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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROLAND ELLIOTT

FROM:

TRUDY FRY *JEF*

The attached note from Dorothy Downton is self-explanatory.

Please prepare an appropriate letter for Mr. Myers and return to this office for signature.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 16

Trudy,

The President gave this material to me. The note from Jack Myers is addressed to the President's brother, Tom.

The President wants to write a short note to Mr. Myers thanking him for his help, etc.

Will you please arrange.

Dorothy

Tom,

6/6/76

This appeared in the Canton Repository following your visit. Your interviews were on several radio stations along with the President's phone call. Other newspapers also had articles. TV-5 in Cleveland showed you & Janet phoning. Still looks good here! If you & Janet ever get to Canton again please call - JACK MYERS
- STARK COUNTY CHAIRMAN

Ford's brother stumps Canton

By TITUS FISHER. President Ford's brother, Tom, brought his own lunch to Central Plaza Friday afternoon. He watched a dance troop perform and spent the lunch hour drumming up support for the President's Republican candidacy. While shaking hands

and encouraging volunteers at Ford's Canton headquarters at Central Plaza North, Tom received a telephone call from the President who said he had some "good news."

"The wholesale price index for May was up three-tenths of one per cent," the President said. "A good sign we're making progress in solving inflation."

The President also noted nationwide unemployment was down from 7.5 to 7.3 per cent during this same period. He said 300,000 more people got jobs in May and a total of 87,700,000 are working.

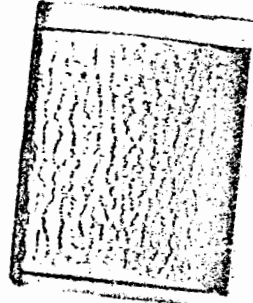
In pointing out that "no American boy is fighting on foreign soil," the President said it was irresponsible to indicate that the U.S. should militarily intervene in Rhodesia. The U.S. position is to negotiate with all parties involved, he said.

The President also told his supporters that his administration has brought trust and confidence back to the White House.

President Ford spoke to Mayor Stanley A. Cmich and thanked the Mayor for endorsing him and doing a good job in Ohio.

Cmich in turn thanked the President for taking

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NICE SHOW. Tom Ford and his wife enjoy a brown-bag lunch with Mayor Stanley A. Cmich (right) during a break at noon Friday on Central Plaza. They were watching a performance by the modern dance group Fibre. (Repository Staff Photo)

Ford's brother

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time out to bring Canton the good news.

Although his brother is making an all-out effort to be elected President, Tom Ford said he really doesn't know why the President wants the job.

"When he took office two years ago he soon decided he didn't want to be a lame duck President," Tom said. "As soon as he began to make (campaign) noises, the Eastern press said he couldn't win and this stung his strong sense of competition."

Tom said he did not know who the President would pick for a running mate if nominated at the Republican Convention. "But if the convention selects Reagan, the President would support him," Tom said.

In assessing the Demo-

cratic race, Tom said he felt if front-runner Jimmy Carter makes a weak showing in primaries next Tuesday Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey will be strong.

Tom said he doesn't see any overriding national issue. "In South Dakota there is no economic problem, in Florida the problems are social services and the aged, and in industrial cities in Ohio the issues are unemployment and economic conditions," he said.

"The overall desire of people is peace," he said.

The younger Ford, a Michigan state legislator, predicted the President will win Ohio's Republican primary Tuesday over former California Gov. Ronald Reagan and has 50-50 chance of beat-

ing Reagan in his home state.

"We're conducting a people-to-people campaign," Ford said. "This is what turned it around in Michigan and in Ohio we have to assume we'll win."

He charged Reagan with "using scare tactics" in calling the U.S. a second-rate military power and said Reagan was "trigger happy" in calling for the U.S. to put troops in Angola.

"I'd be very nervous if Reagan became president," Ford said.

Accompanying Tom on the Ohio campaign whirlwind were his wife, Jan, Michigan State Sens. Robert Vander Laan, Jack Toepf and Gary Byker and State Rep. Mike Conlin.

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