

THE WHITE HOUSE

PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON

DAILY DIARY

Date Sept 15, 1966

The President began his day at (Place)

White House

Day Thursday

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	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	8:00a				Paul Glynn and Jake Jacobsen -- MW arrived at 8:30a	
	8:25a				Breakfast	
					The President watched the television coverage of the recovery of Gemini astronauts today. He watched the simulated retrofire and watched the parachutes as the capsule entered the water. At 10:15p, Mary Wells	
	9:15a		t		Jack Valenti	
	9:37a		f		MW	
	9:50a		t		<i>W Rostow</i>	
	9:56a		t		Justice Abe Fortas	
					he looked over his shoulder at Paul and smiled at Mary and said, "If you look for me today, Paul, and can't find me, tell them who you last saw me with."	
	10:29a				To Oval Office w/ Mary Wells --and to lounge	
	11:10a		t		MW (pl)	
	11:05a		t		BM (pl)	
	11:10a		xft		BM (pl)	
	11:12a		t		Douglass Cater (pl)	

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	12:20p		t		Walt Rostow(pl)	
<i>c</i>	12:35p	<i>12:50p</i>			OFF RECORD: Congressman Leo O'Brien and his constituent, Steve Kurasik and Mr. Kurasik's three children: JoAnn, Sandra, Barbara	
					presented a medal commemorating the Polish Millenium	
<i>c</i>	12:54p	<i>1:48p</i>			Mel Elfin Chuck Roberts Bill Moyers <i>Took them to MW's office ten minutes before they left and talked w/ them there</i> to discuss Newsweek's cover story for next week making the completion of 1,037 days of the Johnson Presidency and looking ahead to the campaign this fall and beyond it (Fleming memo preparing the President for this mtg to DT)	
	1:07p				Watson (Pl)	
	1:10p				Watson (Pl)	
	1:20p				Califano (Pl)	

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	1:25p				McPherson (Pl)	
	1:30p				Rostow	
	1:55p	2:00p			Buzzed MS to bring "Wash Star" (meaning Evening Star) in to him... which she did and returned w/some papers he wished distributed.	
	1:05p				Came to mjdr's office and asked ms to call Califano and Kintner on direct lines from this office -- which she did -- and Pres invited them to lunch w/him. BM came into office then and Pres invited him to lunch, also. MW entered office and was invited, but declined "Think I better not this time, sir." Pres discussed a pamphlet the DNC had sent over -- "1000 Club" -- and asked "What's this? What's this all about?" She (mjdr) explained that they (DNC) were just trying to let us know that they had "President's Clubs" in Roosevelt's day.	
	2:15p				To mansion for lunch w/ above guests.	

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	3:28p	4:19p			To house of Apostolic Delegation to the U.S., The Most Reverend Egidio Vagnozzi , 3339 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, D. C.	
					The Christening was a double one, with the infant son -- Gonzalo Enrique -- of the Ambassador of Venezuela to the United States, H.E. Enrique Tejera-Paris also being baptized by the Apostolic Delegate.	
					The President rode to the Apostolic Delegate's home alone. He was greeted on arrival there by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Valenti and Courtenay. He visited for a minute or two with Courtenay and then walked into the Chapel for the double baptism. The Ambassador's child was baptized first, and then John Lyndon Valenti was baptized. Mrs. Florence Mahoney (the godmother) held the child as the President stood at her side. After the baptism, the President went into an anteroom and visited with the Apostolic Delegate for a minute or two, -- just prior to leaving, he chatted with other guests: Ambassador of India and Mrs. B. K. Ne Nehru Mr. and Mrs. George Stevens, Jr. - USIA Motion Picture Service Director Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzgerald Asst Attorney General and Mrs. Edward Weisl	
	4:20p				Back in mansion.	
	4:21p				Watson (PI)	
	4:22p				Paul Glynn called to pass msg to mjdrr that Pres is in bed w/light out already.	

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	4:55p				Watson (Pl)	
	5:02p				To oval office w/MW.	
	5:08p				To Cabinet room w/MW for Communique mtg w/Pres Marcos. Also present: Under Secy George W. Ball U. S. Amb to Philippines, Wm Blair, Jr William Bundy Walt Rostow Bill Moyers 5:25p	
	5:20p				Joined by Pres Ferdinand Marcos and group, General Hans Menzi, Senior Foreign Minister [REDACTED] Narcisco Ramos Presidential Aide Finance Minister, Eduardo Romualdez Dr. [REDACTED] Pacific Yap-Philippine Major Fabian Ver, Chief of Presidential Security Jose Aspinar, Press Secy	
	6:04p				Pres to mjdr's desk w/MW. Noticed gt's dress and said "My we have on a two-tone job, don't we?" Looked at papers on corner of mjdr's desk. Took papers in oval office w/MW.	
	6:10p				Mrs. Johnson joined.	
	6:15p				MJDR told pres msg received frm Blair House that Pres Marcos had split his pants and they were trying to sew them up, so would the Pres please wait a few more minutes before leaving.	
	6:37p				Departed WH, w/Pres and Mrs. Marcos, who had come by to pick up the Pres and Mrs. Johnson.	

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	7:10p				Reception guests began arriving - and to second floor	
	8:05p	9.20			The President and Mrs. Johnson returned to the White House and joined their guests for	
					RECEPTION honoring Judge and Mrs. Ewing Thomason	35 guests
					Hon and Mrs. J. Lindsay Almond, Jr.	"It was an informal--just standing around and visiting--affair. The President and Mrs. Johnson went around the room and made personal greetings to everyone. Later Mrs. Johnson made a little speech telling how much the Thomasons had meant to them and how much it meant to have all of us there. After this, the President made a very sentimental speech telling how all his life he wanted to be in a position to do things for other people. And once he even thought of being a minister. He said that no day was complete without his feeling that he has done something for somebody, and how good it was for him to be able to do something for their friends, the Thomasons. Today is the Worley's 29th wedding anniversary, and a big cake was brought in. It was cut and a champagne toast was drunk to the Worleys." Arthur Perry:mf
					Hon and Mrs. Robert T. Bartley	
					Mrs. Tom Connally	
					Dr. and Mrs. Wilson H. Elkins	
					Hon and Mrs. Frank N. Ikard	
					Hon Marvin Jones	
					Hon and Mrs. Paul J Kilday	
					Mr and Mrs. Tom Lea	
					Cong and Mrs. George Mahon	
					Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Perry	
					Lt. Gen and Mrs. James H Polk	
					Cong Ray Roberts	
					Mr. C. R. Smith	
					Congwm Lera Thomas	
					Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer J Waller	
					Cong and Mrs. Richard C White	
					Chief Judge and Mrs. Eugene Worley	

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<u>1</u>	9:30p	10:10p			DINNER w/ Mrs. Johnson Cong and Mrs. George Mahon Judge and Mrs. Ewing Thomason	
	9:45p		t		Paul Fisher (at home)	
	9:49p		f		Paul Fisher	
	10:30p				To theater w/ dinner guests to see "Trails through Texas."	
	11:19p				The President and Mrs. Johnson went to the second floor --said goodbye to the Mahons in the Diplomatic Reception Room -- Thomasons houseguests on Third Floor	
	11:45p				Retired	
					HOUSEGUESTS:	
					Judge and Mrs. Ewing Thomason	
					Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bishop	

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