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The President today announced his intention to nominate William B. Saxbe, of Mechanicsburg, Ohio, to be Ambassador to India. He succeeds Daniel Patrick Moynihan who has resigned.

Since January 4, 1974, he has served as Attorney General. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1968 for a term ending January 3, 1975.

Mr. Saxbe was a member of the Senate Committees on Armed Services, Government Operations, and Post Office and Civil Service, and the Special Committee on Aging. He was Ranking Minority Member of the Armed Services Subcommittees on Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Safeguards and General Legislation; the Government Operations Subcommittee on Budgeting, Management and Expenditures; and the Post Office and Civil Service Subcommittee on Postal Operations.

He served as Attorney General of the State of Ohio from 1957 to 1958 and again from 1963 to 1968. From 1947 to 1954 he was a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, serving as Majority Leader during 1951-52 and as Speaker during 1953-54. From 1954 to 1958 Mr. Saxbe was a partner in the law firm of Saxbe, Boyd & Prine, and from 1960 to 1962 he was a partner in the law firm of Dargusch, Saxbe & Dargusch. He is a member of the Ohio and American Bar Associations and the American Judicature Society.

Mr. Saxbe was born on June 24, 1916, in Mechanicsburg, Ohio. He received his A.B. in 1940 and his LL.B. in 1948 from Ohio State University. From 1940 to 1945 he served in the U.S. Army.

He is married to the former Ardath (Dolly) Kleinhans of Toledo, Ohio. They have two sons and one daughter.

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