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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 10, 1975

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**FROM: WILLIAM J. BAROODY, JR.**

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## **WHITE HOUSE FIELD CONFERENCE**

ST. LOUIS, MO.

September 12, 1975

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AS PRESIDENT.....

# Ford Makes First St. Louis Visit

By PAUL STEVENS

Associated Press Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — President Gerald Ford and some of his top Cabinet officials were expected today to address themselves on such topics as oil controls and education in the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs.

Scheduled to visit St. Louis for the first time as President, Ford was to speak at a

The first major speaker of the day, David Mathews, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, was to follow the format in which brief prepared remarks are first made and then questions fielded from the audience.

Other top Administration officials on the agenda were Russell Train, administrator of the Environmental Protection

Agency, and its kind to be held nationwide this year, was expected to draw about 750 area leaders from various fields.

Security precautions surrounding Ford's visit were stringent in the wake of last week's attempted assassination in Sacramento, Calif. Although city police would not disclose the number of officers assigned to assist Secret Service agents

and termed by some Administration critics as political in nature, the conference was expected to tough on such highly debated topics as oil decontrol and the environment.

In a news conference Thursday that served as a prelude to today's 10-speaker agenda, oil decontrol was the dominant topic in light of the Senate's vote Wednesday to override

the President for economic affairs, said oil decontrol — impending if Ford and Congress do not compromise on extending controls — would raise prices "to a small degree."

But in the longer run, Seidman said, the price increase would provide oil companies with more funds for exploration for new oil and would thus in-

## St. Louis greets Ford

By JOHN L. BLUE  
Missourian Managing Editor  
ST. LOUIS — It was an  
audience of mixed causes that

By the time the President  
arrived, the audience of about  
1,000 had heard or asked about  
every sort of question

conference the two joined  
forces to remind Dr. David  
Mathews, secretary of the  
Department of Health,

Sikeston Daily Standard, Sikeston, Mo., September 8, 1975

## Ford to visit St. Louis

ST. LOUIS (AP) — With an  
extra contingent of Secret Ser-  
vice agents on hand to augment  
the local 15-man staff, federal  
and St. Louis police officials

from Washington over the  
weekend.

Ford's original purpose in  
visiting St. Louis Friday was to  
participate in a White House

The conference here, de-  
signed to permit a dialog be-  
tween the public and the ad-  
ministration, will also be at-  
tended by a number of high-

# Missouri Visit by President

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L. William Seidman, assistant to the President for economic affairs, said oil decontrol — impending if

Also speaking to newsmen Thursday was Roderick M. Hills, counsel to the President, who like Seidman was to address the conference today.

# Ford Arrives Wearing Bullet-Proof Vest

By JUDSON W. CALKINS and FRED W. LINDECKE Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

Wearing a neat blue business suit, with a bullet-proof vest under his shirt, President Gerald R. Ford arrived at Lambert Field shortly after 12:25 p.m. today for a quick-stepping "nonpolitical" visit to St. Louis.

Reporters spotted the tell-tale ridge of

old, six feet tall and weighing 175 pounds. He was wearing what appeared to be a black medium-length wig, dark trousers and a white short-sleeved shirt.

Then about 2 p.m. police received an anonymous call saying that a bomb was in Kiel Auditorium, where Mr. Ford was speaking. The bomb squad was sent to the auditorium.

Asked whether he was wearing a

## ■ FROM PAGE ONE

The President walked up and down the line, shaking hands, for several minutes.

The President then was surrounded by reporters, who asked several questions in a brief, impromptu press conference.

Mr. Ford was asked for a reaction to the fears of many independent gasoline station owners in St. Louis that the decontrol of prices for old oil could be used by larger firms to drive the independents out of business.

The President said that this would not happen under his plan. He appeared to be referring to legislation he has sent to Congress aimed at protecting independent oil companies.

Asked whether he would accept former California Gov. Ronald Reagan as a running mate in 1976, the President said, "We're all in the Republican Party. That will be a decision that will be made by the convention."

plane taxied, on the southeastern edge of Lambert Field, was lined with police cars, plainclothes policemen, uniformed policemen from St. Louis and St. Louis County and Secret Servicement.

The President paused to speak briefly with Gov. Bond before entering the presidential limousine that was part of a motorcade of about 15 cars on the 15-minute drive downtown.

On the plane with the President were Senator Stuart Symington (Dem.), Missouri, and Representative Gene Taylor, Sarcoxie, the only Republican in the Missouri congressional delegation.

After recording a television interview with four reporters at Station KMOX-TV, President Ford strolled into the newsroom and chatted for almost 10 minutes with reporters, editors and technicians.



# Ford Arrives Amid Tight Security



The President's plane touched down at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport at 12:30 p.m. His schedule also included a television interview, an address to the National Baptist Convention meeting in St. Louis and a GOP fund-raising reception.

Tight security measures were taken in preparation for the President's visit, especially in light of an attempt on his life one week ago.

## Security

Several Johnson County, Kan., police forces will share security details along Ford's route from Municipal Airport to Ramada Inn.

"I don't think the Sacramento thing will cause a bother," said Overland Park

# Look Of Adulation In Street Crowd

By JOHN M. McGUIRE  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

In the crowds of people jammed against the restraining ropes, the facial expressions were nearly the same — a strange sort of adulation.

It was a "here-I-am-touch-me" kind of look, a straining, desperate outreach as President Gerald R. Ford moved along the crowd, which included several clusters of scouts and uniformed children's groups that awaited his arrival at Stouffer's River-

expressions were mostly self-conscious.

As Mr. Ford started walking toward a side entrance, Secret Service men began corralling reporters around the President. At one point, an agent, who had been moving backward, walked over to a reporter and patted his suit coat pockets. Apparently, the reporter's rumpled hat had set off some type of Secret Service alarm.

Earlier in the day, a roped-off crowd was milling around

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## Response to Ford receptions good

By JACK FLACH  
Globe-Democrat Political  
Editor

Republican officials said they are gratified at the early response of donors to a reception here and a dinner in Kansas City for President Ford's upcoming visit.

Some 60 couples, who will pay \$1,000 each, are expected

which Mr. Ford will appear. It will be held at the Bel Air Hilton hotel beginning at 2:30 p.m. Friday.

DON L. Wolfsberger, chairman of the event, said a number of those who pledged the \$1,000 are "new contributors" to such events "and things are looking good."

A full house of 700 persons

# Baptists Buoyed By Ford's Speech At Convention

By SHEILA RULE  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

About 7000 receptive Baptists sang several choruses of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" after President Gerald R. Ford delivered a speech at the annual meeting of the National Baptist Convention USA here Friday.

In view of Mr. Ford's en-

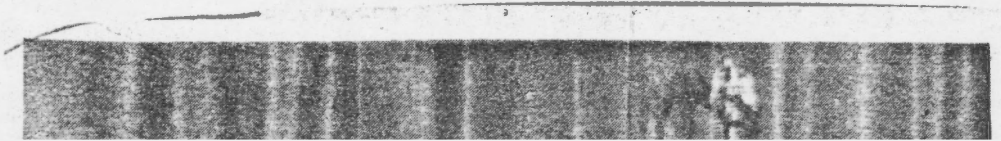
whether Mr. Ford should have outlined a plan to stamp out injustices. The Rev. Louis H. Wade of White Plains, N.Y., was in the minority. He said that the President made a timely, "beautiful" speech, but . . .

"Yes, there's a but. I think he should have made some commitment to us. He did

"We could read into his message that he is going to do all he can to help in the field of education and employment," said the Rev. Mr. Jemison, who lives in Baton Rouge, La. "He gave us what we needed and wanted to hear. He said he was for quality education for every child and I think he will enforce laws related to that and to other aspects of life."

The Rev. B. D. Lambert of Mobile, Ala., agreed. The tone

of Mr. Ford's speech "showed us that he's with us — and that's the most important point," said the Rev. Mr. Lambert in a gravelly, Sunday morning-sermon delivery. "He's the only white man I've heard speaking to blacks who didn't call us his brothers and



President Gerald Ford brought a message of restraint in federal spending for economic well being to St. Louis Friday. Ford combined a political visit with dialogue for the public between them and the heads of Washington D.C. Departments. Despite political overtones, those who attended, came away with satisfaction that the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs was worth the eight and one-half hours spent in question and answer sessions. Additional photos and story appear elsewhere in this issue.

Photo by H. Denis Moore

GERALD STAR, Gerald, Mo. - Sept 10, 1975

## President will make two stops in Missouri on Friday

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI - Sept. 5, 1975...President Ford will participate in a White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs to be held in St. Louis, Mo. on Sept. 12 1975, according to William J. Baroody, Jr., Assistant to the President for Public Liaison.

being to help the government become more responsive to the needs of all Americans.

The two day journey by Mr. Ford to Missouri, Kansas and Texas Friday and Saturday will begin at Washington around 11 a.m. Friday will come first to St. Louis.

# Ford To Speak At Confab In

# St. Louis

ST. LOUIS (UPI) — F. David Mathews, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, said today public dissatisfaction with the educational system may be blamed in part on

METRO-AST JOURNAL, East St. Louis, Ill, Sept. 26, 1975

## Ford openness mostly for show

ANOTHER OF President Oval Office and the high- and which would also be hunch such a conference Ford's on-the-road programs powered political pressures another way to work in a little following the sessions with ... part of getting the move nollifcking before local organization leaders

# President arrives here today amid tight security

By JACK FLACH

Globe-Democrat Political Editor

Gerald R. Ford pays his first presidential visit to St. Louis Friday to address the National Baptist Convention, woo other vot-

Secret Service agents and White House officials refused to confirm or deny that Mr. Ford was wearing a bulletproof-type vest. The Associated Press reported that the outlines of some sort of additional garment

He then will address some 20,000 persons attending the National Baptist Convention at Kiel Auditorium at 2 p.m.

The President later will spend time with

THE NEW YORK TIMES - New York, N. Y.  
September 9, 1975

THE NEW YORK TIMES, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1975

# Security to Be 'As Usual' During President's

## Visit to Four States

By JAMES M. NAUGHTON

Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8—N  
unusual security precaution  
will be taken to protect Pres  
ident Ford when he travels  
later this week to New Hamp  
shire, Missouri, Kansas and  
Texas, the White House said

M. Manson, is being held unde  
\$1-million bond in Sacramento  
pending a request by Federal  
prosecutors that a grand jury  
charge her with attempted as  
sassination.

To Urge Wyman Support

Mr. Ford's scheduled visit

to urge the election of Louis  
C. Wyman to the Senate next  
Tuesday. Mr. Wyman is the  
Republican nominee in a spe  
cial election contest with John  
A. Durkin, the Democratic can  
didate. Their election contest  
last November ended in a vir  
tual tie.

and a convocation at Southern  
Methodist University. Before  
returning to Washington he  
will go to Midland, Tex., to  
dedicate what Mr. Nessen de  
scribed as a petroleum industry  
museum, library and hall of  
fame.



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## Ford: Fear Of A Killer Won't Confine Me

By JAMES DEAKIN  
Washington Correspondent

country's business was best conducted from the White House. But he asserted that meeting with the citizens was more

Americans and a promise that economic and social equality will "become a reality."

Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 13-14, 1975

# Bomb threats, gunman test security

By WILLIAM POE and ANGELO  
CONSTANTIN

Globe-Democrat Staff Writers

Security for President Ford was much tighter than normal during his brief visit here Friday.

The President would say only that any discussion of security measures "makes them that much more difficult."

**DESPITE THE** warnings of possible trouble, Mr. Ford plunged into crowds at three of his five stops to shake hands with well-wishers under the



Kiel stagehands told a reporter that the building is a virtual labyrinth, with numerous areas where a person could hide.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** Patrolman Thomas Calcaterra said he saw a white man of medium build, wearing a black wig, come through a door on the catwalk above the stage on which the President later addressed the National Baptist Convention.

# *Salem News Publisher Attends President Ford's Conference*

By R. L. VICKERY

Publisher of The Salem News

Seeing a President of the United States is a thrill of a lifetime. I enjoyed this experience Friday after being invited to the White House Conference at Stouffer's Inn in St. Louis. The conferences are being set up in cities in every section of

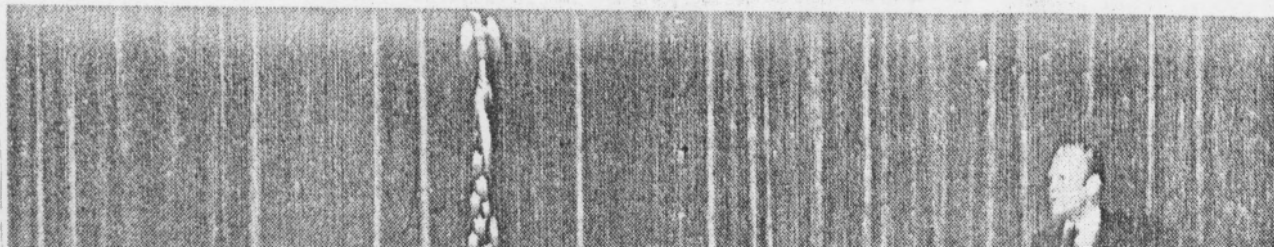
a cabinet member, Dr. David Mathews, who is secretary of the Health, Education and Welfare department. Dr. Mathews, a surprisingly youthful looking official, has a total of some 135,000 employees under his supervision. He explained the facets of his department and outlined his aims for improvements. After his talk he

confidently into the room was a sight both encouraging and emotional. The man simply exudes confidence. His sincerity and honesty are obvious. In the 13 months since he was appointed to the office (the first such appointment) he has gained a command and control of affairs that are amazing. Though rushed for time and although this was

areas, he explained in detail his belief in solutions. He also told the group that he intended to continue to veto every bill passed by Congress that he thought was inflationary, which seems to be the No. 1 danger of the day. He said he sincerely believes the economy is getting better and he wants the improvement to

# Give And Take At Ford Road Show

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PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD's Washington road show had its one-day stand in St. Louis Friday, and it amounted to a preview of his 1976 campaign.

Beyond that, it was a fair sample of the way issues are discussed by the same officials in Washington.

Still another side of the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs was a good bit of

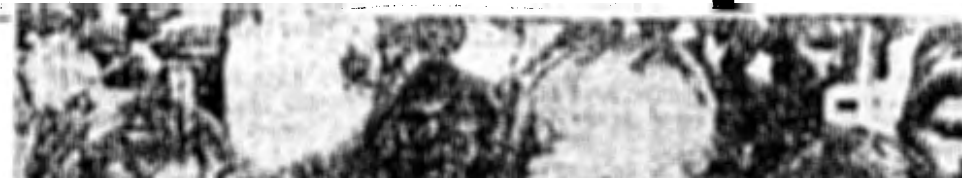
# Ford Says It's His Job To Mingle With People

ST. LOUIS (AP) — President Ford said Friday it is his job to meet with the American people, but declined for security reasons to say whether he wears a bulletproof vest while mingling with crowds.

From St. Louis, Ford flew to Kansas City, Mo., where next year he hopes to be nominated to a full four-year term at the Republican National Convention.

Ford's comments came as St. Louis police reported chasing a

The President immediately Missouri Bir



# *President Still Planning Visit Here Friday*

By **THOMAS W. OTTENAD**  
Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 — President Gerald R. Ford plans no change in his forthcoming visit to St. Louis despite increased concern for

p.m., shortly after his arrival from Washington. He will attend a Republican fund raising cocktail party at the Bel Air Hilton Hotel from 2:30 to 4:30 before taking part in a conference at Stouffer's Riv-

al convulsions from such an incident."

The White House confirmed Friday as the Post-Dispatch has reported previously, that Mr. Ford would participate personally in a White House

security procedures.

Persons expected to have dealings with the President in St. Louis will be checked in advance, as will buildings, elevators, roadways and meeting rooms that the president will

THE WASHINGTON STAR, Washington, D. C.  
September 13, 1975

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# Report of Gunman, 3 Bomb Threats Mar Ford Trip

By Fred Barnes

Washington Star Staff Writer

ST. LOUIS — President Ford's visit here yesterday was marred by the appearance of an armed man and three bomb threats, but the President declared that he will not curtail his travel or permit himself or his administration "to be held hostage at

Calcaterra, told the Associated Press he spotted the man about 30 feet from the end of the catwalk about an hour before Ford spoke there. Calcaterra said the man was holding the pistol in his left hand.

"I yelled 'Hey, what are you doing there?'" the officer said. He said the man turned and fled through a door.

incident differently. The police command post had said the gunman was spotted in a nearby street and a search of the parking garage was launched. However, a spokesman said the search was due to a separate report of a man on the roof of the parking garage. The garage was surrounded by police, but nothing suspi-

# President Promises Equality For Blacks

By JAMES DEAKIN  
Washington Correspondent

President Gerald R. Ford was en route to St. Louis today with a conciliatory message for black Americans and a promise that economic and social

—other protective device under his shirt yesterday as he shook hands with crowds in New Hampshire. The President campaigned across New Hampshire on behalf of a Republican senatorial candidate, Louis C. Wyman.

the prepared text of his speech contained no proposals for new federal action in the fields of civil rights, education or economic assistance, the areas of greatest concern to many blacks.



# Remark apparently contradicts statements made by Kissinger

By JACK FLACH  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

In an apparent contradiction of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, President Ford said in St. Louis Friday that he can foresee no circumstances under which the United States would voluntarily withdraw from the United Nations.

"That would be a mistake," Mr. Ford said

running mate in 1976, despite the vice president's low rating in the latest public opinion poll.

—Criticized North Vietnam for refusing to provide information on American servicemen still listed as missing in action (MIA) during the Vietnam war.

**THE PRESIDENT** landed in St. Louis at about 12:30 p.m. amid tight security, in crisp autumn-like weather. He was well-

# Ford firm on U.S. in U.N.

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Rockefeller for vice president on the Republican ticket in 1976. The poll showed 47 per cent opposed, 34 per cent in favor and 19 per cent not sure.)

But the President told an interviewer that Rockefeller is "a good team worker, a hard worker." •

**RESPONDING TO** another question, the President expressed the belief that Israel's position in the United Nations has strengthened since the Sinai agreement, and he does not expect that other nations will move to oust the Israelis from the world body.

preservation but to the extension of the unity."

In a gesture to St. Louisans the President added two names to the list of black Americans praised in the original text of the address—"the incredible Bob Gibson and Lou Brock."

Ford received several bursts of applause during the address and was given a standing ovation at its end.

Included in the President's afternoon itinerary were visits to the Bel-Air Hilton Hotel where he attended a \$1,000-a-couple G. Stouffer's Riverfront Towers, where he addressed a WH

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## U.S. Won't Quit U.N., Ford Says

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Remark apparently contradicts  
statements made by Kissinger

By JACK FLACH  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

The television interview, reported live on KMOX Radio and scheduled for telecast at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, was said to stand by the

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"The future of America is not so much on how much energy and steel we can produce—although these are vital to our existence—but the future of America is based on the rights and responsibilities that we as individual citizens are willing to commit to others and accept ourselves."

**PRAISING BLACK AMERICAN** leaders from Crispus Attucks to George Washington Carver and Louis Armstrong, Mr. Ford offered what he termed a great and noble goal—"The communion of Americans, coming together to face a common destiny as one people, one nation dedicated not only to the

preservation but to the extension of that unity."

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ST. LOUIS ARGUS

**St. Louis Warmly Greets Chief Executive .....**

# **PRESIDENT GERALD FORD CAPTURES CITY FOR A FEW FLEETING HOURS**

**BY KATHY ROGERS**  
Argus Staff Writer

Amid enthusiastic applause from some 200 St. Louisans gathered at

far as this administration is concerned."

He said, however, he

Welfare; James Lynn, Director of the Office of Management and Budget;

Dr. David Mathews, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and

ST. LOUIS, MO. - SEPTEMBER 12, 1975

# Ford Upholds Busing

## Cites Law, But Favors Other Means

By Stuart Auerbach  
Washington Post Staff Writer

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 12 — President Ford today offered "a better answer" than court-ordered busing to achieve what he said all Americans want for their children — quality education.

"I think that quality educa-

"As far as my administration is concerned, the law of the land will be upheld," he said. "But then I think I have the right to give what I think is a better answer toward the achievement of quality education, which is what we all seek."

The President's remarks today went further than his comments during a news conference Oct. 9, when he said

# Condemns Disorders On Busing

By **LOUIS J. ROSE**  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

President Gerald R. Ford said today that he hoped opponents of school busing would comply with the court-ordered decisions and not resort to disorder.

"So far there has been a minimum of local disorder," Mr. Ford said in a press conference here when asked about busing disputes in Boston and Louisville. "I hope that attitude can prevail in the months ahead." The President said his

# Ford Theme: Slash Federal Spending

By **DANA L. SPITZER**  
and **RICHARD K. WEIL JR.**  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

President Gerald R. Ford and a cluster of top federal officials advised community leaders here Friday to look more to local and state governments and the free enterprise system for solutions to social problems.

They repeatedly stressed their view that more federal

threws, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; Frank G. Zarb, administrator of the Federal Energy Administration; and Russell E. Train, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Regional Commerce and Growth Association, a St. Louis area business organization, directed the local effort in setting up the conference. It featured participants from

Although the theme of the federal officials seemed to be less Government intervention, many of these who questioned the officials wanted to know what the Government intended to do about a variety of problems.

Otis Bolden, chairman of the Yeatman District Community Corporation, said he was dissatisfied with Mathews's comments on the Administration's commitment to educa-

Train surprised some at the conference by advocating the development of nuclear power plants.

Train, Lynn and Mr. Ford were questioned about proposals to build the Meramec Dam and to reconstruct Locks and Dam 26 on the Mississippi River at Alton. Those asking the questions were environmentalists who opposed the projects.

The officials pleaded igno-

# Ford: emphatic 'yes' on campaigning

By Godfrey Sperling Jr.  
Staff correspondent of  
The Christian Science Monitor

dent high marks for plunging into the crowds shortly after his encounter with a would-be assassin, there was an abundance of comments like these:

week, he will find that it's not good for him politically.

"Some people will feel he is neglecting his job. Others will..."





**BACKWARD SOMBRERO:** Andrea Cervantes laughing Saturday when she realized that President Gerald R. Ford had put on a sombrero backward. Richard Contreras reached to help the President right the hat.

Members of the Mexican-American Bicentennial Committee gave Mr. Ford the sombrero when he was visiting Southern Methodist University's Bob Hope Theater in Dallas. (AP Wirephoto)

# *President's Openness, Candor Impress State Republicans*

By FRED W. LINDECKE  
Missouri Political Correspondent

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Other Stories On Ford

bomb threat. Mr. Ford was moved from the hotel quickly, Wolfsberger said, and the call caused no excitement.

# Ford Visit Here Called Nonpolitical

President Gerald R. Ford will be in St. Louis next week for a "serious dialogue" with

freely at the cocktail party, Baroody insisted that the White House conference was

cocktail party. But he said it was likely the Republican National Committee would

After the conference, the President will go directly to the Kansas City area for a

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

Wednesday, September 3, 1975

## \$20 Admission To Ford Event

A \$20 reservation fee is being required to attend the "town meeting" Sept. 12 at which President Gerald R.

to those making advance reservations. Credentials will be issued 45 minutes before the start of the meeting. The attendance fee is to be used to

DAILY BANNER - NEWS, St. Charles, MO. - Sept 15, 1975

# Ford Visit Gave Hint Of 1976 Campaigning



The external trappings of a Presidential visit may have had more visible impact on the average St. Louisan than what President Gerald Ford may have actually said, but the

ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH, Sept. 13, 1975

# Compromise On Oil Indicated By Ford

By JAMES DEAKIN  
Washington Correspondent

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 13 — President Gerald R. Ford is talking tough to the Democrats on the issue of Government spending but soft to the same Democrats on a possible compromise on oil price controls.

Mr. Ford headed Saturday for a

"If we can keep the irresponsible in Congress from too much Government spending, we can win the battle against inflation," Mr. Ford told the GOP dinner in Kansas.

Later in the evening, he told Missouri Republicans that his vetoes of spending bills had saved the taxpayers 6 billion dollars. "I think that was worth the

ald Reagan of California. Reagan is a possible contender for the party's presidential nomination.

Although Mr. Ford castigated congressional Democrats for what he said was an "unforgiveable" delay in enacting energy-conservation legislation, he hinted at the Missouri fund-raising dinner that a temporary compromise was

# Increase in school loan defaults alarms Ford

President Ford has expressed alarm at the growing

Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs at Stouf-

swer period, Mr. Ford re-

they consistently want a larger federal budget than Mr. Ford does.

"I can promise you to the extent of the authority I have,

ST. LOUIS GLOBE DEMOCRAT

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## Ford Vows Not to Be Hostage of Threats

By **JAMES M. NAUGHTON**

Special to The New York Times

believed to be carrying a .45-caliber handgun at Kiel Audi-  
President amplified on his de-  
termination not to be deterred  
by security problems from con-

ST. LOUIS GLOBE DEMOCRAT, Sept. 13, 1975

### **Proud Day for St. Louis**

Washed clean by a welcome rain and dried off by a bright sun in a cool, clear sky, St. Louis welcomed President Ford in perfect

He mixed socially at a fund-raising reception sponsored by Republican leaders. Then he spent an hour at an open forum which



**GOODBY, ST. LOUIS:** President Gerald R. Ford waving from the steps of Air Force One to a small crowd of spectators at Lambert Field (Post-Dispatch Photo by Wayne Crosslin)

## *Ford Pushes GOP Cause In Visit Here*

**By FRED W. LINDECKE**  
Missouri Political Correspondent

President Gerald R. Ford says that spending by the Democratic-controlled Congress is to blame for inflation — and that the nation does not need more

In addition to the Baptist convention, Mr. Ford participated in a television interview at KMOX-TV, attended a \$1000-a-couple cocktail party for the Republican Party and was the wind-up speaker after several of his Cabinet members had appeared at a forum at

Mr. Ford departed for Kansas City from Lambert Field about 5:30 p.m. on board the big, four-engine, silver-and-blue "Spirit of 76." He had arrived at the Trans World Airlines maintenance hangar from Washington about 12:30 p.m.

# Ford Theme: Slash Federal Spending

By DANA L. SPITZER  
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President Gerald R. Ford and a cluster of top federal officials advised community

threw, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; Frank G. Zarb, administrator of the Federal Energy Administration; and Russell E. Train, administrator of the Environmental Protection

Although the theme of the federal officials seemed to be less Government intervention, many of these who questioned the officials wanted to know what the Government intended to do about a variety of

Train surprised some at the conference by advocating the development of nuclear power plants.

Train, Lynn and Mr. Ford were questioned about propo



# President promises to veto bills he finds too costly

By JACK FLACH  
Globe-Democrat Political Editor

A "dumbfounded" President Ford took Congress to task with a vengeance in St. Louis Friday, terming the legislators "the

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president's poor showing in the latest public opinion poll.

Mr. Ford's remarks indicated that he is anything but demoralized by congressional reaction to previous presidential vetoes —

being held in St. Louis.

"The world's and the nation's greatest problems can be solved only by sincere changes of the will and the human heart," he told the all-black audience.

"THE FUTURE OF America is not so

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(Rockefeller) has done," he said. "No question about it. I don't think polls should be the sole criteria. I picked him because of the good job he did in New York state, and he has done a better job as a vice president

IN KANSAS CITY Friday night, Mr. Ford spoke at a \$100 a plate state Republican fund-raising dinner attended by more than 700 persons at the Alameda Plaza Hotel.

COLUMBIA DAILY, Columbia, Mo.  
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The Tribune's view

## Gerald R. Ford

### *'Accessible to the people'*

We have been writing for the past several days about the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs. We have tried to relate what several of the top men in the Ford administration had to say about energy, the economy and other current topics.

**But, diverting as these people may have been, the star of the show, of course, was the President himself.**

Actually, if you want the truth, Ford was not the most interesting speaker of the day. This is not surprising. He is not, nor should he be expected to be, as knowledgeable about every subject as his specialists are. The outstanding im-

for disadvantaged people is to create a healthy economy. There are enough welfare programs. They need to be made to work better.

✓In areas of essential public employment there should be no right to strike. In the case of the Postal Service, for instance, mandatory mediation is required, but strikes are prohibited. Mandatory arbitration which must result in a decision should be the rule for all kinds of essential public workers. President Ford mentioned another scheme which is being tried now and which is very interesting. Each side makes its best offer, and the arbitrator picks one or the

Ford has very conservative fiscal policies. Indeed, he is rather conservative on most issues. But it would be a mistake to underestimate the strength of that position today. People are tired of the excesses of recent years. The realization has become widespread that the federal government cannot do everything for everyone. There is more support for the President's tight-fistedness among average people than the Democrats would like to see.

The sense seems to be clear and widespread that the government must pull in its horns. Increasing rates of

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## Mr. Ford In St. Louis

If support for President Ford's policies and candidacy depended on an amiable demeanor and sincerely proclaimed goodwill, then Mr. Ford accomplished something in his hurried visit to St. Louis on Friday. Undoubtedly St. Louisans, like other Americans, have warm feelings for a president who exudes friendliness and who will not let fear of assassins deter him from public appearances.

(Congress overrode the veto.) While he was urging his audience not to be victimized by fear, Mr. Ford was blithely oblivious to the fact that he had vetoed a 1.42 billion dollar health services bill that would have helped to alleviate the fear of illness. (Congress also overrode this veto.)

All of these presidential actions, of course, were justified at the time in the name of

HERMITAGE INDEX, Hermitage, Missouri  
September 18, 1975

# Long Overdue Attitude

President Ford's White House Conference on economic and domestic affairs in St. Louis last Friday presented several administrative policies that have long been overdue.

The President, as well as many of his department heads, cabinet and personal advisors, showed an interest in returning many government actions to local control, in reducing the governmental regulations and paper work for businesses, and in eliminating some of the

Another positive attitude toward the economy was shown during the conference. The President and his economic advisors said that the greatest boost to the economy would be to reduce the number of government regulations and the amount of bookwork required of businesses. A leading business journal has estimated that at least one in six employees is involved in keeping records and in filling out government forms. If

LOUISIANA PRESS-JOURNAL, Louisiana, Mo.

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— TODAY'S EDITORIAL —

## On The White House Conference

We were one of about 800 persons who attended the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs held in St. Louis last Friday. It was mostly an open forum, town hall type of question and answer session between those attending the day-long meeting and top officials in President Ford's administration, capped with an hour-long question and answer session with the President himself. Incidentally, we were delighted to see Mr. and Mrs. Biggs Holliday, also of Louisiana, in attendance at the conference.

Almost every shade of political thought was represented in the audience and reflected

When a young couple builds a house and borrows \$30,000 to repay in 30 years, just one per cent difference in interest means an extra \$4,500 to be repaid. The 2 per cent difference from a few years back brought the building industry almost to a halt. This was the forerunner and helped give impetus to the recession. The government was borrowing much money from the banks and forced the interest rates up.

The administration, which should take some of the blame on itself for not policing its own overlapping and unneeded departments and bureaus, partially rightfully points the finger of blame at the Congress because that is where new spending programs originate. The administration suggests that we urge our congressmen and senators not to originate any new spending

## WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE IMPRESSIONS

We attended the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs Friday in St. Louis, and would like to pass along some impressions from the 9 hours of meetings attended. First, a little background on the meeting.

The conference was sponsored by the White House Office of Public Liaison and 18 co-sponsoring organizations, including the Missouri Press Association. Admittance was by invitation only, and I would estimate

you have spent an entire day listening to a dozen important government leaders talk about it, you probably don't realize how pervasive this general theme about the health economy is at the highest govern-

ment level. The administration relies on a more virile economy to solve more problems than any other single factor, it seems.

It is impossible to even condense the entire day's events in this column, but some other brief impressions we came away with follow:

GALLATIN NORTH MISSOURIAN, Gallatin, Mo.  
September 18, 1975

## Fiscal Truth

The striking thing about the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs held in St. Louis Friday was that 90 per cent of the people who discussed problems with

responsibility in the face of almost insurmountable obstacles, not the least of which is the Congress which continues to overspend the budget.

Lynn noted that President Ford had

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# Dialogue Reopened

Whatever else is written in the months ahead about the administration of Gerald Ford, we hope at least a few Americans will remember why the President was in Missouri over the past weekend—and give at least some pause of appreciation for his trip.

The President was in St. Louis last Friday to address the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs. The title is more pretentious than it sounds, since basically it meant the convening of several hundred citizens to hear explanations of federal programs by those who are charged with administering them—and to listen to and react to complaints registered by those assembled.

The White House conference in St. Louis, one of ten being sponsored across the country, is somewhat similar to the

participants. Federal Energy Administrator Frank Zarb, for example, is totally committed to the elimination of price controls and allocations on oil; not even an overwhelming vote for price controls at the St. Louis conference would have reversed Zarb's opposition. The FEA director also stated his firm, and supposedly unshakeable, support of continued expansion of nuclear power plants across the nation. Ecology group spokesmen who attended the conference failed to shake Zarb one fraction from his commitment toward nuclear power.

Even if one disagrees with all of Zarb's facts and conclusions—and this newspaper does not—at least he evidenced a willingness to discuss and debate them with those who



# Ford Parley Here: Is It Political?

By RICHARD K. WEIL JR.  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

**THE WHITE HOUSE** Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs. What is it?

Cynics call it a political road show, designed among other things to

**THE REPUBLICAN** National Committee is paying for the transportation of Mr. Ford and his staff later tomorrow and Saturday to Kansas City area and Dallas. But Nessen announced that the \$44 per seat per hour cost on Air Force I for Mr. Ford and his immediate party would be charged off to the

The White House Conference traces back to the Administration of Richard M. Nixon. The forerunners were conducted July 25 and 26 last year in Los Angeles and Chicago.

After Mr. Nixon resigned and Mr. Ford took over, the new President placed William J. Baroody Jr., the man who masterminded those first meetings, in charge of a new

Morley said the conference could accommodate about 800 if more invited guests want to sign up before the registration deadline of 5 p.m. today.

Among the federal officials participating in the conference will be F. David Matthews, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; James director of the Office of

## Live Coverage On TV Of Liaison Conference

KETC Channel 9 will have live coverage of the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs at Stouffer's Riverfront Towers tomorrow. Coverage will be from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The conference will be highlighted by an appearance by President Gerald F. Ford at 4 p.m. The President, like other Government officials, will address the invited guests and then answer questions.

Each of the cosponsors is allowed to invite about 60 participants to the conference. Registration fee is \$2 a person.

example, was William T. Coleman, the man charged with deciding where a new airport would be built in the metropolitan area. Is the Ford Administration ducking the issue?

Not so, Eves said. The conference director said that in a meeting several weeks ago, the 18 cosponsoring organizations voted on the subject areas they wanted discussed.

"At every one of our conferences, there are two prime subjects that everyone wants to talk about," Eves said. "One is the economy and all that's related to it. The other could be called energy and environment. These are the two biggest issues in the country."

Transportation, he said, was high on the list; but not high enough.

Putting together a White House Conference combined with a presidential visit requires a lot of money and manpower

well as the number of persons who accompany him.

The advance staff includes a press assistant, a transportation co-ordinator and a White House television adviser named Robert Mead.

But the White House will not disclose how many advance persons come in from the White House Communications Agency or the Secret Service.

All the paid staff members from out of town receive salaries, travel, food and lodging at taxpayer expense.

**OTHER EXPENSES** for the White House conference come to \$13,000 to \$15,000 and will be covered by the \$20 registration fees. These expenses include the costs of renting hotel space, setting up a center for the 250 press representatives who will cover the conference, and the cost of the luncheon

SOUTHEAST MISSOURIAN, Cape Girardeau, Mo. - Sept 12, 1975

# Ford eye on budget

ST. LOUIS (AP) — President Gerald Ford's veto of a \$7.9 bil-

lion dollar budget bill, which the Senate and House overrode earlier this

"We must work within the restraints of this economy," he said. "We've been concentrating on things we can do within our financial resources."

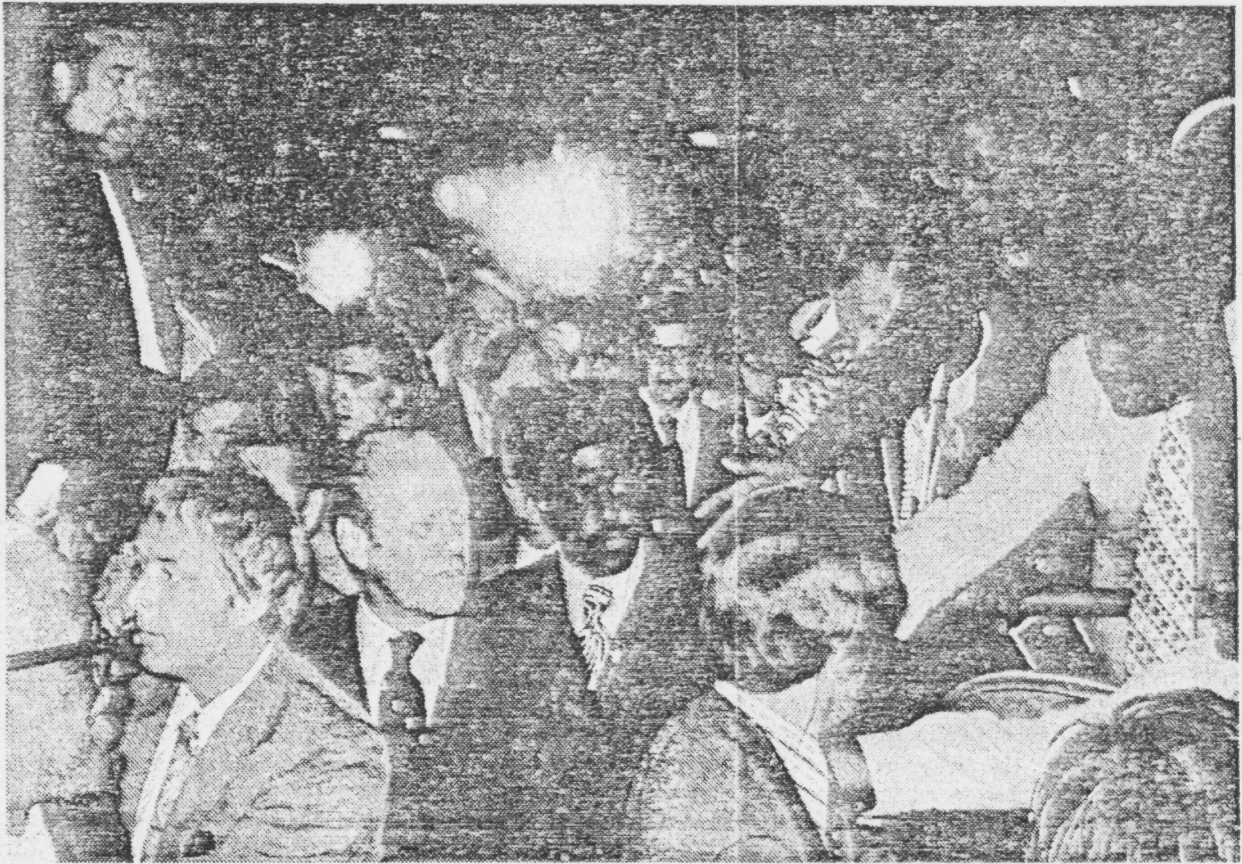
Other top Administration officials on the agenda were Russell Train, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Frank G. Zarb, administrator of the Federal Energy Administration.

yer said it would be quite substantial.

Designed as a means of exchanging views with the people and termed by some administration critics as political in nature, the conference was expected to touch on such highly debated topics as oil decontrol and the environment.

In a news conference Thursday that served as a prelude to

# White House road show brings government to people



## Greetings for the President

Flanked by Secret Service men, President Ford reaches to shake hands with members of the audience at the American Baptist Convention in St. Louis last weekend. This was one of several appearances for the

President in advance of his question-answer session at a White House Conference conducted by major officials of his administration.

By JOHN L. BLUE

Missourian Managing Editor  
Americans everywhere complain that they are out of touch with Washington and certainly those blankety-blanks in Washington are out of touch with them.

So, in the Mountain and Mohammed approach, the Ford administration is trying to do something about it.

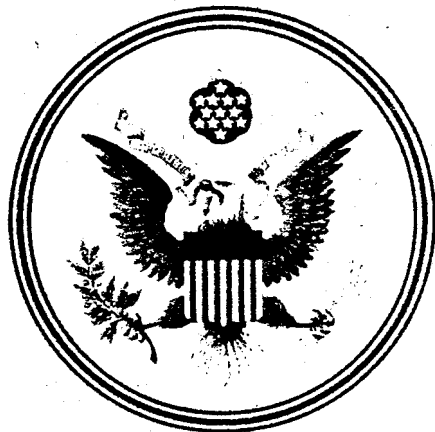
President Gerald Ford has assembled a road show which has taken top level officers of his administration, and sometimes himself, to nine different cities in scattered

These are called White House Conferences, an obviously appropriate name, and the most recent one was that held last weekend at the Stouffer Riverfront Inn in St. Louis.

The performers in the act differ from place to place, but usually there is at least one Cabinet head and others in the highest positions of power

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FREDRICKTOWN DEMOCRAT-NEWS, Fredericktown, Missouri  
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Do you recognize the seal shown above?  
It is the seal of the President of the  
United States.

Gerald R. Ford, President of the United  
States, was in St. Louis last Friday for a  
White House Conference on Domestic and  
Economic Affairs.

The seal pictured with this column, was  
on the front of an invitation I received to

Get a load of this Madison Avenue  
baloney that was sent to members of the  
media. William J. Baroody Jr., Assistant to  
the President for Public Liaison issued this  
statement: "The purpose of this conference  
is to encourage genuine two-way dialogue  
between citizens and their government. This  
is an opportunity for Americans to ask  
questions of their government officials and  
receive a straight-forward response. The  
ultimate goal being to help the government  
become more responsive to the needs of all  
Americans."

I talked with several colleagues from the  
print as well as television media over the  
weekend, and they indicated the "straight-  
forward" responses turned out to be quite  
vague.

This was to be expected, but then it was  
nice of the President to visit Missouri. It  
provided an opportunity for the St. Louis  
GOP to pay a bundle to have a drink with  
Mr. Ford and the Bel-Air now has a new  
green carpet.

The President will be returning to  
Missouri, when the Republican National  
Party holds its nominating convention in



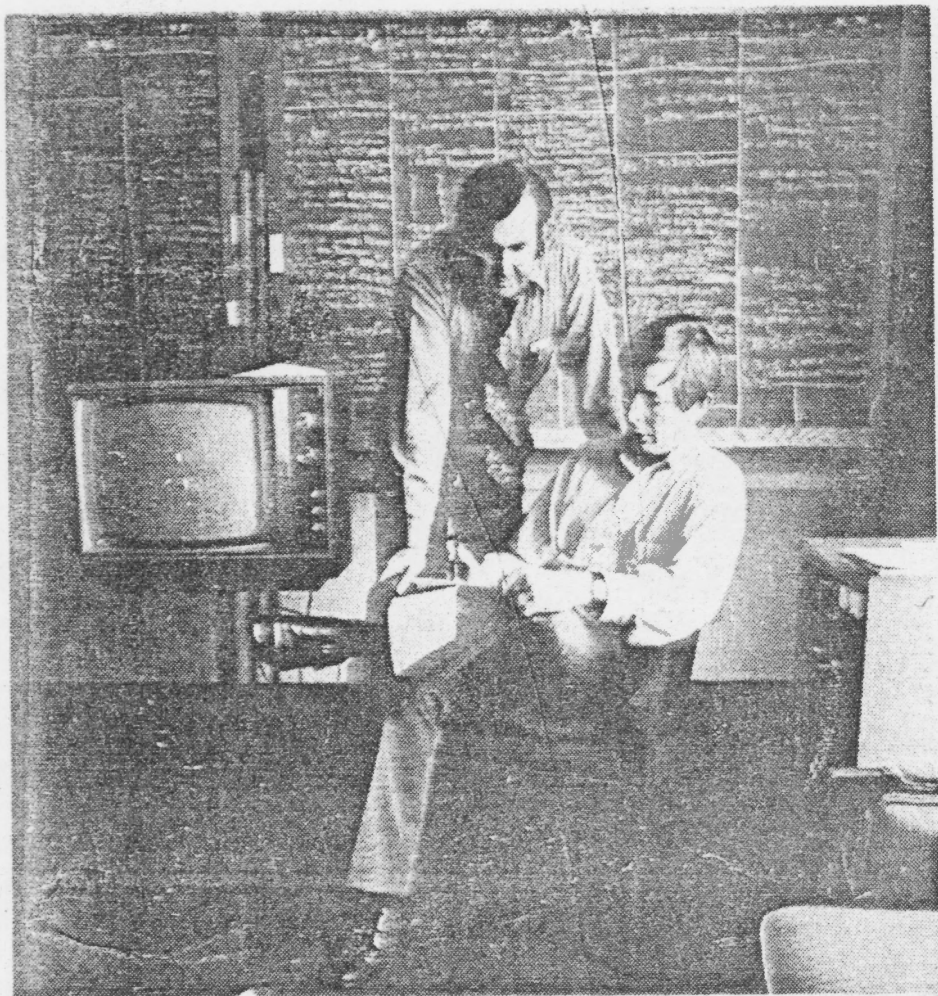
JEFFERSON CITY CAPITAL NEWS, Jefferson City, MO. - Sept 13, 1975

# State, national issues debated

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Such nationally debated issues as oil decontrol and busing and state controversies such as the Meramec Dam were discussed Friday when President Ford and several top aides took part in the White House Conference on Economic and Domestic Af-

listens, instead of HEW says this, or HEW sues on this?"

Mathews, until a month ago the president of the University of Alabama, fielded questions dealing mainly with education — and busing in



John B. Schlaes, left, director of White House conferences, and Harry W. Wells Jr., director of transportation and logistics, discuss President Ford's schedule.

—Globe-Democrat Photo by Bob Moore

## Lots of travel, but few sights for Ford's crew

By EDWARD J. PRESBERG  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

The view of the Arch from Stouffer's Riverfront Towers is spectacular.

Unfortunately, it's entirely wasted on members of one White House advance team

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here to prepare for President Ford's visit Friday.

The 10 to 15 workers anchored to a pair of 23rd floor suites housing the advance staff — as well as the unending stream of visitors, volunteers and aides that stop by the rooms — have no time to ponder the vista.

Secretaries, answer phones, type press releases, carry messages and feed an overheated copying machine. Staffers with walkie-talkies crammed into their back pockets hold brief conferences and stride purposefully from room to room, taking orders in one suite and barking them out in another.

**FOR THE OUTSIDER** it looks like a scene

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## Local Student Attends Ford's Economy Meeting

Mike McGee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McGee, delegate to the national VICA conference include David

Last year McGee was a

## Larry Lutz Honored By White House Invitation

Larry Lutz, Jefferson City, State Vocational Director, received an invitation from President Gerald Ford to attend a White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs to be held Friday, September 12, in Stouffer's Riverfront Towers at St. Louis.

Mr. Lutz will be representing Vocational Industrial Clubs

House conferences held in different cities. The purpose of these meetings is to focus on the major issues of the day as they affect the country and the people of the conference location and to facilitate genuine two-way dialogue in a spirit of cooperation in the hope that these endeavors will help the government become more responsive to the needs of

Rolla Daily News, Rolla, Mo.

September 11, 1975

### Broad Topics To Be Discussed

The economy, energy, the environment, crime and government regulation head a

# Aide to Ford Seeks Out Citizenry to Save Nation

By Richard M. Johnson  
A Member of the Staff

Survival of democracy in this country may depend on revitalization of the "fifth branch" of government, a high White House official said here yesterday.

The fifth branch—after executive, legislative, judicial branches and the press, or fourth estate—is composed of voluntary organizations, churches, unions, fraternities and other private organizations, in the view of William J. Baroody, Jr., assistant to the President. He heads the Office of Public



making circles and to increase the public's confidence in the government, Baroody said. The broad emphasis is to get government to work in concert with private organizations, instead of ignoring them, he said.

For example:

- The family. "It is common practice to hand over physically or mentally handicapped children to (public) agencies . . . The family in these cases is often shunted aside as something rather irrelevant to the progress of these children.



DAILY STANDARD, Excelsior Springs, Mo.  
September 19, 1975

## *Mrs. McGiffin Presides At White House Conference*

Mrs. Don McGiffin of Excelsior Springs, president of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs, Inc., served as moderator of the luncheon program at the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs which was held in St. Louis Sept. 12. She was advised by the White House that she was the first

Those participating in the conference in addition to the President were David Mathews, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, James I. Lynn, director of the Office of Management and Budget, L. William Seidman, assistant to the President for economic affairs, Frank Zarb, administrator of the FEA,

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Hedges, Mrs. Ray Kleinbeck, vice-president of the Excelsior Springs Bicentennial Coordinating Committee, Mrs. Catharine Sample, president of the Civic Improvement Association here and Mike McGee, a local student, representing the vocational-industrial club of

# White House Conference implements a new link with Washington

An eight and one-half hour session of give and take between Missourians and 12 representatives of the Washington D.C. federal bureaucracy comprised the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs Conference held in St. Louis Friday. President Gerald Ford was the featured bureaucrat, closing the program in its final hour.

William J. Baroody, Jr. Assistant to the President for Public Liason or-

Education is going to have to be looked on as an economic necessity if recent developments are going to be the trend of our modern world."

Eddie Sowers opened the question session with, "Are you embarrassed to appear here in view of what happened Monday night?" The question related to the defeat of Alabama by the Missouri Tiger football team. Matthews was president of the University of Alabama prior to joining the HEW. Matthews reply

Parsons added that drug control was not a national problem but an international one. We are looking at a program now that will attempt to close the doors of supply through international effort.

In answer concerning the Presidential stance on capitol punishment Thornburgh replied that full punishment and incarceration, or in some limited cases death, acted as a deterrent to crime. He called for an end to the "hanky-panky" form of punishment by the courts.

CRAWFORD MIRROR, Steelville, MO. - September 11, 1975

# President Ford to Address St. Louis Conference

St. Louis, Missouri - September 8, 1975 . . . The economy, energy, the environment, crime and government regulation head a list of topics to be discussed by Federal officials and business, community, women, minority, professional and law en-

tion, Domestic Council. Remarks and questions and answers.

11:20 a.m. -- James T. Lynn, Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Roderick M. Hills, Counsel to the President. Remarks and questions and

ating Council.

Missouri American Revolution Bicentennial Commission.

Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs.

Missouri Medical Associa-

## **KCOM President Attends White House Conference**

White House Office of Public Liaison and local, state and regional organizations representing the different sectors of the community.

The purpose of these meetings is to focus on the major issues of the day as they affect the country.

# James T. Lynn

## *The Golden Age of the budgeteer*

The main message in a nutshell at the White House Conference last week in St. Louis was personified in James T. Lynn, President Ford's Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Rarely do budget directors get to bask in much of the limelight, but in these times when frugality is a virtue almost without parallel, Lynn is much more of a star than his kind usually gets to be.

He recounted a mini-history of federal expenditures, saying that only a couple of decades ago it took 15 years for the federal budget to go from \$100 to \$200 billion. The current budget is \$100 billion.

asures which will cause a deficit of perhaps \$80 billion if implemented.

**What's so bad about massive federal government deficits? Here's what, says the loquacious budget director: When the government has to borrow it has priority over private borrowers. If this public borrowing gets too large, interest rates are driven up and money supplies shortened. This hampers business growth and, therefore, threatens a healthy economy, including the availability of jobs.**

The government has been engaged in a great con game during the recent decades of frantic spending. Lynn be-

maintained in the federal government's relationship with the several cities? It is hard enough now picking and choosing among the many grant programs for the many cities. The cities with the best money management would be the ones penalized—the others would get the federal bucks.

**Of course, if the worst does happen the federal government may simply be unable to avoid helping in some way. But at the moment a posture of promising nothing is absolutely right.**

It reminds us of the Lockheed Aircraft situation. When Lockheed screwed up and was threatened with bankruptcy,

# 6-Cent View On Economic Affairs

By JOHN M. McGUIRE  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

Fedora hat crumpled and upturned, Baxter Ellsworth Dysart was sunning himself on a park bench Friday, oblivious to the commotion at the police lines on Market Street.

He seemed imperturbed when the sirens and flashing lights hailed the arrival of the presidential motorcade,

Ford was not on his mind. "I lost my razor," he said.

"How long are you going to stay here?" he was asked. The crowd, now about three lines deep at the police barricade, began to cheer and clap.

Dysart cupped his hand over one ear and said: "I get ahold of a bed I'll stay."

Then he looked at the questioner and said: "You're an officer, I suppose?"

When Dysart was asked

lunch hour waiting for the President.

At the intersection of Market and Fifteenth Streets, another crowd had formed, this one a little larger and more colorful than the gathering near the riverfront. It could have been a street corner in New York.

Three painters were scampering about, working on a silver-colored awning leading to the auditorium; a vendor hawked small items.

# Budget director presents spectre of 'severe recession'

By G. ALEXANDER SMITH  
Business Writer

Unless the American public and Congress begin to restrain federal spending, the nation could be facing a "severe recession" in 1977 or 1978.

This gloomy prediction was made Friday by James T. Lynn, director of Manpower and Budget, who was in St. Louis to participate in the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Af-



"In a government agency, with no profit motive, there are no rewards for efficiency, and as a result, reform of the government must be done with direction from the top.

The profit motive of business might be substituted in government by an evaluation process, Lynn suggested, which would be made by operating people in cooperation with experts from outside their agency.

If the evaluations were

# Federal Budget Director Calls for Moderation

By DAILY DEMOCRAT  
Staff Newsman

James T. Lynn, who serves as the federal government's budget director, said few Americans today realize that almost one third of all spending

tion's toll against the poor as being as regressive and harmful as the sales tax.

Acknowledging that the nation has many unmet needs, Lynn, who formerly was secretary of Housing and Urban Development, said that only a





David Mathews

ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT --

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## New HEW head senses hostility, disenchantment

David Mathews has headed the federal government's largest department—Health, Education and Welfare—for only 31 days and already he finds himself in a tug-of-war.

Americans both expect the government to solve the country's social ills and criticize it for overspending and interference, he said.

"We are looking for a devil, a demon to exorcize, when the conflict is caused by our ambiguity over what we want to do. It is not possible," he said in an interview with The

will "open up" his agency and try to establish a closer partnership with state and local officials. As HEW secretary he oversees 400 programs with a staff of 135,000 persons and a budget of \$120 billion a year.

**IN A BRIEF** televised talk and interview following, Mathews touched on a variety of his department's concerns:

✓On education: "In a post-industrial society where fewer and fewer people are involved in producing durable goods, and more and more with producing or distributing

determine whether schools are in compliance with the law; if not, the Justice Department takes action. HEW has \$300 million in Emergency School Aid Act funds, however, to assist schools with their desegregation plans, "so teachers and students can get on with education."

As a Southerner who weathered desegregation crises (at the University of Alabama), he said he feels "compassion" for those on both sides of the controversy.

(On national health insurance: "Health insurance

St. Louis Post Dispatch Sept. 12, 1975

# *HEW Is Neutral On Abortion Issue, Secretary Says*

By **DANA L. SPITZER** and **RICHARD K. WEIL JR.**  
Of the Post-Dispatch Staff

The policy of the United States Department of Health Education and Welfare on abortion is "to take a neutral position with respect to this highly emotional issue," F. David Mathews, secretary of HEW said here today.

Mathew's remarks were made to the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs at Steuffer's Riverfront Towers. About 800 persons are attending

# What's behind U.S. spending?

By DAVID LAMMERS  
Courier-Post Staff Writer

ST. LOUIS — About 1,000 community leaders gathered here Friday at the Missouri White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs at the Stouffer Hotel.

David Matthews, secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, spoke in the morning. He said

teachers is the result of a declining school population.

"I suspect that the low demand for teachers will result in different career decisions for the present college students. Student-teacher ratios should be improved and a greater diversity in courses should be offered to students."

In response to a question about federal

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Richard Thornburg, the assistant attorney general asked for stiffer sentences for convicted criminals.

"We are fooling ourselves if we think we can rehabilitate every criminal. Instead of wasting money trying to rehabilitate the five-time losers, we must maximize our rehabilitation efforts on young offenders."

Richard Parsons, an associate director for justice, said that law enforcement assistance funds have not been properly fiscally evaluated in past years.

"Police are arresting more persons

# Explains Ford's veto of education funds proposal

ST. LOUIS (AP) — President Gerald Ford's veto of a \$7.9 billion education appropriations bill

ninth such event held nationally this year.

assist Secret Service agents, six months. Asst. Chief Adolph Jacobsmeyer

L. William Seidman assistant

said Ford was "even handed" in other vetoes that would escalate the budget.

Mathews indicated he knew of no plans by the President to possibly withhold funds appropriated by the bill following its rejection by Congress.

Chillicothe Constitution-Tribune, Chillicothe, Mo.

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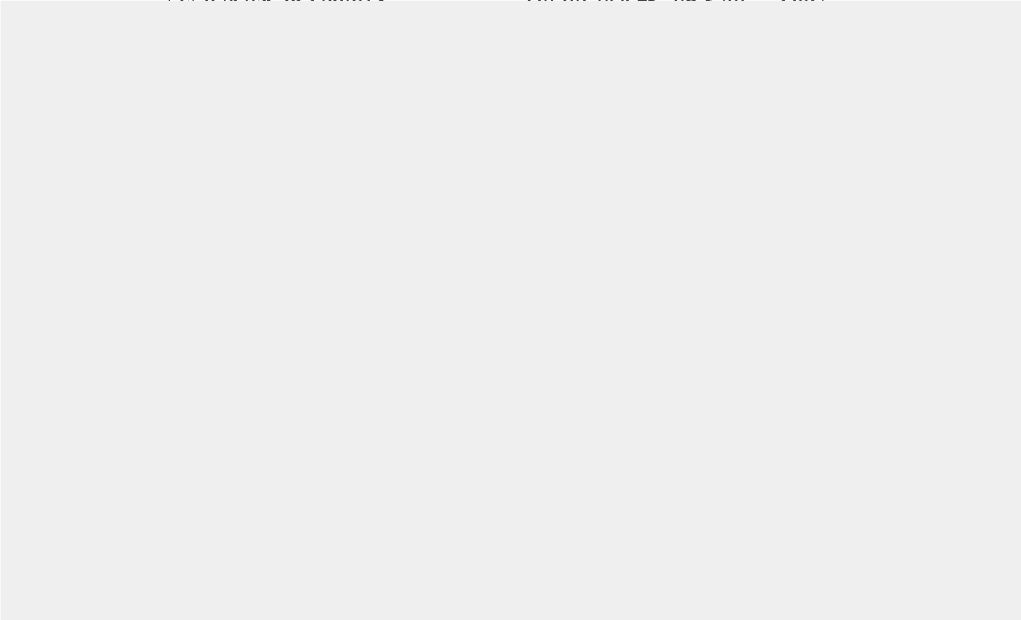
ST. LOUIS (AP) — President Gerald Ford's veto of a \$7.9 billion education appropriations bill does not mean the Presi-

# Mathews welcomes public's comments

ST. LOUIS (AP) — David Mathews, the new Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, has been in Washington just a month but already can see the value of getting out "to get a sense of country."

that officials are exploring the possibility of trading American wheat for Soviet oil. Such a transaction, he said, would not solve the energy problem.

On oil prices, he said, "The



in a format allowing each speaker to make brief remarks and then open the floor to questions.

Such nationally debated issues as oil decontrol and bus- ing were entertained, as well as state controversies such as

ST. JOSEPH NEWS-PRESS  
ST. JOSEPH, MO.  
September 14, 1975 -



# Business & Financial

Friday, September 12, 1975—Page 11B

## Ford working to 'peel off' regulations

By G. ALEXANDER SMITH  
Business Writer

A pair of White House officials told a St. Louis audience Thursday that President Ford's program on deregula-



of Health Education and Welfare to destroy records of students who applied for admission but were rejected by the college.

Some time later, the Inter-

COLUMBIA DAILY TRIBUNE, Columbia, Mo. - Sept 18, 1975

# Richard L. Thornburgh

## *Defending or tolerating the Constitution*

The mood of the crowd at the White House Conference on Domestic and Economic Affairs was easier to determine on the issue of crime and punishment than on almost any other, and it showed once again why preservation of the Bill of Rights cannot simply be left

hood that the accused will show up at the appointed time in court. Even though it was apparent that Thornburgh had great appetite for quick, sure and severe justice and was not above playing a bit to the similar leanings of the crowd, he made it clear

deeds, precision is elusive. Thornburgh made clear note of the difficulty in determining guilt in these extreme criminal cases. Few suspects are going to plead guilty to a crime which carries a mandatory death sentence. For this reason Thornburgh emphasized several



Richard L. Thornburgh

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# Death penalty would backup police—Justice official

By **ROBERT H. TEUSCHER**  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

It is not right to ask police to risk their lives without giving them the protection of the death penalty as a deterrent to would-be killers, a high Ford Administration official said Friday.

**IN THOSE CASES**, Thornburgh reasoned, the murder is coldly and logically planned. If a would-be killer would have to consider the possibility of a death penalty, it would serve as a deterrent, he said.

Thornburgh cautioned, however, that there be thorough debate before...

**AT THE SAME TIME**, Thornburgh said, more money must be spent on rehabilitating those who are not yet hardened criminals.

Richard D. Parsons, associate director of the Domestic Council who appeared with Thornburgh...



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## U.S. Action On Fraud

By TED GEST  
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The Department of Justice should give more attention to cases of political corruption and white collar crime, Richard L. Thornburgh, the new head of the department's criminal division, said here today.

Thornburgh, who took over the direction of federal criminal prosecutions in July, said

"nickel and dime" cases and more emphasis on major crime in business and government crime even if lengthy investigations were necessary.

Although political and business frauds may get more Justice department attention, the investigations will be "complete and thorough," Thornburgh promises. He admitted that past Justice De-

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# *Nation Must Face Reality On Energy*

Probably one of the most productive aspects of Friday's White House Conference in St. Louis was the scheduled press conferences with several key administration officials, which gave news media an opportunity to discuss more pertinent issues confronting Americans than surfaced during conference statements at other times of the day.

Two of the more interesting personalities were Frank



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# FEA, EPA chiefs agree on energy

By SHIRLEY MARLOW  
Courier-Post Staff Writer

ST. LOUIS — Although the purposes of the Federal Energy Administration and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency often differ, the chiefs of those

clean air standards are stricter than the federal government's to relax those standards so utilities may use coal to produce electricity.

"We're approaching this in a cooperative fashion between the EPA and the FEA. But we're not going to

He said this would not solve all of our energy problems, however, because we are not certain how much oil surplus the Soviets have.

Regarding the House's passage of a bill to extend oil price controls until Oct.



Russell E. Train

# Environmental-energy goals called compatible

By KATHRYN WATERS  
Globe-Democrat Staff Writer

National goals to clean up the environment have not faltered because of energy crisis pressures to lift controls on high pollution fuels such as high sulfur coal, says the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"All the polls we see say the public is not willing to see environmental controls ripped off," said Russell E. Train of EPA. "The public is insisting that we deal with energy and

interview, pollution control devices on 1975 model cars have decreased pollution by carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons by 83 per cent over 1968 models.

And he noted that federally mandated traffic control patterns, designed to cut those pollutants further, have been successful in some areas.

**IN SEATTLE**, where such a program is in effect, carbon monoxide emissions have been cut by 18 per cent, he

"To some extent he is probably right," Train said. "But unless you attack each incremental contributor to the pollution problem, there's not much you can do."

Federal and local environmental cleanup efforts have made "an enormous amount of progress" in the air and water quality areas during the last five years, he said.

**NATIONALLY** about 80 per cent of the 20,000 major

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## Zarb says Congress costs U.S. jobs

By TED SCHAFERS  
Business & Financial Editor  
Inaction by Congress in drafting a national energy policy the past five years has



with another Arab embargo? We'll be worse off than we were during the last one," said Zarb.

Arguments that the pro-

energy are not in serious conflict, saying:

—"On the subject of improving automobile emission standards while getting more

ASKED WHAT impact shortages of natural gas this winter will have on U.S. employment, Zarb said: "The weather will be a factor as to

"Every method must be utilized to obtain maximum utilization and reduce our present consumption of all fuels. At the same time we

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## Live Coverage On TV Of Liaison Conference

KETC Channel 9 will have live coverage of  
the White House Conference on Domestic and

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Good area coverage by printed and  
electronic media

### National Coverage

AP, N. Y. Times, Washington Post,  
Washington Star, Christian Science Monitor.  
Area coverage on public broadcast television,  
entire conference (donated feed provided by  
commercial station).

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# White House conference here will be televised

KETC-TV, Channel 9, will carry live  
coverage of President Ford's White House  
conference here Friday, beginning at 8 a.m.  
President Ford and

ation, Domestic Council. Remarks and  
questions and answers.

11:20 a.m.— James T. Lunn, director