

INTERVIEW I

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HD: I represented the 5th Senatorial--what do you call it?

G: District?

HD: District. And so I was elected for another term by this district. There was not anybody opposing me; there was no one, no other name put up. So I was elected. Some lady, I don't remember her name, she was from Giddings, and she came down and sat down and talked to me, you know. I could see she was kind of quizzing me a little bit about how come I was elected. I said, "I guess because they wanted me nobody put up anybody else." And I suppose it was because they wanted me. And so, do you know what they did? They got up there and when they started calling off the names of who represented which district, they removed my name and put the name of a lady from Huntsville.

G: A lady from Huntsville.

HD: Who someone will know, but she was a liberal, a real liberal. She was a Johnson woman, in other words. I call that liberal, I don't know, maybe I'm wrong.

G: Well, in those days when you compared Coke Stevenson and LBJ certainly Johnson appeared to be the liberal, certainly.

HD: Yes.

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G: How could they do that? How could they just remove your name?

HD: I don't know that. You can ask me how could they do a lot of things and I'll tell you how they could do it. They just did it. I believe you had on your records about five, very few people on the Credentials Committee who [inaudible] in the convention. [Inaudible] They had me on there to just show that [inaudible] they weren't packing it. I may have been the only one. (Laughter)

G: Well, there were about. . . .

HD: And I was one.

G: There was one other lady.

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HD: Well, some I can and some I can't. When they started, they had two groups claiming that they were the true delegates from their own counties, and some of them--the most ridiculous one to me was a man and his wife. This man was the county chairman. When they came, there wasn't anybody there; they were all Stevenson people except this man who was the county chairman. And it was raining that day. So he laid his gavel down and he and his wife got up and walked out of that convention. They got in their car and rode around and held a convention of two, and they came up to be seated. So this ill-famed group that I was caught up in--(laughter)--seated them.

G: As the true delegation.

HD: Right. Now, there were many others, but that was the most outstanding one and the one that I remembered the most since that time.

G: Seems like an extreme case to me.

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HD: It was, and there were other cases very similar, but they just seated all of them. Well, personally I was for Coke Stevenson, I voted for Coke Stevenson, but this district was for Johnson. And so--I was an honest person. I didn't know you didn't have to be honest. (Laughter) So when I went up there and they started roll call, we were district number 5. So I voted for Johnson, because I was representing my district. They sent me up there and they told me what to do and that's what I did, against my own wishes. After a bit--when they called, district number 5 came up pretty quick--I began to see that the whole works were voting the way they wanted to regardless of how they were sent to vote. And that was, to me, a pretty good shocker. There's where my immaturity showed up, you see, I suppose. I didn't know that people did that. So after some length of time, I got up and got Bob Calvert's attention. He was the chairman of the [State Democratic] Executive Committee.

G: Now, let me understand, you had already voted?

HD: I had already voted for Johnson against my own better wishes.

G: Were you told that you had to do this, were you told this was an instructed vote?

HD: No.

G: You just assumed that that was what you should do, is that right?

HD: I thought that's what you should do. If you were elected and your district went a certain way, I thought you ought to go with your district. It was a thought--I didn't know, I mean I wasn't told I didn't have to. But soon as I saw what was going on, I got Bob Calvert's attention and I said, "I'd like to withdraw my vote and say I'm present but not voting." So, boy, that threw them in a hullabaloo.

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G: How did Chairman Calvert react to that?

HD: He--and I like him and I admire him, but it threw it into a tie, and when it did that, boy, people started running around up there, just running around, and they ran and they found a man--I thought he was drunk, I don't know, he might have been just sick. I don't know, he was in his room; anyway, they got him.

G: Did he look drunk to you when he came in?

HD: I thought so. But they got him by the arms and brought him in, so he untied the vote.

G: Do you remember who that was?

HD: No.

G: I've heard that it was Charlie Gibson of Amarillo, but there are more than one version.

HD: Well, don't say I said he was drunk.

G: No, no. That's been said by more than one person.

HD: Really?

G: Yes.

HD: I think that's what--

G: Other people have said he had a migraine headache and he was [inaudible], but--

HD: Well, we'll give him that. (Laughter)

Anyway, that untied the vote. Well, everybody, all these people around me just went into hysterics. "Now you turn around, now you turn around and you vote like you want to now, you turn around and vote for Coke, and that will put Bob [Calvert] on the spot and he's going to have to come out and show his colors."

G: Who was urging you to do that?

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HD: Huh?

G: Who was urging you to do that?

HD: How can I remember? It seems to me that some of the people were from Houston and different ones. They were sitting on the floor and in chairs and all around, and, you know, they were delegates all right.

G: It was pretty crowded in the room, wasn't it?

HD: Oh, yes.

G: Pretty excited and tense.

HD: Yes. So I said, "No, I can't do that." I knew that Bob had to tie it up again, and it would just be--he could break the tie. I had it tied, see. I knew Bob could break the tie, so why should I make him have to do that?

G: How do you think he would have gone? Do you have any way of knowing?

HD: Yes.

G: What do you think he would have done?

HD: He would have gone for Johnson.

G: Would he?

HD: Yes. But we're good friends. He's been through Houston since. I admire the man, I think he's highly intelligent.

Oh, when we were seating these funny delegates, some of the people said, "Well, let's call Mr. Calvert in and ask him what is the right thing to do about this? We've got a problem here. Let's see what to do about it." I am sorry I haven't been in consecutive--

G: This is wonderful. Please go ahead.

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HD: So, they called Bob in and asked him what should we do about it, that these people weren't legally--really--entitled to be seated and what should we do about it. And he said, "Oh, go ahead and seat them." He said, "I doubt the legality of it"--now these are his words now, I'm really quoting now--"I doubt the legality of it, but after it's been done, it will be too late to do anything about it." In other words, he meant change the name on the ballot and all that.

G: Right, right.

HD: So that's why, when you asked me that question, I said I knew which way he would go. So that's right. Well, that was the end of that. I was just a little--I was just helpless, totally helpless. So--

G: Well, for a helpless, as you say, little girl, you created quite a bit of consternation--

HD: Yes, but I believe if I had been as smart as I am now I would have called a lawyer in right then, right there, as soon as I got out of that meeting, and I would have done something about it, as much as I could, if anything. But I did remark to Arch Rowan--you know--

G: I know who he is, yes ma'am.

HD: --what had happened and what he had said, and it wasn't long, it was that day this lawyer came in that Arch had sent, so that was as good as me calling in a lawyer, I suppose. And [he] asked me, questioned me about it, and I told him exactly what Bob had said, that he doubted the legality of it, but go ahead and do it.

And so pretty soon they called me and asked me would I come up and testify in Fort Worth at Judge Davidson's court. Well, I did. They had a jury and everything. And Bob--bless his heart--he was sitting out there in the audience, so the Judge asked me to tell him in

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my own words exactly what happened in this meeting where we were seating the delegates.

And I did, and I told him exactly what Bob said. So, then when I got through the Judge turned to Bob Calvert and he said, "Mr. Calvert, is that true, according to your recollections?" And Bob said, "Mrs. Dorbandt is a truthful lady, and if she said I said that, I said it." And I thought that was a pretty big man.

G: Very gallant.

HD: That's why I admire him, not only why, but that was a pretty good thing.

G: Mr. Calvert, before the committee ever met as I recall, sent out a legal opinion to all the members as to whether the committee could go behind the returns. You remember that?

HD: No.

G: As I recall he cited a case from about 1931 in which he said "It seems clear that the State Supreme Court had ruled that the Executive Committee can only canvass the vote that is reported, they don't have any authority to go behind the returns." Now my question is if you had given this any thought, what if the Executive Committee had not certified Lyndon Johnson? What would they have done next? Who would have been the candidate?

HD: Coke Stevenson. Coke Stevenson was ahead many times, as you remember, even in your own report there. And they just held out boxes down there in Duval County until the--

G: The record's very clear about what happened. I don't think there's any doubt that there was fraud.

HD: Oh, yes, and I have been told--now this is, I have been told, I did not see--that there were men with shotguns standing on the steps of the courthouse where they were to vote, turning

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away people they didn't want to vote. And Parr had control of so many Mexicans down there. He must have had--didn't he have a pretty good-sized ranch or something?

G: Well, he had a palace outside of San Diego. For San Diego, it was a palace, certainly. It would be a pretty nice house anywhere. And he had a good-sized ranch, and he had his own little racecourse. He had a pretty nice setup, yes ma'am.

My question was and still is, because I don't understand, I'm not sure I understand how they could--if the official canvass of the vote, fraudulent though it may have been, showed Johnson to have been the winner by 87 votes or whatever it was--could the Executive Committee have decided not to accept that and nominate Stevenson? Would that have been legal?

HD: I don't know. You need to ask a lawyer about that.

G: I'm going to. I've got some lawyers to see who were--

HD: (Laughter) I don't claim to be a lawyer. Yes, you could ask that. Some of the--

G: Let me ask, where was Mr. Dorbandt during the Executive Committee meeting?

HD: Well, when we were--well, he was around. (Laughter) He was, say, in the hotel or something, and when I'd go back to the room, I would tell him all about what went on, you know. And then, too, a lot of times, he was at the convention.

G: He was a delegate as well, wasn't he?

HD: Yes, because there wasn't any confusion about who was to be delegates from this district. This district held together very well.

G: I think in Tarrant County there was a dispute about--and Harris County.

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HD: Yes. I know a photographer--I was sitting at a barbecue at Arch Rowan's for the whole bunch. And I happen to be seated exactly by Mrs. Johnson, and we were having a nice visit. She's a lovely lady, and I want to tell you what, if he had been my husband I'd think he was the greatest man that ever lived, right? Most honest. So I held nothing against her, nor him, really, because all this stuff--who knew who was doing all this stuff. But a photographer came up and took a picture of the two of us seated together. My son-in-law cut it out of the paper, I never did see it, and he has it. But he came and flashed that thing right in front of me and said, "What do you think of that?" I said, "Nice picture."
(Laughter) He was trying to embarrass me. I caught the devil. (Laughter) They really did give me a time.

G: Who did that?

HD: Well, mostly the press.

G: Anybody in particular that you remember?

HD: Well, I'd just say the press in general. In those days we had radios, I don't know what all came out in the radio. (Laughter)

G: Was there a lot of speculation as to why you had changed your vote?

HD: Nobody ever asked me.

G: Is that a fact? That seems a little odd to me. That was the first question--

HD: They were so happy that I didn't change it again, they didn't want to hear any more about that!

G: They just hoped you'd stay quiet after you'd changed--

HD: No one ever mentioned that to me.

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G: Well, that is peculiar, I think, because it's the first question that crossed my mind.

HD: Sure.

G: Well, I'll declare. Did you see George Parr at the convention?

HD: I don't know whether I did or not, because I didn't know him on sight. Now, I knew Mrs. Thompson, but I didn't know him on sight.

G: Did you know her pretty well?

HD: Not pretty well. You didn't meet that often and she didn't come that often to those because she was on the national committee.

G: She was supposed to be anti-Parr, at least politically, is that right to your knowledge?

HD: I thought he was her brother.

G: True, true, but she was still supposed to have been anti-Parr, at least according to some reports.

(Interruption)

SD: --had been done in accordance with the law, you see, certifying after canvassing the returns showing Johnson was the nominee. The certification had been done in accordance with the law. So they were trying to overturn the action which was legal. Now, if Stevenson had been certified, they would have then questioned the constitutionality of it or the law, and it would have been a different case altogether.

G: Then they would have had to go to the state courts to resolve it.

SD: That's right.

HD: May I ask you why did they have this case in Tarrant County under Judge Davidson? What good would it do? It was too late. Someone told me, and I don't have any proof of whether

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they knew what they were talking about or anything, that as a result of that it gave time between these certifications and the time the guy's name got on the ballot for them to do something about it, if it hadn't been done right. Is that what was the reason?

G: Well, my understanding of the strategy involved was that the state courts wouldn't take too long, that if they could get a federal restraining order preventing LBJ's name from being put on the ballot, then they would have accomplished their purpose and they could do it much faster in a federal court than they could through the state courts. The LBJ force strategy then became, well, let's short-circuit this by going to a higher federal court simultaneously and get a restraining order on Judge Davidson to cease and desist. So they went to the Circuit Court of Appeals and bounced it up to the Supreme Court very quickly and got an opinion from Justice [Hugo] Black ordering everybody to cease and desist.

HD: So it went to no avail.

G: That's right. Black was upheld later by the full Court unanimously. At the time he got a lot of criticism, but apparently the Supreme Court felt that he acted properly, at least in terms of the law.

HD: Now, today is there time?

G: Yes ma'am.

HD: There is time between--

G: Because they have moved the primary back, back into May, I guess it is, right.

HD: Well, that might have helped that.

G: And it was done precisely because of what happened in 1948. So that if we get a repeat, there'll be enough time for the courts to do something.

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HD: I told him I was a very young girl and everybody thought I didn't have any sense, and I had a pretty rough time.

G: Tell me a little about the convention itself. Do you recall any of the--

HD: Oh, yes.

SD: Was that the convention where the liberals took over?

HD: Oh, yes. You remember--

SD: This was in Fort Worth?

G: Yes, sir.

HD: The Halls, and they had a cheering section. He's a banker.

G: What Hall is this?

SD: Walter Hall.

HD: Walter Hall.

SD: A good friend of ours.

G: Where is he from?

SD: Dickinson.

G: Dickinson.

SD: President of several banks down there.

G: Is he still alive?

SD: Still alive, as far as I know.

HD: They were Johnson people, and they had black and white, and, boy, at that time it was unusual, but there were black and whites together, men and women together walking up and down the aisles and prissing around.

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SD: Well, the liberal forces were out on the lawn, and the conservatives had control of the convention to begin with till they were unseated and the liberals got control of the convention. The liberal delegates were outside all over the lawn outside the convention hall. Then when they took over and were seated, then they started coming in the door, and that's when you'd see them coming down the aisle with a black on the arm of a white, maybe a black woman and a white man, which was very unusual.

G: In those days, very unusual.

SD: Very unusual. As soon as it became obvious, the way I recall it, that the conservatives lost control of the convention, there was yelling and it was a very wild--

HD: Thing.

SD: --action, and really was not what you would call proper at a convention. It was beneath the dignity of most of the people who were there. I would say beneath the dignity of most of the conservative people there, and I think most of them [inaudible] felt like we did, it was just--

HD: We stayed, we stayed--

SD: It was just disgusting, and we just got up and left, and most of the conservatives--

HD: Well, we didn't get up and leave. We stayed until finally I don't know how they had the right to remove my name since I had been elected with no opponent, but they did.

G: And they unseated you, is that right?

HD: Unseated me.

SD: They unseated several liberals--conservatives--from the Executive Committee. She had been re-elected--

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HD: By this district.

SD: --to the Executive Committee from this district.

HD: No opponent.

SD: And then they presented to the convention different slates of what they'd get from this district, whatever this district was, five or whatever. They just presented a slate and left her name off.

G: I didn't know that you were unseated. I had no idea.

HD: I was unseated, and that's when we left then.

SD: She was not re-elected as a--

HD: I was re-elected and my name was supposed to be on there, and when they started calling the names off, they called this lady from--

SD: Not re-elected by the convention. You were re-elected by your district caucus.

HD: That's right.

SD: The district caucus re-elected her. Then when they reported to the convention, and then when the convention read the names of the Executive Committee nominations from each district, her name was not on it. They substituted liberal names for hers and all over the state, they did that.

HD: I wish I knew the name of the woman in Huntsville--I wouldn't say it but I think I know what it is--that replaced me. I wouldn't say it because I could be wrong.

G: Well, we can look it up. I can check it out. Who do you think it might have been?

HD: We've got the tape going. Cut the tape off and I'll tell you. Would you like--have you got any more questions? You have any more questions?

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G: Well, a few, but what do you have in mind?

SD: I tell you my sentiments were that if we had it to do over again, I'd insist that she go with Stevenson, because I have learned since then that you don't let your conscience interfere with your politics. So I would insist that she go with Stevenson. And you told him that the object, really, of what these conservatives were trying--the reason they were trying to get her to change her vote to Stevenson was not that they thought they could get Stevenson certified really at the end.

HD: It was to embarrass--

SD: It was to tie the vote up and make Bob Calvert have to vote.

HD: Show his colors.

SD: And they were convinced that he was going to vote for Johnson, but they wanted to put him on the spot and make him break the tie.

HD: But he had already done that.

SD: What?

HD: When we called him into this--

SD: Had done what?

HD: Showed his colors.

SD: Oh, well, sure, everybody knew he was--

HD: When we called him in and asked him what to do and he said he doubted the legality of it, to go ahead and do it anyway.

SD: By the time they could do anything about it, it would be too late.

HD: So I knew what he was going to do, you see.

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G: Yes.

HD: Knowing what he was going to do what difference did it make what I did?

G: Well, now, after the convention and after--did you just come home after you were unseated? Is that what you did?

SD: I'm sure we did. I don't recall, but I'm sure we did.

G: Now, someone contacted you afterwards about coming up to Judge Davidson's.

HD: Yes, Arch Rowan.

G: Arch Rowan contacted you, and you told me over the phone that he sent his airplane down here.

HD: He did, and I didn't get to stay for the rest of the case, because this daughter you just met had a bad case of asthma, and Arch was coming to Houston the following day in that plane, and I hated to make him do it, but I had to come home because that child was very sick with asthma. We flew home in his plane.

G: Was he the one who called you originally?

HD: Yes. He got the lawyer, and I've forgotten who the lawyer was.

G: Well, there was a whole battery of them. It could have been any one of half a dozen, really, from Dan Moody on down. I think he kind of headed the list, but--

SD: [Inaudible]. Probably, yes.

G: So you came home and you went back and testified, came home again.

HD: No, they came down here and got me. I went up there and testified. Got on a plane right after I testified and came straight home and that's the last I heard of it.

G: Oh, I see.

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SD: As I recall, we went [inaudible] only one time.

G: Has it ever occurred to you that you could have prevented Lyndon Johnson from becoming president?

SD: Oh, very often. I have told many people--

HD: Made me sick.

SD: --that it was entirely possible that was within my wife's power to have kept Lyndon Johnson from being president of the United States. It was possible, you know. It may have never worked out that way--

HD: No.

SD: --but presuming that she had voted for Stevenson and tied it up or put Stevenson a vote ahead and they hadn't gotten this guy up there--no, her vote would have just tied it. But suppose Calvert had voted for Stevenson.

G: We can always say what if.

SD: We can always conjecture.

HD: He wouldn't have.

SD: Just suppose he had. Then Johnson would have never been senator and more than likely would never have been president of the United States. At least he wouldn't be senator on--

HD: I knew he would not have.

SD: Unless they had gone to court and thrown the action out and said that they had to certify Johnson according to law.

HD: He's a fine man, I admire him.

SD: Who?

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HD: Bob Calvert. And he was doing his job, and I was trying to do mine.

G: Do you know where Mrs. Thompson was?

HD: She was there.

G: Well, now, Mr. Calvert has said and he could be wrong--

HD: She may have left.

G: --that when the vote was tied, he got pretty concerned. He didn't want to cast the tie-breaking vote, and it occurred to him that maybe--he wasn't sure of the law, but maybe the assistant chairperson has got a vote and if she does, she should cast it before I cast mine. And he couldn't find her anywhere. And I thought that was rather interesting.

HD: Well, I know where she was.

G: Where was she?

HD: Up there on that telephone trying to help out her brother. That's my idea.

G: Okay.

HD: Because she was very distraught right then.

G: You were going to say something before you asked me if I had any more questions. Do you remember what it was?

HD: Yes. It was only that--how long would it take to play that back and let him--I--?

SD: Oh, it's all right. He'll send it--

G: Twenty minutes.

SD: Type it out. He's not going to do anything with it until [inaudible]

HD: Yes.

G: Do you think this left any kind of a mark on Texas politics subsequently?

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HD: On national politics?

SD: On Texas politics.

G: On Texas politics.

HD: Yes.

G: Were there deep divisions left behind, do you think?

HD: I think it actually maybe caused the death of Coke Stevenson.

G: Well, he lived for a good many years after that.

HD: It crushed him, though.

SD: Oh, well, there's no doubt he was sorely disappointed and probably broken-hearted. I imagine it had more of an effect on him, in my opinion, than just simply having lost an election. I feel like he lost a good bit of confidence--

HD: He was a good man.

SD: --confidence in our system.

G: Yes.

SD: I think he was deeply affected by it because I think he was a man of very strong integrity and conscience. I think he lost a lot of confidence. I'm sure, I'm sure in my mind, that there are just a lot of people [who] lost a lot of confidence in the integrity of our election system and politics, and made them realize that politics was really a dirty business like you've always heard it was. And it is, there's no question about that.

G: Have you ever talked to anybody who had knowledge of what is supposed to have happened down in Jim Wells County, in Alice?

SD: No, I've never talked to anybody that I--

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HD: No, just hearsay. Oh, Babe, Babe, what's his name, Babe--

G: McIver?

HD: McIver. (Laughter) I was telling him about Babe trying to get me to give up my seat so that man could speak, and I said, "Babe, I don't know what he's going to talk about. You do. You give him your seat." He thought I was some kid, you know, and he could--oh, and he kept coming back to me. He came four or five times and brought several men with him and they would lean over this person in the corner seat there.

G: That's amusing.

HD: It is.

G: What have we not talked about that we ought to mention, do you think? Do you know any other interesting or amusing anecdotes? How did people react in the convention when the liberals won control and unseated the conservative delegation?

HD: Oh, they went wild.

SD: They were what?

HD: Went wild, I'd say.

SD: Oh, the liberals went wild.

HD: It was a different class of people.

SD: Yes, definitely. That's the thing that impressed us. It was an entirely different class of people on the social strata, financial strata, cultural strata. It was an entirely different class of people that took charge of the convention from the ones who were there, entirely different class. I'd say intellectually, educationally, culturally, financially, socially. It was just a different strata of people. That doesn't mean everybody. Not every liberal was less

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educated than the conservatives, but in general the level, the entire level, there was a lot of difference in the group that took over and the ones that lost the draw.

HD: There was this group from Dickinson and this lady--I'm going to go ahead and say Mrs. Walter Hall--she and her husband were there, and they were leading the group. And they would cheer and clap and carry on, and every now and then she'd raise her hand like that and then silence them. But she was controlling them.

G: Well, I'll declare.

SD: Well, of course, now they were the exception to the rule as far as the class of people I'm talking about. They were different--they were--

HD: Yes, but the ones they had with them weren't.

SD: He was a recognized leader and he was doing his job, too.

HD: Yes.

SD: He was doing his job. There wasn't anything wrong with what he did. They were just cheerleading, you know. But the general following did not measure up to them.

HD: No, I'm not downgrading the Halls.

G: I've heard a story that the Tarrant County delegation took all the furniture with them when they left.

HD: (Laughter)

G: Did you ever hear that?

SD: No, I don't remember that.

G: I've heard it from a good many sources.

HD: I'd like to see what they wrote when they took that picture of me and that liberal.

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G: Do you have that picture?

HD: I don't have it, but my son-in-law might and he does--he's a district judge here. He does have the one of me and Mrs. Johnson where the man was--

G: We'd sure like to have a copy of that. We may have one, I don't say that we don't, we have a good many, but we'd sure like to add that to our collection or have a print made sometime.

HD: I'll see what he collected.

G: Fine.

SD: Was that at Arch Rowen's party?

HD: Yes.

G: Did everybody come to that party? Was that generally attended?

HD: Pretty well.

SD: It was a big crowd. I just don't recall how many, but it was evidently--

HD: I don't remember seeing Coke there.

SD: Oh, I don't imagine, I don't recall Coke.

HD: But, now, Arch was not--he was not for Johnson.

G: Oh, no, no, I knew that.

SD: No, I don't recall that Coke Stevenson was there. That's odd, now that you bring it up, that Johnson was there at Arch's party when Arch was the arch leader of the conservatives. I don't know why Stevenson wasn't there. [Inaudible]

HD: Well, he might have been. You know, he didn't have a wife with him and Mrs. Johnson was there and, you know, and she was a nice-looking woman and all, so it might have made a difference that he was there alone, you see.

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G: I see.

Well, let me cut this off for a second while we think.

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MR. AND MRS. SETH DORBANDT

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 21 of Title 44, United States Code, and subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, I, Seth W. Dorbandt, of Conroe, Texas, do hereby give, donate, and convey to the United States of America all my rights, title, and interest in the tape recording and transcript of the personal interview conducted with my wife and me on November 23, 1983, in Conroe, Texas, and prepared for deposit in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library.

This assignment is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (1) The transcript shall be available for use by researchers as soon as it has been deposited in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library.
- (2) The tape recording shall be available to those researchers who have access to the transcript.
- (3) I hereby assign to the United States Government all copyright I may have in the interview transcript and tape.
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