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WV

✓ Gore calls for Iran
hostage investigation

Kennedy ram-rodding
educ. bill? (WST editorial)

✓ Rocky report - Charleston

✓ Transfers too Bush?

✓ Was it Gov't role or what

Vaccine question

✓ Short down that story
says were retreating on
vaccine (Immunize Kids)

✓ CALL B. KERRY
/ n. Conable

✓ Press Conference - been
a long time

BUSH PLANS NEW FORCE TO SHIELD KURDS

President Bush plans to send a new force of U.S. troops to protect repatriated Kurds from Saddam and may station them in northern Iraq with other coalition units, the White House said Monday. "The initial interest in the forces is in maintaining security in the region for the population," said press secretary Fitzwater, who added that virtually all the refugees have been resettled in Iraqi cities and towns.

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A1)

U.S. Says Strike Force Being Considered To Curb Saddam

NICOSIA -- The U.S., apparently bowing to pressure from Gulf War allies, says it is considering a special strike force to protect Kurds in northern Iraq from Saddam Hussein.

It has also signaled readiness to negotiate a "gentlemen's agreement" that would, initially at least, put a ceiling of around 30 percent on the amount of oil revenue Baghdad has to put up for war reparations.

Officials in London said options included a force all in Iraq, all in Turkey or divided between the two -- "we're talking about deterrence, credible deterrence," one said.... Military sources and press reports say Washington and its allies are thinking of forming a 5,000-strong rapid reaction force, to be based in southeast Turkey under an operation called "Poised Hammer."

(David Goddard, Reuter)

Agreement Near On Allied Force To Shield Kurds

The U.S. and its allies have nearly agreed on forming a rapid deployment force designed to protect Iraq's Kurds after they have all left their refugee camps and returned home.

The allies must still resolve several sticky details, including where to base the force, precisely how big it will be and what mix of allied warplanes it will have at its disposal, U.S. officials said.

Some European members of the anti-Iraq coalition would prefer that the new force be kept in far northern Iraq to provide a clear warning to Saddam Hussein to let the Kurds live in peace, European diplomats said. The U.S....would prefer that the force be based nearby in southern Turkey, officials said. U.S. officials said that if Turkey's government is cooperative, the force might be based at Silopi.

(Gerald Seib, Wall Street Journal, A3)

KURDS PLAN MEETINGS ON SADDAM'S CONDITIONS FOR AUTONOMY PACT

SHAQLAWA -- In exchange for Kurdish autonomy, Saddam Hussein has demanded a promise from the ethnic group that it cut direct ties with the West and help him fight the Shiites, Kurdish leaders say. The previously secret demands represent a key obstacle to an accord on Kurdish autonomy, the leaders say. (John Pomfret, AP)

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CHENEY SAYS EUROPE SECURITY PLAN SHOULD NOT DELAY NATO REFORM

Secretary Cheney said Monday he wasn't opposed to the creation of a separate European security arrangement so long as it does not hold up progress toward a new post-Cold War NATO strategy.

In a speech to the U.S. Atlantic Council, which promotes U.S.-European relations, Cheney urged NATO ministers to move quickly to formulate a new strategy and structure for NATO now that the Warsaw Pact has collapsed. "I don't think we can afford to go slow in terms of adapting NATO," Cheney said. (Reuter)

EDITOR'S NOTE: "National Differences Stall G-7 Action," by Hobart Rowen & Steven Mufson, appears in The Washington Post, page C2.

U.S. CURB ON CHINA FIRMS IS DELAYED

More than a month after President Bush ordered that two Chinese corporations be prohibited from buying U.S. goods and services because of evidence they were selling missile technology to Pakistan, the White House has yet to implement the decision, Administration and congressional officials said Monday.

Although Bush has referred to his decision publicly twice in the past month, the National Security Council has not sent out the needed executive order to the agencies that oversee and approve the export of high-technology equipment to foreign countries, the officials said.

"There's been a screw-up in getting out the order," said one Administration official. "There was one draft that was worked up by the staff, but the higher-ups" in the NSC "rejected it as being too vague. We're in the process of revising the draft."

He confirmed that the legal force of Bush's decision would not be in place until the executive order was signed by Bush and disseminated to the agencies....

Members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee are expected to seek an explanation of why the order has not been implemented during a confirmation hearing Tuesday of J. Stapleton Roy, Bush's nominee as ambassador to China. The official said Roy had privately assured senators Monday that lawyers for the NSC and State Department "would be working all night to have the orders in place."

(Stephen Kurkjian, Boston Globe)

U.S. CLAIMS CHINA SNEAKS IN CLOTHING

HONG KONG -- The U.S. has called for consultations with China on newly uncovered transshipment of Chinese-made garments to the U.S. that purported to originate outside China, U.S. officials said Monday.

There is a "real possibility" that the transshipped goods will be charged to China's quota, said Ronald Sorini, chief U.S. textile negotiator.

(P.T. Bangsbert, Journal of Commerce)

CHINA SAID TO CURB FOREIGN RESEARCH

BEIJING -- China appears to be moving to cut off access by foreign scholars to social survey data, according to Chinese academics and a secret document distributed recently by the State Education Commission.

(Sheryl WuDunn, New York Times, p. 38)

SOVIET MILITARY CHIEF WARNS OF CRISIS AHEAD

MOSCOW -- Economic collapse and political turmoil threaten the existence of the Soviet armed forces, Defense Minister Yavoz reportedly told a closed session of the legislature.

(Alan Cooperman, AP, Washington Times, A9)

GORBACHEV SEEKS ADVICE OF HARVARD-PLAN ECONOMIST

In a significant bow toward his nation's reformist camp, President Mikhail Gorbachev held a secret meeting over the weekend with the Soviet Union's leading free-market economist and asked him to help prepare a program of sweeping reforms.

The Soviet leader intends to present the plan at the G-7 summit in London next month.

According to information obtained by the Daily Telegraph, Gorbachev invited Grigory Yavlinsky to the Kremlin on Saturday, where they met privately for one hour.

Yavlinski worked with a team of Harvard professors on the [Soviet reform/Western aid] blueprint....

One source close to Yavlinsky described the session with Gorbachev as "a wonderful meeting."...

A rival "anti-crisis" program drawn up by Prime Minister Valentin Pavlov and supported by communist hard-liners would not be entirely discarded but would play only a secondary role, the source said.

(John Kampfner, London Daily Telegraph, Washington Times, A1)

IMF AID TO THE SOVIET UNION STILL A LONG SHOT

NEW YORK -- The Soviet Union may have a long wait before getting financial aid from the IMF despite plans for an unusual face-saving associate membership, economists said Monday.

"I don't think anyone should expect a big pot of gold at the end of the rainbow," Canadian Finance Minister Mazankowski told reporters in London....

"Lending through the IMF is only disguising the risk to taxpayers," said Jerry Jordan, chief economist at First Interstate Bank Corp. in Providence, R.I.

(Isabelle Clary, UPI)

IMF Membership Could Spark Backlash

Associate membership in the IMF may bring the Soviet Union a step closer to the capitalist economic system but could also cause a backlash from communist hard-liners, according to experts....

Some analysts at Munich-based Radio Liberty saw the decision as a setback for President Gorbachev, particularly at a time of growing opposition to his reforms from Prime Minister Pavlov and KGB Chief Kryuchkov.

(Andrew Borowiec, Washington Times, A9)

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Soviets Debate Bill To Privatize State Property," by David Remnick, appears in The Washington Post, page A15.

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Veto Threat Hangs Over House Abortion Votes

...Rep. Chris Smith, co-chairman of the Congressional Right to Life Caucus, predicted the Wirthlin Group's findings would help shore up support for the abortion counseling ban. "This is good news -- great news -- for right-to-lifers," he said.

Smith and other abortion foes have not yet decided whether to make the full House vote this week as a matter of principle or whether to wait until President Bush vetoes the bill, when appeals to Republicans could prove more persuasive. Bush wrote lawmakers June 4 that he will veto "any legislation that weakens current law or existing regulations" on abortion. That threat was repeated last week by the White House budget office.

But Rep. John Porter, chief sponsor of the effort to block the Administration said he thinks it is "possible, not probable," the President could reconsider.

"A lot could happen between now and the time (the bill) arrives on the President's desk," he said. "A lot of people on the Republican side who oppose abortion are real uncomfortable with this mind control the 'gag rule' represents."

(Mary Deibel, Scripps Howard)

Foley Admits Veto Of Abortion Bill Could Be 'Impossible To Override'

Speaker Foley acknowledged Monday it may be impossible to override a veto threatened by President Bush of a bill allowing abortion counseling at federally-funded family planning clinics....

Asked at a news conference if he had the two-thirds majority required for a veto override, Foley replied, "I don't know. It may fall short of the two-thirds, but it will be a very substantial vote..., including some Republican votes as well as Democrats."

(Joyce Price, Washington Times, A1)

GUN BILL GAINS SUPPORT IN SENATE

A seven-day waiting period for handgun purchases is gaining momentum in the Senate as private talks resume today in search of a compromise.

The negotiations, involving Sens. Mitchell and Dole, indicate both sides remain uncertain if they can win a Senate majority. But some senators previously viewed as undecided are prepared to announce support for the waiting period. Others once opposed are now undecided.

(Richard Wolf, USA Today, 4A)

HOUSE PASSES BILL FORCING GOVERNMENT TO FOLLOW WASTE LAWS

Taking aim at an "environmental double-standard," the House passed legislation Monday to force the federal government to obey hazardous-waste laws or face fines from the EPA and the states....

Supporters of the measure, which was passed by voice vote, contended that the federal government should face the same law-enforcement measures on waste that are used on state and local governments and private companies.... Rep. Richard Ray opposed the measure, saying states would apply the fines in an attempt to "raid the federal treasury."

(Will Dunham, UPI)

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GOP STIRRING TO TACKLE A STAND ON A HOT ISSUE

Back home, people are talking about the high price of health insurance, and congressional Republicans don't want the issue to go to the Democrats by default.

So they're putting together their own plan to overhaul health care, rather than waiting for the White House.

Sen. Simpson...says the Administration will have to present a health care program, too. That may be months away. It's under study, with no announce deadline....

"In my town meetings, it's been the issue of cost, premium cost," said Simpson. "I don't know how volatile it is."...

Sen. Chafee is taking the Republican lead on health care as sponsor of the coming Senate GOP proposal. But he said it is widely recognized that nothing will happen on health care legislation before next year, if then....

"We're going to have to do something complete, more complete than we've ever done," Simpson said.

(News analysis, Walter Mears, AP)

QUAYLE PUSHES AIDS TESTS FOR DOCTORS

Doctors and health care workers should be required to take AIDS tests to let patients know they could run the risk of infection, Vice President Quayle said Monday after a speech to the annual meeting of the American Medical Association. "We have got to have this disclosure on this issue because you're talking about lives," Quayle told reporters after his speech....

C. Everett Koop told the AMA's public health committee that doctors face a loss of credibility if they refuse to be tested. "Be certain that the public knows that you are just as concerned about them as you are about yourselves," he said.

(Combined dispatches, Washington Times, A3)

GAS TAX PITCH

Although the White House officially opposes a gas tax increase, top officials Monday didn't slam the door on a proposed transportation bill with a 5-cent-per-gallon tax hike, said Rep. Hammerschmidt. Hammerschmidt and Rep. Shuster met with Chief of Staff Sununu and aides. "They surely didn't endorse it," Hammerschmidt said, but "if we really get a bill developed, I have a feeling they would be open for discussion." (USA Today, 4A)

BANK REPORTS ON ASSETS ARE DOUBTED

A growing number of economists and analysts believe that many weak banks, including some of the nation's biggest, have overstated the amount of capital they have on hand to absorb loan losses, and that a taxpayer bailout might be a stronger possibility that has been acknowledged by the Bush Administration....

A recent study of 39 failed banks by the GAO...found that the quarterly reports filed by banks with government examiners on their financial health "failed to provide regulators with advanced warning of the true magnitude of the deterioration in the banks' financial condition and performance."

(Stephen Labaton, New York Times, D1)

NATIONAL NEWS

SUNUNU SAYS HE WILL STAY THROUGH ELECTION

Chief of Staff Sununu said Monday he intends to remain in his post through President Bush's first term and he shrugged off controversies over his travel as "all part of the process, it's part of being chief of staff."...

In a written statement Saturday, Sununu expressed regrets about the controversy, but Monday he told reporters he has no concerns over the controversy. Asked if his job were in jeopardy, he said, "I intend to get the President's agenda done and help him get re-elected and finish up after his second term begins."...

A senior official Monday described officials at the White House as "collectively holding our breaths, reading the tea leaves, waiting to see what's next."...

"There is a strong suspicion here that the president is letting it play out a little bit, seeing whether Sununu realizes the situation he is in and takes steps to correct it," one official said, adding, "There is no evidence he does yet."

(Ann Devroy, Washington Post, A7)

Bush Gives Sununu Mild Endorsement

President Bush offered his embattled chief of staff a lukewarm endorsement Monday, telling reporters, "Yeah, I'm going to support him," as Chief of Staff Sununu shrugged off the continuing controversy over his travel practices....

The White House counsel's office, meanwhile, argued that the latest furor concerning Sununu's travel -- his personal solicitation of use of a corporate jet earlier this month -- did not violate the 1989 Ethics Reform Act.

But Rep. Frank, chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee that drafted the legislation, said he was looking into the legality of Sununu's actions. At the center of the latest controversy is whether Sununu's telephone call to Stuart Bernstein, a Washington real estate developer from whom he sought a private jet for a trip to a Chicago fund-raising event June 11, violated the law. The White House said Bernstein arranged to charter a plane for Sununu in response to the call.... Frank said Sununu's action "does go beyond the appearance of impropriety." "What it does is put pressure on these people to go into the charter business," he said. "They have a technical term for that shakedown.... I'm going to look into it."

Speaker Foley and Sen. Mitchell indicated they were not prepared to accuse Sununu of wrong-doing. "I think it's a very unfortunate thing if people begin equating a mistake with a crime," Mitchell said. And Foley said it would be up to the Administration to determine whether Sununu had violated any law.

(James Gerstenzang & Sara Fritz, Los Angeles Times, A13)

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June 25, 1991

Brent/ JS

Brady called back at 7.31 AM.

He is sending report on Finance min. Meeting in London.

He recommends that we meet 'briefly' with Greenspan, Mulford, and him to discuss their findings and to avoid possibly being blindsided at our G-7 meeting.

I'd like to do it... time time time.

GB

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Brent and John

June 25, 1991

Re: Rosty phone call yesterday.

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cc: Fred mcClure

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE SECRETARY

6/24/91

NOTE FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JABIII

For your information.

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United States Department of State

The Chief of Protocol
Washington, D.C. 20520-2317

June 24, 1991

Dear Mr. President,

I understand that you have been kind enough to approve my nomination as a Public Delegate to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

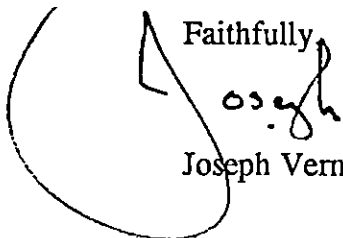
As the paperwork is starting to move through the bureaucracy, stories are beginning to circulate in the corridors that I may be leaving my post in the near future. Before such rumors land on the Federal Page, I wanted to formally thank you and Mrs. Bush for the privilege of having had this opportunity to serve you and your Administration.

When we met at the Observatory after your election you honored me with your invitation to come to Washington to serve as your Chief of Protocol. In our subsequent talk from Santa Barbara I said I would be pleased to serve a two year stint, which we both thought would be adequate to get a truly effective Protocol office up and running.

When I resigned my post of Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs, it was always my hope to be able to return to the United Nations.

As per your instructions, I have pursued this course with JAB on possible future nominations designed to permit me to once again dedicate myself to furthering the goals of the United Nations, goals that I know you share.

Faithfully,



Joseph Verner Reed

The President
The White House

7:15 p.m.
Monday
June 24, 1991

Sir:

F.Y.I. -- I just spoke w/ Jim Baker's office. The info on the Philippines will be coming over through NORMAL (NSC) channels this evening. Delay in your receiving the information is at State, but I understand it is just about ready to be sent over.

Patty P.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE:

6-23

FROM THE PRESIDENT

To:

Patty/ Bill Farish

In Colorado I received a 'bolo'
from Rep. Ben Cambell, made by him. Please
have gift office process it promptly. If
over \$100 assign to library.

In any event have it sent over here
asap so I can get picture in it for the Congman

gb

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Nikki:

The President said he was given a "bolo" from Representative Ben Campbell (Campbell made it). The President would like to see it. (If over \$100 to library - but he wants to see it first).

Thanks

Patty P.

cc: Bill Farish

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GIFT UNIT
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Patty,

The letter on this has been drafted and is in the system (since this morning). As soon as it is ready, it will come over, along with the gift, for the President's signature.

Nikk

Patty - per the Gift Unit: The tie is valued:

Per my telecon. w/ the Congressman, who made this one-of-a-kind tie, and used to make these ties professionally before entering the Congress, this sterling silver-enameled tie is valued between \$1,500. to \$1,800.

I have instructed the Gift Unit to send the tie to the library.



6-25-91

Dear Nancy -

Thanks for the Krakow
report. Glad you went -
Glad it was a success. Yes, the
poles are trying hard.
Warm Regards, Cy B/

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Ms. Nancy Clark Reynolds
Suite 600
1317 F Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

bcc: Governor Sununu
General Scowcroft
Chase Untermeyer
Bridget Montagne

Jan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear Arthur and Elizabeth:

Many thanks for remembering my birthday --
and in such a thoughtful and clever way!
I've set aside the regular and floater golf
balls for later use, and I'm having great
fun with the solar fan cap. It's a real
conversation piece.

You're thoughtful, and I appreciate it.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "G. Bush" or "G. B. H.", written in a cursive style.

Rabbi and Mrs. Arthur Schneier
President
Appeal of Conscience Foundation
119 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

A small handwritten mark or signature in the bottom right corner, possibly initials "JB".



THE PRESIDENT

Dear Collene,

Yes I, too, worried
about that newspaper story;
but, then, along came your
wonderful letter of June 20th.
Thanks so very much for
your thoughtfulness,

But thanks most of
all for your example of
courage and family love

Respectfully

Ag Bush

bcc: Marlin Fitzwater
Leigh Ann Metzger
Bridget Montagne

Mrs. Collene Campbell
M.O.V.E.
15 Studebaker
Irvine, CA 92718

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991 ⁹¹ JUN 25 PM 7:13

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST ^{AA}
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: LEIGH ANN METZGER ^{lan}
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR PUBLIC
LIAISON

SUBJECT: COLLENE CAMPBELL AND YOUR CRIME BILL SPEECH

Please find attached several pieces of correspondence related to your June 18th Crime Bill speech in Room 450. After your remarks, you talked and participated in a photo op with one family horribly victimized by several murders. One of these victims, Collene Thompson Campbell, is founder of Memory of Victims Everywhere (M.O.V.E.) and has lobbied hard for the passage of your crime legislation.

An article written by Frank Murray then appeared in the next day's Washington Times accusing the Administration of deleting reference of Mrs. Campbell and her family from your remarks. Mrs. Campbell is outraged and embarrassed by this article (see attached).

Attached please find:

- 1) Mrs. Campbell's letter to you expressing appreciation to you and outrage to Mr. Murray for his article.
- 2) Her letter to Mr. Murray chiding him for his deceptive and misleading reporting.
- 3) A sample of her letter sent to all U.S. Senators urging support for your Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act of 1991.
- 4) A copy of the Washington Times article.

Do you want to respond personally to her letter? Or do you want me to answer? Please advise.

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M.O.V.E. TO
RESCUE
JUSTICE
Memory Of Victims Everywhere

15 Studebaker, Irvine, CA 92718

Office: (714) 951-4663

Home: (714) 831-9169

June 20, 1991

L.A. Metzger
The Honorable George Bush
President
United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As you so graciously acknowledged Tuesday, four generations of our family traveled to Washington, D.C. for the sole purpose of showing support for your badly needed proposed Crime Bill (The Violent Crime Control Act of 1991). The intent of our trip was honest and straightforward. We were willing to put our time and our money into a cause in which we strongly believed. Simply, with our quiet presence and with dignity, we desired to indicate our loyalty, appreciation and dedication to your bill and to pay our respects to our President who is fighting a tough battle to renew appropriate justice and bring crime under control in our great Nation.

We were indeed privileged to receive an invitation to be present during your briefing to lawmakers. We were tremendously surprised and privileged to be seated in the front row. Following your speech, my family was thrilled beyond words to have you greet us personally and pose for a photograph. Not only were we personally honored, we hoped that it might provide an avenue whereby others could better understand - that a murder causes pain within a family for generations and thus, more closely relate to the abuse of habeas corpus appeals and need for reform.

Your kind heart and gentle hand was not only symbolic to us, but your strong effort on the Crime Bill could be a saving factor for generations of future victims of crime.

After you took "time out" for us, we were more than elated - we couldn't stop talking and we couldn't get to sleep because of our excitement. You can imagine our horror Wednesday morning, when at 5:45 A.M., at the airport, we read the terrible "Washington Times" story stating, we were "left out" and the "meeting was intended to let grieving families be heard". I was outraged, nothing could be further from the truth - our family is accustomed to pain - but this untrue story hurt us terribly and added more pain. For the news media to knowingly "use" us in their fabricated story is unforgiveable.

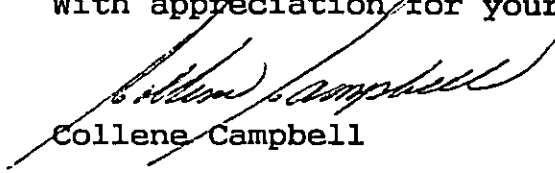
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I'm certain it goes without saying, it never occurred to us to be heard in your briefing. To be honest, I would have fallen in a dead faint if you had asked me to speak, as I would have been totally unprepared. Attorney General Thornburgh graciously asked for questions - I certainly had the opportunity to speak if I desired.

Mr. President, it all boils down to the Washington Times taking a beautiful and tender moment for crime victims and turning it into a negative on both our parts.

I am not a whiner and I do not go where I'm not invited, nor do I talk when I should be listening. I have never asked to be heard. I hope you will agree that I should not give up on our quest for justice because of a poor and irresponsible reporter. However, from the bottom of my heart I hurt. I am so sorry that my family was made the scapegoat for a bum story - the truth would have been a much better story.

With appreciation for your kindness,



Collene Campbell

Enclosure (2)

June 20, 1991

Mr. Frank Murray
Washington Times
3600 New York Avenue, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Murray:

How dare you write a story that implies my family was short-changed by the President? And why did you do it? Nothing could have been further from the truth and you know it. Yes, in my opinion you truly qualify as a sick cynical reporter. You not only caused my family embarrassment, you created embarrassment for the President and the Justice Department.

You took a family who enjoys a reputation of integrity, class and determination and you painted a picture of whimpering, non-appreciative women/crime victims.

1. The White House meeting was never represented or intended to be a meeting "to let grieving victims be heard". We did not expect, want or even think about being heard. It was a distinct privilege to be invited to listen and receive an update on the President's Crime Bill.

2. We did not spend \$5000.00 to attend a White House meeting. Your writing can conclude that we paid to get into the meeting.

3. It never occurred to us that the President would mention specific victims and families, nor were we in Washington, D.C. to receive recognition.

4. By your own admission, you were not at the event. You did not speak with us following the event until after you had filed your story.

Is it so hard for you to believe that we care about our fellowman and that we are willing to use the example of our horrible tragedy to help others avoid some of our pain? Do you not understand that talking about my son's murder, my brother's murder and my sister-inlaw's murder is horribly painful? Do you not understand that there are good honest people in this country that are willing to endure personal pain to assist others? Do you not understand a horrible unsolicited education as a crime victim can be put to a positive use?

Mr. Frank Murray
June 20, 1991
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I have just finished writing a letter of apology to the President for my family's sheer appearance - it is shameful that even though we did everything with great heart, love and appreciation for the President's graciousness, warmth and fight against crime - that you, a total stranger caused us embarrassment and shame.

Collene Campbell

MOVE TO
RESCUE
JUSTICE
Memory Of Victims Everywhere

15 Studebaker, Irvine, CA 92718

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June 7, 1991

Senator
United States Senate
Address
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator

It is devastating to be a victim of crime in a country that now does more for the protection of the criminal than the law abiding citizen. This letter represents thousands of brokenhearted families of homicide victims who are continually revictimized by a "support system for criminals".

The most effective measure to help with the fight against crime is the President's Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act of 1991 (S-635). Please support this bill and be positive and helpful with its passage. Of particular importance is: (1) The reform of habeas corpus. The victim's family nor the taxpayers should be forced to endure the long punishment currently delivered by our courts. (2) Extend the good faith exception to the exclusionary rule. Justice must return to our system, not utilization of technicalities that dilute truth and the pursuit of justice. (3) Maintain the current law on retroactivity and preserve justice continuity. (4) Promote the enactment of Title X, "The Equal Justice Act".

As one of the "hardest hit" crime victims in the Nation, I truly understand the ultimate pain and loss of loved ones, therefore, I feel both justified and qualified to ask you to set aside politics and support the President's Crime Bill as written. Please begin today the long journey for our Nation to again be tough on crime.

Possibly the enclosed poem will express the feelings of the Nation's crime victims. Please, for a moment, place yourself as a victim of violent crime... read the enclosed poem and then fight for Americans' safety and survival.

Cordially,

Collene Thompson Campbell
Founder

Enclosure

Together We Stand Or Alone We Do Fall

*Why do I fight when it seems so insane,
why do I feel hell's fire and pain.
I know not why God leads me on,
to challenge the criminal's rights to con.
Our good Lord gave me a son who I cherished,
By the hands of two horrible men he did so perish.
Scott's body was thrown from a plane to the sea,
not even I, his mother, knew how that could be.
My brother was a legend in the racing field,
with excitement and pride many wins he did yield.
Mickey was special and a wife he did take,
Trudy brightened our family and gave him a mate.
The finish line of life these fine people did cross,
as a killer's bullets caused this horrible loss.
They died in the driveway of their beautiful home,
while the awful murderers are still free to roam.
With broken heart and tears that won't stop,
I ask our elected leaders to get out their mop.
Do not allow great privileges in jail,
that give crooks the message that crime is swell.
Clean up the mess of blood and grief
and get tough on crime and give citizens relief.
Stop the delays in courts that do cost
taxpayers dollars, plus victims' dignity is lost.
Please set aside the obvious political play
and come to grips with what causes court delay.
Democrats and Republicans are dying the same,
therefore won't you please stop the partisan game.
Stand up and be counted and bring justice back
to a system that is soft and fairness does lack.
We are counting on you to be tough on crime
and preserve the wonderful families that are yours and mine.*

— Collene Thompson Campbell

Mother of Scott Campbell
Murdered April 17, 1982

Sister of Mickey & Trudy Thompson
Murdered March 18, 1988

Collene Thompson Campbell

Murder victims' family left out of Bush speech

By Frank J. Murray
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

Four relatives of murder victims — who spent \$5,000 to attend a White House meeting intended to let grieving families be heard — sat silent yesterday after their saga was deleted from President Bush's brief speech.

Instead of mentioning specific victims' families, as Deputy Attorney General William Barr had asked, the president's six-minute speech stuck to broader topics and charged that every death row inmate in America — more than 2,000 — would be spared under a measure proposed by Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Joseph R. Biden Jr., Delaware Democrat.

"The so-called racial justice act in the Biden bill will in effect invalidate, regardless of the cause of the sentence, virtually all state death penalty laws and those death penalty sentences that have not yet been implemented," Mr. Bush said.

A Justice Department official said victims' families were invited at Mr. Barr's suggestion to strengthen the anti-crime lobbying coalition.

"It was clear to us the voices not being heard were the victims of violent criminals," said the official, who was familiar with the excised language, in which Mr. Bush was to have identified Collene Thompson Campbell, 58, as founder of MOVE (Memory of Victims Everywhere) and praise her lobbying.

Mr. Bush did meet the family after his remarks, accepting their hugs and sympathizing for the murders of three loved ones in nine

years.

"I know all about that. I know. They told me about that. We're sorry you had this family concern," Mr. Bush quietly told the four generations of females, from great-grandmother Geneva Thompson, who will be 92 on July 4, to 10-year-old great-granddaughter Melissa Fischerman.

In an interview yesterday, Mrs. Campbell said: "Us little kids from out on the West Coast believe if we explained what we endured, it might make a difference. People who are not involved believe that after murder happens, you go to the funeral, you bury them and it's over."

Mrs. Campbell's brother Mickey Thompson and his wife, Trudy, were shot to death in their driveway by two masked men on March 16, 1988. Mr. Thompson had gained fame in 1960 as the first man to drive faster than 400 mph.

The killers' motive and identity still are not known, Los Angeles County police Lt. Frank Merriman said yesterday.

Mrs. Campbell's son Scott, 27, was killed six years earlier while trying to sell a pound of cocaine, she said. He was strangled and dumped at sea, and two men were convicted in the crime.

An administration official said White House policy-makers scrubbed the plan to introduce the Thompson clan and tell their story on grounds that singling out victims and families within the anti-crime coalition might seem to belittle the role of police and prosecutors in the audience. The official said it had nothing to do with Scott Campbell's



President Bush gathers around him four members of the surviving family of Mickey Thompson, the speed driver who was murdered with his wife in 1988. From left are Collene Thompson Campbell, sister of Mr. Thompson; grandmother Geneva Thompson; niece Melissa Fischerman; and Melissa's mother, Shelley Fischerman.

crime.

Mrs. Campbell was honored last month by California Gov. Pete Wilson for founding the victims' rights organization.

In a letter to each senator, she said her status "as one of the hardest hit crime victims in the nation" qualified her to ask them to set aside politics and vote for Mr. Bush's omnibus crime bill, which would

sharply cut down repeated appeals after conviction, admit some evidence secured without a warrant and strengthen the federal death penalty.

"It is devastating to be a victim of crime in a country that now does more for the protection of the criminal than the law-abiding citizen," she said.

In lieu of having Mr. Bush men-

tion them and praise Mrs. Campbell's activism, a White House official said, the family was placed in front-row seats, where Mrs. Campbell held Melissa's hand throughout Mr. Bush's speech.

When the president asked the 91-year-old Mrs. Thompson to join him for a photo, he stopped others from prodding her along, saying: "Don't push her over. Just let her come."



THE PRESIDENT

6-25-91

Dear Della,

It's 10 PM. I'm
wiped out - still a couple
of quarts low on thyroid.

Anyway I loved you
at 6-13. The personal
slot was filled prison

to - my hearing of your interest
You're doing great there!

I'm not quite able to
address Campaign '92 yet

Love - Keep it up -

GP

bcc

Sununu
Scowcroft
Untermeyer
Montagne

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable Della Newman
Ambassador to New Zealand
FPO San Francisco, CA 96690-0001



EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

June 13, 1991 (June 12th - your time)

Dear "G.B." Sir!!!!

Happy Birthday from all of the staff of the U. S. Embassy in Wellington, N.Z!!! I've just seen some of your "100 Days" speech on CNN, and the birthday greetings to you from the guests. You look great!! Much better than when we were in DC last month. And, thank you for taking the time to visit, it was reassuring to hear you say you were feeling better.

Wells was delayed on his return to NZ, he picked up a bug in Memphis, and it developed into bronchial pneumonia. He is all well now, and returning this weekend, just in time to join me for a 10 day speaking tour of the Mt. Egmont-Taranaki-New Plymouth area. We get the USIS wire service daily, and that helps keep us informed. I read your announcement of Chase's new assignment. He will be great in that role (as he has been in all of them). He was quite circumspect when we talked, said he wanted to get into the policy area - and he surely is. I assume you received a copy of the FAX I sent him. Pretty interesting articles. I am sure appointees around the world read of their impending departures with interest. No one has discussed this with any of us (speaking for my South Pacific colleagues). I love my job, but I would also enjoy Personnel, in which I have had some considerable experience. Also, I believe I have the ability to say "No" and not lose a supporter, or a friend. Perhaps this is all moot, and the decisions have been made. I really just want to remind you that I want to be where I will be of the most help to you. My "fitness" reports say I'm not doing too badly here.

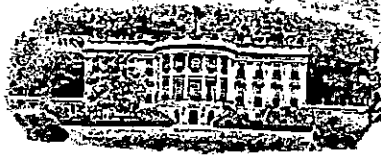
My trip to D.C. and the opportunity to sit in on the briefings for the DPM Don McKinnon with Larry Eagleburger and five of your cabinet Secretaries was a great experience. I have my own critique of the players but I do want to compliment Carla Hills, she was sensational! A very savvy lady.

We are into winter here - began June 1st - and had a heckuva weekend ending with torrential rains, thunder and lightning, very cold 120 knot southerly winds, and a 5.6 earthquake, all within one hour!! Today it's cold, but brilliant (brilliant is a word they use a lot here) blue sky and sunshine.

We get lots of reports (gossip, rumors) about plans for the next campaign, movements of personnel, etc. And, I talked with Jennifer, and others about plans in Wash. State. Since we will have a 9th congressman, makes it even more interesting. Jennifer should take Rod Chandler's seat, Rod should beat Brock Adams, and Paul Barden (former chair of the 1st cong. dist. for G.B. for Pres.) should be our newest Congressman. We have the Sunday Seattle newspaper mailed to us each week, and even though it takes 10-14 days, it helps us keep up with the news - that and CNN and AFRTS.

Take it easy, Sir, and keep in touch - it was great to see Tom C and talk to Tim over at Commerce. (Mosbacher looked like he had makeup on)

All New Zealand was impressed with our rescue mission to the ice for one of their scientists - Too bad there wasn't more news about it at home, but the P.R. here was perfect.
Love & stuff -
The W.C.A.



6-25-91

Dear Mel,

Chase shipped me a copy
of your EER. Some great
glowing report, well earned
from all I hear, too. Keep
it up. Barbara sends her love
to you both — *Coy*

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable Melvin F. Sembler
Ambassador to Australia
American Embassy
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bcc: IN & OUT

Sununu
Scowcroft
Untermyer
Montagne

23 June 91

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: The President

FROM: CHASE UNTERMEYER
Assistant to the President
and Director of Presidential Personnel

Enclosed is Mel
Sembler's report card,
signed by Dick Solomon.
He'll be back in the
US in late August.

Chase



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MR. CHASE UNTERMEYER, ROOM 145

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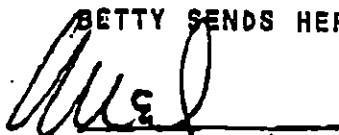
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I'LL BE IN WASHINGTON FROM AUGUST 26TH TO AUGUST 29TH AND WOULD LOVE AN APPOINTMENT IF YOU'RE IN WASHINGTON, AS WELL AS WITH MS. CONSTANCE HORNER, YOUR REPLACEMENT IF AVAILABLE.

GOOD LUCK IN YOUR CONFIRMATION AND CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT.

BETTY SENDS HER BEST REGARDS.


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I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this report.

Comments:

31.

JUNE 5, 1991
Date

McL. L. Smith
Signature



Dear Ken,

Chase Untermeyer did indeed
pass on to me the Russian
Edition. I read every word of it --
correction: I looked at the pictures

How far we've come with
the USSR - yet how far we have

left to go.

My warm regards to you -

Cy B

6-25-91

bcc: IN & OUT

Chase Untermeyer
Bridget Montagne

Mr. Kenneth Y. Tomlinson
Editor-in-Chief
Reader's Digest
Pleasantville, New York 10570

25 June 91

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: *Patty Presock*

FROM: CHASE UNTERMEYER
Assistant to the President
and Director of Presidential Personnel

Ken Tomlinson (ex-director of Voice of America) was here last week. This is the first Russian-language edition of Reader's Digest.

Chase

Reader's Digest

PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK 10570

KENNETH Y. TOMLINSON
Editor-in-Chief

OFFICE: (914) 241-5444

June 21, 1991

Dear Chase:

What a wonderful day -- and I trust for my sake that it will be the first of many. Enclosed are a couple of copies of the new Russian edition. If we did not get the other copy to the President, I would appreciate your passing one of these along.

Also enclosed are the two articles I mentioned.

Best



enclosures

Mr. Chase Untermeyer
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

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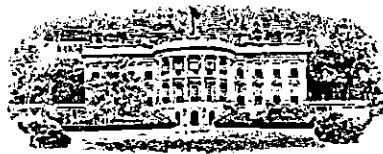
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экземпляров на 16 языках



6-25-91

Dear Nancy -

Thanks for the Krakow
report. Glad you went -
Glad it was a success. Yes, the
Poles are trying hard.
Warm Regards, Liz B/

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Ms. Nancy Clark Reynolds
Suite 600
1317 F Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

bcc: Governor Sununu
General Scowcroft
Chase Untermeyer
Bridget Montagne

Nancy Clark Reynolds

June 20, 1991

Dear Mr. President,

Recently, I headed the U.S. Delegation to Krakow Poland for the Symposium on the Cultural Heritage (C.S.C.H.)

I just wanted you to know it was a tremendous honor to represent you and our country. I can't remember when I've enjoyed anything more.

Vice President Dole gave an excellent speech at one of the sessions.

I was impressed with the Poles. What a hero you are in that country!

Thank you for the remarkable opportunity I was given. Truly the experience of a lifetime.

Sincerely, Nancy



THE PRESIDENT

6-25-91

Dear Dan,

That black briefcase is
fantastic. Look for it on "TV".
I shall proudly show it off
at the upcoming G-7 meeting in
London. I am only sorry I

was not told of this
at Wintomb's so I could
have said that in person.

P.S. I'm still "dropping
names" from that party.
Hope to see you back here
at the White House.

Sincerely,
C. Bush

bcc: Maj. Dave Bonwit- Mil. Ofc.
White House Gift Unit
Bridget Montagne

Mr. Dan Aykroyd
Mr. Chevy Chase
c/o Creative Artists Agency
9830 Wilshire Boulevard
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THE PRESIDENT

6-25-91

Dear Chevy -

Noone out at Terry & Tani's place told us about that great brief case you and Dad gave me - So, I didn't say thanks - but now "THANKS" It is really special.

We hope you'll come to the White House when convenient for you

Now- off to drop some more names (Example, "So then I told Johnny not to let Terence interfere with my chatting with Goldie. Angie agreed") That kind of thing. Sincerely, Cy B

bcc: Maj. Dave Bonwit- Mil. Ofc.
White House Gift Unit
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Mr. Dan Aykroyd
Mr. Chevy Chase
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Beverly Hills, California 91

THE WHITE HOUSE

Tach Garrett



THE PRESIDENT

Tach -

Here's your knife back
Here's another one for
your collection - an inaugural
present but you must have it
because it can filet the

hell out of the red-rob

love up picture

love to Mary -

gy

Fady

6-27-91

Dear Tom,

Darn it, I hate to say No to anything you reccomend and want me to do, but I just cannot make plans to accept the Prince of Peace Award.

The schedulers have looked at it asdhave others here and it just isn't going to work.

You asked m,e to give you a Yes No or Maybe... Regretably it has to be a No.

Now on to more pleasant things. I am back on the linis, not in a starring capacity but nevertheless back; so I will give you a YES for golf (not a maybe or a No(if you can put up weith a mfast playing but bad scoring haCKER.

We're off at week's end to Kport and on July 1st Mothers 90th I'll join Nan Ellis and my bortoher's fmailies at mum's little cottage for a birthday.

Warm best wishes to all Kleppes.... See you soon I hope.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE:

FROM THE PRESIDENT

To:

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear Tom:

Darn it, I hate to say no to anything you recommend and want me to do, but I just cannot make plans to accept the Prince of Peace Award.

The schedulers have looked at it, as have others here, and it just isn't going to work. You asked me to give you a yes, no, or maybe -- regrettably, it has to be a no.

Now on to more pleasant things. I am back on the links, not in a starring capacity, but nevertheless back; so I will give you a yes for golf (not a maybe or a no -- if you can put up with a fast-playing, but bad-scoring, hacker).

We're off at week's end to K'port, and on July 1st, Mother's 90th. I'll join Nan Ellis and my brothers' families at mum's little cottage for a birthday celebration.

Warm best wishes to all Kleppes. See you soon, I hope.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Kleppe', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

The Honorable Thomas S. Kleppe
7100 Darby Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20817

bcc: Governor Sununu
Patty Presock
Kathy Super

Mr. President:

Tom Kleppe wrote you April 19 urging you to accep an invitation from HERBERT BOECKMAN. Mr. Boeckman is the President of the PRINCE OF PEACE FOUNDATION and they want you to accept their PRINCE OF PEACE AWARD at a time to be determined by your scheduling office.

Kathy Super acknowledged his 4/19 letter May 6 saying that she would be back in touch with an answer after a careful review of the schedule.

Kleppe is writing you again urging that you accept this award (latest letter attached.

NSC and Demarest recommend A G A I N S T doing so for following reasons:

Herbert Boeckman (President of organization), has attracted attention in the LA TIMES for segveral ethics-related incidents. These include (1) resigning in March as a LA Police Commissioner over financial disclosure requirements he called "an invasion of privacy" (he is now a car dealer in the San Fernando Valley, and a major bankroller of GOP candidates in the area.); (2) bankrolling in 1990 a GOP State Senate candidate who was put on trial in 1982 on charges of having sex with teenage girls; and (3) being sued in 1990 by a bus and recreational vehicle manufacturer for breach of contract and malicious conduct.

Shall I pass this on to Kleppe -- how do you want to handle?

Patty P.

Tom Kleppe
7100 Darby Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20817

May 30, 1991

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20501

Dear George:

On April 19th I wrote to you and sent you a packet of information about the Prince of Peace award, which that Foundation want to bestow upon you.

You gave the information to your scheduling office and on May 6th Katherine Super of that office wrote to me and said "that no commitment could be made now, but she was making a special note of the date," and also that they would be in touch with me as the time suggested drew nearer. No date is locked in cement, because that depends on when and if you will receive the award. I suggested Aug. 2, the anniversary of Saddam's invasion into Kuwait.

What I am really wondering, is if you told your scheduling office this was something you wanted to do or if there might be some glitches.

I am enclosing a nomination letter from Pres. Mubarak which was dated Mar. 28th. I am also enclosing a piece as to "Why the Prince of Peace Fdn. honors Pres. George Bush.

These people are good solid people with Christian backgrounds, and I have been pleased that they have asked me to offer the special invitation to you for this award.

As indicated before in my first letter, I can accept your decision easily if there are factors involved with diplomacy that I know nothing about. Get me off the hook with Yes, No, or Maybe, subject to working out all of the necessary details.

Your friend 

P.S. With all of the exercise you normally get, you don't need to jog. Walking is great and not as hard on the legs. On July 1, your Mother's birthday, please greet her for me, because that is mine too.

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

June 25, 1991 ⁹¹JUN 25 PM 7:48

To: The President

From: Mike Boskin *MB*

Re: Final estimate of GNP for the first
quarter, 1991

The final (of three) Commerce Department estimate of real GNP for the first quarter of 1991 was a decline of 2.8 percent, 0.2 percent more than reported last month. The small change reflected a large number of minor offsetting changes in the components of GNP. The final estimate is now almost exactly what we had forecast for the level of GNP when we developed our forecast for the Budget last December.

While the changes are quite minor, some in the media may headline "recession worse than originally thought." In any event, this is all about the period January through March. The overall economy has bottomed out and begun the early stages of a recovery this spring.

Michael J. Boskin
Chairman

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: MICHAEL J. BOSKIN *MJB*

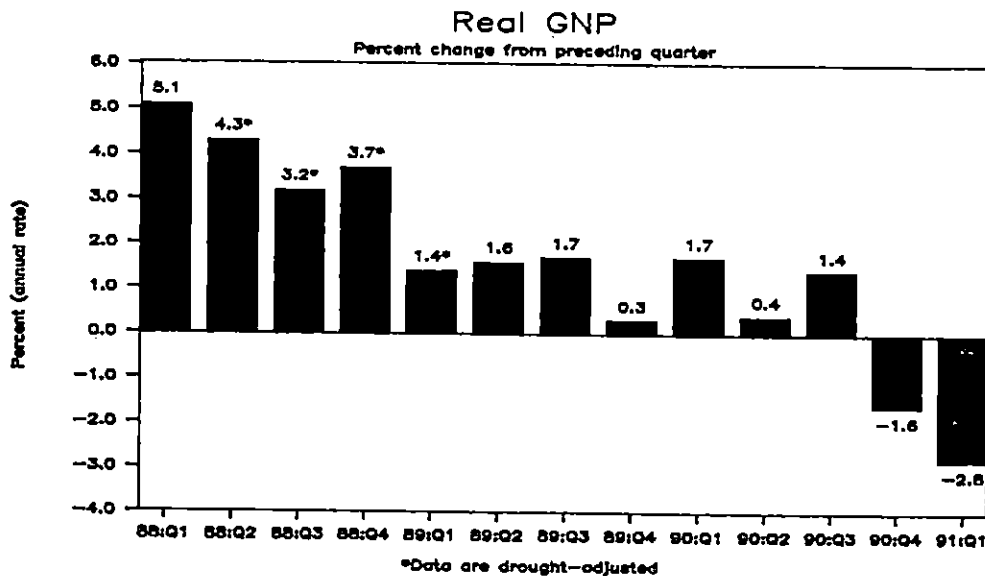
SUBJECT: Final Estimate of First-Quarter GNP, Commerce
Department Release, Tomorrow, 8:30 a.m.

Real GNP fell at an annual rate of 2.8 percent in the first quarter of 1991, according to revised estimates released by the Department of Commerce. The revised estimates show a slightly larger decline than the 2.6 percent fall that was reported last month. Still, the release contains few surprises and is largely consistent with the market expectation of no change in the estimate.

Most components of GNP were revised slightly. Exports, imports, and the net export balance were revised up. Downward revisions were made to consumer spending on services, nonresidential and residential investment, and the change in business inventories.

Inflation measured by the fixed-weighted price index was 5.2 percent at an annual rate in the first quarter, revised up slightly from the 5.1 percent reported last month. The GNP implicit price deflator was not revised, as predicted by private analysts.

The data in the release are the final estimates to be made for first-quarter GNP. Advance estimates of second-quarter GNP are scheduled to be released July 26.



202-362-0556

3729 FORDHAM ROAD, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20016

Dear Mr. President:

We are so appreciative of the tour set up for our pen pal, Corporal Marvin E. Vick, his wife Ruby and daughter Brittany. When last Thanksgiving, Chris suggested we send off a package for Christmas to "any soldier, sailor or airman", it was Cpl Vick who wrote to us. "Thank you for your precious package. I chose the tea and passed the package on to my fellow soldiers." Such generosity. We struck up a correspondence and now have the joy of meeting the family in person.

Marvin's 516 Main Co, 11th Brigade was responsible for transporting the Patriot missiles and firing to bring down the scuds. His co. shot down 17 scuds, a record during Operation Desert Storm.

Patty said you might be able to "pop in". If you can, well, it will be the thrill of the Vick's lives to meet the President. If unable, please know how delighted they are to be having a tour of the White House.

When we think of all the families in the United States who established relationships by letter during the war, - in honoring Marvin Vick with a visit to the WH, you honor all servicemen and servicewomen and civilians who together joined hands through the written word.

Thank you, thank you from us all.

Gratefully,

The Vick's address:

6406 A LEAVALL DR.

FT. BLISS, TEXAS 79906



Brent and John

June 25, 1991

your file ok

Re: Rosty phone call yesterday.

Rosty reported that he is going to mark up on MFN.

1. They will defeat Solomon
2. Then they will vote on Pelosi.
3. Pease will try to modify Pelosi

ROSTY ASKS THAT I TALK TO MICHEL AND TRY TO GET CLOSED RULE...
Advice Please,

Also Rosty says he is made at the Japanese for not paying their war bills. He is introducing legislation putting a levy on Japan for not paying. Quoteth Rosty : "I am mad at them and am sincere about this". Having said that he invited my comment.

GB

cc: Fred McClure

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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AMERICAN NEWS

Activist with firm hand on domestic tiller

Peter Riddell interviews Roger Porter, policy co-ordinator at the White House

LISTENING to Mr Roger Porter, you would hardly believe the Bush administration has been accused of lacking a coherent domestic programme. As President George Bush's chief adviser on economic and domestic policy, Mr Porter challenges the traditional post-war view of an activist president being a high spender, as with Eisenhower, Johnson or even Nixon.

He believes the federal government can have an influential and important role, not as big spender, or regulator, or initiator of massive new programmes, but as a catalyst and partner with states, localities and civic groups.

Mr Porter, 45, has spent his career alternating between the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard and the White House, where he has risen to his current post as the main co-ordinator of Mr Bush's domestic agenda. But he is no detached academic. He is an activist and an enthusiast.

Talking in his office in the White House, Mr Porter sees the changes since 1980 primarily in terms of expenditure. There was "a fundamental shift" of priorities following the big reduction in defence spending and rapid growth of entitlement/welfare programmes during the 1960s and 1970s.

Defence spending was raised, the exponential growth of entitlements was halted (its share of gross national product levelled off) and domestic discretionary spending was held roughly constant in nominal terms.

Mr Porter accepts that this implies a change in the role of government. That ties in with his view on the limits on a president imposed by a federal system where most of the money and decision-making power is at state and local level.

THE US government should grant a \$1,000 per-child tax credit to all American families, a federal commission recommended yesterday, writes Lionel Barber in Washington.

The 34-member National Commission on Children recommends the tax credit as part of a \$56bn first-year programme to pull more children out of poverty and improve their health care.

The 500-page report is expected to fuel debate about domestic spending priorities and to high-

None the less he sees Mr Bush as one of the most energetic presidents of this century in terms of mobilising the American people - not exactly a widely shared opinion given Mr Bush's often stated preference for foreign policy.

Mr Porter highlights education. During the 1980s the number of children in elementary and secondary schools was virtually static at around 46.3m, but spending per child, in constant dollars, rose by 33 per cent. "But no one was really persuaded that we achieved a commensurate change in results."

Mr Bush's "quite different" approach involves "elevating the importance of education as something that should be valued, shifting the focus of attention away from resources, from whether we are spending enough, and on to results at the bottom line and accountability, engaging society in dealing with the problem."

But that does not mean a solution imposed by Washington. A summit conference with state governors has set national standards of what students should know and be able to do.

light the growing gap between benefits which go to children and to the elderly. One in four children in the US are raised by single parents.

Senator Jay Rockefeller, the West Virginia Democrat who is considering running for the White House next year, is chairman of the commission, which started work three years ago.

Mr Rockefeller said yesterday it made more sense to spend money to help children than financing a \$40bn programme to build a manned space station.

allowing state and local diversity and control over curriculum, teaching and textbooks.

That represents a different kind of presidential leadership, he claims. "Most of the time people have equated presidential leadership with spending programmes... Eisenhower got the inter-state highway system that paved America to bring it together. And Lyndon Johnson passed a host of Great Society programmes, most of which were subsequently found wanting and disappeared."

"The notion was that here is someone who has a domestic agenda, but basically it involves spending a lot of money. Now we have a president who is working hard to help society transform itself by establishing a set of goals and helping people see how they can go about the task of realising those goals."

But do these and similar cases add up to a domestic agenda? Mr Porter ticks off a list of bills enacted - the budget deficit agreement, child care, clean air, affordable housing, disabilities, immigration reform, changes in farming support. There are also proposals on educa-

tion, crime, surface transportation, banking reform and a comprehensive energy strategy, as well as a major research and development thrust.

In many areas, such as transport, the federal government is looking for a larger share from states and localities. Mr Porter sounds defensive when asked whether the states and cities, with their serious fiscal problems, would be able to meet their obligations. The states are not always going to be as fiscally strapped as they are now, he says. They will benefit from the recovery and many have a better fiscal base than the federal government.

When challenged, Mr Porter says he is a conservative, adding that while "George Bush is a conservative, he is not an ideologue. He is interested in government." Many who call themselves conservatives share a commitment to values such as "individual responsibility and the importance of families and voluntary institutions and associations for solving problems," he adds.

Mr Porter quotes the observation of Alexis de Toqueville in his 1830s' classic "Democracy in America" about people voluntarily banding together and not looking to the government. This has, he believes, "tended to reinforce a commitment to dynamism and innovation that accounts for America being viewed as a land of opportunity, as a country which is on the frontier in the best sense of that term."

Mr Bush, he says, believes that the outcome of the Gulf conflict helped to create a sense in Americans that they could transform the resulting confidence into other areas.

So is there a new domestic order to match the new world order? There is, he argues, "certainly a new domestic vitality".



Roger Porter: enthusiast

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June 25, 1991

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Brent/ JS

Brady called back at 7:31 AM.

He is sending report on Finance min. Meeting in London.

He recommends that we meet 'briefly' with Greenspan, Mulford, and him to discuss their findings and to avoid possibly being blindsided at our G-7 meeting.

I'd like to do it... time time time.

GB
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From the desk of
George Bush

Brent

✓ 6-25
hard demand

a memo from

my boy in Cuba -

Pass it on!! G

 Date: June 12, 1991
To: President George Bush
From: Jeb Bush 
Subject: Cuba

As your advisors are telling you, the economic situation in Cuba has worsened in the last two years. The country is rationing everything from oil to bread.

From a trickle several years ago a constant stream of Cubans are coming to the U.S. on temporary tourist and business visas to escape severe economic and political hardship. Although most come by plane (up to 400 a week that don't return) there is a constant flow of courageous and desperate men and women who escape on rafts and small boats (this year 1000 have come).

The Cuban American community is not unanimous on what the U.S. should do to bring about change in Cuba. The ideas go from armed invasion to open dialogue without pre-conditions. If there is consensus, it would be to maintain the current policy towards Cuba and to be vigilant towards changes occurring there.

Specifically there are four ideas which were suggested that would help bring change to Cuba. First, the U.S. should stick with the pre-condition for financial aid to the Soviets that the Soviet Union eliminate its military and economic aid to Cuba. While the level of aid has dropped in recent years, it still is the major source of support that Castro receives. It is believed that the political ramifications of an announced agreement on this subject would be devastating to Castro. In short, it would bring about the total isolation of the Castro regime and bring about irreversible change.

Secondly, a concerted effort must be made with the democracies in Latin America to make the case that peaceful change in Cuba is possible if the Western Hemisphere democracies act in unision. For example, there is concern that the Free Trade Agreement with Mexico could be used to support Castro by allowing the import of Cuban products for domestic Mexican consumption while increasing Mexico exports of the same product to the U.S. The best example of this would be orange juice but there are others as well. An agreement by the Mexican government that this type of indirect support will not occur would be helpful in sending a signal to other Latin American countries of the impropriety of subsidizing Castro directly and indirectly.

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Third, the United States should tighten up the visa requirements for Cubans travelling to the United States. As mentioned previously, a large number of Cubans are coming to the U.S. on temporary visas and announcing they are staying. Visas could be restricted for humanitarian reasons and immigrant visas only. In addition, the U.S. should not accept the Cuban government's charging the outrageous prices for travelling from Cuba to the U.S. Restricting travel could be somewhat controversial but if presented as a means to punish Castro for his tyranny, it will win widespread support in the Cuban American community and put pressure on the regime.

Finally, the U.S. should emphasize that it desires democracy in Cuba and that if and only if there is a change in Cuba, our policy will change as well. Most believe that such a change can only occur with Castro gone. There are many inside the Castro government who see the futility of the Castro regime. If they believe that the Soviets will diminish their support, that the Latin American countries will no longer support Cuba to the same extent and that the U.S. will only change its policy if meaningful changes take place (not promised), then the conditions for change will be enhanced significantly.



**SUMMARY OF ADMINISTRATION'S REASONS
FOR OPPOSING H.R. 5 AND S. 55
THE "STRIKER REPLACEMENT" LEGISLATION**

The Administration opposes H.R. 5 and S. 55, the "Striker Replacement" legislation. If the Congress passed such a bill, the President's senior advisers would recommend that he veto it.

If enacted, H.R. 5 and S. 55 would upset the balance of economic power in private sector collective bargaining established over a fifty-year period. The union's potent right to strike is counterbalanced by the employer's equally lawful right to continue its operations with replacement employees.

No case has been made for such a fundamental change in our nation's labor policy. A 1991 General Accounting Office report, prepared at the request of the legislation's principal sponsors, found that in 1985, only 4 percent of striking employees were replaced by Mackay replacements. This decreased to just 3 percent in 1989.

The balance of economic power provides the strongest possible inducement for both groups to negotiate and compromise their differences. In 1980, there were 187 major work stoppages (strikes and lockouts involving 1,000 or more workers.) The number declined to under 100 in 1982, a record low of 40 was hit in 1988, and last year, there were only 44 major work stoppages.

By insulating employees from the traditional risks that have checked strikes, the law would promote labor unrest, cause disruption in the flow of commerce, expose our economy to anti-competitive collective bargaining agreements, and inflict injury on innocent non-striking workers, customers, suppliers and consumers. Small and struggling businesses, firms in tight labor markets requiring skilled workers, and those located in remote areas would be hit particularly hard.

If the right to permanently replace economic strikers were prohibited as S. 55 and H.R. 5 propose, there would be little incentive for unions to moderate the use of the strike weapon.

There are limits on the use of "permanent" replacements that protect employees from illegal employer bargaining tactics. Strikers can not be fired for exercising their right to strike because of an employer's illegal conduct such as a refusal to bargain in good faith. Moreover, in strikes over economic terms, strikers generally retain the right to reinstatement as vacancies occur, do not lose accrued seniority, and for one year can vote in union representation elections.

Recent amendments to the legislation purporting to remove non-union workers from coverage contain uncorrectable problems and create a double standard for union and non-union workers. The bill contains terms so vague that it would prohibit non-union employers from using permanent replacements to continue their operations in the face of recognitional picketing by union supporters.

Indeed, the bill would penalize workers who choose to take the risk of not striking. Under H.R. 5 and S. 55, those workers who chose not to strike could be displaced by returning strikers.

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6/25/91

Mr. President:

Bausch and Lomb want to give you a pair of perscription
sunglasses (UNDER \$100)

O.k?

If so, I'll forward your perscription to them.

n i c e offer

Patty

Sure

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: 6-14-91

TO: PATTY PRESOCK

FROM: NIKKI RICHNOW 
Director of White House Gifts
Room 457, OEOB
Ext. 7133

I spoke with Mr. Palmisano of Bausch & Lomb explaining our policy. He asked if we would please give him the President's prescription - he would very much like to send him a pair of Ray-Ban's, under \$100, with prescription.

I explained that the President wanted to give the other Ray-Ban's to Mrs. Bush but because of the value was unable to do so. He did not offer to exchange a pair for her and I did not ask.

If you would like me to forward the President's prescription on to Mr. Palmisano, I will be happy to do so when I receive it from you. Thanks.

I will be returning the glasses to Bausch & Lomb.

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TUESDAY
JUNE 25, 1991

Mr. President:

1. Phil Brady will stop by at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow to discuss final details of our July 3 event in the Residence or Rose Garden. (FYI ONLY) *good*

2. Press Office needs some guidance on some "FINAL" questions from Trude Feldman.

-- actual date of Mrs. Bush Sr.'s birthday party?
Monday, July 1, 1991 - *yes* -

-- day or evening event? *supper at her house*

-- Will there be any children there? *Bucky Patty Pres + Beth*
John and Jody ✓ J. + Jody Nan Ellis, GB's

Pres and Beth ✓

Nan Ellis ✓

Bucky and Patty ✓

grandchildren: *Not at her party - just do kids*

Marvin, Margaret, Marshall, Walker Bush

Doro Leblond, Sam and Ellie (?)

OTHERS:

-- Will there be a gift?

-- Will there be a birthday cake?? *yes*
Who will bake the cake?? *Doro now*

-- Will event be casual or formal *very casual*

-- Indoor event or outdoor? *indoor supper*

-- How many people will attend? *just us*

-- Anything private? *just an early evening supper*
and that's all!!!! ✓

✓ 3. Bill Webster will bring in a "special case officer" Friday July 5 at 7:50 a.m.

✓ 4. Horseshoe finals tomorrow at 5:30 p.m.

✓ 5. Brady called - asking that you request a G-7 meeting (Scowcroft agrees) to be invited: Brady/Scowcroft/Baker/Greenspan/Mulford/Sununu - Thursday for 20 minutes. I'll pass on to Kathy Super unless you want to handle w/ the Governor.

Patty P.

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*OK to set up
I mentioned
it to B/Tom*

go ahead this

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

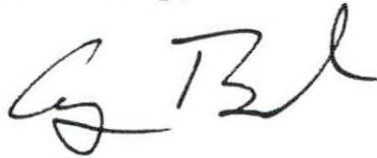
Dear Jack:

Just a brief note of personal thanks for your kind letter. I'm glad to know you enjoyed Professor Remini's participation as much as Barbara and I did.

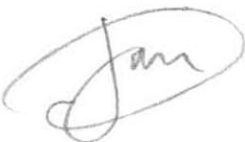
Also, please know how much we appreciate your support for the Presidential Lecture Series. Your help has enabled this worthwhile educational programming to be available to families across the Nation.

Thank you, and I look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,



Mr. John A. **Koten**
Senior Vice President
Ameritech
30 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your nice note. I am glad to hear that you were as pleased with the Andrew Jackson lecture as Barbara and I were.

I'm glad to know that it will soon air on WXXI and the PBS network. I hope many Americans will see Professor Remini's wonderful program.

All the best. I will look forward to seeing you again in the months ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush", is written below the word "Sincerely,".

Mr. William J. Pearce
President
WXXI Public Broadcasting Council
Post Office Box 21
Rochester, New York 14601

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your letter recommending Arnold Burns for Attorney General of the United States upon the announced departure of Richard Thornburgh to run for the Senate from Pennsylvania.

A recent Federal district court case in that State has caused a delay in the Attorney General's plans, so we get to keep his good services an indefinite period of time longer. However, your recommendation of Mr. Burns will be kept for consideration at the appropriate time.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W F Weld', with a long diagonal stroke extending from the bottom right of the signature.

The Honorable William F. Weld
Governor of Massachusetts
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear John Henry and Lish:

Your warm greetings and the beautiful flowers that arrived on my birthday helped to make the occasion special. It's hard to believe that another year has gone by -- but it's been a good year. Many thanks for helping me celebrate.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

C. B.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Dudley
875 Comstock Drive
Los Angeles, California 90024

*Rick Moore was with
us in Maine not so
long ago. Doing so well in Ireland*
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JB

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 25, 1991

Dear George and Anita:

Many thanks for remembering my birthday. I appreciate your warm greetings on my 67th (not one of the classic birthdays to remember!), and I'm delighted with the interesting teapot that Betty and C.H. Tung presented during their recent visit here. You were thoughtful to join with them in doing this, and I'm grateful.

My kind regards.

Sincerely,

GB

Mr. and Mrs. George Tong
3818 Livingston Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20015

GB

VANITY FAIR

July 1991

BY NANCY COLLINS

PATTI DEAREST

What's the matter with this country? Were we blind?"

Davis has never exactly been the demure type. "I know a lot of people still think I'm angry," she says. "I'm not. But my nature will always be to be an angry person. I'll always stir up controversy, and that's O.K. Anybody who's trying to tell the truth will stir up controversy."

The controversy usually centers on her famous family. "The mark of this family is that *everybody* is distanced from everybody else," explains Davis, who is also estranged from her brother, Ron, half-sister, Maureen, and half-brother, Michael. "Nobody was connected to anybody. There was no glue in this family. Closeness breeds loyalty. I know I've been perceived as the one who's been disloyal—the rebel—but I actually think I've had a great deal of loyalty toward my family. Even though I've taken off on my father's politics, policies, and administration, I held back from telling the real story until I had enough perspective."

Now she thinks she has it. On the heels of Kitty Kelley's scorching about her mother, Davis has just signed a contract with Putnam to write her autobiography for more than half a million dollars. When it reaches bookstores next year, it may well become the most famous mother-daughter horror story since *Mommie Dearest*. As a result of her surprisingly fat contract, Davis can't go into great detail on a number of subjects, but others aren't so tight-lipped. Publishing sources, who have read the proposal report that the book should have everything the *National Enquirer* could hope for, including Davis's allegations that her mother was cold, tyrannical, and even carried on a sexual rivalry with Davis; that Davis was an emotionally abused child who endured, among other things, Dickensian toilet training; that her father was a disengaged parent (whenever Davis tried to tell her father of her mother's ironhanded parenting techniques, she remembers, he "tuned out or turned away"); that the Reagans were—here we go again—stingy with money, presents, and affection; and that Nancy's treatment of the help was as warm as Leona Helmsley's. Davis also promises steamy episodes out of her own sex life (perhaps including the tryst with Kris Kristofferson that a Secret Service agent snitched on to her mother). And there may even be "a couple" of loving maternal memories thrown in for good measure. "Listen," Davis says repeatedly when remembering her childhood, "I'm not telling you all this without the recognition that this is fucking weird, because it is."

Davis is not, she insists, out to "embarrass anybody" or "be mean." "I'm writing this book for a bigger reason than 'I didn't get along with my family.' I saw the same dynamic in our family—a dysfunctional dynamic—mirrored in the country in the 1980s. If you take this family, and you put them up there as the First Family—if you look at what the dynamic is in the family—you might have a pretty good sense of how it's going to trickle down. Why did Kitty Kelley's book fly off the shelves? Because people assume that if they understand the Reagan family, they'll understand what happened in this country."

Besides, she adds defiantly, "there is more dignity in telling the truth. Keeping secrets is bullshit. It's toxic and it has a ripple effect. Any schmuck can (Continued on page 129)

The truth of our family was glaringly obvious the last day of my father's presidency," says Patti Davis, the thirty-eight-year-old daughter of Nancy and Ronald Reagan. "the day when my parents left office and George Bush was sworn in. I watched them on television, watched as my mother and father walked toward the helicopter to fly away from Washington. The whole Bush family was there, so many you couldn't even fit them into one camera lens. They could've been a centerfold. And then there were my parents, just two lonely people, with no family around."

Davis stops to run a hand through her mahogany hair, one of the few inheritances from her father that she is proud of. She gazes silently around the living room of her Santa Monica bungalow, noticeably devoid of any family pictures. The image she has just evoked is strong, even for her. Even for a daughter who has not spoken to her parents for more than a year, even for a daughter who twice refused to vote for her father for president. "I didn't have the balls to vote against my father," she confides, "but I couldn't vote for him, either. . . . Still, I was horrified my father got re-elected. From the homeless to environmental neglect to the rise in racism—if you have an elitist atmosphere, you have a racist atmosphere—I couldn't believe what was going on.

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Though she portrays herself as a woman on a noble mission, almost everybody else is eagerly anticipating grainy zoom-lens snapshots of the Reagans' dirty laundry—this time by a family member. "If she writes this book in the way she *ought* to," says Kitty Kelley with the slightly stunned voice of experience, "there'll be more sympathy for Mrs. Reagan than Patti."

The consensus in the publishing world is that Davis's advance from Putnam is shockingly large—one publishing executive even calls it "outrageous"—especially for someone who has already written two largely autobiographical novels that were tepidly received. (Her first, *Home Front*, centered on the governor of a large state and his perfectly coiffed wife; *Deadfall* was about the covert war in Nicaragua.) Her third, *A House of Secrets*, which will slip into bookstores next month, features characters you may recognize: a prim, domineering mother; a powerful, detached father ("serene...floating above the flames"); and a narrator-daughter who is a novelist so alienated from her family that she has her tubes tied at twenty-four in order to kill the gene pool. (When asked if she had a tubal ligation, Davis refuses to comment—but she points out that the operation can be reversed.)

Though she hedges on where imagination ends and truth begins, she says the novel—and ongoing therapy—has allowed her to work through her own "stuff." "*A House of Secrets* is about a woman trying to understand her childhood by writing about it," she explains. "The struggle in her childhood was over her sexuality, because that's what threatened her mother. Every lover the woman had was a victory over her mother and her sister, who aligned herself with her mother. Her mother was angry at the narrator for growing up." (Davis's publisher suggested a number of magazines for serial rights, but Patti suggested *Penthouse*, "because there's a lot of sex in the book.")

"Emotionally, I was at a really raw place writing this novel," she continues. "It wasn't until I finished that I stepped back, looked at what I'd done, and understood I'd set myself up for writing my own story. I never thought I would. Emotionally, I told the truth in *A House of Secrets*. Factually, I'll tell the truth next time."

Patti Davis greets you at her front door accompanied by Sadie, a peanut-butter-colored dog of indeterminate pedigree that she calls, proudly, "a pound dog." The white stucco house sits on a tree-lined street. A bushy pine tree guards the front yard, and the large backyard is tented by two massive avocado trees, one of which holds a rust-colored tree house: where Davis feeds her partially tamed squirrel, Squirmy.

There is something of the ingenuous hippie, the seasoned naïf, in the woman

sitting cross-legged on the off-white sofa that dominates her living room. She describes her decorating style as "funky," but it is sophisticated funk: the living-room carpet is a forest-green Oriental reproduction and a corner table shows off a couple of Lalique birds. The walls are covered with Erté-ish art, most of it picked up at antiques stores or the Rose Bowl Flea Market. In the bedroom, across from her bed, hangs a pastel painting of a woman in a white slip daintily touching her upper thigh. It is, says Davis with a laugh, one of her favorite things, a woman masturbating, "which I do a lot myself these days since I'm not seeing anyone."

There are also a few framed snapshots scattered throughout the house, mostly of Davis and her ex-husband, Paul Grilley. There is one photo, tucked almost out of sight on the lower shelf of a dining-room side table, of her father, Hollywood-hand-some and young, jumping a white stallion. (There are no pictures of her mother, who has never visited this house.)

When the lack of family resemblance is remarked upon, Davis says, "Well, my brother and I did have the same nose—like our father's—until I got mine done." That happened last year under the scalpel of Dr. Steven Hoefflin, the plastic surgeon who dreamed up Ivana Trump's new face.

Davis wears a loose black overblouse and black workout tights that outline long slim legs and a body Davis takes obvious pride in: she gets up at six A.M. seven days a week to pump iron in the same gym as Arnold Schwarzenegger. "I don't have that much vanity except about my body, which is part of self-image," she says. "But I'll be the first one to get a face-lift when I start sagging."

It is what she calls her "drive for self-improvement" that marks Davis as the near parody of a California girl: she begins sentences, "Well, a Rolfer once told me..."; she invokes the teachings of co-dependency guru John Bradshaw; she speaks of ecology and swimming with dolphins as if they were religious experiences; and she talks about her body and her sexuality with innocent gusto. "I guess I just like sex a lot," she says. "Look, I was made for the sixties. I was enormously happy when I could go to Topanga Canyon, take off all my clothes, and go out and garden. It was nothing if someone came over and you were walking around naked."

Davis's openness is, she says with a grin, not exactly shared by her mother. "I'm trying to figure out if 'prim' is an insult...but I guess she is prim." Davis says, however, that she is trying to be careful when she speaks of her mother, trying hard to be "generous." "Somebody once said my father's like Teflon," she explains. "Well, my mother's like flypaper. But there's such a contradiction between her image and reality that it confuses people. Then along comes this six-hundred-page Kitty Kelley book full of all this bad stuff and you're supposed to be-

lieve that one little woman who weighs about fifteen pounds is running the country. People don't have a well-rounded portrait."

Davis denies Kelley's claim that she interviewed the former First Daughter, but Davis read the book with great interest. As for one of Kelley's most sensational claims, the alleged affair between Nancy Reagan and Frank Sinatra, Davis is nonplussed. "I find it hard to envision. But I find it hard to envision my parents making love. Can you imagine your parents fucking? I can't, so I certainly can't imagine either of them fucking someone else. Besides, it's very uninteresting to me because there's no context. If it happened, it obviously didn't affect my parents' marriage. And if it didn't, then who cares if they had lunch together?"

Beyond that, she adds, the Reagan-Sinatra friendship was long-standing. "They had him escort me to some governor's inaugural thing when my father first got elected," she remembers. "When I read about my mother and Sinatra in Kitty's book I thought, Well, God, I spent this whole evening with him and he never came on to me. Of course, I was jailbait at the time, but he was very gentlemanly. We talked about music; he was going to teach me to sing. And then I thought, Maybe he did come on to me and I just didn't recognize it." She laughs. "Maybe there was something to those singing lessons after all."

Kelley's account of Ronald Reagan's dependence on his own astrologer and Donald Regan's revelations about the degree of influence stargazers had on the Reagans leave Davis dumbfounded. "Talk about keeping secrets!" she exclaims. "I had no idea. None. The only reason I believed Don Regan was because he didn't seem creative enough to have invented it. But it surprised the shit out of me, and then I read a quote of my brother's saying *he* was surprised. They must have kept those books locked somewhere in a vault."

"In retrospect, I now understand why my father got inaugurated as governor at that bizarre hour. [Reagan was sworn in to office for his first term at 12:01 A.M.] I remember thinking at the time that this was strange. Like, you can't wait to get to the office? Afraid they'll take it away from you? They didn't give any reason. So I just thought, This is weird. But, hey," she chuckles, "it's a weird family."

As for Kitty Kelley's revelation that Davis has been cut out of her parents' will, she shrugs: "I assumed that years ago."

With the flood of books on her parents and the decade they presided over, is there really room for another account? Isn't America Reaganed out? Davis says no, adding that she feels a special responsibility to speak out: "It's important for people with visibility to come out and say, 'I'm not going to let you slide by on these illusions—here's the real story.' So whatever your real story is, it's O.K. If your

father came into your bed when you were a kid, it's O.K. to talk about it. That's what I'm trying to do, chip away at this desire people have to keep secrets—because they're really toxic."

The American public, however, may not accept any more nasty tales about Nancy Reagan. "Unless it's a knockout book," warns one celebrity biographer, "Patti's going to get it in spades. And if one of those parents dies..." The backlash that has greeted Kitty Kelley's best-seller is a dark omen for Davis: Kelley's reporting methods and character have been questioned, and influential supporters ranging from George Will to Joan Rivers have rallied around the former First Lady. Only a month after Kelley's book was published, 25,000 children chanted Nancy Reagan's name at a Rose Bowl rally, where she was described as "a terrific mother, a devoted wife, and our guiding light."

But Davis, perhaps naively, doesn't expect her book to boomerang on her, because she insists that she's not going to be writing a *Daughter Dearest*. "In a dysfunctional family every person plays a part. I was the observer. I saw everything more clearly than I thought I was seeing it." One Reagan-family observer agrees, stating it more dramatically: "Patti was the first to see through Nancy. And Nancy knew it."

Patti Davis has embarrassed her parents since her birth. "An eight-pound preemie," Davis chortles, referring to her parents' explanation of why she arrived only seven months after their marriage. "I was always told I was premature, but when I found out what a baby's normal birth weight is I said, 'Excuse me?' I didn't ask my parents about it because they'd made such a point of saying I was premature. So I figured, Let them think I believe it. Growing up in the sixties, I actually thought it was kind of cool."

Patti admits she was surprised when she read her mother's belated admission in Nancy's memoir, *My Turn*. "though the way she phrased it was a little coy. Her editor must've made her put it in."

"The first year of our marriage was difficult" was the way Nancy Reagan wrote about it. "We had our first child, Patti, who was born—go ahead and count—a bit precipitously but very joyfully, on October 22, 1952." Nancy went on to recall that, "when Patti turned out to be a girl, I thought Ronnie might be disappointed. 'Not at all,' he said. 'The wonderful thing about having a girl is that you get to see your wife as a little girl, growing up.'"

Davis admits with a tight smile that she read only the pages in *My Turn* that were about herself. "If she'd written ten pages about you like the ten pages on me, I don't know that you would have gone through the rest of it," she says. "I had this primal reaction. When I read this litany of complaints—that I spit up my food, cried and embarrassed her in front of friends, wouldn't stop crying and she was afraid the guests would think I was being beaten...well, on a subconscious

level I had this feeling of being a baby alone a lot. I was probably in my room crying because I didn't want to be alone.

"And then I had a second reaction. I was married then and wanted to get pregnant myself, so I also read it as a woman trying to have a baby reading another woman's account of her first child. I thought, What a strange way to write about your baby. I mean, if you're lucky, babies *do* spit, shit, cry, and sleep.

"My mother couldn't possibly have known how she was coming across. At one point, she wrote, 'Then, as if we didn't have enough to deal with that month, William Casey collapsed in his office.' " Patti howls. "I read that line over three times. I thought my eyes were playing tricks on me. 'As if we didn't have enough to deal with...' Like, 'Couldn't you have waited a couple of weeks, Bill?'"

According to Davis, growing up Reagan was a lonely task. Her father "was not terribly engaged" in the family, and her mother was "too engaged, her presence too much felt. Overwhelming. There was no balance." Davis's response was to be "stoic. I was a tough little kid. Very strong. I sealed myself into my own little world."

Everything in her childhood home in L.A., she continues, was shrouded in secrecy. Her parents, for instance, never told her that she had an older half-sister and half-brother. It was left to eighteen-year-old Maureen to inform seven-year-old Patti of the fact. According to Maureen's autobiography, her little half-sister reacted by racing from the room in tears (an incident Davis doesn't recall).

Michael, who occasionally lived with the Reagans when she was growing up, disclosed his own secret in his book, *On the Outside Looking In*: he'd been molested as a kid by a camp counselor. "Then Maureen got on *Donahue* to promote her book," says Davis, reciting the media revelations of her siblings, "and told of leaving her first husband, who was very abusive. But she didn't go to her mother, my mother, or our father. She went to the Y.W.C.A. and worked it out on her own. This is not Ozzie and Harriet here, this is not the way a family is supposed to be.

"What's interesting about this family is that everyone has a separate little triangle," says Davis. "Ron has his triangle with my parents, Michael and Maureen theirs, I mine." The difference was that, although Nancy was always attentive to her son, her daughter doesn't recall receiving the same warmth. "There are certainly a lot of photos with her arm around him showing affection," Davis remarks softly. She adds that she's now "so accustomed to it, it doesn't feel like hurt, but at some point it did."

As a child she filled spiral notebooks with poetry that was "loaded with a lot of death images. Very dark because I felt there was something wrong with my life and our family. I was very somber and withdrawn. My parents tell stories about picking me up from school when I was young. Everyone else was playing and I'd

be off in a corner with a book.

"I was very insecure," she recalls, "had very low self-esteem. I didn't feel I was entitled to take up my space in the world, that I was trying to squeeze in, make myself as small as possible. I didn't have it so clearly worked out that I said the reason is 'My family doesn't work.' " But it doesn't take Bruno Bettelheim to understand that something was very wrong. "Marlo Thomas told me, 'Being a celebrity's kid sucks.' " says Davis. "What sucks about it is that you never feel like you're important—you're special only in the shadow of that other person. It would take a very enlightened parent to understand and nurture self-esteem in such a child."

Davis saw her mother as an ultra-traditional wife who kept a "pretty perfect household" and "exhausted herself with details. My father went out, worked, and she ran the house, hired the maids, planned the menus. It looked like bullshit to me. Early on I felt I would never get married."

By the time she was eleven, Patti was "taller than the boys and had breasts. I was too big, too developed." She didn't feel pretty, and nobody contradicted her, least of all her parents.

At thirteen, by mutual agreement, Patti was shipped off to boarding school in Arizona, accompanied by her horse, Silver. That same year, Nancy and Ronald Reagan decided to enter the California gubernatorial race. "It was a foregone conclusion. Nobody asked our opinions. They said, 'This is where we're going.' It was just like... 'Here's your life.' "

"The night Ronnie was elected governor," Nancy wrote in *My Turn*, "the first person we called was Patti, who was in Arizona. . . . When we told Patti the good news, she burst into tears and said, 'How could you do this to me?' Granted, she was only fourteen, but I have never forgotten that moment. I didn't understand why Patti couldn't be happy for her father, even if she did hate politics."

"I knew my life had changed irrevocably and I didn't want that," Patti explains. "For a fourteen-year-old it was a perfectly logical thing to say because she thinks the world revolves around her. There was no room for pride. I didn't want to be a governor's daughter."

Summers away from boarding school, Davis languished at the governor's mansion in Sacramento. "One day," she recalls, "I climbed to the top of the governor's mansion to this little cupola. I was a million miles off the earth, I thought. Suddenly, I looked down and saw people standing outside the wrought-iron fence, waving at me. I thought, Oh, no, there's nowhere I can go to get away."

Not a particularly involved student, Davis spent one year at Northwestern and two years at U.S.C., where she majored in drama. After her junior year she dropped out, with no parental protest. "They always knew I wouldn't graduate."

Guitar in hand, the daughter of the governor of California got a job as a hostess/singer at the Great American Food and Beverage Company in Santa Monica and moved into a \$170-a-month apartment.

"She was a hippie," remembers someone who knew her then. "serving Cokes and singing. She had a bad folksinger's voice. Everyone knew she was the governor's daughter. Everyone was going. 'Wouldn't it be great to have sex with Ronald Reagan's daughter?'"

"My mother knew I worked in a restaurant, but she had no idea what was going on," says Patti with a smile. "Do you think I called her and said, 'I got really stoned last night and slept with this guy. I wish I could remember his name?'"

Davis says she smoked dope, dropped acid, and, later in the decade, had a serious "six-month bout with cocaine. I never did a lot, but it gets ahold of your life. I could get a little coke, keep it in my house, do tiny bits, and make it last a long time. But I never forgot where it was. I was either looking for it, doing it, or recovering from it.

"I felt hypocritical. Here I was, living in Topanga Canyon, a vegetarian learning about herbs, hiking in the hills, tending my vegetable garden, chopping wood because my house was heated with wood stoves...and yet I liked cocaine. What's wrong with this picture?"

"It's the only drug I regret taking. It's mean. And I'm the ideal person to get into it, because it makes you feel very secure, competent, and on top of it. I was the perfect victim."

When she was laid off, she went on unemployment for "about a year." Her parents said—and offered—nothing. "Dad came out of the Depression, so he thought it built character."

One day in a record store, Davis introduced herself to the first important man in her life, Bernie Leadon, the steel guitarist of the Eagles. "I went up to him and said I really liked 'My Man,'" she recalls, pointing him out on the back of an album cover. "He said, 'Great. What are you doing right now? Do you want to go to the beach?'" She laughs. "I think he asked my name. We spent the day together and from then on we were linked. I fell in love with him the minute I met him."

Their relationship lasted four years, and Davis even co-wrote "I Wish You Peace," a song on the band's *One of These Nights* album. "It started falling apart when he left the Eagles. When he was on the road we had a great thing going. I was writing, mainly songs, he was doing his thing, and there'd be all these long-distance calls, phone sex, flying out to meet him. When he left the group and

was home a lot we started getting on each other's nerves because we really started to get to know each other."

In the mid-seventies, Davis says, she started to "educate" herself about the anti-nuclear movement. "I didn't stand up on a stage until after my father got elected president." When she did, it was Survival Sunday at the Hollywood Bowl, 1981. She told her unhappy parents ahead of time, but "they couldn't forbid me to do it. I was twenty-eight years old. I knew I was in a delicate situation. I didn't want to look like I was attacking my father personally; I was attacking his politics. He wasn't the first president with a pro-nuclear stance.

"I find it both irritating and amusing when my mother says I've been used by people in political movements. I know how I've gone about this, how much information I've gotten before I've spoken out. I was raised with someone praised for standing up for his own viewpoint. That's a dangerous concept to give a child," she laughs, "because they may stand up for their viewpoint and not agree with yours."

Davis has always been downright fierce about her independence. "I don't have a husband or rich boyfriend," she says. "I don't have a trust fund. I've always worked for my money." She estimates that she's lived on as little as \$2,500 a year—when her father was governor of California—to a pre-Putnam-advance high of \$100,000, coughed up by NBC in the first year of her father's administration for the exclusive rights to Davis's acting talents. "My mother asked [TV producer] Aaron Spelling to help me get my SAG card," recalls Davis, who went on to play parts on several TV series, including *Vega\$, Nero Wolfe*, and *Trapper John, M.D.* (The NBC deal yielded just one TV movie, *For Ladies Only*, about the lives of Chippendale-type male dancers. Davis recalls an interview she gave to *Playgirl* at the time: "Someone sent it to my mother. She said, 'I was so embarrassed about having this magazine that I burned it.' I had this image of my mother on her knees, putting these nude pictures of men into the fireplace.")

In early 1982, Davis met the second love of her life, in a class at Bikram's Yoga in Beverly Hills. Paul Grilley, a Montana native who is six years younger than Davis, was teaching the class. Fearing she was slipping back into coke use, she had enrolled because she was seeking something "spiritual." She found it in her teacher: "Paul is truly one of the most pure people I have ever met, so uncomplicated, no bullshit, no games. He was exactly what I needed."

When she informed her parents she was getting married, "they were thrilled. I was thirty-one. I could've called up and said I was going to marry the gardener and they would've said, 'Well, O.K. Does he have his green card? Can we help? It'll get her off the streets.' They figure if you're not married, you're getting it somewhere." (Davis and Grilley divorced amicably in 1990.)

During Ronald Reagan's two terms, Davis reckons, she visited the White House four times, counting both inaugurations. The second time, she took an overnight bag and left after the swearing-in ceremony. "I hated the White House. It's like this tiny little claustrophobic town. There are eyes and ears everywhere."

In 1981, Davis was compelled to visit Washington by John Hinckley, who shot Ronald Reagan in an assassination attempt. Michael, Maureen, and Patti were picked up in California by a military plane and flown to Washington. (Ron Reagan and his wife, Doria, arrived separately.) "By the time we got there, it was five in the morning. I slept for a while and then saw my father." She left a day and a half later, "as soon as I saw he was O.K." Staying meant sitting in the hospital and "I don't do well in hospitals. I feel like I'm going to pass out." It was an abbreviated show of support, she admits, "but it's a very odd family. I don't think any one else stayed any longer."

In July 1985, Ronald Reagan was in the hospital again, this time for surgery to treat colon cancer. "I called after the operation—I'm remembering this from my mother's book. She didn't tell him he had cancer, so nobody else knew. [The First Lady waited until after her husband's operation to tell him that a cancerous growth had been removed.] He was his typical cheerful self. It's that male macho John Wayne thing."

Davis passed up the hospital bedside drama when her mother had a mastectomy. "I heard it in the news. Our family always heard things about each other on the news. The announcement that cancer had been discovered and she'd had a mastectomy were only minutes apart. We hadn't spoken in a long time, so I called after the operation."

Nancy Reagan was wheeled into the operating room October 17, but, according to *My Turn*, Davis didn't call until two days later. "I couldn't believe it," Nancy wrote. "I hadn't talked to Patti in two years. She said that she and Paul were thinking of me, and asked how I was feeling. Then, right away she urged me to have reconstructive surgery. That seemed

abrupt. . . I was barely out of one operation and certainly wasn't ready to go through more surgery right away. It was a short and rather stiff conversation. . . But I couldn't help wondering if she talked about reconstructive surgery because she couldn't think of anything else to say. I longed to hear something more comforting about what I had just gone through."

"In her book my mother wrote that, basically, I fucked up again because I asked about reconstruction," Davis says. "She was shocked I brought it up. She thought it was unkind; I thought it was hopeful. This is a woman I hadn't talked to in two years and had a rocky history with—to put it mildly. She sounded fragile, probably on pain pills. I was trying to think of something positive and often they do reconstruction right there. I said, 'If you decide that's what you want I can tell you about some really good plastic surgeons in Los Angeles.' She'd had breast cancer and a mastectomy, what do you say?"

Asked if she has felt any guilt since then, she shakes her head firmly. "This is the way our family has always been. It's not normal, but it's normal to me."

Davis didn't speak to her father, because "I didn't know what to say to him either." In fact, she always had difficulty talking with the Great Communicator. "He's very enigmatic," says Davis. "But he's a *nice* person—it's not an act. That's what makes it so distressing to disagree with him."

As for Kitty Kelley's contention that it was Nancy, not Ronald, who wanted to be president, Davis disagrees. "My father has been a very ambitious politician. I don't know that she's not an astute politician. I've never heard her political contributions. But I don't think she was guiding political policy. My father is a political animal."

"But they're both very ambitious people, and I don't mean that in a negative way. That's a tremendous bond." In fact, Davis describes her parents as so symbiotic that she thinks of them as "a unit. They really, *really* miss each other when they're away. Even when my marriage was good, if Paul left for a week, I didn't actively sit there and miss him. I really think my parents pine for each other when they're apart."

Though Davis vehemently opposed most of her father's policies, she never underestimated his political intelligence. "He's a very astute politician. John Chancellor did a commentary the night my father came out for the Brady Bill. He said one thing people always missed about Ronald Reagan is that he has his finger on the pulse of the country. When he got to-

gether with Gorbachev, he knew the country was no longer into this 'Evil Empire' rhetoric, and he bent to that. The same was true for the Brady Bill, which he opposed during his administration. He sensed the country was fed up with children getting mowed down by AK-47s."

And if he doesn't believe in the country's conclusion? "He comes to believe."

Does she think her father broke the law in the Iran-contra scandal? "Of course he did. I remember a news conference when he was asked if he honored the Boland Amendment. He almost winked at the reporters, got this little smile on his face, and said, 'Of course. It's illegal not to'—like it was an inside joke. But we're talking about the Constitution. What my father did—let's not put it all on my father—what his administration did was throw out the system of checks and balances. 'We don't like this constitutional amendment, so we're going to throw it out, not tell Congress, and run a war from the basement of the White House.'"

Davis ranks George Bush as "a little bit" better president than her father, citing the Persian Gulf War as an example. "My father would've gone in sooner. Bush did wait. I was one of those who said we should give sanctions more time, but the oil dumped in the Gulf was the turning point. That son of a bitch. I am rabidly anti-war, so it was very painful to say war was the right thing to do."

"I'm very attracted to powerful men," says Davis, who is not seeing anyone right now (she laughs at rumors linking her with her friend Tom Hayden). "You find they're only powerful in one area of their lives, usually their careers. They're wimps in other areas. But they're fascinated with strong women. I'm someone men like to go out with a few times because my strength interests them. 'But, oh, God, we don't want to have a relationship with her. She won't tell us we'll walk on water. She'll tell us we'll sink.'"

Davis says she'd "like to find a man you don't have to mother. If I were to draw a cartoon about my life, I'd draw this little parade of men in diapers going over to Patti's house saying, 'Change us! Feed us! Tell us what to do!'"

"Bernie and Paul were nice men," she says, "but the other relationships I've had had less to do with the role model of my father than my perception of myself. I didn't feel like I was worth very much, so I gravitated towards men who treated me like a piece of shit. I could walk into a party and if there was one man there who would treat me like a doormat, I'd find him. I would find

him and even take him home that night."

When asked if she is a lonely person, Davis responds deliberately. "I consider myself a solitary person. I don't ever really feel lonely because I've lived in my imagination so long. I'm comfortable there. I don't feel lonely when I'm writing. I feel lonely after I finish a book and I don't know what I'm going to do next."

Davis concedes that her writings have stung her family. "But I don't write to hurt people," she says. "It's not my intention, and that's all I'm in control of. Hey, you know what? The truth hurts sometimes." In fact, her parents said they were wounded by her first novel, and her brother stopped speaking to her as a result.

When Davis talks about her siblings, it's with the detachment that others display when they speak about strangers. Even when it comes to her brother, Ron. "We never really spent that much time together since I left for boarding school at thirteen. Ron is polite, funny, a light element. But he's not clear to me, either." As for Maureen, "I admire very much what she's done with the E.R.A., but we've never sat down and had a conversation." Michael's troubled life "makes my heart hurt. The title of his book [*On the Outside Looking In*] sums everything up."

Davis's most complicated relationship remains the one with her mother. "I don't really know who she is," she says slowly. "She's not a tangible person to me, so it's difficult to attach love. I want to say, 'Yes, I love her.' I could be very glib and say yes . . . but honestly? How do you love someone who's intangible? I feel sorry for her. She's not a happy woman."

"I think my parents love me," Davis continues. "There's just a closeness missing. People love the way they're capable of loving—but that's not always how you want them to love or how you think they should love. I think my mother loves me. Maybe that's what I want to believe . . . because I can't believe that parents don't love a child."

"Can you ever compensate for not having your mother's love? I don't think you can . . . you just have to accept that it's part of your life. . . . Rob Reiner told me it took him eleven years in therapy to realize that there's a part of him that will always be depressed. He's obviously O.K. with it, he's a very funny guy. But he also knows there's always going to be a little corner of his soul where sadness is. You have to accept that as part of your life. That's what you've been given to deal with this time around. So deal with it. Try to do something constructive with it and in spite of it." □

4:45 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

CRIME BILL (UPI) -- The Senate overwhelmingly approved the death penalty for more than 50 federal crimes, despite a warning that "innocent lives will be lost" in the government's get-tough campaign. The Senate endorsed the death penalty provision in a sweeping anti-crime bill when it rejected 73-25 a proposal to substitute a sentence of mandatory life in prison without any chance of release.

At the start of a lunch with law enforcement officials at the White House, President Bush again urged Congress to act on his bill, and said defeat of the amendment [that would have allowed searches without a warrant if done in good faith] was "another disappointment." "For more than two years Congress has failed to act on our proposals -- good solid proposals -- to fight crime and to strengthen the rule of law," Bush said. "I'm certainly not going to sign just any bill that is called an anti-crime bill and I will not sign any bill frankly that handcuffs our law enforcement people, our police, and that demoralizes the law enforcement community."

CHINA/MFN/MITCHELL (AP) -- Sen. Mitchell proposed a scaled-back set of conditions for normal trade relations with China. The gesture by Mitchell was an attempt to attract the two-thirds majority needed in the Senate to impose at least some conditions over a threatened veto by President Bush. At the same time, the administration was lobbying hard to corner at least the 34 Senate votes needed to uphold the President's unconditional renewal of MFN status for China. Bush invited 20 senators to a White House meeting on Wednesday to discuss the issue. Under Mitchell's proposal, China could lose its MFN status immediately if it sells ballistic missiles to nations the U.S. considers dangerous or unstable, such as Syria, Pakistan or Iran. The trade status would be renewed for the coming year, during which time China would be called upon to account for protesters arrested after the Tiananmen movement two years ago and to halt export to the U.S. of products made with slave labor.

PRESIDENT/BLACK CAUCUS (Thomas Ferraro, UPI) -- Legislators of the Congressional Black Caucus said they left a 90-minute meeting at the White House with the impression that a cease-fire had been reached in the civil rights political fray. Bush also promised to confer with them again before deciding whether to end sanctions against South Africa. "It was a very constructive meeting," said Rep. Towns. Rep. Lewis said he asked Bush not to use the word "quota" in opposing the civil rights legislation. Lewis said, "It merely fans the flames of division and frustration." Eleanor Norton Holmes, D.C.'s non-voting delegate, said, "We asked for a cease-fire in the war of words. We believe we have a commitment from the President for a cease-fire."

PRESIDENT/BULGARIA/MONGOLIA (Reuter) -- President Bush sent Congress the documents that formally complete trade agreements with Bulgaria and Mongolia and extend MFN status to both.

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FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (Reuter) -- Trade Representative Hills said that competing with cheap Mexican labor under a free trade agreement would not cost American jobs, but would spur exports and create jobs. "Our experience in recent years proves that we do very well in head-to-head competition with Mexico," she told a forum on a North American Free Trade Agreement now being negotiated. She said no laws now prevent U.S. firms from relocating south of the border to take advantage of cheap labor there, but that U.S. exports to Mexico doubled since 1986. "In fact," she added, "Mexico has become our fastest growing export market."

KURDS/U.S. MILITARY (AP) -- The allied military force supposed to help guarantee the security of the Kurds will be composed of battle-ready combat units but won't be based inside northern Iraq, Pentagon spokesman Williams said. He told reporters that no agreement has been reached on the makeup, base location or command structure for such a force. However, he confirmed that U.S. forces will participate. "It's clearly...something we will do," the spokesman said. Williams said the administration was "concerned about the situation with the Kurds.... We don't want to see a situation arise where the Kurds head into the mountains again."

IRAQ/REPARATIONS (Reuter) -- The U.S. said Iraq should be forced to pay a minimum of 30 percent of its oil revenues as reparations to victims of the Gulf crisis and war. "We believe...30 percent is the minimum level to ensure there will be sufficient resources available to begin the claims process, especially for the hundreds of thousands of people with small claims against Iraq," State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler said.

"GAG" RULE (Chicago/Reuter) -- The AMA condemned federal interference with doctors who provide advice on abortion or any other medical matter. Delegates at the AMA's annual meeting urged repeal of all laws and regulations which "prevent physicians from freely discussing with or providing information to patients about medical care and procedures or interfere with the physician-patient relationship."

SOVIET REFORM (Moscow/AP) -- President Gorbachev has put Leningrad's radical TV station under his control, and city officials are furious, Soviet media reported. Mayor Sobchak and other Leningrad officials complained that the move to make Leningrad TV a subsidiary of the national television company would reduce its editorial independence.

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1:45 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

PRESIDENT/BLACK CAUCUS (Tom Raum, AP) -- President Bush told skeptical black members of the Congress that he has little choice under law but to lift sanctions against South Africa once a final condition, the release of all political prisoners, is met. "I don't have much flexibility," Bush said at a picture-taking session at the start of an hour-long meeting with the Congressional Black Caucus. Bush also sought to explain his threatened veto of major civil rights legislation. But he received a cool reception on both South Africa and civil rights issues. **Rep. Conyers** accused Bush of being "on the verge of making a historical mistake" on South Africa and of practicing political "racial divisiveness" on civil rights. "Removing sanctions at this time would be dangerous and wrong," Conyers said in a statement issued on behalf of the caucus. The meeting produced a lively exchange between Bush and the black members over the sanctions issue, participants said afterwards. **Rep. Dellums** told reporters the President portrayed his role as having to lift sanctions automatically once the conditions have been met. Dellums said Bush "has a much broader responsibility." The lawmaker said he told the President Congress did not write the law so narrowly that there was no room to exercise judgment. Dellums said that not only has the Pretoria government not met the "spirit" of the conditions of the 1986 law, but "they haven't even obtained technical compliance."

ANTI-CRIME BILL (Reuter) -- The Senate rejected a bid by President Bush to give police more power to conduct searches and seize evidence for criminal trials without warrants. The amendment to the pending Democratic anti-crime bill was offered on Bush's behalf but lost 54-43 on a vote that went mainly along party lines.

G-7/GORBACHEV (Moscow/UPI) -- President Gorbachev's visit to the G-7 summit is the first step toward ties with the powerful group that could lead some day to a G-8, presidential spokesman Ignatenko said. Ignatenko said the Soviet president has not yet chosen advisers to accompany him to the G-7 meeting. Ignatenko said it is likely Grigory Yavlinsky, author of the "Grand Bargain," will accompany Gorbachev to London. "This (Gorbachev's speech) is just the first step toward the establishment of large-scale relations between the Soviet Union and the seven," Ignatenko said. "Such relationships can be arranged on a state-by-state basis and depending on the quality of these links, maybe in some two or three years, we can speak then about a different status -- if not about the eight."

G-7/KOHL/GORBACHEV (Frankfurt/AP) -- Chancellor Kohl will meet with President Gorbachev to ask him to present concrete economic reform plans to G-7 leaders, a newspaper reported. Kohl will make the request at his July 5 meeting with Gorbachev in Kiev, the Bonn daily Die Welt reported.

YUGOSLAVIA (Zagreb/AP) -- The republic of Croatia declared itself independent of Yugoslavia, and Slovenia was expected to follow suit later in the day.

KURDISH SECURITY/BRITAIN (London/Reuter) -- Prime Minister Major said that British troops would remain in Iraq until assurances were in place for Kurdish security, including a military presence to deter any renewed Iraqi repression. Major, answering questions in parliament, said it was not Britain's intention to seek a permanent troop presence in Iraq but British forces would not leave without assurances for Kurds. Major warned that any renewal of Iraqi repression of the Kurds would "meet the severest response."

ARMS SALES/CHINA (Beijing/AP) -- Premier Li Peng said China is ready to participate actively in negotiations for a "fair and reasonable" agreement on limiting international arms sales. It was one of the strongest Chinese expressions in recent weeks of willingness to cooperate on arms control. Li said: "China has sold a very insignificant amount to other countries." However, he said, "The Chinese government is ready to take a very active part in all those negotiations aimed at achieving a fair and reasonable arms control regime conducive to regional peace and stability."

ISRAEL/U.S. AID (Jerusalem/Reuter) -- Finance Minister Modai said the U.S. should feel a moral obligation to supply Israel with aid for an influx of Soviet immigrants, but that the Jewish state would manage if it did not arrive. "I do not underestimate American assistance, but one should not overestimate it. We are not one of the American states and certainly not an American colony. We can't force them to help us. All we can do is ask -- ask nicely."

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10:45 A.M. NEWS UPDATE

CHINA/MFN (Beijing/UPI) -- Premier Li Peng threatened painful economic retaliation if China loses its MFN status with the U.S., warning the low-tariff agreement is a "two-way street." In a 20-minute speech on the state of the Chinese economy to foreign businessmen, diplomats and journalists, Li alternately appealed for extension of MFN to China and warned Washington of the consequences if the status is not renewed. "MFN is a two-way street," declared Li. "It's also beneficial to the United States." As an example of how China would retaliate, Li gestured to Thomas Lane, the chief representative of Boeing China Inc., who was seated directly to the premier's left. "China has ordered 15 airplanes from Boeing," the premier said. "With MFN revoked they'll have no more orders." Li then concluded his speech with a plea for unconditional extension of the status, asking the U.S. to "put aside differences in social systems and ideologies."

GULF WAR FUNDS/JAPAN (Tokyo/Reuter) -- Japan has decided to pay about \$500 million to cover foreign exchange losses on its Gulf aid package but will give Japanese taxpayers a different reason for the extra funds, government sources say. They said in interviews this week that Japan would tell Washington the funds were to end a dispute over foreign exchange losses in the 1.17 trillion yen Gulf package. They said the government would tell its taxpayers that the payment was a contribution to the post-Gulf war world.

YUGOSLAVIA (Ljubljana, Yugoslavia/Reuter) -- The republics of Slovenia and Croatia said they would proclaim independence tonight. Officials in the two republics said their parliaments would adopt laws to proclaim themselves independent states a day earlier than expected. "It is today," Marjan Siftar, an aide to Slovenian President Kucan told reporters when asked when independence would be declared. "Slovenia is forming an independent state which is no longer within the framework of Yugoslavia," Kucan said.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA/SOVIET TROOPS (Prague/Reuter) -- The Soviet Union signed away its military presence in Czechoslovakia, formally ending almost 23 years as a hated occupation force. "We have put a full stop at the end of our activities," Gen. Vorobyov, commander of the Soviet army's Central Group and the last serving Soviet soldier still in Czechoslovakia, told reporters. "After today, the Central Group does not exist."

CAMBODIA (Pattaya, Thailand/Reuter) -- The radical leftist Khmer Rouge and the rival Phnom Penh government each made concessions in peace talks. The Khmer Rouge decided tentatively to allow the Supreme National Council, which is supposed to represent Cambodian sovereignty under a U.N. peace plan, to establish its headquarters in Phnom Penh, according to Kor Bun Heng, a senior aide to Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan.

KUWAIT/MARTIAL LAW (London/Reuter) -- Martial law in Kuwait will be lifted Wednesday, the Kuwaiti news agency KUNA reported. It also quoted Justice Minister al-Sammar as telling a Kuwaiti newspaper that outstanding trials of alleged collaborators during Iraqi occupation would be transferred to civil courts.

DURABLE GOODS/ECONOMY (UPI) -- The nation's orders for durable goods rose 3.8 percent in May, posting the second straight monthly increase, the Commerce Department reported. The gain was the largest since March 1990. The results were greater than the expectations of most analysts, who cautiously cheered the figures as a sign the nation was coming out of recession. "Realize, of course, that durables tend to lead the economy," said David Wyss of DRI/McGraw Hill. "It's two months in a row of very strong growth." Other analysts were more cautious. "We seem to have hit bottom and seem to be recovering. I would just caution people to wait another month," said Peter Radford, an analyst with National Westminster Bank in New York.

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