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RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1976



Research Report

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY FRIDAY, JULY 30, 1976

- Carter met with Jerry Rafshoon and Jody Powell in Plains to discuss campaign strategy. AP 7/30
- Jerry Rafshoon said the advertising budget would be \$8.5 million to \$10 million. About \$6.5 million would go to television advertising. " We're going to position Jimmy as a competent administrator, show him on television with approaches to issues, " Rafshoon added. AP 7/30
- Mondale and his wife attended a party in Afton, Minnesota. UPI 7/31

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1976

- Carter relaxed with his family in Plains.
- Four more briefings, similar to last weeks, are planned by Carter between now and Labor Day. The topics will include government reorganization, tax reform, international economics, and social programs. AP 7/31
- Mondale addressed the South Dakota State Democratic Convention in Pierre, South Dakota. NYT 8/1
- Mondale told the audience at the South Dakota State Democratic Convention; " I dont want to break your hearts with this, but Mr. Butz will not be the Secretary of Agriculture " in a Carter-Mondale Administration. " Four times in the last three years this ' free market ' Administration, so-called, has embargoed farm exports, seriously undercutting the position of American agriculture in the world trade." Mondale added that, " we will make food, not guns, the major focus of American foreign policy. " A Carter-Mondale administration would also try to modify " estate tax laws so farmers can pass on their farms to thier heirs, nothing is more sacred in American life. " NYT 8/1

- Mondale later stated, regarding the Republicans, that " most of the problems that we have in America today are because they haven't told the truth and haven't obeyed the law. " A Carter-Mondale administration would be " committed to telling the truth and obeying the law...Watergate should not be kept out of the campaign. The issue of legality, integrity and openness in government may be one of the most important of all issues. "

NYT 8/1
WP 8/1

- The latest Gallup poll, completed last Monday, shows Carter leading Ford 62% to 29% and Reagan 64% to 27%.

WP 8/1

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1976

- Carter attended services in Plains with his family. He later played softball.
- The London Observer reports that Europe would prefer to have Carter in the White House than Ford.

LAT 8/1

LAT 8/1



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1976

- Carter met with top staff aides in Plains. AP 8/2

- Carter will speak in Manchester, New Hampshire, Tuesday, on "government policy and the strength of the American family." He will then fly to Washington and return to Plains on Wednesday. AP 8/2

- Carter will begin a lengthy speaking tour around September 1; he will campaign in California and the Pacific Northwest. LAT 8/3

- Jody Powell stated yesterday, regarding campaign strategy: "I think it is our feeling we would be better off with about eight good weeks of well-planned, well-integrated campaigning than racing off in 40 different directions the week after the convention was over...Governor Carter is somewhat anxious to get back on the road and get out where the people are." Hamilton Jordan added, "We are taking a very conservative approach to our budget. That is the way Governor Carter operated as governor...It will be as vigorous a campaign as the primary campaign was." BALT. SUN 8/3

- Carter spent \$8.9 million during his primary campaign, according to a report filed with the Federal Election Commission. The operating budget of his presidential campaign will be \$19.2 million. The advertising budget has been cut to between \$7 million and \$8 million, \$2 million will be held in reserve for emergencies, and an additional \$3 million from the Democratic National Committee is hoped for. AP 8/2

- Carter, in an interview with ABC News, was asked what role his faith would take in the White House, if elected. Carter said, "moral standards are primarily personal in nature. One of the teachings of Christ, which I believe, is that we should not judge other people...All of us are sinners, none of us are better than others." ABC 8/2

- Carter selected a former campaign aide to Senators Robert and Edward Kennedy to direct his Presidential campaign in New York. Mr. Doherty is a Boston lawyer and a former Democratic State Chairman in Massachusetts. NYT 8/3



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

- Carter spoke in Manchester, New Hampshire. It was Carter's first speech since his nomination. NYT 8/4
- Carter attended two fund-raising events in Manchester, Tuesday afternoon, for local Democratic candidates and the New Hampshire state party treasury. NYT 8/4
- Carter met with Gloria Schaffer, the Connecticut Secretary of State, who is the Democratic Senatorial nominee. NYT 8/4
- Carter flew to Washington, where he will spend Wednesday. He will meet with his national campaign steering committee, hold press conferences and attend a dinner hosted by the House Democratic Study Group. WP 8/4
- Carter will return to Georgia Wednesday evening. WP 8/4
- Carter stated in New Hampshire: " I believe we can restore what was lost. I believe we can bind our people back together. I believe we can restore human values, respect for one another, intimacy, love, respect for the law, patriotism, good education, strong churches, a good relationship among our people and our government. I pledge to you that every statement I make, every decision I make, will give our families a decent chance to be strong again. " Carter added, " Because of confusion or insensitivity, our government's policies have often actually weakened our families, or destroyed them. " AP 8/4
NYT 8/4
- Regarding Ford, Carter said, " We've seen an almost unbelievable spectacle in Washington- the President of the U.S. deeply concerned about an ex-movie actor, traveling all over the nation to get a handful of delegates here, a handful of delegates there, which is O.K. " Carter accused the President of " neglecting the basic responsibility of leadership...lack of leadership is the biggest single handicap the Republican Party will face this year. " NYT 8/4

- The " Nixon-Ford administration, " Carter stated, governs by " vetoes and not vision...scandal and not stability...rhetoric and not reason... 'WIN ' buttons and empty promises instead of progress and prosperity. " WP 8/4
- Carter added that, " Under Nixon-Ford-Kissinger we have had too much of a secret, lone ranger type of foreign policy. Next year we are going to change that...Like Harry Truman, I'm going to run against the terrible record of Republican administration in the Nixon-Ford administration. " AP 8/3
BALTSUN 8/3
- Carter said the Republicans will make an " almost unprecedented vicious personal attack on me, on Senator Mondale and other Democrats. " The Republican Party was " going to be desperate and in desperation they will turn to personal attacks--mark my words. " NYT 8/4
- " The Republicans have already begun to send out their collections of critical newspaper clippings. They've had Senator Dole and others that have begun to make very strong statements about my stands on issues... The thrust of it won't occur...until after the convention is over. " When asked how these attacks would differ from the attacks Carter had launched earlier, Carter said, " I don't remember any attacks I launched toady. " CBS 8/3
- " The Republican Party, as it was in 1948, is still a party of backwardness and a lack of progress. " The Democratic Party is " one of progress, looking to the future, " Carter stated. WP 8/4
- On abortions, Carter stated, " We need to do something about teenage pregnancies. We need a strong family planning program, better adoption procedures, better education, strong moral leadership to reduce or eliminate the need for abortions. " NYT 8/4
- On busing, Carter said, " On sensitive issues like busing, we need always to insure that children can go to the school closest to their own home. " NYT 8/4
- On tax reform, Carter proposes, " A complete revision of the income tax structure, to eliminate the loopholes and special privileges that have been enjoyed by the rich and the powerful entities in our society. In the past, a tax reform, quite often, has resulted in the cheating of the average American family because the reforms are shaped by the intense pressure from special interest groups and the general public is not aware of what's going on. I'm going to be responsible, as President, for a comprehensive tax reform. " ABC 8/3

- Carter attended a \$1,000 per person fund-raising dinner where the press was not allowed to attend. After media complaints, Carter opened the following reception to the press.

CBS 8/3

- Joseph Califano, a former special assistant to President Johnson, was appointed by Carter to serve as " a special adviser to me on how Federal programs can aid and support the American family. "

NYT 8/4



Research Report

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1976

- Carter greeted a delegation of milk producers at his hotel. NYT 8/5
- Carter spoke at the first meeting of the Democratic Party's National Steering Committee. NYT 8/5
- Carter was interviewed by the New York Times. He also met with the editors of the Scripps-Howard newspaper chain and lunched with the editorial board of the Washington Star. Carter later took questions from the editorial board of U.S. News & World Report. NYT 8/5
- Carter attended a fund-raiser for Tom Maloney, the Democratic senatorial candidate from Delaware. NYT 8/5
- Before leaving for Plains, Carter attended a \$200-a-plate fundraiser for the Democratic Study Group. WP 8/5
- Carter in an interview with the New York Times, said he felt Ford would be nominated, but the Vice President would not be John Connally. " Maybe the only person in the country who has a lower rating (regarding public trust) in the polls than Connally is Governor George Wallace. " NYT 8/5
- Carter considers it "fair" to talk about the "Ford-Nixon Administration," not "the dishonesty & the disgrace of Nixon, but Ford's continuation of Nixon's policies, yes... I don't see any change in Ford's attitude toward government or his lack of leadership in transportation, the Post Office, or agriculture. Ford is such a weak leader--in my opinion, he has been just a quiescent extension of the policies of Nixon. " NYT 8/5
- Regarding campaign strategy, Carter said it was being approached in a " mathematical way. We have evolved a formula with several factors in it, the number of delegates, the results of opinion polls at this point, etc. We just run every state through that formula and then decide how to allot our time...The general proposition is I'd go where I'm strongest and Mondale would go where he's strongest. " Carter plans to make a major issue speech every week or 10 days after the Republican Convention. NYT 8/5

- Concerning Carter's criticisms of the Ford-Nixon Administration, Carter said, " Well I reserve the right at any time to point out the failures of a person in public office; an absence of leadership, a disharmony between the White House and the Congress, a lack of purpose--those are analyses of the political and leadership inadequacies of the administration. It certainly is not a personal attack on President Ford. I've never said anything in my life that was to be construed as a personal attack on President Ford. " Asked if he felt the Republicans were really going to get dirty, Carter said, " I hope not, but that's what I believe. "

CBS NEWS 8/4

- Harry Reasoner interviewed Carter on foreign policy, Wednesday evening. Reasoner asked Carter if he disapproved of Henry Kissinger. Carter answered, " Yes, I think Secretary Kissinger is a brilliant man and a good negotiator and has a good sense of humor. I like him personally. But I think the thing that I don't like about Henry Kissinger, I don't believe he trusts the American people, our judgment, our common sense. I don't think he has a deep commitment to the use of the high moral character that the people do...He's much too inclined to act secretly, excluding us from participation in the decision making process...Secretary Kissinger has been inclined to establish his own reputation with highly publicized and sometimes nonproductive trips to Peking... Moscow. He's made decisions that affect our natural allies and friends...without adequate prior consultation. "

ABC NEWS 8/4

- Mr. Reasoner asked Carter what changes in foreign policy he would make; " I would strengthen the relationship among European countries in the NATO area. I think a strong Europe...would be to our own advantage. " Carter added, " I think we need to have a much more comprehensive approach to the problems of mutual defense. "

ABC NEWS 8/4

- Regarding Japan, Carter feels " We need to have a reassurance given to the Japanese, that before we make any major, immediate decision as relates to the People's Republic of China or shipment of crucial elements or commodities to Japan...that we ought to consult with them. "

ABC NEWS 8/4

- " I would be inclined to a friendship with the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China, " Carter added. " I think that friendship ought to be based on strength. I would never yield in any way the full responsibility that would fall on my shoulders, which is the most important of all, to have a nation strong enough in this defense capability to guarantee the security of our country. "

ABC NEWS 8/4

- Carter agrees with Secretary Kissinger's policy in Africa. " I think this is brought about belatedly by the abject failure of the Kissinger-Ford-Nixon policy, for instance in Angola...In the aftermath of that debacle which was brought about primarily by secrecy and a lack of planning and a lack of consideration of the needs of the natives of Angola, we suffered and in the analysis of that suffering or mistake, I think Mr. Kissinger has moved in the right direction..."

ABC NEWS 8/4

- Carter told the Steering Committee not to be "dormant or quiescent, but be aggressive...I need your cooperation, I'll meet you more than halfway. I believe the country is also hungry for restoration of the belief that the President and the members of Congress of our great nation can work with mutual respect, mutual understanding and mutual commitment and in the open for a change. "

CBS NEWS 8/5

- Concerning Ford's pardon of Nixon, a panel from the Washington Star asked Carter, "If it's unfair for you to raise the pardon, is it not equally unfair for Senator Mondale to raise it?" "Well, I don't want to answer that question," Carter replied.

WS 8/5

- At a Democratic Congressional dinner, Representative Udall introduced Carter saying, "Do unto others--Ford and Reagan--what you did to me and those other candidates. "

CBS NEWS 8/5

- Mondale told the Democratic Study Group, "We're ready to protect America's environment and we're ready for better health care and education and jobs, but we can't get any place with the President who's forgotten how to sign his name. "

CBS NEWS 8/5

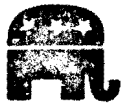
- Patrick Caddell, in an interview with CBS News, said, "The Republicans are fairly behind and I think you expect them to be on the attack, once they have a nominee and once they get started." Asked about a possible conflict of interests due to his clientele, Caddell answered, "We have a lot of clients...we provide them research...I don't think there's a conflict. "

CBS NEWS 8/5

- On the CBS News, Wednesday evening, Leslie Stahl interviewed Richard Thaxton of the Republican National Committee regarding Carter's accusations of a "personal attack" on him by the Committee. Leslie Stahl stated, "The RNC has sent news organizations and Republican politicians packets, like these, with newspaper clippings on Jimmy Carter's political past. After reading this material, one Republican called Carter, "A Southern-fried McGovern." But there is nothing in the packets on Carter's personal life. The RNC spent \$50,000 on the research, deny they have anything vicious to use and say Carter's attack is a political gimmick." Dick Thaxton said, "We've never dug for dirt, as the saying is concerned or as the saying goes. Our main thrust was going through the Archives, the newspaper clippings, everything that was on the public record. As far as any digging for dirt, no, we've not done that, we have no intentions to. I think Gov. Carter's, he's now the Democratic nominee and I think he's, as a public figure, he's fair game for criticism when he has made an inconsistent remark or contradictory remark. I think his position on the issues are squishy, if you will." Ms. Stahl asked Mr. Thaxton, "Why do you think that Gov. Carter would launch his counter-attack before the attack was launched?" Thaxton: "I assume he's nervous because I assume he knows what's on the public record and I assume he knows where the inconsistencies are and contradictions are. "

" Precisely what ammunition the Republicans use against Jimmy Carter, " Ms. Stahl said, " probably won't be known until after the Kansas City convention. One Republican official said, ' Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan are too busy battling it out with each other to worry about Jimmy Carter just yet. "

CBS NEWS 8/4



Research Report

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 1976

- Carter fished in Plains with his brother Billy, his daughter Amy and two of his sons. LAT 5/7

- Carter commented on government reports Friday of an increase in the nation's unemployment rate to 7.8 percent. Carter said, " the unfortunate thing is that the present Administration has accepted a 7% or 8% unemployment rate as a normal circumstance...And that's one of the reasons, I think, that the Republicans are in trouble politically. " LAT 8/7

- Regarding Vice President Rockefeller's comment that Carter was " ruthless, " Carter said he does not consider himself " ruthless; " I consider myself to be a very reticent person, very sensitive about other people's attitudes, feelings and sensitivities...anybody who knows me would not think I am ruthless." Carter added that Rockefeller was speaking for a party that " has lost its esteem among the people of the country...Instead of being able and willing to meet me and Mondale on the basis of an open and frank discussion of the issues and the record of the incumbent President...I think and I'm afraid that the campaign on the Republicans' part is going to degenerate into a personal lashing-out about ruthlessness and dictatorships and so forth. " LAT 8/7

- Governor Brown will meet Carter in Plains on Thursday. Gary Davis, Brown's executive secretary, said that he considers the meeting " a signal to the activist community that Governor Brown is going all-out to help Governor Carter, and they should as well. " Brown will also campaign for Democratic House and Senate candidates in Maryland, Delaware, and Pennsylvania. LAT 8/5

- Also on Thursday, George Bush will arrive in Plains to brief Carter on foreign policy and security. LAT 8/6

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1976

- Carter hosted a fish fry at his brother Billy's peanut warehouse in Plains. NYT 8/9

- Carter met with Jerry Weintraub regarding fund-raising concerts for the Democratic National Committee's voter registration drive. Weintraub is a rock music impresario. NYT 8/9

- Carter then met with Ralph Nader who remained overnight in Plains. Carter said, " I think his [Nader's] motivations are impeccable. " Carter added that he would seek Nader's advice on appointments he would make as President to regulatory commissions that influence consumer services. LAT 8/8
- Nader said Carter's positions on consumer protection and citizen participation in government are " admirable, " a " breath of fresh air, " and " better than any candidate that has achieved the nomination of any major party in recent decades. " NYT 8/9
- Carter played softball Saturday evening; Nader umpired. LAT 8/8
- Carter issued an apology to Governor Wallace for a comment Carter made Wednesday. Carter had said Wallace ranked low in public trust in voter surveys. Carter was " very sorry about any misunderstanding " that it may have caused. WP 8/8
- A short circuit in a coin-operated soft drink machine caused a spark that ignited gasoline fumes and set part of Billy Carter's gas station on fire. No one was seriously injured. WP 8/8
- Richard Moe, campaign director for Mondale, said heavy campaigning by Mondale will likely be in the " key industrial states in the North east and Middle West, as well as the farm belt and the West Coast. " Mondale will place emphasis on domestic issues, Moe added, " He's an issues person. He doesn't know how to campaign any other way. " The specifics of day-by-day scheduling are being worked out. On August 15 and 16, Mondale will attend three labor union conventions in Asheville, North Carolina, Miami, Florida and Las Vegas, Nevada. NYT 8/8

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 1976

- Carter participated in the men's Sunday school class at the Plains Baptist Church. WP 8/9
- Carter attended services at the Plains Baptist Church. He held a press conference afterwards. WP 8/9
- Carter told reporters, " the total amount of money that hasn't been accounted for by documents...is about \$150,000. " This amount may have to be returned in matching funds. Carter also commented on a report that Carter campaign funds were given to black ministers in California in return for black votes. " Obviously, it hurts me politically...There's nothing illegal about it, I might point out, except that if someone black or white, pastor or lay person, does keep campaign funds, they obviously are stealing from the campaign...I don't have any doubt that somewhere in a massive campaign, nationwide in scope, that

there are others who keep part of the money, both black and white people, and that's something that is almost impossible to prevent...Most of my black leaders on a nationwide basis are people of impeccable credentials. "

LAT 8/9
WP 8/9
BALT. SUN 8/9

- Women reporters were excluded from members of the press that were allowed to cover Carter's participation in the men's Sunday school class at the Plains's Baptist Church. " We have always divided the Sunday school classes up by sex and age, " Carter said, " and there's a conflict there obviously between access to the Sunday school class and the change in the basic customs and traditions of the church. And I think the deacons acted within their authority and I have no objection to it. "
- The tentative Carter-Mondale slogan for the fall is " Leaders, for a change. "
- In an interview with the Chicago Tribune, Mondale stated, " I've never been for busing for busings sake. I've never been for forced busing to achieve racial integration...What I object to is official discrimination. I believe a government that tries can work with the courts, work with the community, can bring about a remedy like the one in Atlanta. "
- Michael Wachter, an economic adviser to Carter, says that an unemployment rate of 4.5% cannot be achieved by fiscal and monetary policy alone without touching off " the highest ongoing, inflation rate in the postwar period. "
- Carter will spend all day Monday in Washington, D.C. He will attend a meeting held by Ralph Nader at the International Inn and then meet with Democratic Representatives and Senators on Capitol Hill. Carter will later attend a fundraising dinner at the Hyatt Regency for Junior Members of Congress and fly back to Georgia, Monday evening.

WP 8/9

NYT 8/9

CT 8/9

WSJ 8/9



Research Report

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 1976

- Carter spent the day in Washington. He spoke to Ralph Nader's Public Citizens Forum, met with the Democratic House and Senate committee chairmen. He later attended a fund-raising dinner for Junior Members of Congress.
- In a speech to Ralph Nader's Public Citizens Forum in Washington, Carter stated, "I would like to see Congress pass a law to make it illegal for the movement of members of regulatory agencies back into the industry from which they've come under the present administration... If it's impossible to pass a law, then through executive order and a firm commitment from those I am considering for appointments, I'll prevent that continuous egress and ingress between these two entities in our society."

WP 8/10

- Carter called Ford's administration's approach to corporate bribery overseas "permissive criminality." Carter said, "the concept of confidential disclosure seems to be a conflict in terms. And the concept of permissive criminality would seem to me to be a conflict in terms. I see no reason why our activity should contribute to corporate crimes of any kind."

BALT. SUN
8/10

- If elected in November, Carter said, "I'd like to challenge him (Nader) for the title of the top consumer advocate in the country." Nader said he feels Carter is well-read, bright and concerned with major consumer issues, but he has not stated whether he will work for Carter or not.

BALT. SUN
8/10
UPI 8/10

- Carter repeated his support for legislation to create an agency for consumer advocacy; hopes for legislation to strengthen the Justice Department's hand in blocking corporate mergers; believes the president has an obligation to "express displeasure" when he sees something he doesn't like on television; hesitates to commit himself on a nationwide no-fault automobile insurance law, but believes it is "inevitable"; and does not know if he would dismantle the CAB or ICC to let the trucking and airline industry compete solely on the market place bases.

WP 8/10
UPI 8/10

- Carter favors strengthening controls governing "things which the consumer cannot adequately assess for himself," such as food purity and environmental quality.

WP 8/10

- Carter called the \$2-billion program to build the nation's first full-scale nuclear breeder reactor "a substantial waste of money," and said "that atomic power itself should be relegated to the last priority as far as energy sources

are concerned. "

AP 8/10

- Carter opposes Nader-backed legislation to authorize government agencies to reimburse citizens who contribute to their decision making. He prefers the creation of a single consumer agency within the government.

WP 8/10

- Carter endorsed a bill giving the attorney general power to seek injunctions preventing mergers before they occur. Carter also promised that there " is going to be a different climate in the White House " if he is elected.

WP 8/10
NYT 8/10

- Carter spoke to the Democratic chairmen of the House committees. Representative Madden, Chairman of the Rules Committee, told Carter he had moved the voter registration bill after Carter's call to Mr. Albert. The House later voted to drop key provisions of the bill that Carter had lobbied for.

BALT. SUN 8/10

- Carter asked House and Senate committee chairmen for advance notice of major policy and legislative initiatives. Carter also told the House group, " I don't have any right to act as if I already was President. I'll try to be very careful about that. "

AP 8/10

- The Consumer Federation of American issued a statement " enthusiastically " praising Carter for a " refreshingly candid description of how his administration would act upon important consumer issues. "

WSJ 8/10

- Carter returned to Plains and will vote Tuesday, in Georgia's state and primary election.

AP 8/10

- On Wednesday, Carter will leave Plains to meet with his staff in Atlanta. He will then speak to the American Bar Association at the Atlanta Civic Center. Carter will return to Plains Wednesday night.



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1976

- Carter voted in Georgia's Democratic primary
BALT. SUN 8/11
- Carter told reporters in Plains that the Democratic National Committee will use the first \$2 million it raises to get voters to register for the fall campaign. " We'll devote another several million dollars to getting out the vote on election day. "
BALT. SUN 8/11
- " It'll be a much closer race in peoples' minds, " than the 1972 election, Carter said at a news conference Tuesday. " McGovern didn't have a chance. I think I'll win, but I don't think when Election Day comes there will be a feeling that it's a runaway or a sure thing. And I think that will make more people turn out. "
AP 8/10
- Carter cited his approval of the House passage of the voter registration bill. He added that inclusion of the amendment that eliminated mass mailing by the government " simplified " the legislation and cut its cost. " Mass mailing is not a major factor. I don't believe it would have been implemented this year. "
BALT. SUN 8/11
- Regarding Clarence Kelley's statement that he would not resign if a new administration takes office, Carter said, " The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the FBI director have customarily let the President decide " such matters.
AP 8/10
- Carter, in an interview with Jerald terHorst, said, " I intend to approach the question of tax reform differently than it has been done in the past. My purpose...is to go all out for a fairer tax code and try to sell it to the American people and to Congress simultaneously...I intend to do it early in 1978, because it will take my administration about a year to get the reform package ready. "
CT 8/11

- Jerald terHorst asked Carter about an estimate that the proposals Carter has endorsed would amount to " \$300 or \$ 400 billion in additional spending that the country could ill afford. " Carter asserted, " That's not true...I believe, according to my projections, that we will have a balanced budget at the end of four years of my administration, in contrast to the Nixon-Ford deficit accumulation of \$170 billion, the most red ink in peace time. " CT 8/11

- Carter has decided to campaign in California one week earlier than previously planned. He will arrive in Los Angeles August 22 and attend a fund-raising function for the Democratic National Committee. Carter will meet with the national committee steering committee August 23. " We do see a present problem on the West Coast, " Jody Powell stated. " One of the reasons we're going there first is that we feel we need to get Jimmy into the region early. " LAT 8/11

- Carter is " very much inclined " to engage in televised debates with his Republican opponent, Jody Powell told UPI. " It is our preference and our strong inclination. We have some publicly expressed thoughts on them. " A recent Gallup Poll showed seven out of ten persons in favor of such debates. UPI 8/10

- CBS News reported that Carter's position on federal regulatory agencies is very close to Mr. Ford's. It appears, CBS stated, that Carter has taken a page directly from Mr. Ford's book. Carter's statement to the Democratic Platform Committee uses the exact same language the Secretary of the Treasury, William Coleman, used in a speech last year. A spokesman for the Carter campaign said, " We're still trying to figure how all this came about." One White House aide added that Carter should be congratulated for " his fine selection of source material. " CBS NEWS 8/10

- The Baptist Ministers' Union of Oakland, California and the Mount Lion Missionary District Association have returned the \$2,000 they received from Carter's campaign organization. Reverend J.L. Richard, the head of both groups, stated, " We assumed that this was to be expense money disbursed through the black clergy for workers in the campaign. The questionable implications currently being suggested becloud our original good intentions. " On Sunday, the Los Angeles Times quoted Richard as saying, " When a preacher stands up in his church and talks about Jimmy Carter, he's working for Jimmy Carter as far as I'm concerned, and he should be paid for it...I don't work for no damn politician for nothing. " Richard denied the statement. AP 8/10
WP 8/11

- Former Senator Howard Metzenbaum flew to Plains to confer with Carter on Tuesday. Metzenbaum discussed strategy with Carter and asked Carter to campaign in Ohio in " August, September, October, and November 1. " He added that Carter is " substantially ahead " in Ohio by close to a 2-to-1 lead. BALT. SUN 8/11

- Tuesday, in an interview, Mondale said he will continue to criticize President Ford's pardon of Richard Nixon. " I don't plan to make that the only theme or the dominant theme, but the issue of equal justice is an important issue facing the country. " Mondale added, " We'll be ready to go flat out by Labor Day " for the campaign. Mondale, in the past few weeks, has been " getting a feel for where we can be most helpful...I'm going to be working in the traditional Democratic constituencies, " he said, listing them as labor unions, rural American and education groups.

AP 8/11

- At the end of August, Mondale will make a 10-day trip across the country; it will be his first major campaign tour. Along with his planned series of speeches to labor groups next week, Mondale will visit Minnesota " for what you might call a vacation...a working vacation. "

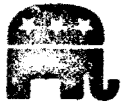
AP 8/11

- Evangelist Billy Graham told Christians Tuesday not to vote for " born-again " Christian political candidates simply because they agree with their religious views. " I would rather have a man in office who is highly qualified to be President who didn't make much of a religious profession than to have a man who had no qualifications but who made a religious profession. "

LAT 8/11

- Billy Carter told a reporter, " I got a mama who joined the Peace Corps when she was 68. I got one sister who's a holy roller preacher. Another wears a helmet and rides a motorcycle. And my brother thinks he's going to be President. So that makes me the only sane one in the family. "

LAT 8/11



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1976

- Carter spoke to the American Bar Association's national convention in Atlanta. He then returned to Plains and played softball, Wednesday evening. WP 8/12
- George Bush will give Carter and Mondale a second intelligence briefing, Thursday. Governor Brown will meet with Carter and Mondale and spend the night in Plains. Representatives of Italian-American groups will also speak with the candidates. AP 8/12
- Carter plans to help raise funds in Charleston, West Virginia Saturday for the state Democratic party. He will speak at the Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner and return to Plains. AP 8/12
- Carter opened his speech to the American Bar Association by reciting the honor code of the military academies. He then stated, " If I become President, I'll never turn my back on official misdeeds. I intend to take a new broom to Washington and do everything possible to sweep the house of government clean. " Carter emphasized his belief that U.S. attorneys general should not be political appointees. " Our U.S. attorney general has often replaced the postmaster general as the chief political appointee, and we have on recent occasions witnessed the prostitution of this most important law enforcement office...As much as is humanly possible, the attorney general should be removed from politics... " LAT 8/12
- Carter also stressed his pledge to end " the sweetheart arrangement " between federal regulatory agencies and the industries they regulate. Carter added, " Absolutely no gifts of value should ever again be permitted to a public official. Complete revelation of all business and financial involvement of major officials should be required...The activities of lobbyists must be more thoroughly revealed and controlled. " LAT 8/12
- " A prime responsibility of our next President, " Carter declared, " will be to reestablish confidence of the American people in the professions, in business and in the various departments that make up our government--in other words, to reestablish confidence in the American system. It is not whether we want to make some incremental corrections, but whether we wish to preserve the system. " LAT 8/12

- Mondale criticized Attorney General Levi and FBI Director Kelley for not solving problems of corruption and abuses of power within the FBI. " It is absolutely crucial that the Attorney General control and direct far more closely than he does the day-to-day operations of the bureau. Mondale was interviewed by the Los Angeles Times and said that while he personally liked Kelley, " I do not think he's really got control. I don't think he's got much time left to prove that he can do so. "

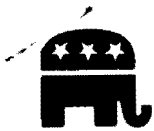
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- The Washington Press Club sent Carter a telegram on Wednesday protesting the exclusion of women reporters from a press pool that covered his Bible school class. " We recognize that you did not want to overrule a long-standing custom of your church in admitting only men to the Sunday School class. However, a member and often the teacher of that class is now a national figure whose public appearances should be open to coverage by all reporters. Exclusion of reporters from participation in press pools, on the ground of sex or race. . . is a form of discrimination that for years has burdened women reporters and black reporters. . . We urge you to reassess your decision. . . "

UPI 8/11

- Ralph Abernathy stated that Carter is " not as specific on the issues as he ought to be. It may be that even though he is from Plains, Georgia, and does know something about peanut farming, he does not know enough about the problems of the poor community. "

UPI 8/11



Republican
National
Committee.

August 13, 1976

Dear Editor:

Enclosed are several articles which focus on columns and editorials concerning Jimmy Carter. We feel that these are some of the better articles available from the public record, and hopefully will add to your understanding of Jimmy Carter. We hope these articles will be useful to you in the weeks ahead.

You will be receiving one more mailing in the near future concerning Carter's career. We intend for these packets to be one of the many informational tools you will need in order to develop a realistic and objective assessment of the Democrat nominee. Please contact us if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Richard Thaxton
Director
Political/Research Division

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WESTMORE NEWS, THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1976

“DIRTY TRICKS”
IN CARTER’S 1970 GUBERNATORIAL CAMPAIGN?

By N.L. Curtis

THE MAN BEHIND THE CARTER SMILE

Westmore ~~News~~ News By N.L. Curtis
July 22, 1976 Westmore, New York

'Absolutely Ruthless'

Newsweek, July 19, 1976

~~WASHINGTON POST~~

George F. Will

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Footsteps of
Humphrey

Has Carter already lost his presidential bid?

HART FORD TIMES 7-24-76

Hart Ford

George McGovern lost the 1972 election at the ... A ... ford the urban ethnic system. Carter thinks he does

James J. Kilpatrick D/pms Wash. Star 7/15/76

Carter: the man, the opposition and opportunity

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The Running Mate
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The Monitor's view

Christian Science
Who is Jimmy Carter? *Monitor*

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Friday, July 16, 1976

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William F. Buckley Jr.

After the coronation

Popcorn A Peanut in a Poke

Wall Street Journal
July 16, 1976

Big Switch
Dem. Pres.
By Carter:
Peace Act

Columbus Dispatch

By Jeffrey Hart
King Features Syndicate

7-12-76

Carter's First Mistake

**Richmond
News Leader
July 15, 1976**

The Carter Coup

NEW YORK.

It would be wrong to

Dem. Pres.

The Candidate's Contradictions

Omaha World Herald 7-15-66

Carter Sells Himself

But Dodges The Issues

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THE STATE

COLUMBIA, S.C.

NO ONE can fault Jimmy's specific courses of action, more sub

The Salt Lake Tribune

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Thursday Morning, July 15, 1976

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Real Carter Must Stand Up**

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Charleston Gazette

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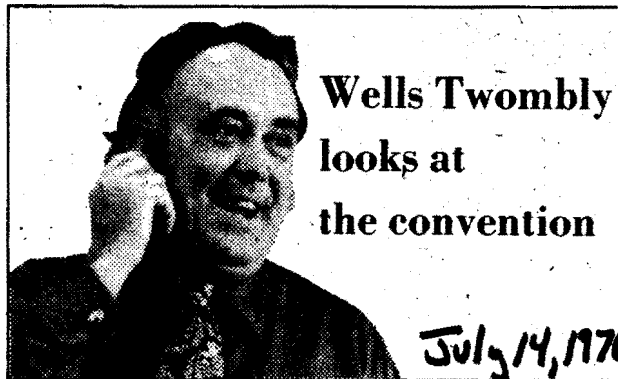
Andrew Greeley

How come it took so long?

CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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Great American Election Machine



Wells Twombly
looks at
the convention

The selling of James

Earl Carter

July 14, 1976

San Francisco Examiner

From a Georgia Newsmen, a Cautious Dissent

BY MILLARD GRIMES *June 1975* LOS ANGELES TIMES 7-29-76

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Charlotte Observer

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But Carter Has His, Too

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Frank Starr

Carter woos the 'economic elite' which he criticizes

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Tax-reform demagogues

hide their real aim

WASHINGTON STAR 7-24-76

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Dallas Morning News

He'd Be Aggressively Apathetic

7/27/76 Dallas Morn. News D/PWS

By JIM WRIGHT

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JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 1976

- Friday, at a press conference in Plains, Carter criticized Dole's "reputation as an aggressive campaigner" and compared Dole and other critical Republicans to Lester Maddox. "I've had a lot of training for that kind of attack. I've spent four or five years dealing with Lester Maddox while I was governor and he was lieutenant governor. He's an expert. I don't know Sen. Dole very well. I have seen comments about him that indicate he's a very aggressive cage rattler." CT 8/21
- Carter said he was surprised at the President's choice of Dole and added that Dole would give Ford "a solid base in his own home area, which he did not have and may still not have." WP 8/21
- Carter will not respond to any Dole allegations. "Sen. Dole or Cabinet members, I think, should be answered by my press secretary or Sen. Mondale. I'm going to try to stay away from that because I think it's something that the country does not want now." NYT 8/21
- Regarding the "Nixon-Ford Administration," Carter said, "There is an almost complete continuity, not in the crimes--I think President Ford is an honest and decent man--but in the policies. In a completely dormant way, he simply extended what Nixon has evolved, Nixon being a much more active and aggressive President, and I think to that extent, President Ford is responsible for the continuity that exists. . .it's not my fault that Nixon's unsavory." CT 8/21
- "I think," stated Carter, "there was a commitment in the platform and in the acceptance speeches last night that the country would continue to drift, that there would be no initiatives from the White House on very important matters [such as] welfare reform, tax reform, government reorganization, a comprehensive energy policy, transportation policies. Because of the absence of leadership from the White House, the Congress has had to move forward, sometimes in a very fumbling way, and President Ford's major accomplishment has been to veto these attempts by Congress." WP 8/21
- Carter stated that Ford "might very well spend one debate just debating against his Republican Platform, because in many ways it criticizes his Administration." Ford had to "yield on every Reagan proposal on the platform," Carter added.

- Mondale told reporters in Minnesota Friday, that the choice of Dole completed a Republican ticket that was "outside the mainstream of American life. They are both very conservative men. I don't think it speaks for the desires and interests of the American people. . . While the President delivered his speech well, it has an air of unreality to it." Mondale added that "the real comparisons are not between August 1974 and now, but between January 1969 and the previous record of the Democratic Administrations. . .Practically everything in the economy is worse."

NYT 8/21

- Lester Maddox said Friday, Carter "is not for real. I know that he is just the opposite from what he says." Carter is a "cold, cunning, cruel person who will destroy anyone that gets in his way."

AP 8/21

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1976

- In an interview with C.L. Sulzberger Carter stated, "There can be no deleterious consequences to keeping the people and Congress informed. If national security is involved on some special issue and it is therefore inadvisable to publicize details, at least Congress must be kept advised. After all, our Secretary of State would speak to the world with a hollow voice if he didn't speak for the people. That is one of our troubles now. The people don't even know what Kissinger is talking about much of the time." Carter added, "I want a Secretary of State like Marshall or Acheson, a strong spokesman. . .But it is the President who must be responsible for ultimate decisions. Right now it isn't clear whether Kissinger or Ford makes the final policy decisions. I personally think it's Kissinger, not Ford."

NYT 8/22

- Carter stressed to Sulzberger that "emphasis would be on discussion with Congressional leaders of both parties. I would furthermore favor inclusion of some qualified Republicans in my Cabinet, if I am elected, or in other positions dealing with international affairs."

NYT 8/22

- Carter will speak at a Town Hall Forum in Los Angeles on Monday, address the American Legion Convention in Seattle, Washington Tuesday, campaign in Des Moines Wednesday, and then return to Plains.

NYT 8/22
PI 8/22

- After opening his campaign on Labor Day, Carter has plans to attend a stock car race in South Carolina and an evening rally in Virginia.

NYT 8/22

- Mondale would "be glad to debate Sen. Dole at any time."

UPI 8/21

- Jody Powell, Carter's press secretary, said, "Not to pussy-foot around, our support is both harder and more enthusiastic than President Ford's, according to our latest surveys." Powell said campaign strategists had designated certain "battleground" states in which they expect the election to be hotly contested. Although he would not name them, they began with "California and the West and then running through the industrial midlands with Ohio and Illinois and Michigan and Indiana and up into the Northeast with such states as New Jersey and New York and up into Massachusetts." Powell said the Carter staff has found "items of interest" in Dole's record that may be cited during the campaign.

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- Eugene McCarthy stated in an interview, "I can see why Henry Jackson supports Carter--he's just as militant as Henry. And I can see why George Wallace would support him. He's the closest thing to Georgia that's left." McCarthy added, "Carter is demagoging on government efficiency and reorganization. . .I think Carter's attack on detente as a cover for the Soviet's continuing their world revolution sounds like Richard Nixon in the 50's. . .Carter is talking about cutting the fat out of the defense budget. He ought to be talking about cutting the lean."

PI 8/22

- Billy Carter accepted Elmo Zumwalt's invitation to make some campaign appearances for him. Billy added, "I really know very little about him. I like his long hair (policy) in the Navy, that's about it. . . I'm not an issue man."

WP 8/22

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 1976

- Carter flew to California Sunday.

AP 8/22

- Carter will launch his campaign on Labor Day in Warm Springs, Georgia, a retreat of Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Carter will then begin campaigning in the South and Northeast.

WP 8/23

- In an interview published in the French weekly L'Express, Carter said the attitude of West European Communists was a threat to peace. Carter answered questions from Pierre Salinger, former press secretary to John Kennedy. "I don't think it is good to intervene directly or indirectly in (foreign elections). . .I hope that the countries of the Atlantic Community will make the Italians and French understand that Communists have dual loyalties which most often will tip in favor of the U.S.S.R. and the East European nations. This is a threat to their security and to peace." Carter would stress "stable and confident relations with Europe and Japan" if elected. He does not consider himself an isolationist, but he "would never engage the United States military in the internal affairs of another country unless our own security was threatened." Carter also stated that Ford and Nixon "exploited the word detente like a publicity slogan." Carter "would make it clear that I want a mutual reduction of atomic arms with well-defined limits and carefully controlled, a halt to the growth of the atomic arsenal. All this with the objective of one day completely eliminating all nuclear arms."

AP 8/22

- Questioned about the Concorde, Carter stated, "I do not favor the use of supersonic aircraft under foreign flags to the United States, in as far as the Congress and the U.S. government rejected the SST which could have been built in the United States." He was opposed to the SST because of "enormous consumption of energy per passenger, the enormous cost of the necessary investment and also the risks it contained for the environment. . .If these factors worked against an American aircraft, I think they should also work against Concorde and against any foreign plane."

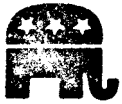
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- Carter considers the killings of two American Army officers in Korea - "a deliberate murder. I think it would be a very serious mistake for me as a candidate to take an opposite position from President Ford in a time of crisis where our own national security might be involved. . . I think he's making the proper decisions. The murder--and it was deliberate murder in my opinion--of the two servicemen in unexcusable." AP 8/22
- "Former California Governor Ronald Reagan would have added a great deal of trouble for me in California had he been on the top or in second place on the ticket," Carter said Sunday. "I have been an underdog in the past, and I generally have come out the top dog." AP 8/22
- Sen. Kennedy met with Carter on Thursday; the Senator agreed to campaign for the Carter-Mondale ticket. WP 8/23
- Mondale will leave for Washington Monday and then begin a nine-state campaign swing through several Northern states this week. AP 8/22
- The Carter campaign organization is creating an "ethnic desk" to help in overcoming Carter's weakness among Catholic ethnic groups. It will be headed by Terry Sunday, a former assistant for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Sister Victoria Mongiardo of the National Center for Urban Ethnic Affairs. WP 8/23
- Mary Zon, former director of research for the AFL-CIO's Committee on Political Education, was appointed the Carter campaign's liaison with labor. WP 8/23

THE HARRIS SURVEY asked a cross section of 1,494 voters nationwide:
 "Let me read you some statements that have been made about Jimmy Carter, the Democratic candidate for President. For each one, tell me if you tend to agree or disagree." CT 8/23

PROFILE OF JIMMY CARTER

	Dis- agree %	Not Sure %
POSITIVE		
He's done a good job of unifying the Democratic party for the first time in years.	82	7 11
He is a man of high integrity.	75	5 20
He is not part of the Washington, D. C., establishment, and that is good.	73	11 16
He is the kind of new, fresh face that is needed in the White House.	68	20 12
He feels deeply about less privileged people and genuinely wants to help them as President.	68	10 22
As President, he would inspire confidence personally in the White House.	62	15 23
He got the Democratic nomination without owing any of the oldtime leaders anything, which is a good thing.	65	13 22
He has the courage not to make promises to get votes.	57	26 17
He is a deeply religious man, which is important to me this year in choosing a President.	50	32 18
NEGATIVE		
He has ducked taking stands on issues to avoid offending anybody, and that is wrong.	43	39 18
At first, he sounded like an independent candidate, but in making peace with all the old political bosses, labor leaders and others in the Democratic Party he doesn't seem so independent anymore.	42	32 26
It's hard to get up real enthusiasm for him as a candidate for President.	39	52 9
He looks good at first glance, but he doesn't have enough experience in national and world affairs.	36	40 24
He makes me uneasy because I can't tell what kind of person he really is.	34	55 11
He strikes me as a tough and controlled politician, underlain his soft talk.	32	52 14
He is too cocksure about winning the election in 1980. Somehow his personality leaves me flat.	26	64 10
He is too pious and holier-than-thou about his being a religious man.	17	65 18



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 1976

- Carter attended a meeting of the National Democratic Steering Committee in Los Angeles. He then spoke at a Town Hall Forum. NYT 8/24
- Carter handed out voter registration cards at a Mexican-American market. He then spoke before the Watts Labor Community Action Council. After an interview at the Los Angeles Times, Carter left for a Democratic fundraiser in San Francisco and an overnight stop in Seattle where he will address an American Legion Convention. WP 8/24
LAT 8/23
- Referring to Ford Administration officials, Carter stated at a Town Hall Forum, "These leaders are so shortsighted. Doesn't it make more sense to spend money on milk and education today, to help children get a fair start in life, than to spend the money on police and courts and jails 10 years from now, when those children have grown up untrained for a productive life and turned against a society that treated their needs with indifference?" CT 8/24
- Carter noted that Ford has vetoed 53 bills passed by Congress in his two years in the White House. He said Nixon had only 41 in six years. "And to be four times as negative as Mr. Ford's predecessor is a remarkable achievement. There is something seriously wrong when the members of Congress, all of whom were elected by the people, repeatedly passed legislation the country needs, only to have it vetoed by an appointed President. I believe those men and women in Congress are a great deal closer to the national mood than Mr. Ford has shown himself to be." Carter added that Ford has a record of "political insensitivity, of missed opportunities, of constant conflict with the Congress and of national neglect." CT 8/24
WP 8/24
- "Do you know what the basic Republican anti-inflation policy has been?" Carter asked his audience. "To put people out of work. Cooling down the economy, they call it, because that sounds nicer. I say to you that any economic policy that sees virtue in unemployment is morally and politically and intellectually bankrupt. . .our leaders ignore the human factor in government. . .they think in terms of statistic and economic theories instead of in terms of real human need." CT 8/24

- Regarding the Republican National Convention, Carter said the speeches represented "the same old tired rhetoric about Socialism and reckless spending" that the GOP has been using since New Deal days. "I don't think the American people are much impressed by that kind of rhetoric." CT 8/24

- "As a governor," Carter told his audience, "I have been on the receiving end of our federal programs. Members of Congress may see the new programs on the drawing board or hear about their theories, but governors and local and state officials deal with the realities." Carter said his experience has involved wrestling with the "unnecessary regulations and the paperwork and red tape and the overlapping jurisdiction" of federal bureaucracy. WP 8/24

- "It seems almost inevitable," Carter stated, "that if political leaders stay in power too long and ride in limousines too long and eat expensive meals in private clubs too long they are going to become cut off from the lives and concerns of ordinary Americans." Carter arrived for the Town Hall Forum in a limousine. PI 8/24

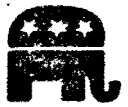
- The Democratic Party began a \$1 million voter registration drive Monday; it is aimed at about 14 million blacks and Spanish-speaking Americans. Carter told the Democratic Steering Committee "this is the kind of project that's good for our country, good for the Democratic Party. It's not an accident that when we register people who are not now registered, quite often we help our own party more than the Republican Party." NYT 8/24

- Carter said that this year many voters were looking for new leaders who had no hand in the mistakes of the past in Washington. "This is suggested not only by my own campaign, but by the success that Gov. Ronald Reagan achieved in the Republican Party, and by the success that Gov. Jerry Brown achieved in several of the Democratic primaries. For however else we may differ, Governors Brown and Reagan and I have in common the fact that we are all outsiders as far as Washington is concerned and committed to major changes in our nation's government if elected." UPI 8/23

- "We don't want divisions to arise between black people, Spanish-speaking people, white people, and between different ethnic groups." Carter is depending on the Committee to "help us keep the Democratic Party bound together." AP 8/23

- The televised debates between Carter and Ford may be illegal under the new campaign law. Attorneys for the Federal Election Commission have begun to study the issue. The first debate, as planned by the League of Women Voters, is tentatively planned for September 28, with two more to follow in the weeks of October 11 and 25. The week of October 18 is the proposed date for the Mondale- Dole debate. NYT 8/24

- Terry Sunday, Carter's newly appointed director of Catholic affairs, does not "see a confrontation on this abortion issue between Carter" and the church's hierarchy but rather "a dialogue between them and other leaders of the Catholic community." AP 8/23



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1976

- Carter shook hands with factory workers before dawn at the Boeing Aircraft plant in Seattle, and then had breakfast with hopeful Democratic leaders. After holding a news conference, Carter spoke to American Legion members. NYT 8/25
- Carter will speak at a fund-raising dinner for the Voter Education Project Monday in Atlanta. NYT 8/25
- Carter said that he would like to speak to the legionnaires "about the single hardest decision" he had made during his campaign. "Many of them [Vietnam veterans] thought it was a bad war, but they went anyway. A lot of them came back with scarred minds or bodies or with missing limbs. Fifty thousand didn't come back at all. [They are the] nation's greatest unsung heroes. I could never equate what they have done with those who left this country to avoid the draft. But I think it is time for the damage, hatred, and divisiveness of the Vietnam War to be over. I do not favor a blanket amnesty, but for those who violated Selective Service laws, I intend to grant a blanket pardon. Amnesty means that what you did is right. A pardon means that what you did--that right or wrong--is forgiven. So pardon yes, amnesty no." Carter later told reporters, "I don't think the person who pardoned Mr. Nixon--I think it was President Ford--specified that Nixon was guilty or not guilty." BALT. S. 8/25
UPI 8/24
- Carter accused Ford of having a "dismal record" regarding the interests of Vietnam veterans, a record of "vetoes and passive resistance. . . Despite the mandates of the law, many federal departments and agencies have few disabled veterans or Vietnam veterans suggested within them. It took the Labor Department 18 months to establish administrative guidelines to issue the hiring of veterans. . .The record of placement in private-sector jobs and training has been no better." BALT. S. 8/25
WP 8/25
- Carter described the country's treatment of the Vietnam veterans as "nothing less than an American tragedy," adding that it was part of the "bitter legacy of an unpopular war. I do not seek a blind or uncritical patriotism. Obviously a government's policies must be deserving of public support. But in recent years, disagreement with our country's policies too often became rejection of our nation itself. There is a great need for the next President to do everything in his power, by work and deed, to restore national pride and patriotism in our country--and if I am elected, that is what I intend to do." WP 8/25

- Carter told the legionnaires, "Our defense must come not only from our fighting forces but from our people's trust in their leaders. Only then can we, in Theodore Roosevelt's phrase, 'speak softly but carry a big stick'. . .The very words 'national security' have fallen into disrepute. . . because they have been misused by political leaders to hide a multitude of sins, and because they have been used to justify inefficiency and waste in our defense establishment." NTY 8/25
PI 8/25

- "We must bind up our wound. We simply cannot afford to let them fester any longer," Carter said. "The world is too dangerous. We cannot remain distracted from what must be our overriding aim. Attention must turn to rebuilding the military, economic, and spiritual foundations of a peaceful world order." AP 8/24

- At a news conference, Carter said he would consider revival of the draft "if that was the only alternative to protect our country adequately, then certainly I would do that, and I think I would have the unanimous support of the members of Congress and everyone else, but I don't anticipate that would be necessary." CT 8/25

- Carter added, "We must frankly and constantly assess the effectiveness of our present voluntary recruitment program. As unemployment drops and civilian jobs become more plentiful, it will be much more difficult to maintain our present strength." CT 8/25

- Carter was asked by reporters about a U.S. Civil Rights Commission report. "I personally think children of both races are served better in an integrated school. I think it's unfortunate that we still have than many (4 out of 10) of our black students in completely black schools." UPI 8/24

- In an interview with C.L. Sulzberger, Carter stated, "No administration can completely adopt the platform drawn up by its party. After all, I didn't control the Democratic Platform Committee. I cannot blindly accept all of it. Many things depend on how the world develops." NYT 8/25

- Sulzberger asked if Carter would remove our diplomatic representation abroad from the U.S. political spoils system. "If I am elected, you can depend on that. . .only a small percentage of our ambassadors were trained, competent people. I am and have been disgusted by this. . . That will terminate." NYT 8/25

- "There is a growing commitment among United States black leaders to strengthen bilateral relations with black African countries," Carter told Sulzberger. "It is obvious we must improve relations with virtually all developing nations. We must heal bad relationships that now exist and, bilaterally, seek out our common goals." NYT 8/25

- In an interview with the Los Angeles Times, Carter stated, "I have not wedded myself to the Kennedy-Corman [national health insurance] bill. I have my own--my ethic would be to minimize government responsibilities as long as I could guarantee an equitable quality of health care for our people throughout the country. If it took extra money, I would try to provide it through increased tax revenues or from some other mechanism. I think that the net increase in cost of health care would be relatively minor. . .less than \$10 billion." LAT 8/24

- Carter also said, "The Humphrey-Hawkins bill has been drastically amended in the last two or three months. So far as I know, everyone of those amendments has brought it closer and closer into conformance with my own philosophy. I favor first of all that jobs be provided in the private sector, and not the government sector. . .I also think that we had in the Humphrey-Hawkins bill, as it was originally formed, an unwarranted constraint on unemployment. . .What has been done now is to set a goal at the end of four years to have 3% adult unemployment. . .I think it is a reasonable goal to establish." LAT 8/24

- Regarding divestiture of the oil industry, Carter stated, "I wouldn't put divestiture as my first goal. There are two areas of oil company investment that concern me. One is horizontal investment in the coal industry and in uranium and geothermal areas and the other one is at the wholesale and retail level. . .Unless I can provide adequate competition through other mechanisms, I would stay with divestiture." LAT 8/24

- "I don't doubt that the Congress needs a lot of prayer," Carter stated at a news conference. But Carter believes in "a complete separation of church and state. I would not have as public a worship as has been exercised by recent residents. I would join a nearby Baptist Church and worship there in a quiet and unobtrusive way each Sunday." AP 8/24

- "I understand President Ford is seeking someone who understands my own demeanor and mannerisms in speaking so he can practice," Carter stated Tuesday. He added that Ford was a lawyer, a veteran of years in Congress, and a "superb debater." But at a press conference later in the day, Carter said he may have been "exaggerating." President Ford's "total absence of leadership capability" will come across in the debates, Carter said. He added that he would not be "reticent and timid." UPI 8/24
CT 8/25

- Representatives of Ford and Carter are due to meet with League of Women Voters officials on Thursday to discuss the proposed debates. NYT 8/25

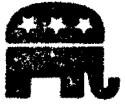
- Mondale attended a fund-raiser in Maryland for Representative Sarbanes's Senate campaign. BALT. S. 8/25

- Mondale has begun a nine-day, nine-state campaign swing. Wednesday he will meet with Mayor Daley in Chicago and then speak in New York City Thursday. Other stops include Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, back to Illinois, Ohio, Oregon, California, Nevada, and Colorado. AP 8/25

- In an interview Tuesday, Mondale stated, "If we have Mr. Carter, we'll have full employment and the rest will follow." AP 8/25

- The Opinion Research Corporation conducted a telephone survey of 1,005 adults; 46% of the voters would choose Carter, 37% would vote for Ford. In the South, Carter received 45% and Ford 32% with 23% "undecided." Carter held 41% in the Midwest with 40% for Ford and 19% "undecided." NYT 8/25

- The Chairman of the American Independent Party said Maddox's candidacy "would certainly cut in on Carter in the South. It would be possible for him to win three Southern states--Mississippi, Louisiana, and Tennessee." CT 8/25



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RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1976

- Beginning with a rally Tuesday evening, Carter spent 18 hours in Iowa. After the rally, Carter spoke to 500 members of the United Auto Workers: "In a way you're responsible for me," he told his audience, "because if it hadn't been for Iowa, I wouldn't be the nominee. So when I make a mistake you kind of share it with me. And if I disappoint you, you can't blame me too much because you're responsible for me." WP 8/26
- On Wednesday, Carter addressed a crowd of 7,500 at the Iowa State Fair. He later returned to Plains to spend the weekend with his family. BALT. S. 8/26
- "If I am elected," Carter told his audience at the Iowa State Fair, "we will make sure that our (CRO) support prices are at least equal to the cost of production. That will not guarantee a profit--no real farmer wants that--but it will give the determined farmer a chance to stay in business. . . ." PI 8/26
- "The result of this Republican foreign policy is the farmers are going broke trying to produce food that the American consumers cannot afford to buy. It's not my idea of a fair shake when the government promotes foreign sales and then cuts them off for political convenience. Four embargoes in the last three years is a record of unparalleled incompetence and we farmers have really paid the price and we'll still pay the price and that's not fair. . . It's not my idea of a fair shake for the farmers to sell clean grain, and then to see chaff and dirt and rubble added to a shipment and have crooked inspectors approve it for shipment overseas. . . It's not my idea of a fair shake when inside speculators with special connections in the Agriculture Department make windfall profits on grain deals while the producer himself has probably already sold his crop at a loss. That's happened, it's not going to happen anymore." CBS NEWS 8/25
WP 8/26
- Carter would "take agricultural leadership in Washington out of the hands of the corporate interests and the grain speculators" and "close the revolving door that exists between the Agriculture Department and the large special interests." WP 8/26

- "Everytime Nixon, Ford, and Butz have imposed a new export embargo it has caused permanent damage to our export market," Carter told his audience. He cited a "wall that separates the producers of food and fiber from other consumers. . . a wall that has been built by Gerald Ford, Earl Butz, and his Department of Agriculture." ABC NEWS 8/25
WP 8/26
- Carter added, "Gerald Ford vetoes the idea of a fair, honest, and independent inspection and we still don't have honest inspection of American grain." WP 8/26
- "I'm not here to guarantee farmers a profit. I never have met a farmer that insisted he or she had to be guaranteed a profit. But I am here to tell you that for a determined farm family that's willing to work, I'm going to give you a chance to stay in business." ABC NEWS 8/25
- Carter called for a "stable, healthy export market." He said the new export embargo caused "permanent damage to foreign markets for farm products." Carter added, "I've decided to go ahead and run my campaign, to go to the White House, to stop farm embargoes once and for all." ABC NEWS 8/25
- Mondale's first stop in his campaign swing was to visit Mayor Daley of Chicago. Mondale then campaigned in Harrisburg, Pa. before flying to New York. While in Chicago, Mondale met with 15 executives of Chicago ethnic publications. On Thursday Mondale will campaign in New York, Wisconsin on Friday, then Illinois, Ohio, and California. PI 8/26
NBC NEWS 8/26
- Mayor Daley called Mondale "one of the outstanding statesmen of our time." Mondale, in turn, described Daley as "one of the truly great mayors of our time." PI 8/26
- Regarding Ford's refusal to receive Alexander Solzhenitsyn at the White House, Mondale said, "I've read all of Solzhenitsyn's books. I don't agree with all of his recommendations, but he should be respected as an unusually gifted witness to totalitarianism and greeted and received as a symbol of freedom." PI 8/26
- I don't think the Catholic vote or the Protestant vote is going to be directed by the clergy," Mondale stated. "I have great respect for Cardinal Cody but there are far more important questions for the citizens of America than abortion." NYT 8/26
- "Central to to the concern of any Carter Administration will be the whole question of how governmental policies, economic policies affect the life of the average American family. . . Basically what we want to do, is make a change in the way the government operates, make it efficient. . . concerned with the life of the average American." NYT 8/26
- Regarding full-employment, Mondale stated, "It's not radical, it's not revolutionary, we've done it before, it's American--that's what we're talking about. And that Ford and that Dole ticket are out of the main stream of American life, that is a very Republican ticket and America cannot afford a very Republican ticket anymore." NBC NEWS 8/25

- "The Republican administration and the Republican vice presidential nominee," Mondale added, "have both had clear and consistent records of ignoring the problems which citizens living in our cities face. They have helped engineer now two very severe recessions over the last eight years and as we meet today nearly 8% of the American work force is unemployed." ABC NEWS 8/26
- "They said in their platform they want less government, less spending, and less inflation," Mondale said, "but let's, as Al Smith said, 'Let's look at the record.' After 8 years of inept leadership and mismanagement, they have given us more government, more spending, more inflation, and record unemployment as well." ABC NEWS 8/26
- Mondale stated, "There is no housing policy at all in America, they have dismantled it. There isn't a housing recession, there's a housing depression." ABC NEWS 8/25
- According to the most recent Gallup Poll, Ford has cut Carter's early August lead of 23 points to 10. Carter received 49% of the electorate compared with 39% for Ford; the poll was based on personal interviews with 1,016 registered voters. NYT 8/26
- In an interview, Jack Anderson stated regarding Carter, "I'm beginning to get the impression that there's more than just a smile; that there's a mean streak beneath the surface amiability. For another thing, there's a hardness underneath that engaging sincerity. . .He tends to fuzz and blur the issues. . .He's already got a 'Palace Guard' before he's got the Palace." ABC NEWS 8/26



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1976

- Carter, at a news conference in Plains, stated that his comments on embargoes may have been "too strong... Anybody in his right mind would not rob our people of food... You have to keep any statement within the bounds of rationality... Obviously there are some circumstances where if we had a complete failure of our grain, soybeans or wheat, we would have to restrict our imports." Carter denied being "fuzzy" on the issue, adding that embargoes would be used only in a catastrophe of almost unimaginable degree." Carter would not have imposed any of the four recent grain embargoes; "The measurement of emergency as exhibited by the Nixon and Ford decisions was much more lenient than my own."
NYT 8/27
BALT. S. 8/27
- "I have never anticipated an easy time," Carter told newsmen regarding the fall campaign and the latest Gallup Poll. He attributed the narrowed gap to "the general euphoria that always sets into a nation as they observe the conclusion of any harmonious convention."
BALT. S. 8/27
- After meeting in New York City with the American Jewish Committee and the New York Society of Security Analysts, Mondale spoke with Governor Carey, Lieutenant Governor Krupsak and Mayor Beame.
NYT 8/27
- Mondale told the Jewish leaders that both political parties should be "absolutely clear and unquestioned in their support of Israel so that adversaries could see this is not a political position but an American position."
NYT 8/27
- The Carter administration "will not turn our backs" on New York, Mondale told his audience. "If any city had received as many poor people as New York City, they would be broke today."
NYT 8/27
- Mondale told the security analysts, "the free enterprise system must also be a human system." When you make a plea on behalf of the private sector, I hope that you will couple it with understanding and compassion for those who cannot share in its fullness. This Administration and too often some of the leadership of the business community would ignore that responsibility."
NYT 8/27
WSJ 8/27
- Speaking at the Bankers' Club, Mondale stated the Republicans were responsible for "the most virulent inflation in the last quarter century." Carter and Mondale were "determined to restrain inflation" and pledged to "pursue" tax reform along with "strong antitrust enforcement and regulatory reform to encourage old-fashioned competition."
NYT 8/27
WSJ 8/27
- "The record shows that the business community has nothing to fear and a lot to gain from the election of a Democratic President in November," Mondale told the security analysts. Carter would provide the "presidential

leadership to avoid unnecessary and unproductive wage-price spirals. We don't want a controlled economy." Mr. Carter "is sensitive to the needs of the business environment."

WSJ 8/27

- Mondale said the Carter-Mondale tax proposals would "be constructed with concern for continuing the strength of our capital markets, for strengthening the role of the individual investor, and for improving the debt-equity ratio. They will reflect our commitment - the overwhelming commitment of our people - to the private sector." WSJ 8/27
- Regarding Ford's pardon of Nixon, Mondale states, "They were excused from acts of lawlessness committed at the highest level of government. There is nothing more sacred in this country than the notion that if you're big enough, and powerful enough and rich enough, there's a different law that applies to you than to everyone else." CBS NEWS 8/26
- "The President possesses all the trappings and authority in that White House and that's a tough, tough thing to stand up against," Mondale told the press. CBS NEWS 8/26
- The Baltimore Sun reported that Carter has intervened in an attempt to block Senate confirmation of many of the appointments of Ford and the regulatory agencies. Carter was said to have reinforced the view to the Democratic chairmen of the Senate committees that it would be improper to allow Ford to "pack" pivotal agencies in what may be his last months in office. BALT. S. 8/27
- Golda Meir denied comparing Carter with Hitler or saying she was afraid of his religion. "I have met Mr. Carter twice," Mrs. Meir said. "I was impressed by his personality. We had an inspiring talk and I am convinced that he will give no credence to the fabrications attributed to me." UPI 8/26
- Lester Maddox in an interview discussed Carter: "If you don't go with Jimmy, you don't go." "I recognize him today as a power-mad sort of an individual...I believe he will crush or destroy anything or anybody that gets in his path...He's real tough and he's mean...Jimmy Carter will take over Congress...If he's elected he'll become our last President and our first dictator...I think he's the biggest fake that I've ever known in my life." Maddox has been serving a "Jimmy Carter sandwich" in his restaurant; "It had a little peanut butter and a whole lot of baloney in it," Maddox added. ABC NEWS 8/28



Research Report

RNC RESEARCH DIVISION
MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 1976

JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 1976

- Carter relaxed at his home in Plains. He met with Ben Brown, his deputy campaign director. PI 8/28
- On August 23, Carter sent telegrams to Democratic leaders in the 16 states that have not ratified the Equal Rights Amendment. "I am committed to equality between men and women in every area of government and in every aspect of life," the statement said and Carter asked for "your political support and leadership for the various state and local women's rights groups." PI 8/28
- During an interview at the Los Angeles Times Monday, Carter said, "I would have no objection to Proposition 14 being passed." On Wednesday, Carter called a spokesman for the Council of California Growers after receiving a message saying that a fight against passage of the initiative was being planned and they would like a clarification of Carter's remarks. Carter reportedly told the spokesman, "I think it's not a fair conclusion to say that I support Proposition 14, because I'm not that familiar with it." LAT 8/27
- In an interview with C.L. Sulzberger, Carter stated: "If I am elected, things will change. We will shift more to our large coal resources. We will work hard to improve conservation. We will develop new sources, especially solar energy. And finally, atomic energy uses will be expanded-- although I shall emphasize coal and conservation." NYT 8/28
- "For us to accept that the United States should plan a limited nuclear war would be a serious mistake," Carter told Sulzberger. "The Russians have drawn a distinction between tactical and strategic war. They have always gone all-out in their planning on the first. But the Russians make the distinction that they would exclude direct attacks by us on the Soviet Union in such a conflict. . . I hope we can limit and gradually reduce our dependence on nuclear weapons and eventually that these can be completely eliminated everywhere." NYT 8/28
- Carter added, "We have hundreds of treaties and executive agreements. All such overseas commitments should be reassessed. Those found obsolete should be eliminated. Of course, we must continue to support major commitments: to aid Israel, to support NATO, to support Japan. Yet there must be continual reassessments. Maybe we can reduce our forces abroad. . . reductions must be mutually arranged so that the Soviet side also reduces. . . Also, I would like to pare our approximately 2,000 bases overseas. I would like to be able to withdraw our troops from Korea in two or three years. . . Yet I hope we will continue to maintain air support for South Korea afterward." NYT 8/28

- Mondale met with auto workers at a Chrysler factory in Syracuse. He also toured the Crouse-Hinds electronic equipment plant before speaking at a breakfast for 1,200 Democrats. After campaigning for 16 hours in New York, Milwaukee, and northern Wisconsin and speaking to the Senior Action Coalition, he met with students at the University of Wisconsin in Eau Claire. Mondale later spoke at a reception for Wisconsin Representatives Obey and Baldus. PI 8/29
AP 8/27

- At the Democratic breakfast, Mondale said, "The Ford-Dole team adds up to the most anti-city ticket to seek election to the office of the Presidency and Vice Presidency since 1964." Citing Ford's opposition to various programs, Mondale added, "Now, you might think anyone seeking office with a record like this would at least pick a running mate who provided some off-setting concern. But the Dole record, if anything, is worse." UPI 8/27

- While campaigning in Wisconsin, Mondale told the crowds, "We're at our best when we love each other; we're at our best when we care for each other." He stated earlier in New York, "America is proud of work. To work is American. To have Americans out of work is un-American. We can't afford it." AP 8/27

- Mondale told his audience that Carter would not veto legislation designed to increase milk price supports as Ford had. "Because those vetoes were not overridden, many families have left dairying. When we get in power, one of the first things we're going to do is introduce that 85 percent minimum dairy price support." PI 8/29

- A complaint was filed with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Atlanta by a woman who spent eight months as a volunteer for the Carter campaign organization. Marie Brookter charged that she was denied a full-time job as a traveling press aide with Carter's staff because of her race and sex. She said blacks are absent from Carter's traveling press staff. Carter's press secretary, Jody Powell, said, "I'm not knocking her, but I would not have hired her under any circumstances. The problem in this particular case, with this particular person, has nothing to do with race or sex." WP 8/28

- According to an August 15 payroll report, average monthly salaries for Carter's staff were \$983.55 for non-whites, \$1,239.53 for male staff members and \$874.08 for women. Carter had 31 non-whites--about 28 of them black. The staff numbered 217 persons, 107 of them women. WP 8/28

- SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1976

- Carter spent the weekend in Plains. PI 8/29

- Mondale attended a rally for Representative Abner Mikva in Morton Grove, Illinois and an American Federation of Federal, State, County, and Municipal Employees local picnic. PI 8/29
UPI 8/28

- "If Communist leaders do obtain major roles in allied governments, it need not necessarily be a catastrophe, from our viewpoint, although it would undoubtedly be a source of major concern," Carter told C.L. Sulzberger. "Nevertheless, the United States shouldn't withdraw its support from such a country in such an event; that would only impel it toward the Soviet Union." NYT 8/29

- At the rally Mondale stated, "Mr. Ford said he plans to campaign on jobs, on accelerating home ownership, on providing health care that's affordable, on improving aid to education, and on cutting down crime. He must have a spy in his office--maybe Segrettis' back in town--because that's a list of his failures, not his accomplishments. . . If Mr. Ford can get away with this list of issues and be elected on it, which is his list of failures, then I'm going to call the dictator in Uganda, Mr. Amin, and tell him to start giving speeches on airport safety. I'm going to call Yasser Arafat and tell him to give us a speech on a secured, permanent state of Irael."

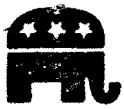
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- The Americans for Democratic Action voted to "support and work vigorously" for the election of the Democratic ticket. The endorsement stated that Carter "will provide leadership in the effort to achieve economic, racial and social justice." Senator McGovern presented the statement.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 1976

- Carter attended services in Plains. Later in the day he played softball. BALT. S. 8/30
- On Mondale Carter will meet with Jewish leaders in Atlanta. After a staff meeting and a physical, Carter will speak to the Voter Education Program. In Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, Carter will speak with Democratic Chairpersons and then meet with members of United Transportation. A speech will be given to the AFL-CIO followed by a discussion with Catholic Bishops. Carter is scheduled to speak to the United Board of Rabbis in New York City, Tuesday afternoon, along with the Italian Coalition. In the evening, Carter will attend a Democratic National Committee Fundraiser.
- Jody Powell immediately attacked Ford's speech in Yellowstone National Park stating, "A well-staged showcase visit is no substitute for the badly needed substance of good management and a timely action to preserve our national heritage. . . The belated campaign promise of additional funds comes in the face of two years of administration opposition to both increased matching funds for state and local park programs and desperately needed operational funds for the Park Service. It can only be seen as an attempt to cover up eight years of Republican mismanagement of our nation's park system. BALT. S. 8/30
- Travis Britt walked 900 miles from Maryland to Georgia to meet Jimmy Carter. "I wanted to see the charisma in your face," Britt told Carter. Carter in return said, "I will try never to disappoint you. I am really proud of you and heartily appreciate it." BALT. S. 8/30



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JIMMY CARTER NEWS SUMMARY MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 1976

- Carter began his day with a haircut in Atlanta and then spoke to Jewish supporters. He later addressed the Voter Education Project before flying to Washington. WP 8/31
- In Washington Tuesday, Carter will meet with state Democratic chairmen, the AFL-CIO general board, the head of the United Transportation Union, Senator Kennedy, and the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. WP 8/31
- Carter again asserted that he would not answer any "personal attacks" by Republicans and said that any attacks are "going to backfire on them." Senator Mondale would answer such criticism, Carter added. NYT 8/31
- "There are going to be a lot of other revelations in the future coming out of Congress or from the campaign to provide a true picture of what we are suffering from," Carter told Jewish leaders. Carter said that he reserved the right "to point out the failures of this administration and the lack of leadership." BALT. S. 8/31
- Carter addressed campaign volunteers outside the Carter-Mondale headquarters in Atlanta. He warned that it would be a mistake to underestimate "the aura of the White House" in the campaign. "It's not going to be easy. . . Don't forget this: Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter are both running for President for the first time." Carter added that Ford listed the issues for his fall campaign "between golf games" and that "there was no mention of leadership. There was no mention of trust in government. There was no mention of embarrassment or shame. . . of lowered expectations of government reorganization. . . of proper management. . . of tax reform. . . of welfare reform. . . of the cities. . . of inflation. . . of basic human rights. . . of secrecy and stripping it away. These are the kind of issues that are important to the American people, but they were not mentioned by our President as important enough to the American people during this campaign." BALT. S. 8/31
- "Well, we have a long way to go together," Carter told the volunteers. "I think we will be successful but we are going to have to approach every voter one at a time." BALT. S. 8/31

- Regarding the Senate report of Medicaid losses, Carter said, "When the Senate was investigating the management of Medicaid, where was the President, where were the officials in the executive branch who are supposed to administer the program? I don't know. Sitting in the White House perhaps, timid, fearful, afraid to lead, afraid to manage. That's something they're going to have to answer for. . .special interests in the delivery of health care have gotten rich and the people have suffered." WP 8/31

- Carter criticized the abuses by the nation's intelligence agencies. Carter said they have "tended to snuff out individual human rights. It has been a devastating blow to the American consciousness to realize that our government, of which we are so proud, in its two major law enforcement agencies has deliberately and habitually violated the law." WP 8/31

- Mondale addressed the Commonwealth Club of California in San Francisco. "Despite supplying arms to both sides, we could not prevent the Indo-Pakistan War nor the conflict in Cyprus," Mondale told his audience. "I believe there should be a presumption against arms sales which should be overcome only if the sale advances American security, foreign policy or world peace. I would much prefer to see food and peaceful goods, not guns at the heart of U.S. foreign policy. . .America yearns for a foreign policy that reflects our ideal--freedom, democracy and peace. It is not only what these sales do to other countries, it is what they do to us." WP 8/31

- As a first step, Mondale called for "the control of arms transfers" to be placed "at the front rank of the world's agenda" with perhaps a special session of the United Nations Disarmament Commission "to begin to raise the world's consciousness on the need for action." Mondale also proposed "a program of arms standardization "that permits all the major arms producing countries in the alliances to have a fair share of our common defense market." NYT 8/31

- Mondale, regarding possible further agreement on strategic arms to follow up the Vladivostok talks, said that he felt the negotiations were a "first step toward more effective limitations on reductions." But Mondale was "worried that a last-minute effort to clinch a deal for the election will not properly protect our security interests. . . . Even a good agreement in Vladivostok will not put much of a dent in the arms race." NYT 8/31

- "America was once proud to call itself the arsenal of democracy. But the Nixon and Ford Administrations have tried to turn us into just an arsenal. If we are not careful, we will be just an arsenal," Mondale added. NYT 8/31

- A Carter-Mondale Administration would propose a "two-track" approach to arms control. This would mean stressing reducing stockpiles of strategic nuclear arms, and trying to "gain control over the introduction of new, destabilizing and needless technological developments." NYT 8/31

- Mondale will meet with Governor Brown in Sacramento on Tuesday and continue on to Los Angeles. NYT 8/31

- In an interview on the "Today" program on NBC, Carter said that a tentative agreement had been reached with Republican representatives to hold three 75-minute debates beginning about the third week in September. Carter favors "an unstructured format" to give the voters a better opportunity "to decide how much I know compared to what he ~~knows~~ and what our general opinions are."

NYT 8/31