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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

VISIT TO IOWA, ILLINOIS AND MISSOURI

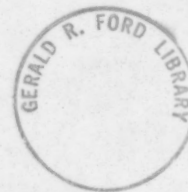
Friday and Saturday, October 15-16, 1976

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 16, 1976

DAY #2

First Event: 8:35 A.M.

From: Terry O'Donnell



BACKGROUND

JOILET, ILLINOIS DEPARTURE

You and Mrs. Ford will leave the Suite at 8:35 a.m. for Joliet Amtrak Station, Joliet (3 minutes' driving time). You will greet the crowd as you proceed inside the train station entrance en route "The Honest Abe" for boarding. While inside the train station building, you and Mrs. Ford will greet Amtrak employees at the ticket counter, then accompanied by Rep. O'Brien, Senator Percy and Attorney General Thompson, you proceed to the "Observation Car" and offer remarks before the train pulls out of the station for Pontiac, Illinois.

JOLIET, Illinois (83,000)

Mayor - Norman Keck (D)

Congressman - George O'Brien (R, 17th District)

Economic Base - Joliet is experiencing fairly stable economic conditions, attributed mainly to its manufacturing, chemical and shipping industries. The shipping on the Illinois-Michigan Canal is an important part of the Great Lakes to Gulf Waterway. The Brandon Locks are among the largest in the world. Major oil corporations (Texaco, Mobile Oil, Union 76) maintain refineries along the canal. Major industry besides refineries includes: Caterpillar Tractor Co., Johnson and Johnson, Northern Petro Chemical, Amax Aluminum, Kerr Glass Corp., and Amaco Chemical Corporation. The majority - 36% of the labor force is employed in manufacturing.



PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

STOP NUMBER 1

Depart Union Station, Joliet:

9:30 a.m.

Arrive Pontiac:

10:45 a.m.

RUN: 1 hour, 10 min.

Depart Pontiac:

11:15 a.m.

## FORMAT:

Remain inside Observation Car for playing of National Anthem and press move to press area. Move to rear platform with Mrs. Ford, Senator Percy and Attorney General Thompson to greet crowd. Make remarks. Descend rear platform to meet community Welcoming Committee and members of the crowd. Reboard train and wave farewell as train departs the station.

## SPECIAL NOTE:

Since this is the longest run of the day, you may wish to walk through the train and briefly greet the guests who accompanied you and meet individually for a new minutes with Senator Percy, Attorney General Thompson and Governor Ogilvie.

PONTIAC, ILLINOIS (10,872)  
(Livingston County)

Mayor Joe Trainor (D)

Congressional Representative - Tim L. Hall (D, 15th District)

Economic Base - The economy in Pontiac seems to be experiencing difficult times. Two major industries closed their doors in 1976 - Motorola and Sherwin Williams Paint Co. The base of the economy is stone quarrying, publishing, manufacturing and grain production.

History - Pontiac is the seat of Livingston County and was founded in 1837. The city was named by Jesse W. Fell, a personal and political friend of Abraham Lincoln, after the great chief of the Ottawa Indians, who opposed the British in the French and Indian Wars. President Theodore Roosevelt dedicated a soldiers and sailors monument on the square in 1902 during a heavy rainstorm which limited the crowd witnessing the event to less than a dozen. President Lincoln overnighed in Pontiac. The red brick Pontiac Depot where you will speak is being sold or demolished by the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company.



Personal - You visited Pontiac on March 11, 1968 for a Fundraising Dinner.

Issues - Livingston County gave 65.9% of its votes to Nixon in the 1972 Presidential election.

Local Athletics - Local high school football team is "Pontiac Indians" from Pontiac Township High School. No outstanding records.



BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOISSTOP NUMBER 2Depart: Pontiac: 11:15 a.m.

Arrive Bloomington 12:05 p.m.

RUN: 50 minutesDepart Bloomington 12:40 p.m.

FORMAT: Remain in Observation Car while press move to Press Area during playing of musical medley.

Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, Senator Percy and Representative Madigan, move onto rear platform and offer remarks.

Descend platform to meet community Welcoming Committee and members of the crowd.

Reboard, wave goodbye and depart.

SPECIAL NOTE: Some time during this 50 minute run, you may wish to meet with radio commentators for a Q & A.

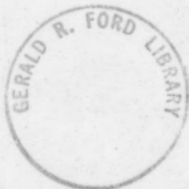
BLOOMINGTON, Illinois (39,992)

Mayor - Walter Bitner (R)

Congressman - Edward R. Madigan (R, 21st District)

Economic Base - Bloomington is a university town with Illinois State University in the suburb, Normal, and Illinois Wesleyan University located in the town itself. It is also a rich farming area, and the Illinois Agricultural Association has its headquarters here. Bloomington manufactures electric control switches, farm machinery, vacuum cleaners, airconditioning and ventilating equipment, feeds, machine parts, candy, railroad equipment, furniture and tires.

History - First settled in 1822, Bloomington is the site where the Republican Party of Illinois was founded on May 29, 1856. It was that convention which heard Lincoln's "Lost Speech". Speaking extempore, he declared that those who decry freedom to others cannot hope to retain it for themselves. The reporters in the audience became so involved in the speech that they neglected to take notes. Thus no verbatim account exists.



Personal - You have not visited Bloomington since February 10, 1969 when you made a Lincoln Day Speech at Illinois Wesleyan. Jack Ford visited the Illinois State campus in the spring, and Steve Ford was in Bloomington last weekend (October 9). He attended parts of the Homecoming Games which both universities held that day.

Local Athletics - In addition to the Illinois State University Redbirds and the Illinois Wesleyan University Titans, you might mention the Normal Community High School Ironmen who may be in contention for the state high school football championship.



LINCOLN, ILLINOIS

STOP NUMBER 3

Depart Bloomington: 12:40 p.m.

Arrive Lincoln: 1:20 p.m.

RUN: 40 minutesDepart Lincoln: 2:55 p.m.

## FORMAT:

Remain in Observation Car while press move to Press Area during playing of musical medley.

Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, Senator Percy and Rep. Madigan, move onto rear platform and offer remarks.

Board motorcade and proceed to Hotel Lincoln for informal luncheon with Illinois Newspaper Publishers and Editors and State Media executives. Informal remarks followed by Q and A.

Reboard "The Honest Abe" and depart for Springfield.

SPECIAL NOTE: Some time during this 40 minute run, it is suggested that you may wish to meet with half the local press and have one 5-minute TV interview.

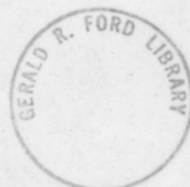
LINCOLN, ILLINOIS (17,582)

Mayor - Edward Malerick (R)

Congressman - Edward R. Madigan (R, 21st District)

Economic Base - The economy is stable; consisting mostly of small industry employing about 2,500. Pittsburgh Plate Glass is in a slump. Other industry includes: Cutler-Hammer (small electrical parts), cosmetics, box factory; but mostly farming. Also there is a state mental institution. There is no real problem with unemployment. The county rate is low at 4.1%.

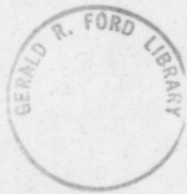
History - Founded in 1853, this is the only one of 24 cities in the United States named for Lincoln which was so named before he became famous. Lincoln assisted in the planning of the city, did the legal work necessary for its incorporation, and officially christened it with a watermelon. (Commemorated by a monument in Centennial Park by the train depot.) William Jennings Bryan spoke at a Rotary Club Meeting in the Hotel Lincoln in 1924. The hotel, built in 1894 in the style of an English pub, was both a hotel and a gambling casino until 1912. Since then it has been a hotel, cafeteria, and restaurant.





Personal - You have never visited Lincoln, Illinois.

Local Athletics - Local football team is named "Railsplitters", but they are in a state of "rebuilding", because they had a no-win season.



SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOISSTOP NUMBER 4Depart Lincoln: 2:55 p.m.Arrive Springfield: 3:35 p.m.RUN: 40 minutesDepart Springfield: 4:20 p.m.

FORMAT: Remain in Observation Car while press move to press area.

Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, Rep. Paul Findley, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson move onto rear platform and offer remarks. Descend platform to meet community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

Reboard, wave goodbye and depart.

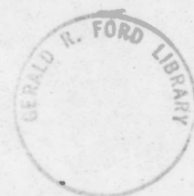
SPECIAL NOTE: Some time during this 40 minute run, it is suggested you may wish to meet with the other half of the local press and do one 5-minute TV interview.

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS (91,753)Mayor - William Telford (R)Congressman-Paul Findley (R, 20th District)

Economic Base - The State government offices of Springfield employ 25,400 which makes it the chief employer of the city. Wholesale-retail services rank second by employing 15,700. Springfield houses the national headquarters of Franklin Insurance Company. The major manufacturer is Fiat-Allis Company which produces construction machinery.

Unemployment was at 5.9% this past June in comparison to 4.9% in June of 1975. Overall, the city is growing on an average of 1% per year. The expansion of government accounts for this.

History - Springfield did not exist when Illinois entered the Union in 1818. It was chosen as the State capital in 1837. The city is rich in sites associated with Lincoln who lived, practiced law, and was married here. Lincoln's law offices, the old State house where he delivered his "house divided" speech, and the only house he ever owned are all open to the public.



Personal - This is your third visit as President to the capital city. As congressman in August of 1966, you visited the state fair. In March of 1976 you unveiled the cornerstone of the Lincoln Home National Visitors Center (which is due to open in about a month or so) and gave remarks at the Illinois Teachers of Children with Impaired Hearing Center. Both Jack and Susan were in Springfield the weekend of October 1, to assist in kicking off the People for Ford Campaign. They worked a door-to-door campaign in three precincts.

Local Athletics - Concord-Triopa High School football team is undefeated. It is locally referred to as the 'University of Michigan' of high school football.



CARLINVILLE, ILLINOISSTOP NUMBER 5Depart Springfield: 4:20 p.m.Arrive Carlinville: 5:05 p.m.RUN: 45 minutesDepart Carlinville: 5:40 p.m.

FORMAT: Remain in Observation Car while press move to press area.

Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, Rep. Paul Findley, Sen. Percy, and Attorney General Thompson move onto rear platform and offer remarks. Descend platform to meet community Welcoming Committee and members of audience. Reboard, wave goodbye and depart.

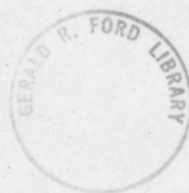
SPECIAL NOTE: It is suggested that during this 45 minute run you may wish to participate in three 5-minute TV interviews.

CARLINVILLE, ILLINOIS (5,675)Mayor - Peter Balotti (N.P.)Congressman - Paul Findley (R, 20th District)

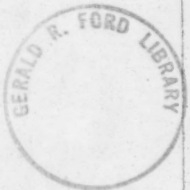
Economic Base - Carlinville depends primarily on agriculture for its livelihood. The community is now involved in harvest. There is much concern over the low prices of corn, wheat and soybeans. The low prices affect the entire community. Also located in the community is the Monterey Coal Company. This company employs approximately 400. With coal production stepping up, there are possibilities of expansion. The coal mined is soft, high sulfur. Unemployment was at 4.8% in July of this year.

History - In 1858 Lincoln addressed a scattered audience whose sympathies were largely with Douglas in the Senatorial campaign. The city was noted for its Macoupin County Courthouse erected between 1867 and 1879 at a total cost of \$1,380,500.

Personal - You have never visited this town, nor has any other incumbent.



Local Athletics - Carlinville Cavaliers and the Gillespie Miners will meet on October 29, 1976. Both teams are presently undefeated.



ALTON, ILLINOIS

STOP NUMBER 6

Depart Carlinville: 5:40 p.m. Arrive Alton: 6:25 p.m.RUN: 45 minutes Depart Alton: 6:55 p.m.

FORMAT: Remain in the Observation Car while press move to press area.

Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, Representative Findley, Senator Percy and Attorney General Thompson, proceed onto rear platform and offer remarks.

Descend rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience, including Governor Kit Bond and Missouri State PFC Chairman, Gene McNary.

Board motorcade with Governor Bond and Mr. McNary and depart Alton Train Station en route Northwest Plaza, St. Louis, Missouri. (Driving Time: 35 minutes)

SPECIAL NOTE: During this 45-minute run it is suggested that you participate in one 5-minute TV interview and sign one Bill if appropriate.

ALTON, Illinois (39,700)

Mayor - Paul A. Lenz (N.P.)

Congressman - Paul Findley (R, 20th District)

Economic Base - Alton's economic conditions are stable. It has a diversified industrial base including Olin Corporation which manufactures copper and brass products along with ammunition. There are several refineries, Owens-Illinois Glass Company, Alton Box Boards, and La Clede Still. The unemployment rate is quite high; May - 8.4% and August - down to 8.2-8.3%.

History - Although Marquette and Jolliet passed the site on their voyage down the river in 1673, the first settler, Jean Baptiste Cardinal, didn't arrive until 1783. By the end of that century, an Indian trading post had been established. A town grew up and was incorporated as Alton in 1837. Lying just north of an area where slavery was favored, Alton was repeatedly involved in the issue. Here, the Abolitionist editor, Elija Lovejoy, was murdered while protecting his press from a pro-slavery mob in 1837.



In 1858, Alton was the site of the final Lincoln-Douglas debate.

Personal - You have never visited Alton, Illinois.



NORTHWEST PLAZA, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Your motorcade arrives at the Northwest Plaza, St. Louis, at 7:30 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford will be met by Representative Gene Taylor, Mayor John Poelker, and several GOP officials. (Attorney General Danforth cannot be present. Please see enclosed copy of his recent letter to you.)

Escorted by Governor Bond and Gene McNary, you proceed onto platform for ceremony which includes remarks by you after introduction by Governor Bond.

ST. LOUIS, Missouri (622,236)

Mayor - John D. Poelker (D)

Congressmen - William Clay (D, 1st District)  
 - James W. Symington (D, 2nd District)  
 - Leonor Kretzer Sullivan (D, 3rd District)

Economic Base - The city is second to Detroit in auto assembly with Ford, GM and Chrysler plants, McDonnell Douglas headquarters are here. Other firms include the nation's largest shoemaker, Interco; Anheuser-Busch, world's largest brewer; Monsanto; General Dynamics; Ralston-Purina; and Pet, Inc.

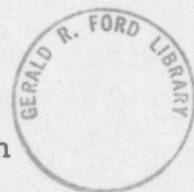
History - Founded in 1764 by Pierre Laclède in Spanish Territory, it was turned over to the United States as part of the Louisiana Purchase in 1804. Lewis and Clark launched their two-year expedition from St. Louis. Named for French King Louis IX, the original fur trading post became a major fur market and gateway to the West.

Personal - The President has visited St. Louis several times:

December 13, 1970  
 July 27, 1972  
 September 12, 1975  
 January 5, 1976

Local Athletics - St. Louis's professional football and baseball teams are known as "St. Louis Cardinals".

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At the conclusion of your remarks, you proceed by motorcade to Rockwell International Services Building, Lambert International Airport (10 minutes driving time) where you will attend a PFC Reception of approximately 75 guests. (No remarks--informally greet guests).

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Air Force One departs Lambert Field at 9:00 a.m. You and Mrs. Ford arrive on the South Lawn at midnight.



SEQUENCESATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 19768:35 a.m.  
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You and Mrs. Ford depart Suite en route motorcade for boarding.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE  
CLOSED DEPARTURE

8:40 a.m.

Motorcade departs Sheraton Joliet Inn en route Joliet Amtrak Station, Joliet. Rep. and Mrs. George O'Brien will ride with you.(Driving time: 3 minutes)8:43 a.m.  
Advanceman:  
M. Farley

Motorcade arrives Joliet Amtrak Station.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CROWD SITUATION"Ruffles and Flourishes"  
Announcement  
"Hail to the Chief"

You and Mrs. Ford greet the crowd at the train station entrance en route "The Honest Abe" for boarding.

NOTE: While inside the train station building, you and Mrs. Ford will greet Amtrak employees at the ticket counter.

9:10 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford arrive "The Honest Abe" Observation Car, accompanied by Rep. O'Brien, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CROWD SITUATION

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

9:20 a.m.

Remarks conclude.

You descend the rear platform and bid farewell to the public.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE



9:30 a.m.

You reboard "The Honest Abe" Observation Car and join Mrs. Ford in waving to the crowd, as the train departs the station en route Pontiac, Illinois.

"THE HONEST ABE" Departs Joliet en route Pontiac, Illinois.

(Running time: 1 hour, 10 minutes)

10:40 a.m.  
Advanceman:  
F. Lilly

"The Honest Abe" arrives Pontiac, Illinois.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain inside the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.

10:45 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform and greet the crowd with Senator Percy and Attorney General Thompson.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

10:55 a.m.

Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

10:56 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford descend the rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

11:15 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford reboard the rear platform, and say farewell to the crowd as "The Honest Abe" departs the station.

"The Honest Abe" departs Pontiac en route Bloomington, Illinois.

(Running time: 50 minutes)



12:05 p.m.  
 Advanceman:  
 C. Adams

"The Honest Abe" arrives Bloomington.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
 CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain in the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.

12:10 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform and greet the crowd with Senator Percy, Attorney General Thompson and Rep. Madigan.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

12:20 p.m.

Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

12:21 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford descend the rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

12:40 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford reboard the rear platform, and bid farewell to the crowd, as "The Honest Abe" departs the station.

"The Honest Abe" departs Bloomington en route Lincoln, Illinois.

(Running time: 40 minutes)

1:20 p.m.  
 Advanceman:  
 H. Luther

"The Honest Abe" arrives Lincoln.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
 CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain in the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.

1:25 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform with Rep. Edward Madigan, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson to greet the crowd.



## PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

## FULL PRESS COVERAGE.

1:35 p.m. Remarks conclude.

## Musical Medley.

1:36 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Rep. Madigan, descend the rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

## OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

1:50 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Rep. Madigan, depart the arrival point and proceed to motorcade for boarding.

1:53 p.m. Motorcade departs Lincoln Station en route Hotel Lincoln.

(Driving time: 2 minutes)

PRESS POOL COVERAGE  
OPEN DEPARTURE

1:55 p.m. Motorcade arrives Hotel Lincoln.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
OPEN ARRIVAL

You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Rep. Madigan, proceed inside Hotel Lincoln for informal luncheon with Illinois Newspaper Publishers and Editors and State Media executives.

2:00 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford arrive inside Hotel Lincoln, informally greet the guests and are seated for lunch.

## OFFICIAL PHOTO COVERAGE

2:00 p.m. Lunch is served.

2:20 p.m. INFORMAL PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS, followed by questions from the audience.

## OFFICIAL PHOTO COVERAGE

2:45 p.m. You thank the guests and join Mrs. Ford as you depart Hotel Lincoln en route "The Honest Abe".



2:50 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford board motorcade, and depart Hotel Lincoln en route "The Honest Abe".

(Driving time: 2 minutes)

2:52 p.m. Motorcade arrives "The Honest Abe".

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
OPEN DEPARTURE

You and Mrs. Ford reboard "The Honest Abe".

2:55 p.m. "The Honest Abe" departs Lincoln en route Springfield, Illinois.

(Running time: 40 minutes)

3:35 p.m. "The Honest Abe" arrives Springfield.  
Advanceman:  
J. Rasmussen

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain in the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.



3:40 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform with Rep. Paul Findley, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

3:50 p.m. Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

3:51 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Rep. Findley, descend rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

4:20 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford reboard the rear platform and say farewell to the crowd, as "The Honest Abe" departs the station.

"The Honest Abe" departs Springfield en route Carlinville, Illinois.

(Running time: 45 minutes)

5:05 p.m.  
 Advanceman:  
 S. Knapp

"The Honest Abe" arrives Carlinville.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
 CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain in the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.

5:10 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform with Rep. Findley, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

5:20 p.m.

Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

5:21 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford descend the rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

5:40 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford reboard the rear platform and bid farewell to the crowd, as "The Honest Abe" departs the station.

"The Honest Abe" departs Carlinville en route Alton, Illinois.

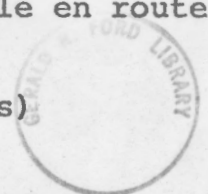
(Running time: 45 minutes)

6:25 p.m.  
 Advanceman:  
 J. Kindt

"The Honest Abe" arrives Alton.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
 CROWD SITUATION

You and Mrs. Ford will remain in the Observation Car while the press move to the Press Area during the playing of a musical medley.



6:30 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford move onto the rear platform with Rep. Findley, Sen. Percy and Attorney General Thompson.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

6:40 p.m. Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

6:41 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford descend the rear platform to meet the community Welcoming Committee and members of the audience, including Governor Kit Bond (R-Mo.) and Missouri State PFC Chairman, Gene McNary.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

6:55 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford board motorcade and depart Alton Passenger Train Station en route Northwest Plaza, St. Louis, Missouri.

(Driving time: 35 minutes)

7:30 p.m. Motorcade arrives Northwest Plaza, St. Louis.

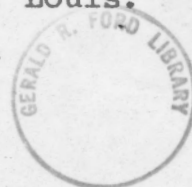
OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CROWD SITUATION

"Ruffles & Flourishes"  
Announcement  
"Hail to the Chief"

You and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

Rep. Gene Taylor (R-Mo.)  
Mayor John Poelker (D-St. Louis)  
Attorney General John Danforth (R-Mo.)  
Mrs. Eyvon Mendenhall, National Committeewoman  
Mr. Jewett Fulkerson, National Committeeman  
Mr. Lowell McCuskey, State GOP Chairman  
Mrs. May Mallien, St. Louis County GOP Chairman

Escorted by Governor Bond and Gene McNary, you and Mrs. Ford proceed to the platform.





7:40 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford arrive platform and remain standing.

7:42 p.m. Welcoming remarks and introduction of platform guests by Gene McNary.

7:45 p.m. Brief remarks by Rep. Taylor.

7:47 p.m. Brief remarks by Governor Bond, concluding in the introduction of you.

7:50 p.m. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

8:00 p.m. Remarks conclude.

Musical Medley.

8:01 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford depart the platform and greet the audience en route motorcade for boarding.

8:20 p.m. Motorcade departs Northwest Plaza en route Rockwell International Services Building, Lambert International Airport, St. Louis.

(Driving time: 10 minutes)

8:30 p.m. Motorcade arrives Rockwell International Services Building, Lambert International Airport.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE  
CLOSED ARRIVAL

You and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

Lt. Gov. William Phelps (R-Mo.)

You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Gov. Bond and Gene McNary, proceed inside building en route main floor reception area and informally greet guests.

8:35 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford arrive PFC Reception and informally greet guests.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE  
ATTENDANCE: 75



8:50 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford thank the guests, and escorted by Gov. Bond, Gene McNary, Attorney General Danforth, and Rep. Taylor, depart reception en route Air Force One for boarding.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE  
CLOSED DEPARTURE

9:00 p.m.

Air Force One departs Lambert Field en route Andrews AFB.

(Flying time: 1 hour, 40 minutes)  
(Time change: +1 hour)

11:40 p.m.

Air Force One arrives Andrews AFB.

11:45 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford board helicopter and depart Andrews AFB en route South Lawn.

12:00 Midnight

Arrive South Lawn.



JOHN C. DANFORTH

October 11



Dear Mr. President -

I am sorry I will not be in St. Louis to welcome you personally on Saturday. Our oldest daughter is away at school for the first time, and before learning of your trip to Missouri, I agreed to visit her on "Parents week-end". It is a promise I do not want to break.

Needless to say, you have my continued and enthusiastic support.

Sincerely,

Oct. 15, 76  
1:45 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL GUESTS - TV PARTY - OCTOBER 15, 1976, 8:30 - 10:00 P.M.  
THE BACK ROOM, SHERATON MOTOR INN, JOLIET, ILLINOIS

Senator Charles Percy

Congressman Edward J. Derwinski, 4th District

Congressman Les Arends (pending)

Rep. Thomas Railsbeck, Congressional candidate

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, Jr., Republican National Committeeman  
(arriving 9:15 p.m.)

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Huddleston (Crete Huddleston, National  
Committeewoman)

Teddy Inman, State Chairwoman

William Cellini, Downstate Illinois PFC Chairman

Don Adams, Illinois GOP Chairman

Mrs. Sam Young (Bonnie)

Ron Buikema, Congressional Candidate, 3rd District, Illinois

Tom Corcoran, Congressional Candidate, 15th District

Ron Nessen, Press Secretary

Peter Graves

Rear Admiral Alan B. Shepard, Jr.

Rod McKuen (pending)

A. Greenspan

J. Knebel

J. Baker

D. Cheney

M. Freidersdorf

R. Orben





TRIP

## The Train Trip

The trip on the "Honest Abe" begins at Union Station in Joliet. This city of 83,000 has an economy based on manufacturing, chemical and shipping industries. Shipping on the Illinois-Michigan Canal is an important part of the Great Lakes to Gulf Waterway.

Congressman George O'Brien, R, describes Joliet as a blue-collar area with strong ethnic neighborhoods. The big issues are unemployment, crime, busing and the grain embargo. A sensitive issue for the President is the recent Presidential decision to close a large military arsenal in the Joliet area, which cost about 3,000 jobs.

Norman Keck, the mayor, is a Democrat. Joliet is also the home of the Illinois State Prison. There is no official record of a visit by President Ford to Joliet.

The city had scheduled a salute to Earl Butz on October 15th, but the event was cancelled. Apparently, Butz still has strong support in the area, and some think he got a bum rap from the press.

The handsome, old red brick depot at Pontiac is soon to be sold or demolished by its owner, the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company. This town of 10,000 is located in the 15th District, now represented by Democrat Tim Hall.

Pontiac is having hard times. Two major industries, Motorola and Sherwin Williams Paint Company, closed this year. The economic base includes stone quarrying, publishing, manufacturing and grain production. Mayor Joe Trainor is a Democrat.

Senator Percy's office reports Pontiac residents blame poor railroad transportation for the economic depression and oppose the President's proposal to implement new lock and dam construction.

The President visited Pontiac in 1968 for a fundraiser.

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Bloomington, a city of 40,000, is the site of Illinois Wesleyan University, and Illinois State University is located in suburban Normal. The city is also the headquarters of the Illinois Agricultural Association.



Located in the Nation's corn belt, Bloomington also manufactures a wide range of products from cosmetics and candy to farm machinery.

The Republican Party of Illinois was founded in Bloomington in May, 1956. President Ford spoke at a Lincoln Day Dinner in 1969 at Illinois Wesleyan. Jack visited Illinois State in the spring. Steve visited both campuses last weekend for homecoming activities.

This is also the home of Earl Butz's brother. Congressman Edward Madigan, who represents the 21st District, says support for Butz' agricultural programs and small independent businesses is important.

Mayor Walter Bitner is a Republican.

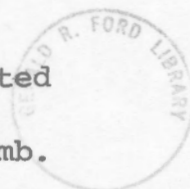
The Lincoln stop is for lunch at the Hotel Lincoln, an old hotel built to resemble an English pub. The town of almost 20,000 was founded in 1853, and it was the only town named after Lincoln before he was famous.

Lincoln christened the town in August 1853 by squeezing the juice of a watermelon on the ground. A monument near the railroad station marks the spot. The town hopes to turn the depot into a memorial to Lincoln. There is a replica of the Postville Courthouse, which Lincoln visited while on the judicial circuit between 1847 and 1857. Lincoln College, founded in 1865, has a museum with Lincoln memorabilia.

The economy of Lincoln is stable, centered around farming and including small industry. Industries include manufacture of small electric parts, cosmetics and boxes. Mayor Edward Malerick is a Republican, and Lincoln also is in Madigan's 21st District.

Trip, Page Three

The next stop is Springfield, the state capital with 90,000 residents. The Amtrak station is only two blocks from the Old State Capitol where Lincoln served in the state legislature. Other sites associated with Lincoln include the only home he ever owned, the home where he and Mary Todd were married and their tomb. Springfield also is the home of poet Vachel Lindsay.



The chief employer is the state government. The Franklin Insurance Company is headquartered there, and wholesale-retail services are important in the economy.

This is the President's third visit to Springfield, the most recent last March. Jack and Susan were there the first weekend of October to kickoff the People for Ford campaign.

Mayor William Telford is a Republican, and this is in Rep. Paul Findley's 20th District.

Carlinville, a town of about 6,000, is also in the 20th. The town depends primarily on agriculture and is presently involved with the harvest. There is concern over the low prices of corn, wheat and soybeans. Also in Carlinville is the Monterey Coal Company, which employs 400 people. There is a new deep shaft coal mine.

No incumbent President has ever visited the town. The area is heavily Democratic and Rep. Findley has never carried the area. Blackburn College, associated with the Presbyterian Church, is located there. It is noted for having every student perform several hours of manual work every day.

The final stop is Alton with a population of 40,000. The non-partisan mayor is Paul Lenz. This is also in the 20th District. Alton has a stable economy with a diversified industrial base, including Olin Corporation which manufactures copper and brass products and ammunition. There are also several refineries and Owens-Illinois Glass Company.

Historically, Alton was involved in the slavery controversy. Here, Elija Lovejoy, Abolitionist editor, was murdered while protecting his press from a pro-slavery mob. In 1858, Alton



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was the scene of the final Lincoln-Douglas debate.

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POLITICS

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## Illinois Politics

Illinois has 24 Congressional districts, half of them are exclusively Chicago and Cook County. Of the twelve primarily non-Chicago districts, eight of the twelve are represented by Republicans. (Biographies and pictures are attached.)

In these so-called downstate districts, the Republican Congressional Committee thinks the only GOP incumbent with a tough race is George O'Brien, a two termer who represents the 17th.

The trip cuts across the 17th, which is a new district created by court order in 1971. The district, considered politically marginal, includes the southern edge of metropolitan Chicago and the fertile farmland of central Illinois. Joliet is the largest city in the district. O'Brien's opponent is millionaire farmer, Merlin Carlock.

The RCC thinks the best downstate Republican chance to unseat an incumbent is in the 15th, now represented by Democrat Tim Hall. This is Les Arends' old district, which has some of the Nation's finest farmland. Hall won narrowly in 1974.

The GOP nominee is Tom Cochran, a 37-year-old railroad executive. Cochran, who lives on a family farm in LaSalle County, is a vice-president of Chicago and Northwestern Transportation Company. A graduate of Notre Dame, he was a legislative assistant to a state senator and worked in the State of Illinois office in Washington. He is married and has five children. His wife's name is Helenmarie.

Other downstate GOP challengers are Ralph McGinnis, a college professor running against George Shipley in the 22nd; Sam Drenovac against Melvin Price in the 23rd; and Peter Prineas challenging Paul Simon in the 24th. The RCC is pessimistic about all three races.

Neither Adlai Stevenson or Chuck Percy is up for re-election. There is an important gubernatorial contest



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Republican Jim Thompson and Democrat Mike Howlett. Howlett, Daley's candidate, defeated the incumbent, Dan Walker, in the primary. Recent stories on that race are in the final section. The bios and pictures are from the Illinois Blue Book.

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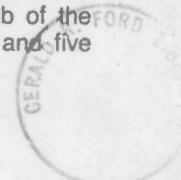




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#### ELEVENTH DISTRICT

**Frank Annunzio** (Democrat) was born in Chicago, January 12, 1915. Graduated Crane Technical High School, Chicago; DePaul University, B.S. degree, 1940 and M.A. degree in Education, 1942. Taught industrial arts, government and history at Carl Schurz High School and other Chicago public schools, 1935-43. Legislative and educational director, United Steelworkers of America, 1943-49. Director, Illinois Department of Labor, 1949-52. Elected to 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd and 94th Congresses; serves on Banking, Currency and Housing committee and committee on House Administration; chairman, subcommittee on Consumer Affairs; chairman, subcommittee on Police and Personnel. Member, subcommittee on Financial Institutions Supervision, Regulation and Insurance. Has received numerous awards for distinguished and outstanding service. Member of K. of C., 4th degree and City Club of the City of Chicago. Married Angeline Alesia and has three daughters and five grandsons. Address: 2303 Rayburn Building, Washington, D.C.



#### TWELFTH DISTRICT

**Philip M. Crane** (Republican) is a life-long resident of Illinois and former professor of History at Indiana and Bradley Universities. He is one of 17 members of the House of Representatives with a Ph.D. having earned his at Indiana University. He was elected to the House in 1969, when voters in the old 13th Congressional District chose him to replace the former Representative Donald Rumsfeld and re-elected three times and currently represents the 12th District. He is presently a trustee of Hillsdale College, a director of the Intercollegiate Studies Institute, a member of the advisory board of the Young Americans for Freedom and a member of the advisory board of the Charles Edison Youth Fund. A resident of Mount Prospect, he and his wife, the former Arlene Johnson, are the parents of eight children.





### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

**Robert McClory** (Republican) was born in Riverside, Illinois, January 31, 1908. Educated Illinois public schools; L'Institut Sillig, Switzerland; Dartmouth College; Chicago-Kent College of Law, LL.B. degree, 1932; lawyer formerly in general practice in Cook and Lake Counties. Elected to the Illinois House of Representatives in 1950; elected to State Senate in 1952, 1956 and 1960; resigned in 1962 following nomination to United States House of Representatives. He was elected to 88th and subsequent Congresses; second ranking Republican member of the House Judiciary committee; permanent member, U.S. delegation to the

Interparliamentary Union. Member: American, Illinois, Lake County and Chicago Bar Associations; the Law Club. Has three children. Following the death of his first wife, he married Doris Hibbard on March 29, 1969. Address: 321 Constitution Avenue, Northeast, Washington, D. C.



### FOURTEENTH DISTRICT

**John N. Erlenborn** (Republican) was born in Chicago, February 8, 1927. Graduated from Immaculate Conception High School, Elmhurst, 1944; did undergraduate study at Notre Dame University; Indiana State Teachers College, University of Illinois and Loyola University of Chicago and Loyola University, J. D. degree in 1949. He served in the United States Navy in World War II. Was Assistant State's Attorney of DuPage County, 1950-52; practiced law with firm of Erlenborn, Bauer and Hotte, Elmhurst, 1952-71. He served in the Illinois House of Representatives, 1957-65. Elected to the 89th Congress, November 3, 1964 and re-

elected in 1966, 1968, 1970, 1972 and 1974; member, Education and Labor committee and Government Operations committee; served on commission on Population Growth and the American Future, 1970-72; member, Republican Policy committee, 1973-74 and 1975-76. Married Dorothy Fisher and has three children, Debra, Paul and David. Address: 2236 House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

### FIFTEENTH DISTRICT

**Tim L. Hall** (Dem) was born in West Frankfort, Illinois. In the middle of the 1940s, he served in the U.S. Coast Guard and Pacific Theater service, re-entered service at age 18, graduated at age 19 from high school; earned Bachelor's degree in political science from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Master's degree in education and Supervision from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, 14 years, 1950-64. Was an educator for four years, co-ordinator at various times and profoundly interested in education. Serves on Education Committee. In 1968, Tim and Jon Jas

### SIXTEENTH DISTRICT

**John B. Anderson** (Republican) was born in Rockford, Illinois. Valedictorian of Rockford High School, Phi Beta Kappa member, Illinois where he received highest honors in political science from Illinois Law School, Harvard University. Served in U.S. Army in Europe, World War II, foreign service of U.S. High Commission, 1952-55. Practiced law, elected State's Attorney of Cook County a year later, 1964-68, 94th Congresses, Education Committee; ranked "First Evangelical of the Year" by National "Two Worlds" and "Conscience" and has five children.

### FIFTEENTH DISTRICT

**Tim L. Hall** (Democrat) was born and raised in West Frankfort, Illinois. During World War II, he and his twin brother left high school in the middle of their junior year to enlist in the U.S. Coast Guard, saw service in Atlantic and Pacific Theatres; after three years in service, re-entered high school and graduated at age of 22, oldest student in his class; earned B.A. degree in history and political science from Iowa Wesleyan and a Master's degree in Education, Administration and Supervision from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale; graduate work at Southern Illinois University and Valparaiso University in Indiana. Taught school in Illinois, 14 years, two years a principal and nine years at Dwight Junior High School. Was an educational consultant with a major publishing company in Elgin four years, traveled in 45 states meeting with many of the Nation's educators. Prior to election to 94th Congress in 1974, was training co-ordinator at William Fox Children's Center, a State facility for severely and profoundly retarded children. Member: Rotary; VFW; American Legion. Serves on Education and Labor committee and Science and Technology Committee. In 1970, married Marianne Heller and they have two sons, Bret Tim and Jon Jason.



### SIXTEENTH DISTRICT

**John B. Anderson** (Republican) was born in Rockford of Swedish-American parents. Valedictorian of his high school class and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of University of Illinois where he received degree with highest honors in political science; University of Illinois Law School, law degree, 1946; Harvard University, Master of law degree, 1949. Served in U.S. Army Field Artillery in Europe, World War II; won four battle stars; foreign service officer in Berlin on staff of U.S. High Commissioner to Germany, 1952-55. Practiced law in Rockford, 1955; elected State's Attorney of Winnebago County a year later. Elected 87th through 94th Congresses; chairman, House Republican Conference; member, Rules Committee; ranking member of Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Member: First Evangelical Free Church of Rockford. Named "Outstanding Layman of the Year" by National Association of Evangelicals, 1964. Author "Between Two Worlds" and "Vision and Betrayal in America"; editor, "Congress and Conscience" and has written for several magazines. Married (wife, Keke) and has five children. Address: 2720 35th Place, Washington, D. C.







### SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT

**George M. O'Brien** (Republican) was born in Chicago, June 17, 1917. Graduated Loyola Academy, Chicago, 1935; Northwestern University, A.B. degree and Phi Beta Kappa, 1939; Yale Law School, J.D., 1947. Served on active duty, 8th Air Force and 12th Air Force, March, 1941 to end of World War II in September, 1945, emerging as a Lieutenant Colonel. Senior partner, law firm of O'Brien, Garrison, Berard and Kusta, Joliet. Member: American, Illinois, Chicago and Will County Bar Associations; Trial Lawyers Association of Illinois; Elks, Rotary; Union League Club; American Legion; VFW. Served as a member of Character and

Fitness Committee of Bar Association (State); Will County Board of Supervisors, 1956-1964. Elected to Congress in 1972; re-elected in 1974; served on House Republican Task Force on Housing; vice-president of the Republican class. Married Mary Lou Peyla. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. Roman Catholic, member of St. Raymond's Cathedral in Joliet.



### EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

**Robert H. Michel** (Republican) was born in Peoria, March, 1923. Educated in Peoria public schools; Bradley University, B.S. degree in business administration, 1948; Bradley University, distinguished Alumnus award, 1961. Served in World War II as combat infantryman in England, France, Belgium and Germany, wounded by machine gun fire, discharged as a disabled veteran; awarded Bronze Star, Purple Heart and four battle stars. Administrative assistant to predecessor, Congressman Harold Velde, 1949-56. Elected 85th through 94th Congresses; Republican Whip; ranking Republican on Labor and Health, Education

and Welfare subcommittee. Delegate, Republican National convention, 1964, 1968 and 1972. Chairman, sub-committee on Human Concerns of the 1972 platform committee. Past president, Illinois State Society; life member, VFW, Amvets and Military Order of Purple Heart. Member: American Legion; DAV; Illinois Valley Press Club; Rotary International (honorary); Cosmopolitan International; Orpheus Club; Creve Coeur Council Boy Scouts; Y.M.C.A.; Peoria Association of Commerce; Ad Club; AHEPA; Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Delta. Married Corinne Woodruff and has four children. Address: 1029 North Glenwood, Peoria.



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## NINETEENTH DISTRICT

**Tom Railsback** (Republican) was born in Moline on January 22, 1932. Educated local schools; Grinnell College, B.A. degree, 1954; Northwestern University School of Law, law degree, 1957. Served in U.S. Army from 1957-59; admitted to Illinois State Bar, 1957. Elected to Illinois House of Representatives in 1962, served two terms. Re-elected to fifth term as a United States Representative, 1974. Served as representative on U.S.-French-German Parliamentary Exchange Program in 93rd Congress. Member of House Judiciary Committee, ranking Republican on its subcommittee #3 (Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice) and of the Republican Task Force on International Economic Policy. Received 1973 Alumni award for Distinguished Service from Grinnell College; an honorary Doctor of Laws from Monmouth College for "leadership in higher education, world trade, prison reform, judicial procedures and individual rights" and the 1974 Flandrau award from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency for his work as principal architect of the nation's first comprehensive juvenile justice legislation. Member: First Congregational Church of Moline; Phi Gamma Delta; former president, Grinnell College Alumni Board of Directors and former chairman, Younger Members Conference of the Illinois State Bar Association. Married Patricia Sloan and has four daughters.



## TWENTIETH DISTRICT

**Paul Findley** (Republican) was born in Jacksonville, Illinois, June 23, 1921, the son of Joseph S. and Florence Mary (Nichols) Educated Illinois College, A.B. degree, 1943; L.L.D. (honorary), 1973; Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Missouri, D.H.L. (honorary), 1969. Lieutenant (J.G.) USNR, World War II. Member of 87th to 94th Congresses; made fact-finding mission to Paris, 1965; delegate, NATO Parliamentarians conferences, 1965-67; delegate, North Atlantic Assembly, 1967-72; co-chairman, U.S. Delegation to European Parliament, 1975; Director, Federal Union, Inc.; trustee, Illinois College. Member: Illinois Press Association (past director); American Legion; VFW; American Association International Law; International Movement for Atlantic Union (secretary); Phi Beta Kappa. Author, "Federal Farm Fable". President and publisher, Pike Press, Inc., 1947 to present. Married Lucille Gemme and has two children, Craig Jon and Diane Lillian.





**TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT**

**Edward Madigan** (Republican) was born in Lincoln, Illinois, January 13, 1936, the eldest son of Logan County Circuit Clerk and Mrs. Earl Madigan. Educated in local schools and graduated from Lincoln College. Past state officer of the Illinois Jaycees and the Young Republican Federation of Illinois. Served in the 75th, 76th and 77th Illinois General Assemblies where he was the recipient of the "Outstanding Legislator" Award in his first term. Elected to the 93rd and 94th Congresses; serves as a member of the Agriculture Committee and the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. He was recipient of an award for Outstanding

Achievement in the Field of Public Service from the Lincoln College Association, and on February 9, 1975, received an honorary doctorate from Lincoln College.



**TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT**

**George E. Shipley** (Democrat) was born in Richland County, Illinois, April 21, 1927. He graduated from Olney High School and attended Georgetown University. Served in the United States Marine Corps for three years with service in the South Pacific and was discharged in 1947. Was chief deputy sheriff of Richland County from 1950-54 and sheriff from 1954-58. He was elected to the 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd and 94th Congresses; member of House Committee on Appropriations. Married Ann Watson and they have five children. Address: 111 South Boone Street, Olney.

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# Illinois



## Thompson v. Howlett



In part, it is the old story of the fighting prosecutor who takes on corrupt big-city dragons. James ("Big Jim") Thompson managed to slap numerous unsavory politicians of both major parties, cops, sheriff's deputies and state legislators behind bars. Thus the U.S. Attorney for northern Illinois acquired a reputation as imposing as his 6 ft. 6 in., 200-lb. physique. Now the Republican candidate for Governor, Thomp-


son, secretary of state since 1972, has come across as a buffoon. He once said "F— you" to a television reporter—on camera. He also offered up a straight line to Thompson by criticizing his foe for taking his 14-week-old Irish setter, Guv, along on campaign trips. Cracked Thompson: "He's only jealous because the dog's been drawing bigger crowds than he has."

son, former prosecutor. A Howlett snub of a speaking invitation from United Black Voters of Illinois led to the group's endorsement of Thompson, which may mean as many as 100,000 votes for Thompson—equal to 20% of the Cook County black vote, which normally goes 90% plus to any Democrat. Many blacks are also aware that it was Thompson who once prosecuted a white cop for violating a black youth's civil rights.

Howlett's attempts to tarnish his foe by accusing him, without offering proof, of "fixing" a case when he was prosecutor and of being paid \$50,000 by a law firm to run for Governor have fizzled and, in the latter case, boomeranged. The allegation simply reopened an issue Walker exploited in the primary: that Howlett accepted \$15,000 annually from a steel company while he was on the state payroll. "How else are you going to raise a family of six children and take care of a 90-year-old mother-in-law?" Howlett asks.

Thompson, a dull speaker and a novice in politics, has credentials so impressive from his days as a prosecutor that he does not need to be a spellbinder. His Carterish campaign pledge is to bring Illinois an administration that is "open and decent and honest." Having successfully prosecuted former Democratic Governor Otto Kerner (when Kerner was a federal judge), six Chicago aldermen, Daley's press secretary,

# Some Fresh Faces for '76



FRONT RUNNER JAY ROCKEFELLER

*In the five state races described in the preceding pages, the outcome is largely in suspense. But there are important contests in at least five other states, where the results no longer seem in much doubt. These elections will thrust some more or less new political faces on the national scene:*

**ROCKEFELLER'S RETURN.** Some members of the Rockefeller clan like to be Governors, and when a state is not readily at hand, they move in on one. Nelson took his native New York, but Brother Winthrop chose Arkansas, and now Nephew John D. IV is hoping to win West Virginia. A Harvard graduate who later specialized in Far Eastern studies, Jay moved to the state twelve years ago, spent two years as an antipoverty work-

dianapolis, who just two years ago lost a tight race for the Senate to Birch Bayh, seems well on his way to erasing the Nixon association. Statewide polls now show him comfortably ahead of the scrappy Democratic incumbent, Vance Hartke, whom Capitol Hill aides twice voted "the Senator with the least integrity." Lugar, a Rhodes scholar, has built a strong image as a proponent of free enterprise, strong national defense and fiscal conservatism.

He points out that he reduced property taxes five times during his eight years as mayor of Indianapolis and left office this year with a surplus of \$4.5 million. Lately, Lugar, who has a stiff campaign manner, has loosened up his style, shedding his conservative business suits for bright blazers and white loafers. He

LEE BALTMAN



INDIANA'S LUGAR

MISSOURI'S DANFORTH

ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT

# A New GOP Star in Illinois?

By ALBERT R. HUNT

CANTON, Ill. — The thousands of spectators here for the Fulton County Friendship Parade the other day saw an unusual sight: A huge man, dressed in a red golf shirt, white trousers and sneakers, running among the cars and floats, trying to shake everybody's hand.

This is "Big Jim" Thompson, 40 years old, the former crime-busting U.S. Attorney in Chicago and now the Republican candidate for governor. He's running so hard and so well that most Illinois Republicans are grabbing for his coattails, and even President Ford somehow hopes to benefit from being on the same ticket with him. "Thompson is one of the hottest things we have going this year," says a national GOP strategist.

There are several reasons why Mr. Thompson is such a hot candidate just now. As a crusading prosecutor who indicted prominent office holders, he has an independent, non-politician repu-



soon will have to face reelection. (This year's contest is to succeed Gov. Dan Walker, who was beaten by Mr. Howlett in the Democratic primary.)

According to the polls, Mr. Thompson's standing is almost staggering. The Chicago Tribune survey shows him 24 points ahead of Mr. Howlett, leading in all sections of the state, even in Chicago, and carrying all age and income groups.

Other surveys show that voters view Mr. Thompson as an independent figure. "People think this guy doesn't owe anything to anybody, and this year that's a hell of an asset," says an Illinois Democrat.

In large part, this is attributable to Mr. Thompson's successful record as U.S. Attorney from late 1971 to mid-1975, espe-

*Considering his assets, many politicians doubt that the handsome, 6-foot 6-inch Mr. Thompson will stop run-*

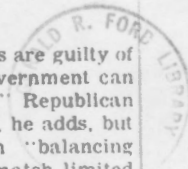
The Republican Party, he believes, suffers from a negative image. "We are perceived as a do-nothing, no-concern-for-people-in-need party, and that must change," he declares. "The Republican Party has to give in to reality and develop programs that aren't necessarily the same as the Democrats'."

## 'Balance Priorities'

He charges that Democrats are guilty of "fostering the notion that government can solve almost every problem." Republican governors should be activists, he adds, but should also concentrate on "balancing priorities and interests" to match limited resources.

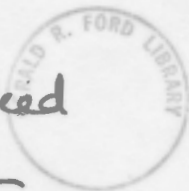
Mr. Thompson doesn't explain precisely how he wants to rank priorities. Generally, however, he favors spending more on education and health and less on public works projects, like road building. And he takes other positions that aren't typical of Illinois Republicans, favoring, for instance, collective bargaining for public employees.

Characteristic of a challenger, he promises fiscal savings through better manage-



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# ILLINOIS HIGHWAY MAP 1975-1976



*In 1776, when Independence was declared, the territory that is now Illinois had been claimed from the French by the Province of Virginia.*

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1776-1976

# LEGEND

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## OTHER THROUGH HIGHWAYS

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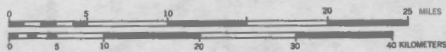
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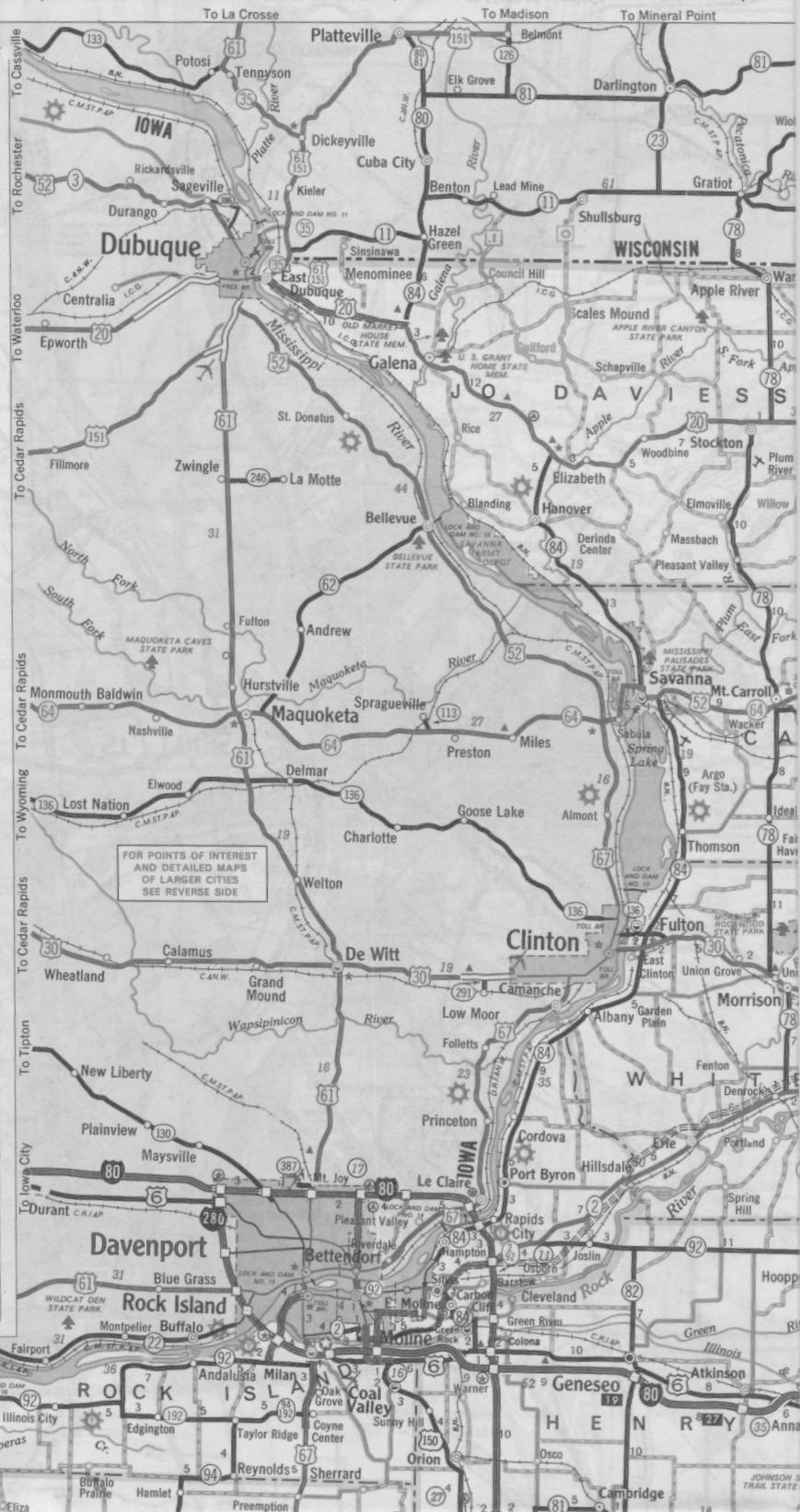
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Mrs Ford,

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