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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

LUNCH WITH SENATOR HOWARD H. BAKER, JR.

Monday, September 13, 1976
1 P.M.

From: Jim Field (per Jim Baker)

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referred to
Baker &
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I. PURPOSE

As Jim Baker indicated to you, Senator Baker has been a bit discouraged the past few weeks with regard to publicity given to his wife and his Vice Presidential selection possibilities.

II. BACKGROUND

Jim Baker feels that you should make the following points with Senator Baker during your luncheon meeting today.

1. That you appreciate the leadership he exhibited in Tennessee during the primary and his willingness to speak around the nation on your behalf prior to the Convention.
2. You understand that he is going to be Bill Brock's campaign chairman but hope that he will be the President Ford Committee Honorary Chairman in Tennessee.
3. You should make the point that Tennessee is a key state, and although polls in the state are not particularly bright at this time, you and the President Ford Committee agree that Tennessee must be carried in the fall and that we are going to make every effort necessary to get this done.

* NOTE TO GRF

You should know that former Governor Winfield Dunn has been cleared by Howard Baker and will probably become our Tennessee President Ford Committee Chairman.



*Dunn is fine but it must be cleared with
Cong. Jim Quillen who will probably object.
Next choice - State Sen. Tom Garland.*