

1961 Chronology*

January

- 1/1 New Year's Day at the Ranch. In Washington by 1/4. (1/2 & 1/3 missing)
- 1/4 **LBJ (Lyndon Johnson)** flies to NYC. **CTJ (Lady Bird Johnson)** and girls already there). Returns 1/6 to Washington on JFK's plane.
- 1/11 LBJ flies to Fort Worth for testimonial dinner for JBC, flies to Ranch the next day.
- 1/13 LBJ flies to Cape Canaveral, inspects base.
- 1/14 LBJ flies to West Palm Beach, meets with JFK, returns to Washington on 1/16.
- 1/17 Phone calls to Speaker and JBC about Yarborough's objections to JBC's appointment.
- 1/19 Pre-inaugural gala at National Guard Armory, Joe Kennedy's party at Paul Young's Restaurant.
- 1/20 Inauguration Day.
- 1/21 Humphrey meets with LBJ re: speeches by Morse and Proxmire on Senate floor on JBC's appointment.
- 1/23 Meeting with RFK about JBC appointment at 2 p.m., vote taken that afternoon, JBC sworn in on 1/25.

*A note for those who search this file:

This chronology was compiled by the oral history staff from the Pre-presidential diary only. The following abbreviations were commonly used in writing it:

CCC – Cliff Carter
CTJ - Lady Bird Johnson (Claudia Taylor Johnson)
HHH – Hubert Horatio Humphrey
JBC - John B. Connally
JBK - Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy
JFK - John F. Kennedy
LBJ - Lyndon Johnson
MMW - Mary Margaret Wiley
P-38 – LBJ's Capitol office
PCEEO - President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity
RFK - Robert F. Kennedy
UT – University of Texas
WH - White House (but not always; sometimes it is spelled out)

Please be aware that there may be misspellings of proper names.

- 1/24 To Baltimore where CTJ christens a ship.
- 1/26 Cabinet meeting at White House this morning.
- 1/28 10 a.m. meeting at White House with the President and Rusk re: Cuba and other matters.
- 1/30 9:30 a.m. meeting at White House on House Rules Committee change.
- 1/31 Leadership meeting at White House at 8:45 a.m.

February

- 2/1 10:00 NSC meeting at White House.
- 2/2 LBJ calls JFK re: Senator Blakley's inquiry about possible communist connections of Dr. Robert Weaver (appointee for Housing Administration?).
- 2/5 LBJ, CTJ, Moyers, MMW to New York where LBJ addresses B'nai Zion dinner.
- 2/6 Phone calls with RFK, Speaker and Tom Clark re: Ramsey Clark (appointment in Justice Department?).
- 2/7 White House leadership conference at 8:45.
- 2/8 To White House for diplomatic reception, 4:45 p.m.
- 2/9 Presidential Prayer Breakfast at the Mayflower at 8 a.m. followed by NSC meeting at the White House. White House dinner at 8 p.m.
- 2/11 White House meeting with JFK, Llewellyn Thompson at 10 a.m.
- 2/14 White House leadership meeting at 8:45 a.m., meeting with JFK at 2:45 p.m., to Ranch at 5 p.m. with CTJ, Jenkinses, Thornberrys, MMW, Warren Woodward, Kellam.
- 2/16 To San Antonio for tour of Brooks Aerospace Medical Center, back to the Ranch that night.
- 2/18 LBJ spends day in Austin.
- 2/19 LBJ Co. Convair crashes en route to LBJ Ranch, pilot and co-pilot die in crash.
- 2/20 LBJ visits site of plane crash, goes to Austin to visit widow of pilot.

- 2/22 LBJ attends funeral of Harold Teague (pilot) in Austin, attends Charles Williams' funeral (co-pilot) in Houston 2/23, returns to Washington 2/24.
- 2/25 LBJ meets with JFK at 9:00.
- 2/27 LBJ attends Democratic Conference at 10:00, New Senate Office Bldg.
- 2/28 Leadership meeting at White House at 8:45 a.m.
- March**
- 3/2 Cabinet meeting at White House, 10 a.m.
- 3/3 Lunch with Gould Lincoln, Jerry Griffin, Senators Mansfield and Dirksen, Smathers, Humphrey, Roth (*Baltimore Sun*), Ed Koterba, Bill Theis, Bobby Baker. Meeting at White House at 2:45 with JFK, McNamara, Lemnitzer, Rusk, Bundy; also talked afterwards with JFK about new executive order on equal opportunity employment.
- 3/6 Meeting with JFK at White House, 9:45 a.m., dinner with the Speaker that night.
- 3/7 White House leadership meeting, 8:45 a.m., lunch at White House with Arthur Dean, McCloy.
- 3/9 Lunch with Amb. Carrillo Flores, Rodrigo Gomez, Rodriguez Adams, Amb. Sanchez Gavito, Mansfield, Dirksen, Stennis, Secretaries Freeman, Goldberg, Ball, Mann in P-38. 3 p.m. meeting at WH to hear Amb. Felt re: Laos. 6:30 reception and dinner for 20th anniversary of Truman Committee.
- 3/11 10 a.m. NSC meeting, lunch with Executive Committee of DNC, Gridiron Dinner.
- 3/12 To Middleburg with President and Mrs. Kennedy, Prince and Princess Radziwill. CTJ, Thornberrys, Jenkins, MMW arrive later. LBJ spends night, unclear if President does.
- 3/14 WH leadership meeting, phone call from RFK re: federal judge appointments and Yarborough. Meeting the next day with RFK, Yarborough, Ramsey Clark at 10:30 (on same subject?).
- 3/15 Senator Frear sworn in as SEC commissioner, NSC meeting at 2:00, WH black tie dinner for Prince and Princess Radziwill.
- 3/16 LBJ addresses Farmer's Union at 3:45, 4:00 attends WH meeting on Cuba.

- 3/18 WH meeting with JFK, Bundy, Stevenson.
- 3/20 Johnsons host party for JBC at Sheraton Park Hotel.
- 3/21 WH leadership meeting.
- 3/22 Meets with Rusk and congressional leadership re: Laos at 2 p.m., reads statement to CBS radio afterwards and goes to WH at 4:30.
- 3/23 WH meeting at 11:45 and WH reception for one-third of Senate at 6:30.
- 3/24 WH luncheon, also takes Reynaldo Garza (possible appointee for federal judgeship) to WH to meet JFK that afternoon. Meets with Jim Mathis re: news story that LBJ has refused to make appointments from Houston.
- 3/25 To Louisville with CTJ and MMW for Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner.
- 3/26 To Ranch till 3/30.
- 3/30 To Houston, spends night at the Wesley Wests.
- 3/31 To Baltimore and on to Washington, meets with HHH at 4:15.

NOTE: In January through March, the Johnsons are looking at houses in Washington.

April

- 4/1 To Puerto Rico; on to Dakar, Senegal on 4/2 for Senegal's independence ceremonies.
- 4/5 In Senegal, visits fishing village of Kayar, leaves for Geneva at 11:30 a.m., meets with Arthur Dean and Ed Gullion that night.
- 4/6 Press conference at hotel in Geneva before leaving for Paris for SHAPE conference. Later shopping, embassy reception, dinner at Maxims, spends night at Hotel George V.
- 4/7 No entry, apparently returns to Washington.
- 4/8 Brunch this morning with Lamar HS Choralettes (Houston) before leaving for Nashville for Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner. Also throws out ball at baseball game there and is presented with a Tennessee walking horse, meets with NAACP group. Spends night at Governor's Mansion.

- 4/9 To Washington.
- 4/10 Meets with McCloy at 11:15, with Fortas, Goldberg, Holleman, Reedy at 11:30, attends baseball game with JFK.
- 4/11 WH leadership meeting, 9:30 meeting at PCEEO in Cabinet Room, back to WH at 3:40.
- 4/12 Appointments with Moyers and Shriver, Jerry Holleman, Red James, Bob Troutman, McFarland, WH luncheon for Adenauer, Jim Wright, Ed Welsh, Sen. Blakley.
- 4/13 Attends Shriver's swearing in at State Dept., German Embassy dinner for Adenauer.
- 4/14 Attends luncheon for Adenauer given by Senators Dodd, Bridges, HHH, Hruska, Javits. To WH at 4:00 and back there at 6:00 for reception.
- 4/15 To Norfolk, Va. where Lynda is crowned Azalea Queen, back to Washington that night.
- 4/16 To Ranch with Adenauer. Party attends church in Stonewall, Stonewall C of C hosts barbecue at the Ranch that afternoon, Fredericksburg hosts a reception at the fairgrounds afterwards. Dinner at the Ranch.
- 4/17 To Austin for parade, reception at Governor's Mansion before returning to Washington.
- 4/18 WH leadership breakfast, meets with Russell at 2:40, back to WH at 4:00, attends WH congressional reception at 10 p.m.
- 4/20 Cabinet meeting 10:00 a.m. ASNE luncheon, then back to WH all afternoon.
- 4/21 WH at 10:00 and 3:15.
- 4/22 Space meeting, 9:15; NSC meeting, 10:00; to Middleburg.
- 4/23 Visits Kennedys at Glen Ora, spends night at Huntlands.
- 4/24 Space meeting at EOB, WH luncheon for Sukarno, black-tie dinner at French Embassy in honor of the Johnsons.

- 4/25 WH leadership meeting, sees Sukarno off at Andrews, then leaves for Kansas City with Dick Bird, MMW, Reedy to brief Truman with Tazewell Sheppard. Then to NYC where he sees "Advise and Consent" with Weisl et al.
- 4/26 To Washington.
- 4/27 NSC meeting, 10 a.m., also meets with JBC and Price Daniel at 3:15, Roy Wilkins at 5:15.
- 4/29 NSC meeting, 10 a.m.
- 4/30 Breakfast at the Talmadges' before Johnsons, Talmadges, Russell leave for Berryville for Senator Byrd's luncheon. Dinner with JBC on *Sequoia*.

May

- 5/1 Meeting with Tom Mann this morning, lunch with JBC at the Pentagon, Space meeting at 2:30 and NSC meeting at 4 p.m.
- 5/2 WH leadership breakfast followed by meeting of top 50 defense contractors in Indian Treaty Room in EOB.
- 5/3 Meeting of Executive Council of AFL-CIO and Building Trades and PCEEO at 9:30. 2:30 space meeting with Kerr, Ed Welsh; WH dinner for President of Tunisia.
- 5/4 To NYC, speaks to Albert Lasker Awards luncheon, tours World Trade Fair, speaks to Brand Name Foundation dinner.
- 5/5 To Washington, NSC meeting at 10 a.m., State Dept. briefing on trip to Far East at 2 p.m.
- 5/6 Meets with General Romulo before leaving for Middleburg.
- 5/7 To Washington, meets with Fulbright and Walter Lippmann at Fulbright's home that night.
- 5/8 To WH to meet Commander Alan Shepard, attends reception for Shepard at Old Supreme Court Chamber and luncheon for him at State Dept. before leaving for White Sulphur Springs for Magazine Publishers Assoc. speech.
- 5/9 To Travis AFB, California then on to Hawaii where he speaks to Hawaiian legislature, attends groundbreaking ceremony of East-West Center.
- 5/10 To Wake Island, crossed International Date Line.

- 5/11 To Guam, then Saigon, met by Nhu and Madame Nhu, attends buffet supper with American colony at Majestic Hotel, briefing at Embassy, spends night at Gia Long Palace.
- 5/12 Meets with Diem, lunches with Nhu at Caravelle Hotel, tours countryside, formal dinner at Independence Palace.
- 5/13 Breakfast with Diem, then to Manila, meets with President Garcia, addresses Philippine Congress.
- 5/14 To Taipei, meets with Chiang Kai-shek.
- 5/15 Meets with VP Chen and Chiang, then to Hong Kong.
- 5/16 In Hong Kong, shopping and boat ride, then to Bangkok.
- 5/17 Bangkok
- 5/18 To New Delhi, lays wreath on Ghandi's tomb, meets Nehru, spends night at President's house.
- 5/19 Meets with Nehru, then to Agra, tours villages and Taj Mahal, back to New Delhi.
- 5/20 Diary missing, apparently goes to Karachi, Pakistan.
- 5/21 Tours housing development in Karachi, then goes to Athens, visits Acropolis and Parthenon, dinner with CTJ, Waldron, MMW, etc.
- 5/22 Meets with P.M. Caramanlis, then flies to Tripoli, Azores, then Bermuda. Spends night in Bermuda, returns to Washington on 5/24.
- 5/25 Cabinet meeting at 10 a.m., joint session of Congress at 12:30. LBJ meets with Rusk at 2 p.m., meets with Foreign Relations Committee re Far East trip at 3:30. Meets with Albert Thomas at 5 p.m. before attending WH reception.
- 5/26 Meets with Moyers and Shriver at end of the day.
- 5/27 Meets with JFK this morning, speaks to Democratic fundraising dinner at National Armory before leaving for the Ranch.
- 5/28 Dedicates Austin airport at noon, makes commencement address at San Marcos, returns to Washington.

- 5/29 Makes commencement address, receives honorary degree at Gallaudet College. Meets with McNamara in his office before leaving for Middleburg.
- 5/30 To NYC for Tribute to Omar Bradley given by Eleanor Roosevelt Foundation.
- 5/31 Lunch at Waldorf Astoria with Mrs. Lasker and Anna Rosenberg, phone call from Rusk re: Trujillo assassination. Returns to Washington where he meets with Rusk re: Dominican Republic.
- June**
- 6/1 To Lexington, Kentucky to speak at East Kentucky State College, receive honorary degree. Returns to Washington and attends meeting at State (with Bowles?) re: Dominican Republic.
- 6/2 Meeting at State re: Dominican Republic, meets with ambassadors of New Zealand, Thailand, Pakistan, later meets with Mansfield and Dirksen.
- 6/3 Surgery performed on LBJ's hands at Bethesda Naval Hospital.
- 6/5 Testifies before House Foreign Affairs Committee re: Far East trip, later meets with Fulbright.
- 6/6 Meets JFK upon his return from Europe this morning (Khrushchev summit?), speaks to Advertising Council, meets with Sterling Kottrell, head of President's Task Force on Vietnam, meets with JFK and leadership re: JFK's trip.
- 6/7 Commencement address at West Point, returns to D.C.
- 6/8 Breakfast for House leadership at Speaker's Dining Room, meets with Barefoot Sanders, Woodrow Seals, Wayne Justice, hosts dinner at State Dept. for President Youlou of Congo.
- 6/9 Addresses UPI editors, meets with Mrs. Lasker, Anna Rosenberg, makes Howard University commencement address, attends dinner in his honor given by President of Congo.
- (Apparently still having trouble with hands, doctor re-does bandages.)
- 6/11 To Middleburg, returns to Washington for party given by Bobby Baker celebrating his getting an honorary degree (Baker or LBJ?).
- 6/12 Meeting re: Trinity River, commencement address to page school.

- 6/13 Leadership breakfast, NSC meeting.
- 6/14 Boat trip on *Sequoia* with Vietnamese Ambassador Thuan.
- 6/15 Cabinet meeting. Opens Senate, swears in Tower as new Texas senator, meets with JFK and others at WH at 4:30 re: Maxwell Taylor's report on Vietnam. Then to NYC for American-Italy dinner for P.M. Fanfani (w/Reedy, MMW, Youngblood, Geraldine Williams, Stu Knight).
- 6/16 Meets with David Karr re: de-salinization plant for Freeport (Tex.), w/Otto Feurbringer re: coming trip of Bashir Ahmad (camel driver), then to Washington and Middleburg with Waldron and MMW.
- 6/17 Attends dinner dance at RFK's home in McLean, returns to Middleburg.
- 6/19 Apparently sells 30th Place today, watches movies of Far East trip at USIS, escorts Mrs. Kennedy to Women's National Press Club dinner since JFK can't go.
- 6/20 Greet P.M. of Japan on arrival in U.S., attends WH leadership meeting.
- 6/21 To Houston, then Freeport for saline water plant dedication. Then to Corpus Christi for reception at city auditorium, fish fry on Padre Island, inspects Padre with Udall by helicopter. Then flies to Brownsville for reception, returns to D. C.
- 6/22 Meets with Bobby Troutman, Carl Rowan, escorts Mrs. Kennedy to Japanese Embassy for dinner.
- (Apparently having trouble with contact lenses, meets with Dr. Isen. Also apparently living at 400-G Sheraton Park Hotel.)
- 6/23 Lunch with JFK, Rusk, etc. re: Berlin.
- 6/25 To Los Angeles (w/Reedy, CTJ, MMW, Williams, Tschursin, Sen. Fong, Dick Bird, Inouye, Fred Dutton), dedicates LA airport before flying to Honolulu for Governors Conference. Returns 6/28.
- 6/29 Arrives in Washington at 2 p.m., attends WH NSC meeting at 3 p.m.
- 6/30 Attends WH signing ceremony for social security bill, lunches at WH, attends swearing in of Gen. LeMay, flies to Ranch with Reedy, MMW.
- July**
- 7/1 At the Ranch till 7/10.

- 7/7 Flies to Fort Worth with Reedy, MMW, Lucia and Birge; met by Amon Carter, Warren Woodward, Raymond Buck. LBJ meets with Sarah Hughes at the Texas Hotel before addressing the Texas Bar Association; returns to Ranch that night.
- 7/10 Returns to Washington.
- 7/11 Leadership breakfast at WH, meets with Gen. LeMay, Gov. Coleman today, attends Secretary of State's luncheon for businessmen and WH meeting between JFK and Pres. Ayub of Pakistan. That evening attends state dinner at Mount Vernon for Ayub.
- 7/12 EEOC meeting in WH this morning and at 3 p.m., joint session for Ayub this afternoon, LBJ and Speaker host luncheon for in OSCC. Phones McNamara re: reports that JFK doesn't want McNamara to go to Texas for visit.
- 7/13 Sits in on JFK-Ayub meetings at WH at 11:15, later receives call from Rusk saying JFK doesn't want Rusk to go to Texas. NSC meeting at WH at 4 p.m.
- 7/14 Space Council meeting at 4 p.m. in Cabinet Room.
- 7/15 LBJ, Ayub, MMW, Ashton, Diana Tschursin, members of State Dept. and Pakistani party fly to San Antonio. LBJ and Ayub review troops at Randolph AFB, Ayub lays wreath at Alamo before flying to Ranch. (CTJ already at Ranch?)
- 7/16 Barbecue for Ayub, dinner at Llano ranch.
- 7/17 Ayub addresses Texas legislature, introduced by LBJ. All plus CTJ fly to NYC where Ayub apparently departs, the rest return to Washington.
- 7/18 WH leadership meeting, lunch with Speaker, Ikard and Thornberry, phone call from Stanley Marcus re: Ling-Temco; LBJ then calls Ramsey Clark to see if Justice is planning suit against Ling-Temco.
- 7/19 NSC meeting at 4 p.m.
- 7/20 NSC meeting at 10 a.m.; WH lunch with JFK and MacArthur.
- 7/21 Attends signing of Space Bill at WH, meets with Russell Baker, lunches with JBC, talks with Dungan re: Texas appointments (Kappellman, Lloyd Gregory, Mr. Pickett?). To Middleburg at close of day.
- 7/24 Returns to Washington, meets with JFK at 5:45.

- 7/25 WH leadership breakfast, meets PM of Nigeria at MATS, escorts him to Blair House, attends WH luncheon for him.
- 7/26 To Bethesda Naval Hospital for dermatologist and dentist, hosts luncheon for PM of Nigeria in OSCC, meets with F.W. Davis of General Dynamics and R.B. Swanson of Convair, then Speaker and LBJ escort PM to WH.
- 7/27 Meets with Maxwell Taylor this morning, lunches with Gov. Meyner and the Speaker, meets with JBC and Admiral Anderson at 3 p.m. Phone calls to Don Cook and Reedy re: Houston Power and Light Co. before attending PCEEO meeting, then visits the Speaker's office. At 10 p.m. drops by CTJ's party for office women at 4040 52nd St. The Johnsons still living at Sheraton Park Hotel; swimming pool and Muzak are being installed at 4040.
- 7/29 To Bethesda Naval Hospital for check-up, meets with Russell re: Smathers and Drew Pearson story in today's *Post*, lunches with Russell.
- 7/30 Sunday. Texas State Society picnic, Fort Washington.
- 7/31 Meets VP of China at airport, attends meeting at WH between Chinese VP and JFK, and WH luncheon for VP. (CTJ acts as hostess for Mrs. Kennedy) Later meets with Bill White who has decided to write book on LBJ, and meets with Smathers re: Pearson story and "palace guard" jealousy. Later calls Moyers re: LBJ's conversation with Fulbright on Peace Corps: Fulbright says only \$10 million for Peace Corps.

August

- 8/1 WH leadership breakfast, meeting with JFK and VP of China. Attends Policy Committee meeting at 1 p.m. Speaks to Citizens Committee on International Development at WH that afternoon, to Speaker's at 6:15.
- 8/2 LBJ hosts luncheon for VP of China at Sheraton Park Hotel, later they meet with members of Foreign Relations Committee in P-38. Attends open house of Committee on Labor and Education honoring present and former chairmen, reception for VP of China and black tie dinner honoring LBJ and CTJ at Vietnamese Embassy.
- 8/3 Phone call to Rusk today re: seizing of plane in El Paso (hijacking?), also meets with Tom Bartle who brought him letters written by LBJ and his mother and meets with Keith Linden. Later receives phone call from JBC re: Linden and Vernon Mayfield.
- 8/4 Cabinet meeting at 10 a.m., phone conversations today with Moyers and Shriver. To Speaker's at end of the day.

- 8/5 Attends wedding of Bob Casey's daughter; CTJ and Mrs. Wesley West arrive from NYC. Johnsons, Mrs. West, Lynda and Pam Ward and their dates, Ramsey and Georgia Clark, the Thornberrys, Waldron and MMW have dinner on the *Patrick J* that night (presidential yacht?).
- 8/6 Dinner that night on the *Sequoia* with Jenkinses, Thornberrys, Ikards, Frank Russells, Dick Bird, Waldron, MMW, Mrs. West.
- 8/7 Meets with Mansfield today re: newspaper stories on him and LBJ, meets with Sorensen at EOB and later with Yarborough and Goldberg re: Texas judgeships. LBJ later phones Bill Kittrell re: Irving Goldberg and whether he had supported Yarborough in the past.
- 8/8 WH leadership breakfast, signing ceremony for Farm Bill, NSC meeting
- 8/9 Receives phone call from Shriver, then calls Cong. Morgan and John Holton re: Peace Corps bill. Texas delegation luncheon. Takes Maury Maverick, Jr. and Frank Erwin to WH later in the day to meet JFK.
- 8/10 Meeting with Senate leadership, O'Brien and Manatos re: foreign aid in Mansfield's office followed by meeting with Ramsey Clark and Yarborough re: marshals, customs collectors and Sarah Hughes. Dinner at the Thornberrys.
- 8/11 10:20 meeting at RFK's office with RFK, Yarborough, Clark. Attends funeral of Paul Johnson at 11 a.m., lunches with Wesley West, Baker, Dodd, Bible, Smathers, Robert Byrd, Russell. Meets with Esther Peterson at 3 p.m.
- 8/12 Saturday. To Huntlands with Waldron, MMW, Thornberrys; CTJ arrives later. Also receives phone call from Kellam re: sale of Valley property.
- 8/13 At Huntlands, phones Mrs. Alice Kirkpatrick. Returns to Washington that night.
- 8/14 Meets with Leonard Marks, later with Bobby Troutman and Reedy.
- 8/15 WH leadership breakfast, Policy meeting lunch. Meets with Roy Hofheinz, Sterling Cottrell (head of Vietnam task force) and Bill Jordan; coffee with Texas press and editors; boat ride and supper on *Patrick J* with CTJ, Charlie Green, Thornberrys, Waldron, Frank Meloy, Ashton Gonella, Carpenters, Mr. and Mrs. Harrington, Wimberley, Sarah McClendon, MMW, Boatner.
- 8/17 LBJ apparently upset with Manatos re: remark Manatos supposedly made that LBJ had not been helpful on a bill, either Peace Corps or foreign aid, meets with Baker about it, phones Manatos and Moyers.

- 8/18 11:00, phones McGeorge Bundy re: trip to Berlin, meets with JFK at the WH at noon, later with Dirksen and Mansfield re: trip. Attends Space Council meeting at EOB, has dinner at 4040 52nd St. with CTJ, Eloise Thornberry, Max Friedman, MMW before leaving for Bonn at 9 p.m. Accompanied by MMW, Reedy, Geraldine Williams, Friedman, Boatner, Gen. Clay, Amb. Bohlen, Col. Burris, State Dept. staff.
- 8/19 Arrives in Bonn, met by Adenauer, JBC. Lunches with Adenauer, German officials, JBC, Bohlen, Clay, Amb. Dowling, Mr. Cash (State). Leaves at 4 p.m. for Berlin, addresses crowd at City Hall and House of Representatives in City Hall. Attends stag dinner given by Brandt, spends night at Ambassador's residence.
- 8/20 10:30 a.m. goes to edge of Western sector of Berlin to welcome American troops, lunches with Texas servicemen, visits living quarters of East Berlin refugees. 5:30 p.m. reviews troops, meets with Dowling, Bohlen and Clay at Ambassador's residence, shopping at PX, Dinner at Berlin Hilton with Mayor and Mrs. Brandt, the Dowlings, Clay, Burris, MMW and others. To bed at 1 a.m.
- 8/21 Returns to Washington, arriving at 11:15 a.m., met by CTJ. Speaker and others. After lunch he takes CTJ to the airport (where?) and at 5:30 p.m. meets with JFK re: Berlin trip. Dinner at Frank Erwin's suite with Ashton Gonella, Thornberry, MMW, the Ikards.
- 8/22 WH leadership meeting, 8:45 a.m.; meets with HHH at 9:55 in P-38, returns to WH at 10:45. Also meets with Ed Welsh, Mansfield, Joe Kilgore, Baker, Dirksen, Moyers.
- 8/23 Breakfast at Sheraton with Reedy, Jenkins, Boatner. To WH at 10 a.m.; meets with Texas delegation then attends Cabinet luncheon at Dillon's office. Texas press conference at 3 p.m. and then gives Berlin briefing to congressional leadership at 4 p.m.
- 8/24 Meets with JFK at 11 a.m., speaks to Republican Policy lunch re: Berlin, lunches with *Washington Post* editorial staff. Meets with Woodrow Seals, Barefoot Sanders, Wayne Justice, Ernest Morgan, later with Jack Anderson, then Yarborough, finally with RFK before flying with MMW to Austin and LBJ Ranch. Met in Austin by CTJ.
- 8/27 Birthday dinner at the Ranch with CTJ, Thornberrys, Moursunds, Winters, Woodward, Liz Carpenter and MMW.
- 8/28 Attends Nugent Cox's funeral in Johnson City.
- 8/29 Returns to Washington with MMW, Thornberry.

8/30 Phones Adam Clayton Powell re: Powell's letter on PCEEO.

September

- 9/1 Appointments include RFK re: letter from Luther Holcomb, and Dr. Edward Teller re: nuclear testing.
- 9/2 LBJ, CTJ, Baker, Stu Knight fly to Nashville to attend horse show at Shelbyville, Tenn. They spend night at Governor's Mansion.
- 9/3 Sunday. To Washington, D.C. this morning; swimming at 4040 52nd St., also drinks and dinner but apparently still living at the Sheraton.
- 9/4 Labor Day. Dinner at 4040 52nd St. with the Connallys, Bakers, Waldron, MMW, Bob and Jock Miller, Nita Louise Kellam, Roxanne George and her date, May Bentley, Charles Boatner, Lynda, Luci, and their dates.
- 9/5 Phones Ribicoff re: appointment for Gerald Mann; boat ride and supper on the *Sequoia* with CTJ, Angier Biddle Duke, Senators Dirksen, McGee, Bible, Mrs. McGee, MMW, Waldron, Lynne Machado, Capt. and Mrs. Dick Bird, Lynda, Luci, Roxanne George, Nita Louise Kellam and their dates, and the Bakers.
- 9/6 WH leadership breakfast, meets with Moyers and 69 PC volunteers, Texas delegation, attends cabinet luncheon at RFK's office and meeting in Byron White's office with White and Ramsey Clark, attends reception for Lynda re: President's Regatta, talked to Rusk re: Brandt's press statement that LBJ wouldn't let Adenauer accompany him to Berlin.
- 9/7 Phones Ramsey Clark re: judges, also meets with Holleman and John McCully re: story from Maury Maverick, letter from Jim Sewall, that liberals are planning meeting in Austin on patronage. Later phones Woodrow Seals re: planned meeting.
- 9/8 Phones Jim Sewall re: appointments, meets with Tower, later with Russell Long, then with Yarborough and Ramsey Clark.
- 9/9 Saturday. Meeting with Yarborough and Clark at 10 a.m.
- 9/10 Johnsons host buffet supper for Gen. Lucius Clay at their Sheraton Park suite; guests were press from Berlin trip and Senators Mansfield, Humphrey, Smathers, Talmadge, Russell and their wives.

- 9/11 Meets with Howard Burris re: Vietnam, hosts luncheon for Henry Ford. Guests are Mr. Dykstra and Allen Merrell of Ford, John McKee, Rod Markley, Humphrey, Smathers, Saltonstall, Hartke, Engle, Hart, and Skeeter Johnston.
- 9/12 WH leadership breakfast; several phone calls re: hurricane (Carla?) in Texas, apparently considering having JFK touring the damaged areas. Also receives phone call from Secy. McNamara seeking advice on how to proceed with committee and Thurmond resolution [?]. LBJ hosts birthday party for Kerr aboard the *Sequoia*, appears to be stag party.
- 9/13 More phone calls re: hurricane. Also staff meeting at Sheraton Park at 8:30 a.m. and WH luncheon with Sukarno and President of Mali.
- 9/14 11 a.m. cabinet meeting at WH, returns to P-38 afterwards. At 4:20 Baker calls and asks LBJ to come back and preside, Proxmire is in the chair.
- 9/15 Lunch at WH with JFK and group of foreign ministers; attends ceremony where Lynda is crowned Regatta Queen.
- 9/16 No diary (Saturday). Perhaps moving to 4040 52nd St.? Entries from this point refer to day beginning there, not Sheraton Park.
- 9/18 LBJ, Albert Thomas and "others" (no list) fly to Houston, met by Gov. Daniel, tour hurricane damage all day before flying back to Washington.
- 9/19 WH leadership breakfast; many phone calls, apparently re: hurricane damage; meeting at 3:15 with Gen. Cassidy and Col. Tarbox, Charlie Murphy (Agri.), Frank Ellis (OCDM), John Horne (SBA), Reedy, Albert Thomas re: appropriations for hurricane damage. Attends Connallys' cocktail party for Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bass before attending WH dinner for President of Peru.
- 9/20 WH coffee this morning for Democratic senators, also attends signing ceremony for Aviation Act with Albert Thomas, receives pen from JFK; attends cabinet luncheon in Secy. Hodges' office; meets with Yarborough and Clark from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m.
- 9/21 WH coffee for Democratic congressmen; more phone calls re: appropriations for hurricane damage (Daniel, Elmer Stotts, Dick Boyce). Attends Democratic Policy luncheon meeting following joint session to hear President of Peru.
- 9/22 WH leadership breakfast, attends farewell ceremonies for President of Peru, WH bill signing for Saline Water Bill, returns to Capitol with Kerr and Smathers and sits talking to them in the car outside the Capitol for one hour. George Brown arrives in Washington, has dinner with the Johnsons, Thornberrys, Cong. and

Mrs. Bollings, Frank Erwin, Ashton Gonella, Dr. and Mrs. Isen (apparently an eye doctor) at The Elms.

- 9/23 Hosts luncheon “honoring leadership for 100 senators” in OSCC.
- 9/25 Phone call from McNamara re: Laredo [?], departs for Nashville with Colonel Burris, CCC, Charlie Boatner at 4:46 p.m., makes speech at country club and leaves afterwards for the Ranch.
- 9/26 Addresses Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association in San Antonio, attends reception for press and Democratic leaders at the Gunter Hotel, returns to Ranch.
- 9/27 Returns to Washington, arrives 3:30 p.m. Attends party in Skeeter Johnston’s office marking close of the session.
- 9/28 Departs for Stockholm at 9 p.m. for Dag Hammarskjold’s funeral. Accompanied by Reedy, Bill Crockett, Adlai Stevenson and “others.” Apparently plans for trip were in the works for several days before.
- 9/29 Attends funeral in Stockholm, that afternoon flies to Paris for the night.
- 9/30 Returns to Washington, arriving at 10 p.m.

October

- 10/2 Flies to Chicago and on to Las Vegas with Reedy, MMW, Boatner; addresses Democratic Rally at Las Vegas Convention Center; spends night at Riviera Hotel.
- 10/3 “Space Trip” LBJ flies to Moffett Field, California, tours NASA Ames Research Center. Then flies to Edwards AFB to tour NASA Flight Research Center and large engine test site. Flies to Los Angeles for the night, staying at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Has drinks with staff (Jenkins, Reedy, Lloyd and Ann Hand, MMW, Boatner, Bill Lloyd, Geraldine Williams) before meeting RFK, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lawford at Romanoff’s for drinks. Dinner with staff at Chasen’s.
- 10/4 Tours Jet Propulsion Laboratory at Pasadena this morning, then flies to Vandenberg AFB to tour Pacific Missile Range. Flies to Austin where he is met by CTJ, the Kellams and Warren Woodward.
- 10/5 Tours Brooks Aerospace Medical Center, San Antonio; returns to Ranch for barbecue for press and others who went on space trip. Spends the night in Austin at KTBC.

- 10/6 Flies to Dallas this morning with CTJ, Thornberry, MMW to see the Speaker in Baylor Hospital; returns to Ranch, then to Austin for dinner given by Frank Erwin in honor of the Johnsons.
- 10/7 Attends reception given by Chancellor and Mrs. Ransom, then attends UT football game with CTJ, Kellams, Moursunds. Spends night at the Ranch.
- 10/8 Flies to Dallas with Thornberry to see the Speaker, returns to the Ranch.
- 10/9 Flies to Austin with CTJ, MMW, Boatner to SDEC meeting at Driskill, then to Houston to transmit Water Commission report to Gov. Daniel. Returns to the Ranch that night.
- 10/10 Flies to San Antonio with CTJ, MMW for swearing in of Adrian Spears as federal judge. Then returns to Washington, attends WH reception for the judiciary.
- 10/13 Attends NSC meeting, then flies to NYC with CTJ, Thornberrys, Jenkinses, MMW, Liz Carpenter. Meets with presidents of AP and UPI; presented with Order of Merit of Malta and attends reception given by Mr. and Mrs. George Litman at the Waldorf Astoria. Speaks at the American Rocket Society banquet. Then group goes to El Morocco.
- 10/14 Shopping, then dinner at La Pavillion with Keating, dancing at El Morocco.
- 10/15 CTJ and Liz Carpenter leave for the Ranch this morning. LBJ remains in NYC to meet Bashir Ahmad at the airport. Joined in NYC by Reedy and Geraldine Williams. LBJ, Ahmad, Tony Merrill, Said Khan, Mr. Butts (State Dept., Pakistani embassy) then fly to the Ranch.
- 10/16 Barbecue for Ahmad at the Ranch, motorboat riding.
- 10/17 Flies to Dallas with CTJ, Amb. Ahmad, Dick Boyce, Boatner, Liz Carpenter, MMW, Stu Knight, Mr. Khan, Bashir Ahmad, Reedy. CTJ, MMW, Knight accompany LBJ to swearing-in of Judge Sarah Hughes. Group then goes to State Fair where Ahmad is presented with a Ford truck. Tours fairgrounds and then Six Flags Over Texas with Ahmad, then bids him farewell at the Adolphus before addressing the 49th Armored Division at the State Fair. Returns to Ranch that night.
- 10/18 Spends day at the Ranch; numerous phone calls to Jenkins in Washington.
- 10/19 No diary entry.
- 10/20 Hunting at Chupadero Ranch (Moursunds' ranch?). Returns to the Ranch that evening.

- 10/21 To San Antonio with Boatner to attend San Antonio Press Club Gridiron Dinner, then to Austin for the night.
- 10/22 To Ranch; motorboat riding, dinner at Llano ranch.
- 10/23 To Austin with Reedy, Williams, MMW, Stu Knight.
- 10/24 In Austin, attends reception for Thornberry at Governor's Mansion.
- 10/25 Flies to Fort Worth with MMW, Williams, Reedy for swearing-in of Judge Brewster; then to Baylor Hospital to see the Speaker. Back to Fort Worth for dinner honoring Brewster, then to Washington.
- 10/26 No diary.
- 10/27 WH luncheon for Texas editors. (Is this the Ted Dealey incident?) Then leaves for Gainesville, Florida with Boatner, MMW, Scotty Peake. Met by Smathers. Speaks to Blue Keys Fraternities Banquet, appears at Gator Bowl and returns to Washington.
- 10/28-10/30 No diary.
- 10/31 Goodbye party for Ashton Gonella in P-38.

November

- 11/1 Swearing-in of Ashton Thornhill (is this Gonella?). Space Council meeting at 4 p.m. and WH dinner honoring President and Mrs. Truman.
- 11/2 NSC meeting at 10 a.m. Phones RFK re: Gonzalez (Henry?) not filing on time, then flies to San Antonio with Boatner and MMW to campaign for Gonzalez. Spends night at the Ranch.
- 11/3 Back to San Antonio for campaigning; to the Ranch to pick up Henry Blackburn and then to Lubbock to address Century Club banquet, crown Homecoming Queen at Texas Tech University.
- 11/4 Attends reception this morning in Lubbock before flying to the Ranch and then to San Antonio for campaigning with Cantinflas. Returns with Cantinflas and Congressman Marin y Hall (Mexican Congressman?) to the Ranch. Dinner at Ranch with large group including MMW, Waldron, Thornberry, Frank Erwins, Kellams, Baileys, Thomases, Boatner.

- 11/5 Takes Cantinflas and Marilyn Hall to San Antonio for plane to Mexico, has lunch at the Ranch before returning to Washington.
- 11/6 Holds briefing for press on the Gonzalez election. (Tomorrow Election Day?)
- 11/7 Phone conversations with Albert Thomas and JFK re: William Jewell College speech (?). Attends WH dinner in honor of Nehru.
- 11/8 Attends Senator Cooper's lunch for Nehru, meets with Amb. Carrillo-Flores, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gonzalez, George McGhee.
- 11/9 To Liberty, Missouri with Boatner and MMW to receive honorary degree from William Jewell College; then visits Truman Library and Liberty Memorial. Rests at the Muehlbach Hotel until the hotel kitchen catches fire and smoke fills the room. Drives around in the car until time to leave for Austin. In Austin, attends Frank Erwin's party honoring the Connallys. Then to the Ranch for the night.
- 11/10 Attends several parties in Austin: Jack Maguire's cocktail party for JBC, Sam Winters' party for board of directors of Texas Bar; UT Ex-Students' dinner for JBC.
- 11/11 Flies to Perrin AFB with Boatner, MMW to see the Speaker, who is in the hospital in Bonham. Then delivers Veterans Day address at McKinney, lunch at Roland Boyd's house, then to Washington. Attends WH dinner honoring Princess Radziwill.
- 11/12 Sunday. At home all day. Johnsons host dinner party honoring Walter Jenkins on 22 years of employment. Guests are Carpenters, Jenkinses, MMW, George Lusk, Scooter and Dale Miller, the Boatners, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Russell, Mrs. Frank Ikard, Scoop and Phoebe Russell, Claude and Nadine Wild.
- 11/13 Meets Chairman Park of Korea at MATS. Hosts dinner party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Phil Graham.
- 11/14 Flies to Detroit with Reedy, MMW, Sen. Hart to address WH Regional Conference. Has dinner in hotel with Gov. of Michigan and others.
- 11/15 Returns to Washington with Reedy, MMW, Hobart Taylor, Secy. Mennen Williams. Two phone conversations with John Holton in Bonham. The Speaker's condition is critical, dies 11/16.
- 11/16 Flies to Perrin AFB with CTJ, Liz Carpenter, Reedy, MMW, Williams, Jim Blundell, Sarah McClendon, members of the Speaker's staff. Visits with members of the Speaker's family in Bonham before flying on to the Ranch.

- 11/17 Deer hunting early in the morning at Moursund's ranch before flying to Phoenix with CTJ, Kerr, Yarborough, Liz Carpenter, Reedy, MMW for dinner for Senator Hayden.
- 11/18 LBJ et al fly to Perrin AFB, stopping en route in Santa Fe to let off CTJ whose brother has had a heart attack. The rest go to Bonham to attend the Speaker's funeral and graveside services. Then returns to Washington.
- 11/19 To NYC with MMW, Reedy to receive at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Yeshiva University. Dinner in hotel that night with Ed Weisl, MMW, Reedy.
- 11/20 In NYC, lunch at *Newsweek* with editors, then Hartford for dinner honoring Senator Dodd, then to Washington.
- 11/21 WH lunch for Adenauer, then to Austin for brief appearance at dinner honoring Jim Wright. Then to Ranch.
- 11/22 Hunting at Scharnhorst, then to Austin for dinner at the Headliners Club and debutante party for Susan Phinney, Linda Gilbert, Lina Heath, Meta Butler. Spends the night at the Ranch.
- 11/23 No diary. Thanksgiving?
- 11/24-11/25 Hunting, et cetera at Ranch.
- 11/26 Returns to Washington with Lynda, Luci, MMW, Helen and Gene Williams, Boyd (?).
- 11/27 Attends reception for the Jenkinses given by Carl Phinney and Bob Hall, then dinner given by JBC aboard the *Sequoia* in honor of Mexico's Marine Secretary.
- 11/28 Flies to Concord, New Hampshire to attend funeral of Styles Bridges. Returns to Washington, receives phone call from JFK re: Clark Thompson on Ways and Means Committee, JBC running for governor, congressional race in Bonham.
- 11/29 Flies to Philadelphia with Reedy, MMW for Philadelphia World Affairs Conference. Then to NYC for Medico Award Dinner honoring Stevenson. Apparently joined in Philadelphia by CTJ, Moursunds and Don and Jane Thomas who all fly to NYC with him.
- 11/30 Returns to Washington at 2:30 p.m. Attends Plans for Progress signing ceremony in the WH Fish Room, then NSC meeting. Dinner at home with Moursunds, Thomases, Melvin Winters, MMW, Benton Musslewhite, then to the Shoreham to see Carol Channing.

December

- 12/1 Meets with Jerry Holleman this morning before PCEEEO meeting at the EOB; later meets with General LeMay.
- 12/2 Flies to Philadelphia with CTJ, the Moursunds, Thomases, MMW, Luci and Boyd (date?) and Stu Knight for the Army-Navy game. Later the group flies to NYC for shopping, to see *Camelot* and to go to El Morocco. Spends the night at the Waldorf Towers.
- 12/3 Everyone but the Thomases return to Washington; LBJ has dinner at the Apostolic Delegation.
- 12/4 LBJ, CTJ, Moursunds, Thornberry, MMW, Boatner, Stu Knight fly to Chicago, where LBJ is met by Larry Blackmon, Dick Hughes, and addresses the national convention of Home Builders Association. After lunch they fly to the Ranch.
- 12/5 To Austin, then to Wichita Falls with CTJ, Thornberry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Erwin, and Warren Woodward. LBJ addresses dinner honoring Frank Ikard. Returns to Austin that night.
- 12/6 Breakfasts at KTBC with salesmen, then to the Ranch. Goes hunting at the Scharnhorst with CTJ, MMW, Dr. and Mrs. Bailey.
- 12/7 Hunting at the Scharnhorst and later at the Moursunds'. Meets with Ed Clark and Don Thomas this morning, goes riding in the afternoon with CTJ, Henry Blackburn and Dale Malechek.
- 12/8-12/10 Hunting at the Moursunds' and Llano ranch.
- 12/10 Roswell Gilpatric calls to tell LBJ that JBC is resigning tomorrow and Fred Korth is being considered as secretary of the navy. LBJ talks to both men on the phone.
- 12/11 To Austin, spends the night at KTBC, 5th floor.
- 12/12 Flies to Dallas this morning with Woodward and MMW, meets with Roland Boyd at the Sheraton Hotel, then with Bob Clark and Albert Jackson. Flies back to the Ranch with Woodward, MMW and CTJ.
- 12/13 George McGhee phones this morning re: Russell's criticism of Congo policy.

- 12/14 To Austin then Houston with CTJ and MMW. In Houston meets with Mrs. Frankie Randolph, Woodrow Seals and Bob Eckhardt, then attends reception in honor of him and CTJ at the Lamar Hotel. Spends the night at the Wesley Wests'.
- 12/15 To George Brown's home, then attends swearing in for Judge Jim Noel at the Music Hall and lunch for Noel at the Rice Hotel. Meets with Pee Wee Graham and Neil Coward, then with Marlin Sandlin before returning to Austin. Dinner at KTBC with the Kellams, CTJ, MMW, Thomases, Baileys.
- 12/16 To Johnson City with CTJ to attend Aunt Frank's funeral, then hunting at Moursunds'.
- 12/17 Houston Mayor Louis Cutrer and his wife, Jack Valenti, Bill Hobby, Alfred and Nancy Negley visit the Ranch. The Erwins and Moursunds join them for dinner.
- 12/18 Hunting at Moursunds'.
- 12/19 To Austin with CTJ, MMW; LBJ flies to Washington with MMW and Stu Knight. Attends NSC meeting at the WH, National Cathedral School Christmas pageant with Lynda, Luci and MMW, then coming out party for Arthur Godfrey's daughter Patty.
- 12/20 LBJ speaks at the lighting of the National Christmas Tree; then he, Lynda, Luci, CCC, MMW and Boyd Richie fly to the Ranch.
- 12/21 Attends Nita Louise Kellam's wedding in Austin, spends night at KTBC.
- 12/22 Attends KTBC party at the Villa Capri, then returns to the Ranch with CTJ and MMW. Attends Melvin Winters party in Johnson City.
- 12/23 Flies to Austin with CTJ and MMW, later flies to Moursunds' for hunting.
- 12/24 Hunting at the Scharnhorst, then opens Christmas presents. Dinner with CTJ; Jim, Josefa, and Rodney Moss; Cousin Oriole; MMW; Lynda and Luci; Lucia, Birge and Becky Alexander.
- 12/25 At 8:30 Dr. Perry from Fredericksburg calls to tell LBJ that Josefa has died. Family Christmas dinner with Christine and T. J. Taylor III, the Alexanders and Sam Houston. Later joined by Jim and Rodney Moss and the Bobbitts.
- 12/26 Breakfast with Sam Houston, the Alexanders, Bobbitts and MMW. Attends Josefa's funeral in Johnson City at 2:30. Then hunting and dinner at Moursunds'.
- 12/27 CTJ and the girls go to Marshall this afternoon; LBJ goes hunting at Moursunds' with Leonard Marks and the Kellams.

- 12/28 LBJ flies to Marshall for Diane Powell's wedding, then apparently returns to the Ranch, goes hunting with Henry Gonzalez at Moursunds'.
- 12/29 Hunting at Scharnhorst with Gonzalez; dinner with the Wesley Wests, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. McGaha, MMW at the Ranch.
- 12/30-12/31 Visiting, hunting with group listed above.