

THE WHITE HOUSE  
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
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Date March 1, 1968

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	8:27a				The President asked for Dale Meeks - in San Antonio - never mind	
	8:35a			t	Pat Nugent - Austin, Tex	
	9:10a		t		Cater - pl	
	9:16a		f		Joe Califano	
	9:26a		f		Col. James Cross	
	9:46a		f		Mike Manatos	
	10:11a		t		Mike Manatos	
	10:27a		t		Col. James Cross	
	10:33a		t		Mike Manatos	
C	10:34a		t		Gen. Earle Wheeler	
	10:41a		f		Mike Manatos	
C	10:44a		t		Sen. Carl Hayden	
	10:52a		f		Col. James Cross	
C	10:54a		t		Louis Martin - DNC	
	11:13a		f		Walt Rostow	

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	12:44p				To Oval Ofc	
	12:45p		t		Secy Fowler	
✓	12:55p	1:00p			To the Fish Room for picture w/ Dr. Edward Re -- his wife, -- and his mother, Mrs. Anthony Re and family Mary Ann, 17 Anthony, 15 Marina, 14 Edward 12 Victor, 11 Margaret, 10 Matthew, 9 Joseph, 8 Mary Elizabeth, 6 Mary Joan, 5 Mary Ellen, <del>x</del> 3	
	1:00p				Back to Oval Ofc	
✓	1:01p		t		Sen. Everett Dirksen	
✓	1:01p	1:15p			Hon. Sargent Shriver	OFF RECORD

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	1:48p				Boarded helicopter accompanied by Jim Jones Clint Hill Okamoto and joining Paul Glynn Yuki Nell Yates Dr. Luckash Sam Houston Johnson, Donna Maloney Marie Fehmer Juanita Roberts Larry Temple George Christian and Congressman and Mrs. Jake Pickle.	
	1:49p				To Dulles Airport arriving 2:25p and immediately boarding AF-1 joining: Director of NASA James Webb Dr. Frederick Seitz President National Academy of Sciences National Academy of Engineering and National Research Council	
Air Force One departed from Dulles because the runway at Andrews AFB was very slippery.					* <del>Dr. Charles Stark Draper, Head, Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics, School of Engineering, MIT</del>	
					Mr. and Mrs. Steve Martini	
					Miss Connie Gerrard	
					Colonel Jack L. Albright	
					Lt. Colonel Haywood R. Smith	
					Mr. John P. Jones	
					Mr. Samuel Sulliman	
					Mr. Carroll Hamilton	
					Mr. Paul Thompson	
					Mr. William Kieran	
					Mr. Dennis Shaw	
					Lt. jg Thomas Mills	
					Chief Robert Dunn	
					PH1 William Fisher	
					SD1 Cecelio Pontanilla, Jr.	
					Sgt. Paul J. Glynn	
					Sgt. Marshall K. Gaddis	
					Sgt. Robert Recco	
					Sgt. Jack Cliff	
					Mr. Harry Middleton	
					Mr. Will Sparks	
					Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Burney	
					Mr. Ben Wattenberg	

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2:15p - Airborne, enroute Houston, Texas

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					Sitting with the President: Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Burney, Director Webb, Dr. Seitz, Dr. Draper, Congressman and Mrs. Pickle.	
	2:35p				President to rear to invite Sam Houston to join Presidential group.	
	2:40p				Luncheon : Soup, Chicken a la king on rice, rolls, butter, coconut cake. The President ate one and one-half bowls Air Force chili, 3 crackers, one and one-half bowls diet chocolate pudding with diet cream and 1 cup Sanka.	
	3:15p				President walked to his bedroom, went inside a moment. Coming out noticed pictures at Secretaries' desk. Turned one up and found it prepared for his consideration for autographing to the Paul F. Barnharts of Houston, Texas with whom Sam Houston plans a visit. Mrs. Barnhart (Virginia) is seriously ill -- terminal cancer -- and Sam Houston had expressed his desire to take her or them an autographed picture of the President. President inscribed the "full face - from Remington" picture: "To Paul and Mrs. Barnhart from their friend, Lyndon B. Johnson"	
	3:35p				have Steve trim his hair and then To Marie: Said he was going to take a nap. That the Steve Martinis are aboard and for her or any of her girls to take advantage of that to have hair or other "beauty" things done.	
					hands rubbed w/ oil - Dr. Lukash in to change bandaid on small finger on left hand. President in bed in pajamas -- dropped off to sleep at 4:00p -- still wearing glasses which wedged themselves into his forehead as his head turned on the pillow. Awakened by Ken Gaddis at 4:10p, and the President asked to be given a few minutes more ... "Wake me up 30 minutes out, and that will give Steve 20 minutes to work on me.	
	4:25p				awake - Ann and Steve Martini in took in report from Rostow - Bowdler's short report on Covey Oliver's trip to Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru and Colombia	



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	<u>CENTRAL STANDARD TIME.</u>				(There had been NO announcements)	
	3:56p	Houston	Time		Deplaned, Ellington Air Force Base, Houston, Texas. Small crowd/- people lined fence. Photographers at foot of steps. President was met by Dr. Robert Gilruth, Director, Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, Texas Colonel Cart T. Rauk, Base Commander, Ellington AFB Colonel Walter B. Staudt, C.O., 147th Fighter Wing, National Guard Astranut Captain Alan B. Shepard, Jr., USN Mr. Donald K. Slayton President to the fence to shake hands with onlookers and then to motorcade	
	4:00 p		/		Motorcade moved out enroute NASA MANNED SPACE FLIGHT CENTER, Houston, Texas President accompanied by: Director Webb Dr. Gilruth Capt. Alan Shepard Dr. Seitz Dr. Draper	
	4:16p	4:32p			Arrived at the entrance to NASA and proceeded to Building 37 -Lunar Receiving Laboratory where he was met by Mr. Richard S. Johnston, Chief, Crew Systems and Division, Ofc of Engineering & Development, Dr. <del>W</del> Hess, Director, Science Application, both of whom, /with Dir. Webb and Capt. Shepard/ briefed the President on the activities, functions, etc of this Laboratory. Assisted by: Mr. Jack Mays, Equipment Technician	
					Dr. Wilmot N. Hess, Director of Science and Applications	
	4:34p	4:47p			To Building #29, Flight Acceleration Facility to inspect Centrifuge aspect of astronaut training. The President was met here by Dr. ART HIMMERS, Chief, Centrifuge Operation Following briefing and demonstration, the astronauts participating joined the President for talks and picture-taking. They were:	

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	5:58p				Wheels up -	
					Aboard Air Force One for flight from Ellington Air Force Base Texas to	
					(President in cabin for takeoff w/	
					Cong and Mrs. J J Pickle	
					Larry Temple	
					George Christian	
					Jim Jones	
					Ben Wattenberg	
					Very short flight - only 90 miles from Houston area to Beaumont-Port Arthur area.	
					The manifest remained the same:	
					with the following exceptions:	
					Mr. Sam Houston Johnson remained in Houston - will meet the party at 8:00 a. m.	
					tomorrow	
					Dr. James Webb	
					Dr. Frederick Seitz	
					Dr. Charles Draper	
					and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Burney	
					- above named <del>went</del> remained in Houston	
					Added for this leg were:	
					Bill Livingood - SS	
					and members of the PRESS:	
					Cleve Ryan (photographer)	
					<del>Robert</del> Schultz AP photo	
					George Grant UPI telenews photo	
					Charles Gorry AP	
					Frank Swoboda	
					Harry Kelly	
					Pat Heffernan	

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					Garnett (Jack) Horner Barbara Furlow Sid Davis Carl Larson Joe Steiner Ralph Santos Charles Franks Bill Richards Charles Hoagland Stan Stearns and Tom Johnson	
					Just prior to landing, the President invited several members of the press corps to join him in his cabin: Garnett Horner, Barbara Furlow, Sid Davis, and Pat Heffernan	
Beaumont advance men: Norman Duncan and Ted Connell					And just prior to landing, the President made changes in the speech for the Brooks dinner tonight -- and asked Wattenberg to provide him with three or four good jokes.	
	6:20p				Wheels down - Jefferson County Airport, Nederland, Texas at dusk	
The President last visited Beaumont on Sept 26, 1963.						
	6:25p				Off the rear steps of the aircraft - Yuki bounding down ahead of him - greeted by Cong. and Mrs. Jack Brooks -- and immediately, almost at a run, to the fences to greet the crowds (local television estimated them at 10,000 at the airport)	

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	6:30p				Departed Jefferson County Airport, accompanied by Cong. Jack Brooks, Jim Jones, and Cong and Mrs. J J Pickle (Mrs. Brooks departed in a separate car - to dress for dinner)  Good crowds along the way.	
	6:50p				Arrived Schlesinger Geriatrics Center, Beaumont, Tex -- warm crowd outside, many children and most of them in uniforms of Girl and Boy Scouts, brownies, etc.  Met by: Mr. Robert (Bob) Ghormley, Director of the Center Mr. W. W. Phillips, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Beaumont and President of the American Natl Bank of Beaumont  The President signed the guest register  And then turned down a hall to the left and began visiting patients in their rooms:  In Room 1 Mrs. Ola Insirillo and Mrs. Nellie Jones  In Room 2 Mrs. Bertha Rogers, Mr. W. A. Blanton, and Mrs. Abbie Gandy  In Room 3, <del>xx</del> Mrs. Pearl Sherrell, Mr. Ernest Palmer, Mrs. Ruth Sharples	



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					And then briefly into room 4 to freshen up before speech --	
					Then to Room 5 --and visited w/ <i>DOUGHARTY</i> <i>Mrs.</i> Mr. Jim Wiggins, Mrs. Irene <del>Dougherty</del> , Mrs. Inez Jones, Dovie Parker, and Mr. Rudolph Blanchard	
					Other patients were waiting, but the nurses had to tell them that thw President had run out of time, and couldn't stop to visit, so several of them came to the doors to see him as he walked by. He shook hands w/ a Mrs. Esther Johnson, who said to him, "Thank you, Mr. President. All I've wanted to do is see you. If it weren't for you, I wouldn't have anything and would be all alone. I'm grateful. God bless you."	
					As he left the wing, he shook hands w/ a 97 year old lady.	
					The President then left by a side door and walked approx 50 feet to a Conference Room which is filled with people. Capacity is 375, but with little children wiggling, and people craning necks to see better, count looks more like 500.	
					The President walked to the microphone through a cordon of men in American Legion caps.	
					Mr. Phillips began the program at 7:10p and introduced - for applause - Cong. J J Pickle, A. W. Schlesinger, Bob Ghormley, and Cong. Jack Brooks.	
					Cong. Jack Brooks introduced the President	
					REMARKS by the President	



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9:42p	<del>9:40p</del>				Returned to Ramada Inn - Room 300 w/ <del>Tom Jones</del> George Christian and Larry Temple	
					DINNER - w/ mldr, mf Larry Temple, George Christian Jim Jones - for coffee	
					President ate 1 and a half bowls of chili from the aircraft, and toast fingers chocolate pudding and whipped cream for dessert	
					Dhring dinner watched televised replay of speech at Brooks' appreciation dinner	
					Joined by Cong and Mrs. J J Pickle and Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Webber	
	11:00p				Guests out - and to bed	