NIXON DENOUNCES TIDE OF TERRORISM

Campaigning in Midwest, He Asserts Violence Is an 'International Disease'

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Special to The New York Times KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19-President Nixon swung through the Middle West today, telling middle America that "a rising tide of terrorism and crime' could only be stemmed by Republican votes in November.

As he campaigned in Ohio, North Dakota and here in Missouri, the President objected most frequently and vehemently to "four-letter obscenities," and his critics obliged him with both shouted slogans and offensive signs, although they were not very successful at causing disruption.

"The four-letter word that is the most powerful of any in the world is 'vote,' " Mr. Nixon told a crowd of 2,500 at the Grand Forks International Airport in North Dakota.

References to Canada

Meanwhile, Mrs. Nixon was campaigning in Michigan and Minnesota. Appearing in De-troit on behalf of Mrs. George Romney, Republican candidate for the Senate, she said that women have a leveling influence in politics and that the country needs more of them in political office.

Throughout the day President Nixon gave an international flavor to his political campaign against violence and lawlessness by references to the slaying of Pierre Laporte, the Quebec Labor Minister, French separatists in Canada. In Ohio, he reported he had called Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau of Canada yesterday to extend his sympathy.

"But the thing we have to bear in mind," the President said in a Capitol steps interview in Columbus, "is that what happens in Canada is not limited to Canada. It is an international

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disease, the idea that if you have a cause, you use any means to bring about that cause, to accomplish it, and that the cause justifies the means."

During a 12-hour campaign day, Mr. Nixon appeared for two Republicans locked in close Senate contests, Robert A. Taft Jr. in-Ohio and Representative Thomas S. Kleppe in North Dakota, and for one Senate underdog regarded as a possible long shot, Attorney General John Danforth in Missouri.

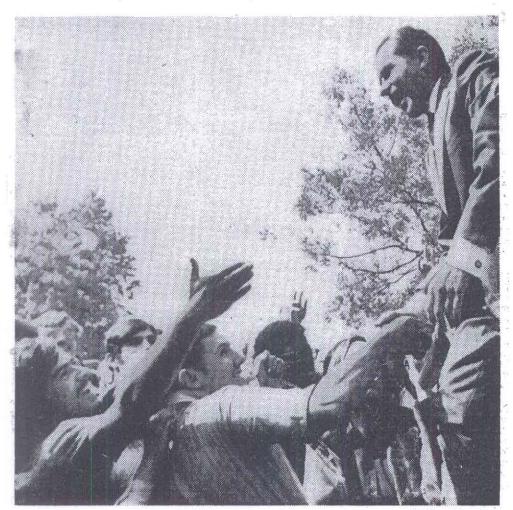
The President appeared to relish the prospect of hecking as long as it did not become really disruptive, since it underscored both his attacks on obscenity and permissiveness and his insistence that the great majority of his audiences—and thus the voters—disanproved of the hecklers.

When a very modest noise arose from his Grand Forks audience, Mr. Nixon called out:
"I can handle it. Don't you worry about it. Go right ahead."
He sounded the terrorism theme at the day's first stop, the Ohio Capitol steps, where a President had not stood since Herbert Hoover in 1931.

"All over this country today." the President declared, "we see a rising tide of terrorism, of crime, and on the campuses of our universities we have seen those who instead of engaging in peaceful dissent, engage in violence.

"When people try to shout down speakers with obsceme words"—here Mr. Nixon gestured at several hundred young people clustered in the crowd.

One self-styled hippie told him, "I don't want to die in Vietnam, stop the war." Mr.



GREETS STUDENTS IN COLUMBUS: President Nixon on the campus of Ohio State University, where he made an unscheduled stop and had a generally friendly 20-minute chat.

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Nixon replied: "We're winding down the war. We're bringing the troops home. You watch us, boy. Two million American boys have served in Vietnam. I'm proud of them, and I'm proud of you."

As the President's fourth campaign tour opened, it be-