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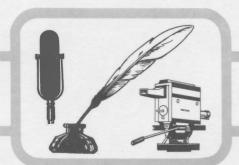
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Congressman Gerald R. Ford today announced six openings at the service academies for interested young men from the Fifth Congressional District. One with the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, another with the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, and four with the U. S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs are being offered to high school seniors who are U. S. citizens, under 22 years of age, never married, and able to pass the medical, physical, and scholastic requirements of the respective academies.

Applications for these positions can be obtained from Jerry Ford's office at 425 Cherry Street, S.E. in Grand Rapids (telephone 456-9747) and from his Washington, D.C. office. The deadline for filing the applications is September 25.

Appointments are also available to the Merchant Marine and Coast Guard Academies, but the selection to those institutions is not limited to a Congressional district.

Michigan Congressmen may nominate up to ten candidates for the Merchant Marine

Academy at Kings Point, New York to compete state-wide for 12 available scholarships.

The Coast Guard makes its own selection of cadets to attend the Academy at New London,

Connecticut from a nation-wide competition.

Selection of Fifth District candidates is based on the results of an open, competitive Civil Service Examination. This examination will be given on Saturday, September 30 in Grand Rapids and other cities throughout the nation. Make-up tests for those candidates unable to attend the September 30 examination will be given on Tuesday, October 31. Application for the make-up test will be accepted as late as October 27.

These all-expense college scholarships at the Academies lead to a bachelor's degree in science and a commission in one of the Services. "These appointments offer a wonderful educational opportunity and an honorable career in the service of our country," Ford said. "At the present time we have at the academies six young men from Grand Rapids, three from Wyoming, two from Cedar Springs, and each each from Ada, Ionia, and Sparta.

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5:30 pm MON. SEPT. 11,

Release Senator Griffin suggests you put out prior to Sen. McGovern appearing in Detroit with Ted Kennedy.

I welcome Sen. George McGovern to Michigan if he and his running mate Attorney General Frank Kelley are sincerely interested in explaining to the people of our state where they stand on important issues.

I would like Sen. McGovern and Frank Kelley, who says he supports McGovern without qualification, to explain to the working men and women of Michigan why they advocate a giveaway welfare plan that would force higher taxes on middle income Americans.

I believe Frank Kelley should urge Sen. McGovern to explain to the people of Michigan why he supports the forced busing of children.

The people of Michigan would also be interested in learning from

Frank Kelley why he can support the pro-busing resolution of the Michigan

Democrats but not the national Democratic Party's platform supporting busing.

Both documents are written almost exactly alike.

I will admit, however, that Frank Kelley made some clarification on the busing issue last Friday when he told newsmen in Romeo that he would not support a Constitutional Amendment to stop court ordered busing.

I think the people of Michigan would like to hear Mr. McGovern and Frank Kelley state why they support amnesty for draft dodgers.

I hope Mr. Kelley and Mr. McGovern explain to the people of Michigan why they support the government of Hanci and do not support President Nixon's efforts to bring an end to the war.

The people of Michigan can expect a lot of political to the second of McGovern and Frank Kelley. And I believe they will recognize the rhetoric as just that.

Frank Kelley has already established that pattern. Kelley has flip-flopped on so many positions that no one in Michigan is sure where he stands. Even Frank Kelley doesn't know what his latest positions are on some issues until he reads the papers the next day.



- Senator Griffin's office called with the attacked release.
- They would like to have your OK to release it either locally in Michigan or nationally.
- Griffin's office in Detroit has connections whereas if you could read the release over the phone it would be transmitted to 120 radio stations throughout Michigan.
- Pete Teeley in Griffin's Detroit office suggested that perhaps you get in touch with John Scali at the White House to check on whether he might have something extra to add to the release.
- It was suggested that you get in touch with Senator Griffin if you have any questions about the release.

Please let me know what you would like done with this as they are waiting some kind of word from me.

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COMING OUT ON TOP -- That's what the National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation hopes will happen to its 1972 fund-raising campaign. Here Rep. Gerald R. Ford of Grand Rapids joins with Ross Mosier, 4-year-old Foundation poster child, in an appeal for funds. Ross, of San Jose, Calif., was diagnosed as a cystic fibrosis child when he was one year old.

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Remarks by Rep. Gerald R. Ford to be placed in the body of the Congressional Record of Wednesday, September 20, 1972.

MR. SPEAKER: A few days ago Harry Kipke passed away. He was a very close personal friend. As my football coach at the University of Michigan, Harry Kipke had a great impact on my life. I am certain he had a comparable beneficial impact on the lives of many others who had the good fortune to know him.

I respected, admired and truly felt great affection for Harry Kipke.

He had friends all wver the country and in all walks of life. His death
is a great loss to all of us.

I extend to his wonderful wife Flo and his fine family myddeepest condolences.

Harry Kipke's great record in athletics, in education, in business and in civic affairs is best set forth in an article by Damid Condon of the Chicago Tribune. I akk that this article be included as a part of my remarks. The article follows:

In the Wake of the News



by David Condon

 HARRY G. KIPKE, a gentleman for all seasons, will be buried today after 73 years of delivering 100% to this tricky game of life.

While we pray, let's mentally retire his number, because the rosters suggest no one to replace him. There wasn't meant to be another Harry Kipke.

Thank God for the one, a bonus citizen.

Harry Kipke's fame stretched beyond
the playing fields. His influence and
leadership were not confined within the

ceed Tad Wieman in 1929, Kipke apprenticed as assistant at

Missouri and as head coach at Michigan State.

But going home really ushered Kipke into the Big Time.
In 1929, Stagg still was at Chicago, Zuppke at Illinois,

Rockne at Notre Dame.

And H. O. [Pat] Page was coaching at Indiana, Burt. Ingwersen at Iowa, Dr. Clarence Spears at Minnesota. Dick. Hanley was at Northwestern, Jimmy Phelan at Purdue, Glenn Thistlewaite at Wisconsin, Sam Willaman at Ohio State.

All had to make room for the Wonderful Wolverine.

MOON ME BEATYOU!

Kipke's death rekindles grid memories at Michigan

By LARRY MIDDLEMAS

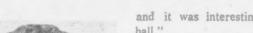
News Special Writer In his heyday as Michigan's football coach, Harry Kipke had the greatest recruiting

gimmick of his time.

He could guarantee a kid a job during the Depression.

Somehow Kipke is remembered more now for the disastrous losing streak at the end of his career, just before he was fired and replaced by Fritz Crisler after the 1937

But when Kipke died yesterday at 73, it was recalled that he coached the Wolverines to



Kipke had been an All-America halfback himself in 1922 for Yost, earning special fame as a punter. In the 1922 Ohio State game, he punted nine times and put eight of them out of bounds inside the

and it was interesting foot- them," Weber said. "We were able to draw pretty good crowds even when nobody had much money. The stadium had just been built in 1927 and

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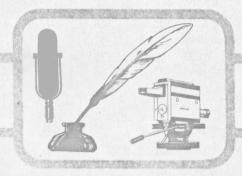
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FOR RADIO AND TV--

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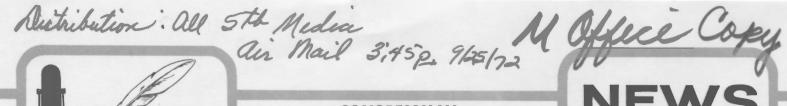
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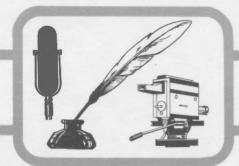
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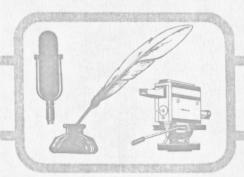
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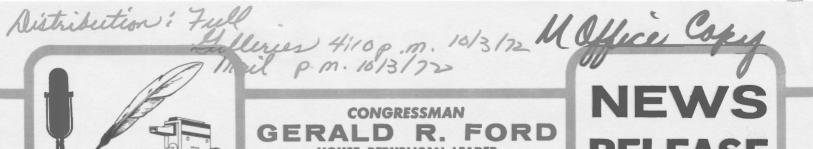
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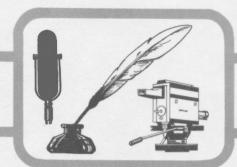
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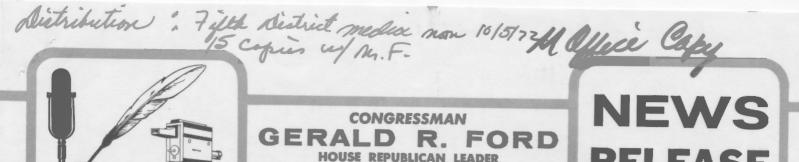
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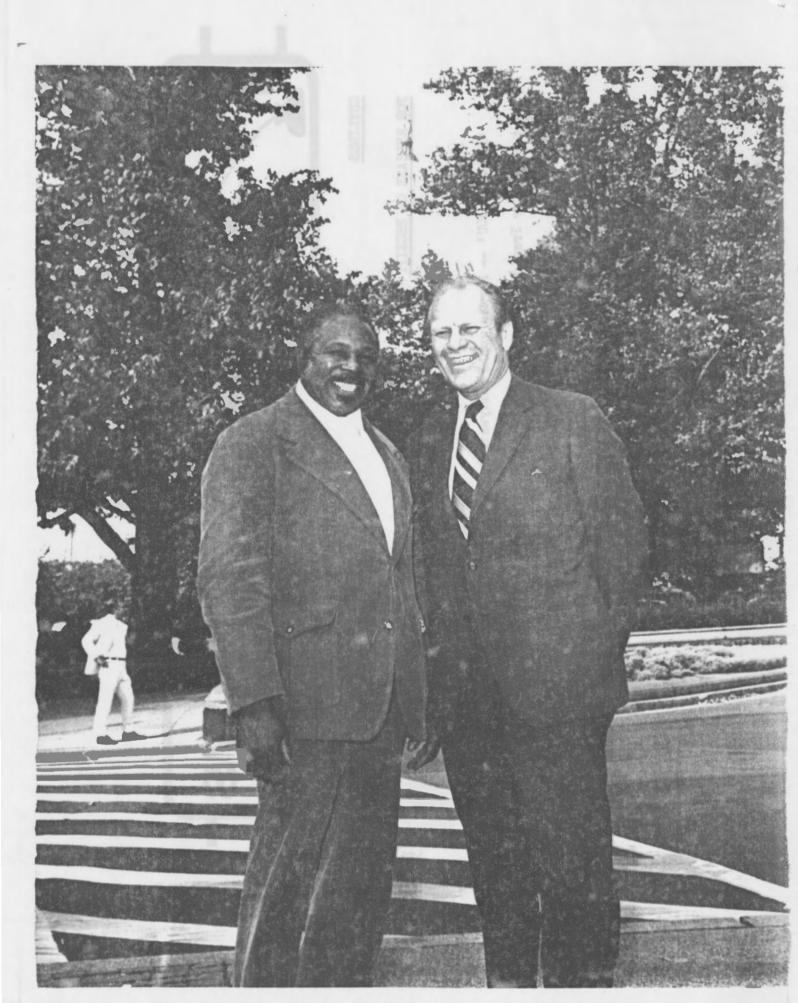
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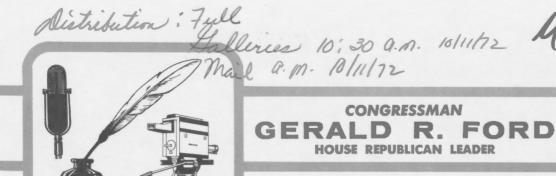
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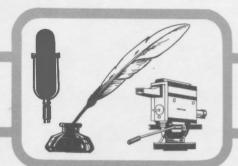
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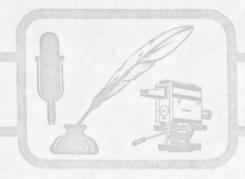
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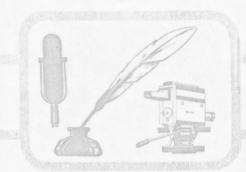
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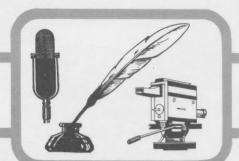
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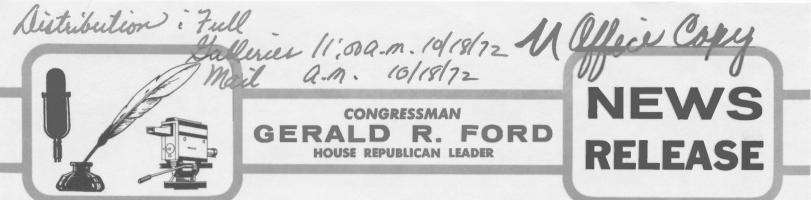
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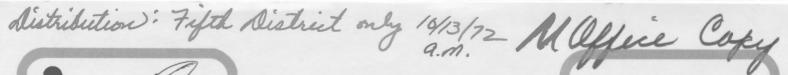
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The first half of the Nader profile on me achieves good balance but the latter half of the report is unfair and smacks of an attempt at a hatchet job.

The report quotes my 1970 and 1972 Democratic opponent, Mrs. Jean McKee, as saying that I "take people here (in the district) for granted." They quote this as though it were a statement of fact. It's a lot of rubbish. I have never taken the people in my district for granted and I never will.

The report comments that I bring "only \$83 per person in Department of Defense funds to the district as against the U.S. average of \$285." That is manifestly unfair. A low figure for defense dollars brought into a district would be true for any district like Michigan's Fifth which does not have a military installation or a high concentration of defense-oriented industry.

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NEWS RELEASE

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By whome are Americans considered warmongers, aggressors and bloodthirsty? I have only heard Communist leaders, Jane Fonda, Ramsey Clark, George McGovern and McGovern's

leftist supporters speak of America in that vein.

As a matter of fact, two days before Frank Kelley uttered the words I have quoted here there was a broadcast over Radio Hanoi in which the United States was described in exactly the same terms employed by Kelley. And yet Kelley says the phraseology he used ism not Communist propaganda.

What about American Prisoners of War? The immediate withdrawal proposed by McGovern and Kelley contains now guarantee that we will get the amprove back.

I find it exceedingly interesting that Kelley is for immediate U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam. This means he has no concern for the fate of the 17 million South Vietnamese and no concern for the impact of an immediate U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam on our allies throughout the world. It also indicates that Kelley has joined the ranks of the neo-isolationists in company with their beader, George McGovern. It indicates to me that the Kelley would follow the foreign policy preachments of George McGovern to the letter, including McGovern's plan to slash our national defense by \$32 billion. In taking this position, Kelley joins McGovern as one of America's dangerous men.

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In saying the tentative agreement to end the Vietnam War "seems to be falling apart," McGovern chearly is hoping the agreement comes unglued.

Amazingly enough, McGovern has made statements throughout the Presidential campaign which amount to sabotage of America's hopes for an honorable peace.

McGovern's views on Vietnam are so distorted that he seems angered by any prospects for a peace settlement which is not based on a U.S. surrender.

By contrast, President Nixon is refusing to play politics with the Vietnam War. He is insisting on tying up all the loose ends of the 9-point peace agreement—and properly so—before we sign it. He is doing this without any regard for the election next Tuesday. He wants South Vietnam to have a chance to survive as a non-Communist entity.

This is yet another reason--if more reasons are needed--why the voters will overwhelmingly prefer Richard Nixon to George McGovern on Nov. 7.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, Friday, Nov. 3, 1972

Statement by Rep. Gerald R. Ford re: McGovern comments on Vietnam

Sen. George McGovern has reached the heights of irresponsibility in his handling of the Vietnam War issue.

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Amazingly enough, McGovern has made statements throughout the Presidential campaign which amount to sabotage of America's hopes for an honorable peace.

McGovern's views on Vietnam are so distorted that he seems angered by any prospects for a peace settlement which is not based on a U.S. surrender.

By contrast, President Nixon is refusing to play politics with the Vietnam War. He is insisting on tying up all the loose ends of the 9-point peace agreement—and properly so—before we sign it. He is doing this without any regard for the election next Tuesday. He wants South Vietnam to have a chance to survive as a non-Communist entity.

This is yet another reason--if more reasons are needed--why the voters will overwhelmingly prefer Richard Nixon to George McGovern on Nov. 7.

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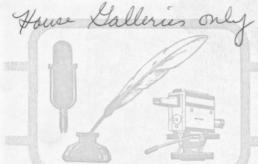
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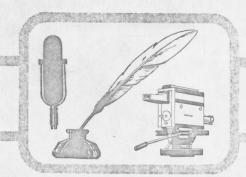
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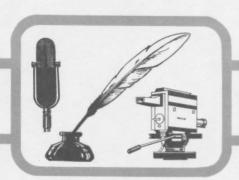
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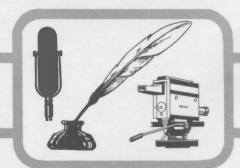
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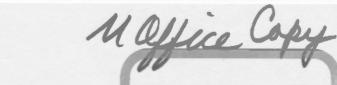
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