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November 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: DICK CHENEY  
FROM: RON NESSEN

Attached find a compilation of clippings of editorials, columns, and cartoons about the President's staff changes.

I think you should look at them first before deciding whether the President should see them.

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11-7-75

# Ford's Narrowing Base

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By James Reston

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Mr. Ford's strength lay in his common sense and friendliness, in conciliation and not in confrontation. He

THE WASHINGTON POST, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1975

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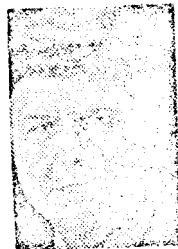
Stephen S. Rosenfeld

# *Dissolving the Kissinger-Schlesinger 'Partnership': A Mistake*

Chic Trib 11-7-75

Jerald terHorst

The scenario that didn't work



# The Philadelphia Inquirer

## Op-ed Page

Friday, Nov. 7, 1975

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Displeased the boss

# Schlesinger was out from the beginning

By ROWLAND EVANS  
And ROBERT NOVAK



Birmingham  
News 11/5

## Viewpoint

Analysis, comment and opinion

# Shakeup a disaster for Ford

BY ROWLAND EVANS AND ROBERT NOVAK  
WASHINGTON — While the sacking of Defense Secretary

falling after having been fired as CIA director). The President added insult to injury by offering to name Schlesinger head of



THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

11-7-75

Joseph C. Harsch

## More cautious pace for detente

In the past Dr. Kissinger was Director of the National Security Council and the President's assistant for all national security matters. This means that the Secretary of Defense and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency reported to the President through Dr. Kissinger. And that in turn

Friday, November 7, 1975

The Washington Star

A-17

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Charles Bartlett

# Irony in democratic slaps at George Bush

Bill Anderson

*Chic. Trib.*

11-8-75

## Senators will try to dig out Rumsfeld's arms attitude



WASHINGTON — There's little doubt

Rumsfeld muffled his position as Pres-

he has given private assurances to Pres-

by Rogers C. B. Morton stepped out as

Marquis Childs

THE SUN, Saturday, November 8, 1975

## Schlesinger Ouster Allows Easing of Nuclear Buildup

Washington. an agreement with the Soviet of the administration's weak- Jackson has become a one-is- cratic hopefuls, to thump the-



*Arch Stair 11-10-75*

# Mary McGrory

How William Colby  
Won Huzzas

One of the more bizarre sights

Balt. Sun 11-10-75

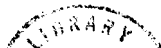
Mary McGroary

Palace Guard Is Brought Back

William F. Buckley Jr.

*Wash. Star 11-10-75*

Questions raised by Schlesinger sacking



Frank Starr

*Chic Trib. 11-10-75*

Ford's famed candor gets lost in the personnel shuffle





Garry Wills

An affirmative team  
doesn't hide negatives



JOHN F. ROCHE

*Balt. News-Amer.*  
*11-7-75*

## Ford's Decapitations

... something to his bluff and he does quit (which I doubt),

Atlanta Jnl  
11-5-75

The Real Winner



JOHN  
CROWN

Jacksonville. Tenn.

11-8-75

# Mapping Out The 'Sunday Massacre'

By WILLIAM SAFIRE

New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON

After a couple of months in that



Kissinger's Sop

Dayton Daily News 11/4

Schlesinger Firing a Bad Blow

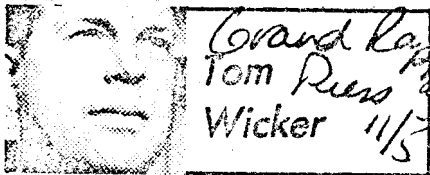
*Richmond News Leader*

By GEORGE F. WILL:

*11/7/75*

# *Firings Cast Doubts on Ford's Competence*





Ford-Reagan  
Ticket Now  
Seems Possible

Los Angeles Times

Wed., Nov. 5, 1975—Part II 5

# Ford's Sunday Massacre: the New Doubts

Under Pressure to Show Leadership, He Opens the Door to a Snakepit . . .

BY JOSEPH KRAFT

WASHINGTON By chopping and changing

Some of the President's closest aides, moreover, believed that Kissinger tended to

can't, handle—including notably the stories of assassination plots.



LA Times

11-6-75



Joseph Kraft

## The New Ford Looks Like Mighty Mouse

The President who went on National Television for a news conference Monday night was a new Ford. He threw arbitrary answers back at responsible questions.

He deliberately manipulated associates and friends into competition to become his running-mate in 1976. He came on, for the first time, as a man who had tasted power — and liked the taste.

Perhaps the most obvious sign was his attitude toward the press. In the past Mr. Ford has done his level best to answer squarely even the most embarrassing questions.

When Tom Brokaw of NBC once asked him whether he was "smart enough to be President," Mr. Ford not only gave a detailed response which did not in fact show him to be particularly bright. He later called Brokaw and thanked him for asking the question.

But Monday night the President consistently gave answers that he knew we knew he knew were bogus. A prime example is what he said, both in his opening statement and in his response to the first question, as to the tim-

louder tones against Mr. Ford's cooperation with Moscow in arms control and resource policy.

Apart from blandly offering explanations nobody could take seriously, Mr. Ford showed a me-big-chief quality. Despite repeated questions, he refused to offer substantive reasons for the changes he had made. Finally he cut off questions with abrupt self-assertion "That's the way I wanted it," he said of the change. "That's the way it is."

Finally there is the vice-presidential derby Mr. Ford has so artfully set up. A sound tradition had kept the Defense Department and CIA jobs above politics. But Mr. Ford specifically indicated that he thought Donald Rumsfeld who now goes to Defense and George Bush who goes to the CIA are not "eliminated from consideration" for nomination as Vice President in 1976.

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THE WASHINGTON POST

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Joseph Kraft

Kissinger's Role

# Schlesinger Mirring Upsets Senators

## Leaders Pledge Searching Probe, Tough Questions

By FRANK VAN DER LINDEN  
Banner Washington Bureau

poses them. Ford so slavishly depends upon Kissinger's guidance in



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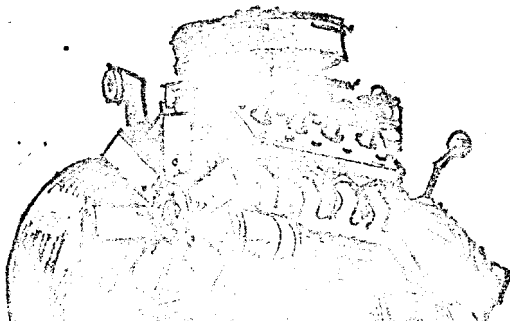
## The Test

In the wake of President Ford's Cabinet shake-up, the air is filled with floating alternatives to the obvious interpretation that the President has thrown in his lot completely

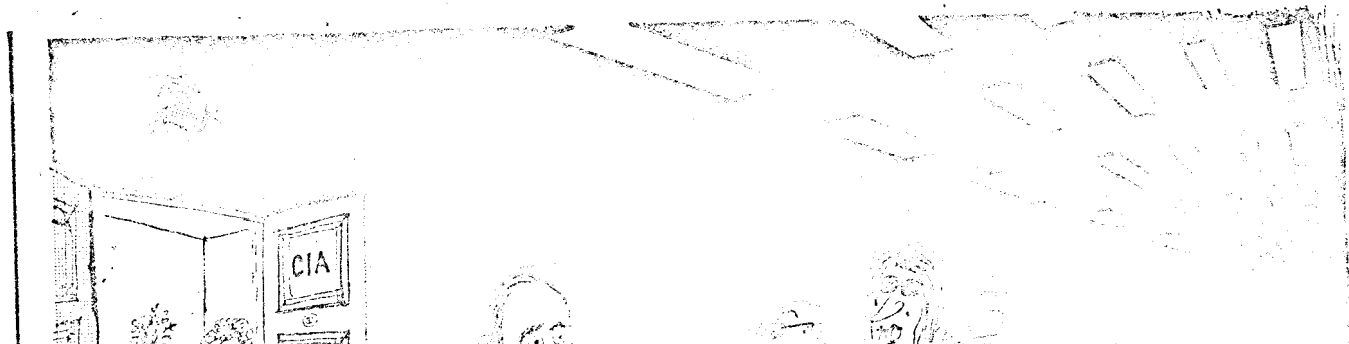
"details" of the arms agreement supposedly settled in principle at Vladivostok.

The issues are of course complex, but the most important is the

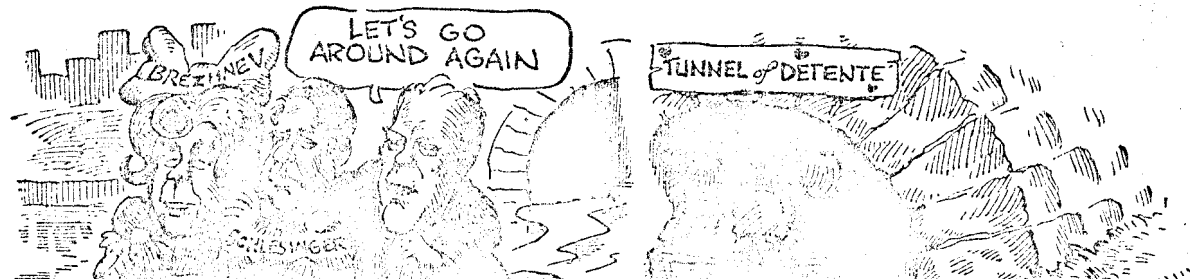
La Times 11-6-75



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## *What comfort at the top?*

During his interview Sunday on NBC-TV, President Ford supplemented his earlier contention that policy differences did not underlie the Cabinet shakeup Nov. 2. Though he said he had told "the simple truth" in denying policy disagreements between departing Secre-

where the rest of us live. In Lewis Carroll's "The Hunting of the Snark," one character says, "I have said it once, I have said it twice, what I tell you three times is true." The public can rejoice that President Ford, instead of yet again denying something known to be

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## Presidential politics

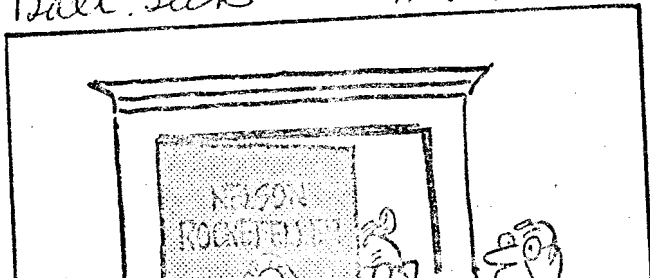
'Now Go Out There and Win the Big One  
for the Gipper!'



NEW TEAM

Balt. Sun

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## Detente And Security

Always Seems to End Up Erect

Daily Oklahoman

11-6-75



The Grand Rapids Press

# EDITORIAL PAGE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1975

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*The Shakeup*

Omaha World Herald  
11-6-75

I'M SORRY- MR.  
SCHLESINGER IS NO  
LONGER HERE



NO, I'M SORRY, MR.  
COLBY IS NO  
LONGER HERE





## *The cabinet upheaval*

11-6-75  
Did Secretary of State Henry Kissinger instigate an internal power struggle which resulted in the weekend upheaval in President Ford's cabinet — or didn't he?

Despite the President's press conference statement that neither personal nor policy differences contributed to the dismissal of Secretary of De-

There is no question that sharp differences existed between the two over the best method of dealing with the Communists. Kissinger designed the policy of detente now being followed by this country. Schlesinger has favored adoption of a harder line, backed by superior military power.

Eventually, the whole story will out, as it always does after a while. The truth

As **Dobbin** Sees It...

BOSTON HERALD AMERICAN, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1975 21

"THIS IS MY TEAM!"



I'VE  
BEEN  
CLIPPED!

I  
THINK  
I JUST  
LOST  
MY  
VOICE...



# THE DALLAS TIMES HERALD

## EDITORIALS

2—B\*\*\*\*Tues., Nov. 4, 1975

### Ford's own team

*THE ISSUE: Changes in President Ford's policy and political teams.*

simultaneously given complete freedom to name someone other than Nelson Rockefeller as his vice presidential running mate in

# The Salt Lake Tribune

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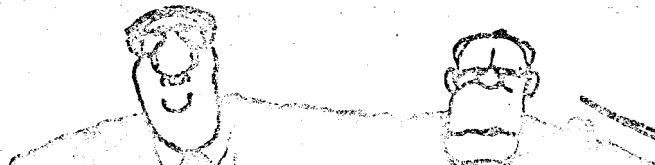
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## Detente Remains the Game Plan As New Backfield Takes Over

# Richmond NewsLeader 11/8

*Editorial*  
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AS THE PRESIDENT,  
IT WAS HIS DECISION  
AND HIS DECISION  
ALONG WITH THE  
SCHLESINGER AND  
GOLEY CARRIED...

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Ford's new team

*Cronies called risk  
to national security*

# DAYTON DAILY NEWS

*James M. Cox, Publisher 1898-1957 — James M. Cox Jr., Publisher 1957-1974*

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## *Administration Shake-Up* *Shaking Off Defense*



# Minneapolis Tribune



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## Rockefeller, Colby, Kissinger, Schlesinger

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## 'These Are My Guys'

PRESIDENT HOBBS

Detroit  
News 11/5

*The victor!*





"Would anyone else care to challenge der power  
of King Henry?"

*Established 1761*

# **The Blackfoot Content**

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## The Attack

President Ford's summary firing of Defense Secretary James Schlesinger — evidently because the Secretary refused to share in Henry Kissinger's en-



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**Sacrifice Play**

Omaha World-Herald  
Editorials

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Did Ford  
Help Himself?



# The Atlanta Journal

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## The Great Upheaval

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## Accenting The Positive

# Rocky Bows Out For '76

*'Schlesinger had to go . . . He kept  
laughing at Henry's serious painting'*



*'From Now On I Use Only  
Genuine Ford Parts!'*

***'Now We'll Have a Little Detente Around Here'***



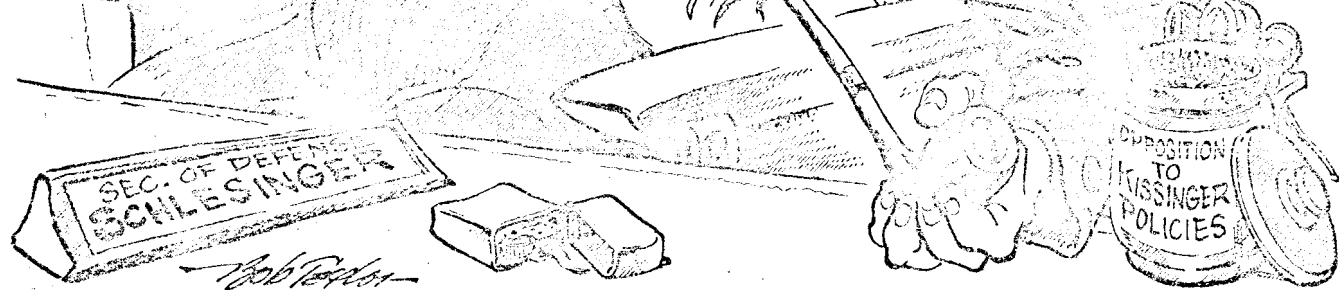
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# The Dispatch

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## Rumsfeld to Need Schlesinger's Glove





—By BOB TAYLOR, *Times Herald* Staff Cartoonist

"Tsk . . . tsk — all the clues point to an obvious case of suicide."

# Mr. Ford Shows a Flaw

*Hartford Courant*  
11-6-75

Attempts to explain President Ford's Sunday Night Shakeup are being shuffled around nearly as rapidly as new and departing cabinet members. The only sure thing is that Mr. Ford

istration holdovers and is completing the assembly of his own team.

This is, of course, the most optimistic ex-

Arkansas Gazette 11-7-75

"Great news, Ronnie, we've found another party squabble!!"

PARTY SQUABBLES

# New White House Scenarios? *Hartford Courant* 11-6-75

the Ford Administration have

The strategy was poorly conceived in the first place, and — in the second place, and far from the old White



*Handwritten signature or initials.*

THE ATLANTA JOURNAL

11-6-75

'You gotta lose some to win some'



An Inept Carpenter

Leaves Many Chips