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**Republican Says Agnew  
Urged Nixon Criticism**

BREA, Calif., May 16 (UPI) —A conservative Republican Representative said yesterday that Vice President Agnew encouraged him to criticize President Nixon in order to counterbalance liberal advisors with conservative pressure.

Representative John G. Schmitz of California said Mr. Agnew would probably deny the incident. Mr. Schmitz said he was willing to take a lie detector test if challenged.

He told a Republican women's club meeting that he regretted that he had to tell such a story with newsmen present.

Mr. Schmitz said Mr. Agnew told him last year that he was discouraged because Presidential advisers of the left continually hold sway, and he gets pushed "around."

"Keep up the pressure on the White House. You're doing the right thing—pressure from the right equalizes pressure from the left," Mr. Schmitz quoted the Vice President as saying.