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**Congress and G.O.P. Committee
Favored Ford in Informal Poll**

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 12—An informal poll by The New York Times, taken before it was known when President Nixon would announce his choice for Vice President, showed that the House minority leader, Gerald R. Ford, was the favored candidate in Congress — among Republicans in the House in particular — and in the Republican National Committee.

The Times sent a telegram asking for Vice-Presidential preferences to all 535 members of the House and Senate and to the 162 members of the Republican National Committee. A total of 179 answers were received by mid-afternoon today, including 35 from Senators, 117 from members of the House of Representatives and 25 from the national committee.

Mr. Ford received a total of 38 votes, of which 32 were from colleagues in the House, five Democrats and 27 Republicans. Next in line, and with Mr. Ford far ahead of the rest of the field, was Governor Rockefeller of New York.

Mr. Rockefeller received 27 votes from House members—24 from members of his own party and four from Democrats—and three from Republican Senators; five national committee members also chose him.

Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona, the party's unsuccessful 1964 Presidential candidate, was the choice of 12 house members as well — six of each party. In the Senate, two Democrats and five Republicans decided for Mr. Goldwater, as did eight committee members, making him the choice of 27 of those polled, the third choice.

Eight members of the committee selected former Treasury Secretary John B. Connally of Texas, a long-time Democrat and recent convert to the Republican Party. Mr. Connally's name was also chosen by two Republican Senators and by three Republican representatives and one Democrat.