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San Francisco, California March 5, 1965

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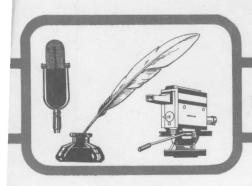
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May 23, 1967 Tuesday,

### STATEMENT BY REP. GERALD R. FORD, R-MICH., HOUSE MINORITY LEADER

My name is not among those on the statement of endorsement by the Michigan Republican delegation for reasons which I shall make abundantly clear.

I believe Gov. Romney to be the most capable governor our state has ever had -- certainly the finest in my memory. His constructive and successful record in both public and private life eminently qualifies him to be President of the United States.

However, as Republican leader of the House of Representatives, I should not and therefore will not endorse any candidate for the Republican presidential nomination above all others prior to the Republican Convention. Such action would reduce my effectiveness as the leader of House Republicans.

Republicans in the 90th Congress must unite in building a legislative record for the Republican Party's candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency to run on in 1968. I can best help in that important effort by refraining from endorsing any individual as the party's nominee for either office.

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### REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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FOR RELEASE

July 22, 1968

### BLISS ANNOUNCES TEMPORARY CONVENTION OFFICERS

Republican National Chairman Ray C. Bliss today named ten persons as temporary officers of the 1968 Republican National Convention, which convenes August 5 in Miami Beach.

The designations complete the roster of the Convention's temporary officers with the exception of 10 Chaplains who will be announced later. At its meeting in Portland, Oregon, last month the Convention Arrangements Committee elected House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan as Permanent Convention Chairman, Senator Edward W. Brooke of Massachusetts Temporary Chairman and Mrs. Consuelo N. Bailey of Vermont Convention Secretary.

At the same meeting the Arrangements Committee selected Governor Daniel J. Evans of Washington Convention keynoter.

Today's action by Bliss filled the offices of Parliamentarian, Assistant Parliamentarian, Chief Sergeant at Arms, Chief Page, three Assistant Chief Pages, Chief Reading Clerk, Assistant Chief Reading Clerk, and the Official Reporter.

Named as Parliamentarian was Rep. H. Allen Smith of Glendale, California, who is serving his 6th term in Congress as representative from California's 20th district. Smith is the ranking Republican member of the House Rules Committee. Prior to his election to Congress Smith served four terms in the

California State Assembly. He is a practicing attorney and a former special agent of the F.B.I.

William J. Evans of Baltimore, Md., was named Assistant Parliamentarian.

He is a practicing attorney in Baltimore, a former U.S. Attorney for the Maryland

District, a member of several associations of parliamentarians, a teacher of

parliamentary law at Johns Hopkins University and the author of "Point of Order,"

a book on parliamentary rules.

John T. Sherwood, who served 20 years with the United States Secret Service, was named Chief Sergeant at Arms. Sherwood will be in charge of all security at the Convention and will work closely with Secret Service agents who have been assigned by the President to provide protection for Presidential candidates during both political conventions. During his career as a Secret Service agent Sherwood traveled extensively both at home and abroad on security assignments with U.S. Presidents and Vice Presidents.

Lance V. Tarrance of Arlington, Virginia, was named Chief Page for the Convention. Tarrance is Assistant Director of Research at Republican National Headquarters in Washington and former Director of Research for the Republican Party of Texas. He was educated in Virginia, receiving his B.A. degree at Washington and Lee University. The 250 Convention pages will be under the direction of Tarrance and his assistants.

The three Assistant Chief Pages named were Theodore Cormaney of Madison, Wisconsin, Malcolm N. McElroy of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Mary Ann Knauss of Livingston, New York.

Cormaney is Executive Director of the National Federation of Young Republicans at the Washington headquarters and former Executive Secretary of the Wisconsin Young Republicans. Prior to coming to Washington he served three years on the campaign staff of the Republican members of the Wisconsin State Assembly. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

McElroy is a student at Harvard University where he is concentrating on the study of government. He received his discharge from the United States Army last September after a service of two years, part of which was in Vietnam. He is the son of Neil H. McElroy, former Secretary of Defense in the Eisenhower Administration and presently Chairman of the Board of Proctor and Gamble.

Mrs. Knauss has just completed a two-year term as president of the New York Young Republicans. During the two years prior to that she served as Vice President. She is a member of the Columbia County (New York) Republican Executive Committee, a member and former corresponding secretary of the New York Republican Women's Federation and served as a delegate to the 1966 New York Republican nominating convention.

Joe Bartlett of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, was designated Chief Reading Clerk for the Convention. Bartlett has held that post during the two preceding Republican Conventions. He presently is Senior Reading Clerk for the House of Representatives where he has served as a member of the Congressional staff for 27 years.

The Assistant Reading Clerk assignment went to Stephen C. Royer of Adrian, Michigan. Royer is a student at George Washington University Law School. His past political experience includes service on the staffs of the Lenawee County (Michigan) Republican Committee, Senator Jacob Javits of New York, Rep. George Meader of Michigan and Michigan State Republican Chairman Elly Peterson. He also served as Assistant Reading Clerk at the 1964 Republican Convention.

Lloyd L. Harkins was designated Official Reporter. He has served in the same capacity in the last three Republican Conventions and served as Assistant to the Official Reporter in 1952.

Bliss also made public a tentative order of business designed to conclude the Convention at the end of four days. Under the present schedule the Convention

will be called to order at 10:00 a.m., EDT, Monday, August 5. A second session for Monday is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m.

The tentative plan is for single sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. While times are subject to change, these sessions now are scheduled as follows: Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Presentation of the platform on the Convention floor is scheduled for Tuesday. Nominations and balloting for President of the United States is scheduled for Wednesday. Nominations and balloting for Vice President and acceptance speeches by both nominees would come on Thursday.

A tentative schedule of pre-convention activities released by Bliss lists the first meeting of the Committee on Resolutions (Platform Committee) for 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 28. The meeting will be held at the Fontainebleau Hotel. Platform hearings are scheduled to begin in the same hotel at 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 29. Full Platform Committee hearings will be held July 29, 30, 31 and August 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Eight subcommittees will hold individual hearings from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on July 29, 30 and 31. These hearings also will be held in the Fontainebleau.

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

#### Committee Meetings Held in Connection with

#### 1968 Republican National Convention

in Miami Beach

Sunday, July 28, 1968 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Committee on Resolutions
VOLTAIRE ROOM -- Fontainebleau Hotel

Note: This Committee will meet July 28 and succeeding days according to a schedule which will be given to the official members.

Tuesday, July 30, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- Committee on Contests
CARD ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel

Note: Circumstances may require this Committee to meet a day earlier, Monday, July 29, 1968. Members will be advised by wire or telephone should this be the case.

Tuesday, July 30, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- Committee on Rules (RNC)
PALADIUM THEATRE -- Eden Roc Hotel

Note: This is the Committee on Rules of the Republican National Committee, not the Committee on Rules and Order of Business composed of Delegates to the Convention.

Tuesday, July 30, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

- Committee on Arrangements
COTILLION ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel

Tuesday, July 30, 1968 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

- Committee on Arrangements
Reception and Luncheon -EMPIRE ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel

Tuesday, July 30, 1968 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- <u>Committee on Arrangements</u> Inspection of the Convention Hall

Wednesday, July 31, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- Republican National Committee FONTAINE ROOM -- Fontainebleau Hotel

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Thursday, August 1, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

 Delivery of Tickets and Badges for States to the Members of the Republican National Committee
 FONTAINE ROOM -- Fontainebleau Hotel

Friday, August 2, 1968 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

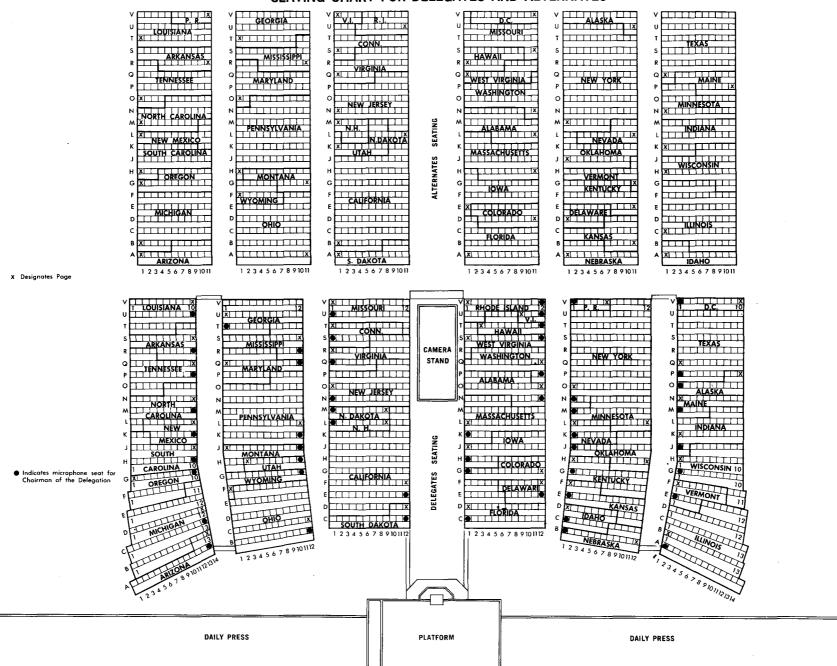
- Breakfast Meetings Regional State Chairmen's Associations
- <u>Midwestern State Chairmen's Association</u> EMPIRE ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Northeastern State Chairmen's Association CARD ROOM "A" -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Southern State Chairmen's Association MONA LISA ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Western State Chairmen's Association IMPERIAL ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel
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- Committee on Permanent Organization PALADIUM THEATRE -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Monday, August 5, 1968 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Republican National Finance Committee COTILLION ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Friday, August 9, 1968 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Republican National Committee (Newly Elected Committee) COTILLION ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel
- Friday, August 9, 1968 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- Republican National Finance Committee
  IMPERIAL ROOM -- Eden Roc Hotel

\*Subject to change depending on length of first session of the Convention.

Length of meetings dependent on business to come before the Committee.

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## CONGRESSMAN GERALD R. FORD HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADER

NEWS RELEASE

--FOR RELEASE ON RECEIPT--

Statement by Rep. Gerald R. Ford, R-Mich., Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives.

I have pledged my personal help and assistance to Jim Collins of Dallas, candidate for election to the House in the Third Congressional District of Texas.

I believe Jim Collins will win the special election August 24, and that this will be the forerunner of Republican victories throughout the country in November.

When Jim comes to Washington immediately after that special election, I will do everything in my power to see that he is given committee assignments of direct benefit to his congressional district. It is worth noting that he will have a five months' head start on all of the House members newly elected in November. Seniority is important in the Congress, and Jim Collins' seniority will certainly benefit his constituents.

I know Jim Collins and what he stands for. Jim is the kind of man Texas needs in the way of new and competent leadership.

Congress is coming back into session after the conventions to consider some most important matters. We need Jim Collins in the House of Representatives working for good government when that time comes. It is important to his constituents in Texas to have responsive and responsible representation when the House reconvenes.

Jim Collins will be a most valuable congressman. I will personally welcome him to Washington after the August 24 special election.



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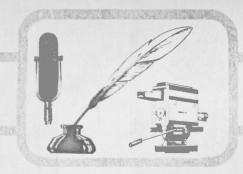
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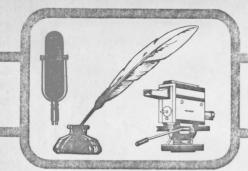
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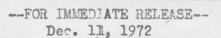
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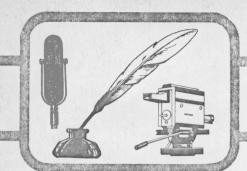
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