

THE WHITE HOUSE  
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
DAILY DIARY

Date February 20, 1967

The President began his day at (Place) The White House

Day Monday

Entry No.	Time		Telephone f or t		Activity (include visited by)	Expenditure Code
	In	Out	Lo	LD		
C	8:10a		t		Justice Fortas	
C	8:34a		t		Justice Fortas	
C	9:40a		t		Ramsey Clark, Acting AG	
C	10:25a		f		Jack Valenti	
C	10:40a		t		Acting Secy of State, Nicholas Katzenbach	
C	10:46a		f		Dr. Donald Hornig	
	10:55a		f		Joe Califano	
	11:25a		t		Joe Califano (pl)	
C	11:35a		t		Under Secy Katzenbach	
	11:40a		t		George Christian (pl)	
	12:10p				To [REDACTED] office	
C	12:11p	12:45			OFF RECORD	
		12:45			Secretary Fowler	
		12:45			Under Secy Deming	
		12:45			Francis Bator	
					Secretary Fowler requested this appt for purpose of briefing the the President "on [REDACTED] where we are on international money, gold, etc."	

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	1:05p		t		George Christian (pl)	
	1:16p				To mansion for LUNCHEON for Farm Leaders	
					The President went to the East Room briefly, then immediately to the Blue Room to receive his luncheon guests.	
	1:25p				To the State Dining Room for STAG LUNCHEON FOR FARM LEADERS	111
	2:10p				REMARKS by the President - at the table	
					McPherson:mf	
					The President addressed this group representing virtually all the major commodities, farm organizations, and agri-businesses. He spoke on the importance of agriculture to the Food for Freedom program and hence to India and other needy nations; to 45 million Americans who benefit from the special milk, school lunch and other programs; to the American consumer who pays less for more and better food today than at any time in history; and to America's export trade. He acknowledged that while farm income had been rising, it was still short of income for non-farmers. He said that the future looked bright for improving this situation. The President sat down to standing applause, and after a few minutes he rose again and said that he had hoped Secy McNamara and Under Secy Katzenbach would have been able to discuss the VietNam question with them, but in their absence he would talk a while on that matter. He described the history of Congressional support for his activities, and the activities of the past few weeks emphasizing that we have sought to bring the matter to the bargaining table. He said that nothing had been received from the other side to indicate any willingness to accommodate the requirements of neutrality and that we had no intention of being moved out of VietNam by propaganda any more than by force of arms. He sat down, and asked for questions. There were none--only one comment from a young man at the end of the room who stood and said, "Many thanks, Mr. President, for	

In a memo to the Pres this p.m., Harry McPherson said, "After the luncheon today three people told me that the event had done 'more than anything' to put the Administration back on the track with farmers and the agricultural industry."

Farm leaders are in the city attending a one day conference sponsored by the Dept of Agriculture

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	2:37p				To Oval Office	
	2:51p		t		MW (pl)	
	3:00p	3:25p			Tom Johnson	
		3:25p			George Christian	
	3:45p				To Tom Johnson's ofc	
	3:47p				To Oval Office	
	3:50p				To mansion	
	5:00p		t		George Christian (pl)	
C	5:20p		f		Secy McNamara	
C	5:35p				To theater for TAPING of Savings Bond msg excerpt	
	<del>5:44p</del>					
	5:44p				To Oval Office	
	5:45p		f		Walt Rostow	
✓	5:46p	6:50p			OFF RECORD: Walter Reuther	
					Mr. Reuther presented to the President the United Auto Workers' Social Justice Award - "Lyndon B. Johnson, Architect of the Great Society"-- large and heavy plaque - silver on black The plaque was to have been presented to the President originally	

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					on May 20, 1966 in Long Beach, Calif on the occasion of the UAW 20th Constitutiona	
					Convention	
	6:07p		f		Joe Califano	
Q	6:17p		f		Sen. Philip A. Hart (b-1)	
C	6:47p		f		Hon. Idar Rimestad, Depty Under Secy of State for Administration	
Q	6:51p	7:48p			OFF RECORD: Mrs. Simon McHugh (She left handwritten notes of thanks <del>from her mother, sister and brother</del> for Christmas gifts they received from Pres	
	7:34p		t		Marvin Watson (pl)	
		7:37p			joined in President's office	
	7:56p		t		Larry Levinson (pl)--"Come into my office."	
	7:57p	8:00p			Larry Levinson--Gave memo from Dr. Hornig saying to get it written up where he could read	
					George Christian	
	8:07p		t		Mrs. Johnson	
	8:10p		f		Marvin Watson (pl)--brought paper into office	
	8:20p		t		Harry McPherson	
	9:00p				To pool where he joined Mrs. Johnson - w/ Mary Slater and George Christian	
	9:45p				Mrs. Johnson to second floor	



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	10:05p				To second floor w/ George Christian and Mary Slater	
C	10:10p			t	Dale Meeks - LBJ Ranch	
	10:15p				DINNER w/ Mrs. Johnson	
		10:40p			George Christian	
		10:40p			Mary Slater	
	10:47p		t		Marvin Watson	
	10:50p		t		Marvin Watson	
	11:00p				Retired	
					Today awarded the Presidential Unit Citation to the 21st Tactical Air Support Squadron, USAF, for extraordinary heroism in action against hostile forces in the Republic of VietNam, from August 1, 1965 to February 1, 1966.	
					Today received from Acting Secy of Commerce Trowbridge on impact of investment tax credit suspension.	
					Today announced a supplemental allocation of \$720,000 for the State of Arizona.	
					Today announced the appointment of four members of the President's Committee on National Medal of Science -- Dr. James Shannon, Dr. Harry H. Hess, Dr. Max S. Peters, Dr. John T. Edsall.	
					Today issued Executive Order No. 11198, relating to the interest equalization tax on certain commercial bank loans	
					Today announced that the first group of Juarez Scholars will arrive in the U.S. on February 28.	

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