



"LAST THREE WEEKS . . . MOST IMPORTANT"
President Nixon addressing foreign labor leaders
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Crucial Time, Nixon Says

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — President Nixon said today the final three weeks of the presidential campaign are the most important because "that's when the people are listening and that's when the people make up their minds."

With the election exactly three weeks away, Nixon spoke to a group of labor leaders from 24 nations in the White House dining room. They are touring the United States on a trip sponsored by the State Department and the AFL-CIO.

Nixon said American election campaigns were far too long, but he told the listeners that they had come at an opportune time because the campaign had come to its most crucial point.

Continuing his own low-key campaigning, Nixon plans to make a political radio broadcast on Thursday

but has only one trip outside of Washington on his schedule for the week.

That is a journey to Philadelphia Friday to sign the revenue sharing bill at Independence Hall. The trip is billed by the White House as "nonpolitical." Governors of all 50 states were invited to the ceremony.

Nixon will make a 50-mile campaign swing by motorcade in suburbs of New York City Monday and meet with Republicans from 11 states. He will speak at a rally on Long Island that night.

The motorcade will end at Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's estate at Pocantico Hills where a reception will be held for Republican leaders from Maine, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont and New Hampshire.