

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON

DAILY DIARY

Date December 24, 1964

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The President began his day at (Place)

LBJ RANCH, TEXAS

Day Thursday

Entry No.	Time		Telephone f or t		Activity (include visited by)	Expenditure Code
	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	8:10a				Breakfast in bed	
	8:39a			t	Bill Moyers, Washington	
	9:29a			f	McGeorge Bundy, Washington	
	9:56a		f		George Reedy, Austin	
	10:12a			t	Mrs. Angier Biddle Duke, Washington	
	10:17a			t	Senator Richard Russell, Winder, Ga.	
	10:57a			f	Mr. McGeorge Bundy, Washington	
	11:00				To the Ranch office to go over mail on his desk.	
	11:19a			f	Governor Philip Hoff, Burlington Vt.	
	11:32a			f +	Mr. J. C. Kellam, Austin	
	11:45a				Went for a ride over the nearby area w/ Mrs. Johnson, Lynda, and Luci.	
	11:49	12:07			He rode up to Johnson city, got out of the car and visited the new bank building which is under construction. They drove around his boyhood home. ² Went to the Scharnhorst place arriving at 12:34p, departing there at 1:40p...arriving LBJ Ranch at px 1:50p	
	2:00				To office to go over papers on desk. Signed disaster proclamation for California and Oregon.	
	2:16p		t		Dale Meeks	
	2:20p				LUNCH at LBJ Ranch w/ Mrs. Johnson, Lynda, and Mildred Stegall	
	2:45p				In the gold cart w/ Mrs. Johnson, Lynda to see MF off for Dallas, then took a brief ride up the runway ahead of the small Beechcraft.	
	3:10				Returned to Ranch house...to room for nap	
	4:10				Returned to office to place calls and look at papers on desk.	
	4:15p			t	Gardner Ackley, Washington, DC	
	4:47p			t	Jack Valenti, Washington	
	4:53p			t	Bill Moyers, Washington	
	5:00				To deliver Christmas Gifts w/ Mrs. Johnson, Lynda and Luci to A. W. Ranch and Melvin Winters house	
	5:21				<i>Dep via helicopter w/ above to Winters' air strip → 5:28p - Met by Mr + Mrs Winters</i>	
	6:02				<i>Dep airstrip w/ same enroute to Moursund Ranch → 6:08 - In house w family</i>	
	6:45				<i>Dep Moursund Ranch for LBJ Ranch</i>	

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	6:56p 6:56				Returned to ranch where a group of people were waiting his return in the office. Group consisted of Secret Service, military aides, the Dale Meeks, Malacheks and children for a Christmas party.	
	7:30				Presents were opened by the Johnsons and those who had come to the party remained to see the opening of the gifts. (approximately 40 people, including the President's sister, Mrs. Birge Alexander; Mr. Alexander and Becky; Aunt Jessie Hatcher, and Cousin Cousin Oriole. (President gave SS and those present at the party small medallions and gold pens.	
	7:32p			f	Jack Valenti, D.C.	
	8:36			f	James Farley, NYC - wishing him a Merry Christmas. President told him how much his call meant to him.	
	8:46		t		Wesley West -- to thank him for the wonderful Christmas gift. Also talked w/ Mrs. West	
	8:54			t	Governor and Mrs. John Connally, Floresville, Texas - thanked them for the beautiful robe they had given him and for the letter the Governor had written him.	
	8:59			t	Gene Chambers, Mart, Texas. Thanked him for the Christmas gift, but had learned that Chambers was in Mart because of the death of his father, and he expressed regret that this was such a sad time.	
	9:23p			t	Sam Fore Fore, Floresville -- wishing him a Merry Christmas	
	9:30p				With most of the presented opened (not all, because they got tired) he went into dinner, accompanied by the Alexanders, Cousin, Oriole, Mrs. Jessie Hatcher, Lynda, Luci, Mrs. Johnson, Paul Betz.	
	9:40			t	Douglas Wynn in Greenville, Mississippi	
	9:48p			t	Edward Clark, Mexico City. Wished them a Merry Christmas and invited them to the inauguration. Evidently Clark said he might not come as the President said he would not blame him if he chose to watch it on television--that that was the sensible thing to do.	
	9:50				Into living w/ dinner group to watch the 10:00 news.	
	10:30				Retired	