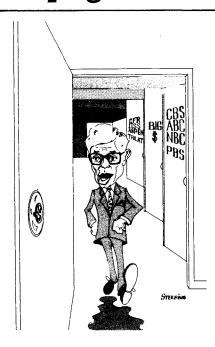
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Off to Europe, Anderson brings in the big bucks

Independent presidential candidate John Anderson heads off to Europe July 6 for a 12-day trip to Israel, Egypt, Germany, France and Britain. Intended to sell him as a "statesman who knows foreign policy better than Carter or Reagan," as one aide put it, Anderson's tour is timed to overlap with the Republican nominating convention July 14-18. Anderson will meet with the leaders of all five countries he's visiting, except French President Giscard, who has not get agreed to a meeting. Anderson, a member of the Trilateral Commission, is also expected to meet with some of the Commission's European members and with Franz Josef Strauss, who's challenging West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt in upcoming elections.

At a July 1 news conference, Anderson said he wants to meet with allied leaders to get "their appraisal, their perceptions of the present state of U.S. relations with those countries. I don't propose to sit down and lecture them on what their role with the United States should be. It will be an attempt to get to know these people on a personal basis."

Anderson also announced, as expected, that he now has enough money to formally launch his independent candidacy. And how. According to the current issue of *Business Week*, Anderson is attracting big bucks from fat cats and kingmakers in both parties.

Among the luminaries now openly backing Anderson are Mrs. Laurence Rockefeller and J. Richardson Dilworth, financial manager of the Rockefeller fortune: Andrew Heiskell, chairman of Time, Inc.; Benjamin Buttenweiser and George Ball of Lehman Brothers, Kuhn Loeb; Mrs. Donald Kendall, wife of the Pepsico Inc. chairman; Mrs. John Hay Whitney; Oppenheimer Fund President Leon Levv: Salomon Brothers partners Daniel Sargent and Robert Berhard; Lazard Frères partner Felix Rohatvn: and Robert O. Anderson, chairman of Atlantic Richfield, director of the Aspen Institute, and publisher of the London Observer.

Coming soon: Democrats for Reagan

Political rumor circuits are buzzing with reports that certain elements of the Democratic Party are striking a deal with the Reagan campaign in the expectation that the former California Governor will be sitting in the White House come Jan. 20.

One of Reagan's defense advisers tells us that individuals associated with the Coalition for a Democratic Majority (CDM)—a Washington-based organization which speaks for the Jackson-Moynihan wing of the Democratic Party and is known for its hawkish military policy and close ties to the AFL-CIO—will soon announce the for-

mation of "Democrats and Independents for a New President." The new group will probably include Commentary magazine publisher Norman Podhoretz and his wife, Midge Dechter, both CDM founders. It is expected to organize other Democrats to support Reagan—in return for "favors" once Reagan gets in.

The kind of "favors" this crew has in mind was suggested by William Safire in his June 30 New York Times column. Noting that "the sense of the inevitability of Reagan" now permeates the federal bureaucracy, Safire tosses off this tidbit: "The only Democrat exhibiting any sense of serenity is Senator Henry Jackson, who once turned down a Nixon offer to be Secretary of Defense, and who is likely to be offered the opportunity to be Reagan's Secretary of State."

What Jackson thinks about this is unknown. What is known is that among Democrats who might otherwise switch to Reagan if Carter wins renomination, there is still strong sentiment for forcing an open Democratic Party convention in the hope of making Jackson the party's nominee.

Reagan, meanwhile, has started to make public overtures to Democrats. In a speech to the Utah Republican state convention June 29, Reagan called on Republicans to form coalitions with disenfranchised Democrats and independents behind his presidential bid. "Good grassroots Democrats have been coming to GOP rallies and gathering in overwhelming numbers." he said. "They are willing to follow the banner of a party that will offer them something different—a change of direction. And this is our opportunity to put together a consensus of independents and Democrats and Republicans, because the country out there is demanding what you and I stand for."