

THE WHITE HOUSE

PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	8:40a				Breakfast	
	9:20a		t		Joe Califano -pl	
	9:21a		t		Harry McPherson -pl	
	9:25a		t		Mike Manatos -pl	
	9:30a		t		Marvin Watson -pl	
C	9:32a		t		Hon. Clark Clifford	
	10:20a			t	Mrs. Johnson, LBJ Ranch	
	10:24a		f		Tom Johnson	
C	10:46a			t	Dale Meeks, LBJ Ranch	
C	10:40a			t	Mr. Dean A. McGee, Chmn & Pres., Kerr-McGee Oil Industries, Inc. of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma --- reached in NYC	
C	10:58a			t	Sen. Robert Byrd, of W. Va.	
	11:12a				The President to the East Room for	

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C	11:12				SIGNING CEREMONY of H. R. 12144, the Wholesome Meat Act	
<p>The President was presented a book, [REDACTED] AGRICULTURAL THOUGHT IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY by George McGovern inscribed: 'For President Johnson with the respect of George McGovern --15 December, 1967--'</p> <p><i>Just to dt</i></p> <p><i>Michel Salomon? F. Lysons</i></p>						
	11:35a				The President to the oval office	
C	11:37a		f		Hon. Henry H. Fowler	
	11:41a		t		Joe Califano -pl	

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C	11:58a		f	f	Dale Malechek, returning the President's earlier call when Dale had been out on the range	
					Note given to the President that the Senate passed the Social Security Bill 62-14 with the dissenting votes cast by Senators Brooke, Case, Harris, Hart, Javits, Kennedy, Kennedy, Metcalf, Mondale, Nelson, Proxmire, Tydings, Pete Williams, and Yarborough.	
					Mike Manatos:mb	
	12:14p		f		Marvin Watson -pl	
	12:15p		t		Marvin Watson -pl	
	12:16p				Tom Johnson	
	12:19p		t		Joe Califano -pl	
	12:22p		t		George Christian -pl	
	12:26p				Marvin Watson in---President giving instructions on varied subjects---Clarence Knetsch to become a qualified KingAire pilot, etc.	
C	12:29p			t	Hon. Richard Hughes at Governor of New Jersey at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania recovering from cataract operations. The President talked with the Governor and with Mrs. Hughes-- said he just called to say he was thinking of the Governor, loved him, and missed him.	
	12:35p		t		Larry Temple -pl re the Attorney General and cases the Attorney General was handling.	
C	12:37p		t		Hon. Charles Schultze, Director BOB---in Joe Califano's office.	

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✓	12:43	12:46p			Henry Womack, President of the National League of Postmasters David Jennings, a former Senate Postmaster Frank Davenport For a picture to be used on the cover of the Postmasters Advocate for its cover story on the President in the March 1968 issue.	
✓	12:48p	1:14p			Hon. Hulett Smith, Gov. of West Virginia Marvin Watson re political situation in West Virginia	
✓	1:15p	1:22p			Mr. Lloyd E. Clarke, the new President of the National Association of Home Builders --handshake and courtesy call Dr. Nathaniel Rogg, Executive Secy, National Assoc. of Home Builders	
✓	1:25p	1:29			The President to the Cabinet Room for presentation of a plaque to the President from the Jewish Social Service Agency in recognition of the President's work to establish the American ideal in immigration and civil rights.. This presentation is made in connection with the opening of an exhibition at the Smithsonian Institute entitled "Lower East Side: Portal of American Life (1870-1924).	

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2					Presented to the President was a plaque: "He grew in compassionas in his burdens; He gave new life to work begun 100 years ago To assure civil rights and voting rights For all citizens; He restored to immigration policy America's True test for an individual: 'What can he do?' In grateful appreciation, This award is conferred upon President Lyndon Baines Johnson, by the Jewish Social Service Agency of Washington. December 1967" and a book PORTAL TO AMERICA: THE LOWER EAST SIDE 1870-1925 edited by Allon Schoener.	
					Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Blaustein	Sheldon S. Cohen
					Richard England	Mr. and Mrs. Leopold V. Freudberg
					Mr. and Mrs. Garfield I. Kass	David Lloyd Kreeger
					Jac J. Lehrman	Ralph G. Newman
					Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ottenstein	Mr. and Mrs. Philip D. Sang
					Gerald G. Wagner	Miss Mary Lynn McCree
	1:29	1:31p			The President in mjdr's office --reading papers from Mr. Rostow, Gardner Ackley, and others. Said to be sure and catch Sheldon Cohen ;;he wants to see him before he leaves the White House. Mr. Cohen had given the President a home-made Christmas card to the President from his young daughter Laura--President said to thank her.	
		1:31p			The President to the oval office	
	1:32p	1:40p			OFF RECORD: Private Signing of S. 830, the Age Discrimination Act	
		1:55p			Senator Ralph Yarborough	
		1:40p			Congressman John Dent	
		1:40p			Justice Robert W. Hanson	
		1:40p			Senator Jacob Javits	
					Sen. Yarborough gave the President a leather bound copy of HEROES OF TEXAS, autographed :	
					"For President Lyndon B. Johnson, the First Texas President of the United States, Who now joins the galaxy of All-Time Great Texans, and Americans. With esteem and appreciation, Ralph W. Yarborough. Washington, D. C. Dec. 25, 1967"	

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	3:05p		t		George Christian -pl	
	3:15p				The President to the mansion w/ Joe Califano	
					En route to the mansion the President asked one of his Secret Service Agents to get Jack Valenti to come to the dining room immediately if he was in town. Message relayed to mjdr, who called Mr. Valenti--said he could be there in five minutes.	
C 3:25					Lunch w/ JV and JAC	
	3:27p		t		Barefoot Sanders -pl	
C 3:29p			t		Hon. Charles Schultze, Director BOB	
					The Senate passed the Foreign Aid Bill 54-19--it should be on it's way for signature shortly. Mike Manatos:mjdr --relayed by MSgt. Gaddis to the President, 3:35pm	
	3:45p		f		Marvin Watson	
	3:46p		f		Mike Manatos -- at the Capitol	
	3:48p		f		Marvin Watson	

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The President sent flowers today to Sen. B. Everett Jordan Date 15 December 1967
who has a respirator infection - Tower 16 Bethesda Hospital

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<i>C</i>	3:55p	5:20p			The President returned to the oval office w/ Joe Califano Hon. Jack Valenti	
<i>C</i>	4:10p	4:14p	f		Rep. Carl Albert	
<i>C</i>	4:18p	5:20p			President in Barbershop w/ Hon. Jack Valenti Joe Califano James R. Jones	
					Marvin Watson's Office	
					Oval Office	
	5:30p				President departed at C-11 for the Ellipse to light the NATIONAL CHRISTMAS TREE, and for the 1967 Christmas Pageant of Peace	
<i>C</i>					w/ James R. Jones Yuki in red Santa hat that had an LBJ pin on each side and white beard attached	
					meg	
	5:41p				Arrived at Ellipse -- immediately to stage w/ Yuki (Laughter from the crowd) President shook hands w/ platform guests as he proceeded to his chair.	
	5:45p				Mrs. Johnson arrived late - joined the President on stage stage The President was introduced by Mr. Edward R. Carr, President, Pageant of Peace The program followed as planned and printed in the Christmas Pageant of Peace	
					brochure. (Copy sent to D. Territo)	
<i>C</i>	5:49	5:58p			REMARKS " The President's Christmas Greeting to the World" <i>TV nationwide</i>	

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	6:03p				The President threw the switch that lit the National Christmas Tree The crowd immediately gave a sign of exclamation	
	6:05p				President started his departure from the platform - saying goodbye as he departed.	
	6:06p				President departed Ellipse for the White House - waving to crowds as he left accompanied by Mrs. Johnson Jim R. Jones Yuki meg	
					(The President evidenced pleasure in Yuki's costume. The President urged Yuki to get up to the window so the crowds could see him.) Dropped Mrs. Johnson off.	
	6:08p				President in Oval Office , receiving messages from mjdr w/ James R. Jones Yuki meg- to mjdr's room	
					Messages: " Senator Mansfield and Senator Dirksen are standing by in Sen. Mansfield's office to talk w/ you (jointly) -- Senate is adjourning Sine Die" 6:03p	
	6:09p	6:11p	f		Sen. Mike Mansfield Sen. Everett Dirksen -- to talk jointly on adjournment of the Congress -- Sine Die	
	6:08p		t		Joe Califano -pl	
	6:11p				Mr. Traphes Bryant in Oval Office to get Yuki	

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<i>Q</i>	6:18p			f	Mr. J. C. Kellam (in Austin)	
	6:24p		t		Mrs. Johnson (J. C. Kellam on hold)	
	6:28p	<i>7:00p</i>			President back to J. C. Kellam	
					Signed mail	
<i>C</i>	7:08p	7:55p			Hon. Philip Hoff, Governor of Vermont - <i>to discuss Borsalino hat</i>	
					During the visit a painting brought in by the Gov was taken in for the President to see. It is a landscape (Winter) painted by (and given to the President by the artist) Katherine King Johnson of Rutland, Vermont. Mrs. Johnson was active in establishing the Chaffee Art Gallery in Rutland, Vermont and from its beginning has been its Exec. Director and President of the Rutland Area Art Association, the sponsoring Organization.	
					Gov. Hoff also brought down a gift from Mr. John Arioli -- a Borsalino hat- deep, dark grey. Mr. Arioli owns a clothing store in Barre, Vermont.	
	8:03p				To mjdr's office. Read newspapers	
	8:07p				To the Mansion and to the Second Floor	
<i>C</i>	8:12p				To the East Room to join Mrs. Johnson and her guests at the Creche (a gift to the White House by ^{my. and} Mrs. Charles ^{W.} Engelhard of Far Hills, New Jersey - presented today.)	

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