

Four Libraries Sponsor Seminar

In a trial cooperative effort, this fall four for the six Presidential Libraries—the Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson—joined with the Brookings Institution in sponsoring a major symposium on a subject important to the Administrations of all four Presidents—wage-price policy. The idea for the multi-Library endeavor was proposed by Walt Rostow to the Presidential Library Directors when they met in Austin in 1972.

Scholars, supported by grants from Brookings, were assigned to the participating Libraries to develop papers on the wage-price policies of the respective administrations. The completed papers, along with one on the Nixon Administration, were presented at the symposium to a formidable array of economists—a panel of former Presidential economic advisors. Among those present were John Dunlop, Roger Blough, Leon Keyserling, Don Paarlberg, James Tobin, Herb Stein, Charles Schultze, Walter Heller, Arthur Okun, Joseph Pechman, Walt Rostow, John Lewis, Charles Murphy, Kermit Gordon, Gardner Ackley, Andrew Brimmer, Joe Califano, Otto Eckstein, and David Ginsburg.

The Johnson paper was written by James P. Cochrane, of the University of South Carolina. The proceedings will be published by Brookings in 1975.

Drawing Given to Friends of Library

The line drawing of the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library (above) was given to the Friends of the LBJ Library by Austin architect and artist Roy White. Director Harry Middleton accepted the drawing on behalf of the "Friends" (see photograph below). The drawing will be used on invitations, programs, and publications of the Library, and note cards to be offered for sale at the Library's sales desk. Proceeds from the sale of note cards will benefit the Friends of the Library.



Beyond Today's Energy Crisis: The Future of The American Environment



British economist and author Barbara Ward (Lady Jackson) opened the Symposium with an evangelical call for a "revival of the spirit" among the developed nations of the world.

Miss Ward noted that the Western nations are emerging from a 25-year bonanza, a remarkable period graced with unusually good growing weather (a period that brought a tripling of world food supplies); extraordinary growth and productivity increases; and — most importantly — plentiful and inexpensive energy supplies. She warned that this was "a period when some of the main dilemmas of the full functioning of our market system were not apparent."

The conclusion of the bountiful period has been followed by a crisis of supply and demand — a crisis that must be met with a policy of "reasonable restraint" by wealthy nations.

Coming to Austin directly from the World Food Conference, Miss Ward noted the disparity in the consumption of food between the developed and underdeveloped nations. "You know, you can eat yourself silly, as well as other forms of stupidity." Her rousing speech brought the near capacity crowd to its feet, and set a fast-paced tone for the two-day conference.



Members of the Monday afternoon panel, "The American Future: Social and Political Prospects," listen as Alan Kneese addresses a question from moderator Charles Schultze.

"From Barbara Ward's thrilling keynote address to Maurice Strong's prophetic conclusion," this two-day symposium at the LBJ Library was, in the words of Mrs. Lyndon Johnson, "... a feast for the mind ... a staccato of ideas and challenges." The fourth in an annual series sponsored by the Library and The University of Texas, this year's symposium marked an important departure in theme from those of the past. In his opening remarks, Harry Middleton, Director of the LBJ Library, made this point clear:

"The idea for these national symposia, with their relationship to the Library's archives, originated with President Johnson, who always saw history's significance in terms of its ability to provide lessons for the future. The spirit and record of his own achievements suffused those early seminars and helped, both emotionally and in substance, to make them the memorable events they were. But perhaps this one, which we inaugurate today, provides a better test than any of the strength of President Johnson's hope for this institution. He perceived clearly that if we were to be an active and creative center for the exchange of ideas that would contribute to American life, we would have to be prepared, and perhaps rather quickly, to diverge from the issues that dominated the 1960's. 'It won't be all education and civil rights,' he said. That divergence begins now."

With the conclusion of Middleton's remarks, the symposium participants plunged themselves into the debate of this critical question of the 1970's — departing from the issues of the past, but furthering President Johnson's vision of the Library as a "creative center for the exchange of ideas."



Former Budget Director Charles Schultze ponders a critical issue posed in a question from the audience.



Congressman Mike McCormack makes a point during the Monday morning panel, "Scientific Perspectives: Implications and Options." Seated to his left is University of Texas physicist, William Drummond.



The Tuesday morning panel, moderated by ABC Science Editor Jules Bergman, was composed of participants from both Monday panels.

Jules Bergman Directs Concluding Panel

The first day of the Symposium was devoted to panel discussions of energy and environmental problems from two distinct points of view: that of the physical scientist and the social scientist. On Tuesday, the participants from both previous panels were brought together to address the critical issues surfaced by their respective debates on Monday. Jules Bergman, Science Editor for the American Broadcasting Company, skillfully moderated this concluding panel.

Addressing the panel, Bergman opened the discussion, "We meet, depending on your point of view, on the threshold of a disaster. A society that walks a tightrope between extinction and survival. Never before has a society so wealthy, so strong, so diverse, with so much technology and brain power and resources, gotten itself so fouled up so quickly."

The ensuing session was lively and insightful, evoking outspoken debate among the panelists and probing questions from the audience. At one point, U. S. Congressman Jake Pickle rose from his seat in the Auditorium to assert the concern and capabilities of Congress to contribute to

resolving the problems at hand.

The proceedings of this Symposium, like those which preceded it, will soon be published by the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs,



EPA Chief Russell Train looks on as Jules Bergman addresses the panel.

Director of United Nations Environmental Program Addresses Symposium

A theme that was sounded repeatedly during the two-day conference was the concept of international interdependence — that energy and environmental problems are global in nature requiring international solutions. The emergence of this theme set the stage for the closing event on the symposium program, an address by Maurice Strong, Executive Director of the United Nations Environmental Programme.

Strong called for wealthy nations to "think of their society as part of a world society" — to concern themselves with "the collective survival of the whole human family." He declared that prosperous nations can no longer withdraw into "ghettos of privilege." Strong continued, "We have been operating on the very comfortable assumption, which surely the energy crisis has demolished once and for all, that the rich can help the poor simply by getting richer themselves, and the increase of the trickle down to the poor will assure the provision of needs to the poor. Of course, that doesn't work."

Like Barbara Ward who spoke the previous day, the United Nations Executive expressed concern for the efficacy of the free market system. Strong observed that short-term goals of private enterprise often conflict with larger goals of society as a whole. According to Strong, "the religion of cost-benefit is driving us to disaster. It's a very good tool, and it's a very bad religion."

Strong concluded with a call for a "cultural revolution" in the Western nations. Conceding that this possibility seems "far removed from present political realities," he stated that present conditions must compel existing political realities themselves to give way to new and larger realities."



Texas Congressman Jake Pickle makes an impromptu speech from the audience during the Tuesday morning session.



Mrs. Patrick Nugent and Mrs. Lyndon Johnson were familiar faces in the symposium audience.

CHRISTMAS COMES TO THE LBJ LIBRARY



The Christmas stocking (right) and tree (left) are part of the Christmas Exhibit on the Library's first floor. The stocking, one of eight given to members of the Johnson family by Marietta Brooks, is decorated to tell the story of the President's life. The ornaments on the Library's Christmas trees were used in the White House during the Johnson Administration. The photographs below show Mrs. Lyndon Johnson's Christmas party for the Library staff, and Mrs. Johnson meeting with graduate students at the LBJ School of Public Affairs.









This candid photograph of a familiar Santa Claus was taken in 1971 at a Christmas party for the LBJ Ranch Iamilies. After an unsuccessful search for a suitable figure to fill the suit borrowed from the school at Stonewall, the former President was persuaded to play the part. According to Mrs. Dale Malechek, wife of the LBJ Ranch foreman, "He really enjoyed this role and played it to the hilt. In fact, he wouldn't take the suit off until he went to bed that night."

NEW EXHIBIT: West Wing of The White House





The West Wing Exhibit, located on the eighth floor of the Library, is designed as an extension to the popular Oval Office Exhibit. Through a display of photographs, the new exhibit adds a dimension of vitality to the quiet replica of the President's working office. The room is shown as the vortex of the day-to-day business of presidents — meetings with ambassadors, cabinet ministers, advisors, and the press.

The other rooms of the West Wing — the Cabinet Room, Situation Room, and Little Lounge — are depicted in similar fashion. Included among the original manuscripts and documents on display are pages from President Johnson's daily diary, a handwritten memorandum from Vice President Humphrey, cabinet and news briefing books, and a teleprompter print bearing the President's remarks announcing the formation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Original objects selected from the West Wing rooms — such as the Augustus Saint-Gaudens bronze portrait of Lincoln, the President's Cabinet Chair, and the telephone from the Little Lounge — add realism to the exhibit.

The photograph above shows a Library visitor studying the Cabinet Room exhibit. Pictured below are memorabilia from the Little Lounge (to the right of the photograph) and a flag bearing the President's seal (to the left).

Dean Rusk, Sam Ervin To Speak In Distinguished Lecturer Series

This Spring the Distinguished Lecturer Series, co-sponsored by the Library and the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, will bring to the University of Texas campus former Secretary of State, Dean Rusk (below), and Senator Sam Ervin (right). Both Rusk, scheduled for January 13, and Ervin, March 3, will meet informally with graduate students at the LBJ School, and will address the University community in public lectures in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Auditorium.

Former speakers in the Distinguished Lecturer Series include Averell Harriman, Eliot Richardson, and British Prime Minister Harold Wilson.







The above photograph, taken from the Library's Photographic Archives, captures then White House photographer Frank Wolfe as he covers a meeting between President Johnson and former West German Chancellor Kurt Kiesinger. During the Johnson Administration, Wolfe traveled throughout the world with the President photographing historic events. Wolfe is presently Chief of the Library's Photographic Archives.

Frank Wolfe: Photographer in Residence

Following his return to Texas, President Johnson attracted a small coterie of former White House staff to Austin to work at the LBJ Library. Among those who came was Frank Wolfe, former White House photographer and presently head of the Library's Photographic Archives.

Wolfe's career in the White House began as a military courier during the Eisenhower Administration. Under President Kennedy he was assigned to the White House Photographic Laboratory, and assumed the position of White House Photographer during the Administration of Lyndon Johnson.

The Still Photo Division, which Wolfe heads, is responsible for maintaining the Library's holdings of over 500,000 photographic items. This visual documentation of the significant activities and personalities of the Johnson years adds an important dimension to the Library's historical collection.

Wolfe and his staff are kept busy organizing and cataloging the photographic holdings to facilitate access to the collection by scholars and Library personnel. In addition, they respond to an average of fifty requests per week for information and photographic reproductions. The Friends of the LBJ Library are indebted to the Still Photo Division for the photographs they provide to enliven this publication.

Coming Events

Distinguished Lecturer Series — Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk and North Carolina Senator Sam Ervin will address the University of Texas community in public lecturers at the Lyndon Baines Johnson Auditorium. The series is co-sponsored by the Library and the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs. Rusk will speak at 3 PM on January 13, and Ervin on March 3.

Organizing Committee of the Friends of the LBJ Library — On February 2 the Organizing Committee will meet in Washington, D. C. to establish a program for the "Friends" for 1975.

Grants-In-Aid Committee — This Committee, chaired by University of Texas Chancellor Emeritus, Harry Ransom, will meet in January to select recipients of 1975 Grants-In-Aid for research in the LBJ Library. The Friends of the LBJ Library provide funds annually for research grants.

Exhibit on the Secret Service — In late February the Library will unveil a new exhibit on the history and activities of the Secret Service, the branch of the Treasury Department responsible for protecting the President and his family.

A native of Pennsylvania, Wolfe lives in Austin with his wife, Linda, and three children; Brent, 13, Cynthia, 12, and Charles, 10.

Visitors to the Library

Distinguished visitors to the LBJ Library during the past three months include Pat Lawford, sister of former President Kennedy; participants in the Symposium on Energy and Environment (story on page 2); Jose Cabranes, Special Counsel to the Governor of Puerto Rico; Sir Peter Ramsbotham, British Ambassador to the United States; Harry McPherson, former Special Counsel to President Johnson; publisher and artist Fleur Cowles Meyer; and a cadre of international investors on tour in the United States.

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