

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
DAILY DIARY

Date August 5, 1966

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White House

Day Friday

Entry No.	Time		Telephone f or t		Activity (include visited by)	Expenditure Code
	In	Out	Lo	LD		
✓	8:12a		f		Justice Fortas	
✓	8:44a			t	Dale Meeks - LBJ Ranch	
✓	9:00a		t		Secy Rusk (b. 7) - re plans for filling vacancies to occur in DOS--places now occupied	
✓	9:13a		t		Justice Fortas by Ball, Johnson, and Crockett	
✓	9:30a			t	Senator J. W. Fulbright, <i>Denver</i> , Colorado (b. 7) -- to ask him for his suggestions on matter discussed w/ Secy Rusk above	
	9:50a		f		<i>Bill Moyers</i>	
	10:30a		t		Bob Kintner (pl)	
	10:49a		t		Joe Califano (pl)	
	11:32a				To Oval Office	
	11:33a		t		Bill Moyers (pl)	
	11:35a		t		Walt Rostow (pl)	
✓	11:40a		t		Chief of Protocol, James Symington (b. 1)	
	11:44a		t		MW (pl)	
✓	11:50a			t	George Meany - Saratoga, NY (b. 2)	

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✓	11:46a	11:59a			George Jessel - Mr. Jessel asked to see the President to report on his second visit to VietNam in a year for purpose of entertaining of the troops. Asked to report to President or Secy McNamara about "High moral of our boys and their officers as well as the contribution the Koreans are giving."	
	11:55a		t		Bob Fleming (pl)	
	11:57a		t		Bill Moyers (pl)	
	11:59a		t		Joe Califano	
✓	11:59a	12:59p			OFF RECORD: Senator Abraham Ribicoff	
	12:00n	12:59p			Joe Califano joined	
○	12:09p			f	George Meany, Saratoga, NY (b. 2)	
	12:40p		t		Mike Manatos (pl)	
	12:41p		t		Henry Wilson (pl)	
○	12:42		f		Secy Wirtz (b. 2)	
	12:55p		t		Henry Wilson (pl)	
	1:00p		t		Joe Califano (b. 3)	

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C	1:12p			t	Sidney Weinberg - NYC (b. 3)	
	1:15p				*see page 7 for entry	
C	1:34p			t	Mrs. Birge Alexander (b. 4) <i>Memphis</i>	
	1:40p		f		Henry Wilson (b. 4)	
	1:42p		t		Joe Califano (pl)	
C	1:47p				Tom Johnson Merriman Smith Doug Cornell	
C	1:48p		t		Congressman Emanuel Celler (b. 4)	
<i>with C</i>	1:50p				██████████ w/ Tom Johnson, Merriman Smith, and Doug Cornell - ██████████ to the theater to show family films, pictures and other memorabilia and talk about how it feels to be father of the bride. Lunch was served. Paul Glynn joined.	
	2:30				Received message from Betty Hogue (Mrs. Johnson) from the Shrine "Luci and Pat arrived at the church and everyone is ready when you are."	
	2:51				Departed White House for the Shrine to rehearse wedding. Accompanied by Merriman Smith, Doug Cornell and Tom Johnson.	
<i>with C</i>	3:03p				Arrived Shrine.	

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NOTES FOR THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY -- AUGUST 5, 1966

- 2:51 pm The President departed the White House to attend Luci and Pat's wedding rehearsal. It was a beautiful afternoon in Washington.
- 3:04 pm The President arrived at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and shook hands with some of the people gathered on the steps.
- 3:10 pm The President entered the Shrine, greeting friends assembled at the rear (or entrance) of the Chapel. Luci and Pat were waiting for him. The President was briefed by Bess Abell. Pat then walked to the steps approaching the altar and awaited Luci and her father.
- 3:15 pm The President, while the organist played the Processional, walked Luci down the long aisle toward Pat and the altar. He engaged in animated conversation with Luci, occasionally laughing, all the way down the aisle. Luci wore a train made by Priscilla of Boston of white sheeting and carried a white ribbon bouquet.
- At the steps by the communion rail, the President gave Luci to Pat, they proceeded toward the altar, and the President turned and joined Mrs. Johnson in a pew close to the front of the chapel. He put his arm around her and they conversed in low tones. Only then did he put on his glasses.
- One unidentified priest came over and talked to the President for a very few minutes and then Father Schmitz, Archbishop O'Boyle's aide, came over. He must have informed the President that he was not needed for further rehearsal.
- The President kissed the First Lady and as he was leaving turned to Pat and said: "Take it easy and get some rest."
- 3:25 pm The President walked back the long aisle with his arm around Liz Carpenter, talking to her and at the rear of the Church again talked to various persons. Mrs. Johnson remained in the pew near the front of the Chapel. The President seemed very relaxed and unhurried during this ten-minute interval.
- The President then departed the Shrine to the applause of approximately 1,500 - 2,000 persons who had been patiently waiting behind cordoned areas surrounding the Shrine.

August 11, 1966

MEMORANDUM TO MARIE FEHMER

FROM: Tom Johnson

On Friday, August 5, the President spent approximately three hours in discussion with Merriman Smith of United Press International and Doug Cornell of Associated Press. Bill Moyers had requested this meeting with the President to give the press some idea of the President's feeling about Luci's marriage to Pat Nugent.

The conversation began with a walk around the South grounds where the President told Cornell and Smith of Luci's early interest in writing and of her early poems which she sent him. After the walk the three of them moved with Tom Johnson to the theater where they had lunch. Juanita Roberts sent copies of poems and letters which Luci had sent the President when he was a Senator, the Vice President, and President. In addition copies of photographs were brought in which showed Luci in various stages of her life, including some as a small girl and others with her family over the years. As the President talked about Luci, he was openly misty-eyed. He

He asked that a recent film of Pat's brother Jerry be shown. The newsreel showed Jerry Nugent being interviewed on a hilltop in Viet Nam.

After the film the President talked about his pride in the type of man to whom Luci was to be married. He said,

"He is the type of boy we have always wanted."

He went on,

"Pat always has been very courteous. He is the first one up when anyone enters the room; he is the first one to provide a match when someone's cigarette needs lighting; and he is always quiet when someone else is talking."

The President told Smith and Cornell that he wanted them to be the ones who interviewed him on the story because:

"You two men have been here a long time. I trust you. I know you will record for history the facts with an understanding about my family. You are not like many others who write about us without any knowledge of the First Family."

After reading many of the poems and asking Tom Johnson to have copies made for the reporters, the President invited the two senior correspondents to ride with him out to the Shrine for the rehearsal. As they rode out, they discussed many other areas which were of current interest to the President. They included the present economical situation, our problems in Viet-Nam, and the political situation. In particular they discussed Buford Ellington's victory in Tennessee.

The President went inside the Shrine, met Mrs. Johnson, was told of his role, walked through it once and departed with Smith and Cornell. They returned to the White House and went to the President's office where they spent another hour discussing inflation, progress of legislative items, and the President's personal staff.

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	4:42	4:50			Bill Moyers joined M. Smith, T. Johnson and D. Cornell still with the President (Moyers had secured Pres's approval of text for his toast at rehearsal dinner)	
	4:55p				President returned to his office after walking above guests out to MW's office and standing in his door talking with Marvin.	
	5:00p				Thru MW's office to	
	5:04				To MJDR's office asking if MF had returned "with my present"	
	5:05		t		Mike Manatos	
	5:12p		t		Kintner (PL) (Kintner then joined in office for about 30 minutes)	
	5:13		t		Bill Moyers (PL)	
	5:20		t		Watson (PL)	
✓	5:21p				The Speaker and Carl Albert (followed by BM who left immediately) in lounge.	
	5:25p		f		Joe Califano	
	5:31p				Joe Califano, Henry Wilson, MW	
✓	5:55p			f	Sidney Weinberg in Purchase, N.Y. (b.5)	
✓	6:20p		t		Joe Bierne (b.5)	
	6:30p		t		Liz Carpenter (b.5)	
✓	6:31p				Secretary Rusk joined	
✓	6:32p			f	George Meany - Saratoga, NY (b.5) (returning his call)	

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C	6:40p	6:55			The President left the Speaker, Cong. Albert, and Joe Califano, Henry Wilson in his little room and went to the Oval Office to visit privately with the Secretary of State. <i>Rank out at 6:55p</i>	
C	6:55p	7:30p			The President rejoined the group in the little room	
C	7:03p			f	George Brown - Middleburg, Virginia (b.6)	
	7:15p				When mf went into take Califano a note, the President looked up and said, "Well, Miss Marie, do you know the Speaker?" The speaker rose and shook hands, and the President said, in a joking and seemingly relaxed manner, "You Catholics are taking over. She's a big Catholic, Califano is, Valenti is, and they're roping in Vicky -- my other girl -- too. The Pope is the big man around here."	
	7:25p				Liz called and asked that the following msg be given to the President: All plans for airconditioning have been stopped before reaching the Shrine. No problems. We'll just sweat it out.	
	7:30				<i>mf, Joe Califano</i>	

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	1:15p				entry to be inserted on page 3	
					The President buzzed mf and said he might want to show the Gerry Nugent films to his luncheon guests. "Find out which is the best one with sound, and how long it runs, and see if I can get some service. Last night they didn't even know how to run it and the President ought to have better service than that." (the film was unedited, and the fault was not with the projectionist)	
					Then the President said, "Call Jack Brooks and find out where that present is he got for Vicky, and maybe you and I will go see if. Find out where it is and when I can see it. Luci's getting all the presents now, and we just have to get something for Vicky. You Catholics only get married once, you know!"	
					a few minutes later, mf buzzed the President to tell him that the best film w/ Gerry Nugent was the ABC film which ran 8 minutes and it was on the projector ready to be run. The President said, "Good, I'll show it to these newsmen." mf also told him that the chest selected by Congressman Brooks was at Segals, a Georgetown antique dealer's shop. The President said, "Well, let's stop by. . . well, no, I guess I can't go." mf suggested that the chest be brought to the White House for the President to see and he said that would be find.	
					As the President left for the mansion, he told mjdr to do all she could to find him something for Vicky -- good antiques, mf "anything from \$5 to \$500," said the President.	

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	7:32p				The President came to mjdr's room to look at the chest selectdd by Congressman Brooks for Vicky. The President looked at it carefully, wrinkled his forehead, and said, "Well, I think that's just amazing wonderful. I like it, don't you all," he asked Califano, Watson, and mf. "Let's get it." Upon reading mf's memo on other things found, he said, "Let's get the candlesticks -- go get them in the morning." "And tell Jack Brooks to go look at the Grandmother's Clock for \$525. I might want to get that for Luci. He'll know if I should get it."	
					Then the President said, "Get the carpenter to put a brass plate in it on the side of the top drawer -- get something original -- Liz can do it -- like the 'To Vicky and Simon, as sturdy as the walnut of which this is made, Lady Bird and Lyndon B Johnson, The White House, August 13, 1966."	
	8:15p	8:32p			Milton Semer, Jim Jones, Joe Califano, Marvin Watson - for a drink in the lounge	
✓	8:25p		t		Mrs. Jack Valenti	
	8:40p		f		Joe Califano	
	8:50p				To mansion	
✓ <i>thc</i>	9:10p	9:18p			To Georgetown Club for REHEARSAL DINNER hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Nugent The President saw Mr. Bryant in the drive, and took Mr. Traphes Bryant, Freckles and Kim and Blanco with him on the ride to the Georgetown Club	
					<i>see attachment</i> <i>(Guest list attached)</i>	

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August 10, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR MARIE FEHMER

FROM: Tom Johnson

The President arrived at the Georgetown Club shortly after 9 p.m. Friday, August 5. Mr. Bryant and the two beagles accompanied him on the ride to the club.

He greeted reporters and photographers at the entrance to the Georgetown Club. Then he went inside where he was met by Mrs. Johnson, Pat and Luci, and by Mr. Nugent.

After exchanging brief remarks, the President and the group joined the others in the wedding party on the second floor of the Club for dinner.

As the first entree was being served the President left the head table where he was sitting with Mrs. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Nugent, and others. He went around the room shaking hands with all members of the wedding party.

The mood of the evening was festive. After dinner, twelve toasts were exchanged. Mr. Nugent led off with a toast to Luci and Pat, followed by a toast of the President. In addition, Luci and Pat gave toasts. Lynda and Warrie Lynn Smith joined in a recitation of a poem dedicated to Luci. Other members of the wedding party also offered toasts.

Jerry Lanning, star of Mame, sang "Luci" to the tune of "Mame". It was a great success, as evidenced by a standing ovation from the wedding party.

Lanning also sang two other songs from Mame.

After this, the President and the wedding party went downstairs where the group danced until after 11:30. The President danced with many of the bridesmaids and with Mrs. Johnson.

After some urging by Mrs. Johnson, the President left the party. They returned to the White House alone.

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REHEARSAL DINNER LIST - August 5, 1966

The Georgetown Inn

The President & Mrs. Johnson

ALANDT, Mr. Peter C.

ARCHAMBAULT, Mr. James T.

BATES, Ensign & Mrs. LeRoy

BEAL, Miss Betty

CAHILL, Miss Judy

CARR, Mr. & Mrs. Larry

CARTER, Miss Kathleen

CHAPMAN, Miss Sharon

DiCASTRI, Mr. Robert

DOUGLAS, Mr. Donald Dean

DUNCAN, Mr. Scott

FELDSTEIN, Mr. & Mrs. William J., Sr.

GANZ, Mr. William A.

GRONNIGER, Mr. & Mrs. Michael, Jr.

HALL, Mr. James D.

HAMILTON, Mr. George

HITCHCOCK, Mr. William B., III

JENKINS, Miss Beth

✓JOHNSON, Miss Luci Baines

✓JOHNSON, Miss Lynda Bird

KAIFER, The Rev. William J., S.J.

KUZINSKAS, The Rev. John A.

LANDERS, Mrs. Harry

LESKIS, Mr. & Mrs. Loren

LINDOW, Mr. & Mrs. Lester W.

LINDOW, Miss S. Helene

LIVINGSTON, Mr. Michael

MATULENAS, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy

McCORMACK, Lt. Timothy

McGOUIRK, Miss Patti

McQUILLAN, Dr. & Mrs. Bernard

MONTELARO, Mr. & Mrs. James J.

MURPHY, Mr. William P.

NESS, Mr. Joseph M.

NUGENT, Mrs. Gerard, Jr.

✓NUGENT, Mr. & Mrs. Gerard Peter

NUGENT, Mr. Patrick J.

O'BOYLE, H.E. The Most Rev. Patrick A., D.D.

PAILEY, Mr. Philip

PECARO, Mr. Bruce

RAY, Mr. & Mrs. James

RITTENBERG, Miss Harriet

SCHWARTZ, Miss Mary

SIZOO, Miss Charlotte

SMITH, Miss Warrie Lynn

STEINERT, Mr. N. Steve

TONKIN, Mr. Leo S.

WELKER, Miss Diana

ZAHN, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen

ZAUGRA, Mr. Arthur

ZAUGRA, Mr. Leroy