

tape for week of Sept. 24

This is Congressman Nick Rahall.

Last week, President Reagan refused to impose quotas on imported steel. In doing so, the President made it clear that farmers were more important to his re-election campaign, than the plight of steel workers and coal miners.

This observation is made, because many agricultural ~~xxxxxx~~ interests were worried that steel quotas would cause retaliation in the area of grain trade. It is no coincidence, that Mr. Reagan declined to impose steel quotas on the eve of his trip to the farm belt.

By ignoring steel workers and coal miners, the Reagan Administration has made no guarantee to protect these worker's jobs from unfair trading practices. Therefore, my self and many of my colleagues from coal and steel producing regions will have to intensify our efforts to pass the Fair Trade in Steel bill to protect American jobs.

This is your Congressman, Nick Rahall.