

WASHINGTON REPORT

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During the 1968 Presidential campaign, the issue of crime became very prominent. Richard Nixon, as a candidate for the Presidency, promised to act decisively against the rising crime wave if elected.

Today, some people have begun to question that pledge. Crime is still very much a part of our everyday lives and federal action seems to be minimal. There is a temptation to write off the Nixon crime vow as just another one of those campaign promises that never get fulfilled.

But, the fact is that the Nixon Administration has acted to curb crime. If the efforts appear to have done little good, look to the Congress where the proposed anticrime action has gone largely ignored.

To understand what the Administration has done and where Congress has failed, it is first necessary to know those major areas where Federal Government can combat crime. There are three general areas: (1) The Federal Government can fight organized crime; (2) It can deal with the skyrocketing crime rate in the District of Columbia; (3) It can assist states and localities in improving law enforcement. President Nixon has offered proposals for movement in all three categories.

The White House has called for stiff measures to deal with organized crime. Even without the requested new laws, the Justice Department has moved on this front, and big time racketeering has been dealt severe blows in several sections of the country.

In the District of Columbia the acute street crime problem has received much attention.

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from the Nixon Administration. Several proposals have been put forth for making the nation's capital safe, including an experimental preventive detention plan under which a defendant charged with a serious crime could be jailed to await trial if a judge ruled he might endanger society if freed on bail. The President also has requested more police, more judges, more prosecutors, more money and a more efficient court system in an effort to handle the crime situation in Washington.

In the area of helping state and local governments fight crime, the President has suggested beefing up the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration. The main idea is for the Federal Government to provide more aid toward improving police departments, courts and correctional institutions.

In addition to all of the above anticrime steps, other Administration programs would hit hard at the pornography market and the narcotics trade.

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it disturbing that Congress has not acted on even one of the proposals. Action on crime, I believe, was a legislative necessity in 1969. It is a legislative must for 1970.

Why no action? The Democrats who control the Congress claim that they are unhappy with the Nixon crime offerings. They say that the lack of legislative movement in this area reflects their belief that a better crime package can be developed. I understand that the Democratic leaders intend to offer some anticrime suggestions of their own when Congress reconvenes. Personally, I welcome those suggestions because a good crime attack can result from a combination of good ideas. But, the important thing is to get the ideas together, develop a program, and get the crime fight underway — fast.

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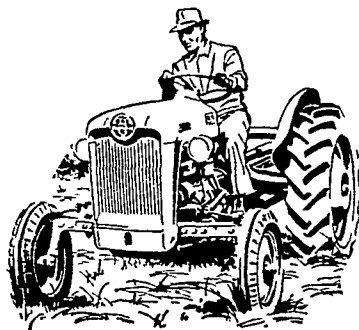
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