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Acting on the heels of a House Special Committee recommendation of censure and other penalties for Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D. of N.Y.), some 30 freshman House Republicans today proposed legislation to set up permanent House machinery to deal with unethical conduct of Members, officers and employees.

Led by Rep. George Bush of Texas, the Republican Congressmen sponsored House resolutions to establish a Select Committee on Standards and Conduct and to provide, among other things, "full disclosure of assets, liabilities, honorariums, etc., by Members, their spouses and staff members whose salaries exceed $15,000 gross annually." The legislation would also provide for disclosure of relatives on the government payroll, including wives, husbands, sons or daughters, grandsons or granddaughters, mothers and fathers of the members or their spouses.

This latter provision, as well as others in the bill, would have precluded such Powell infractions as the employment of his wife who did little or no work and who resided in Puerto Rico. The House Special Committee recommended censure of Powell for this and other offenses and recommended that Congress dock his pay $40,000 and strip him of his 22 years of seniority.

In discussion of the proposed GOP resolutions, Congressman Bush said on the House floor:

"In light of the American public's concern over the conduct of members of Congress, the freshman class of this 90th Congress feels it should join the Republican leadership in..."
establishing a responsible code of ethics for House members."

Bush said the general purpose of the Republican-sponsored legislation "is to
demonstrate to the country a unanimity...among the new GOP members on the need for some
positive, forward steps in the area of Congressional ethics."

Rep. Donald W. Riegle, Jr., of Michigan, who joined in the Monday House
discussion, said:

"Today, much of the growing public cynicism about Congress is based on the
Powell case, but the balance of this growing public cynicism is due to our own ponderous in-
ability to come to grips with the problem of implementing tough, but fair, standards of personal
conduct. Let's get moving and demonstrate to the American people beyond any doubt that we
are deeply honored to serve in a capacity of public trust and wish to act in every instance only
in the public interest."

Rep. Gilbert Gude of Maryland declared:

"The basic tenet of American democratic philosophy is the proscription that our
Nation is to be a government of laws, not men. In order that Congress achieve the ultimate
moral strength in its role as the crucible of American laws it must indeed also govern itself
under a code of ethics which measures every member as an equal. No American can feel
secure in moral righteousness and punishment vested against any man unless every man is gov-
erned in all respects by the same laws."

Rep. James C. Gardner of North Carolina told the House that "the creation of
this committee is vital to restore the confidence of the American people in this Congress and
to insure that the present and future Congresses will warrant such confidence and respect."

The Select Committee proposed in the legislation would be composed of 12 Mem-
bers of the House to be appointed by the Speaker. Six members would come from each party,
and the Speaker would name the Chairman. The committee would be required to recommend
to the House by August 31 of this year additional rules or regulations not required by the pro-
posed legislation.
The committee also would have the power to investigate any violation by a Mem-
ber, officer or employee of the House, of standards of conduct established by the House, in-
cluding those in the Federal criminal code.

Other provisions of the legislation would require:

—Disclosure of assets, liabilities, gifts, capital gains and connection with any
firm doing business with any agency of government with which a Member, officer or employee
of the House with gross annual pay exceeding $15,000 has a financial interest as well as any
firm for which any services involving representation before any agency were performed.

—Full disclosure by Members, employees, and/or relatives of engagement or par-
ticipation in any business or person engaged in lobbying.

—Full disclosure of interest, regardless of amount, in television and radio stations,
banks, savings and loan institutions, airlines and any other business whose right to conduct
business is regulated by the Federal Government.

—A change in the clerks-hire form to require clerks to reveal relationship, if any,
to a Member.
The House and Senate have performed an historic task—not quite completed as yet.

We are in the process of reshaping the Selective Service Act, commonly known as the draft law. The differences in the versions adopted by the House and Senate have been resolved, our job will be finished. It then will remain for the President to sign the new draft act to make it effective on July 1.

The House and Senate versions differ in one important respect. The Senate bill would allow the President to go ahead with a lottery system for choosing draftees. The House bill says to the President: if you go ahead with a lottery system, we want to know how it will work and we will serve notice that we may reject it.

The House bill puts a 60-day time limit on this congressional veto power over a draft lottery. If Congress does not reject the President's lottery plan during that period, it would automatically go into effect.

This seems to me not only fair but eminently wise. It means that the people's representatives are reserving for themselves a look at the details of the draft lottery—a plan that as of now is quite nebulous. This is important. After all, we are not dealing with dollars in this instance. We are dealing with men's lives.

So I hope that the House version of the draft legislation prevails in this regard, and I am sure the House members who negotiate with their Senate counterparts to work out a draft bill compromise will insist on it.

I have said that the new draft legislation is historic. It is definitely so because in past years Congress has simply extended the draft law. This time we considered it very carefully and made some changes in it—no changes for the sake of change but some clear-cut improvements.

Our young men who are subject to the draft feel their lives are filled with uncertainty.

We in the Congress have tried to write certainties into the new draft law wherever possible. We have tried to establish uniformity wherever we could. At the same time, we have provided a certain amount of flexibility to meet varying circumstances.

We have set forth basic rules for the operation of the draft instead of leaving the matter entirely in the hands of the President and the Selective Service director. I think the people will agree this should be done.

The problem of deferments is a big one. We felt that deferment of students
and certain other individuals is essential to the national welfare and so we continue them. But we also have laid down guidelines for student deferments, so that they will be made on as nearly a national basis as possible.

We also would establish a National Manpower Resources Board to examine our national needs and advise the Selective Service System on deferments in individuals without other categories. There might, for instance, be college training just as important to the nation's security as doctors, dentists and other professionals.

A major change in the draft under the new legislation, of course, is that the younger men will be selected first. This is being done because the younger men are more adaptable to military training and have fewer dependency problems. This change is also dictated by the fact that older men awaiting a draft call have great difficulty in finding and keeping a job.

It is unfortunate that we must draft our young men for military service, but this is dictated by the world in which we live. I yearn, as do all Americans, for the day when peace is universal and the specter of war has no more substance than a shadow.
June 2, 1967

Memo From...

REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

As a convenience I have enclosed a schedule of charges for files and radio tapes in the House Recording Studios.

Please ask your Press Assistant to file this material so it may be used for long range planning of your broadcast activities. Incidentally, any charges you incur in making films or radio tapes for broadcast purposes may be charged against your Public Relations Account with the Congressional Campaign Committee.

If this Department can assist you in any way in planning, establishing or participating in your broadcasts, please call.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Bob Gaston
Radio-TV Director

Enclosure:
HOUSE RECORDING STUDIOS
B-310 Rayburn
Extension 3941

Rates and Information

1. Introduction

The House Radio-Television studios are equipped to make sound motion pictures and radio tapes suitable for use on TV and radio stations. The studios are a government operation for the exclusive use of Members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Operating under the supervision of the Clerk of the House, the studios are directed by Mr. James B. Perry. The Motion Picture Studios and director's office are in Room 310 of the Rayburn House Office Building; the Motion Picture Laboratory is in Room B-312 and the Radio Recording Studios are in Room B-310.

The programming of material is strictly up to the Member concerned. Most stations are cooperative under the F.C.C. public service requirements to make available free time to Member of Congress for this purpose.

Studio personnel can offer technical assistance only. We are not authorized to prepare scripts or assist in content of a program.

Studio equipment is permanently installed. We cannot do outside work. Our operation is non-partisan and all work is held in strict confidence.

We do not mail members' programs to District stations. Film or tape will be wrapped for mailing however, ready to be picked up by your office. For your protection, we cannot release your program to other than a page or your office staff unless written permission is given over the Member's signature.

We can make as many prints or tapes of your program as you desire.

To schedule an appointment call extension 3941. We can give you better times if you make your appointment at least 24 hours in advance. If you plan a regular weekly or other periodic program, you can arrange for a scheduled appointment which will be held for you throughout the session. If this is not used, however, we must release it to other members.

Normally, your motion picture print will be ready within 24 hours. Radio tapes normally can be cleared the same day. This should be kept in mind in relation to the program scheduling in your District stations.

Please be on time for your appointment or call us and release the time you have reserved. We must serve the next Member before you, if you are late.

The Studios will bill you at the first of each month for services charged the previous month. Regulations require that we can bill and accept payment only from sitting Members, either by their personal check or by their endorsement of checks written to them by third parties. We cannot accept cash or money orders in payment.

II. Motion Picture Rates and Information:

*Camera Charges:
*Camera footage (negative, black & white) ........................................... $0.03/ft.
*Camera footage (unprocessed reversal, COLOR) ...................................... $0.10/ft.
(Minimum charge for unprocessed color film .................................. $0.90)
IF HOUSE PROCESSES COLOR FILM THERE IS A MINIMUM CHARGE OF $66.00 FOR up to 165 feet, each additional foot at $0.02/ft.
ADDITIONAL COLOR PRINTS .......................................................... $0.20/ft.
*Teleprompter charges, per each foot of negative charged:
Up to 89 feet, minimum charge ....................................................... $2.67
First 180 feet ...................................................................................... $0.02/ft.
Next 90 feet ...................................................................................... $0.02/ft.
All over first 270 feet ....................................................................... $0.01/ft.
Magnetic tape, 16mm, recorded ................................................. $0.02/ft.
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Example of charges:

There are three normal steps in motion pictures: 1) camera footage, 2) processing the negative (camera footage), and 3) printing and processing the print. A five-minute program is 6x36' or 100'. Using the above charges:

1. 180' plus 20' threading charge totals 200' x .03 or $6.00
2. 180' plus 20' threading charge totals 200' x .002 or $.60
3. 180' plus 20' threading charge totals 200' x .024 or $4.80

Total charge, one print: $11.20

Print footage may not equal camera footage exactly, as each is charged on actual plus 20 feet for threading. You can approximate your charge for one print, by getting the camera footage information from your cameraman and multiplying by .056.

In order to maintain our rates we must charge for one print whether taken or not. Some stations can show negatives by reversing their polarity when programmed. You can save time if you can use a negative since we can process this service rapidly where you need fast delivery to your station. Once projected, however, reprints are not usually of the quality obtained before projection due to scratches which appear.

A program is considered made when the camera stops (excepting for a retake for either our fault or the Director's fault). Therefore, if a series of spots is to be made, it is to your advantage to make one, pause, make the second, etc., until you have made the entire series, as the camera keeps rolling. If it is necessary to rearrange scenery or stop for other reasons to prepare for the next program, you will be charged just as though two separate programs were made.

We have a teletypewriter in Room 16C. It is simple to operate. We do not type these rolls but the machine is made available to your secretary if you desire to use the teletypewriter. All teletypewriter scripts must be in our studios at least 30 minutes prior to program time in order for us to load the reader. Please bring someone from your office with you to run the reader. We do not furnish personnel for this service.

Inserts and opens and closes are considered individual programs subject to at least the minimum charge of 89 feet each.

Names for desk plates may be obtained by you for you and your guests by calling the Republican Congressional Committee, Lincoln 4-5010, and asking for the Art Department.

III. Radio Rates and Information

Ya Do Not Sell Tapes. They are carried by the House Stationary Room (8-217, L.H.O.B.) at a very nominal price. It is to your advantage to keep a nominal supply of new tapes on hand in your office. They will not be available from the Recording Studios. Here are Studio charges:

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A new user begins by purchasing sufficient tapes at the Stationary Room or elsewhere to supply the number of stations he is serving. These tapes are his property. At least three times the number of tapes as stations served should be purchased so that the stations will have time to return them for re-use. A tape can be re-recorded almost indefinitely. Please have stations return tapes to your office, not to the House Recording Studios. We have no way to identify them or store them. They can be sent over or brought over when you keep your appointment. Tapes are erased in our studios instantly, at no charge, by placing them on an electronic eraser.

Please call 3941 for any further information; we will be glad to help you. We hope you will visit our studios and avail yourself of our services.

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The President appears to have acted without sufficient concern for the possible consequences of the move.

The United States should not get into the position of playing fireman every time incendiaries touch off a local conflict somewhere in the world. The lives of American youth are too precious to be risked in such casual fashion.

The President should respond in these instances only when the interests of the United States are involved and only after proper consultation with the Congress.
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You do want a Republican as the next President of the United States, don't you? I was sure you would agree with me that there's a better way than LBJ.

You have a wealth of opportunities to send a Republican majority to the U.S. House of Representatives from Illinois. I urge you to zero in on the four or five districts now held by Democrats, where an attractive, articulate, able Republican candidate can win. Make those your target districts and you'll hit pay dirt. The goal line is not far away.

Republicans in the Congress need your help. The country needs your help.

Oddly enough, we constantly have to remind the people that the Democrats still are in control of both houses of the Congress. After all, we have won a few battles on the House floor and we have the Administration in a box on spending.

The Johnson Administration is in trouble. It's in trouble because the truth is finally catching up with it, and even the most clever attempt to twist the truth will fail to fool the people.

The truth that has turned each day into a nightmare for the Johnson Administration is just this--the President has so badly mismanaged the economy that only a change of administrations can straighten it out.

The truth is that our economy is in trouble solely because a Democratic President and a Democratic 89th Congress launched this country on a reckless spending spree which threatens to bankrupt the Nation.

The truth is that the blame for the galloping inflation of 1966 and the highest interest rates in 40 years lies squarely on the Johnson Administration and the Democratic majority in the Congress...and so, too, does the blame for the inflationary tide now rising in this country.

What does a public figure do when he is trapped by his own mistakes in office? He looks for a scapegoat.

President Johnson is faced with a $25 to $30 billion deficit generated by his refusal to set priorities. So he has asked Congress to impose a 10 per cent income tax surcharge on the American people...the same people who are paying the price of Johnson inflation precipitated when the Administration ignored Republican economy pleas in early 1966.

Republicans in Congress have responded by demanding a $5 billion cutback in Johnson Administration spending this fiscal year.

Has the President acted responsibly to meet the challenge of inflation? Not at all. Instead he is playing the game of switch and practicing the most
devious kind of deception on the American people.

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The truth is that while Congress appropriates the funds it is the President who spends them.

The truth is that if a Democratic Congress insists on appropriating far too much and a Democratic President insists on spending it, Republicans still in the minority in the House and Senate are powerless to put a stop to it.

Republicans owe the President a debt of gratitude, for he is making it plain to the American people that only by turning this Nation's government over to the Republican Party can the people regain control of federal spending.

The real issue in the current fight in our Nation's capital over the proposed 10 per cent surtax is just this: Will the American people regain control over federal spending?

The President is stubbornly refusing to cut federal General Fund spending in this fiscal year. Instead he is simply offering vague promises of a temporary freeze in areas such as highway construction where life and limb are involved while going full steam ahead with highway beautification. That's a cock-eyed view of priorities!

Is there any reason to believe the President's promises of economy? The American people know better. That's why there is a nationwide taxpayer revolt against the wild spending policies of the Johnson Administration.

The American people have awakened to the fact that the cost of the Federal Government is going up 10 times faster than the rate of population growth in this country. They know that the Johnson Administration is not serving their needs but the needs of the bureaucrats and social experimenters.

They know that the Johnson Administration held back for over two years on effective bombing of significant military targets in North Vietnam but has
bombed the people's pocketbook full of holes.

They know that the cost of living is up 8.3 per cent since 1963, the year Lyndon B. Johnson took office. They know that living costs have soared because the Johnson Administration has taken this Nation down the road of wild federal spending that has cheapened and almost destroyed the dollar. They know that non-defense spending has jumped 97 per cent since 1960. They know that the federal payroll has been fattened by 276,000 just in 1966 alone. They know there is waste and fat in the Federal budget--a $136 billion administrative budget that Lyndon Johnson insists he cannot cut.

President Johnson and his cabinet officers are shouting that more inflation and higher interest charges will follow if Congress does not approve his proposal to raise income taxes.

He is just looking for an "out," because the facts are that prices are going to go up with or without a tax increase, and interest rates are going to rise with or without a tax increase.

The American people know this, and they are unwilling to accept a Johnson tax increase on top of Johnson inflation. They know, too, that a dollar reduction in federal spending has nearly twice as much anti-inflation bite as a dollar increase in taxes. That's why Republicans are fighting to cut federal spending.

It's not the Republicans who are making the Johnson income tax increase a political issue; it's the people. But let's not let Mr. Johnson get off the hot seat which is of his own making.

The American people are demanding new representation in the Congress and in the White House. It can be done.

We are witnessing the spectacle of an American President who is seeking either to override the will of the people or to mislead them into thinking the 90th Congress is responsible for this country's fiscal woes.

There is only one remedy--rid this country of the Johnson Administration, an administration of confusion and deception.

You have made a commitment here tonight--to do just that and to help the Republican Party lead this country back to fiscal sanity.

You should be proud of that commitment as well as of the outstanding congressional delegation we honor here. It means you are willing to stand up for America, to move it along the paths of greater growth and glory for the sake of all our people. Thank you.
Today I want to talk with you about a question which does not come flashing at you in letters a foot tall. As a matter of fact, not much is said about it—especially by certain politicians. Certainly not very much is being done about it—by certain politicians.

The question is whether or not America will have clean elections—and the natural follow-on to clean elections, clean government.

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It bothers me that many Americans, including politicians, are overlooking the fact that no elections have ever been held in South Vietnam. However, if we are to preach South Vietnam on its elections, we in America have an obligation to enact promptly a clean elections bill to be effective in 1968. Republicans know such action but more importantly the American people are waiting for affirmative action.
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The truth is this country is in a mess because the Johnson Administration has refused to cooperate with the Congress in cutting federal spending in a meaningful way.

I agree there's an urgent need for fiscal responsibility in Washington. Let's demonstrate it by easing off on the tremendous outpouring of public funds which is pushing the federal deficit toward sky-high levels.

Let's move forcefully to bring federal spending under control and to put our fiscal house in order.

Let us show the world that we are capable of ordering our Nation's fiscal affairs so that the dollar will emerge as a bulwark of financial security for all our citizens.

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SUGGESTED SCRIPT FOR VETERANS' DAY

THE FILM OPENS ON A RE-CREATION OF THE BATTLE OF CONCORD BRIDGE WITH MUSKETS APPEARING OVER A STONE WALL AND VOICES SHOUTING "DON'T TELL ME WHAT I CAN SAY, DON'T TELL ME WHAT I CAN DO..." THE CONGRESSMAN THEN APPEARS ON CAMERA TO NARRATE THE REST OF THE FILM WHICH SHOWS THE PROGRESSION OF UNIFORM STYLES.

On this day, Veterans' Day, we salute the 45 million men and women who have proudly worn the uniform of the United States.

As you know, those uniforms have undergone a great many changes since the early days at Valley Forge, when our troops fought in tattered rags on frozen soil. Our first uniforms copied European styles and were more functional on the parade ground or ballroom than they were in the wilderness. But, gradually, as we gained a national identity, subtle changes began to take place and the dandies of the drawing room lost their plumes and ruffles.

We fought the British, the Indians, the Mexicans—and each other. The Spanish were the first to see American khaki. The Huns, the Nazis, the Fascists and Japanese met our veterans in the field and fell back. The North Koreans and Red Chinese also know the
sight of battle-clad American troops. The blood and
devotion of the GI's who wore these uniforms won a con-
tinent and saved the world from despotic slavery.

CONGRESSMAN:
(on camera)

Today, the uniform of the United States is once again
locked in battle in another war—a war we all want to see
ended, but on just and reasonable terms, that will not
desecrate the memories of the men and women who wore
the uniform which we honor this Veterans' Day.

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Congress in 1967 has been productive and constructive, primarily because the voters of the nation in November 1966 gave us a net gain of 47 Republicans in the House and additional strength in the Senate. These new Republicans came from 33 states—from the length and breadth of America. They are attractive, articulate young men and women who are responsive to their voters and who are fighting hard for constructive solutions to the Nation's problems at home and abroad.

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Ev, this is the Christmas season, and only minutes ago President Johnson turned the lights on the White House Christmas tree on behalf of all Americans. Now that we've set the record straight, there's something far more important I'd like to say. As Republicans, we're not only proud of the work we've done in the session just ending, we're proud of the Congress itself. With increased strength we have immensely improved the quality of laws under which all Americans live, and we intend to continue to play our proper part in the constitutional process of government. We hope the President and the Judicial Branch will play theirs. We're proud of the way representative democracy works, and we'll keep on fighting to make it work. We're proud of America and have faith in America, and with new Republican leadership in the White House and Republican Majorities in the Congress we pledge our countrymen that everyone can be really proud of being an American. Let's never forget that we're all Americans and on that note, Merry Christmas to you, Mr. President, and Merry Christmas to everybody in this great, good, compassionate and charitable land.

Good night.
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"The President's speech in Miami brought to mind a little story about the bride who made her first biscuits and when her husband tried them with an agonizing expression, she was filled with dismay. She said, "Did I put something in that I shouldn't have?" "Oh, darling," he said, "it isn't what you put in, it's what you left out." So this speech was impressive, somewhat at least, for what it left out."

"I wonder if it had occurred to the President that these wooden soldiers, as he called us, are the same Congressional soldiers that stood squarely behind our soldiers on the line when many of his own troops in the House and Senate were playing him day after day on Viet Nam -- not only in the House and Senate, but over TV and radio. These soldiers of his didn't give their Commander-In-Chief much comfort!"

"Still another area in which the 'wooden soldiers' have done a good job is that of law enforcement. The Crime Control Bill the Administration wanted was blocked simply because it would have given the Attorney General a whole halft of money to distribute to law enforcement agencies, but virtually cutting out the Governors and authorities at the state level. Is that any way to bring about law enforcement in this country?"

"Again, it's not what the President said, it's what he didn't say that was really impressive, such as the subject of foreign aid. I think that both the Congress and the country -- the taxpayers -- have had an abiding interest in the 140 billion dollars of our money that we have doled out on foreign aid and have decided that something ought to be done about it: the smallest foreign aid appropriation bill in the last 20 years. This is to the credit of the Congress and, I think, to the comfort of the country. The President's speech didn't make note of this."

"I noticed other glaring omissions of his. I found no reference to the public debt or to the probable deficit of 30 billion dollars this year. Deficit, you know, is that ducky word for spending more than you take in. Nor did I find any reference to his tax increase proposal, which started out on such an adventurous career and came to naught."
"In the first part of his speech, the President catalogued innumerable benefits to be given all our people. But what happens to all those benefits if the dollar slips in its purchasing power and value? There are any number of fiscal authorities who fairly wring their hands about this -- like the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board. He and other people knowledgeable in that field are worried that the dollar may drop to a 40 cent value or even further before we get through. What do you think is doing to happen then to all those benefits that the President listed?"

"The President referred to the 'status quo' which to me and a good many others is Latin for 'the fix we are in'. The 345 billion dollar debt is an example. That's a 'status quo'. The probable 30 billion dollar debt as well. That's a 'status quo'. The increase in crime across the country, in the cities, in the suburbs, in the rural areas. That's a 'status quo'. These and many others are glaring examples of the 'fix we are in'."

"As for that old Republican buggy he referred to, I've been thinking and I've remembered all of his appeals and all his Administration's efforts directed to the Republican side of the Congress to have this buggy pull his chromium-plated five-hundred-horse-power 'Great Society Special' out of the mud. He may make light of the old buggy but it gets no dirt in its carburetor, it gets no flat tires its sparkplugs never fail and its motor never gets out of whack. 'Get a horse!' Maybe there is something in that old saying."

"That this has been a productive Congress is one point at least on which we can agree with the President, but for entirely different reasons. It was a productive Congress, not only for what it has done but for what it hasn't done. I make the point that when you keep bad legislation off the books, or when you modify it very sharply in the public interest that that's a real service and it makes a productive Congress. It was a productive Congress. It was a productive Congress because the Congress asserted itself as no other Congress has done in a long time. It's been determined to recapture its Constitutional place in the sun because the Constitution makes it the exclusive law-making body in the government and it has the exclusive power of the purse."
More Republicans Improved the 90th Congress

SPEECH OF HON. GERALD R. FORD, OF MICHIGAN
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I recall vividly in the middle of the 1965 session of the 89th Congress—the last Congress—Senator Mavna said that the Congress had passed a lot of major bills too hastily, with too many loopholes and too many rough corners, and particularly it had failed to make a proper assessment of the current and ultimate cost of these vast programs.

But the 90th Congress did not listen to Senator Mavna, while the American people did.

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Republicans are against the status quo in the handling of our Federal fiscal affairs. We are soldiers fighting the Johnson administration's inflation and the Johnson administration's high interest rates. We believe the American people deserve a better deal. Look at this dollar bill. Since a Republican left the White House about 3 years ago, the purchasing power of this dollar bill has gone down 13 percent.

Just to give you another indication, the cost of living in 1966 went up 2.3 percent. The cost of living this year will probably be close to 4 percent, and next year it appears that the cost of living may even be higher than that.

I think the American people deserve a better break and we as Republicans are fighting to do something about inflation, the higher and higher cost of living and the high interest rates. Talking about high interest rates, let me point out that just a week or so ago our Government, Uncle Sam, sold Federal securities and in said 6.4 percent interest in 100 years. Now this problem is created, I think, by the fact that the administration has failed to manage effectively and responsively our Federal taxes and our Federal expenditures.

I have here in my hand a copy of the Federal budget for 1968, that is this fiscal year. We think the mishandling of this budget has precipitated high interest rates and inflation.

Let me point out the problem that we face in the Congress. When the President submitted this budget to us in January he said the deficit would be $1 billion. In August he finally conceded that the deficit would be $39 billion and just a few weeks ago the President—I think quite irresponsibly—said the deficit might reach as high as $60 billion.

The trouble is we just cannot believe the mathematics that the Johnson administration submits to us every year in January. With all the errors they have made in every budget, I often wonder what would happen to a taxpayer if he made similar mistakes on his Federal income tax return. I think any ordinary taxpayer would really be in trouble.

Now when we come right down to it, the Republicans for the last 3 years have tried to make specific, constructive recommendations to attack inflation and high interest rates. The National Republican coordinating committee of which both Senator Dirksen and I are mem-
bers, recommended in 1965 a nine-point program to straighten out the fiscal problems we face. The coordinating commit-

tee in April 1965 made a 13-point recommend-
tion to fight inflation and high interest rates. We in the House of Repre-
sentatives have been trying to cut Fed-
eral expenditures so Republicans who
have in the Senate. We have a better
solution to the fiscal problems facing this
Nation which result in such a severe loss
in purchasing power for every American
family. We believe it is better to reduce
expenditures than to pass the President's
tax increase. We believe in responsible,
realistic Federal financing. Do you real-
ize that in the last 7 years since a Repub-
lican left the White House, there have
been unaccounted deficits in the Federal
Government of over $80 billion? This
cannot go on much longer or our dollar
will be worth even less than it is today.
Now let me point out the problem we
face in crime. In the last 8 years our
population has gone up 15 percent, but in
the last 6 years crime in this country has
gone up 67 percent. The FBI reported
that the other day that crime in this
country went up 14 percent in the first 9
months of 1967. There have been 120 or
more riots in our major metropolitan
areas in 1967. In which 118 people lost
their lives, some 5,000 have been injured
and $70 million in damage was done to
public and private property. Yes, we are
against this kind of a status quo. Repub-
licans are fighting to do something about
the crime problem.

The President early this year sent
up a bill to involve the Federal Govern-
ment in the crime problem. The House of Repre-
sentatives Republican leadership threw out the President's crime bill
and we passed a meaningful piece of
legislation that denies the President's
power to involve the Federal Govern-
ment of over $8 billion. This is a bill that
could pass in the Senate and it could then
be sent to the House of Representatives, so we can continue try-
ing to straighten out some of our fiscal
problems, trying to get away from the
status quo that we are in today.

This is not a rubberstamp Congress.
The last Congress was President John-
son's Congress, but this Congress is more
representative of the American people.
Our Republican leadership threw out the President's crime
bill and we passed a meaningful piece
of legislation that denies the President's
power to involve the Federal Govern-
ment. We think the House of Repre-
sentatives have really carried the ball to
try and get meaningful, effective legis-
lation to guarantee clean Federal elec-
tions in the 1968 presidential race, in the
upcoming Senate race and in the House
race. We believe that there should be
strict disclaimers as to funds received by
candidates and to the expenditures that
are made on behalf of a candidate.

One of the good ideas that our new
Republican Members pushed the hardest,
and I am proud of their efforts and
the result—was to establish in the
House of Representatives a code of ethics
for all Congressmen. They took the lead
in getting the House of Representatives
to establish a Committee on Standards of
Official Conduct. This committee has put
out the code and is about to announce a code
of ethics for Members of the House of
Representatives. We think this is long
overdue, and I hope it will be effective.

This new group of Republicans is
very vigorous lot. They are articulate and
active and they work hard. They
sometimes come up with ideas that
should have been thought of before. I
believe me, they are a very helpful group
to us. When we challenge the status quo of
the Status quo, on crime and law enforcement,
and all other matters. I hope that in the
next election the American people will
send at least 31 more to the House of Re-
presentatives, so we can continue try-
ing to straighten out some of our fiscal
problems, trying to get away from the
status quo that we are in today.

We did not agree and frankly we did not like the President's unfair assess-
ment of the 89th Congress in 1965. But
now we have set the record straight,
there is something far more important
I would like to say. As Republicans, we
are not only proud of the work we have
done in the session just ending, we are
proud of the Congress itself. With
increased strength we have immensely
improved the quality of laws under which
all Americans live, and we intend to con-
tinue to pace our proper part in the con-
sultative process of government. We
hope the President and the other branch
will play theirs. We are proud of our
representative government works, and we will keep on fighting to
make it work. We are proud of America
and have faith in America, and with new
Republican leadership in the White
House and Republican majorities in the
Congress we pledge our countrymen that
everyone can be really proud of being an
American. Let us never forget that we are
all Americans.

On that note, Merry Christmas to you
Mr. President, and Merry Christmas to
everybody in this great, good, compas-
sionate and sharable land, which has
been good to all of us.
Congressman

Gerald R. Ford
House Republican Leader

News
Release

--FOR RELEASE AT 7:00 P.M., EST--
Friday, December 15, 1967

Excerpts from the comments of Representative Gerald R. Ford, R-Mich., House Republican Leader, on the Republican Leadership of the Congress' reply to President Johnson over ABC, CBS and NBC Television Networks, 7:00 to 7:30 P.M., EST, December 15, 1967.

This Congress has been a good Congress. President Johnson admits it has been a productive Congress. His Majority Leader in the Senate, Senator Mansfield, says the record of this Congress has been "good, decent and respectable," and I agree, as I'm sure Senator Dirksen does.

Congress in 1967 has been productive and constructive, primarily because the voters of the nation in November 1966 gave us a net gain of 47 Republicans in the House and additional strength in the Senate. These new Republicans came from 33 states—from the length and breadth of America. They are attractive, articulate young men and women who are responsive to their voters and who are fighting hard for constructive solutions to the Nation's problems at home and abroad.

This Congress with 51 more Republicans has produced this record:

(1) Spending Limitations - Totaling more than $4 billion from the President's budget for fiscal 1968. This effort to curb runaway inflation and avoid another tax increase succeeded only because of virtually solid Republican support.

(2) Social Security Improvements - More benefits for Senior Citizens who have been hurt by Johnson-Humphrey inflation—without the additional payroll taxes on working citizens that President Johnson wanted. 99% of House Republicans supported this legislation.

(3) Comprehensive Health Legislation - A partnership for health bill providing funds for the federal government and the states to attack rats and other pests, narcotics addiction, etc. 98% of Republicans supported this legislation.

(4) Clean Meat Inspection Law - 99% of Republicans supported.

(more)
(5) A Flamable Products Control Bill to Protect Families and Children from Deadly Garments, Toys and Home Products -- 100% Republican support.

(6) A Law to Clean up the Air We Breathe -- 100% Republican support.

And on the march, we have passed many forward-looking and much-needed bills. Here are eight of them:

(1) A Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Assistance Act -- Modified to permit state and local agencies to play their rightful role -- 99% Republican support.

(2) Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Control Legislation -- 99% Republican support.

(3) Federal Anti-Riot Legislation -- 99% Republican support.

(4) Adult Education Legislation -- 100% Republican support.

(5) Law to Stop Desecration of the American Flag -- 100% Republican support.

(6) Equal Benefits for Vietnam Veterans and Their Families -- 100% Republican support.

(7) Independent Maritime Administration Legislation -- Opposed by the Johnson-Humphrey Administration but backed by 97% of House Republicans to try to salvage the neglected U.S. Merchant Marine.

(8) Curbs on Excessive Non-Defense Spending -- Federal spending in 1960 under the last Republican Administration was $48.6 billion. Estimated non-defense spending for fiscal 1968 is nearly double that figure -- $95.6 billion. The accumulative federal deficit since President Johnson entered the White House is expected to exceed $60 billion. As a result, the U.S. dollar is in trouble abroad and buys less and less at home.

Ev, this is the Christmas season, and only minutes ago President Johnson turned the lights on the White House Christmas tree on behalf of all Americans. Now that we've set the record straight, there's something far more important I'd like to say. As Republicans, we're not only proud of the work we've done in the session just ending, we're proud of the Congress itself. With increased strength we have immensely improved the quality of laws under which all Americans live, and we intend to continue to play our proper part in the constitutional process of government. We hope the President and the Judicial Branch will play theirs. We're proud of the way representative democracy works, and we'll keep on fighting to make it work. We're proud of America and have faith in America, and with new Republican leadership in the White House and Republican Majorities in the Congress we pledge our countrymen that everyone can be really proud of being an American. Let's never forget that we all Americans and on that note, Merry Christmas to you, Mr. President, and Merry Christmas to everybody in this great, good, compassionate and charitable land.

Good night.
”The President’s speech in ’66 brought to mind a little story about the bride who made her first biscuits and when her husband tried them with an agonizing expression, she was filled with dismay. She said, "Did I put something in that I shouldn’t have?" "Oh, darling," he said, "it isn’t what you put in, it’s what you left out." So this speech was impressive, somewhat at least, for what it left out.

"I wonder if it had occurred to the President that these wooden soldiers, as he called us, are the same Congressional soldiers that stood squarely behind our soldiers on the line when many of his own troops in the House and Senate were playing him day after day on Viet Nam -- not only in the House and Senate, but over TV and radio. These soldiers of his didn’t give their Commander-in-Chief much comfort!"

"Still another area in which the wooden soldiers have done a good job is that of law enforcement. The Crime Control Bill the Administration wanted was blocked simply because it would have given the Attorney General a whole hatful of money to distribute to law enforcement agencies, but virtually cutting out the Governors and authorities at the state level. Is that any way to bring about law enforcement in this country?

"Again, it’s not what the President said, it’s what he didn’t say that was really impressive, such as the subject of foreign aid. I think that both the Congress and the country -- the taxpayers -- have had an abiding interest in the $140 billion dollars of our money that we have doled out on foreign aid and have decided that something ought to be done about it: the smallest foreign aid appropriation bill in the last 20 years. This is to the credit of the Congress and, I think, to the comfort of the country. The President’s speech didn’t make not one of this."

"I noticed other glaring omissions of his. I found no reference to the public debt or to the probable deficit of $30 billion dollars this year. Deficit, you know, is that ducky word for spending more than you take in. Nor did I find any reference to his tax increase proposal, which started out on such an adventurous career and came to naught."
Sen. Dirksen

"In the first part of his speech, the President catalogued innumerable benefits to be given all our people. But what happens to all those benefits if the dollar slips in its purchasing power and value? There are any number of fiscal authorities who fairly wring their hands about this -- like the Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board. He and other people knowledgeable in that field are worried that the dollar may drop to a 40 cent value or even further before we get through. What do you think is doing to happen then to all those benefits that the President listed?"

"The President referred to the 'status quo' which to me and a good many others is Latin for 'the fix we are in'. The 345 billion dollar debt is an example. That's a 'status quo'. The probable 30 billion dollar debt as well. That's a 'status quo'. The increase in crime across the country, in the cities, in the suburbs, in the rural areas. That's a 'status quo'. These and many others are glaring examples of the 'fix we are in'."

"As for that old Republican buggy he referred to, I've been thinking and I've remembered all of his appeals and all his Administration's efforts directed to the Republican side of the Congress to have this buggy pull his chromium-plated five-hundred-horse-power 'Great Society Special' out of the mud. He may make light of the old buggy but it gets no dirt in its carburetor, it gets no flat tires its sparkplugs never fail and its motor never gets out of whack. 'Get a horse!' Maybe there is something in that old saying."

"That this has been a productive Congress is one point at least on which we can agree with the President, but for entirely different reasons. It was a productive Congress, not only for what it has done but for what it hasn't done. I make the point that when you keep bad legislation off the books, or when you modify it very sharply in the public interest that that's a real service and it makes a productive Congress. It was a productive Congress. It was a productive Congress because the Congress asserted itself as no other Congress has done in a long time. It's been determined to recapture its Constitutional place in the sun because the Constitution makes it the exclusive law-making body in the government and it has the exclusive power of the purse."
FACE to FACE

A DEBATE OF

THE KEY ISSUES FACING THE
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THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE UNITED
STATES and "FACE TO FACE"/METROMEDIA
TELEVISION.
I am delighted to join with you in honoring my good friend and colleague, Al Quie. He is a great guy in every respect. I am deeply indebted to him for his help.

I recall vividly when Al first came to the House. He made it clear that he would be an outstanding member of the House. He not only serves his constituents conscientiously and well in terms of their personal problems but he contributes greatly to the problem-solving process in Washington. Al is a creative congressman, a man who is deeply concerned about the problems of this country and is determined to do something about them. We need more men like Al Quie in the Congress of the United States.

Al Quie
RELEASE: MONDAY, MARCH 4:

FROM: FIRST DISTRICT QUIE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE, DIXON ANDREWS, CHAIRMAN, (ANDREWS NURSERY, FARIBAULT.) BY THOMAS DOYLE, ROCHESTER, PHONE 282-7495.

"TEEN YEAR" ANNIVERSARY DINNER TO HONOR QUIE ON MARCH 30TH IN ROCHESTER

ROCHESTER, MINN.- First District Congressman Albert E. Quie will be honored for his ten years of service at a dinner at the Kahler Hotel on Saturday, March 30th at 7 P. M. The dinner, to be held in Heritage Hall, will be preceded by a 6 p. m. reception. The announcement was made today by Dixon Andrews, of Faribault, Chairman of the First District QUIE Volunteer Committee, which is sponsoring the event.

(Rep. Quie at the age of 34 was actually sworn in as a member of the U. S. House of Representatives on March 6, 1958).


Mrs. Quie (Gretchen) will be at the gala event, as will be a son, Fred, a student at St. Olaf College, Northfield.

Andrews said a large turn out is expected for the dinner.

Andrews said: "This event is in the nature of a sincere 'thank you' to Rep. Quie who is one of the hardest working and most highly respected members of Congress. The First District is indeed fortunate to be represented by a man of Rep. Quie's exceptional ability, honesty and perceptiveness." Andrews emphasized that the dinner is open to the public and is not limited to members of the Republican Party. It will not be a fund raising event, Andrews said. Tickets are
QUIE VOLUNTEERS (2)

$6 each and may be ordered from the Qui Volunteers listed below in each of the counties of the First District.

DAKOTA COUNTY: Ralph Dilley, R2, Northfield, 55057, phone 645-5020, or Bernard Engels, Northwestern National Bank, Hastings, 55033, phone 437-4131, or Gordon Hackman, 13320 Nicollet, Savage, 55378, phone 890-4247.

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WABASHA COUNTY: Ed Herman, 1017 Prairie St. South, Lake City, 55041, phone 345-3121.

WINONA COUNTY: Harold S. Streater, 275 Wilson St. Winona, 55987, phone 8-2925, J. C. Hausszynski, 262 St. Charles St., Winona, phone 7744.
Dear Congressman Ford:

As you no doubt know, Michigan Week will be taking place in our state from May 19-25, 1968.

The Michigan Week Speakers Bureau is desirous of having some of the outstanding leaders of the state prepare an audio-taped speech of either 9½ or 14½ minutes in length. These tapes would then be used:

a. by radio stations as part of their public service programming,

b. and by groups, clubs, and other organizations that are anxious to hear what the leaders of the state have to say about Michigan.

We would very much like to have a tape from you. Your speech should be about some aspect of life in Michigan and also, should be non-political in nature.

If you desire, we could arrange to provide you with the tape for your short speech. In terms of format, you could have someone introduce you, and then go right into your speech. We have asked for tapes that are 9½ to 14½ minutes in length so that they could easily be put into a slot on radio.

If you are interested and have the facilities to video tape your message, we will make arrangements for it to be shown on T. V.

Do not hesitate to get in touch with us if there is any way in which we can help you.

We do realize that ours is a big request and will understand if you write to tell us that it is impossible for you to do. At the same time, we are anxious to provide the people of the state with messages from as many of her leaders as we possibly can.

Thank you, Congressman Ford, for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Barry L. Evans, Director
Michigan Week Speakers Bureau

Harold E. Sponberg, President
Chairman, Michigan Week Speakers Bureau

(313) 483-6100
Nearly everybody feels sentimental about the place where he was born or grew up in or made his mark in life. Of course once in a while you'll run into somebody who will joke about the fact he's from someplace nobody ever heard of...and he'll say, with a grin, "It's a good place to be from."

Well, I can tell you that when anybody from Michigan is away from home he really means it when he says it's a good place to be from. He's so proud of being from Michigan that he "brags it up." And--you know--it really isn't bragging because he can't say too much about what a wonderful state Michigan is.

You often hear people say a politician will make a speech at the drop of a hat. Nobody has to drop his hat to let me to talk about Michigan. That's my favorite topic. I talk about Michigan the year around, and just a little bit more when we join in that annual series of events known as "Michigan Week."

"Michigan Week" is looked upon as a kind of promotion for our state. And that's true, of course. It is a promotion. We concentrate on selling our state to others. The wonderful part of it is that we don't have to sell ourselves on it. We know Michigan is a great state. It's easy to sell a product when you believe in it yourself and you're just terribly enthusiastic about it.

That's the way I feel about Michigan. I never get tired of telling people who are not fortunate enough to live in Michigan or be "from Michigan" that it is the automotive capital of the world and that the jobs of one out of seven American workers are dependent on the health of the auto industry. They pretty much know that, of course, but their eyes widen when you point out to them that much of America's fine furniture is made in Grand Rapids, my home town, and that...
industry in Michigan is not confined to making automobiles but is widely
diversified. Some do not know that Michigan products are displayed in shows
and exhibits everywhere in the world—and I am more than happy to tell them so.

They are particularly surprised when I make it known to them that Michigan
is not only great for its industry but also for its agriculture. Many out-of-
staters do not realize that Michigan not only is the automotive hub of the universe
but also the bean capital of the world.

This message does get through to the thousands of visitors to Washington, D.C.,
who eat in the House of Representatives Restaurant while rubber-necking in the
nation's capital and enjoy a bowl of soup made with Michigan beans. Michigan bean
soup is served every day in the House Restaurant, and the recipe used in making
it is printed on the House Restaurant menu. Visitors to Washington are encouraged
by the waiters to take the menu and the bean soup recipe away with them as a
souvenir. This, of course, is good advertising for our Michigan beans.

People in Washington and throughout the East also get the message that
Michigan is a great fruit-producing state. Every year Michigan's apple and
cherry queens join with our bean queen to visit Washington and tour the central
south and eastern states, making appearances before various groups and on
nationally aired radio and television programs.

Michigan is famous, too, for a number of other agricultural products—a
variety of vegetables, immense quantities of sugar beets, luscious grapes and
peaches, and sturdy winter wheat. Michigan does well in many products.

Many out-of-staters know Michigan best for the way it is often described—a
water winter wonderland. Simply put, it is a tremendous vacation spot. It
boasts some of the finest fishing and bathing water in the world, great scenic beauty and a friendliness tourists come to know only if they become acquainted with Michigan's greatest asset...its people. Think of Michigan's great tourist attractions...its sparkling lakes, fishing for trout in the Manistee or some other fine stream, hooking a mighty Coho salmon in Lake Michigan near the state's western shore or a beautiful lake trout along the north shore of Lake Superior, viewing the awesome sands of the world's largest shifting dunes in Benzie and Leelanau counties, joining in the fun of Holland's annual Tulip Festival and visiting the wooden shoe factory at the US-31 bypass, crossing into the fabulously forested Upper Peninsula on Mighty Mac, gazing at the beautiful Pictured Rocks or watching the ships go through the Soo Locks, walking deep into the earth to see miners near Iron Mountain dig the ore our steel is made from or looking in on Houghton and visiting a copper mine.

Just to look at our state of Michigan is a tremendous experience. Small wonder that with all of its great resources added in, Michigan is a state which draws the men who expand established industries and create new ones.

Is it an industry which needs large quantities of water? Michigan is ideally suited for it, as witness the Dow Chemical Company at Midland which draws upon Lake Huron as a joint customer along with the cities of Saginaw and Midland.

Is electric power an important factor? Michigan has great public utility companies...efficient, constantly expanding as demands warrant it, and steadily venturing into the field of nuclear power for peaceful uses.

Location is a key factor, of course. And Michigan's location is strategic.
It feeds on and serves the St. Lawrence Seaway. It is part of the heartland of America. Detroit, for instance, is 134 nautical miles closer to Liverpool, England, than is the port of Baltimore. Detroit is closer to Turku, Finland, than is Baltimore by 596 miles; and closer than New York by 323 miles. If world trade is important to a company, Michigan is a great location for it.

There are, of course, many reasons why industrial plants locate in Michigan—market locations, transportation facilities, supplier availability, skilled help, training programs for employees, good schools, excellent manufacturing facilities. A company's management might also be swayed by the cultural advantages in an area—and certainly Michigan's excellent colleges and universities are a factor.

Since I began serving in the Congress, billions of dollars have been poured into the lifeblood of industry—research. And much of that money has gone into Michigan because our state has great schools. Fortunately a tremendous amount of the research carried on in America also is privately financed—and Michigan makes a mighty contribution in that respect.

And so we are moving forward with the kind of advances developed by the Instrument Division of Lear Siegler, Inc., the General Motors Technical Center, the Ford Scientific Laboratory, Chrysler Engineering, the Burroughs Corporation, the Udylite Corporation, Mueller Brass Company, Parke, Davis & Company, United States Rubber, AC Spark Plug, Whirlpool Corporation and others. Thus Michigan advances toward greater industrial growth through its university research centers and the research facilities of its great corporations.

And so when a man away from home talks about Michigan, talks about his home state, he could make a lot of people bored...because there really is so much to...
talk about. He could, of course, just be brief and say, "I'm from a great state, Michigan. And we celebrate Michigan Week because we want you to know how great it is, too."
During May 19, we in Michigan give special attention to our great state. We are pleased with the progress on the program and are pleased to present a message from Congressman Jimmy Ford, the minority leader of the United States House of Representatives.
April 24, 1968

Mr. Harold E. Sponberg, President
Chairman, Michigan Week Speakers
Bureau
East Michigan University
Trenton, Michigan 48197

Dear Mr. Sponberg:

Enclosed is the audio tape you requested in connection with Michigan Week.

(Miss) Charlene Krupp
Secretary
SPEECH FOR
DENNIS KANE TV SEMINAR
CBS STUDIO

July 1, 1968
MONDAY
8:00 A.M.

All that was in this folder was the reading copy of the May 1, 1968 speech to the Chamber of Commerce. That may have been the basis for the TV remarks. See folder 61744 dated May 1, 1968 Speech Series.

This is Congressman Jerry Ford, Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives. Today there are many forces at work in America which tend to divide us as a people. The best way to counter such forces is to seek greater understanding of each other. That is why I am pleased that two segments of our society -- urban and rural -- are doing their utmost through the National Farm-City Committee...to get to know and understand each other. I think that's great. It's the kind of medicine we need for what ails this country. So I hope that all of you will join this fall in the Farm-City Committee programs aimed at bringing Americans closer together. Certainly every member of Congress will lend his support.

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*Taped and sent
July 23, 1968

*Tape returned
August 1, 1968*
Background
The National Farm-City Committee, Inc.
What it is . .
What it does . .
What you can do . .
The National Farm-City Committee has received a top Freedom Foundation Award as one of the best of all patriotic programs and, in 1966, a Silver Anvil Award from the Public Relations Society of America for being the best community program in the non-profit field.

For More Information
For information on the Farm-City program, Farm-City Week, and what you can do to help, contact any of the committee members or Advisory Council members listed on the back of this folder. Or, write the National Farm-City Committee, Inc., Kiwanis International, Building, 101 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Area Code 312 - Whitesb 3-2300.

Opportunities
In Agribusiness

What You Can Do
Contact your local Farm-City Committee, if you know who the members are - or the local Farm Bureau or other farm group - or your Kiwanis club for information on how to help. Or, write the National Farm-City Committee directly - address and phone number on the front of this pamphlet. Work in the Farm-City movement may well be your contribution to solving the problem of world hunger.

The 1968 Theme
Tomorrow's Food and Fibre - Everybody's Business. Obsolete tax laws, air and water pollution, population growth, and lack of understanding between rural and urban people can, and is, seriously hampering the agricultural potential of the nation (the U.S. and Canada) which may well have to alleviate world starvation in addition to feeding their own, ever-growing populations. So, for this reason, "Food and Fibre is Everybody's Business" and for another reason, too. Although 60 per cent of the people of each of the two nations are involved in, or depend upon, agribusiness for their living, some 22,000,000 jobs in the field are going begging. The solution to such problems is the goal toward which the Farm-City Committee is directing its effort through dramatization and education.
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The Honorable Gerald Ford  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Ford:

For many years, as you know, the National Farm-City Committee has sponsored a successful effort aimed at helping farm and urban people better understand each other. The enclosed flyer contains details concerning the effort.

This year, in an effort to further the goals of this grass-rooted movement, a radio tape containing the one-minute "Farm-City" thoughts of half a dozen national leaders will be produced. The tape will go to over 1200 stations currently cooperating in the effort. And it is my job to produce the tape.

Would you be willing to have your voice appear on it? I hope so. Your contribution would add tremendously to the effort. I would need your taped message at an early convenient date mailed to this Washington, D.C. address.

Thanks,

Sincerely,

Roy Battles  
Radio & TV Chairman

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Clear Channel Broadcasting Service  
917 Capitol Building  
1625 Eye Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006

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"THE GENTLEWOMAN FROM OHIO"

MR. FORD: ...She does a terrific job....

...And with her experience on Capitol Hill, her opinion—especially in the field of foreign affairs—she is sought out and respected. The people of the 22nd District ought to be proud of the accomplishments of their Congressman. She's always on top of every situation... you know where she stands... and when the going gets tough on the floor of the house, it's good to know we can always count on the gentlewoman from Ohio.

Frances cares about people. She cares about the country—and where we're going.

Tape recorded Aug. 2, 1968
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