

# 'If Nixon Wins, War May Go On'

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CHICAGO — (AP) — Sen. George McGovern told the voters yesterday President Nixon is trying to sell them another secret peace plan and "if Mr. Nixon is elected next Tuesday, we may very well have four more years of war."

The Democratic presidential nominee made the statement at a brief news conference in Chicago before heading for Waco, Tex., and appearances there and in Corpus Christi, Tex., Little Rock, Ark., and Granite City, Ill.

"Don't be fooled by an American President who time after time has put the survival of General Thieu ahead of peace, ahead of the release of our prisoners, ahead of the survival of our young men who are tied down in this war," McGovern said.

"I'm going to give one more warning," he said. "If Mr. Nixon is elected next Tuesday, we may very well have four more years of war in Southeast Asia."

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McGovern repeated his statement, made Friday night on a paid, nationwide television broadcast, that Nixon had deceived the American people into believing a peace settlement was near and then refused to sign an agreement worked out by his own national security adviser, Henry Kissinger.

In his news conference yesterday McGovern said he based that on a careful reading of Kissinger's statement on published reports of rejection of the proposed peace terms by South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu, and on Nixon's statements that extensive details remain to be worked out before any peace agreement can be signed.

The only special knowledge McGovern claimed is a report from undisclosed sources that Nixon original-

ly proposed signing the agreement Oct. 31, something the White House subsequently denied.

McGovern said the election on Tuesday will be a test of two different approaches to a presidential campaign.

He said Nixon's approach is "contrived, computerized and very much controlled, and marked by secret political contributions and an unprecedented level of political sabotage and espionage."

By contrast, McGovern said he has taken his message to the people and has "followed the rules of decency and fair play."

He also commented on reports that information from Secret Service agents assigned to protect him has been used for political purposes by the White House. McGovern said he has come to know the agents assigned to his bodyguard detail and "I have total confidence in them."

He added, "If the White House has misused information they have filed as part of their official duties, I can't comment on that."

McGovern expressed also appreciation for local law-enforcement officials who have escorted him in motorcades and control the

crowds along the campaign trail.

He said these local lawmen have often been jostled and shoved in the excitement of campaign rally crowds but that he had never seen one of them respond improperly or even lose his good humor.

McGovern's words on the war came toward the end of the news conference and were in an emotional tone of voice.

"I just want to warn the American people as clearly as I can not to buy this Nixon line on peace," he said.

"He has no plan to end the war. He will not let go of General Thieu. He's not

going to permit that corrupt Thieu regime in Saigon to collapse. He's going to stay there. He's going to confine our prisoners to their cells in Hanoi for whatever time it takes for him to keep his friend General Thieu in office.

"Now that is the fact. The American people better understand it. It was all right for people to be fooled once in 1968. If they do it again, if they let this man lead them down the false hope of peace once again in 1972, the people have nobody to blame but themselves. I make that warning just as clearly and sharply as I can."