

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
DAILY DIARY

Date February 17, 1966

The President began his day at (Place) White House

Day Thursday

Entry No.	Time		Telephone f or t		Activity (include visited by)	Expenditure Code
	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	6.30				Breakfast	
C	7:36a				To Shoreham Hotel for Presidential Prayer Breakfast w/ Mrs. Johnson <i>Don't head table quite</i>	
					Arrived Shoreham and entered VIP Room, for brief stay, thence to Regency Room. And to the head table.	
					The President listened to the entire program, Senator Frank Carlson, Presided	
					Lt. Gen. M. H. Silverthorn, USMC, Ret, gave the invocation	
					Mr. Justice Clark gave Old Testament Reading	
					Hon. Albert H. Quie, M. C., gave greetings from the House Breakfast Group	
					Sen. John Stennis gave greetings from the Senate Breakfast Group	
					Secy Fowler gave New Testament Reading	
					Dr. Richard C. Halverson, gave prayer for National Leaders	
					Dr. Billy Graham delivered the message	
					President made REMARKS	
					Dr. Abraham Vereide gave Benediction	
					After the closing song, "America," the President w/ Dr. Graham went through the Hotel to the Blue Room the Blue Room where Mrs. Johnson and the ladies were having their breakfast. He delivered short REMARKS to them -- and Dr. Graham spoke to them also.	
C	9:55a				To White House w/ Dr. Billy Graham and Dr. Conrad ^{T.W.} Wilson -- and to ofc alone	

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C	10:24a	10:26a			OFF RECORD: Mr. Charles Collatos of Massachusetts (Mr. Collatos was recently appointed by the President to the National Selective Service Appeals Board, and the appt was for a quick picture to be used in Greek publications)	
C	10:26a	10:45a			Representatives of the American Editorial Cartoonists John Stampone, Army Times - <i>President of " "</i> Gene Bassett, Washington Daily News Gib Crockett, Washington Star Don Hesse, St. Louis Globe Democrat Karl Hubenthal, Los Angeles Herald Examiner John Milt Morris, AP Charles Werner, Indianapolis Star Art Poinier, Detroit News Art Wood, USITA Dan Dowling, NY Herald Trib Bill Sanders, Kansas City Star (Mr. Sanders told the President of Roy Roberts hospitalization, and the President asked that a note be written to him for his signature)	WDT
					Presented a book of original cartoons about the President along with an honorary membership in the American Assoc of Cartoonists	
		D			Willie Day Taylor in room press photogs in The President autographed each of the cartoonists cartoons for them -- w/ his his name only -- and thanked them for coming, and shook hands with them, all the time seeming preoccupied w/ Senator Fulbright's questioning of Amb. Maxwell Taylor which he was watching on two of his three television consoles. In reply to a note from Lee White who said that Gov Kerner would be calling -- and he was calling at 10:46a -- the President said to tell him that he was meeting w/ some of his Cabinet and to ask him to talk w/ Joe Califano-- he did	

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					When Marvin Watson told the President that his 10:30 am appointment was waiting, the President hurriedly said, "I know it, but I just have to watch these hearings."	
	11:02a	11:19a			BM	
	11:05		+		mw (pl)	
C	11:06a	11:08a			OFF RECORD: William "Tony" Boyle - United Mine Workers and his brother, Richard Boyle	
C	11:40a	12:29p			Henry Ford, II OFF RECORD appt requested by Mr. Ford to discuss the newspaper reports of the Highway Safety Act of 1966	
	12:34p		f		Colonel Cross	
	1:35		f		mw (pl)	
	1:36p		+		BM (pl)	
	1:37 - 1:39				mw in	
	1:40		+		BM (pl)	

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	1:50	1:55p			To MJDR's Ofc - looking over correspondence on her desk Signed a letter to Walter Reuther.	
	1:57p				Back to Lounge Ofc - rec'd Clark Clifford and Sen. George Smathers	
C	1:58p	3:20 3:00p			Departed the Office w/Clark Clifford and Senator George Smathers - walked onto South Grounds via driveway - in the Mansion at 2:00p <i>for LUNCH</i>	
					Mr. Clifford requested appt to give an answer to a personal discussion he had with the President -- and the President asked to see Smathers after Smathers wrote the President a letter of appreciation and support.	
	3:50p		+		Bm (pl)	
	4:15p		t		McGeo Bundy (pl)	

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	6:10p				Arrived in MJDR's Ofc w/MW MJDR hands him several pieces of correspondence which he reads	
	6:11p - 7:25p				To Cabinet Room for MEETING re Dominican Republic Situation	
					Attendance: McGeo. Bundy ✓ UnderSecy Geo. Ball ✓ Cyrus Vance ✓ Bob Sayre ✓ Tom Mann ✓ William Bowdler ✓	
					Remarks for gist and essence of above	
	Fm Mr. Bundy's Ofc-----				It was discussed that Dominican Republic situation has calmed down considerably during the day and that further moves were left in the hands of Amb. Bunker. Also there was brief discussion on Brazil, Chile, Peru, Guatemala, Haiti, Bolivia and Ecuador.	

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	6:40		t		Bill meyer (pl)	
	7:25p				To MJDR's Ofc - standing at MJDR's desk - looking at various correspondence items.	
	7:29p				To Oval Rm Ofc - alone	
	7:31		t		mw (pl)	
C	7:35p		t		Senator Russell Long (of Louisiana) - B. 1 (returning the Senator's earlier call)	
	7:50				mw in	
C	8:08p		t		General Maxwell Taylor (was reached at Sen. Monroney's residence)	
	8:10 - 8:25				Working signing table w/M. Watson	
	8:26p				To MJDR's Ofc - reading newspapers - asked yb to cut out article in N York Journal American - and give it to MW for insertion in Record	
	8:30p				Departed the Office for the Mansion	
					Reported upstairs at 8:31p	

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