## Tax Audit Of Ford Is Ordered

Washington

The Senate Rules Committee asked President Nixon yesterday to order an audit of the tax returns of vice Presidential nominee Gerald R. Ford.

R. Ford.
Chairman Howard W.
Cannon Jr. (Dem-Nev.) said
he has asked Mr. Nixon to
order an audit for the past
three years and Ford's tax
returns for the past seven
years.

Cannon said the committee will probably open hearings on the confirmation of Mr. Nixon's nominee around Oct. 30.

Cannon said he has also asked the FBI to make "a very through and in-depth" investigation in to Ford's background and asked Mr. Nixon to make sure it is carried out.

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