

THE WHITE HOUSE
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
DAILY DIARY

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Date JULY 4, 1968
(INDEPENDENCE DAY)

The President began his day at (Place)

LBJ Ranch

Day THURSDAY

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					Bright, sunshine, hot day.	
C	7:43a			t	Mr. Joseph Mashman - Fort Worth, Texas	The President watched TV, read the newspapers, went for a swim, Jim Jones and Larry Temple in and out briefing on schedule for the day and other working matters.
					Breakfast: Melon Balls, Hot Tea	
C	8:18a			t	Mr. Albert Weirich - Johnson City, Texas	
C	8:28a			t	Atty General Ramsey Clark - Washington, D. C.	
C	8:58a			t	Earl Deathe - Austin, Texas	
	9:30a				The President to the Office - looking over items on his desk, briefly reading tickers/wire services - mf, Larry Temple, Jim Jones and yb	
	9:35a				Joined by Mrs. Johnson	
	9:38a				Departed Main House w/above and drove golf cart to Helicopter	

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	9:42a				Departed LBJ Ranch aboard Helicopter w/Mrs. Johnson Jim Jones, Larry Temple, mf, yb, Okamoto, Frank Wolfe, Sgt. Gaddis and Secret Svc agents	
					The President seemed in a jovial mood, teasing mf about letting him eat green onions at Gov. Connally's dinner last night. President and Mrs. Johnson discussing House action on Gun Control bill. He looked over the schedule for his visit to Hemisfair briefly, then napped until landing on Hemisfair grounds. Okamoto precedes Pres. and Mrs. Johnson with camaras wearing a faded Madras sport coat and Pres. commented "well, it looks like checkered coats are back in style!"....laughter was heard from everyone on board including Oke.	
	10:10a				Arrived Hemisfair - large crowds cordoned away from the landing area waving, cheering, children waving flags.	
	10:12a				Jim Jones In Limosine w/Mrs. Johnson, mf and yb, for short drive to U.S. Pavilion On the way Mrs. Johnson remarked how lovely the flower beds were directly in front of Hemisfair Needle Tower bldg.	
	10:20a				Arrived at U.S. Pavilion - to suite of Amb. Ed Clark. Here the President met the representatives of the Baptist exhibit and viewed a painting of the President's great-grandfather, Dr. George W. Baines, artist Mr. Hearn. This painting will hang in the Baptist Pavilion at Hemisfair '68 in San Antonio, Texas, presented by the Baptist of Texas and all the Southern Baptist Convention. (Picture of painting and artist to Lucy Ferguson)	
	10:21- 10:23				Press and Photogs in	
	10:23a				To adjoining sitting room, above suite, looking at other paintings there, one in particular a watercolor by William L. Ko titled "Springtime at the LBJ Ranch." (this watercolor given to the President, Sgt. Gaddis brought to LBJ Ranch)	

presented to the President, Oke

taking pics.

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	10:28a				President and Mrs. Johnson, joined by Gov. and Mrs. John Connally and Amb. and Mrs. Ed Clark.	
					President and Gov. Connally to look at painting of Dr. George W. Baines, LBJ's great grandfather. Miss Deborah Duda, young lady guide at U.S. Pavilion introduced herself to the President and asked him and Gov. Connally to sign the guest book. Ladies all in sitting room chatting.	
	10:35a				Entire group departed Amb. Clark's suite, going upstairs to the lobby portion of the U.S. Pavilion then outside where crowds are assembled, visiting Latin American Ambassadors. (estimated crowds approx. 1000 people) - podium directly in front of U.S. Pavilion. FOR NAME LIST OF OFFICIALS THERE, SEE P. 8	
	10:40a				Opening remarks by Amb. Ed Clark, presenting Gov. John Connally	
	10:42a				Address by Gov. John Connally	
	10:48a				Amb. Clark introduced Walt Rostow and Speaker Ben Barnes then introduced Amb. Guillermo Sevilla-Sacasa	
	10:50a				Amb. Guillermo Sevilla-Sacasa made his address, introducing firstly Mrs. Johnson who received a standing ovation.	
	10:56a				Amb. Sevilla-Sacasa introduced the President	
	10:56a - 11:03a				REMARKS by the President After remarks the President made his way to the crowds and shook hands briefly with many.	

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	11:10	11:15a			Toured the OAS Pavilion w/Gov. and Mrs. Connally, Mrs. Ed Clark, Amb. Clark Mrs. Johnson, Amb. Sevilla-Sacasa and Hemisfair officials	
	11:16	11:20a			Toured Italian Pavilion w/above. As President entered building two handsome tall Italian officers saluting at attention. Escorted by Italian young ladies (guides).	
	11:21	11:25a			Toured Central American Pavilion (following countries represented in this building: Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador and Guatemala)	
	11:26a	11:30a			Toured Spanish Pavilion w/group	
	11:32	11:33a			Stopped briefly at Thailand Pavilion	
	11:33	11:36a			Toured Mexican Pavilion - signed Guest Book there.	
	11:40a				President stopped to shake hands with crowds gathered in area Group returned to the U. S. Pavilion	
	11:45a				Arrived at U. S. Pavilion Exhibit building - brief tour there.	
	11:50a	12:15a			To U. S. Pavilion building theatre - for viewing of USIA film "Us". President was seated next to Mrs. Connally, the Gov., Amb. Sevilla Sacasa on one side Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Ed Clark, Mrs. Connally and other Hemisfair officials on the other. This was an excellent color film, with controversial tones, because it depicted "US" Americans from the early colonization days to the present time. It was a true picture of how we have progressed, the problems we've encountered, the wars we have fought, the machine-age we've created, the civil rights problem with the Negroes, water pollution, smog, etc. It showed US as having created all these things and now having to cope with answers or solutions to these problems. The color photography was excellent and the direction superb.	

*Mrs. Johnson had already
seen this pic so she didn't attend.*

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	12:15pm				President and group downstairs in the U. S. Pavilion for refreshments and brief respite.	
	12:34p				President, Mrs. Johnson, Gov. and Mrs. John Connally to limosine for short drive to the Texas Pavilion. All along the way, enormous throngs waving and cheering bands playing.	
	12:40p				Arriv ed at Texas Pavilion. Accompanied Gov. Connally and official party to ramp by a huge, beautiful fountain. Gov. Connally made brief remarks here.	
	12:45p				Entered Texas Pavilion - the Institute of Texan Cultures. This exhibit building at Hemisfair tells who came, when, where they settled and what they contributed to State's development. The 25 major groups represented in exhibit form here include: Indians, Spaniards, Italians, French, Irish, English, Germans, Czechs, Negroes, Anglo-Americans, Swedes, Scots, Danes, Dutchmen, Mexicans, Greeks, Jews, Japanese, Gypsies, Lebanese, Chinese, Poles, Norwegians, Swiss and Portugese. The institute has worked out the theme of the State's official exhibit, done the necessary historical research and is collecting the pictures, relics, and documents necessary for this exhibit. During the 6 months of the Fair it will operate this exhibit. In Oct 1968 the Institute will enter its permanent operation, preparing and distributing materials on Texas subjects throughout the State.	
					The President and official group visited each section in Texas Pavilion departing at 1:20 pm	
	1:25p				Aboard Helicopter with Mrs. Johnson, Jim Jones, Larry Temple, mf, yb Okamoto, Frank Wolfe, Sgt. Gaddis and Secret Svc Agents.	
					President napped the entire chopper ride back to LBJ Ranch.	
	1:55pm				Arrived at LBJ Ranch - to the office with staff.	

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	2:00p				LUNCH w/Mrs. Johnson, Lynda Bird, mf, yb, Jim Jones and Larry Temple Lunch consisted of Beef Roast w/carrots, steamed rice, lettuce salad, peaches & cream Pres. asked mf to say grace. for dessert President complained that this menu of heavy foods was not to his liking in hot weather, and especially for the noon meal. He preferred tuna fish salad, bacon & tomato sandwiches, pimento cheese sandwiches, etc. but a lighter fare.	
					President mentioned going out to look at deer after lunch and a nap, and asked for volunteers to accompany him. He seemed surprised that he was scheduled to attend a 10:00 pm Dinner in San Antonio hosted by Amb. Ed Clark for ambassadors and wives and said he did not want to attend or had misunderstood that he was definitely accepted to this event which is black tie. Instructed Larry Temple to call Amb. Clark and tell him that he was not going. President mentioned having very little time to rest and relax before leaving for El Salvador and asked Jim Jones what was on his schedule for tomorrow. Jim gave him a quick briefing about the visit of President Barrientos of Bolivia for tomorrow.	
	3:21p				Departed the Main House w/mf	
	3:34				Arrived Danz Place	
	3:45p				Departed Danz	
	3:47p				Arrived Danz Sisters	
	3:52p		t		Dale Malechek - radio phone - Pres. told Dale he wanted to visit with him sometime when convenient about several matters and asked him how he was spending his 4th of July.	
	3:59p				Departed Danz Sisters	
	4:07p				Drivin g to Dale Malechek's house	
	4:12p				Arrived Reagan Ranch	
	4:28p				Departed Reagan Ranch	
	4:29p		t		Dale Meeks - radio phone - discussing ranch matters.	

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	4:30p				Driving on Park Road 49	
	4:31p				Arrived Birthplace - joined by Mrs. Johnson	
	4:39p				Departed Birthplace	
	4:41p				Moving east on Ranch Road #1	
	4:56p				Arrived Scharnhorst	
	5:51p				Departed Scharnhorst	
	5:50p				On Highway 290 East	
	5:58p				Arrived Boyhood Home	
	6:04p				Departed Boyhood Home	
	6:12p				Traveling on Highway 290 West	
	6:25p				On Lewis Ranch	
	6:54p				Departed Lewis Ranch	
	7:33p				Driving through Hartman Ranch area	
	8:18p				Departed Hartman Ranch	
	8:23p				Arrived LBJ Ranch - to the Office briefly	
	8:36p				Departed Main House w/Mrs. Johnson, mf and yb	
	8:40p				Driving on Martin Ranch	
	8:58p				Departed Martin Ranch and drove East on Ranch Road #1	
	9:15p - 10:00p				DINNER w/Mrs. Johnson, Lynda, mf, yb, Jim Jones and Larry Temple	
					Mrs. Johnson asked mf to say grace. Menu was: Vegetable soup, Bacon/Tomatoes	
	9:56p		t		Col. Haywood Smith - inviting to play bridge w/ladies	
					President asked Mrs. J what she had found	
					wrong or controversial about the USIA film he had	
					seen this morning at Hemisfair titled "Us" -- and she replied that she just was NOT in	
					agreement with the way the film depicted us Americans as not really trying to do	
					something about the problems we ourselves have created...that actually a lot is being	
					done everyday to correct them, that it seemed to stress our faults and not bring out the	
					progress we are doing to overcome them. The President said he did not agree with her	
					--he thought it was a very good film -- that he saw nothing controversial -- he was trying	
					awfully hard to get the Congress to appropriate more funds for the poor, more funds	
					for water pollution, in fact the film was a true picture of us as we are, a strong nation,	
					a wealthy nation, proud people yet anxious to extend helping hand to those in need.	

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					OFFICIAL GUESTS AT HEMISFAIR (Cont'd)	
					Amb of Ecuador	
					Mrs. Don Alejandro Magnet	
					Amb and Mrs. de la Colina of Mexico	
					Amb of Panama and Mrs. Ritter of Panama	
					Amb of the U.S. and Mrs. Sol Linowitz	
					Amb of Peru and Mrs. Alvarada	
					Interim Representative of Barb ados to the OAS	
					Interim Rep of Venezuela to the OAS	
					Amb of the Dominican Republic and Mrs. Del Rosario	
					Interim Rep of Argentina to the OAS and Mrs. Vieyra	
					Interim Rep of Brazil to the OAS and Mrs. Mariz	
					Asst Secy General of the OAS and Mrs. Urquia	
					President of the Inter-American Cmtee, Alliance for Progress and Mrs. de Santa Maria	
					President of the Inter American Bank an d Mrs. Herrera	
					His Ex. Raymond Telles, Mexican-American Border Development Commission	
					Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau	
					George Abell	
					Mr. James Payne, State Dept	
					Mr. Donald Barnes, interpreter	
					Mr. John Carlyle, SBA	
					Mrs. Victoria Watkins, Dept of State	

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President issued STATEMENT to the Press deploring intolerance which prevented Presidential candidate George Wallace from speaking in Minneapolis the night before.