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The Better Man [Editor's Report]

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With an attitude like that, what do you suppose
McGovern would have done last week when North Vietnam served
notice that unless the U.S. signed the proposed peace treaty
by its deadline the whole deal would be off?

I'll tell you what he would have done. He would have given in - just as he promised to end the war by giving in.

The greatest danger McGovern would bring to this nation in the White House is not his lack of experience, his inconsistency and his half-baked ideas. It would be his weakness as a national leader in the event of another showdown crisis with the Communists.

You've got to face up to them and call their bluff, as Jack Kennedy did in the Cuban missile showdown.

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What Nixon did was the greatest act of political courage I have witnessed in my lifetime.

For that one act alone he deserves to win by a landslide on Tuesday.

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