

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
DAILY DIARY

Date May 12, 1966

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Day Thursday

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	In	Out	Lo	LD		
<u>C</u>	12:45a			t	Donald Thomas - Marshall, Texas	
	1:40a		t		Clifton C. Carter	
<u>C</u>	9:10a	10:30a			OFF RECORD: Representatives of the Stetson Shoe Company to the President's bedroom w/ JJ -- Mr. Charles Baker, Shoe Designer Mr. John Heald, President of the Stetson Shoe Company Mr. Arthur Vinal - Sales Manager	
	9:04a				The President asked for Senator Gale McGee. The Operator found he was en route to Wyoming, and the President asked her to try to reach the Senator at his first stop.	
<u>C</u>	9:50a		f		Director of the Bureau of the Budget, Charles Schultze	
	10:46a				To Oval Office w/ Jake Jacobsen -- JJ out at 11:00a	
<u>C</u>	11:00a		t		Senator Mansfield (b. 1)	
	11:25				Down the hall w/ MW	
<u>C</u>	11:26				In the Fish Room for Meeting with Secy. Connor Secy. Fowler Chairmen of the action groups of the National Export Expansion Council: Carl A. Gerstacker - Chairman of the Natl Export Expansion Council and Chairman of the Board of the Dow Chemical Company Robert F. Dwyer, Vice Chairman of the Council and prominent lumber executive in Ore. Donald W. Douglas Jr Chairman of the sub-committee on export financing, and President of Douglas Aircraft Co. <i>did not attend</i>	

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Secretary Connor requested this appointment to permit the members to present to the President personally the results of their Groups' intensive studies on ways to improve exports and, thereby, the balance of payments.

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					Francis Bator	
					Fred Foy - Chairman of the Board of the Koppers Co of Pittsburgh and former Chrm of Natl Export Expansion Council	
					Alexander Trowbridge, Assistant Secretary of Commerce	
					Harold Linder, President, Export-Import Bank	
	12:15p				Returned to Oval Office	
	12:17p				To Cabinet Room for Presentation of awards from the Recording for the Blind	
					to Barbara Ann Bowman, 21, Bethel Park, Pa., -graduating B.A fr Oberlin College	
					Ronald Robert Albert Dennis, 22, Salem, Mass., -graduating B.A. fr Williams College	
					Kare Louise Gearreald, 22, Norfolk, Va., -graduating B.A. fr Agnes Scott College	
					Also attending:	
					Mr. George A. Bowman - parent	
					Mr. John Mason Brown, Director, Recording for the Blind, Inc.	
					Mr. John Castles, III, " "	
					Mrs. Alfred de Liagre, Jr., " "	
					Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dennis - parent	
					Miss Barbara Frew, Secretary	
					Mrs. Tull N. Gearreald - parent	
					Mr. Roswell Gilpatric (partner of Mr. Allen Merrill in firm) Cravath, Swaine & Moore	
					Mrs. Franklin W. Klein, Director, Recording for the Blind, Inc.	
					Mr. Allen H. Merrill, President, Recording for the Blind, Inc.	
					Mrs. Maurice Pate, Director, Recording for the Blind, Inc.	
					Mr. Donald Staley, National Director, Recording for the Blind	
					Mr. M. B. Zerwick, Public Relations Rep., " " " "	

Recording for the Blind - a non profit organization - presents annually Scholastic Achievement Awards to three blind college students who will graduate in June with high academic honors -- awards are \$500 each.

The President presented the awards to the students individually, having made REMARKS, and then shook hands with each student.

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<u>1</u>	12:24p	<u>12:32p</u>			To Oval Office w/ Roswell Gilpatric Allen H. Merrill, President of Recording for the Blind, Inc MW followed by Okamoto	
<u>C</u>	12:46p		f		Senator Thomas McIntyre (b.2)	
	12:48p		+		mw (pl)	
<u>C</u>	12:40p	-1:15p			Ambassador to the Philippines, William Blair William Bundy <u>William Jordan</u> Walt Rostow Marcos and has a clear view of the potential problems surrounding a Marcos visit. (The discussion w/ Amb Blair centered on the problems of the Philippines; President Marcos' prospects for regaining momentum in economic and social development; the timing of his visit to the U.S.; and the prospects for passage of Philippines legislation necessary to send a unit to fight in South Vietnam-Rostow:mf)	(Amb. Blair is in town for a week of consultations) Rostow says Blair is fresh from two long talks with Pres.
<u>C</u>	1:10		f		Sen. Gale McGee (b.2) - Denver, Colo. (returning the President's call)	
<u>C</u>	1:15 - 1:45				Gould Lincoln - a Washington off Record Star columnist (weekly) who wrote the first Washington story about the President when he was elected speaker of the Little Congress.	
	1:20p - 1:25p				ap + ups photos in for pics of Gould Lincoln + Pres. + Joe Laiter	
	1:20		f		Bill Moyers (ret. his call)	
<u>C</u>	1:25 - 1:30				Alex Rose - Photos still in - Pored for pics w/ Pres.	

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C	1:30p	1:33p			Jimmie Turman and Doug Cater	
					(Douglass Cater sent the President a note saying he was having lunch w/ Mr. Turman and Joe Laitin offering the President an opportunity to see Mr. Turman. The President asked Mr. Cater to have Mr. Turman Standby for a quick visit)	
C	1:40	3:35p			President departed the Cfc w/ Mr. Alex Rose - to the Mansion for LUNCH	
C	2:00p				Joined by Amb. Henry Cabot Lodge	
					<u>STRICTLY OFF-RECORD</u>	
C	2:30		f		Mr. W. B. (Bev) Murphy - Camden, N. J. Pres. Campbell Drug Co	
	2:44p		f		mw (pl)	
	3:05p	3:30p			mw, Kinter, Simer to bedroom	
	3:07p		f		Joe Califano	
C	3:25p		f		Walter Woodward	
	3:30p		f		Sue Mayers	

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C	3:50p		+		Jack Valenti, Director, MPA	
C	4:00p		f		Jack Valenti, Director, MPA	
C	4:10p	4:39			The President went to the Wh. House Theatre for Mr. Bunshaft's presentation of the architects' design concept for the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library, Institute for Public Service and related buildings to be constructed on the campus of the University of Texas, Austin ^{10.62} and known as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Center. The Pres., accompanied by BM, joined W. W. Heath, Dr. Harry Ransom, Mrs. J. Raymond Vowell, a Vice Chancellor of Univ. Max Brooks, Frank Erwin, J. Roy White, Frank Ikard, Gordon A. Bunshaft, Architect and Mr. Sherwood Smith, Associate Architect, Fred Gann, Dr. Wayne Grover, GSA Consultant for the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library, D. Territo ^{and} Juanita Roberts ^{underway since 135} in their meeting ^{He studied the architects'} models ^{of the University campus showing models of the University showing the relation of the LBJ Library... color slides, etc and} drawings in addition to using the special lense provided ^{presented in the architectural concept} for perspective sightings. The Pres gave no oral expressions about his reaction but appeared to be pleased. Knudsen and Okamoto made photographs of the Pres's visit.	
	4:37				The President came to the Oval Office w/ Bill Moyers and Marvin Watson	
	4:40 - 5:00				Working his desk w/vm	
	4:50p - 5:05p				Luci Johnson	
	4:55p		t		Bill Moyers (pl)	
C	5:00p		t		Secy Orville Freeman (ret. his call of earlier this pm)	

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	5:05p				Departed the Ofc w/ Luci Johnson - for South Grds and Helicopter to Walter Reed Army Hospital (taking w/him two sets of blazer buttons blue w/gold - possible gifts items for Pres. Eisenhower and Sen. Dirksen)	
C	5:10p	5:18p			Airborne via helicopter, accompanied by Luci, MW, Okamoto, Col. Cross, Dr. Fox, Joe Laitin, Lem Johns, and PRESS POOL: Merriman Smith, Doug Cornell, Jim Atherton, Charles Tasnade. On arrival, the President was met by Lt. General Heaton, Surgeon General at Walter Reed; Major General Douglas Kindrick, Head of Walter Reed Center; and Brig Gen Philip Mallory, head of the hospital.	
	5:16p				Building 1-F Departed helicopter pad, and motored to Ward Eight/, arriving at 5:20p On arrivng at entrance, the President shook hands, and posed for pictures in front of the building. He entered the Ward, and caught Senator Dirksen's eye, and told him he'd be back -- just to wait a few minutes, because he had to go on down and visit President Eisenhower first. The President visited w/ President Eisenhower privately for about 45 minutes. Near the end of the visit, General Goodpaster joined them and they visited for about 5 minutes. The President said goodbye to President Eisenhower and walked down the hall, two doors, and visited w/ Mrs. Eisenhower for about 2 minutes. They he went into Senator Dirksen's room where the Senator and Mrs. Dirksen were waiting. He visited w/ Senator Dirksen for approx 20 minutes. Luci accompanied on all these visits.	
C	6:26p				Arrived Ward One, Building 1-F, by way of elevator This is the Officer ward, and the President visited Army officers wounded in VietNam. He spoke to them personally, shaking hands, and going around to individual beds. Then the President awarded two purple hearts. Col. Cross read a brief history of the Purple Heart, and read the citations, and the President awarded Purple Hearts to Major Boyd D. Parsons, and Chaplain Captain Frederick W. Straub.	

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6:41p					Motorcade to Building 43, and elevator to Ward 34 This is the enlisted men's ward, and the President shook hands all around the room -- about 50 men in the ward -- and then came to the center of the ward again for the Purple Heart Ceremony. This time the President awarded Purple Hearts to Staff Sergeant Douglas D. Harlow and to Specialist First Class Antonio L. Dellosso	
6:56p					Motorcade to helo pad	
7:05p					Airborne - returning fm Walter Reed Hospital to Wh. Hse w/ Luci, MW, Okamoto, Col. Cross, Dr. Fox, Joe Laitin, Lem Johns, and PRESS POOL: Merriman Smith, Doug Cornell, Jim Atherton, Charles Tasnade	
7:08p					Arrived South Grounds.	
7:10p					Arrived in the Ofc w/Marvin Watson	
7:25p			t		Bill Moyers (pl)	
7:26p			t		Joe Califano (pl) - didn't talk	
7:27p			t		Robert Kintner (pl) (didn't talk - Mr. Kintner on way to Armory)	
7:30p			f		Joe Califano (ret. the Pres.'s earlier call)	
7:31p			f		MJDR - telling Pres. Mr. Kintner was calling via radio - did he still want to talk to him.	
7:32p - 8:04p					Marvin Watson and Joe Califano in - MW in and out (Pres. said No, he wanted him to come in for a minute if he were here but other than that didn't have anything else to talk to him about)	
7:33p			t		Marvin Watson (pl)	
8:02p			t		Marvin Watson (pl)	

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