHOST-LIKE IMAGE OF NIXON. FORD WEARS A BUTTON SAYING, "PARDON ME."

PRINTED IN BOLD BLACK LETTERS AT THE TOP OF THE POSTER IS A STATEMENT THAT FORD ALLEGEDLY MADE IN 1974, TWO WEEKS BEFORE NIXON WAS FORCED TO RESIGN: "I CAN SAY FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART -- THE PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. IS INNOCENT, AND HE IS RIGHT."

THE MACHINISTS' LATEST NEWSPAPER DEVOTES TWO ADJACENT PAGES TO PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS -- ONE FAVORING CARTER AND ONE OPPOSING FORD. CARTER'S PHOTO SHOWS HIM SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY.

FORD, HOWEVER, IS PICTURED WITH NIXON, AND THE HEADLINE CALLS HIM "NIXON'S FORD."

NOTING THAT UNEMPLOYMENT BEGAN TO RISE SHORTLY AFTER FORD WAS SWORN IN AS NIXON'S "HAND-PICKED" SUCCESSOR, THE UNITED AUTO WORKERS' NEWSPAPER CARRIED A DRAWING OF THE PRESIDENT STANDING AT THE END OF AN UNEMPLOYMENT LINE.

IT SAYS: "UNEMPLOYMENT -- HELP GERALD FORD LEARN ABOUT IT FIRSTHAND IN NOVEMBER." DUPLICATE TO B-WIRE POINTS

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BY IRA R. ALLEN

ROSWELL, N.M. (UPI) -- ROBERT DOLE WORKED TODAY FOR A MINIMAL NUMBER OF ELECTORAL VOTES IN WESTERN TERRITORY WHERE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET IS CONSIDERED TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE.

THE STATES IN WHICH THE GOP VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE CAMPAIGNS TODAY -- NEW MEXICO, COLORADO, MONTANA, WASHINGTON AND OREGON -- HAVE A TOTAL OF ONLY 30 ELECTORAL VOTES.

EVEN WHEN DOLE VISITS CALIFORNIA FRIDAY WITH ITS ALL IMPORTANT 45 ELECTORAL VOTES, HE WILL CONCENTRATE ON FARM AREAS RATHER THAN STOP AT MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS.

WITH FIVE CAMPAIGN DAYS LEFT, DOLE HAS SETTLED INTO A ONE-NOTE CAMPAIGN CHORUS -- THAT PRESIDENT FORD HAS KEPT THE NATION AT PEACE THROUGH STRONG LEADERSHIP.

"WHEN IT'S ALL SAID AND DONE, WHEN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE STOP TO REFLECT THAT WE ARE AT PEACE ... WE'RE GOING TO ASK OURSELVES 'WHY CHANGE?'" HE SAID AT LINCOLN, NEB.

"WE ARE RESPECTED BY OUR FRIENDS, WE ARE RESPECTED BY OUR POTENTIAL ADVERSARIES. WE ARE AT PEACE. IS THERE ANYTHING WRONG WITH BEING AT PEACE IN THE WORLD?"

AT LINCOLN, WHERE DOLE APPEARED ON BEHALF OF SENATE CANDIDATE JOHN Y. MCCOLLISTER, HE SPOKE ON FARM POLICY, EMPHASIZING THE REPUBLICAN PROGRAM OF FREE MARKET GRAIN SALES AND ATTACKING CARTER'S SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA'S PROPOSITION 13, WHICH DOLE SAID "TRENDS ON PROPERTY RIGHTS" BY ALLOWING UNION ORGANIZERS ONTO FARMS.

HE SAID HE WOULD BE "AN INTERNATIONAL SALESMAN" FOR U.S. GRAIN. HE SAID HE HOPED THE REPUBLICANS COULD BRING UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN TO 4 PER CENT ALTHOUGH HE SAID THERE WAS NO TIMETABLE FOR THAT GOAL.

DOLE SPENT MUCH OF WEDNESDAY ATTEMPTING TO REGAIN THE MOMENTUM OF HIS ATTACKS ON CARTER, AND PARTICULARLY ON MONDALE.

AT ONE POINT, HE BRANDED MONDALE AS THE CAMPAIGN'S "HATCHET MAN," A LABEL THAT HAS BEEN DESCRIBED TO DESCRIBE DOLE DURING THE WEEKS OF CAMPAIGNING.

"THE HATCHET MAN CALLED ME THE HATCHET MAN," DOLE SAID OF MONDALE'S CHARGE IN THEIR NATIONALLY TELEVISED DEBATE.

REFERRING AGAIN TO MONDALE, DOLE SAID: "I THINK FRITZ IS GETTING A LITTLE TIRED. I WISH THIS CAMPAIGN WOULD END SO HE COULD GET SOME REST."

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BY SARA FRITZ

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- SOME LABOR UNIONS WHO FAVOR JIMMY CARTER HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTING BITTER CAMPAIGN MATERIAL THAT LINKS PRESIDENT FORD TO RICHARD NIXON, WATERGATE AND EVEN COAL MINE DEATHS.

ATTACKS ON FORD HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED IN RECENT WEEKS BY THE UNITED MINE WORKERS, UNITED AUTO WORKERS AND MACHINISTS UNIONS.

THE ANTI-FORD MATERIAL HAS BEEN KEPT SEPARATE FROM UNION PRO-CARTER CAMPAIGN PROMOTIONS, BUT THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE OBVIOUSLY IS INTENDED TO BENEFIT.

AS ONE UNION SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED: "IF THE CANDIDATE (CARTER) DID THIS IT WOULD BACKFIRE ON HIM. BUT IF LABOR DOES IT, PEOPLE SORT OF LAUGH."

THE UNITED MINE WORKERS RECENTLY PUBLISHED AN ADVERTISEMENT THAT PICTURED SIX PALLBEARERS CARRYING A DEAD MINER TO HIS GRAVE.

CHARGING BOTH NIXON AND FORD HAVE FAILED TO PROTECT HEALTH AND SAFETY IN THE MINES, IT DECLARED: "VOTE AS IF YOUR LIFE DEPENDED ON IT. BECAUSE IT DOES."

ANOTHER AD IN THE MINE WORKERS NEWSPAPER SHOWS BEDRIDDEN MINER ORVILLE MCCOY STARING BLANKLY AT A NIGHT TABLE COVERED WITH MEDICINE BOTTLES. THE TEXT EXPLAINS HE HAS BEEN DENIED FEDERAL BLACK LUNG BENEFITS.

"ORVILLE MCCOY CAN'T WAIT FOUR MORE YEARS," THE HEADLINE SAYS.

A POSTER DISTRIBUTED AMONG SOME MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PICTURES FORD ARM-IN-ARM WITH A GHOST-LIKE IMAGE OF NIXON. FORD WEARS A BUTTON SAYING, "PARDON ME."

PRINTED IN BOLD BLACK LETTERS AT THE TOP OF THE POSTER IS A STATEMENT THAT FORD ALLEGEDLY MADE IN 1974, TWO WEEKS BEFORE NIXON WAS FORCED TO RESIGN: "I CAN SAY FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART -- THE PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. IS INNOCENT, AND HE IS RIGHT."

THE MACHINISTS' LATEST NEWSPAPER DEVOTES TWO ADJACENT PAGES TO PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS -- ONE FAVORING CARTER AND ONE OPPOSING FORD. CARTER'S PHOTO SHOWS HIM SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY.

FORD, HOWEVER, IS PICTURED WITH NIXON, AND THE HEADLINE CALLS HIM "NIXON'S FORD."

NOTING THAT UNEMPLOYMENT BEGAN TO RISE SHORTLY AFTER FORD WAS SWORN IN AS NIXON'S "HAND-PICKED" SUCCESSOR, THE UNITED AUTO WORKERS NEWSPAPER CARRIED A DRAWING OF THE PRESIDENT STANDING AT THE END OF AN UNEMPLOYMENT LINE.

IT SAYS: "UNEMPLOYMENT -- HELP GERALD FORD LEARN ABOUT IT FIRSTHAND IN NOVEMBER." DUPLICATE TO B-WIRE POINTS

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CAMPAIGN '76:

CALIFORNIA -- STILL TOO CLOSE TO CALL

BY CARL INGRAM

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (UPI) -- GERALD FORD, BELIEVING THE STATE IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL TO HIS PRESIDENCY, IS SPENDING NEARLY \$1 MILLION IN A FINAL-DAYS MEDIA BLITZ OF CALIFORNIA VOTERS.

JIMMY CARTER, WHOSE ONCE COMMANDING LEAD IN OPINION POLLS HAS BADLY ERODED, PLANS AN INTENSIVE DAY OF CAMPAIGNING AT THE SIDE OF POPULAR GOV. EDMUND G. BROWN JR. ON ELECTION EVE IN THREE MAJOR CITIES.

BUT TENDING TO OVERSHADOW THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE IN VOTER INTEREST IN CALIFORNIA IS THE DEAD HEAT CONTEST OF FIRST-TERM DEMOCRATIC SEN. JOHN TUNNEY, 42, AND HIS GOP CHALLENGER, S.I. HAYAKAWA, 70, RETIRED HARD-LINE PRESIDENT OF SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY.

CALIFORNIA, WITH ITS YIELD OF 45 ELECTORAL VOTES, AGAIN IS ONE OF THE MOST CRUCIAL STATES THIS YEAR.

THE CONTEST APPEARS TO BE THE CLOSEST SINCE 1960 WHEN RICHARD NIXON DEFEATED JOHN KENNEDY BY 35,000 VOTES. VIRTUALLY EVERYONE BELIEVES IT IS TOO CLOSE TO CALL, BUT REPUBLICAN OFFICIALS AGREE THAT FORD MUST WIN HERE OR FORFEIT THE WHITE HOUSE.

MANY CAMPAIGN OFFICIALS ON BOTH SIDES THINK THE UNDECIDED VOTERS, WHO SEEM TO HOLD THE KEY TO THE ELECTION, WILL MAKE UP THEIR MINDS DURING THE WEEKEND -- PERHAPS WITH FRIENDLY PERSUASION FROM THEIR TELEVISION SETS.

"THIS IS A VERY SOFT ELECTORATE," OBSERVED GOP STATE CHAIRMAN PAUL HAERLE. "I THINK IT BREAKS DOWN AS ONE-THIRD FOR FORD, ONE-THIRD FOR CARTER AND THE ONE-THIRD SAMPLED BY POLLSTERS WHO WILL DECIDE IN THE VOTING BOOTH."

HAERLE SAID GOP STRATEGISTS ARE HOPEFUL THE LATTER GROUP WOULD "VIEW FORD AS THE SAFE CHOICE. WHEN IN DOUBT, VOTE THE SAFE CHOICE."

TOM QUINN, ONE OF BROWN'S POLITICAL STRATEGISTS ON LOAN BEEF UP THE CARTER CAMPAIGN IN THE HOMESTRETCH, AGREES THAT THE PREDICTABLY UNPREDICTABLE CALIFORNIA VOTER IS AS HARD AS EVER TO FIGURE OUT.

"EVEN IF I SAW A POLL NOW SHOWING CARTER OR FORD AHEAD BY 5 POINTS, I WOULDN'T TRUST IT," QUINN SAID.

THE FORD CAMPAIGN EARMARKED \$980,000 FOR A FINAL DAYS TELEVISION AND RADIO BLITZ OF CALIFORNIA, HOME OF 9.9 MILLION VOTERS.

QUINN, A POLITICAL MEDIA EXPERT, SAID HE UNDERSTANDS THE FORD CAMPAIGN WILL OUTSPEND CARTER'S BROADCAST EFFORT IN CALIFORNIA BY \$200,000 TO \$300,000. HE CALLS THE FORD SPOTS "VERY EFFECTIVE."

"THIS IS NOT QUITE AS TRUE FOR THE CARTER MEDIA," QUINN SAID. "THEY HAVE MORE OF A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE AND SHOULD BE FINE TUNED TO FIT THE NEEDS OF CALIFORNIA ON SUCH ISSUES AS THE ECONOMY, SMOG AND ENERGY."

"WE HAVE THE MONEY TO RE-EDIT EXISTING MATERIAL, FINE TUNE THE SPOTS, BUT THE TIME IS SHORT," HE SAID.

BOTH PARTIES PLAN ELABORATE GET-OUT-THE-VOTE DRIVES, BUT SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH FONG EU PREDICTED A TURNOUT OF ONLY 79 PER CENT, THE LOWEST 73.3 PER CENT VOTED IN THE 1924 CALVIN COOLIDGE-JOHN DAVIS RACE.

IN THE SENATE RACE, TUNNEY, SON OF FORMER HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING CHAMPION GENE TUNNEY, STAVED OFF AN UNEXPECTEDLY HEAVY CHALLENGE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY FROM FORMER STUDENT RADICAL TOM HAYDEN. BUT HAYAKAWA MAY HAVE HIM ON THE ROPES.

IN AN UNORTHODOX CAMPAIGN STYLE, HAYAKAWA CANDIDLY CONFESSES HIS DISINTEREST IN CERTAIN ISSUES, DECLARES HIS OPPOSITION TO A PROPOSED \$15 BILLION INCOME TAX CUT AND URGES WOMEN TO DEMONSTRATE AGAINST PLAYBOY AND PENTHOUSE MAGAZINES BECAUSE OF THEIR "DEMEANING" PORTRAYAL OF WOMEN.

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FLANKED BY LOCAL POLITICIANS INCLUDING GOV. HUGH L. CAREY, MAYOR ABRAHAM D. BEAME AND DEMOCRATIC SENATE CANDIDATE DANIEL P. MOYNIHAN, CARTER SAID THE RALLY WAS AN "ABSOLUTELY UNBELIEVABLE OUTPOURING OF CONFIDENCE IN NEW YORK CITY, OF CONFIDENCE IN NEW YORK STATE, OF CONFIDENCE IN THE DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM WE HAVE IN THIS COUNTRY, OF CONFIDENCE IN ONE ANOTHER AND OF CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE OF OUR NATION."

HOWEVER, THE CROWD GAVE HIM LITTLE MORE THAN POLITE APPLAUSE.

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PITTSBURGH (UPI) -- PHILADELPHIA MAYOR FRANK L. RIZZO WILL NOT ATTEND A POLITICAL RALLY WITH JIMMY CARTER FRIDAY UNLESS SOME OF HIS DEMOCRATIC PARTY ENEMIES ARE BARRED, ACCORDING TO CARTER'S TOP PENNSYLVANIA STAFF AIDE.

JOSEPH TIMILTY QUOTED RIZZO AS SAYING HE WANTED NO PART OF A RALLY THAT INCLUDED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RECENT RECALL MOVEMENT TO OUST HIM AS MAYOR.

"THE MAYOR SAID IF THE PEOPLE OF THE RECALL MOVEMENT WERE RUNNING THE RALLY, HE WAS NOT GOING TO PARTICIPATE," SAID TIMILTY, A BOSTONIAN WHO CAME TO PENNSYLVANIA FOR CARTER PARTLY TO ALLEVIATE DIFFERENCES WITHIN THE STATE'S DEMOCARTIC ORGANIZATION.

TIMILTY SAID HE TOLD RIZZO THE INVITATIONS WOULD NOT BE SENT OUT UNTIL TODAY. ASKED WHETHER THOSE INVITED WOULD BE AMONG THE PERSONS RIZZO WISHED TO AVOID, TIMILTY REPLIED: "I THINK YOU'D HAVE TO ASK HIM."

"I WILL NOT LOOK OVER 200,000 PEOPLE (APPROXIMATELY THE NUMBER THAT SIGNED RECALL PETITIONS) TO SEE WHO I SHOULD NOT INVITE," SAID TIMILTY. "EVERYBODY INTERESTED IN THE ELECTION OF JIMMY CARTER SHOULD PUT ASIDE THEIR LOCAL POLITICAL DIFFERENCES UNTIL THE NOV. 2 ELECTION."

TIMILTY SAID 10,000 PERSONS WERE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE POLITICAL RALLY.

RIZZO, WHO DID NOT SUPPORT CARTER IN THE PENNSYLVANIA PRIMARY APRIL 27, HAS SINCE APPEARED WITH CARTER'S CAMPAIGN.

"HE HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO THE CAMPAIGN," TIMILTY SAID.

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BY JOHN MILNE

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE TRADITIONAL APPROACH TO WINNING ELECTIONS -- IDENTIFYING FAVORABLE VOTERS AND GETTING THEM TO THE POLLS -- MAY TURN OUT TO BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE ISSUES IN THIS YEAR'S PRESIDENTIAL RACE BETWEEN PRESIDENT FORD AND JIMMY CARTER.

ALL ACROSS THE NATION, UPI REPORTERS COVERING STATE CAMPAIGNS INDICATE THAT A PERSONAL CALL FROM PRECINCT WORKERS OR AN ELECTION-DAY RIDE TO THE POLLING PLACE MAY INFLUENCE THE OUTCOME MORE THAN ALL THE CAMPAIGN RHETORIC.

"THERE'S NOT THE ENTHUSIASM IN CALIFORNIA FOR EITHER FORD OR CARTER, CERTAINLY NOT MEASURED AGAINST THE DAYS OF JOHN AND BOBBY KENNEDY OR BARRY GOLDWATER," SAID STATE GOP CHAIRMAN PAUL HAERLE TO UPI'S ROBERT E. SWEET IN SACRAMENTO.

RUTH MORRISON OF REYNOLDSVILLE, OHIO, BLAMES THE CANDIDATES. "MAYBE IF THERE IS NO INTEREST IN THIS CAMPAIGN IT MIGHT BE REFLECTING THE LACK OF ISSUES," SHE TOLD ROVING REPORTER DAVID M. SMOTHERS. "THE BICKERING THAT IS GOING ON, TRYING TO SELL THEIR PERSONAL IMAGES -- TO ME, THAT IS NOT AN ISSUE."

THAT COULD MAKE BALLOT-SHARING ISSUES AND PERSONALITIES IMPORTANT IN SOME CLOSELY CONTESTED STATES.

UPI'S PAMELA REEVES SAYS GOP GUBERNATORAL CANDIDATE JAMES THOMPSON IS VERY POPULAR IN ILLINOIS, WHICH MIGHT HELP THE PRESIDENT. AS ONE CHICAGO REPUBLICAN PUT IT, "PEOPLE IN THOSE SUBURBS MAY VOTE A STRAIGHT TICKET JUST TO MAKE SURE THEY DON'T GET MIXED UP AND MISS VOTING FOR THOMPSON."

UPI'S PAUL VARIAN REPORTS THAT THE MICHIGAN SENATE RACE BETWEEN TWO CONGRESSMEN, DEMOCRAT DONALD RIEGLE AND REPUBLICAN MARVIN ESCH, MAY SWELL THE OVERALL TURNOUT. THE DETROIT NEWS PRINTED SOME 1969 PILLOW TALK BETWEEN RIEGLE AND AN UNPAID WOMAN STAFF MEMBER WHO KEPT TAPE RECORDINGS OF HER AFFAIR WITH RIEGLE. HE WAS DIVORCED AND REMARRIED IN 1972.

HOPING TO COUNTER A SLIPPING LEAD IN THE POLLS, RIEGLE SUGGESTED ESCH MAY HAVE BEEN BEHIND THE LEAK. "I KEEP EXPECTING TO HEAR MARVIN ON THE TAPES, THE WAY RIEGLE HAS TURNED IT AROUND," GRUMBLED WILLIAM MCLAUGHLIN, THE MICHIGAN GOP CHAIRMAN.

SOMETIMES SUCH DISCLOSURES DON'T AFFECT A RACE. REPORTING FROM DAVIS, CALIF., UPI'S ROBERT B. GUNNISON SAYS REP. ROBERT LEGGETT, A DEMOCRAT, IS FAVORED TO DEFEAT AL DEHR DESPITE DEHR'S ADMISSION TO HAVING A LONG-TERM AFFAIR WITH A CAPITOL HILL SECRETARY, FATHERING HER TWO CHILDREN, AND FORGING HIS WIFE'S NAME TO A DEED.

ON THE OTHER HAND, MARRIAGE IS BEING USED AS AN ARGUMENT AGAINST REP. MARTHA KEYS, D-KAN., WHO MARRIED REP. ANDREW JACOBS JR., D-IND., LAST YEAR. TOPEKA UPI REPORTER JOHN C. BRADEN SAYS HER OPPONENT, REPUBLICAN ROSS FREEMAN, CALLS HER "THE CONGRESSWOMAN FROM INDIANA."

BACK HOME IN INDIANAPOLIS, JACOBS TOLD UPI'S HORTENSE MYERS THAT "NO ONE HAS SAID TO ME THAT BECAUSE MY WIFE LIVES IN KANSAS, I CAN'T REPRESENT MY DISTRICT. BUT THERE IS AN ENERGETIC CAMPAIGN AGAINST MARTHA ON THIS BASIS."

FOR OTHER STATES, IT'S BACK TO THE BASICS. WELLINGTON WEBB, CARTER'S CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR IN COLORADO, TOLD UPI'S JOHN J. SANKO, "IF WE CAN GET THAT VOTE OUT, WE'RE GOING TO BE OKAY. IF WE DON'T, WE'RE GOING TO BE IN TROUBLE."

ANOTHER CARTER CAMPAIGNER, JAY PEARSON, TOLD UPI'S GORDON SCHULTZ IN SEATTLE: "RIGHT NOW, IT'S A 50-50 RACE. IF WE PUT THROUGH ALL OF OUR ORGANIZATIONAL EFFORTS, WE CAN PULL IT OFF."

AND IN NEW JERSEY, UPI'S RITA SHADE TALKED TO AN AIDE TO REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE LEADER THOMAS KEAN, WHO SAID, "OBVIOUSLY, THE KEY TO THIS ELECTION WILL BE VOTER TURNOUT."

TAKING NOTE OF A REGISTRATION DRIVE THAT TURNED UP 250,000 NEW VOTERS, MOST OF THEM DEMOCRATS, THE AIDE SAID, "THESE ARE GENERALLY MARGINAL PEOPLE WHO WON'T VOTE UNLESS YOU LEAD THEM BY THE HAND AND TAKE THEM TO THE POLLS."

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- IN TWO YEARS IN THE WHITE HOUSE, BETTY FORD HAS BECOME AS FAMOUS AS HER HUSBAND. SHE CLEARLY IS A DIFFERENT KIND OF FIRST LADY.

OUTSPOKEN AND QUOTABLE, MRS. FORD HAS RECEIVED WORLD ATTENTION FOR HER STRONG VIEWS ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND HER TOLERANCE AND UNDERSTANDING OF YOUTH.

WITHOUT HESITATION, SHE TOLD INTERVIEWERS SHE "WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED" IF DAUGHTER SUSAN WERE HAVING AN AFFAIR AND ASSUMED HER FOUR CHILDREN HAD EXPERIMENTED WITH MARIJUANA ("KIDS TRY EVERYTHING, DON'T THEY?").

SHE IS A VOCAL SUPPORTER OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT AND LIBERALIZED ABORTION. SHE HAS BEEN PICKETED BY SOME WOMEN AND HAILED BY OTHERS FOR STICKING BY HER GUNS. IT IS NOT UNCOMMON TO SEE CAMPAIGN BUTTONS SUPPORTING "BETTY'S HUSBAND FOR PRESIDENT."

PRESIDENT FORD OFTEN JOKES THAT HIS WIFE'S POPULARITY IS GREATER THAN HIS.

FORD SEEKS HER OPINION ON IMPORTANT MATTERS. SHE HAS APPARENTLY BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN RAISING A FAMILY IN THE GLARE OF THE NATIONAL PUBLICITY, AND SHE LIKES HER NEW HOME AT 1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE.

THERE WAS A TIME WHEN MRS. FORD, 58, WANTED HER HUSBAND TO QUIT AFTER 25 YEARS IN CONGRESS AND DEVOTE MORE TIME TO HIS FAMILY AND HIMSELF.

BUT HER ATTITUDE CHANGED WHEN FATE MADE HIM PRESIDENT. SHE IS AN ALL-OUT CAMPAIGNER, DETERMINED TO HELP HIM WIN FOUR YEARS IN THE WHITE HOUSE ON HIS OWN.

LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AFTER FORD BECAME PRESIDENT, MRS. FORD UNDERWENT AN OPERATION FOR BREAST CANCER. HER SURGERY PROMPTED THOUSANDS OF WOMEN TO GET CHECKUPS, INCLUDING MRS. NELSON ROCKEFELLER, WHO AFTERWARDS UNDERWENT TWO SIMILAR OPERATIONS.

ABOUT A YEAR AFTER HER OPERATION. DR. WILLIAM LUKASH, WHITE HOUSE PHYSICIAN, SAID SHE HAD "CONQUERED CANCER." SHE RECENTLY COMPLETED TWO YEARS OF CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENTS.

MRS. FORD HAS BEEN PLAGUED BY A CHRONIC ARTHRITIC NECK AILMENT WHICH RECURS WHEN SHE IS TENSE OR OVERTIRED.

SOME YEARS AGO SHE WENT TO A PSYCHIATRIST WHO TOLD HER SHE NEEDED TO ESTABLISH HER OWN IDENTITY. SHE HAD CARRIED MANY OF THE BURDENS OF THEIR FAMILY OF FOUR CHILDREN ALONE WHEN FORD WAS ON THE POLITICAL STUMP SO FREQUENTLY.

SHE IS MUCH THINNER NOW AND WEARS A SIZE 6 DRESS. HER WEIGHT VARIES FROM 108 TO 111. SOMETIMES WHEN HER STAMINA IS LOW SHE APPEARS DRAWN AND TIRED.

HER REDDISH BLONDE HAIR IS ALWAYS IMMACULATE. SHE PREFERS CASUAL CLOTHES BY AMERICAN DESIGNERS.

SHE IS COOL IN EMERGENCIES. RECENTLY MRS. FORD WAS GUEST OF HONOR AT A JEWISH FUND-RAISING BANQUET IN NEW YORK WHEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION SUFFERED A HEART ATTACK.

AS FIRST AID WAS BEING ADMINISTERED, SHE STEPPED TO THE MICROPHONE AND LED THE DISTRAUGHT GUESTS IN PRAYER.

IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, THE FORDS HAVE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP. THEY LOVE TO DANCE AT STATE DINNERS. HE BRINGS HIS WORK HOME FROM THE OFFICE, AND THEY SHARE CONFIDENCES.

EVER OUTSPOKEN, SHE HAS IGNORED PREVIOUS FIRST LADY TABOOS -- NOT TO DRINK OR SMOKE IN PUBLIC, NOT TO DISAGREE WITH HER HUSBAND ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES.

A FORMER PROFESSIONAL DANCER, SHE DELIGHTED A CHILDREN'S BALLET CLASS IN PEKING WHEN SHE PERFORMED WITH THEM.

SHE TAKES AN ACTIVE ROLE IN PLANNING SOCIAL EVENTS AT THE WHITE HOUSE. SHE DOES NOT FORGET HER OLD FRIENDS. SHE LIKES TO KEEP A LOOSE SCHEDULE AND DOES NOT LIKE TO BE PUSHED.

WHAT ARE HER PLANS AFTER JANUARY?

"I'M NOT PLANNING TO LEAVE THE WHITE HOUSE," SHE SAYS CONFIDENTLY.

AM-INVESTIGATE 10-27

BY ED ROGERS

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- ATTORNEY GENERAL EDWARD LEVI STANDS BY HIS REFUSAL TO INVESTIGATE PRESIDENT FORD'S ROLE IN A 1972 WATERGATE CONTROVERSY DESPITE A CLAIM THAT KEY WITNESSES NEVER WERE QUESTIONED, THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SAID WEDNESDAY.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN RESTATED LEVI'S DECISION IN RESPONSE TO AN NBC NEWS REPORT SUGGESTING LEVI ACTED ON INCOMPLETE EVIDENCE IN DECIDING THERE ARE NO GROUNDS TO INVESTIGATE THE PRESIDENT.

ROBERT HAVEL, THE JUSTICE SPOKESMAN, SAID LEVI EXPLAINED ADEQUATELY LAST WEEK WHY HE TURNED DOWN CONGRESSIONAL REQUESTS TO INVESTIGATE FORD'S ACTIONS.

"WE FOUND NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE AND WE STAND BY THAT," HAVEL SAID.

AT ISSUE WAS FORD'S MOTIVATION AS THE LEADER OF SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO QUASH A PROPOSED CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION OF WATERGATE IN 1972, WHEN HE WAS HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADER.

FORMER NIXON WHITE HOUSE COUNSEL JOHN DEAN HAS STATED THAT FORD ACTED UNDER PRESSURE FROM WHITE HOUSE OFFICIALS, INCLUDING FORMER LEGISLATIVE LIAISON MAN RICHARD COOK.

FORD INSISTS HE ACTED ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, AND COOK REJECTS DEAN'S DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS AS "DISTORTIONS" DESIGNED TO PROMOTE HIS NEW WATERGATE BOOK, "BLIND AMBITION."

NBC-TV LEGAL REPORTER CARL STERN SAID HE HAD LEARNED LEVI MADE HIS NO-INVESTIGATION DECISION WITHOUT QUESTIONING "TWO OF THE THREE MOST AVAILABLE WITNESSES" -- DEAN AND WILLIAM TIMMONS, FORMER WHITE HOUSE CONGRESSIONAL LIAISON MAN.

STERN SAID INVESTIGATORS DID QUESTION COOK, BUT NOT UNDER OATH AND WITHOUT ASKING TO SEE "SUPPORTING RECORDS HE SAYS HE HAS."

HE SAID LEVI'S DECISION NOT TO INVESTIGATE "RESTED HEAVILY ON DENIALS BY TIMMONS AND COOK," WITH TIMMONS' TESTIMONY DERIVED FROM "A THREE-YEAR-OLD AFFADAVIT."

FOLLOWING STERN'S REPORT, REP. HENRY REUSS, CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE WHOSE WATERGATE PROBE WAS STOPPED IN 1972, SENT FORD A TELEGRAM URGING HIM TO ANSWER THE CHARGES PUBLICLY AT A CAMPAIGN APPEARANCE BEFORE EDUCATORS IN MILWAUKEE THURSDAY.

"I ASK THAT YOU TELL THIS INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION OF EDUCATORS WHETHER OR NOT YOU TALKED TO RICHARD COOK OR ANY OTHER WHITE HOUSE PERSONNEL ABOUT THE ... INVESTIGATION AT ANY TIME IN 1972." REUSS SAID.

STERN'S REPORT ALSO DREW A SHARP RESPONSE FROM COOK, WHO SAID HE WAS "ANXIOUS TO STATE UNDER OATH THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DEAN'S DISTORTIONS REGARDING ME," AND WHO ALLEGED NBC HAS PAID DEAN A \$7,500 ADVANCE FOR DOCUMENTARY RIGHTS TO HIS BOOK. COOK ASKED THE NETWORK TO EXPLAIN WHY IT HAD "CONCEALED" THAT ARRANGEMENT.

AN NBC SPOKESMAN SAID NETWORK NEWS PRESIDENT RICHARD WALD ISSUED A STATEMENT TWO WEEKS AGO SAYING: "NBC HAD NO FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE SUCCESS OF JOHN DEAN'S BOOK. A YEAR AGO, WHEN WE WERE PLANNING A DOCUMENTARY ON THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION, WE TOOK AN OPTION TO BUY THE TV RIGHTS TO THE BOOK HE (DEAN) WAS WRITING.

"WE PAID \$7,500 FOR THAT OPTION. IT GAVE US A FIRST NEGOTIATING POSITION IF WE WANTED TO BUY THE BOOK; AT THE INSISTENCE OF MR. DEAN'S LAWYER, IT EXPRESSLY RULED OUT ANY OBLIGATION BY MR. DEAN TO APPEAR ON NBC OR DO ANYTHING AT ALL FOR NBC UNLESS WE DECIDED TO PICK UP THAT OPTION AND PAY FOR THE PRIVILEGE. WE HAVE NOT PICKED UP THE OPTION. WE HAVE NOT PAID FOR THE PRIVILEGE."

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PM-Rhodesia Talks, 1st Ld, a036, 110

By ROON LEWALD

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GENEVA, Switzerland AP - Unexplained "technical difficulties," today delayed the start of black-white talks on the future of Rhodesia.

Ivor Richard, British chairman of the conference, put the opening off for two hours to 5 p. m. - noon EDT - citing problems experienced by certain delegations.

The announcement gave no further details immediately. Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith had arrived for the earlier scheduled start and left in a laughing mood.

It seemed plain "the technical difficulties," had arisen because of clarifications called for by some leading black delegates.

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By G. DAVID WALLACE

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WASHINGTON AP - The nation's trade balance slipped deeper into the red in September as imports exceeded exports by \$778.9 million, the Commerce Department reported today.

The figure compares to an August deficit of \$757.7 million and brought to \$3.4 billion the total trade imbalance for 1976.

The imbalance of payments creates a loss of dollars for the United States. In the long run this can contribute to inflation and result in lower value of the dollar in relation to other world currencies.

Administration analysts initially predicted a small surplus of payments for 1976, but later in the year estimated the nation would suffer a trade loss of from \$2 billion to \$3 billion by year's end.

In eight of the nine months for which figures are available, the United States has imported more goods than it has sold abroad.

The monthly deficit occurred despite a \$27.3 million drop in oil imports in September. But Commerce Department figures reveal total imports for the year are running 20 per cent ahead of 1975, and apparently by year's end will exceed the record 2.3 billion barrels of petroleum products imported in 1973.

Import items registering gains for September were iron and steel, up \$56.5 million; sugar, up \$99.8 million, and auto imports from nations other than Canada, up \$34.1 million.

Over-all, imports rose 2 per cent during the month while exports rose 1.9 per cent. Both increases reversed declines of about 3 per cent in August in both imports and exports.

Corn shipments abroad fell \$100.8 million and wheat exports dropped by \$43.7 million during the month. Exports of cotton and soybeans increased by \$84 million.

Other sizable increases in exports included coal, up \$90.4 million, and military aircraft, up \$65.9 million.

Analysts generally consider the trade deficit to reflect the fact that the U.S. economic recovery is stronger than that of its trading partners, increasing American demand for foreign goods while holding down overseas demand for U.S. goods.

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PM-TRADE 2TAKES 10-28
BY ANDREW NIBLEY

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE UNITED STATES IN SEPTEMBER RECORDED ITS SECOND HIGHEST TRADE DEFICIT IN 26 MONTHS, THE GOVERNMENT SAID TODAY. IN ITS MONTHLY REPORT ON TRADE, THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT SAID THE NATION IMPORTED \$778.9 MILLION MORE IN GOODS THAN IT EXPORTED LAST MONTH. THIS REPRESENTS THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE MONTH THE UNITED STATES HAS RECORDED A SUBSTANTIAL BALANCE OF TRADE DEFICIT. SEPTEMBER'S TRADE DEFICIT WAS SMALLER THAN THE \$827.1 MILLION MINUS FIGURE POSTED IN AUGUST OF THIS YEAR. BUT IT WAS THE SECOND LARGEST SINCE AUGUST, 1974, WHEN THE DEFICIT STOOD AT \$887.8 MILLION, THE COMMERCE STATISTICS SHOWED.

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HIGHER IMPORTS OF SUGAR, IRON, STEEL, RUBBER AND FOREIGN CARS WERE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO OFFSET A SLIGHT DECLINE IN OIL IMPORTS, THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

ALL IMPORTS BY THE UNITED STATES LAST MONTH TOTALED \$10.6 BILLION -- THE SECOND LARGEST IMPORT FIGURE ON RECORD. THE NATION EXPORTED \$9.8 BILLION IN SEPTEMBER.

ALTHOUGH THE UNITED STATES HAS POSTED ONLY ONE SURPLUS THIS YEAR, THAT BEING IN MAY, ADMINISTRATION ECONOMISTS SAY THE LARGE TRADE DEFICITS ARE MERELY A REFLECTION OF THE WORLD'S OVERALL ECONOMIC PICTURE.

THE U.S. ECONOMY HAS IMPROVED MUCH MORE RAPIDLY THAN THE ECONOMIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES. AS A RESULT, THIS NATION HAS MORE MONEY TO SPEND ON FOREIGN PRODUCTS THAN OTHER COUNTRIES, WHOSE ECONOMIES ARE STILL IN THE RECOVERY STAGE.

THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT SAID SUGAR IMPORTS ROSE BY \$99.8 MILLION LAST MONTH, WHILE CRUDE RUBBER IMPORTS WERE UP \$22.7 MILLION. IRON AND STEEL IMPORTS INCREASED \$56.5 MILLION FROM AUGUST AND FOREIGN CAR IMPORTS ROSE \$34.1 MILLION.

PETROLEUM IMPORTS -- WHICH ROSE STEADILY THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER -- FELL A SLIGHT \$27.3 MILLION.

ON THE EXPORT SIDE, COAL, COTTON, MILITARY AIRCRAFT AND POWER GENERATING MACHINERY SHOWED SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES.

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AM-FORD-BUTZ 10-27

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD SAYS EARL BUTZ HAD TO RESIGN AS AGRICULTURE SECRETARY BECAUSE HE OFFENDED FORD "ONCE TOO OFTEN," BUT HE MAINTAINS THE RESIGNATION WAS VOLUNTARY.

IN AN INTERVIEW MADE PUBLIC WEDNESDAY, REPORTER JIM CASTELLI OF THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE ASKED FORD WHY BUTZ WAS MERELY REPRIMANDED AFTER HE TOLD AN OFFENSIVE JOKE ABOUT THE POPE TWO YEARS AGO BUT HAD TO RESIGN AFTER HIS RECENT, WELL-PUBLICIZED REMARK ABOUT BLACKS.

"BOTH COMMENTS WERE PERSONALLY OFFENSIVE TO ME AND, I BELIEVE, EQUALLY OFFENSIVE TO MOST PEOPLE," THE PRESIDENT RESPONDED, ACCORDING TO THE INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT.

"I FELT THAT THE SECOND BUTZ COMMENT WAS INDICATIVE OF A PROPENSITY TO DO SOMETHING THAT WAS OFFENSIVE TO ME ONCE TOO OFTEN. SO HAVING GIVEN HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO APOLOGIZE AND TO RECEIVE A REPRIMAND IN THE FIRST, I THOUGHT ... WE SHOULDN'T CONDONE IT THE SECOND TIME."

CASTELLI NOTED THAT, IN THE MORE RECENT CASE, FORD ALSO MERELY REPRIMANDED BUTZ AT FIRST, AND SAID "THE OFFICIAL STORY HAS BEEN THAT HE RESIGNED OF HIS OWN ACCORD."

FORD REPLIED THAT BUTZ OFFERED THE RESIGNATION AND HE ACCEPTED.

"BUT YOU WOULD NOT HAVE DIRECTLY ASKED FOR HIS RESIGNATION AND YOU DID NOT?" CASTELLI ASKED.

"NO, I DID NOT," FORD SAID.

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PM-MISSING 10-28

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS IT WILL ASK FOR AN ACCOUNTING OF AMERICANS MISSING IN ACTION BEFORE DISCUSSING DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION OF NORTH VIETNAM AT FORTHCOMING DIPLOMATIC TALKS.

"IT IS THE FIRST THING WE INTEND TO RAISE," A STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE SPOKESMAN CONFIRMED A REPORT BY WILLIAM J. ROGERS, THE NATIONAL COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, WHO SAID SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER PLEDGED TO HIM THAT THE ISSUE OF PRISONERS OF WAR AND MISSING IN ACTION WILL "BE THE FIRST ITEM ON THE AGENDA NEXT MONTH WHEN THE UNITED STATES OPENS FORMAL TALKS WITH NORTH VIETNAM ON POSSIBLE DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION."

"UNTIL THE ISSUE IS RESOLVED, DR. KISSINGER TOLD ME, THERE CAN BE NO PROGRESS ON DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION OR ECONOMIC AID," ROGERS TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE.

THE PENTAGON SAYS 774 MEN ARE MISSING IN ACTION AND THAT 34 OF THOSE ARE LISTED AS STILL BEING PRISONERS OF WAR. A SPOKESMAN SAID ABOUT 1,731 BODIES HAVE NOT BEEN RECOVERED.

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BY SARA FRITZ

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE IS CALLING ON THE ADMINISTRATION TO WITHDRAW PROPOSED NEW RULES IT SAYS WOULD "PARDON" FEDERAL CONTRACTORS WHO DISCRIMINATE ILLEGALLY AGAINST THEIR EMPLOYEES.

THE URBAN LEAGUE WAS AMONG SOME 40 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS AND WOMEN'S GROUPS THAT WROTE A LETTER WEDNESDAY TO LABOR SECRETARY W.J. USERY, SEEKING A "RATIONAL" EXPLANATION AND A POSTPONEMENT OF THE REGULATIONS.

LEADERS OF SEVERAL GROUPS SUGGESTED THE NEW REGULATIONS WERE PROPOSED AS AN ELECTION YEAR PLOY TO ASSURE BUSINESSMEN THAT PRESIDENT FORD INTENDS TO RELAX ENFORCEMENT OF ANTIDISCRIMINATION LAWS AGAINST FEDERAL CONTRACTORS.

LABOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS DENIED ANY POLITICAL MOTIVATIONS, BUT SUGGESTED THESE GROUPS WERE SEEKING TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW REGULATIONS IN HOPES THAT THEY WOULD BECOME MOOT IF DEMOCRAT JIMMY CARTER IS ELECTED PRESIDENT.

RONALD H. BROWN, URBAN LEAGUE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TOLD REPORTERS THE NEW REGULATIONS PROPOSED LAST SEPTEMBER SUGGEST THE ADMINISTRATION INTENDS TO "GUT" THE OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE -- THE AGENCY EMPOWERED TO WATCH FOR EVIDENCE OF HIRING DISCRIMINATION BY FEDERAL CONTRACTORS.

BROWN SAID THIS WOULD BE "TANTAMOUNT TO A PARDON" FOR CONTRACTORS. "THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE CALLS FOR THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF THESE PROPOSED REGULATIONS," HE SAID.

OFCC DIRECTOR LARRY LORBER SAID THE REGULATIONS PROBABLY WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL ABOUT MID-DECEMBER, AFTER A SERIES OF FOUR REGIONAL HEARINGS. HE CONTENDED THEY WOULD ACTUALLY STREAMLINE THE GOVERNMENT'S LACKLUSTER ANTIDISCRIMINATION ENFORCEMENT.

THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS BASICALLY WOULD ALLOW LORBER'S OFFICE TO FOCUS ON BIG CONTRACTORS, EXEMPTING FIRMS WITH FEWER THAN 100 EMPLOYEES FROM MAINTAINING AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLANS.

BROWN DESCRIBED THE APPROACH THIS WAY: "THEY ARE IN EFFECT SAYING 'WE'VE DONE A LOUSY JOB SO FAR AND WE MIGHT TO A LITTLE LESS LOUSY JOB IF WE HAD A LITTLE LESS TO DO.'"

DENYING POLITICAL MOTIVATION, LORBER SAID BUSINESSMEN ARE NOT NECESSARILY PLEASED BY THE PROPOSED NEW RULES. HE NOTED THE LABOR DEPARTMENT NEVER INTENDED TO IMPLEMENT THE REGULATIONS BEFORE THE NOV. 2 ELECTION.

LORBER SAID THE PROTESTING GROUPS ALSO HAVE CRITICIZED THE EXISTING REGULATIONS, BUT HAVE PROPOSED NO OTHER ALTERNATIVES.

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By JAMES GERSTENZANG

Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH AP - Jimmy Carter says that if he is elected "a substantial tax reduction," would be the almost inevitable result of his economic program by the end of four years.

The Democratic presidential candidate said that a tax cut, the size of which he did not specify, would follow a reduction in unemployment and stabilization of the nation's economic growth rate.

The former Georgia governor discussed tax cuts in a local radio interview Wednesday night, repeated the statement for reporters, then amplified it at a dinner for Allegheny County, Pa., Democrats.

Speaking before a senior citizens group in Pittsburgh today, Carter said his administration would "maintain the fiscal integrity of our Social Security system." Later today, he planned to attend rallies in Erie, Pa., and Cleveland, Ohio, before finishing the day in New York.

"Republican inflation has depleted its trust fund, and Republican unemployment rates have cut its revenues," Carter said of the Social Security program.

The Social Security system has been running an operating deficit in recent years, and in 1976, for example, benefits will exceed income by \$4.3 billion, according to estimates of program officials.

Carter criticized the Republican record on matters affecting older Americans, saying that in 1935 they opposed Social Security and 30 years later they fought Medicare.

"Last year they proposed cutbacks in Social Security benefits, reductions in food programs for the elderly and increases in the cost of Medicare," he said.

"We should think of older Americans as human beings, not as statistics in somebody's budget," Carter said.

In 1975, President Ford proposed that an 8 per cent cost-of-living increase in Social Security benefits be trimmed to 5 per cent, but Congress took no action on his request.

On Medicare, the Social Security Administration ordered a 13 per cent increase in 1975 and a 19 per cent increase effective next Jan. 1 in the amount of money recipients must pay to cover their portion of hospital or nursing home costs.

A new food stamp plan ordered by Ford to take effect last June 1 would have cut out of the program more than one-half of so-called working poor families by Sept. 1. However, courts ruled against the cutbacks.

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By DICK PETTYS

Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA AP - Jimmy Carter seems certain to pull his home state back into the Democratic presidential column for the first time in 12 years, but not with the landslide he built to win the Georgia Democratic primary seven months ago.

"I don't think there is any question that Gov. Carter will carry his home state in the November general election," says Gov. George Busbee, who succeeded Carter two years ago as Georgia's chief executive.

"However, I do not believe he will carry the state as handily as he did in the May 4 primary. The polls show that President Ford is making inroads in the South and it would be foolhardy for Gov. Carter to take the South for granted," Busbee added.

Carter collected 84 per cent of the 480,000 Democratic votes cast in the state's first presidential primary in modern times.

That was last May. A regional poll released during October said Carter's popularity in the Deep South took a 10-point dive during September - a month which included the famous Playboy interview and the first presidential debate, but not the second or third debates.

And, in the meantime, Georgia Republicans have reunited behind Ford after casting nearly 70 per cent of their primary votes for former California Gov. Ronald Reagan.

The state has not backed a Democratic presidential candidate since John F. Kennedy in 1960. In 1964, Barry Goldwater carried the state; in 1968, George C. Wallace; in 1972, Richard M. Nixon.

Yet it is a state of deep Democratic traditions reaching back to the aftermath of Reconstruction. Every major state official and most local officials are Democrats.

The poll conducted by Darden Research Corp. among 600 voters in the South showed that Carter's lead over Ford dropped from 21.7 per cent in September to 11 per cent in October, with Ford making gains among Democrats and independents. Darden showed Carter with a 49.5-38.5 over Ford in October compared to a 53.5-31.8 lead in September.

"In the Deep South, Carter is still comfortably ahead," Darden said, "but Ford is rapidly gaining on him."

That poll, he said, has an error factor of about 4 per cent either way.

Both Darden and Charles Graves, the executive director of the Democratic party in Georgia, remarked that the poll was taken before the second debate. "I think that improved Carter's position," Graves said.

A Darden poll among 500 Georgia voters in 54 cities last weekend after the third presidential debate showed Carter favored by 59.8 per cent; Ford by 30.4 per cent; other candidates, 0.8 per cent, and 9 per cent undecided.

Darden said that poll has an error factor of 4.4 per cent either way.

At Ford headquarters in Georgia, Sam Tate, who ran Reagan's campaign in the state, is now the cochairman of the Ford campaign. "I think the vote is going to be a lot closer than I thought a month ago. We don't have polls precise enough to tell us the standing right now, but Ford will take a number of counties in Georgia."

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Former Gov. Carl Sanders, defeated by Carter in 1970, said he thinks "the basic reason for the decline in Carter's situation is simply that now he has taken a position on many of the issues and that his positions are generally more liberal than the basic Southern voter's own position would be. They're having some difficulty reconciling their desire to vote for a native son against voting for a political philosophy that's a great deal more liberal," Sanders said.

The Darden poll did not entirely bear out that argument. Nearly half of the sample - 48.2 per cent - said Carter's stands more nearly represented the Southern viewpoint while 24.2 per cent named Ford and 27.2 per cent said they didn't know.

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WASHINGTON AP - Officials of 15 religious groups, most of them social-concerns agencies, have appealed to the presidential candidates to stand against "unbridled military spending," and for devoting more resources to solving social problems.

In an open letter, the religious officials cited proposals for further increasing the government's annual \$112 billion military spending, saying the nation already has "enough explosive power to destroy the global population several times over."

They particularly singled out the proposed B1 bomber fleet, calling it symptomatic of "the way expanding military budgets squander resources we desperately need to meet human needs," "America could purchase more real security.,,"

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(CARTER-PREACHERS)

COLUMBIA, S.C. (UPI) -- FIFTEEN FUNDAMENTALIST MINISTERS WEDNESDAY CRITICIZED JIMMY CARTER FOR HIS INTERVIEW WITH PLAYBOY MAGAZINE AND HIS VIEWS ON ABORTION AND THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.

"IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORDS OF GOD AND OF THE BIBLE WE DO NOT BELIEVE GOVERNOR CARTER IS ONE OF US," SAID THE REV. DAVID WOOD OF HARBOR BAPTIST CHURCH IN WEST COLUMBIA.

THE REV. DAVID YARRICK OF HAMPTON PARK BAPTIST CHURCH IN GREENVILLE, READING A STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE GROUP, SAID CARTER'S PUBLIC STATEMENTS DO NOT SUPPORT HIS CLAIM OF HAVING BEEN "BORN AGAIN" IN CHRIST.

"GOVERNOR CARTER SURELY HAS A RIGHT TO HOLD AND PROPAGATE HIS VIEWS BUT WE DEEPLY REGRET HIS DOING SO FROM HIS STATED POSITION AS A 'BORN AGAIN' CHRISTIAN," YARRICK SAID.

THE REV. WALT HANDFORD OF SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH IN GREENVILLE SAID THE MINISTERS' STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED POLITICAL. HE STRESSED THE MINISTERS ARE NOT ENDORSING ANY CANDIDATE BY THEIR ACTION.

"POLITICS IS NOT INVOLVED IN THE REASON WE ARE HERE," HE SAID.

HANDFORD SAID CARTER'S INTERVIEW WITH PLAYBOY WAS VALUABLE TO THE MAGAZINE.

"THE MAGAZINE HAS BEEN SOLD OUT," HE SAID. "IT UNDOUBTEDLY HELPED IT TO HAVE THE GREATEST SALES IT HAS EVER HAD."

YARRICK SAID THE GROUP OPPOSED CARTER'S SUPPORT OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT AND HIS REFUSAL TO CONDEMN ABORTION.

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BELGRADE (UPI) -- YUGOSLAVIA'S CONTROLLED PRESS EXPRESSED VEILED CRITICISM OF JIMMY CARTER AND PRAISE FOR OFFICIAL U.S. POLICY TODAY ON WHAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD DO IF THE SOVIET UNION ATTACKED THIS BALKAN NATION.

THE NEWSPAPERS WERE SURPRISED AT THE "UNEXPECTED ISSUE" YUGOSLAVIA HAS BECOME IN THE AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN AND WAS VERY CAUTIOUS IN ITS REMARKS.

THE REMARKS WERE THE FIRST LENGTHY COMMENTS ON THE CAMPAIGN AND APPEARED IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER BORBA AND THE LEADING NEWSPAPER POLITIKA. BOTH WERE CONTAINED IN DISPATCHES FROM NEW YORK AND BORBA PUBLISHED THE ONE SENT BY THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY TANJUG.

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BY HELEN THOMAS

PITTSBURGH (UPI) -- JIMMY CARTER TODAY ACCUSED PRESIDENT FORD OF NEGLECTING THE NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS AND PROMISED, "THAT WON'T HAPPEN WHEN I'M PRESIDENT."

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE ADDRESSED TWO SEPARATE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 400 OLDER PERSONS IN CONNECTION WITH CARTER-MONDALE SENIOR CITIZEN DAY OBSERVED BY PARTY ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

"THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEMONSTRATION OF NEGLECTING THE WELL-BEING OF SENIOR CITIZENS," CARTER SAID BEFORE FLYING TO ERIE, PA., IN HIS NATIONWIDE BLITZ FOR VOTES IN NEXT TUESDAY'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

THE GEORGIAN, WHO SAID WEDNESDAY NIGHT HIS FISCAL PROGRAM WOULD PROVIDE FOR A TAX CUT IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, ARRANGED TO CAMPAIGN LATER TODAY IN CLEVELAND, THEN FLY TO NEW YORK CITY FOR HANDSHAKING AND SPEECHMAKING IN BROOKLYN.

"IN 1935, THE REPUBLICANS FOUGHT TOOTH AND NAIL AGAINST SOCIAL SECURITY. IN 1965, THEY FOUGHT JUST AS HARD AGAINST MEDICARE," HE TOLD SENIOR CITIZENS IN PITTSBURGH. HE ALSO EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT HE WILL WIN NEXT TUESDAY.

"RECENTLY, THEY HAVE SOUGHT TO REDUCE THEIR RECORD OF DEFICIT BY OPPOSING SOCIAL SECURITY, COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS. LAST YEAR, THEY PROPOSED CUTBACKS IN SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS, REDUCTIONS IN FOOD PROGRAMS FOR THE ELDERLY, AND INCREASES IN THE COST OF MEDICARE."

OUTLINING HIS OWN PROGRAM FOR THE ELDERLY, CARTER SAID HE WOULD APPOINT A COUNSELOR ON AGING.

"WHEN I BECOME PRESIDENT, I WILL HAVE A FULL TIME COUNSELOR ON AGING AT MY SHOULDER TO MAKE SURE I DON'T FORGET TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE SPECIAL NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS," CARTER SAID.

HE SAID MEDICAL TREATMENT OF THE ELDERLY, IN MANY INSTANCES, COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED JUST AS EFFECTIVELY AT THEIR OWN HOMES RATHER THAN AT HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES.

"CURRENTLY, 72 PER CENT OF ALL MEDICAID PAYMENTS GO FOR NURSING HOME CARE, WHILE ONLY 0.2 PER CENT IS SPENT FOR HOME-HEALTH ALTERNATIVES. EXPERTS ESTIMATE AS MANY AS 40 PER CENT OF NURSING HOME RESIDENTS COULD BE CARED FOR AT LOWER COSTS IN THEIR HOMES," CARTER SAID.

AFTER HIS SPEECHES, CARTER WAS ASKED IF HE IS STILL CONFIDENT OF WINNING THE ELECTION DESPITE RECENT NATIONAL POLLS SHOWING FORD CLOSING THE GAP.

"YES," THE GEORGIAN REPLIED.

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KANSAS CITY (AP) -- THE KANSAS CITY STAR TODAY ENDORSED REPUBLICAN GERALD R. FORD FOR PRESIDENT.

"QUALITIES OF THE TWO CANDIDATES MAKE THIS A CLOSE AND VERY DIFFICULT DECISION," THE NEWSPAPER SAID IN ITS EDITORIAL. "THE BALANCE TOWARD MR. FORD IS SLIGHT. WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE COUNTRY COULD SURVIVE AND PROSPER UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF EITHER A PRESIDENT CARTER OR A PRESIDENT FORD."

THE EDITORIAL CONTINUED:

"MR. FORD IS A KNOWN QUANTITY. NOT SPECTACULAR, NOT OFTEN VERY INSPIRING AND CERTAINLY NOT ALWAYS RIGHT. BUT HIS MOTIVES ARE RIGHT, AND TO A CONSISTENT DEGREE MANY OF HIS DECISIONS HAVE TURNED OUT TO BE IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST."

THE NEWSPAPER PRAISED CARTER AS "A MAN OF GOOD INSTINCTS, HIGH MOTIVES, OBVIOUS ABILITY AND DEVOTION TO HIS COUNTRY," BUT IT CONCLUDED:

"THE COUNTRY HAS NOT YET RECOVERED FROM A DECADE AND A HALF OF FIREWORKS. FOUR MORE YEARS OF GERALD FORD'S MODERATE DIRECTION AND DECENT, PATIENT LEADERSHIP CAN BRING THE UNITED STATES TO A POSITION OF BALANCE AND SELF-ASSURANCE THAT COULD MAKE A GOOD FOUNDATION FOR AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE."

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BY UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL

PRESIDENT FORD RECEIVED ENDORSEMENTS WEDNESDAY FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS AND VIRGINIA'S TWO LARGEST AFTERNOON DAILIES. JIMMY CARTER WAS ENDORSED BY THE TWO DAILY NEWSPAPERS OF ATLANTA, HIS HOME STATE'S LARGEST CITY.

THE RICHMOND, VA., NEWS LEADER, WITH A CIRCULATION OF 112,000 IN THE CAPITAL CITY AREA, CALLED FORD'S POLICIES ESSENTIALLY CONSERVATIVE WHILE CARTER "WANTS POWER -- AND HE WANTS IT BADLY."

"PRESIDENT FORD HAS NO SUCH HUNGER, NO SUCH LUST FOR POWER," THE NEWSPAPER SAID. "HE IS EMINENTLY KNOWABLE, EMINENTLY RELIABLE, EMINENTLY TRUSTABLE. AND PHILOSOPHICALLY, HE IS INFINITELY MORE APPEALING TO THE DEEP-RUNNING CONSERVATISM OF THE SOUTH."

THE NORFOLK, VA., LEDGER-STAR, WITH A CIRCULATION OF 100,000 IN AN AREA HEAVILY DEPENDENT UPON MILITARY SPENDING, CITED FORD'S EFFORTS TO BOOST EMPLOYMENT THROUGH THE PRIVATE SECTOR RATHER THAN OFFERING GOVERNMENT JOBS.

THE NEWSPAPER SAID CARTER IS ON THE SIDE OF BIGGER GOVERNMENT.

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THE TRENTON, N.J., TIMES ALSO ENDORSED CARTER, SAYING THAT "FROM A BACKGROUND AS A FARMER, SMALL-TOWN BUSINESSMAN, NUCLEAR ENGINEER AND GOVERNOR, JIMMY CARTER WILL BRING A FRESH SPIRIT TO WEARY WASHINGTON."

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CARTER RECEIVED THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE OREGON JOURNAL ALTHOUGH THE PORTLAND NEWSPAPER CAUTIONED HE COULD "TURN OUT TO BE A DISAPPOINTMENT, OR WORSE."

"A CARTER ADMINISTRATION, IT SEEMS TO US, OFFERS PROMISE OF BRINGING FRESHER TALENT AND MORE IMAGINATIVE THINKING TO THE STAGGERING PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY THAN DOES ONE HEADED BY GERALD R. FORD," THE JOURNAL SAID IN AN EDITORIAL.

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DOLE, HEADING WESTWARD, STOPPED IN LINCOLN, NEB., TO HELP REP. JOHN Y. MCCOLLISTER, WHO IS ENGAGED IN A TIGHT RACE FOR THE U.S. SENATE, AND TO TALK ABOUT FARM ISSUES.

"DURING THE NEXT FOUR YEARS UNDER THE FORD-DOLE ADMINISTRATION FARM POLICY WILL CONTINUE TO STRESS FULL PRODUCTION, FAIR PRICES FOR CONSUMERS, AND GOOD INCOME FOR FARMERS," DOLE SAID.

"THE FARMER SHOULD MAKE HIS PROFIT IN THE MARKETPLACE. THE REPUBLICAN FARM POLICY IS THAT HE SHOULD HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY," DOLE SAID.

DOLE WAS ASKED WHAT THE UNEMPLOYMENT GOAL SHOULD BE IN A PEACETIME ECONOMY. THE KANSAS SENATOR, WHO HAS SAID LOW UNEMPLOYMENT DURING THE DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATIONS WAS DUE TO FOREIGN WARS, ANSWERED, "WE'RE ON THE ROAD HOPEFULLY TO 4 PER CENT OR LESS. IT'S GOING TO TAKE SOME TIME, THOUGH, TO GET IT THROUGH THE PRIVATE SECTOR."

THE CARTER AND DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM CALLS FOR A 3 PER CENT UNEMPLOYMENT GOAL, USING THE GOVERNMENT'S FISCAL POWER AS NECESSARY.

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BY FRANK CORMIER

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD, TRAVELING THROUGH KEY STATES DOING HIS TELEVISION SHOW WITH JOE GARAGIOLA, IS TALKING ABOUT JOBS AND RICHARD NIXON, TWO ISSUES THAT DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE JIMMY CARTER MAY HAVE EXPECTED TO HAVE TO HIMSELF.

IN TWO SUCCESSIVE TAPED CAMPAIGN TELEVISION BROADCASTS AIMED AT VOTERS IN ILLINOIS, PENNSYLVANIA AND NEW JERSEY, FORD HAS HAD GARAGIOLA, HIS TRAVELING SIDEKICK AND TV MASTER OF CEREMONIES, POSE QUESTIONS ON BOTH TOPICS.

IN THE TELECASTS, SPORTSCASTER GARAGIOLA, A ONE-TIME BASEBALL PLAYER, FORMER TELEVISION GAME SHOW HOST AND AUTOMOBILE COMMERCIAL PITCHMAN, SETS UP FORD WITH QUESTIONS THE PRESIDENT WANTS TO ANSWER.

FORD WAS MOVING HIS CAMPAIGN TODAY INTO INDIANA AND OHIO, WITH ANOTHER REGIONAL CAMPAIGN TELECAST SCHEDULED FROM CLEVELAND.

THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS OFFICE AND CAMPAIGN AIDES TOLD REPORTERS THE FIRST TWO BROADCASTS IN A SERIES OF SIX -- AIMED AT CALIFORNIA AND ILLINOIS VOTERS -- WERE BROADCAST LIVE. BUT DEPUTY CAMPAIGN CHAIRMAN JOHN DEARDORF ACKNOWLEDGED WEDNESDAY THAT BOTH HAD BEEN TAPED.

WEDNESDAY, IN THE TELEVISION SHOW FROM PHILADELPHIA, GARAGIOLA SET UP FORD FOR A STATEMENT ON UNEMPLOYMENT BY SAYING: "JIMMY CARTER SAYS A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE OUT OF WORK -- THE MOST EVER. YOU SAY THAT THE MOST EVER ARE WORKING. WHAT IS IT?"

SAID FORD, IN WHAT MUST BE CONSIDERED A CAREFULLY CONSIDERED RESPONSE: "WELL, BOTH OF US ARE RIGHT, JOE, AND I THINK HE WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE IT LIKE I JUST DID."

FORD THEN SAID CARTER HAS SUGGESTED THAT "SOMEHOW IN THE 1950S THEY HAD A MAGIC ECONOMIC FORMULA."

FORD WENT ON: "I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO BE PERFECTLY HONEST -- THAT IN THE PERIOD OF THE 1950S WE HAD ABOUT 3 1/2 MILLION PEOPLE ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE AND THE MARINES. WE NOW HAVE ABOUT 2.1 MILLION ON ACTIVE DUTY -- ABOUT 1 1/2 MILLION LESS THAN AT THAT TIME."

"NOW, IF WE TOOK A MILLION AND A HALF PEOPLE OUT OF THE LABOR MARKET AND MOVED THEM INTO UNIFORM IN THE MILITARY, WE COULD SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES. ALL I'M SAYING IS, HE OUGHT TO WEIGH THE FULL RECORD OUT"

FORD TOLD HIS AUDIENCE ON THE PAID TELEVISION SHOW:

"WE ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY INCREASE IN ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL. WE AREN'T GOING TO SEND TROOPS OVERSEAS, AND WE AREN'T GOING TO BE ENGAGED IN A MILITARY CONFLICT IN ORDER TO TRY TO SOLVE OUR ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. WE WANT HIGH EMPLOYMENT AND PEACE AT THE SAME TIME."

EARLIER, GARAGIOLA SERVED UP A SOFT QUESTION THAT IS BECOMING A STANDARD FOR FORD'S TELEVISION SHOW, SEEKING FORD'S REACTION TO THOSE WHO REFER TO "THE NIXON-FORD ADMINISTRATION."

SAID FORD: "MY OPPONENT ON OCCASION SAYS NIXON-FORD ADMINISTRATION. I'D LIKE TO REMIND HIM HE'S RUNNING AGAINST JERRY FORD -- HE'S NOT RUNNING AGAINST FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON. WELL, WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE? THE DIFFERENCE IS THAT SINCE I'VE BEEN PRESIDENT WE'VE DONE AWAY WITH WHAT IS COMMONLY CALLED THE IMPERIAL PRESIDENCY. WE HAVE RELAXED THE ATMOSPHERE. WE HAVE REDUCED THE (WHITE HOUSE) STAFF. WE HAVE GIVEN TO THE CABINET BIGGER RESPONSIBILITY"

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NEW YORK AP - You couldn't call it a hymn sing, but religious notes have run like a refrain through the presidential campaign. The reverential overtures still were sounding as the windup neared.

Not to miss a beat, Democratic candidate Jimmy Carter met for about an hour with evangelical leaders in mid-October, just as the Republican, President Ford, had done the month before.

They also had huddled with Roman Catholic bishops.

And they had given their assurance to Jews about sustaining the state of Israel.

The religious chord also hummed through a score of other moral issues - abortion, honesty in government, Arab anti-Jewish pressure on business firms, the Supreme Court ban on school-sponsored prayers, racial justice, armaments, foreign policy, relieving the poor and jobless, even about taste in language.

Communication outlets of several church bodies issued summaries of the stands they have taken on various questions, along with the stated positions of the candidates.

Such an analysis in the Lutheran Church in America weekly, The Lutheran, pointed out that it was neither "possible nor desirable" for the Church to endorse either candidate, but offered the comparison to help voters make up their minds.

Similar nonpartisanship was stressed by various other church appraisals of the issues, including those by the Roman Catholic bishops, the interdenominational National Council of Churches and by a series of articles for the Southern Baptist Press.

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NEW YORK: Baptist Press.

••Southern Baptists must neither support nor oppose Jimmy Carter simply because he is a fellow Southern Baptist,•• advised the Rev. C. Welton Gaddy of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission.

••Episcopalians should neither support nor oppose Gerald Ford because he is an Episcopalian••.

But the church guidance about the issues flowed heavily, and paid political ads for the candidates showed up in religious publications.

At his meeting in the White House with evangelical leaders, Ford declared his ••commitment to the Christian faith,•• and that he had a ••relationship with Jesus Christ through my church and through my daily life.••

••Prayer is very important to me,•• he told leaders of the National Association of Evangelicals and National Association of Religious Broadcasters. To questions, he also discussed ethical issues in various national and foreign policy matters.

Carter, at his later meeting with some of the same leaders at a campaign stop in Indianapolis, also responded to questions, said he clings to the ••Judeo-Christian ethic,•• that he prays ••many times during the day,•• and reads the Bible daily.

••I haven't missed a day this year,•• he said. ••It's a very good way in the hectic world of politics to close the evening with a quiet prayer and reading the Bible.••

While the religious organizations shunned specific endorsements, some individual clergymen went all the way, coming out for one man or the other.

Roman Catholic bishops, trying to counter previous impressions that they had had a favorite, issued a statement through their 48-member administrative committee at its fall meeting in Washington, declaring:

••We reject any interpretation of the meetings with the candidates as indicating a preference for either candidate or party.••

They released a comparison of their position and the party platforms on several issues, of which abortion was only one, and which also included the economy, education, food, housing, human rights, foreign policy, the mass media and military expenditures.

There are elements of agreement and disagreement on the issues, the bishops said, between their position and that of both parties and their candidates.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD ISSUED HIS THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION WEDNESDAY, TELLING ALL AMERICANS TO "EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR THE UNITY, FREEDOM AND RENEWED SENSE OF NATIONAL PRIDE WE ENJOY TODAY."

DECLARING NOV. 25 A NATIONAL HOLIDAY, AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE PRESIDENT SAID:

"THE EARLY SETTLERS OF THIS LAND POSSESSED AN UNCONQUERABLE SPIRIT AND A RELIANCE ON DIVINE PROVIDENCE THAT REMAINS A PART OF THE AMERICAN CHARACTER. THAT RELIANCE, COUPLED WITH A BELIEF IN OURSELVES AND A LOVE OF INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM, HAS BROUGHT THIS NATION THROUGH TWO CENTURIES OF PROGRESS AND KEPT US STRONG."

OTHER PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENTS ISSUED WEDNESDAY PROCLAIMED:

- THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING AS NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK.
- THE WEEK BEGINNING NOV. 14 AS AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK.
- THE WEEK FROM NOV. 19 TO NOV. 25 AS NATIONAL FARM-CITY WEEK.
- DEC. 17 AS WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE TEXT OF PRESIDENT FORD'S THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAMATION, ISSUED WEDNESDAY:

TRADITIONALLY, AMERICANS HAVE SET ASIDE A SPECIAL DAY TO EXPRESS THEIR GRATITUDE TO THE ALMIGHTY FOR THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY, PEACE AND PLENTY THAT HAVE BEEN BESTOWED UPON A GRATEFUL NATION.

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AS WE CROSS THE THRESHOLD INTO OUR THIRD CENTURY AS A SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT NATION, IT IS ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE THAT WE REAFFIRM OUR TRUST IN HIM AND EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR THE UNITY, FREEDOM AND RENEWED SENSE OF NATIONAL PRIDE WE ENJOY TODAY.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN ACCORD WITH SECTION 6103 OF TITLE 5 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THURSDAY, NOV. 25, 1976, AS A DAY OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING. I CALL UPON ALL AMERICANS TO JOIN ON THAT DAY WITH THEIR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES IN HOMES AND PLACES OF WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE LAND TO OFFER THANKS FOR THE BLESSINGS WE ENJOY.

LET EACH OF US RESOLVE THIS THANKSGIVING DAY TO MAKE THE COMING YEAR ONE IN WHICH OUR EVERY DEED WILL REFLECT OUR CONSTANT GRATITUDE TO GOD. LET US SET A STANDARD OF HONOR, JUSTICE, AND CHARITY AGAINST WHICH ALL THE YEARS OF OUR THIRD CENTURY MAY BE MEASURED.

LET US MAKE THIS THANKSGIVING A TRULY SPECIAL ONE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND THIS 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1976, AND OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE 201ST.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (UPI) -- THE DOLLAR WEAKENED ON MOST EUROPEAN MONEY MARKETS TODAY AND FEARS AROSE IN PARIS THAT THE BRITISH POUND'S NEW RECORD LOW PRICE COULD DRAG DOWN THE FRENCH FRANC.

IN LONDON, THE POUND OPENED AT \$1.5710, DOWN FROM WEDNESDAY'S CLOSE OF \$1.5760 AND EQUALLING THE ALL-TIME LOW IT BRIEFLY REACHED DURING WEDNESDAY'S TRADING.

A REPORTED ROW BETWEEN PRIME MINISTER JAMES CALLAGHAN AND LEFTWING MEMBERS OF THE LABOR PARTY ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT'S AUSTERITY POLICY FURTHER WEAKENED THE POUND IN EARLY TRADING TO ANOTHER RECORD LOW OF \$1.5680.

IT ALSO FELL TO ALL-TIME LOWS IN ZURICH AND FRANKFURT, OPENING AT 3.8025 SWISS FRANCS AGAINST 3.8620 AND AT 3.74 MARKS AGAINST 3.8030.

STERLING'S EFFECTIVE DEVALUATION AGAINST THE CURRENCIES OF BRITAIN'S 10 MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS SINCE DECEMBER 1971 WIDENED TO 48.6 PER CENT.

FRENCH BANKERS SAID THE POUND'S STEADY SLIDE IS FANNING FEARS IT WILL ALSO DRAG DOWN THE FRENCH FRANC. THE FRENCH CENTRAL BANK HAD TO INTERVENE TO THE TUNE OF \$30 MILLION TO \$40 MILLION ON EXCHANGE MARKETS WEDNESDAY TO SUPPORT THE FRANC, THEY SAID.

THE FRENCH FRANC AND THE ITALIAN LIRA WERE THE ONLY EUROPEAN CURRENCIES LOSING GROUND AGAINST THE DOLLAR, WHICH OPENED AT 5.00125 FRENCH FRANCS AGAINST 4.9987 AND AT 864.50 LIRE AGAINST 864.

IN FRANKFURT, BRUSSELS AND AMSTERDAM THE DOLLAR WAS AT ITS LOWEST RATE SINCE EARLY JULY 1975, DROPPING FROM 2.4010 TO 2.3950 MARKS, FROM 37.40 TO 37.30 BELGIAN FRANCS AND FROM 2.5190 TO 2.5125 GUILDERS. IN ZURICH, IT WEAKENED FROM 2.4348 TO 2.4312 SWISS FRANCS.

IN TOKYO, THE DOLLAR STEADIED AT 293.65 YEN AGAINST 293.45.

GOLD GAINED AROUND \$3 FOLLOWING THE FOURTH IMF AUCTION IN FIVE MONTHS. CONTRARY TO THE PREVIOUS IMF SALE IN SEPTEMBER, WHEN NERVOUSNESS ON THE MARKET HAD BROUGHT THE PRICE OF GOLD DOWN PRIOR TO THE AUCTION, IT HAD STEADIED THIS WEEK.

WEDNESDAY'S AUCTION PRICE, AVERAGING \$117.71 AN OUNCE AGAINST \$109.40 ON SEPT. 15, PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR THE METAL AT THE OPENING OF MARKETS WEDNESDAY.

IT ROSE FROM \$117.60 TO \$121 AN OUNCE IN ZURICH AND FROM \$117.875 TO \$120.75 IN LONDON.

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