

December 6, 1968

Dear Farris:

Here is a copy of a letter I have written your young friend James Spiro about our white Collie dog Blanco.

It is true we are in a great quandry about what to do with Blanco. He is a fine, beautiful, highly bred dog, but he is not a "romp and play" dog -- probably because he is so highly bred. He came to us at a very young age and we found him to be shy and nervous. Some of that has been overcome during his years of security and familiarity within the White House grounds, but I seriously wonder if Blanco would be the companion you should expect a Collie to be for a boy.

We haven't yet decided what to do. Can you tell me does the President's house at Jacksonville University have a fenced yard? Blanco hasn't the slightest notion of the danger involved in crossing a street.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

**Honorable Farris Bryant
Bryant, Freeman, Richardson and Watson
Barnett National Bank Building
Jacksonville, Florida**

LBJ:MR

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GENERAL
PR 6-1/B*

The President

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY ~~MANAGEMENT~~ Preparedness
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20504

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Dear Farris:

Here are some pictures made at the White House on October 16 when the President signed the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act. He wanted you to have them.

Hope to see you again soon. Meanwhile, kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Assistant to the President
for Federal-State Relations

*
Honorable Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205



July 2, 1968

Dear Governor:

The President asked me to thank you for your recommendation of Price Daniel for appointment to the vacancy on the Fifth Circuit. He shares your very high regard for him and your comments will be helpful in his ultimate decision.

Sincerely,

**Larry E. Temple
Special Counsel to the President**

**The Honorable Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205**

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

GENERAL
PR- 6-1/13 &

Honorable Ferris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205

The President

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W. Marvin Watson

*msg. - Rec. d. B**

April 15, 1968

Dear Governor Bryant:

Your note makes me happy. You know that I am honored by the President's nomination and look forward to the new assignment with great anticipation -- assuming, of course, that I am confirmed!

Warm regards to you and Mrs. Bryant.

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205

cc with incoming
~~FILE~~ TO LYN REAGAN *wb*

WMW:MJC:MHR

April 18, 1968

Dear Governor Bryant:

As you know, I am confronted just now with a number of things and will be somewhat out of touch with the events you discuss -- at least for a short time. I will, however, make every possible effort to see that this is done. Thanks for passing the information along.

Warm regards,

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
Bryant, Freeman, Richardson & Watson
Barnett National Bank Building
Jacksonville, Florida

WMW:MJC:mlr

cc with copy of incoming and
FILE TO JOHN CRISWELL, COPY TO MARY JO COOK *mlr*
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GENERAL

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January 29, 1968


Dear Governor:

Your telegram arrived today. We are disappointed that you will not be able to be here for the Presidential Prayer Breakfast Thursday morning, as we would all enjoy seeing and visiting with you. However, we certainly understand and have made note.

I certainly enjoyed receiving your Christmas card -- it certainly was a very good family picture! I hope we will have an opportunity to see you in the near future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,


James R. Jones
Deputy Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Earris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205

JRJ:dbm



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE

December 16, 1967

TO: The President

FROM: Larry Temple

P. J.

SP3-217
LG/Cleveland
FG 11-6
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You asked that I get Farris Bryant's reaction and impressions about the Cleveland meeting.

Governor Bryant said that he arrived late at night, gave the keynote address the next morning and left immediately following the morning meeting. So he did not have the opportunity to get a very substantial feeling for the attitudes of the State officials attending that meeting.

He did note, however, that he saw nothing adverse. He said that there was no attitude of fighting the Federal Government that typified previous meetings. But he had no particular political conversations during the short time he was there.

He did make some comments about the situation in Florida. He reiterated what he told you in an earlier letter that your televised press conference was "tremendously effective in Florida--where it is hard to be effective". The reaction on your speech to the AFL-CIO was mixed. The people in the business community (who are the only ones he has had an opportunity to talk with) liked what you said about Vietnam but did not particularly like the domestic program statements. Governor Bryant said that attitude was about standard and what he would have anticipated.

Governor Bryant noted that he had talked recently with local Democratic leaders other than office holders. Based on these conversations, it is Governor Bryant's judgment that if Wallace runs, the President can and will get a plurality in Florida.

You also requested a reaction from Governor Daniel and it is attached.

December 1, 1967

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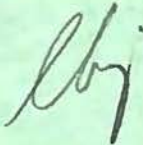
PR 18-2

Dear Farris:

I was thinking of you the very day that your warm letter arrived. It is good to know that you are making such a purposeful transition. I know it will reward us both.

I am most grateful for your good comments on my press conference. You will stay in my thoughts.

Sincerely,



~~Honorable Farris Bryant
Bryant, Freeman, Richardson
and Watson
Barnett National Bank Building
Jacksonville, Florida~~

LBJ:CMM:kad

EXECUTIVE
GI/B*

October 18, 1967

Dear Governor Bryant:

The camera cannot begin to capture your many accomplishments as Director of the Office of Emergency Planning. That will be a task for history.

But in the meantime, I want at least to show my personal gratitude and admiration with this little photograph album. Mrs. Johnson and I know your family will share in all the proud and happy moments it preserves.

The First Family, in turn, will always hold you all close in our hearts.

Sincerely,



★
Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D.C. 20504

LBJ:CMM:ar



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20504

EXECUTIVE

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FG 11-15
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

October 11, 1967

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

While going through some old clippings of Governor FARRIS
Bryant's, I ran across this. I had intended to
send it to you earlier in the hope that you might
get a chuckle as I did.

Melba

★
Melba Gandy
x

*Thank you for
our response*

EXECUTIVE (17)
FBI 604/A

October 13, 1967

Respectfully referred
for the files of the Advisory
Commission on Intergovernmental
Relations.

William J. Hopkins
Executive Assistant
to the President

Transmitting copies of the following:

- // ORDER, dtd. 10/10/67, in which the President designates ~~Farris Bryant~~^X as Chairman of the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. //
- ORDER, dtd. 10/10/67, in which the President designates Price Daniel as Vice Chairman of the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. *10/10/67*

(Sent for the attention of: William G. Colman, Executive Director
1800 G St., N.W.)

tmj

Signed & Dated: 10/10/67

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Dear Farris:

Aware as I am of your many personal sacrifices over the years, I accept your resignation as Director of the Office of Emergency Planning with extreme reluctance. I wish you could remain, but I understand you cannot.

As Director, you have made far-reaching contributions. Under your diligent leadership, the Office of Emergency Planning has been fashioned into a flexible and efficient instrument of government action. Your work has added to America's security and to the effectiveness of our national capacity to respond to crisis.

An even more lasting contribution may be your success in helping to strengthen cooperation between the Federal Government and the States. The Federal-State partnership we envision under the New Federalism is vital to the continued well-being of the American people.

I am confident that history will look back upon these years as a time when the Federal Government and the States, working together, reaffirmed the enduring viability of our Federal form of government.

I know I can count on your continued loyalty. With deepest gratitude for all your work, please accept my heartfelt personal wishes in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.

LBJ:WRS:JMcN:ck
cc: Juanita Roberts, Will Sparks, Loyd Hackler, Mary Hooper,
Jack McNulty, Central Files

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RECORDS

GENERAL

FG11-8-1/Cook, Mary Jo

October 3, 1967

Dear Governor Bryant:

The most tremendous benefit of being at the White House is getting to meet and know truly great people. I had heard so many good things about you before your arrival here that your capabilities were really no surprise at all. Marvin Watson is a charter member of the Farris Bryant Fan Club -- and I assure you that I joined seconds after getting to meet you!

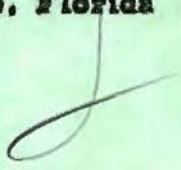
Thanks so much for everything, Governor -- Most of all, for just always making all of us feel that we could be -- and were -- your friends.

You may be sure that all the Watson Staff will always look forward to a possible greeting when you are back in Washington.

Sincerely,

Mrs. E. A. Cook

Honorable Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205
MJC:cc



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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE (3)
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Monday, October 2, 1967

TO: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: OKAMOTO

Farris

The announcement of Governor Bryant's resignation came as a surprise to me or I would have suggested this earlier.

Would you like us to prepare a picture album for him?

Yes No

GENERAL

FC-11-6

October 2, 1967

Dear Governor Bryant:

I appreciate your letter very much.

There are few people in or out of government for whom I share the same respect and admiration as I do for you. It has been a very pleasant eighteen months working with you and I hope our associations will continue many times in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

James R. Jones

Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D.C. 20504

JRJ:djb

dyj

October 2, 1967

GENERAL

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LG/Rio Grande Valley

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MEMORANDUM FOR TOM HUGHES

Will you read the attached letter which was handed to us by Senator Yarborough during our tour of the disaster area in Texas last week. Let me know how to advise Senator Yarborough.

James R. Jones

Atch - Charles W. Grace ltr to Sen. Yarborough, *Ralph*

Identical memo to Governor Bryant, *Farris*

JRJ:sas

James replied to yarborough

Louis Stumberg

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Bryant Waxes Sentimental Over His OEP Experiences

By DALE PULLEN

Times Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — "I'm just country enough that it made me tingle when I sat as a member of the National Security Council."

That was Cecil Farris Bryant talking over the loud clatter of a Washington restaurant jammed with lunching government bureaucrats, lobbyists, secretaries and little old ladies who come in from the cushy suburbs for the weekend shopping specials.

He was talking about the experience that lifted him highest during his 18 months as President Johnson's director of the Office of Emergency Planning.

The 53-year old Bryant had learned only a few hours before that the Senate had confirmed his successor, former Texas Gov. Price Daniel who, incidentally, was Bryant's choice for the post.

No Floridian has ever held a post closer to the President of the United States than the former Florida governor (1960-64) who was confirmed by the Senate March 22, 1966.

The President has a pronounced habit of piling additional responsibilities on anyone he thinks is doing his job well.

So, it did not take long before he also named Bryant his personal liaison-man with state governors and chairman of the National Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations as well.

Bryant will retain his commission chairmanship at the president's request, traveling to Washington "about twice a month" to handle meetings.

The post will keep him in close contact with the nation's governors, mayors and state legislators and, in fact he says he'll be able to give the job more time and effort than he has in the past.

Bryant was never a true Washington resident during his 18 month stay, maintaining a home in Jacksonville where his wife and two daughters and insurance companies are based.

A third daughter, his eldest, formerly taught in Ocala, his birthplace, while she commuted to Gainesville and earned a master's degree. She now teaches

have given Bryant the greatest tingle, his work as liaison to the governors obviously gave the President the greatest tingle over Bryant's work.

It was in this post that Bryant established and carried out a plan of federal team visits to state capitals to explain federal programs to state officials.

Forty state capitals were visited during a four-month period of activity that was featured by split-second timing from the moment a special White House plane took off from Washington loaded with officials from federal agencies until it returned to the capital city.

The federal-state contact is vital and Bryant has likened it to keeping a marriage in good repair: "You've got to kiss your wife each day and tell her you love her . . . right?"

Apparently Bryant and his team did a good "kissing" job and this delighted the President who, last December had heard some unpleasant words from even Democratic governors at their conference in West Virginia, charging a break-down in Washington-state communications.

By the time Bryant wound up his 40 visits (approximately in Texas) in June, the governors were nearly all singing the Bryant theme song — "The more we get together, the happier we'll be."

And, Bryant, who accepts the label of "conservative," says he'll sing a tune in support of Johnson for President in 1968.

His chances of getting back into politics are not good, he says, although he doesn't write off the possibility.

He is primarily charged-up with the challenge of getting back to running full-time his Jacksonville-based insurance firms which he established in March, 1965.

He will not, he says, actively support either LeRoy Collins or Earl Fairesloth in the Democratic primary for the U.S. Senate seat which George Smathers says he'll vacate. Incidentally, the likely Republican candidate, U.S. Rep. Edward Gurney, of Winter Park, was Bryant's Harvard roommate.

Although last Spring he said he thought Smathers could be talked into running for re-election

President Johnson, says Bryant, recognizes this and it is seen in his concept of "creative Federalism."

"The President reached the conclusion you can't do it all from Washington. You consult governors, and mayors, and state legislators. The national government has the responsibility to see that national purposes are served. It is true liberalism in the sense it gives optimum freedom to the states within the framework of a national purpose."

Bryant says that unfortunately many of the liberals in Washington today want everything controlled from here.

Bryant believes he has much to offer in the job he is retaining with the national intergovernment commission because he strongly supports the "current demand from states for broader federal grants which allow local authority — the states say tell us what the goals are and don't tell us how to do it."

The concept actually is one that strengthens state and local government, Bryant believes.

He also believes there is a quality in Lyndon Johnson that history will record and that only those near him see clearly.

It is Johnson's ability to separate the enormous decision of a Vietnam commitment, which the President makes as the national leader, and those political decisions of, say, where to locate a local post office.

Johnson manages the local political decision with attention to votes and the really important ones of international responsibility like Viet Nam "believing what we do is right and holding to it even if it means the only votes he'll ever get are his own and Lady Bird's."

Concerning Vietnam, Bryant, who as OEP director traveled to Southeast Asia to discuss stockpiling of strategic goods and talked with national leaders there, says:

"When you take away all the semantics you come down to one hard fact — the only way the Communists can win is if we quit, and I'm not for that."



Melbourne, Florida
Sunday

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FG11-8-1/Pierson, W. DeVier

FG11-6

September 29, 1967

Dear Farris:

You beat me to the punch! I was just getting ready to write you.

One of the things which attracted me to public service was the willingness of persons like yourself to "do a hitch" for the country. The President is losing a wise and valuable counselor. The rest of us are losing a good friend.

I wish you the very best on your return to private life. You deserve every happiness and will be missed by all of us.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

W. DeVier Pierson

Governor ^x Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C. 20504

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Nothing else sent to
Cent. Files as of 10/6/67
L.W.

September 29, 1967

Dear Governor:

Thank you very much for your kind and generous note.

I think I have some appreciation of the outstanding job you have done for the President, and I am happy in the knowledge that in such service you have found a high degree of personal satisfaction.

Your unfailing consideration and understanding has meant a great deal to me and, as you return to private life, you have my heartfelt good wishes.

Sincerely,

William J. Hopkins

Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C. 20504

WJH:rah



September 29, 1967

Dear Farris:

It's always difficult to see one leave this supercharged existence at the White House but those feelings are more than compensated for in the realization that one has gained a friend.

I know you look forward to returning to your State of Florida, and I hope that sometime when you read the going is rough here you will think about us.

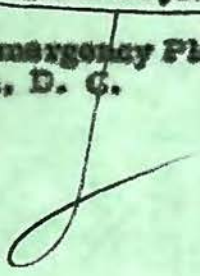
With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.

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EXECUTIVE

FB 11-8-1/Christian, George

October 2, 1967

Dear Governor:

Many thanks for your thoughtful note.

You have probably forgotten our first meeting, but it was at Governor Connally's ranch during the Southern Governors' Conference in San Antonio. Another man and I were talking to you about every topic under the sun, from race relations to education to national politics. I decided then that you were an unusually wise man, and everything I have seen since then affirms and magnifies that judgment.

We will all miss your daily presence, and hope we will see you frequently during your consultations here.

Best regards.

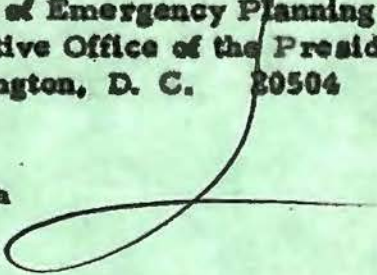
Sincerely,

GEORGE

George Christian
Press Secretary
to the President

The Honorable Farris Bryant
Office of Emergency Planning
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D. C. 20504

GC/jdh



W. Marvin Watson /msg-sent/B*

September 27, 1967

Dear Governor Bryant:

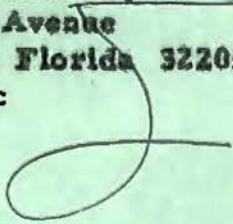
Having you depart Washington is a tremendous loss to all of us, personal as well as professional. We surely look forward to continued work with you in the many areas of mutual interest -- and to seeing you and Mrs. Bryant at every opportunity.

Marion joins me in sending warmest personal regards and every good wish to you both.

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President

★
Honorable Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32205
WMW:MJC:cc



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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EXECUTIVE

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September 11, 1967
2:43 p. m.

Mr. President:

Governor Bryant says the following Governors
would like transportation with their wives:

- Governor ^xBreathitt, *Edward T.*
- Governor Hulett Smith
- Governor ^xTerry, *CHARLES L.*
- Governor Ellington, *Buford*
- Governor ^xBryant.

May I have a Jet star made available?

Yes No

Tom HAS. J.
SEN

Marvin

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August 24, 1967

Norma Arpa-Tuesday, Aug. 29

Miss Melba Gandy

Miss Mary ~~Melba~~ Gandy

Miss Julia Gandy

(Please have them come to the office in the West Wing after they are through with the tour. Melba is Governor Farris Bryant's personal secretary in the Office of Emergency Planning, in fact has been his secretary while he was Governor of Florida for something like 10-12 years or more. We are in touch with their office often and she has always wanted to go through the White House. She said when she was able to she would let me know. The Gov. will be away from the city Mon. and Tuesday, so this is the reason for the tour. I told her I would have her in my office after the tour. The other two girls are her sister who are visiting her from Florida.)

ad.

ATTORNEY

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July 26, 1967

ST 31

ST/MC

Dear Governor Cargo:

This is with further reference to your invitation to the President to appear before the Third Annual Rocky Mountain Governors' Conference on Economic Development in Albuquerque, September 6th-8th.

I regret I now must advise you the President cannot be with you. He very much appreciates your asking him to do so, but in the light of the many commitments which he already has, the President has concluded he just cannot come out to New Mexico in September.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful conference and our appreciation for your thoughtfulness in writing.

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable David F. ^XCargo
Governor of the State of New Mexico
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Info copy to Gov. ^{Farris} Bryant ^{ser L} 7-26-67

WMW:mhr

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Governor Calvin L. P. ...

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Marvin:

I thought you should
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June 21, 1967

W. Marvin Watson

*Gifts/B**

Dear Governor Bryant:

Beautiful Florida grapefruit and oranges arrived at the Watsons' House and I understand that you are our benefactor!

We are looking forward to the very next meal -- and the many others -- where we will enjoy these favorites of all the fruits.

You are most thoughtful and we are grateful.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President

☆
Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.
WMW:MJC:cc

separate thank-you sent to Sam A. Banks in Florida

B.B.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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Dear Juanita:

Can you tell me if the attached was a White House photograph and, if so, would it be possible to send a copy to Governor Bryant? In any case, would appreciate having this one returned to us.

Farris

Alice Bandy

Att: Picture appearing in ^XAmerican Legion Magazine - June 1967 (a 1967 NSC meeting)

autograph to
"Go Farris Bryant, why"
with return
A-2905-03
std 4 Aug 66

June 6, 1967

EXECUTIVE
IUI/1967/STII (Honolulu)
LG/Honolulu
BRYANT, FARRIS

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The President is very appreciative of your kindness in inviting him to address the 34th Annual Meeting of the United States Conference of Mayors in Honolulu, June 17th - June 21st.

Because of the pressing demands upon him now, it is impossible for the President to plan to come out to Hawaii for the Mayors' Conference.

Please accept our very best wishes and our thanks for your thoughtfulness in writing, nevertheless.

Sincerely,

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W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Neal S. ^XBlaisdell
Mayor
City and County of Honolulu
Honolulu, Hawaii
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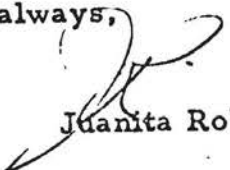
June 13, 1967

Dear Governor Bryant:

The President wanted you to
have the enclosed photograph.

It is a pleasure to transmit
it to you.

My best, always,


Juanita Roberts

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Honorable Farris ^{*}Bryant
Director
OEP
Winder Bldg -

BY MESSENGER

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Reed Budge
The Bear River League

Soda Springs, Idaho

May 25, 1967

and

The President of the United States
White House
Washington, D. C.

Mr. President:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter of April 1, 1967 addressed to the Honorable Farris Bryant, Director of the Office of Emergency Planning, relative to a proposed Bear River Project by Region 4, Bureau of Reclamation, Salt Lake City, Utah. Region 4 is also over the Upper Colorado River Basin. The two rivers are now tied in planning by exchange or direct use of Bear River water by Region 4. This is documented by official records and publication.

Enclosed also is a copy of a letter of the same date addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, as well as a REPORT ON BEAR RIVER PROJECTS, SPRING OF 1967 prepared by the Bear River League, to which the enclosed letters refer.

Mr. President, hard facts are presented in the REPORT on failures of Region 4 both in the Colorado and Bear River Basins that are rapidly approaching time when they will become a national scandal of failure in river hydrology construction and lack of even basic principles of water conservation and use, as well as integrity of Region 4 towards the laws of the United States, States, and to the various River Compacts.

These hard facts from the REPORT are recapitulated for you and for your judgment on the REPORT:

1. Region 4 has moved without heed to take over on Bear River vested water rights, contrary to Federal, State and Compact laws, with a comparative multitude of high Region 4 officials admitting under oath that they knowingly were filing upon vested Bear River water rights. (Page 2 double-spaced (DS) Report; Pages 1-2 single-spaced (SS) Report.) Water rights, as you know, are mighty sacred in the arid West and are so protected.
2. Region 4 intentionally planned from the very start in its planning to export water out of the interstate compacted

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

GENERAL
PR 6-11, B⁷⁸

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Another nice photograph for
your picture album that the
President wanted you to have.

Best wishes as always,

Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

28 Apr. 67 C-5225-18

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Honorable Farris [★]Bryant
Director, Office of Emergency
Planning
Winder Building

BY MESSENGER

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April 7, 1967

TO: W. Marvin Watson

FROM: Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.

The attached letter to the President from Governor Edward T. Breathitt of Kentucky has been sent to Bureau of the Budget for direct reply.

Attachment

CLA:emc

CC: Farris Bryant



MARCE SEVERAL

Mr. President:

MORE FOR THE PRESIDENTS

Will you autograph

To Governor & Mrs. Manuel Guerrero
with best wishes, LBJ

EXECUTIVE
PR 6-1/G*

AUTOGRAPH FILE/G*

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send other pic also? Yes No

(of Guam)
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shall be glad to.
Guerrero

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

BY MESSENGER

The Honorable Farris Bryant

To gov. & Mrs. Manuel Guerrero
with best wishes

Sent April 6, 1967

[Signature]

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March 22, 1967

Dear Governor:

Tomorrow will mark your first anniversary as Director of the Office of Emergency Planning. I want to join all who have real cause to regard it as a day of celebration.

In these twelve months, your leadership has added years of security to the life of the nation. Equally, you have given enduring strength and purpose to the Federal-State partnership. We saw the evidence of that last weekend at our Governors Conference. It was a bright day for all America -- and every American shares my gratitude for the energy and ability you gave to this success.

You enjoy one well-earned reward in spending Easter with your family, who have shared in both your challenges and achievements. Should you need another, you have it in my congratulations and good wishes for many happy anniversaries to come.

Sincerely,



*
Governor Farris Bryant
1870 Challen Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida

LBJ:CMM:jmm


MC

FILE MEMO:

See: C.F. FG 535, for corresp., 3/6/67 re George SMATHERS, Robert KENNEDY and Farris
BRYANT.

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Robert E. Kintner /msg Sent /B * ①

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
March 20, 1967

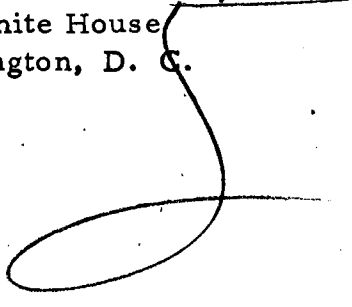
Dear Governor:

I thought you did a masterful job in handling the meeting -- it was well-organized, controlled and to my mind productive. Having some idea of how complicated running such meetings is, frankly the results were much better than I expected.

I wanted to congratulate you and your associates on a good job.

Sincerely,


Robert E. Kintner
Secretary to the Cabinet
and Special Assistant
to the President

Governor Farris Bryant
The White House
Washington, D. C.


March 17, 1967

GENERAL
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ST 38

Dear Governor Shafer:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of March 14, concerning the visit of Farris Bryant and his Task Force to Pennsylvania.

The President is ~~gratified~~ that you found this visit to be productive. We are most anxious to continually strengthen the relations between Federal and State governments.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.
Deputy Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Raymond P. Shafer
Governor of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

CLA:emc
cc: Farris Bryant

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FOR THE RECORD:

Larry Levinson talked with Mr. Lombardo, Asst to Senator Muskie (in Detroit) at 7:00 p. m., Monday, February 20. Passed the word that announcement would be made on Feb 20.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT.

SUBJECT: Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

You recently selected Farris Bryant to chair this 26-member commission. He has agreed to serve, and I have been consulting with him in developing recommendations for the 12 other vacancies.

The Commission's appropriation hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, February 21.

At the urging of the Bureau of the Budget, the Commission will be seeking a substantial increase in its FY 1968 appropriations. It would be extremely helpful for your selection of Bryant as Chairman to be announced prior to that time. Otherwise, it will appear as if there is a lack of Presidential interest in the Advisory Commission, and the appropriation would be jeopardized. Accordingly, I have prepared a draft press release on the selection of Farris Bryant as Chairman, and I recommend that it be issued no later than Monday, February 20.

I expect to provide you with recommendations within a few days on the remaining vacancies. The vacant slots fall into the following categories.

Public Members (3) - To be chosen from the general public. No restrictions other than that the individual have interest in, or experience with, relations between the levels of government.

Federal Executive Branch (2) - Terms of Robert C. Weaver and Orville Freeman have expired. Bryant replaces Freeman, and Weaver will be recommended for reappointment.

Democratic Governors (1) - Term of John Dempsey has expired. Candidates must be chosen from panel submitted by Governors' Conference.

Republican Governors (1) - Term of Robert E. Smiley expired. Panel submitted by Governors' Conference.

Republican Mayors (1) - Term of Herman Goldner of St. Petersburg expired. Must choose from panel submitted jointly by League of Cities and Conference of Mayors.

EXECUTIVE

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together & let
work to
me at once

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Originals to Mrs. Jerrita

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GENERAL (3)



March 10, 1967

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ST 31
FG 260
PRG-1/V *

Dear Governor Volpe:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of March 8, 1967 concerning Farris Bryant's visit to Massachusetts.

The President is gratified to learn that you found the visits useful. We are hopeful that these meetings will do a great deal to strengthen and improve the bonds of communication between the Federal and State Governments.

The President was also glad to know that you were pleased with the photograph.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.
Deputy Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable John A. Volpe
Governor of Massachusetts
Boston, Massachusetts

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cc: Governor Farris Bryant

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Robert E. Kintner/msg-sent/B*

February 21, 1987

Dear Governor:

I was delighted that the President has appointed you as Chairman of the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

I cannot think of anyone better qualified or one who will serve the national interest in a more worthy manner.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert E. Kintner
Secretary to the Cabinet
and Special Assistant
to the President

★
Honorable Farris Bryant
Chairman, Advisory Commission
on Intergovernmental Relations
Washington, D. C.

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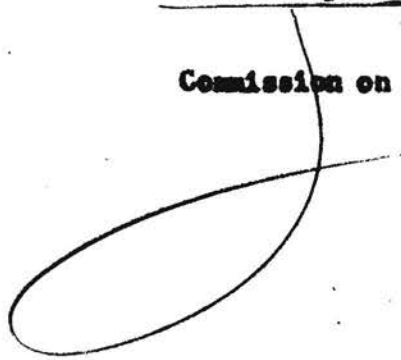
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Pursuant to the provisions of

Public Law 86-380, I hereby designate

^x
Farris Bryant as Chairman of the Advisory

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

THE WHITE HOUSE,

FEB 20 1967

2/21/67 - Orig¹¹⁰⁰⁸ sent to Farris Bryant, Director O & P.
2/21/67 - Copy to Wayne Hawke

Referred to above Commission 2/21/67

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GENERAL

BE 4 / Textile

February 9, 1967

TO: Governor Farris Bryant

FROM: Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.

Governor Moore outlines what he considers to be the dire condition of the textile industry in North Carolina.

He also offers to bring experts to Washington to explain in more detail their plight.

I have not acknowledged his letter. I felt you might want to contact Moore or have Ackley or Commerce do so.

Attachment : February 7, 1967 letter from Governor Dan K. Moore of North Carolina

CLA:emc

FROM

Feb. 1, 1967

(4)

Mr. President:

Would you like to autograph

erry, Jr.

EXECUTIVE

PR6-1/T*

" To Charles L. Terry, Jr.

With esteem, LBJ"

ST 8

(Gov. of Delaware)

AUTOGRAPH FILE/T*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Governor,

It was the President's pleasure to
autograph the enclosed photograph
for you.

With best wishes,

Juanita D. Roberts

Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

January 31, 1967

FARRIS BRYANT

[Signature]

GENERAL

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December 27, 1966

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE
HONORABLE FARRIS BRYANT:**

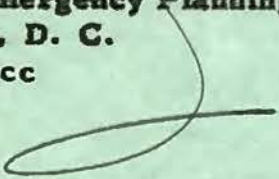
Thanks so much for sending over prints of the photographs made on the recent trip. These will become a part of the Watson Family scrapbook -- and we will always have this reminder of our good friend, Governor Bryant.

Best wishes for the Happiest New Year of your life!

Sincerely,

**W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President**

**The Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.
WMW:MJC:cc**



FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

GENERAL

PR6-1/B*

Honorable Farris⁴ Bryant

2401 Cathedral Avenue, N. W.

Washington, D. C. 20008

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Governor,

The President wanted you
to have this picture as a
memento of this event.

Marie and Mary tried to
get a copy of that picture
Bill was passing out, but
have found so far that it
was one from NASA with
no more here.

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October 4, 1966

Dear Governor Bryant:

Because you joined him as an invited guest on a recent Presidential flight, the President wanted you to have the enclosed Flight Certificate as a reminder of that event.

The knowledge of your friendship is a warm and sustaining part of the lives of each of us.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
Calvert House, 727
2401 Calvert Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure
WMW:RKH:rkh

GENERAL

MEI-2/M* (2)
TERRY, Charles L.
BRYANT, Farris
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November 25, 1966

Dear Mr. Minner:

President Johnson has just learned that you celebrated your 81st birthday last month. He has asked me to send you his warmest good wishes for happiness in the years to come -- and particularly, of course, in the approaching holiday season.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Paul M. Popple
Assistant to the President

Mr. Elmer Minner
8 West Camden-Wyoming Avenue
Wyoming, Delaware

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH FARRIS BRYANT.

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TIMES

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EXECUTIVE

November 8, 1966

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Dear Governor Bryant:

Because you joined him as an invited guest on a recent Presidential flight, the President wanted you to have the enclosed Flight Certificate as a reminder of that event.

The knowledge of your friendship is a warm and sustaining part of the lives of each of us.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE
PL/ST 9

October 10, 1966
4:10 p.m.

Mr. President:

Robert King

Farris
Governor Bryant suggests that due to the very difficult problems Mayor High is having in running for Governor, it will be helpful (if in accord with the wishes of the President) for the President to call Martin Anderson in support of Mayor High for Governor.

Do you want to make such a call?

Yes _____ No _____

If No, may I make such a call to Anderson in behalf of the President?

Yes _____ No _____

Marvin

*If Marvin wants from
to he will make call*

JL

Marvin:

If you and the Governor want me to, I'll make it.

LBJ/JJ/mf
10-11-66
11:00a

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GENERAL
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September 27, 1966

Dear Mr. Haines:

Thank you for your letter of September 26th which arrived today. I have taken the liberty of passing along your request for a message to the appropriate office here that handles messages.

*Mr. Harris
Mr. Bryant
with letters
informal meeting*

Your interest is appreciated.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Mobilization Readiness Division

X
Mr. William E. Haines
Vice President
H. K. Porter Company, Inc.
1725 K Street, N. W., Suite 505
Washington, D. C.
WMW:RKH:cc

FILE TO WHITNEY SHOEMAKER for handling.

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September 29, 1966

Dear Frank:

I hope the attached memorandum from Governor Bryant is of some assistance.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Mike

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Frank Church
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C.

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September 28, 1966

Dear Mrs. Bryant:

It was especially good to see you at the White House dinner Monday evening. Your graciousness and charm are real contributions to any occasion -- and this was especially true of this one.

Marion joins me in sending warmest regards to you and Governor Bryant.

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Mrs. Farris Bryant
2401 Calvert House, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

WMW:MJC:rkh



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September 23, 1966

Dear Julia:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 22nd regarding Governor Dan Evans.
x

As always, we are grateful for the good advice and thinking which you give to us. We most definitely will keep it in mind.

Sincerely,

Sherwin J. Markman
Aide for Congressional Relations

Honorable Julia Butler Hansen
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.
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cc: Gov. Farris Bryant with copy of incoming
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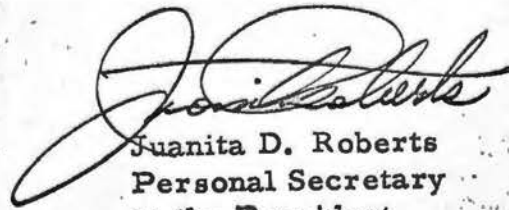
Hon. Farris Bryant

Director, Office of Emergency Planning

Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Governor,
The President was looking through
some of his pictures today and thought
you might like to have the enclosed.


Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

August 16, 1966

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Filed
June 16, 1966

Mr. Watson:

Farris
Governor Bryant brought in the
following message:

Loyer D.
Governor Brannigan is in the City,
and staying at the Sheraton-Carlton
Hotel, Room 622.

Governor Bryant said the President
had asked to be notified any time a
Governor was in the City, in order
to arrange a shake-hand during the
stay.

Carol

Nothing else sent to
Central Files as of *6/20/66*

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PR6-1/K*
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Sent 6-20-66
June 14, 1966

Mr. President:

Do you want to send this picture to the following w/your best wishes card? *no card*

Gov. Otto^{**}Kerner? Yes ___ No

~~Gov. Bennett~~ Yes ___ No

yb

Send --w/best wishes card to: *no cards*

^{ROGER D}
Gov. ~~Brantigan~~ Brantigan? (Indiana) Yes ___ No

^{EDWARD T.}
Gov. ~~Breathitt~~ Breathitt, Jr. (Kentucky) Yes ___ No

^{FARRIS}
Gov. ~~Bryant~~ Bryant? *DEP* Yes ___ No

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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AUTOGRAPH FILE/B*

Dear Governor,

The President was looking through
some of his pictures today and thought
you might like to have the enclosed.

Juanita
Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

June 16, 1966

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Honorable *Farris* Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.

BY MESSENGER

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AUTOGRAPH FILE/B* (2)

June 9, 1966

Mr. President:

Will you autograph

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" To Farris Bryant
With esteem and high regard, LBJ"

(Director - OEP)

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Send him other pic also?
 Yes No

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June 7, 1966

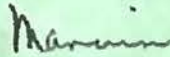
Dear Governor Bryant:

Because you joined him as an invited guest on a recent flight on Air Force One, the President wanted you to have the enclosed flight certificate as a reminder of that event.

The knowledge of your friendship is a warm and sustaining part of the lives of each of us.

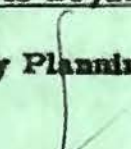
Best personal regards,

Sincerely,



W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.
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May 18, 1966
12 noon - Wednesday

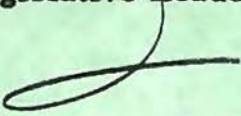
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MEMORANDUM FOR
BILL MOYERS

For your information
and return.

Robert E. Kintner

Ltr. from Farris Bryant to George C. Hawkins, State of Ala.
Senate, Montgomery about W. H. Conference for
State Legislative Leaders on June 15 and 16.



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Miss Gandy-Governor Bryant's
Secretary called: *Farris* X

Please add to list of Guests for
the Swearing-In Ceremony for
Gov. Bryant:

Mrs. Jean Brewer
Titusville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Mays
Tallahassee, Fla.

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Thurs.
March 24
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April 15, 1966

Checked by Kander

Dear Jerry:

I was most pleased to hear from you and to receive the portrait you did of me, which won Grand Prize in your Art Exhibit.

I have also heard good things about you from Governor Egan. Please keep up the good work. I know that you can make your life an inspiration to others.

Sincerely,

*
Mr. Jerry E. Daniels
* Mt. Edgecumbe School
* Mt. Edgecumbe, Alaska

LBJ:PMP:GH:jz

William A.
bcc: Governor Egan - *green used name file*
INTERIOR - Bureau of Indian Affairs
Lucy Ferguson

Governor Ferris Bryant

W

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
Copies stamped in
Mr. Thomas' Office

year

Yes (17)
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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March 24, 1966

Memorandum for Mr. Harold Pacious

This is our formal request for prints of photographs taken during the swearing-in ceremony of Governor Farris ~~Bryant~~ as Director of the Office of Emergency Planning.

Our Mr. Sherwin will be in contact with you.

Thanks so much for your help yesterday evening.

Emmet F. Riordan
Director of Information

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Honorable Farris Bryant
Director
Office of Emergency Planning
Washington, D. C.

EXECUTIVE (2)
PRG-1134
AUTOGRAPH FILE 1134

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Governor,

The President was looking through
some of his pictures today and thought
you might like to have the enclosed.

Juanita
Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

April 6, 1966

April 5, 1966

Mr. President:

Would you like to autograph

X
" To Farris Bryant
With high regard, LBJ"

(swearing-in ceremony as Director of OEP)

Send him the other picture also? Yes No

yb

Mr. President:

For autograph please:

Director
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"To ~~Governor Farris Bryant,~~

Warm regards
~~With-gratitude for a job well done.~~

Lyndon B. Johnson"

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Juanita:

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Mr. Jacobsen says this is not pending but is completed and refers you to another memo from Califano to the President of March 23 which disposes of this matter -

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3/25/66
10:15 a.m.

mjdr
Mar 24

Ferris
Secretary Udall reflects the agreement, ~~Bryant~~, Jake Jacobsen and me.

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before which Udall has to make approve the attached proposal, will make arrangements to meet a delegations, headed by Speaker McCormack, on Thursday. They will be delighted. On the other hand, Robertson should not be too unhappy because the quota system remains (in a nominal sense at least) -- and this is more than the coal people realistically expect.

Under the program, Udall would set an over-all annual import level which the resid users would not be expected to consume. This is essentially what has been done over the past few months when he set the level of 30 million barrels, but only had to release 15 million. It is part of our strategy to show that, in effect, unlimited residual oil imports will not seriously affect the coal industry. On the other hand, so long as some quotas remain in effect, Udall can always tighten the screw should there be some serious adverse effect on the coal industry.

We recommend your approval to have (1) Udall, O'Brien and Katzenbach meet with the New England and Florida delegations on Thursday, (2) Udall notify the coal Senators and Congressmen and coal spokesmen, (3) Udall make an announcement subsequent to that meeting, and (4) Califano call Secretary Mann and ask him to get the word to Venezuela to hold the price.

*Jake
tell me
L*

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attach.

Original to Mrs. Ferris

R.I
March 23, 1966

Dear Professor Bolton:

The President has asked me to thank you for your kind message concerning the appointment of Honorable Farris Bryant.

The interest which prompted you to write is certainly appreciated, and the President sends his best wishes.

Sincerely,

John B. Clinton
Staff Assistant
to the President

Professor David ^XBolton
Director
Legal Clinic
^XSouthern Methodist University
Dallas 22, Texas

JBC:wjr

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Endorsement



SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF LAW
DALLAS, TEXAS 75222

1965-1966
Semi-Centennial Year

March 17, 1966

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JMM-1

The Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson
The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. President:

Comment must be evaluated, in part, in the light of the reliability of the observer. Perhaps a word of personal background may make this letter concerning The Honorable Farris Bryant more meaningful.

I am confident that you will recall that my wife Roxcy served as Executive Secretary of the Democratic Senate Campaign Committee in 1960, as a Florida delegate to the 1960 Democratic Convention and alternate delegate to the 1964 Democratic Convention, and as the Florida State Coordinator of Women's Activities for LBJ in 1964 [Roxcy is currently serving the Democratic party in many activities in Dade County, Florida, including her present post as President of the Coral Gables Women's Democratic Club]. My own direct activities as an active campaigner and speaker in Florida for LBJ (after my September 1, 1964, retirement as a Commander, USN), perhaps adds some additional measure of reliability to my comments. I recently resigned as Special Assistant Attorney General of the State of Florida to undertake my current duties as Director of the S.M.U. Legal Clinic and Visiting Associate Professor of Law at S.M.U.

It has been our distinct pleasure and honor to have known Governor Bryant and Mrs. Bryant for a number of years. Governor Bryant and his lovely wife, Julia, have served Florida with great dignity and distinction. It is most fitting for Governor Bryant to be called to serve his country in times like these. Mr. President, may I say that former Governor Bryant is in our opinion the very best qualified person for the all important federal post of Director of the Office of Emergency Planning. Honesty, sincerity, integrity and sound judgment have been the hallmarks of his public and private life.

RE: WHITE HOUS.

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Mrs. Bolton and I would like to express our sincere appreciation and strongest approval of your decision to appoint former Governor Bryant to this most responsible and demanding federal office.

Most respectfully yours,



David Bolton
Director, Legal Clinic and
Associate Professor of Law

DB:bj

March 25, 1966

Dear Mr. Shealy:

The President has asked me to thank you for your kind message concerning the appointment of Honorable Farris Bryant.

The interest which prompted you to write is certainly appreciated, and the President sends his best wishes.

Sincerely,

John B. Clinton
Staff Assistant
to the President

Mr. Clarence Shealy
Box 970
Ocala, Florida 32670

JBC:msc

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County Of Marion



PHONE 622-7104
P. O. Box 970

OFFICE OF
CLARENCE SHEALY
TAX COLLECTOR

Ocala, Florida

March 14, 1966

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Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President
United States of America
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

It is indeed most gratifying to know that you, as the leader of our great country, have the wisdom and judgment to select men to serve in key positions such as the one you have nominated to direct the Office of Emergency Planning.

As I have seen Faris Bryant grow from boyhood into the kind of man that he is today, it has been my strong conviction that he possessed the qualities so much needed in the leadership of our State and Nation.

To know that you, Mr. President, recognize these qualities and have selected men like him to help you lead us, gives us plain, average citizens a renewed feeling of confidence in the future of our country.

May you continue to have the strength, wisdom, and protection that only Our Heavenly Father can provide, to carry so great a responsibility as is yours.

Respectfully,

Clarence Shealy
Clarence Shealy
Tax Collector

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

FG 11-6/A

March 11, 1966

FOR THE RECORD:

As a result of the attached press release, a nomination was prepared for the President's signature as follows:

Farris Bryant, of Florida, to be Director of the Office of Emergency Planning.

No other papers have been seen by the Records Office.

Tom Jones
Records Office

Nomination to Senate: 3/14/66

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March 25, 1966

Dear Mr. Due:

For the President, I want to acknowledge your comments concerning Honorable Farris Bryant.

I can assure you of the President's continued confidence in him, and we regret that you do not agree. Perhaps in time his suitability for this post will become evident to you.

Your interest in writing is, nevertheless, appreciated.

Sincerely,

John B. Clinton
Staff Assistant
to the President

Mr. John Due^{*}
303 South Tenth Street
Quincy, Florida

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March 20, 1966
Quincy, Florida

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Senator Richard Russell
Senate Armed Services Committee
Washington, D. C.

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President Lyndon Johnson
White House
Washington D. C.

Gentlemen:

The literally incredible haste showed by the Senate Armed Services committee in the matter of the appointment of Farris Bryant as director of the Office of Emergency Planning (OEP) has aroused suspicions from one end of the nation to the other. Last year, when ex-Gov. Bufford Ellington was nominated by the President, the Senate "hurried" its recommendation to the President within 18 days. Ex-Gov. Bryant is given the amazing courtesy of 6 days, a 15-minute hearing, and the possible witnesses against him are given the undemocratic back of the hand.

Let me urge you to re-open hearings in the Farris Bryant appointment. I, for one, wish to testify, and I am sure when the meaning of this appointment gets a fair opportunity to be communicated about this country - and that opportunity has not been accorded, the nation remains in the dark about who Bryant is and what the President wants him for - there will be others who will speak up against it.

It is my understanding that a student organization at Gainesville, Florida has circulated throughout the country a documentary analysis concerning the Bryant appointment. If only half of what this analysis claims is true, the Bryant appointment is a political profanity that has not been matched for decades. I do not know that what the Students for a Democratic Society argue in their (enclosed) brief is true, but I do know that hearings in the United States Senate should be held to determine to what extent these charges are valid. The faults I find in Farris Bryant are not, at this time, the same as those found by Gainesville SDS, but if anyone finds fault with the man the Senate should feel obliged to hear them out.

An objection to the Bryant appointment need not be built from speculation. The objective record of the man, a record well known in Florida if not elsewhere, is unabashedly racist. Only a few days following the March 12 announcement of his appointment the press reported Bryant had once again remained unmoved on integration. He is an unreconstructed segregationist, a political reactionary, a states' righter, an associate of the radical right, and as a reward he has been named to an office which, in the event of a nuclear attack, is vested with super-presidential authority!

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While governor of Florida and while under a federal court injunction to do otherwise, he stood by doing nothing while small children, women, students, and others were assaulted and beaten by the Ku Klux Klan. It is ironic indeed that President Johnson, who has behaved so militantly against the Klan, has chosen for membership on the National Security Council a Florida politician whose relationships with the Klan have been nothing if not cordial.

In the South, it is no small thing for me to point out that in 1963 Bryant allowed students (one of whom was my wife!) in the state universities to be unconstitutionally probated, suspended, and expelled for participation and support of the civil rights movement. He has been charged with politically intervening in the academic affairs of the University of Florida. Without lifting a protective hand, he watched a state legislative investigating committee - the kind that thinks NAACP is run by Communists - to nearly destroy the University of South Florida, in Tampa, in a futile and lunatic hunt for atheists, homosexuals, left-wingers, erotic literature, and what-have-you.

Liberal and knowledgeable people in the State of Florida know nothing in the Bryant record that recommends him for any office, let alone director of OEP. Perhaps the President finds him valuable for reasons unknown or unsuspected by those of us in Florida who found Bryant's appointment both morally and politically shocking. I suggest the United States Senate request from the administration a presentable argument for Bryant, and that it do so in public hearings where those of us who might disagree are given an opportunity to say our piece.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Due".

John Due
Quincy, Florida

The Nomination of Farris Bryant: Some Facts and Analysis

On March 12, 1966, at a national governors conference, Pres. Johnson, to the surprise of everyone in the State of Florida, announced the nomination of ex-Gov. Farris Bryant as Director of the Office of Emergency Planning. The nomination goes before the Senate Armed Services Committee. In 1965, it took the Senate only 18 days to confirm another ex-governor, Bufford Ellington, Bryant's predecessor at OEP.

Who is Farris Bryant? And why was he nominated?

Selected Background Material on Farris Bryant

- a) While a state legislator in the 1950's, he introduced a resolution that sought to apply the doctrine of interposition to the Supreme Court's decision on school de-segregation. While governor, he did nothing to help de-segregation; he remained an open, committed segregationist throughout his two terms, and ran as a declared enemy of school de-segregation. In 1963, he testified before a congressional committee, in opposition to the public accommodations section of the 1964 CR act. He conspired against Martin Luther King in St. Augustine, against CORE in North Florida, and is alleged to have pressured the University of Florida to "get rid of" any civil rights activists on its faculty. Overtly and covertly, he has one of the worst civil rights records of any recent Southern governor.
- b) Bryant represents the rightwing extreme of the Florida Democratic Party. He refused to support Kennedy in 1960; his support of LBJ in 1964 was merely ritual, since his entire wing of the party was known throughout the state to be working privately for Goldwater. Bryant's opposition within the party came from the LeRoy Collins coalition, and the south Florida Democrats led by Mayor Robert King High of Miami. Bryant is a recognized extremist, hence the local feelings of surprise when LBJ announced the nomination. The Tampa Tribune, the most respected conservative daily in the state, is persistently and ruggedly anti-Bryant, as are the state's two leading liberal dailies, the Miami Herald and the St. Petersburg Times. When Smathers retires from the Senate, Bryant is alleged to want the seat; Collins is supposed to want it also. If the polls are right, Collins has the edge on people, Bryant has the edge on special interests: banking, railroads, the Florida DuPont empire, the mine operators, and the hogs-and-timber vote in the countryside.

- c) Recently, Bryant's reputation for honesty has been impugned by several newspaper stories raising questions about his insurance business operations since he left office. The prevailing popular opinion in the state is that Bryant is dishonest, but too smart to be caught, and that the huge sums spent on his electoral campaigns were more than repaid to the special interests who supported him. The big point to be drawn from this is that, in Florida, Bryant is a political bankrupt: he has no organization, he is unpopular, the press is against him. his record is very dismal (especially in education, race, social services, conservation, universities, fiscal planning, favoritism to special interests, etc.), and as a consequence no sound argument could be made that a federal appointment of Bryant helps LBJ in Florida in 1968. Between Bryant and Collins as running mates in Florida for the '68 Presidential election nobody in this state would be so stupid as to recommend Farris Bryant.
- d) There is another level in Bryant's background that explains LBJ's preference for him as director of OEP. Examine the following pattern:
1. Under Bryant, Florida became the first state in the union to require of its high school graduates successful completion of a course called "Americanism vs. Communism."
 2. Bryant issued two executive orders that sought to drill his public employes (including college faculty) in "internal security": one required that everyone submit to fingerprinting (his highway patrol administered this program; strong-arm tactics were needed to break resistance by 200 faculty at the University of Florida), and the other required that all public employes watch a civil defense television series and pass a paper-form test on same.
 3. While governor, the Board of Control (regents) sought to restrict academic freedom on college campuses in so outrageous a manner that it united the state's AAUP chapters and faculties in a way never before or since seen in the state. Regents in the state are directly responsible to the Governor's cabinet, in an almost uniquely naked top-down management system.
 4. Bryant permitted free reign to the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee, known in the state as "the Johns Committee." This committee, under its head Charley Johns, a state senator, is Florida's now defunct HUAC; its career began in 1958, in a pursuit of Communists in the NAACP, of homosexuals and subversives at the University of Florida in the later 50's, and during Bryant's term, a wholesale and stupid assault on the newly-chartered University of South Florida in Tampa. USF was subsequently put on the AAUP blacklist, the panic there having run so deep that its administrators have yet to recapture its faculty losses. Bryant's press secretary, John Evans, eventually headed up the Johns Committee staff.

5. There is no educator in the state who would disagree with the proposition that nativist anti-intellectualism reached a climax during Bryant's terms of office. Deeply convinced that the campuses under his control were being infiltrated by subversives, Bryant launched an extraordinary attack: unconstitutional Regental orders, fingerprinting, compulsory CD training, legislative committee investigations, a year-around trimester speed-up system, administrative denial of appropriated funds for salary increases, conspiracies to terminate activist teachers, to send qualified Negro students out of state, to politically screen new students and teachers, etc. Given the wealth of the state, the condition of Florida higher education is a scandal; and after Bryant's two terms, it is nearly a catastrophe.
 6. Bryant's motivation is largely ideological: he is a selfconscious rightwing protagonist with a history of personal and political connections with some of the most extreme rightist elements in the state. In his last days in office he sought to pack the Board of Regents by appointing all its members, almost all of whom are known rightists. A Bryant crony, Wayne McCall of Ocala, still a Regent, was one of the charter members of Project Alert, a notorious rightist front group for Cold War extremists.
- e) Taking the following pattern into account, the objective record indicates that Bryant's nomination to head OEP has more to do with his Cold War avocation than with his administrative skills. Strong evidence for this is provided by two sources, one of them a study of rightist influence in the State of Florida and the other a look at Bryant's special contribution to Cold War militancy.

The inter-connections Bryant had with rightists in Florida is well documented in a study by Marshall B. Jones, Ph.D., "Military Participation in the Rightist Revival," pp. 45-48, and published in The Radical Right: Proceedings of the Sixth Annual Intergroup Relations conference, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, March 27, 1965.

At about the time these intra-state connections were firming up, Bryant moved aggressively inside the national governors' conferences and wrangled out of them the chairmanship of the Committee on Cold War Education. Report of this committee was made to the June 10, 1964 conference in Cleveland, Ohio. (John Evans shows up again, this time as staff director for the governors' committee.) This report, called Paths to Understanding, sharply defines Bryant's special contribution to the Cold War: the use of state governmental bodies as organizational resources for the propagation of Cold War educational materials (especially rightist visions of the war); for the training of actual combat units in tactics designed to contain domestic threats against internal security; and for the militant arousal and preparation of the state's population against Communist propaganda, candidates for office, sabotage (the water system is mentioned especially), and

exploitation of the state's social problems. The report also emphasizes that before war is declared officially, governors and local authorities have the police power and the right to protect themselves from subversives; stress is placed throughout on working with the FBI and other federal agencies.

A concrete product of this report was the Florida Center for Cold War Education. Conferences held under its auspices became, in effect, funnels for the legitimization and distribution throughout the state and the country of rightist visions of Communism and American foreign policy.

- f) The Office of Emergency Planning could be used to create Cold War education centers in every state of the union. Indeed, there is very little reason to believe that Farris Bryant would do otherwise, and perhaps he is expected to do more. When Paths to Understanding was published originally, it was understood by many governors and their aides as a bit "cranky", representative of the southern governor's enthusiastic association of civil rights activism with Communist subversion. Bryant's recommendations were almost a direct translation of counter-insurgency systems being employed by the U.S. externally; indeed, he seemed to be suggesting in the report that CD teams be deployed in local jurisdictions much as American troops were once deployed in Viet Nam--as political police, advisors, etc. In 1964, nobody could take that kind of thinking seriously, except right wing ideologues, men who are accustomed to reading into lawful dissent and demonstrations the secret plots of an omnipresent enemy. Since 1964, however, and since Johnson's determination to fight a long and expensive action in Viet Nam, the anti-war movement in this country has developed on a scale comparable in many ways to the civil rights movement. In fact, an increasing effort to link the two movements is common knowledge. All of this suggests that Bryant's special expertise is now being called to Washington, D.C. for the purpose of policing political dissent as it manifests itself in the anti-war movement. There is, after all, nothing else in the Bryant record to recommend him.

Structurally, the OEP is ideal for the kind of operation suggested above. In the first place, it is NOT an acknowledged police agency, and that is an advantage when you want your policing function to be unknown to the public at large. Secondly, OEP's regional offices will become less important as Bryant's contacts are renewed state-by-state, this time in the name of civil defense planning. CD authority is mysteriously diffuse in the federal government, and technically the OEP is not supposed to have the CD powers it can in fact exercise. But it will no doubt be in the name of a new concept of civil defense that Bryant will introduce into every state the Cold War "education" centers he is expert at creating. It is no accident, as the Bryants would say, that his nomination was made at a national governors' conference, especially at a conference where adroit manipulative moves were made to get a gubernatorial consensus for LBJ's Viet Nam policy.

Analysis and Recommendations for Action

As any Gallup poll will tell you, let alone the poll printed in March, gubernatorial unanimity behind LBJ's Viet Nam policy does not reflect American public opinion. Only half of those asked are willing to say they support the President's policy, an all-time low for LBJ to match the record low of 56 per cent who think he is doing a good job over-all; of special interest to poll-watchers, too, was the one that indicated nearly 50 per cent of those asked could see no difference between, or had no opinion about, the Democratic and Republican parties as vehicles to peace.

The President is faced not only with a potentially rebellious Senate waiting its chance to repudiate his Southeast Asia policy, but a massive and popular revulsion against the war, albeit inarticulate, intuitive, and a-political. Obviously the federal government as such can do no more than it is already doing, under these circumstances, to propagandize its very controversial war effort. What is needed, the National Security Council has probably concluded (we surmise this to be the case), is a Farris Bryant--a Cold War salesman on the NSC itself, and one who knows how to take the burden of its merchandizing off the backs of the policy-makers and relocate it closer, as it were, to the people. Cold War education programs throughout the states will make the Viet Nam kind of war more acceptable in the future, and if the programs are launched swiftly enough they may even make this particular war as popular as electoral necessities require it to be.

War consensus is essentially and always a manipulated affair, particularly when casualties are high, costs are inequitably distributed in the community, and the popular mood has become fatalistic. (The poll that indicated as much as two-thirds of the population thought the government was lying to them about the war is an index to the quality of consensus currently available to the "hawks.") U.S. foreign policy decision-making is too obviously far from the people and too ambiguous in perceptible structure and motivation--in short, too aristocratic in nature--to make it possible for any American foreign policy "delivered" in the near future to be authentically popular. Liberalism in general, and White House liberalism in particular, is very unlikely to alter this basic framework around U.S. foreign policy. What current policy-makers can do, however, is minimize the disadvantages that arise concretely from the fact that people resent a policy that makes them feel politically impotent, and a policy, furthermore, they suspect is irrational, arbitrary, imposed from above, secretive in the logics of its motivation and execution, and unconvincing to the educated and the opinion leaders.

"In short," we may pretend the National Security Council has concluded, "this foreign policy establishment--forgive the jest, gentlemen--needs to improve its public relations." Panic-stricken about "losing face" here or there, that is what we should expect the presidential Democratic party to conclude from the polls and its recent hassle with the Senate.

Given its fundamentally conspiratorial frame of mind, the "foreign policy establishment" ought also to conclude that it needs to undertake

(on the sly) a more extensive "policing" of the public opinion-making process. The policy-makers must have been told by now that there are not enough FBI agents available for policing the anti-war movement. There are too many centers of initiative--and too little respect for the FBI as such among the constituencies approached by those centers--for that agency to be as effective as it was in the 1950's at isolating dissenters.

A new agency, and one that is essentially popular in its base, would not only relieve the FBI of policing the new "fifth column," but it would be freer to do whatever was necessary to intimidate, harrass, frustrate, isolate, and in other ways "counter-insurge" the anti-war movement. This implies the creation under the auspices of state and local authorities--or perhaps through volunteer civil defense units--groups of "patriots" who would be, in effect, legitimized vigilantes. (The phrase "storm troopers" comes to mind, and will not go away.) As Paths to Understanding points out, "...if guerrilla techniques should be employed in North America, state governors might be called upon to play a far more prominent role than most Americans now expect." The report goes on to urge the creation of federal-state policing functions, as an aid to the FBI, before war has been declared by Congress. And immediately following that observation there are the following two paragraphs (pp. 18-19):

"Propaganda is one of the foremost techniques of Communist aggression. Note identification of "propaganda" with "aggression." Such propaganda may be directed against conditions in a particular state or region. In any event, enemy propaganda activities...are taking place on the territories of the several states and it is there where they can be opposed most effectively.

"State governments also are heavily engaged in education, including education at university levels. Presently, the main effort of the Communist Party of the United States is directed toward propagandizing college and university students. In some areas, there also seems to be an effort to get propaganda into the high school system. In addition, there is a great deal of lecture activity that is directed at the population at large. There are indications that Communists may be trying to run for state and local offices. At the present time, many of these Communist activities in the several states remain virtually unopposed."

Etc. The remainder of the report goes on to detail how governors' offices can be staffed and trained to combat Bolshevik manuevers, such as running for office.

The nomination of Bryant is, in the view of this committee, an adoption of the strategy both explicit and implicit in Paths to Understanding. The strategy of domestic counter-insurgency at a political level, decentralized in personnel and administration, and financed and initially trained through federal resources, is precisely the background and expertise that Bryant brings to OEP. His appearance at this time is a further confirmation of LBJ's determination to fight a long and expensive and predictably unpopular war in Southeast Asia. Bryant's otherwise inexplicable political mobility also confirms a quality of desperation and perhaps actual insanity deep within the foreign policy establishment, a quality long suspected by the Peace Movement to be decisive there.

Bryant's appointment, to put the matter as strongly as possible, is an identifiable public step toward an American fascism; it represents a decision on the part of the federal government that the informal media and opinion-shaping processes in this country are too slow or too untrustworthy to effect its foreign policies efficiently; and, finally, the decision entails a direct federal-state intervention in the opinion-making process unparalleled in American history, and essentially fascistic in its structure.

Without going into detail, this committee recommends the following strategy:

(1) Urgent appeals should be sent to all friendly Senators calling for a full-scale investigation of the Bryant nomination. Bryant's segregationist past, coupled with his disgraceful relations with extremists, might make his nomination intolerable to a majority of the Senate. Sen. Stephen Young is on the Senate Armed Services committee, which has responsibility for the public hearings; Sen. Symington, no friend of the Peace Movement, is nevertheless suspicious of extremists on the right and could not be expected to sympathize with a man like Bryant if he knew him as the racist and reactionary that he is. But it is nevertheless true that there is no way of stopping Bryant at the committee level, though a good deal of exposure of him there is possible, especially if civil rights organizations demand an opportunity to testify against the nomination.

(2) This leads us to our second suggestion: not only is it in the interests of the Senate liberals to combat the Bryant nomination for their own reasons, it is in the interests of the anti-war movement to get more and more people to understand what is entailed domestically by our Viet Nam policy. Bryant's nomination associates segregation, war panic, cold war education, unconstitutional and fascist plots to subvert the opinion-making process (even more so than it is already subverted by corporate control), spying on citizens in the exercise of their rights, "storm troopers," southern governors, local government in the context of federal war policies, etc., etc. These associations are crucial, as movement people know without our belaboring the point. Hence it seems to us that as many civil rights organizations, as many civil liberties organizations, as many peace groups, as many liberal collations as are approachable should be urged to interest themselves in this nomination. In short, the occasion is a natural for the radicalization of everybody from U.S. Senators to the cats in the ghetto who think the Viet Nam scene is "white man's worry."

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Copies of Marshall Jones' paper may be obtained by writing for the pamphlet, The Radical Right, c/6 Sociology & Anthropology, University of Houston, Houston, Texas; copies of Paths to Understanding may or may not be available at Florida Center for Cold War Education, State of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida, and more probably available from the staff headquarters of the National Governors Conference, 1313 E. 60th St., Chicago 37, Ill.

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Mr. President,

This is the New York Times profile which you asked me for
last night. X

We thank you so kindly for the wonderful evening. It was
a wonderful recovery of the astronauts, wasn't it.

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Emmet Riordan
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 16, 1966
Wednesday - 3:15 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Mike Manatos *M.M.*

Richard
Senator Russell has called a meeting on the *Farris* Bryant nomination for tomorrow morning. I will see Senator Mansfield about speedy Senate confirmation.
*Mike**

The Senate will not be in session on Friday but will meet Monday to consider the Supplemental Defense Military Appropriation Bill which was reported by the Senate Appropriations Committee this morning.
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Nothing else sent to
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 11, 1966
8:45 p.m.

Mr. President:

As I reported, I met with Governor Ferris
Bryant. Governor and Mrs. Bryant are
staying at the Statler Hilton.

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My question following information furnished
by Mr. Clark Clifford:

Do you want Governor Bryant
to be invited to attend all the
meetings with the Governors
tomorrow?

Yes No

If No:

For the 12:30 buffet?

Yes No

For the 1:30 briefing?

Yes No

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THE WHITE HOUSE

AS A JACKSONVILLE BUSINESS MAN OF 20 YEARS STANDING I WISH TO
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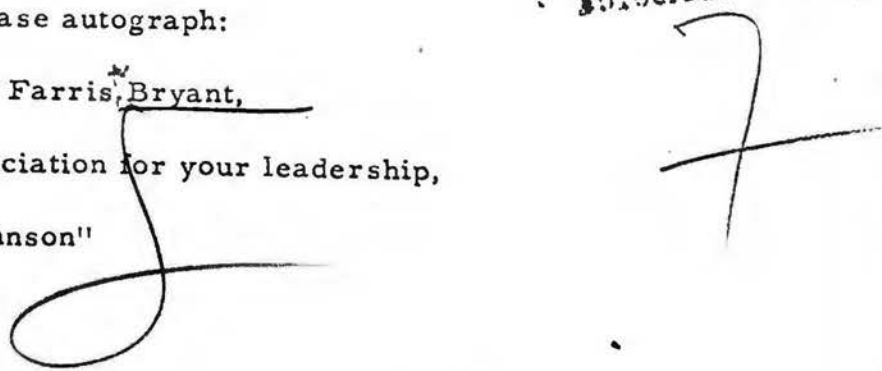
"To Governor Farris Bryant,

With appreciation for your leadership,

Lyndon B. Johnson"

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Photograph of the President and Governor Bryant inscribed:

To Governor Farris Bryant

With appreciation

Lyndon B. Johnson

Sent to: Hon. Farris Bryant
Bryant Building
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Sent: March 17, 1966

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 26, 1965

TO: Mrs. Lucy Ferguson

FROM: Hobart Taylor, Jr. 1, 1965

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H.T.

This is my final report to the Committee on Cold War Education of the National Governors' Conference as it has been constituted since its creation in 1962.

I believe the report reflects that the conclusion of this particular committee's work by no means marks the end of gubernatorial interest in the issues of the Cold War and in achieving new and more effective ways of stimulating citizen interest in the preservation of our freedoms.

As I conclude my service as your Chairman I would like to express my deep and sincere appreciation to my colleagues of the Committee, our dedicated staff, and to the Institute for American Strategy, which has so competently counseled with us and conducted our School. A special word of appreciation is due, too, to President Johnson, whose help has been of great significance, and whose message to the students of our school provides incentive for us all to redouble our efforts.

It has been a pleasure for me to chair this Committee, as it has been to serve with you. To you all I wish Godspeed and great success for the years ahead.

Sincerely,


Faris Bryant
Governor
Faris Bryant

January 26, 1965

TO: Mrs. Lucy Ferguson

FROM: Hobart Taylor, Jr.

Report of the ^xCommittee on Cold War Education, The National Governor's Conference, January 1, 1965, ^xSchool For Gubernatorial Aides, Institute for American ~~XXXX~~ Strategy, Forwarded to the President by Governor Farris Bryant, State of Florida, Tallahassee, and Chairman of the Committee.



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November 12, 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR HOBART TAYLOR

Will you get a reading on this from HEW and then let me know what you think about it?

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant
to the President

Ltr. to the President from Governor Farris Bryant of Florida dated Oct. 28, 1964 re Com. on Cold War Education of the National Governors' Conference.

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NIGHT LETTER December 10, 1964

Honorable Farris Bryant
Attention: Mr. John E. Evans
Special Assistant to the Governor
Americana Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida

* School for Gubernatorial Aides

A year ago, I spoke to the General Assembly of the United Nations and told the delegates gathered there from all over the world that "Peace is a journey of a thousand miles and it must be taken one step at a time." The experiences I have had since that time have made me ever more conscious of how important each step toward peace can be. I think that in this school for gubernatorial aides you have taken such a step and that what you have been doing can set a pattern that will lead to other constructive and productive steps.

The Committee on Cold War Education of the National Governors' Conference under the leadership of my friend Farris Bryant, and with the help of a fine Senator, Tom Dodd, has done much in the nearly three years of its existence to clarify the hard issues of international politics. Governor Bryant put it well when he said that efforts in this challenging field must "be based on knowledge, rooted in fact, and tempered by understanding."

In the consideration of peace, the cold war and all of the other matters which go to shape our national destiny there is not only a proper role, but a real need, for the leadership of our governors.

There is not only a proper role, but a real need for the leadership of business, of labor, of education, of religion, and of all of the other responsible facets of our society which mould the opinion and brace the backbone of our country.

The great majority of our citizens, I believe, want to understand the form and fashion of the challenge posed for us by communism. They seek sound information on which they can rely and from which they can draw their own conclusions and make their own decisions as to the rightness or wrongness of the paths we pursue in the search for a peace which preserves our freedoms.

There are too many who seek to separate our goals at home from our aspirations abroad. The one bears profoundly on the other as surely as the night follows the day. The Great Society we are building in America is as vital

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to world peace as are the sinews of war we must maintain for the immediate security of the free world.

Your governors, through you, have embarked on an important effort to create in our land a rebirth of citizenship, with new emphasis on the responsibilities as well as on opportunities conferred upon us because we are Americans.

I congratulate each of you for your own participation and help in enlarging public understanding without which we cannot continue to enjoy the blessings of American citizenship and individual freedom.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

LBJ:FLH:MB

CC: Mr. Holborn

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Executive Secretariat

December 4, 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Miami Seminar: Cold War Education

Attached is a letter from Mr. Evans together with information on the Subject Seminar and biographic data on the participants.

I am sending copies to all the speakers being provided by the Executive Branch and to Mr. Nelson in Mr. Moyer's office.

Biographic Data

I have received biographic data on all government speakers except the FBI. The selection of Insp. Kemper is still not confirmed. However, I understand that by this afternoon there will be a decision. I plan to airmail copies of this material to Mr. Evans in Florida.

Flight Schedule

I have received flight information from Mr. Lisle and USIA - Mr. Maddux (see attached chart).

I trust that by COB Monday, the other flight plans will be confirmed. I shall telephone this information to Mr. Evans (following up with a letter) so that he can arrange transportation, etc., from the airport in Miami to the hotel.

Carol C. Moor
Secretariat Staff
Room 7239B, Ext. 182-5261

Attachments:

1. Letter
2. Chart

cc: White House - Mr. Nelson
DOD - Mr. Califano (3E941)
Mr. Smith (2E773)
Mr. Young (3E340)
Maj. Ferguson (2E972)

USIA - Mr. Maddux (826)
FBI - Mr. Leinbaugh (5632)
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Bryant Farris

November 30, 1964

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Dear Farris:

It was indeed thoughtful and generous of you to send me so many tie bars--duplicates of the one I admired that you were wearing. Thank you so much for your kindness in seeing that they reached me; I will put them to good use!

With warm good wishes,

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
Carbons stamped in
Mr. Thomas' Office

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Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

LBJ/m/mpb

Gift

November 23, 1964

TO: Mrs. Lucy Ferguson

FROM: Hobart Taylor, Jr.

**Calling card from Governor Farris Bryant of Florida,
enclosed with 50 tie bars with the likeness of the President.**

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Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

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As you requested, I have authorized a supplemental allocation of Federal disaster relief funds in the amount of \$5,200,000 to effect the assistance authorized by my declaration of a "major disaster" in your State on September 10, 1964, for damage caused by Hurricane Dora.

Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will continue to consult with you and assist you in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditure of the allocated funds.

Lyndon B. Johnson

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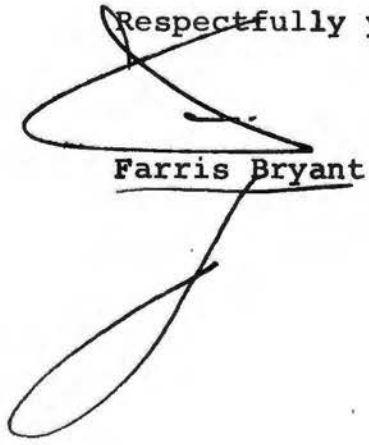
The Honorable Lyndon Johnson
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

As I observe the commentary and
sometimes criticism of your policies
in Viet Nam, I would like to add my
small voice:

Your decisions in this area have
|| been morally and strategically correct,
and I find them to be an expression of
the opinion of most of the people in
Florida with whom I come in contact.

Respectfully yours,


Farris Bryant

FB/mg

November 13, 1964

GENERAL

TAG/Tile

Dear Governor Bryant:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of November fifth, and your concern that duty reductions on imported glazed wall tile might work to the detriment of Florida producers and their employees.

I have made your views known to the proper officials and been assured that every consideration will be given on this matter. The recommendation that was made to Governor Herter by the ceramic tile manufacturers that glazed wall tile be reserved from the forthcoming GATT negotiations at Geneva will also be thoroughly considered.

Sincerely yours,

Hobart Taylor, Jr.
Associate Counsel
to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of the State of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

HT:pam

November 13, 1964

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Dear Farris:

I deeply appreciate your very kind message. I am gratified and humbled by the unity which the American people have displayed in this great re-affirmation of their faith in the fundamentals of our democratic heritage.

Mrs. Johnson joins me in thanking you for your thoughtfulness and your assurance of support as we go forward in our efforts to assure freedom's victory in a world of peace.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

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November 14, 1964

Dear Congressman:

This is in response to your letter of November 3rd to the President urging him to attend the testimonial dinner being given in mid-December by the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce for Governor Bryant.

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The President was grateful for this cordial invitation and very sorry he could not send a favorable reply in view of matters already pending for that time. I have written Mr. Tom Ferguson to express his regrets and am enclosing a copy of my letter for your information.

The President has asked me to send his thanks for your expression of interest in this invitation, together with his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Charles E. Bennett
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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October 9, 1964

TO: Jack Valenti

FROM: Hobart Taylor

Telegram to the President - 10/8/64 - from Governor
Farris Bryant, of Tallahassee, Florida, declining
the meeting to consider the proposed Inter American
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The White House

October 31, 1964

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Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

As you requested, I have authorized the allocation of an additional \$2 million in Federal disaster relief funds to effect the Federal assistance authorized by my declaration of a "major disaster" in your State on September 8, 1964.

Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will continue to consult with you and assist in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditure of the allocated funds.

Lyndon B. Johnson

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GENERAL

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November 2, 1964


Dear Governor:


Thank you very much for the clipping.

It was mighty thoughtful of you to drop it in the mail to us. I hope that you'll continue to send along information you think we should have.

Sincerely,

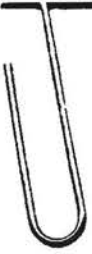
Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President


Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida



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October 28, 1964

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CONGRESS

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Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your letter of October 26 to the President expressing your hope that he will be able to accept the invitation extended by the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce / Florida to deliver the keynote address at the Testimonial Dinner for Governor Farris Bryant.

Your interest in this invitation is very much appreciated, and your letter is being referred to the President's appointments secretary for attention.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Don Fuqua
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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October 23, 1964

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Dear Mr. Jibb:

This is in response to the letter which you sent to Mr. Moyers urging that special consideration be given to the invitation extended to the President by Mr. Tom X Ferguson of the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce to speak at the testimonial dinner being given in mid-December for Governor Bryant. *Florida*

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The President appreciated very much this cordial invitation and your expression of interest in it. However, he did not feel he could hold out any hope he would be able to accept and I was asked to write Mr. Ferguson accordingly. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of my letter of regret.

Thank you, nonetheless, for writing about this, and best regards.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. William F. Jibb
Administrative Assistant to
Honorable George A. Smathers X
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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October 20, 1964

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Dear Mr. Ferguson:

James

This is in response to your letter of the 10th to the President and also your correspondence to Mr. Moyers and me, concerning the invitation to the President to deliver the keynote address at the Testimonial Dinner which the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce is giving in mid-December for Governor Bryant, particularly for his efforts in behalf of your Good Government project entitled "Florida Profile."

The President appreciates very much this kind invitation and is sincerely sorry he cannot have me send an encouraging reply. However, in view of tentative plans already pending for December, he does not feel he can hold out any hope he could be with you for the dinner.

He has asked me to express his deep thanks for your thoughtfulness in writing him about this, though, together with his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

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Mr. Tom M. Ferguson
Chairman, Public Relations
Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce
Post Office Box 425
Lakeland, Florida

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

MY RESPONSIBILITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SOUTHERN GOVERNORS CONFERENCE

PROHIBITS MY BEING WITH YOU ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR MEETING

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ITS ACHIEVEMENT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT NOT ONLY ON

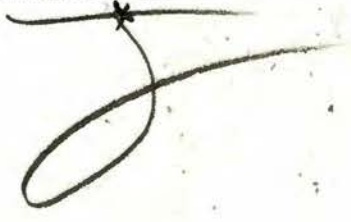
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GROWING INSTRUMENT OF INTERNATIONAL GOOD WILL AND I AM GLAD
AGAIN TO URGE YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION. RESPECTFULLY

FARRIS BRYANT GOVERNOR.



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September 18, 1964

CONGRESSIONAL

MR. PRESIDENT:

- (1) When you were in Florida, Governor ^{FARRIS} Bryant and Governor Burns asked you to call Secretary McNamara about Fairchild bidding on a contract in Iran - C-97 aircraft. If they lose this they will be forced to close.
- (2) The two Governors of Florida talked to you about a man, Bob Morgan, a C.P.A.
- (3) Senator Fulbright still is asking you to go to Arkansas - Little Rock - on October 10. This is a Saturday - the day of the Baylor-Arkansas football game.
- (4) Governor and Mrs. Brown want to be Presidential representatives to the Inauguration of the President of Chile.

Jack Valenti

JV:ny

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The White House

SEP 18 1964

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

As you requested, I have authorized an initial allocation of Federal disaster relief funds in the amount of \$3 million to effect the assistance authorized by my declaration of a "major disaster" in your State on September 10, 1964.

Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will continue to consult with you and assist in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditure of the allocated funds.

I have seen the devastating effects of Hurricane Dora and have taken steps to insure that all possible Federal assistance is provided to the affected area. Please be assured of my continued interest and concern.

Lyndon B. Johnson

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August 15, 1964

MEMORANDUM

TO: The President

FROM: Cliff Carter

I talked with Governor Farris Bryant of Florida this afternoon who was reporting on his recent conversation with Southern Governors, as requested of him by Bob Anderson. He did not talk to Carl Sanders or Terry Sanford.

Governor Bryant said the following:

Alabama -- No affirmative action in your behalf can be expected from Wallace, but rather it is anticipated that he will be doing everything humanly possible under cover to help Goldwater.

Arkansas -- Governor Faubus has his own election against Winthrop Rockefeller and that is his only concern. He will not take any part in your campaign.

Florida -- The gubernatorial nominee, Hayden Burns, is primarily interested in the self-preservation of running his own race, but with a little more personal attention he can be expected to be of assistance to the national ticket.

Louisiana -- Governor McKeithen has not made up his mind at this time just what action he is going to take in regard to the national campaign. He says as of today Goldwater would carry his state. McKeithen apparently misunderstood your telephone conversation with him regarding the St. Helena situation, as he appeared to be quite agitated and resentful over what you told him. The Governor feels there will be no trouble in carrying out the court order in St. Helena, that he does have an adequate force on hand to cope with any contingency, and that no federal troops are necessary. He is interested in the release of the tidelands' escrow money to his state. It is felt that this man can be brought solidly into your fold with proper handling -- otherwise his mind would have been made up already for Goldwater.

Nothing else sent to
Central Files as of 9/18/64

August 10, 1964

TO: Eric Goldman

FROM: Hobart Taylor

Ltr. to the President, 8-5-64, from Governor
Farris Bryant of Florida, responding to President's
letter relative to August 13 meeting of University
President's - White House Conference.

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The White House

SEP 10 1964

Honorable ^xFarris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

As you requested, I have declared a "major disaster" under authority of Public Law 81-875 in those areas of Florida adversely affected by Hurricane Dora.

I will make available an allocation of Federal disaster relief funds when the full extent of eligible work is known.

I know of your concern because of the suffering and damage due to this storm following the devastation caused by Hurricane Cleo. Please extend my sympathy to the people of Florida who suffered as a result of this storm and let them know that the Federal Government will do everything possible to aid. At my request, Mr. McDermott, Director of the Office of Emergency Planning, plans to visit the disaster scene and to meet with you ~~as soon as conditions permit~~ Friday at Jacksonville Naval Air Station at 10:15 A.M.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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The White House

SEP 9 1964

Honorable Farris⁺ Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

As you requested, I have declared a "major disaster" under authority of Public Law 81-875 in those areas of Florida adversely affected by Hurricane Cleo beginning on or about August 26, 1964.

I have authorized the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning to make an allocation of funds in the amount of \$300,000 to effect Federal assistance. Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will consult with you and assist in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditure of the allocated funds.

I commend the efforts of State and local forces in coping with this disaster and hope that there will be a rapid recovery in the damaged areas.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL AUTOGRAPH FILE RECORD

Date Mailed: September 9, 1964

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Inscription: To Governor and Mrs. Farris Bryant, with warm regards, Lyndon B Johnson

For party other than one to whom addressed or delivered:

Sent or delivered to: Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

[Handwritten signature]

GENERAL

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August 24, 1964

Dear Governor Bryant:

The President has asked me to thank you for furnishing him with copies of your letters to Secretary Udall, Dr. Seaborg, and Mr. Hornig regarding the federal water desalination program.

He appreciates your support, and is pleased to learn of the appointment of Mr. Robert H. Dunlap as your liaison officer in matters relating to this program.

With the President's warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

**Hobart Taylor, Jr.
Associate Counsel
to the President**

**Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida**

HT:rg

August 13, 1964

Dear Governor:

You are cordially invited to join with me in a meeting in the White House at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, August 22. After the meeting, you and your lady would please Mrs. Johnson and me if you would dine with us at the White House at 7:30 p.m.

I am extending this same invitation to all Democratic Governors in the nation.

It would be beneficial to our country for the leaders of our states to exchange views, find mutual understanding and most of all, to set a firm base for the future.


I would hope that your schedule prior to the Democratic Convention will allow you to accept this invitation.

Please wire me if you can be with us, and if you and your wife will join us for an informal dinner.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Ferris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida



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July 15, 1964

TO: Jack Valenti
FROM: Hobart Taylor, Jr.

Let. to the President 7-10-64 from Governor Farris Bryant, State of Florida, regarding pleasant conference held with Secretary Hodges, Governor Collins, and Governor Ellington at the President's request.

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July 29, 1964

Dear Governor Bryant:

Today I have wired the Presidents of leading state universities of the nation as follows:

"A number of state universities are engaged in important studies of the development of their states and regions over the next twenty years or so. I am deeply interested in these studies and to further them in any way I can, I am inviting the Presidents of leading state universities throughout the United States to the White House on August 13, 1964 at 1 p.m."

I am pleased to note that the group includes two universities in your state. Of course I know that you share my interest in these studies. If you have any suggestions as to how we here in Washington -- in addition to this conference -- might further the studies, please do not fail to write me.

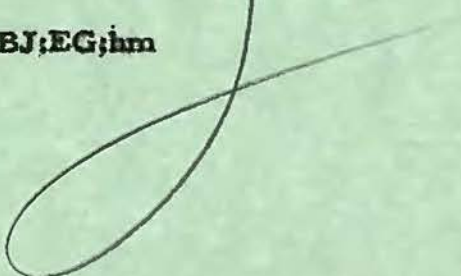
With personal regards,

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

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July 21, 1964

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The President
The White House
Washington
D. C.

My dear Mr. President

You may recall that I briefly discussed the formation of the Governors' Committee to meet with the various news media and discuss the problems concerning reporting of election returns.

I have asked Dick Hughes to serve as chairman of the committee and I believe he intends to call a meeting with the presidents of the respective news media sometime during the week of August 17th in New York. The other members of the committee are as follows:

- Pat Brown, California
 - John Burns, Hawaii
 - John Dempsey, Connecticut
 - Mark Hatfield, Oregon
 - Nelson Rockefeller, New York
 - Farris Bryant, Florida
 - William Scranton, Pennsylvania
 - George Romney, Michigan
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Respectfully yours,

Grant Sawyer
Grant Sawyer
Governor
Chairman of the Governors' Conferer

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July 9, 1964

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

I greatly appreciate your taking time to meet with Secretary Hodges, Governor Collins, and Governor Ellington. I am sure your informal, off-the-record discussions will contribute to the well-being of the people of your State, and of the entire nation. This is another example of that fine leadership which has distinguished your term as Governor and brought increasing progress to Florida.

I hope these meetings will encourage continuing discussion between us on subjects of mutual interest.

Lyndon B. Johnson


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June 26, 1964

TO: Mrs. Dorothy Daviss

FROM: Hobart Taylor, Jr.

**Let. to the President from Governor Farris Bryant, State of Florida,
Tallahassee, endorsing David B. Lee for appointment to Water
Pollution Control Advisory Board.**



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Mr. President:

The attached memoranda can be summarized as follows:

1. Governor ^{Geo.} Wallace has invited a number of top military commanders to an Armed Forces Day luncheon in Montgomery, Alabama at a segregated hotel on May 11.
2. Governor ^{CARL} Sanders of Georgia has invited a number of military commanders to a similar luncheon on May 12 at a segregated club in Atlanta, Georgia.
3. Governor ^{FRIS} Bryant of Florida usually sponsors a similar luncheon in Florida which is usually held in segregated facilities.
4. Sylvester's first reaction was to forbid the military commanders to attend the Wallace luncheon but he realized he could not do so without ruling out the Sanders luncheon which he does not think should be done.
5. Sylvester recommends that the Defense Department allow the luncheons to go as scheduled and explain to any questioners that attendance means no endorsement of segregation but only the observance of Armed Forces day. He has asked my advice.
6. I have not brought you into it in any way but I am withholding my advice until I have had an unofficial opportunity to know your thinking.

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Copy to Mrs Devito
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February 13, 1964

Dear Governor Bryant:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 7th regarding the development of Interama. I am impressed by what Florida has done to promote Interama and I want to assure you that thorough consideration is being given to Interama's needs by the appropriate Washington officials.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Bill Moyers
Assistant to the President

Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor
State of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

ROUTE SLIP

(To remain with correspondence)

Date: May 4, 1964

TO: Mrs. Dorothy Davies, The White House

Prompt handling is essential. Correspondence should be answered or other necessary action taken within 48 hours after arrival at the department or agency. If any delay is encountered, please telephone office of the undersigned.

Please handle the attached correspondence as indicated below:

- A. Reply on behalf of the President
- B. Draft for presidential signature..... **XX**
- C. Draft for undersigned's signature
- D. Other:
 - (1) For background briefing on which to base reply from this office
 - (2) For suitable acknowledgement or other appropriate handling
 - (3) For your information
 - (4) For comment

Furnish this office with a copy of your reply. Yes No

Return the original correspondence to this office. Yes **XX** No

REMARKS:

L t. 4/29/64 to the President from Governor Farris Bryant, Tallahassee, Florida endorsing Richard L. Speaks for Republican position on Fed. Communications Commission.

By direction of the President:

Bill Moyers
Assistant to the President

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1964

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NAACP/Florida

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Telephone Conversation with Governor ^{Jarvis} Bryant re Jacksonville

Following up our conversation of this morning I called Governor Bryant this afternoon to express your concern over the situation in Jacksonville and to ask if there were any way in which the Federal government could be helpful.

The Governor expressed appreciation over your interest and stated that there was "no real law enforcement problem" and that information he had received this afternoon indicated that "local forces were adequate" and in complete control of the situation. A special contingent of Florida highway patrolmen were prepared to move if necessary and the local sheriff is apparently extremely competent to handle the situation.

The National Guard Armory in Jacksonville is being used for informal hearings for juveniles. The juveniles have been released to their parents; in the case of those whose parents cannot be found they are being held in a juvenile detention area while efforts to locate their parents are underway.

The Governor met today with NAACP leaders of the state and believes that they are anxious to do whatever they can to quiet the situation.

The Governor again indicated his appreciation about your inquiry and promised to notify us of any developments that he believed would be of interest.


Lee C. White

STATE OF FLORIDA



FLORIDA ARTS COMMISSION

March 4, 1964

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James E. Garland, Chairman
315 N. W. 27th Ave.
Miami

Joseph F. Bryan, III
233 N. Duval St.
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Mrs. Colin English, Sr.
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Mrs. Margaret A. Moore
523 E. 8th Ave.
Tallahassee

Harry M. Philpott
University of Florida
Gainesville

Paul T. Ward
305 Hyde Park Ave.
Tempe

Mr. August Heckscher,
Special Consultant on the Arts
to the President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Heckscher:

Governor Farris Bryant of Florida presented a very outstanding painting by Mrs. Jane Watson of a scene in the Everglades to President Lyndon Johnson, Thursday evening, February 27 at a Democratic dinner held here in Miami. We of the "art promoting set" take this action on the part of our Governor as a high compliment to our efforts here in Florida in promoting the general interest and appreciation of these creative activities by our citizens.

Governor Bryant, through the Florida Development Commission, has taken a very forward step in bringing representatives of all of the arts into an effective council here in Florida. This explanation by way of saying that we prize the painting very highly and, unfortunately, at the short time allowed and with the restriction invoked, we were not able to get a picture for publicity purposes of this important event. As you can appreciate the compliment to Mrs. Watson in having her picture (which she had donated to the Florida Arts Commission more than two years ago and which has been hanging in the Capitol Building in Tallahassee) selected is a very high tribute and yet very few people on the Florida scene know of this accomplishment.

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photograph to be taken
I would further greatly
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the final disposition of

ing from you on this matter.

yours,

E. Garland
and, Chairman
Commission

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Did the President ever receive this picture.

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Inscription: To Governor Farris Bryant, with best wishes, Lyndon B Johnson

For party other than one to whom addressed or delivered:

Sent or delivered to: Honorable Farris Bryant
 Governor of Florida
 Jacksonville, Florida





FARRIS BRYANT
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February 6, 1964

The Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson
The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

We are so pleased you are coming to Florida on Thursday, February 27, to attend the dinner in your honor in Miami. We are hopeful that you will be able to stop in North Florida on your way down or back to participate in the ground breaking for the Cross Florida Barge Canal, and I am pleased to invite you to do so.

It might be possible for your jet to land at the Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, from which point a helicopter could take you to the ground breaking site. You could then meet the jet in Orlando at McCoy Air Force Base, and we would have an opportunity to let leaders of North and Central Florida meet you at each of the three places.

If there is anything that I can do to make your visit more pleasant or convenient please let me know. In the meantime we are doing everything possible to make your visit an effective one in helping us to carry Florida next November.

Respectfully yours,


Governor

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Nothing else sent to
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February 10, 1964

SENT TO KEN O'DONNELL

1. Ltr. dated January 30, 1964 from Mayor Victor H. Schiro of New Orleans inviting the President to Prayer Breakfast on February 21. in New Orleans.
2. Ltr. to the President dated February 6, 1964 from Governor Farris Bryant of Florida concerning February 27 dinner in President's honor in ~~Miami~~ Miami.



T.J. Reardon, Jr.

January 11, 1964

Dear Governor Bryant:

It should be a source of deep concern to the Nation that less than two-thirds of Americans of voting age cast ballots in Presidential elections, and less than half do so in Congressional elections.

The bipartisan Commission on Registration and Voting Participation appointed by President Kennedy last March to study the causes of nonvoting and to recommend remedies conducted a comprehensive study and has now presented its Report, a copy of which is enclosed. I am pleased to commend the Report to your attention and in particular, the recommendation that "Each State should create a Commission on registration and voting participation, or utilize some other existing State machinery to survey in detail its election law and practices."

I am convinced that the States can facilitate registration and voting by our citizens if they will examine and improve their laws and practices. I hope that the percentage of Americans participating in the selection of our political leaders will be significantly increased and solicit your interest and cooperation.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
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Honorable Farris Bryant
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida

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MEMORANDUM

Farris

Telephone Governor Bryant inviting him to be Honorary Chairman of a fund-raising function to be held in Miami during the week of February 24th. The matter has been cleared and approved by the two Florida Senators and Congressmen Fascell, Matthews and Pepper. We are contacting the others now and are confident of their approval.

The affair contemplates either a lunch or cocktail party for The President's Club members. All of the proceeds from this will come to the National Committee.

There will be a \$100 dinner at the Miami Beach Convention Hall and the proceeds from this will be divided fifty-fifty.

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Please send the following message to the persons listed below:

YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED WITH DEEP APPRECIATION. I SHALL CHERISH YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

SINCERELY,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

The Honorable Otto Kerner
Governor of Illinois
Springfield, Illinois

The Honorable John B. Swainson
Park-Shelton Hotel
Detroit, Michigan

The Honorable Ernest W. McFarland
Phoenix, Arizona

The Honorable Tom Bolack
Farmington, New Mexico

The Honorable William L. Guy
Governor of North Dakota
Bismarck, North Dakota

The Honorable Orval E. Faubus
Governor of Arkansas
Little Rock, Arkansas

The Honorable Farris Bryant
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