

THE WHITE HOUSE  
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
DAILY DIARY

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|           |               |     |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 7:50a         |     |                  |    | Breakfast   |                  |
|           | 8:19a         |     |                  |    | Director Leonard Marks called--word was left with the Sargent   |                  |
|           | 8:45a         |     | t                |    | Secy Henry Fowler   |                  |
|           | 8:59a         |     |                  |    | The President asked for Arthur Krim--he was en route to his office--word was left   |                  |
|           | 8:58a         |     | t                |    | Sen. George Smathers  |                  |
|           | 8:58a         |     | t                |    | Sen. Clinton Anderson --word was left--DID NOT TALK at this time  |                  |
|           |               |     |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 9:43a         |     | t                |    | Joe Califano (pl)   |                  |
|           | 9:47a         |     | t                |    | Joe Califano (pl)   |                  |
|           | 9:48a         |     | f                |    | Joe Califano --returning the President's call   |                  |
|           | 10:10a-11:37a |     |                  |    | President to West Wing--into the Cabinet Room OFF RECORD to join to discuss the afternoon's press conference w/<br>Secy Rusk<br>Secy McNamara<br>Walt Rostow<br>Joe Califano<br>George Christian<br>Gardner Ackley<br>Dixon Donnelly, Asst Secy of State for Public Affairs |                  |
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|           | 11:37a | 11:41a |                  |    | President to Oval Office   |                  |
| 1         | 11:41a | 12:27p |                  |    | President returned to the Cabinet Room to join<br>OFF RECORD: Business Council Leaders<br>Roger M. Blough, Chmn, U. S. Steel Corp.<br>Carter L. Burgess, Chmn, Am Machine and Foundry Co.<br>G. Keith Funston, President, NY Stock Exchange<br>Thomas S. Gates, Jr., Chmn, Morgan Guaranty Trust Co of NY<br>Elisha Gray II, Chmn, Whirlpool Corp.<br>J. Ward Keener, President, The B. F. Goodrich Co.<br>W. B. "Bev" Murphy, President, Campbell Soup Co.<br>Albert L. Nickerson, Chmn, Mobil Oil Corp., Inc.<br>T. F. Patton, Chmn and Pres., Republic Steel Corp.<br>Frank Stanton, Pres., Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc.<br>Robert T. Stevens, Pres., J. P. Stevens & Co, Inc.<br>Sidney J. Weinberg, Partner, Goldman, Sachs, & Co.<br>Henry S. Wingate, Chmn, International Nickel Co.<br>Walt Rostow<br>Joe Califano<br>Harry McPherson<br>Larry Levinson<br>Secy Dean Rusk<br>Secy Robert McNamara<br>Gardner Ackley<br>Cliff Carter<br>Secy Henry Fowler |                  |

12:35p The President walked to the South Grounds w/  
Specialist 6 Joel, Mrs. Joel, Major Hugh Robinson  
and Jake Jacobsen--as they approached the Diplomatic  
Entrance along the road from the office, Ruffles, flourishes  
and "Hail to the Chief" were played.

The Vice President greeted the group just before they reached  
the red carpet leading to the podium

12:37p To the podium (reviewing stand)  
Honors to the President. Ruffles, flourishes, 21 guns and  
National Anthem.

It was a very colorful scene with the Honor Guard of Marines in their  
dress uniforms in front of the reviewing stand and the flag bearers with  
the flags of the fifty states behind the honor guard.

The President, Specialist Joel, and Major Robinson (Army  
Aide to the President) inspected the troops and returned  
to the reviewing stand

12:44p President, Specialist Joel rejoined on the reviewing stand  
Mrs. Joel  
The Vice President  
General Johnson  
Secretary Resor

The Color Guard was brought forward, and Specialist Joel  
took his position in front of the colors facing the President.  
The Commander of the Troops reported. Band played  
"To the Color."

12:45p Secretary of the Army Resor read the Citation; when the Secretary  
finished, the President (accompanied by Major Robinson) moved  
to a position in front of Specialist Joel. The President awarded  
Specialist Joel the Medal of Honor and certificate. Following a  
pause for pictures for the press, the President and Specialist  
Joel returned to the reviewing stand.

The Commander of the Troops returned the colors and reported  
the ceremony was concluded.

12:52p President made his REMARKS

Following the President's remarks, the reviewing stand party  
proceeded along the Red Carpet to the Diplomatic Reception  
Room--the President proceed upstairs in the mansion.

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|           | 12:26p |     |                  |    | George Christian in   |                  |
|           | 12:27p |     | t                |    | Sen Clinton Anderson (b. 1)   |                  |
|           | 12:32p |     |                  |    | Major Robinson in<br>w/ Specialist 6th Class Lawrence Joel and Mrs. Joel<br>--their three children                  |                  |
|           |        |     |                  |    | An aide--a captain and his wife<br>Jake Jacobsen<br>George Christian<br>Okamoto                                     |                  |
|           | 12:35p |     |                  |    | To South Lawn w/ above for presentation of the Congressional Medal of Honor to Specialist Joel<br><i>List to DT</i> |                  |

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|           | 4:10p |     | t                |    | Mike Manatos (pl)   |                  |
|           | 4:12p | t   | <del>fff</del>   |    | <del>                    </del> JJ on MW pl   |                  |
|           | 4:14p |     | f                |    | Mike Manatos  |                  |
|           | 4:25p |     |                  |    | To Office - stopping in mjdr's room to approve several pages of the transcript<br>of his press conference -- making only two changes in the first 7 pages |                  |
|           | 4:30p |     |                  |    | To Cabinet Room to meet w/<br>Secy Rusk<br>Secy McNamara<br>Secy Fowler<br>Hon. John McCloy<br>Walt Rostow<br>Francis Bator                               |                  |
|           |       |     |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 4:55p |     |                  |    | To Oval Office --the President immediately turned on his radio to get newscasts and then went directly to his ticker machine.                             |                  |

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| C         | 6:55p | 7:00p<br>8:00p |                  |    | Harry McPherson <i>off record</i><br>Francis Bator<br>Christopher Johnson, Foreign Editor of Financial Times of London<br>David Watts, Washington <del>correspondent</del> correspondent of the Financial Times (Mr. Johnson is staying with him while visiting here in Washington)<br>"The Financial Times is the Wall Street Journal of Britain--is powerful among opinion-makers in Britain and Europe, and friendly toward the U.S. Johnson is a large, rather shy man, visiting the U.S. on a one-month Ford Foundation grant," says Harry McPherson in his memo for the Pres dated March 8<br>Bator's memo of talking points to DT --memo indicated Johnson's main interest would be Vietnam and U.S.-European/Soviet relations. |                  |
|           | 8:29p |                | f                |    | Tom Johnson  |                  |
|           | 8:35  |                |                  |    | To mansion --where he joined Mrs. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weisl, Sr. on second floor--then to his bedroom to change to black tie   |                  |
|           | 8:55p |                |                  |    | Departed the White House via car w/ Mrs. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weisl, Sr. en route the Washington Hilton for DINNER honoring Democratic National Committeemen and Committeewomen  |                  |
|           |       |                |                  |    | REMARKS by the President   |                  |
|           |       |                |                  |    | Seat4d at the President's table were: Mrs. Johnson, Chairman and Mrs. John Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Hickman Price, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krim. There was no head table   |                  |

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