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# Social Security Boost He Opposed Flap Over Nixon Taking Credit

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giving President Nixon 5 per cent. ministration actively opspite the fact that the adboost in benefits - decredit for the 20 per cent will include a printed note month before the election, cipients on October 3, one Social Security checks to charged yesterday that posed the 20 per cent and be mailed to 28 million refavored holding it down to Democratic Senators

objections, told the Senate months ago over strong and the 20 per cent figure through the Senate a few repeated administration (Dem-Idaho), who pushed that he is introducing a resoution to Senator Frank Church bar the printed

> rect reference to Mr. Nixon, take credit for the increase lest it allow the President to notes from including any di- John Tunney (Dem. Calif.), at a time when he is running for re-election.

non-partisan and not intendcandidate or another. A such notes is traditional ministration said the use of throughout the whole postsuch notes dated back ed in any way to boost one them spokesman said inclusion of hower was President 1954, war era, although the use of the President's name on But the Social Security adwhen Dwight Eisenhad started only in

#### BLOCKED

Cranston (Dem. Calif.) and Ribicoff (Dem. Conn.), Alan protest by Senators Abraham Church was joined in his

action on his resolution. but Republicans blocked any

Nixon vigorously opposed the increases," said Ribicoff. Soecurity increases are Nixon because President al message from President government envelopes mailed out next month, the should not contain a person-"When 28 million Social

on July 1,1972. 20 per cent, starting with this "Your Social Security pay-October 3 are scheduled to the checks to be received President Richard M. Nixon gress and signed into law by month's check, by a new ment has ben increased by include the following notice: statute enacted by the Con-The envelopes containing

"The President also

which will allow your Social conditions set out in the ture years according to the added to your check in fubenefit increases will be automatically if the cost of living goes up. Automatic Security benefits to crease

### 'DUPLICITY'

it "duplicity." the result of presidential leadership." Tunney called the 20 per cent increase is the impression that somehow shameless attempt to create Church called this "a

hower, Kennedy, Johnson though this is the first time spokesman said such notices Presidents Truman, Eisenand Nixon previously had been sent out under But a Social Security

signed into law a provision since 1950 that the notice is which will allow your Social to be received just before an enacted at a time when Ocer election day. This inelection. On all the otehr occrease just happened to be either well before or well aftcasions, said the spokesman, the increases were enacted able check in which to tober 3 was the first availclude the notices.

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