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RBC - 741
Kathie -

I thought it might be easier for you all to keep the reports if we "hole-punched" each week so you can just add to the binder. In keeping with our austerity program, however, you won't get new binders each week - just let us know when one gets filled.

Mimi *M.*

(Goodness, I'll be glad when Angela gets back on Monday. I can't even type two sentences without mistakes.)

Dick

Is this easier, or would you prefer receiving them without binder?

Kathie

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BO CALLAWAY 

SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT # 20 - FOR TWO WEEK PERIOD
ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1975

Due to the short Thanksgiving week, we have combined last week's report with this week's. The next report will be dated Friday, December 8.

GENERAL CAMPAIGN ORGANIZATION

Bruce Wagner, formerly of Grey Advertising in New York, has joined the staff of Campaign '76 as Executive Vice President to Peter Dailey.

Leo Thorsness, who is serving as PFC contact with Republican Members of Congress, has met with 11 Senators and 40 Congressmen during the past couple weeks. His reports are generally favorable, although some Members seem inclined to dwell on special interest issues, rather than looking at the big picture. His continued meetings with them, plus briefings from other staff members, should help to turn this around. **It has been recommended by several Members that periodic meetings with you would be very helpful, particularly with non-leadership members.

STATE CAMPAIGN ORGANIZATIONS

32 State organizations, including the District of Columbia, are now established. A list of Chairmen is provided at TAB A. New additions include:

ARIZONA - Burton Kruglick, formerly PFC Finance Chairman, has agreed to serve as PFC political Chairman. His finance activities will be assumed by Wayne Legg of Mesa. Harry Rosensweig and Keith Brown, former GOP State Chairmen, and Mary Crisp, National Committeewoman, are all actively working with the PFC. However, Arizona is a very conservative with close ties to Reagan.

NEVADA - Oran Gragson, a former Mayor of Las Vegas, will be the PFC Chairman, turning over his Finance

responsibilities to Charlie Glover and Dean Phillips of Reno. Although Paul Laxalt is well thought of in the State, Attorney General Bob List, State GOP Chairman Frank Fahrenkopf and other state leaders are supporting you and feel they can get the job done. This will be another difficult state, however.

NEW MEXICO - We really have a great Committee in New Mexico with Pete Domenici and Manny Lujan as Honorary Chairmen, and Bob Grant, of Albuquerque, as Chairman. Brad Cates, a 27-year-old state legislator, is serving as Executive Director. Although Chairman for only a week, Bob already has appointed a number of County Chairmen and plans to open a state headquarters within the next couple weeks. This is important as the Reagan Committee, headed by Andy Carter in that area, began organizing several weeks ago, although reports indicate their organization seems to be more superficial than in-depth at the County level.

WISCONSIN - Former Governor Warren Knowles was announced last week as PFC Chairman. Serving with him on an Ad Hoc Committee are State Chairman George Parker, Nat'l Committeeman Ody Fish, former Nixon Chairman John McGiver and former Goldwater Coordinator Sam Hay. Charlie Davis, a public relations executive from Milwaukee, has agreed to be Executive Director.

A Reagan Committee was announced for Wisconsin last week. The group, all well-known conservatives, contained no surprises. Bill Steiger reports that 8 of the 10 County Chairmen in his District are supporting Reagan, but feels this was to be expected. There are no reports of Reagan activity in any of the other 8 Congressional Districts at this time.

Weekly press releases are scheduled for the next 6 weeks, announcing District and County PFC committees.

KANSAS - Although Co-Chairmen were reported in the November 7 Weekly Report, a change was made this past week. Howard Wilkins, PFC Finance Chairman, had previously agreed to serve also as political chairman, but the State leadership later decided to get a third person. Bill Falstad, a former GOP State Chairman, has, therefore, agreed to serve along with Carol Wiebe.

Other significant state activity includes:

FLORIDA - Stu Spencer and Skip Watts met with Lou Frey, Oscar Juarez and PFC leadership from all priority counties last week. It is noteworthy that everyone was enthusiastic, even in the wake of the Reagan announcement the day before. They reported a substantial number of volunteers actively working with good progress being made in each of their areas. In Dade County (Miami), for example, which has 11% of the Republican vote and ranks third in registered Republicans, 300 people have already volunteered. Two headquarters are now open and the Dade PFC Newsletter is ready for its first mailing.

Spencer and Watts also met with Bill Taylor, the GOP State Chairman, who is very upset that they cannot have a Party fund-raiser in December. He believes he had a commitment for this, and made various strong remarks concerning his own position in the Primary. After a lengthy conversation, Stu feels the situation is in hand, and they discussed various alternatives for a fund-raising event.

Bill Cramer, Nat'l Committee General Counsel, also met with Stu and Skip. He has been very helpful in Florida and in other states regarding the delegate selection methods. Acting on his advice, Stu urged the Florida Executive Committee to adopt the "winner-take-all" procedure in the congressional districts and at-large. This recommendation was adopted, although there was some sentiment in favor of proportional distribution, mostly from the Reagan camp.

**On issues, there is extremely strong opposition to the common situs legislation. In the meeting with County Chairmen, 7 of those present indicated that they would have to resign if the President does not veto the bill, and the group was unanimous in its opposition. They also expressed firm positions on maintaining our current policy on limited trade with Cuba with no diplomatic recognition and U.S. possession of the Panama Canal.

ILLINOIS - Art Falls, a Springfield businessman, has agreed to be a full-time Director of the campaign under Dick Ogilvie. Ogilvie has already recruited most of the 24 District Chairmen and is working now on the 102 County Chairmen.

MICHIGAN - Pete Fletcher, PFC Chairman, has announced Governor Milliken, Senator Griffin and George Romney as Honorary Chairmen of the Michigan PFC. ** Fletcher also urges your participation at the Midwest Republican Conference scheduled in Dearborn on January 30-31.

LEGAL

Good news from the FEC. The Commission voted 5-1 (Harris dissenting) that the cost of your 1975 Republican Party fund-raising appearances were on behalf of the Party and not subject to campaign expenditure limitations. However, such appearances after January 1, 1976, will be presumed to be candidate-related. Your Massachusetts, North Carolina and Georgia trips are considered partially candidate-related, and Bob Visser is working with the RNC and White House to determine the allocation.

By a 4-2 vote (Harris and Tiernan dissenting) the FEC approved the Sun Oil Company proposal for the establishment of a political action committee (SUN PAC) and an employee political giving program (SUN EPA). In particular, the FEC held that Sun Oil may spend general treasury funds for the solicitation of contributions to SUN PAC from stockholders and employees of the corporation. Once such PAC's have met certain qualifications, they may contribute up to \$5,000 per Federal candidate

The FEC also issued an Advisory Opinion regarding the application of Federal election campaign laws to candidates for delegate to national nominating conventions. The attached at TAB B, distributed by the FEC, summarized the results of this decision.

Regarding contributions by a spouse and individuals connected with Federal government contractors, the Commission approved 6-0 the following Opinion: 1) Any individual who has a Federal contract and is an unincorporated sole proprietor of a business, or an unassociated accountant, attorney, doctor or like professional who has a Federal contract, is barred from personally making a contribution to any political party. 2) However, any officer, shareholder or employee of a corporation that has a Federal contract may contribute to a candidate so long as the contribution is made from personal funds. 3) Most importantly, a contribution made by a partner will be acceptable, even though the partnership may have a contract with the Federal government, so long as it is out of personal funds on a personal check and in his or her own name.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The report ending November 21 showed the week's income at \$70,246, bringing the total contributions to \$1,165,232. Of this, \$534,792 qualifies for matching funds.

Disbursements totalled \$97,648, leaving a cash balance of \$348,722. The Treasurer's monthly report for November will be available on Tuesday, December 2. A copy of the November 21 Treasurer's report is attached at TAB C.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Max Fisher chaired a meeting of the Finance Executive Committee and State Finance Chairman on November 24 at the Mayflower Hotel. Approximately 60 members attended. A political organization briefing and reports on fund-raising programs were given, although questions seemed to focus on legal restrictions. Dick Cheney addressed the Executive Committee luncheon. The reception at the White House was very well received, and Max feels the overall meeting was definitely helpful.

Two new Finance Chairman have been announced in addition to Wayne Legg taking Burt Kruglick's responsibilities in Arizona. (See TAB A). Bill Staten, President of Offshore Power Systems in Jacksonville is the Florida Chairman and Gilbert Shelton, Chairman of the Board of Tracy Collins Bank in Salt Lake City is Chairman for Utah.

"Operation 100," which is Rog Morton's program to obtain 100 commitments from Administration officials for luncheon, dinner and reception fund-raising events is proceeding well. To date he has 48 commitments from 9 officials, including Carla Hills, David Matthews, Tom Kleppe, Frank Zarb, Russ Train, Dick Roudebush, Fred Dent (with some restrictions) and Rog. He will be following up with the other Cabinet members this week.

MISCELLANEOUS

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - Ten members of the Committee were present for the November 17 meeting, with Dean Burch chairing the session. Senator Barry Goldwater, present for the first portion of the meeting, spoke briefly on the need to "run scared" and not get over confident. Following brief reports by the Regional Coordinators, Peter Kaye briefed members on the overall PFC Press program.

A general issue discussion centered on several key areas including a strongly negative reaction to the common situs legislation, expressed by Dick Herman and Jim Holshouser; basic agreement on the New York City stand (with the caveat that many people do not fully understand the issue and, therefore, may mis-understand any action that is taken); and, a mixed feeling on the energy package.

I find a trend, even in meetings such as this, toward a too negative approach on issues. Although some issues, such as common situs, are of major importance, there seems to be an overriding attitude of looking at what's wrong, and not enough credit given to what is going right. We at the Committee will be working to pinpoint the problem areas and turning this

attitude around.

Pete Dailey showed the Committee members their initial advertising concept. At this point no slogans or symbols are used, merely "President Ford '76," which is low key and direct. The concept focuses on a strong, determined photograph. (This package was subsequently approved by you, and a minimum number of posters, bumper stickers and buttons have been ordered for New Hampshire and Florida.)

A general discussion closed the 3-hour meeting with Bryce Harlow expressing concern over the perhaps subconscious effort by the press to "get" one more President. He feels this is directed at the Office of the Presidency, rather than toward you as an individual. He believes this attitude to be serious and must not be forgotten in our planning and strategy.

TEXAS WOMEN'S FEDERATION MEETING - Al Zapanta reports an excellent showing at the Federation meeting in El Paso on November 19. He scheduled four private meetings for me with about 15 women attending each. In these sessions, I heard very negative comments on the common situs legislation and, as is to be expected in Texas, a strong reaction against the energy package. I concentrated my luncheon remarks, therefore, on the many positive actions that you have initiated since taking office 15 months ago. Al indicated that these remarks were well-received and feels we should get more people taking a hard, positive line in your behalf to off-set the complaints (and complainers.) In talking with many of the 500 women in attendance during the meeting, Al and the Texas PFC leaders believe that 50% are presently for you, with 30% for Reagan and 20%, undecided.

COUNCIL OF 100 RECEPTION - During the meeting and dinner sponsored by the Council of 100 (an organization of black leaders throughout the country) at the Washington Hilton last week, the PFC had a hospitality suite. Judy Harbaugh, who represented the Committee, said that at least 200 of the attendees visited the suite with many signing volunteer cards to help in the campaign.

REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE - I met with most of the Governor's individually during their Conference in Wichita on November 21-22 and addressed them at a closed breakfast session on Saturday morning. Your support is strong, as evidenced by the 9 Governor's who signed the letter of support. (Jim Rhodes was not present and Arch Moore declined, although he privately confirmed his support.) Jim Holshouser deserves full credit for the letter, as he personally contacted each Governor and handled the news announcement. A copy of the letter is attached at TAB D. **A letter of thanks from you to Jim and the other Governor's would be appropriate.

ACTION

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TAB B

DELEGATE SELECTION: AO 12 Summary

In examining the delegate selection question, the Task Force concluded that under the new rules of both major parties and for purposes of the FECA there are three major categories of delegate-candidates:

- a. the authorized delegate who has received specific authorization by the candidate for President whom he or she supports to raise or spend funds on behalf of or in conjunction with that candidate's Presidential campaign;
- b. the pledged-but-unauthorized delegate who is publicly committed to a specific Presidential candidate but who is not authorized by the candidate to raise or spend funds on behalf of that candidate;
- c. the truly unpledged, uncommitted delegate who is seeking to become a delegate to the national convention but is not identified with any Presidential candidate.

The provisions of the FECA apply as follows:

- I. Limits on Delegate Expenditures (excluding costs for travel and subsistence):
 - A. By authorized delegate -- no specific limit on the individual delegate because spending controlled by Presidential candidate; delegate expenditures count toward that Presidential candidate's spending limit. (§ 608(c)(2)(B)(ii)).
 - B. By pledged-but-not-authorized delegate -- \$1,000 (§ 608(e) independent expenditure on behalf of Presidential candidate).
 - C. By unpledged or uncommitted delegate -- no limit.
- II. Limits on Contributions:
 - A. To authorized delegate -- counts toward person's \$1,000 or \$5,000 limit on contribution to Presidential candidate. (§ 608 (b)(1), (2)).
 - B. To pledged-but-unauthorized delegate - \$1,000 (§ 608(e)).
 - C. To unpledged delegate -- no limit.

III. Reporting (over \$100, excluding costs of travel and subsistence)

- A. By authorized delegate -- file statement with principal campaign committee of Presidential candidate he or she supports.
- B. By all other delegates (and by persons contributing over \$100 to such delegates) -- file statement with FEC (§ 434(e)).

	Beginning Totals	This Week	Totals to Date
CONTRIBUTIONS:			
Individual			
Identified	\$1,059,954.85	\$ 65,346.20	\$1,125,301.05
Suspense	35,031.00	4,900.00	39,931.00
Total	1,094,985.85	70,246.20	1,165,232.05
Committees, Reg.-			
Identified	14,100.00	-0-	14,100.00
Suspense	1,000.00	-0-	1,000.00
Total	15,100.00	-0-	15,100.00
Pledges	500.00	-0-	500.00
Total Contributions	1,110,585.85	70,246.20	1,180,832.05
Interest Income	1,005.05	-0-	1,005.05
Total Receipts	1,111,590.90	70,246.20	1,181,837.10

MATCHINGS FUNDS (MEMO ACCOUNT)

Qualifiable -		
States Qualifiable		23
Funds Qualifiable		534,792.20

DISBURSEMENTS:

Fund Raising	249,337.37	27,757.74	27,095.11
Non Fund Raising	366,246.13	55,126.39	421,372.52
Refundable Deposits	28,935.00	1,310.00	30,245.00
Contribution Returns	5,521.00	-0-	5,521.00
Advances	85,247.00	13,454.00	98,701.00
Accounts Receivable	180.00	-0-	180.00
Total Disbursements	735,466.50	97,648.13	833,114.63

FUNDS BALANCE:

Cash in Bank		246,840.90
Petty Cash		400.00
Certificate of Deposit		100,981.57
Securities in Process of Sale		-0-
Pledges Receivable		500.00
Total Funds Balance		348,722.47

STATISTICS:

Total Number of Contributors as of November 20, 1975	2,572
Average Amount of Contribution to Date	459.00
Cost of Fund Raising to date - percent of contribution	23%

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES

	CONTRIBUTIONS			FUND RAISING EXPENSES IN THE STATES	
	QUOTA	RECEIVED	% OF QUOTA	AMOUNT	% OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
ALABAMA	\$ 75,000	22,450	29.9	1,000	4.5
ALASKA	20,000	6,200	31.0		
ARIZONA	140,000	9,955	7.1	2,696.70	27.1
ARKANSAS	50,000	1,600	3.2		
CALIFORNIA	1,795,000	174,501.50	9.7	15,074.92	8.6
COLORADO	150,000	11,335	7.6		
CONNECTICUT	300,000	30,115	10.0		
DELAWARE	100,000	6,555	6.6		
DISTRICT OF COL.	300,000	30,872	10.3		
FLORIDA	450,000	34,095	7.6	7,500	22.0
GEORGIA	150,000	65,011	43.3	8,554.66	13.2
HAWAII	45,000	1,020	2.3	3,700	362.7
IDAHO	35,000	1,000	2.9		
ILLINOIS	950,000	107,301.50	11.3	10,500	9.8
INDIANA	275,000	9,456.75	3.4		
IOWA	150,000	1,410	0.9		
KANSAS	135,000	54,505	40.4	44.07	0.1
KENTUCKY	100,000	7,550	7.5		
LOUISIANA	75,000	6,760	9.0	500	7.4
MAINE	45,000	200	0.4		
MARYLAND	225,000	23,447	10.4		
MASSACHUSETTS	325,000	20,135	6.2		
MICHIGAN	550,000	52,550	9.6	6,100	11.6
MINNESOTA	275,000	29,967	10.9	1,000	3.3
MISSISSIPPI	40,000	30	0.1		
MISSOURI	250,000	34,525	13.8	1,550	4.5
MONTANA	40,000	1,500	3.8		
NEBRASKA	85,000	2,110	2.5		
NEVADA	25,000	5,650	22.6	1,814	32.1
NEW HAMPSHIRE	40,000	1,000	2.5		
NEW JERSEY	350,000	30,338.33	8.7	4,678.53	15.4
NEW MEXICO	50,000	2,310	4.6		
NEW YORK	1,650,000	103,356.50	6.3	9,199.45	8.9

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	<u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u>			<u>FUND RAISING EXPENSES IN THE STATES</u>	
	QUOTA	RECEIVED	% OF QUOTA	AMOUNT	% OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED
NORTH CAROLINA	\$ 125,000	13,105	10.5		
NORTH DAKOTA	30,000	1,100	3.7		
OHIO	650,000	36,585	5.6		
OKLAHOMA	120,000	14,302	11.9	3,000	21.0
OREGON	90,000	17,250	19.2	4,241.80	24.6
PENNSYLVANIA	700,000	41,295.27	5.9		
RHODE ISLAND	50,000	1,525	3.1		
SOUTH CAROLINA	75,000	1,160	1.5		
SOUTH DAKOTA	30,000	100	0.3		
TENNESSEE	175,000	24,885	14.2	150	0.6
TEXAS	650,000	74,227.20	11.4	2,000	2.7
UTAH	35,000	10	-		
VERMONT	25,000	800	3.2		
VIRGINIA	250,000	27,845	11.1		
WASHINGTON	175,000	5,360	3.1		
WEST VIRGINIA	40,000	2,200	5.5		
WISCONSIN	225,000	15,045	6.7		
WYOMING	30,000	8,600	28.7		
TERRITORIES					
CANADA		500			
UNIDENTIFIED		5			
TOTALS	12,720,000	1,174,711.05	9.2	1/ 83,304.13	1/ 7.1

1/ Includes advances for fund raising and direct expenses in the States only.

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Total Quota (000)	STATE	CUM. THRU.	FRI.	MON	Tues	Wed	THURS.	CUM. THRU.
		"/13/75	"/14	"/17	"/18	"/19	"/20	
75	Alabama	21,450			1000			22,450
20	Alaska	6,200						6,200
140	Arizona	9,955						9,955
50	Arkansas	1,000		350		250		1,600
1,795	California	169,961.50	20	2015	2230	150	125	174,501.50
150	Colorado	11,335						11,335
300	Connecticut	29,015			1100			30,115
100	Delaware	6,550		5				6,555
300	D.C.	29,872			1000			30,872
450	Florida	32,745			1350			34,095
150	Georgia	62,411	100	2,500				65,011
45	Hawaii	1020						1,020
35	Idaho	1,000						1,000
950	Illinois	98,906.50	3250.	1120	1475	300	2250	107,301.50
5	Indiana	9,356.75	100.					9,456.75
150	Iowa	1,310.		100				1,410
135	Kansas	54,005	500					54,505
100	Kentucky	7525		25				7,550
75	Louisiana	5,760	1000					6,760
45	Maine	200						200
225	Maryland	23,322		50			75	23,447
325	Massachusetts	19,635			500			20,135
550	Michigan	52,525			25			52,550
275	Minnesota	28,867			1000	100		29,967
40	Mississippi	30						30
250	Missouri	30,800			1525		2200	34,525
40	Montana	1,500						1,500
85	Nebraska	2,110						2,110
25	Nevada	5,400	250					5,650

		111	117	118	119	120		
40	N. Hampshire	1000					1,000.	
350	New Jersey	27,488.33		1000		1850	30,338.33	
50	New Mexico	2,210		100			2,310.	
650	New York	100,556.50	750	1000	50	1000	103,356.50	
125	N. Carolina	13,005				100	13,105	
30	N. Dakota	1,100					1,100	
650	Ohio	36,575				10	36,585	
120	Oklahoma	8,325				5977	14,302.	
90	Oregon	13,850	100	1000	2200	100	17,250	
700	Pennsylvania	40,895.27				100	41,295.27	
50	Rhode Island	1,525					1,525	
75	S. Carolina	1,160					1,160	
30	S. Dakota	100					100	
175	Tennessee	22,785	100		2000		24,885	
650	Texas	60,143	5050	2500	1000	5534.20	74,227.20	
30	Utah	10					10	
25	Vermont	50				750	800	
250	Virginia	26,835		1000		10	27,845	
175	Washington	5,335			25.		5,360	
40	W. Virginia	2,200					2,200	
225	Wisconsin	14,645	400				15,045	
30	Wyoming	—			7600	1000	8,600	
	Territories	—					—	
States Cum. Total		1,103,559.85	11,620	12,765	24,080	11,577.	10,604.20	1,174,206.05
	Unidentified	505	-500					5
	Sub-total							
	CANADA							
	Other Receipts	500						500
	TOTAL	1,104,564.85	11,120	12,765	24,080	11,577	10,604.20	1,174,711.05

Gerald R. Ford
President of the United States
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Dear Mr. President,

Realizing the importance of the 1976 Presidential Election, not just for the Republican Party but for our country, we as Republican Governors want to assure you of our active support.

Our country faces serious problems, but we believe we can solve them with your leadership.

You assumed the Presidency at a most difficult time in our nation's history and have brought honest, open and forthright leadership to your position.

You have also brought strength to our nation's highest office. Whether it be the Mayaguez incident which demonstrated that America will not be intimidated or whether it be the vetoes to stop a runaway, spend-thrift Congress, you have acted strongly and courageously.

We share your determination to send power back to state and local government, closer to the people.

We applaud your proposal to cut taxes and Federal Government spending in order to help the working men and women of America.

We recognize that in the last year, you have led America out of the depths of recession, that unemployment has been cut significantly, and that the rate of inflation has been cut in half.

We see the real danger to the country, should this irresponsible Congress be joined by a President who shares their free-spending ideas, rather than fighting them. We know, that for the country's sake, we can't afford to lose the White House, and we strongly believe that you are our best hope to keep it.

We share your determination to have a positive campaign so that all Republicans will stand united behind you after the Convention next year.

Sincerely,

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