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Press pool No. 16--PFC reception at Hilton Inn, Amarillo

Ford spoke to about 40 campaign workers and pledged that he would continue to work for natural gas and oil deregulations. Repeated basically what he has been saying all day about the campaign as Texas, concluding: "We started out as the underdog but we're going to surprise."

Then he dropped in at a Lions Club district convention next door and said the Lions had finally made him an honorary member after 25 years. Departed on schedule for Canyon.

Lou Cannon  
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