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April 11, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: Republican Governors and Key Staff

FROM:

Robert Witt Director of Public Relations

Enclosed, please find several informational pieces which should be inserted in your RGA Communications '75 notebook. This mailing includes the following:

- 1/ An updated list of the Republican Governors and their key staff.
- 2/ An updated list of Republican State Offices in Washington, D.C.
- 3/ A list of the 1976/ 1977 Gubernatorial elections.
- 4/ A New York Times reprint concerning the Radio Fairness Doctrine.

This material should prove a handy reference. For future use, each item should be inserted in the appropriate section of your RGA Communications '75 notebook.

If you have any questions concerning the material sent you, please give me a call at our Washington office, (202) 484-6620.

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1976 - 1977 ELECTION GUIDE

1976 GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION

In 1976 Fifteen States and Puerto Rico will elect Governors. This information, from Secretaries of State and State election boards, is accurate as of April, 1975.

Arkansas

Filing dates: Noon, March 6, 1976 through Noon, April 6, 1976. Primary: May 25, 1976. Primary Runoff: June 8, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

Delaware

Not available, legislation is pending.

Illinois

Not yet available. Legislation has been introduced to change filing and primary election dates. Also, Illinois will elect a Governor, in 1976, to an interim 2-year term. This constitutional change was passed in an effort to coordinate statewide elections into non-Presidential election years.

Indiana

Filing deadline: March 15, 1976. Primary: May 4, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

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Louisiana*

*Note dates carefully. August 2, 1975: State Central Committees meet to qualify candidates. August 9, 1975: Deadline for candidate qualification. Primary: November 1, 1975. Primary Runoff: December 13, 1975. General Election: January 27, 1976.

Missouri

Filing deadline: April 27, 1976. Primary: August 3, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

Montana

Filing deadline: April 22, 1976. Primary: June 1, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

New Hampshire

Filing deadline: to be set by Attorney General. The deadline must be within 74 days preceeding the primary election. Primary: September 14, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

North Carolina

Various pieces of legislation are pending in the General Assembly which could change election dates in North Carolina.

North Dakota

Action by state legislature may change dates. Information should be available mid-May, 1975. Telephone (701) 224-2900.

Rhode Island

Filing dates: June 1-10, 1976. Primary: September 14, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

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<u>Utah</u>

Filing dates: April 15 - May 10, 1976. Primary: September 14, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

> NOTE: In Utah, Party nominating conventions are set by the individual political parties, but must be held in June or July. The two candidates receiving the greatest number of delegate votes are then placed on the primary election ballot. Should a candidate receive more than 70% of the delegate votes in a nominating convention, that individual becomes the official candidate.

Vermont

Filing deadline: August 4, 1976. Primary: September 14, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

Washington

Filing dates: July 26-30, 1976. Primary: September 21, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

West Virginia

Filing dates: January 5 - February 7, 1976. Primary: May 11, 1976. General Election: November 2, 1976.

Puerto Rico

Deadline for nominating candidates: April 30, 1976. Primary election: July 11, 1976. General election: November 2, 1976.

<u>NOTE</u>: Candidates are choosen by the political parties in nominating conventions. If a single candidate is not choosen, the top contenders are placed on the Primary election ballot.

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1977 GUBERNATORIAL ELECTIONS

New Jersey

Filing deadline - not yet set, see RGA 1975 election information mailed earlier. Primary election day probably will be the last Thursday in April.

Virginia

Filing deadline - April 11, 1977. Primary election day is June 10, 1977.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES, MORDAY, MARCH 31. 1975

Reported Political Use of Radio Fairness Doctrine Under Kennedy and Johnson Is Causing Concern

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NOVEMBER 20-22, 1975



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Governor ROBERT F. BENNETT, Kansas HOST GOVERNOR



Term will expire December, 1978

JAY S. HAMMOND, born in Troy, New York, July 21, 1922. B.S., University of Alaska, 1948. Married; two daughters. Businessman. Served as fighter pilot in U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. Public offices include: Member, State House of Representatives, 1959-65; Manager, Bristol Bay Borough, 1965-67; Member, State Senate, 1967-72; Mayor, Bristol Bay Borough, 1972-74; Governor of Alaska since December, 1974. Member of Alaska Humanities Forum; International North Pacific Fisheries Convention Advisory Committee; Joint Federal-State Land Use Planning Advisory Committee; Alaska Airmen's Association, Inc.; Veterans of Foreign Wars; and National Rifle Association. Protestant, Republican.







EARL B. RUTH

Inaugurated February, 1975 Term indefinite

EARL B. RUTH, born in Spencer, North Carolina, February 7, 1916. A.B., University of North Carolina, 1938; M.A., 1942; Ph.D., 1955. Married; one son, three daughters. Educator. Served as lieutenant in U.S. Navy, 1942-45. Public offices include: Member, Salisbury City Council; Mayor Pro Tem, 1967-68; Member, U.S. House of Representatives, 1969-75; Governor of American Samoa since February, 1975. Past board member, YMCA; Past President, National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Awards Program; Member, American Legion, Civitan, and Elks. Presbyterian. Republican.



BELLA HAMMOND

JANE RUTH









OTIS R. BOWEN

Inaugurated January, 1973 Term will expire January, 1977

OTIS R. BOWEN, born near Rochester, Indiana, February 26, 1918. B.A. (1939) and M.D. (1942), Indiana University. Married; three sons, one daughter. Physician. Served as Captain in U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II. Public offices include: County Coroner, 1952-56; Member, State House of Representatives, 1957-58 and 1961-73; Speaker, 1967-73; Chairman, Legislative Council, 1970 and 1972; Governor of Indiana since January, 1973. Recipient in 1971 of Indiana Public Health Association Merit Award and Indiana University School of Medicine Alumnus of the Year Award. Member of Indiana and American Medical Associations; Indiana University Medical Alumni Council; Kiwanis Club; Chamber of Commerce; Alpha Omega Alpha; Phi Beta Pi; Delta Chi. Lutheran. Republican.





Inaugurated January, 1969 Re-elected November, 1970, 1972, 1974 Term will expire January, 1979



ROBERT D. RAY

ROBERT D. RAY, born in Des Moines, Iowa, September 26, 1928. Graduate of Drake University Law School; recipient of numerous honorary degrees. Married; three daughters. Attorney. Served in 1st Cavalry of U.S. Army. Public offices include: Republican State Chairman, 1963-67; Governor of Iowa since January, 1969. President, Alpha Kappa Psi, Omicron Delta Kappa; Member, Alpha Zeta; Former Chairman, March of Dimes of Iowa; Member, Polk County and American Bar Associations; Member, American Trial Lawyers and Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers; Member, Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. Honorary Advisor, National Boy Scout Council. Recipient, National Distinguished Service Award, Future Farmers of America; Distinguished Alumnus Award, Drake University; Order of the Coif, Drake University Law School. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1970-71, 1974-75. Vice Chairman, Midwestern Governors' Conference, 1971-72; Chairman, 1972-73. Disciples of Christ. Republican.



ELIZABETH BOWEN "Beth"

BILLIE LEE RAY "Billie"









Robert F. Bennett

Inaugurated January, 1975 Term will expire January, 1979

ROBERT F. BENNETT, born in Johnson County, Kansas, May 23, 1927. A.B., University of Kansas, 1950; LL.B., 1952. Married; one son, three daughters. Attorney. U.S. Marine Corps, World War II and Korean War. Public offices include: Prairie Village City Council, 1955-57; Mayor, City of Prairie Village, 1957-65; State Senator, 1965-74; President of Senate, 1973-74; Governor of Kansas since January, 1975. Past President, Kansas League of Municipalities; former Secretary-Treasurer, Executive Council of Kansas Bar Association. Member of Kansas, Missouri, and American Bar Associations; Old Mission Lodge, AF&AM. Presbyterian. Republican.









WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN

WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN, born in Traverse City, Michigan, March 26, 1922. Graduate of Yale University; honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from University of Michigan, Central Michigan University, Detroit Institute of Technology and Eastern Michigan University. Married; one son, one daughter. President of J. W. Milliken, Inc., department stores. Combat flier with fifty missions in World War II; awarded Purple Heart, Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, European Ribbon with three battle stars. Public offices include: Member, Michigan Senate, 1960-64; Majority Floor Leader, 1963-64; Lieutenant Governor, 1965-68; succeeded to office of Governor, January, 1969, to fill vacancy created by resignation of Governor George Romney. Member of Board of Counselors, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts; former member, Michigan Waterways Commission. Chairman, Republican Governors' Association, 1972. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1973-74; Chairman, Committee on Rural and Urban Development, 1975. Vice Chairman, Midwestern Governors' Conference, 1973-74; Chairman, 1974-75. Congregationalist. Republican.



OLIVIA BENNETT

HELEN MILLIKEN









CHRISTOPHER S. BOND

Inaugurated January, 1973 Term will expire January, 1977

CHRISTOPHER S. BOND, born in St. Louis, Missouri, March 6, 1939. Graduate, Princeton University, 1960; University of Virginia Law School, 1963; honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from Westminster College and William Jewell College. Married. Attorney. Public offices include: Clerk, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, 1963-64; Assistant Attorney General of Missouri, 1969-70; State Auditor, 1971-73; Governor of Missouri since January, 1973. Recipient, Jaycees One of Ten Outstanding Young Men of America, 1974. Trustee, School of the Ozarks; past Director, Missouri Association for Social Welfare and Audrain County Cerebral Palsy School. Member of Jaycees, Optimists, Omicron Delta Kappa, Order of the Coif. Chairman, Republican Governors Association, 1974-75. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1974-75. Presbyterian. Republican.





Inaugurated January, 1973 Re-elected November, 1974 Term will expire January, 1977



MELDRIM THOMSON, JR.

MELDRIM THOMSON, JR., born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, May 8, 1912. Attended Mercer University; LL.B., University of Georgia. Married; four sons, two daughters. Publisher. Public offices include: School Board Chairman; Member, Constitutional Convention; Governor of New Hampshire since January, 1973. Vice Chairman, New England Governors' Conference, 1974. Congregationalist. Republican.



CAROLYN BOND

GALE THOMSON









JAMES E. HOLSHOUSER, JR.

Inaugurated January, 1973 Term will expire January, 1977

JAMES E. HOLSHOUSER, JR., born in Boone, North Carolina, October 8, 1934. Graduate of Davidson College and University of North Carolina Law School. Married; one daughter. Attorney. Public offices include: Member, State House of Representatives, 1962-66, 1968-73; Governor of North Carolina since January, 1973. Member of American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, 1969; North Carolina Bar Association. National and state winner, Jaycees Freedom Guard Award, 1971. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1973-75. Chairman, Southern Regional Education Board, 1974-75. Presbyterian. Republican.





Inaugurated January, 1963 Re-elected November, 1966 Term expired January, 1971 Inaugurated January, 1975 Term will expire January, 1979



JAMES A. RHODES

JAMES ALLEN RHODES, born in Coalton, Ohio, September 13, 1909. Attended Ohio State University; honorary degrees from Heidelberg, Rio Grande, Steubenville and Otterbein Colleges, and Miami, Akron, Capital, Youngstown, Wilberforce, Toledo, Cincinnati, Ohio State and Ohio Universities. Married; three daughters. Businessman. Public offices include: Member, Columbus Board of Education, 1937-39; City Auditor, Columbus, 1940-44; Mayor of Columbus, 1944-53; State Auditor, 1953-63; Governor of Ohio, 1963-71 and since January, 1975. Member, United States Olympic Committee; organizer, Knot Hole Gang; founder, National Caddie Association, Columbus Boys' Club, All-American Newspaperboys Sports Scholarship; President, Amateur Athletic Union; represented the United States at the 1948 Olympic Games in London; founder of the Pan American Games. State Chairman, Cancer Crusade, 1959, and Easter Seal Campaign, 1962; Trustee Emeritus, Rio Grande College: Chairman, National Advisory Council for Vocational Education. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1963-64, 1966-67. Vice Chairman, Midwestern Governors' Conference, 1965-66; Chairman, 1966-67. Presbyterian. Republican.



PATRICIA HOLSHOUSER

HELEN RHODES









JAMES B. EDWARDS

Inaugurated January, 1975 Term will expire January, 1979

JAMES B. EDWARDS, born in Hawthorne, Florida, June 24, 1927. B.S., College of Charleston, 1950; D.M.D., University of Louisville, 1955. Married; one son, one daughter. Dentist. Officer in U.S. Maritime Service, 1944-47; U.S. Navy, 1955-57. Public offices include: Member, Federal Hospital Council, 1969-73; State Senate, 1973-75; Governor of South Carolina since January, 1975. Past Director, Coastal Carolina Boy Scouts; Past member, Board of Trustees, Charleston County Hospital and Greater Charleston YMCA; Past member, Sertoma International and Advisory Council to the Dean, College of Dental Medicine, Medical University of South Carolina. Member, Board of Trustees, College Preparatory School, and Baker Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina. Member of Executive Committee, Alumni Association, College of Charleston; Charleston Council of the Navy League of the U.S.; Delta Sigma Delta; Pi Kappa Phi; Omicron Delta Kappa; Phi Delta; Mason; Order of AHEPA, and numerous professional organizations. Methodist. Republican.



ANN EDWARDS





Inaugurated January, 1966 Term expired January, 1970 Inaugurated January, 1974 Term will expire January, 1978



MILLS E. GODWIN, JR.

MILLS E. GODWIN, JR., born in Nansemond County, Virginia, November 19, 1914. LL.B., University of Virginia, 1938; LL.D. (hon.), Elon, Roanoke, and Elmira Colleges, College of William and Mary, and Washington and Lee University. Married. Attorney and farm operator; F.B.I. special agent, 1942-46. Public offices include: Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, 1938-42; member, State House of Delegates, 1948-52; Senate, 1952-60; Lieutenant Governor, 1962-66; Governor of Virginia, 1966-70, and since January, 1974. Board member, Elon and Virginia Wesleyan Colleges and Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation. Recipient of special awards from Suffolk and Nansemond County, Virginia Chamber of Commerce, National Guard and Education Association. Past President, Ruritan National; member of Phi Delta Phi, Omicron Delta Kappa, Raven Society and Masons. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1967-69. Vice Chairman, Southern Governors' Conference, 1968-69, 1974-75. Chairman, Southern Regional Education Board, 1968-69. Congregational Christian. Republican.

KATHERINE GODWIN









DANIEL J. EVANS

Inaugurated January, 1965 Re-elected November, 1968, 1972 Term will expire January, 1977

DANIEL JACKSON EVANS, born in Seattle, Washington, October 16, 1925. B.S. and M.S., University of Washington, 1948 and 1949. Married; three sons. Civil and Structural Engineer. Served as Naval officer in Pacific Theatre during World War II and in Korean War; Admiral's aide at peace negotiations at Panmunjom; discharged as Lieutenant, Senior Grade, in 1953. Public offices include: Member, Washington House of Representatives, 1956-64; House Minority Floor Leader, 1960-64; Governor of Washington since January, 1965. Member, Washington State Society of Professional Engineers and American Society of Civil Engineers. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1966-67, 1973-75; Chairman, Committee on Constitutional Revision and General Government Organization, 1966-68; Chairman, Committee on Executive Management and Fiscal Affairs, 1969; Chairman, Committee on Transportation, Commerce, and Technology, 1969-72. Vice Chairman, Western Governors' Conference, 1967-68; Chairman, 1968-69. Chairman, National Governors' Conference, 1973-74. Congregationalist. Republican.



NANCY EVANS





Inaugurated January, 1969 Re-elected November, 1972 Term will expire January, 1977



ARCH A. MOORE, JR.

ARCH A. MOORE, JR., born in Moundsville, West Virginia, April 16, 1923. B.A. in Political Science (1948) and LL.B. (1951), West Virginia University; also attended Lafayette College. Married; one son, two daughters. Attorney. World War II veteran; Recipient of Purple Heart; Combat Infantryman's Badge; European Campaign Ribbon with three Battle Stars. Public offices include: Member, West Virginia House of Delegates, 1953-56; Member, United States House of Representatives, 1957-68 (served as Ranking Republican Member of numerous House Committees); Governor of West Virginia since January, 1969. Member of American Bar Association, American Judicature Association and Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity. Member of many fraternal, commercial, public service and veterans' organizations. Member, National Governors' Conference Executive Committee, 1969-70. Chairman, National Governors' Conference, 1971-72. Methodist. Republican.

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Vice Chairman HONORABLE ROBERT F. BENNETT Governor of Kansas

October 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: Members and Friend of the Republican Governors Association

FROM:

Robert Witt Director of Public Relations



RE:

E: Enclosed Informational Materials

Enclosed, please find a current issue of RGA Headlines and other informational materials. Beside the newsletter, I am forwarding the following:

- The biographical sketches and photos of the remaining Republican gubernatorial candidates. (other candidates' biographies were mailed earlier)
- 2. Reprinted news articles concerning some of our gubernatorial races around the nation.

As Election '76 nears, I hope the enclosed news and reference materials will prove useful. If you need further information, don't hesitate to give me a call.



Volume 1 No. 4

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Vice Chairman HONORABLE ROBERT F. BENNETT Governor of Kansas Executive Director Ralph E. Griffith

Public Relations Director Robert W. Witt

October, 1976

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Fourteen strong Republican nominees have now been selected for the gubernatorial races in November. The final GOP gubernatorial primary for 1976 was held in the State of Washington on September 21. County Executive John Spellman won the primary in a good, hard contest with County Assessor Harley Hoppe.

Former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, Dixy Lee Ray, was leading for the Democrat nomination at the time this newsletter was written. Dr. Ray was known as "The Godmother" within the AEC shop when she was there. The Spellman campaign is expected to determine the significance of that.

Here is a list of the GOP gubernatorial and campaign addresses: Leon Griffith, Rt. 7, Box 160, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, 71603; U.S. Representative Pierre (Pete) du Pont IV, P.O. Box 7600, Wilmington, Delaware, 19899; James Thompson, 110 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60603; Governor Otis R. Bowen, 1308 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204; Governor Christopher S. Bond, 421 Monroe Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101; Robert Woodahl, P.O. Box 3032, Great Falls, Montana, 59403; Governor Meldrim Thomson, New Hampshire Highway Hotel, Room 210, Concord, New Hampshire, 03301; David Flaherty, P.O. Box GOV, Raleigh, North Carolina, 37609; Richard Elkin, 202 ½ Third Street, Bismarck, North Dakota; James L. Taft, 142 Westminster Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903; Attorney General Vermon Romney, 1558 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84111; Richard Snelling, Box 76, Montpelier, Vermont, 05602; John Spellman, P.O. box 1991, Seattle, Washington, 98111, and Cecil h. Underwood, 100 Union Building, Charleston, West Virginia, 25301.

WASHINGTON, D.C.--RGA Vice Chairman Robert Bennett, Governor of Kansas and South Carolina Governor James Edwards were among the panel of four of the nation's Governors on the October 3 edition of ABC television's 'Issues And Answers.'' Bennett and Edwards pointed out that President Ford is taking the lead in improving and stabilizing the economy despite the free-spending efforts of the Democratic Congress. Hosted by moderator Bob Clark, the discussion covered problems faced by the states and the campaign issues, ''Issues And Answers'' is aired on approximately 180 television stations and 1,400 radio stations.

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Plans are moving head for the annual Republican Governors Association Conference which is scheduled for November 28, 29 and 30 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Washington, D.C.. A strong program, coming as the first major political gathering after the 1976 elections, will make this one of the most exciting and productive conferences the RGA has held in recent years. Plan now to attend.

AMERICAN SAMOA--Governor Earl B. Ruth of American Samoa resigned, effective October 1 and will return to the mainland for work with the Department of the Interior. The former member of the United States House of Representatives from North Carolina was appointed to the civil service position in American Samoa by former Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton.

Lt. Governor Frank Barnett, appointed by the Secretary at the same time of the Ruth appointment, is acting Governor and will hold that title until civil service paperwork is completed. Both men received U.S. Senate confirmation. Barnett was executive assistant to former Governor Winfield Dunn of Tennessee.

SOUTH CAROLINA--Governor James B. Edwards is leaving South Carolina November 3 with approximately 20 business and industrial leaders from the Palmetto State to make an industrial development tour of the Far East. Planned Stops on the three week trip will include South Korea, Japan, Nationalist China, Hong Kong and Singapore. Later in the month, Governor Edwards will visit Israel as a guest of the Israeli government.

Governor Edwards announced recently the receipt of more than \$5.5 million in federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration funds. These funds are earmarked to improve all aspects of law enforcement and to upgrade criminal justice programs in South Carolina. One of the larger portions of the grant was \$600,000 to improve and build youth service centers in two South Carolina cities.

ILLINOIS--Jim Thompson is continuing his aggressive campaign for the Governorship in the Prairie State with meetings and appearances before citizen groups around the state. A recent poll in the Chicago Tribune shows Thompson holding a nearly two to one lead over the Democratic challenger.

NORTH DAKOTA--Mary Louise Smith, Chairman of the Republican National Committee spent October 8 and 9 in North Dakota, campaigning for Richard Elkin, the GOP gubernatorial candidate. Mary Louise stressed the outstanding qualities of the candidate, saying, "Dick Elkin will be a decisive Governor. He is young and agressive. He is ready to solve problems, and he has the experience to know how. Dick Elkin is a former school teacher and he understands education. He is a former legislator—he understands the legislative process. He is on the Public Service Commission—he understands state government. He is a farmer who understands the problems of farmers."

MONTANA--Kansas Governor Robert Bennett spoke in Montana last month, campaigning for gubernatorial nominee Bob Woodahl. Bennett praised Woodahl for espousing the causes of the Republican Party "that the government that governors best, governs least." Woodahl is Montana's popular Attorney General. He has been elected to that post twice, and is running for governor now, against the incumbent who is in trouble because of \$94,000 in unreported campaign funds from his last election.

VIRGINIA--U.S. Representative Pete du Pont, GOP gubernatorial nominee of Delaware, was the guest of honor at a reception given in early October by Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Elliot Richardson at their home in McLean, Virginia. Missouri Governor Christopher S. Bond served on the honorary committee for the event. du Pont is now serving his third term as Delaware's popular lone member in the House of Representatives.

MICHIGAN--Governor William Milliken has announced that Michigan will be awarded a \$150,733 Federal Energy Administration (FEA) grant to assist the state in planning a statewide energy conservation program. Under the plan, the Energy Administration of Michigan's Department of Commerce will have five months to develop a plan to reduce Michigan's projected 1980 energy consumption by 5 percent or more. Public hearings will be held on the proposed state conservation plan prior to the plan's submission to the FEA.

NEW HAMPSHIRE--Governor Meldrim Thomson Jr., announced that two prototype New England homes now under construction in New Hampshire are designed for use in the Middle East and may be exclusively exported from the Port of Portsmouth. Governor Thomson said, "This would not only bolster the use of our expanding Port Authority facilities but would maintain New England Homes employment during seasonally slack periods as well as to stimulate substantially the seacoast job market and the New England Homes payroll." Nearly 100 people are employed by New England Homes in their Portsmouth facility.

ALASKA--Governor Jay Hammond has been elected chairman of the Western Governors Conference. The WGC includes the govenors of 13 western states, American Samoa and Guam.

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Richard A. Elkin

Born, 1932. Attended Dickinson State College. Taught school, 1950-1953. Owns and operates cattle and grain farm at Taylor, North Dakota. Serves as Second Vice-President of Executive Committee of National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners.

Elected to North Dakota Legislature in 1962; re-elected 1964. Elected to the Public Service Commission, 1966; re-elected 1972. Served as President of the eleven-state Midwest Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners.





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Vernon B. Romney

Born April, 1924. Juris Doctor Degree, George Washington University Law School; Bachelor of Science Degree, University of Utah; Graduate Law Study, Georgetown University. Served with U.S. Army, World War II. Married, Patricia Pingree; six children.

Campaign

Attorney General of Utah since 1969; Assistant Attorney General, 1955-1960. Attorney for Federal Communications Commission, 1953-1955; 15 years private law practice in Salt Lake City. Member of Bars and has practiced before the United States Supreme Court and Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. Member, Utah State Bar, District of Columbia Bar and American Bar Association.





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Washington Republican Nominee John Spellman For Governor

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John D. Spellman

Born in Seattle, December, 1926; lifelong resident of Washington. B.B.S. in Political Science and History, Seattle University. Graduated Georgetown University Law School, Washington, D.C. Married, six children. Navy veteran, World War II.

Currently serving second four-year term as King County (Washington) Executive. Thirteen years in private law practice prior to public office. King County Commissioner, 1967-1969. Member, Governor's Committee on Law and Justice; Delegate, White House Conference on Youth.



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New Hampshire Republican Nominee Keep Thomson Governor

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Governor Meldrim Thomson, Jr.

Born Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1912. Attended University of Miami, Florida; University of Miami Law School; Mercer University, Georgia. L.L.B. Degree, University of Georgia. Married to the former Gale Kelly in 1938; six children.

Campaign

Serving second term as Governor of New Hampshire; first elected in 1972 (two year terms). Founder and past president of Equity Publishing Company, Orford, New Hampshire; co-founder of New Hampshire Public School Association; former School Board chairman; former instructor in political science, University of Georgia; member of New Hampshire Constitutional Convention (1964).



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Campaign Manager: Charles Butler, Jr.



Richard A. Snelling

Born February 18, 1927. A.B., Cum Laude, Harvard University, (Government and Economics) 1948. U.S. Army—Infantry, European Theatre, 1945-46. Married, four children.

Current Majority Leader, Vermont House of Representatives; has served six sessions in Vermont General Assembly; first elected, 1959. Elected Republican nominee for Governor of Vermont in 1966. Founder and chairman, Shelburne Industries, Inc., of Shelburne, Vermont (hardware and sporting goods). Has held many leadership positions in business, professional and public service organizations. Served on Governors Commission on the Environment.



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North Carolina Republican Nominee Flaherty for Governor

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David T. Flaherty

Born December 9, 1929. Holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Served three years in U.S. Army. Married to the former Nancy Hamill, five children. Protestant. The Flahertys reside in Raleigh.

Flaherty, 46, has served as Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Human Resources since January, 1973. Former President of Institute of Human Resource Development. Received Distinguished Services Award from N.C. Public Health Association. Twice elected to N.C. Senate, 1968 and 1970. Former executive with Broyhill Furniture Industries.

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Griffith for Governor

Arkansas Republican Nominee

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Born Almyra, Arkansas January 19, 1936. Married to the former Karen K. Davidson; seven children. Served in Korea with U.S. Army. Baptist.

Attended Arkansas State University. Griffith is self-employed in the construction industry.



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Republican Thompson Targets

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Monday, October 11, 1976

The Washington Star

Democrat Howlett as 'Daley's Man'

Prosecutor Bucks Mayor in Governor Race

By Lyle Denniston

Weshington Star Staff Writer DES PLAINES, Ill. — It would seem to be difficult for "Big Jim" Thompson to unwind his 6-foot-6 "The mayor and I both will have to come to terms," Thompson says. "For his part, he's going to have to act reasonably."

Almost as if to reassure the mayor,

The lines that divide them, of course, are not that sharp. Both grew up in the politically aware West Side of Chicago. Thompson is at least as ambitious as Howlett, who tried to stay out of the race.

Howlett did not come up through the usual precinct ranks in Daley's



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WASHINGTON STAR OCTOBER 10, 1976

Delaware GOP Strong

The prize as the strongest Republican state this fall may go to Delaware, where the GOP is demonstrating that it helps to have a duPont at the top of your ticket. Recent polls show the Republican gubernatorial nominee, Rep. Pierre S. DuPont IV, leading the incumbent Democrat Goy Sherman W Trib

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-8 The Washington Star Thursday, September 2, 1976

Moore Yields To Sen. Byrd

From News Services

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The office of Gov. Arch A. Moore Jr. today announced that the governor will not seek the Republican nomination to oppose Democratic Sen. Robert C. Byrd in November.

"All West Virginians, Democrats and Republicans alike, have much to gain in Sen. Robert C.

Associated Press

David Mathews, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, addresses the Southern Governors Conference yesterday.

THE WASHINGTON POST Wednesday, September 1, 1976

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U.S. Spending Limit Weighed **By Governors**

By Hat Logan Washington Post Staff Writer WILLIAMSBURG, Aug. 31 - The nation's southern governors today began consideration of a proposed constitutional amendment to limit the amount of federal spending in a given

The proposed amendment will come before the governors for a vote on Wednesday, the final day of the Southern Governors Conference. In preliminary discussions today, most of the 16 governors here appeared to favor the concept of limiting federal spending by constitutional amendment, but it was not clear whether the proposal will receive the two-thirds vote needed for approval.

"I'm in favor of the principle," said Virginia Gov. Mills E. Godwin Jr. "I'm not committed to the precise language in the resolution we had today."

Edwards said the federal government spends 31 per cent of the total value of goods and services produced

Democrat, is a strong supporter of the Edwards proposal.

"I think this is the most important issue facing the entire country." Boren said. "Little by little, day by day, we are changing our economic system from a free enterprise system to one increasingly dominated by the government."

Three or four governors here oppose the proposal, Edwards said. One of them is Florida Gov. Reubin Askew.

"I'm sympathetic to getting a better handle on government spending, but I think it should be very carefully diamand it is the second secon