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POOL REPORT #9

MARCH 6, 1992

JACKSON TO PENSACOLA

BUSH VISITS PENSACOLA NAVAL AIR STATION MUSEUM

Before taking off, Bush, Ms. Bush, Gov. and Mrs. Fordice came back to the press cabin. Fordice predicted Bush would win Mississippi by 70 per cent of the vote. He said the Mississippi is "Bush country." Bush had an aw shucks reaction to Fordice's assessment. Bush spoke to the AP reporter while Fordice was talking to the rest of us. He gave this assessment of the trip: "I thought it was an upbeat trip all the way." Asked if he would keep up the same pace he said, "This may be it. We have to wait and see. We may do some statellite stuff (maybe next week)."

After leaving the plane, Bush went to the National Museum of Naval Aviation where he took a half-hour long tour conducted by Capt. Bob Rasmussen. He looked at several planes including a dark blue TBM-1C "Avenger" Torpedo Bomber like the one he flew in WWII. Bush climbed up on the wing and checked out the cockpit. Stenciled on the side of the plane was "Lt. J.G. George Bush USNR. In display cases surrounding the plane were Bush training records including a fitness report which rated the young pilot average to above average. Bush also looked at a couple of wrecked Avengers pulled out of Michigan. With Bush on the tour of the museum were Gen. Scowcroft and Chief of Staff Skinner.

Following the museum tour Bush went by motorcade to the Skopelos Seafood Restaurant where he, Mrs. Bush, Scowcroft and Skinner went for dinner. Your pool was not allowed in the restaurant.

Ann Devroy, The Washington Post
Bill Bancroft, U.S. News and World Report

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 3/5/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

SUBJECT: FRIDAY, MARCH 6 - 12:50 pm

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VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☒	HORNER	☐	☐
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SCOWCROFT	☐	☒	MOORE	☐	☒
DARMAN	☐	☒	PETERSMEYER	☐	☒
BRADY	☐	☒	PORTER	☐	☒
BROMLEY	☐	☐	ROGICH	☐	☒
CALIO	☐	☒	ROLLINS	☐	☒
DEMAREST	☐	☒	SMITH	☐	☒
FITZWATER	☐	☒	YEUTTER	☐	☒
GRAY	☐	☒	FINDLAY	☐	☒
HOLIDAY	☐	☒	KAUFMAN	☐	☒
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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

32 MAR 4 P6:14

March 4, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
FROM: JENNIFER GROSSMAN JAG
SUBJECT: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

On Friday, March 6th, at 12:50 p.m. you will deliver remarks (12 minutes/teleprompted) at a rally in the Pete Maravich Arena at Louisiana State University. Approximately 6,000 students and GOP supporters will attend.

Your remarks, patterned after the Georgia GOP and Savannah Rally "stump speeches," focus on values, the economy, and challenge Congress to act by March 20th. They also highlight a series of reforms aimed at enhancing personal responsibility.

(Grossman)
March 2, 1992
Draft Two
LSU

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
PETE MARAVICH ARENA
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
MARCH 6, 1992
12:50 p.m.

Thank you Congressman (Richard) Baker -- our Louisiana Campaign Chair. It's great to be back in Tiger territory. \\ I'll tell you -- you know why I'm here -- four more years. There's Shaquille (the Shaq Attack) O'Neal. You didn't think I'd come down for your birthday did you? (Shaquille's 20th birthday)\\ Do I have any Deke brothers out there? As I was driving past their frat house I heard them shouting "Four More Years." That's brotherhood for you, I thought. \ Then Barbara told me that what they were really saying was "Four More Beers." \\ But the Dekes get a bad rap. Some would compare them to Animal House. \ They should see what happens up on Capitol Hill. \\

It's good to get out of Washington, D.C. Too many cynics - - who say: if it can't vote, don't fix it. The future doesn't vote. But you do and I need your support. I think most Americans, I think most of you here today, care very deeply about the future. Where is it taking us? We started out on the right foot -- so how did our country end up on the wrong track, and how do we get back home?

Part of the way home is found in the values we all carry within us: our belief in family and faith, community and country; in hard work and humble worship; the willingness to sacrifice for

our country in times of war and to help others in times of peace. Let me take this opportunity to thank Louisiana's sons and daughters who served in Desert Storm -- more than 250 from right here at LSU -- you were magnificent and your country thanks you. All across America, people are focused on the big issues -- the important issues -- jobs \ family \ peace. \\ This is our course for the future.

But we're on the wrong track when the home of the brave has become the land of the lawsuit. That's why I sent a bill to Congress to reduce the number of frivolous lawsuits. ((Unfortunately, I sent it to a bunch of lawyers on Capitol Hill)). When you're as likely to serve your neighbor a subpoena as a cup of coffee, something's gone wrong. When doctors won't deliver babies and dads won't coach Little League for fear of lawsuits -- something's wrong. And America won't find its way out of this mess until we spend more time helping one another than we do suing one another.

We've got to reform our health care system. Right now, the quality of American health care is the best in the entire world - - bar none. The problem, is access. Too many Americans with families do not have health insurance coverage. And even a short stay in the hospital can rip a hole right through the family budget.

Well, all Americans deserve quality health care and a sense of well-being. But socialized medicine is not the answer. And I will fight against those plans. \\ We have an excellent,

comprehensive plan. My plan focuses on opening up access to health care insurance for all Americans, rich and poor. If we wanted long lines and revolving door health care, we'd put our doctors to work at the Department of Motor Vehicles. The last thing we want is some bureaucrat playing doctor. And if you listen to the campaign promises from the other side, you'll know exactly what I mean. \ I will continue to fight for health care for all, and I will fight against those astronomically expensive schemes to socialize American health care.

The same people who say put the government in charge of health care tell us not to reform welfare. Well, they are wrong. \ We have got to reform the welfare system.

Americans are a giving and generous people -- always have been, always will be. People are willing to support benefits for families in need. But they want to see some link between welfare and work. Tax dollars should not foot the bill for deadbeat dads who run out on their kids. Our efforts should be to help to make families whole. \ Welfare was meant to be a way station toward self-sufficiency, not a way \ of life.

An America on the right track means understanding that to succeed economically at home, we have got to lead economically abroad. Right here -- manufactured exports support an estimated 77,300 Louisiana jobs. This state exports an estimated 13 billion dollars a year in manufactured good. So let's cut through all the tough-guy talk, all the patriotic bluster about fighting competition by closing shop. Do we really want to play

that game? [I'll close my markets and you'll close yours?] Who do you think gets hurt? Easy -- we all do. Our economy does. The workers of Louisiana do.

My opponents are peddling protectionism -- pure and simple -- a retreat from economic reality into a dangerous pre-World II isolationism. Look closely, and you'll see that that's not the American flag they're waving, it's the white flag of surrender. That's not the America you and I know. Our America will not cut and run. \\\

[Think about it this way. The Tigers don't lose many games. But say they were getting a tough fight from one team -- what would they do? Sulk in the locker room? Refuse to play that team anymore? I don't think so. They'd get out there and fight -- and fight to win.]

The bottom line is that we compete. Never in our long history have we turned our backs on a challenge, and we're not about to start now. I put my money on the American worker -- with a level playing field, the American worker will outthink, outproduce, outperform anyone, anywhere, anytime.

We all know that election year hype puts a premium on fantasy over fact, and soundbites over sound policy. Nowhere is this more tragic, then when it comes to the economy. We've got to get this economy moving, we've got to create jobs -- and if that doesn't fit the Democrats' political designs, that's just \ too \ bad. It's got to be done -- because it's the right thing to do. \\\

That's why, in my State of the Union address, I laid out a plan to spark economic recovery, to create jobs -- a plan to stimulate the economy as early as this spring -- and to keep America growing tomorrow and into the next century.

And because I knew I couldn't wait for Congress to act, I set a deadline for action. But the House Democrats didn't like my plan. My plan didn't raise taxes and it didn't raise the deficit. So the Democrats created a plan that did both. \ Their plan offers a tiny temporary tax cut the size of a bandaid -- then, true to form, chops off an arm and a leg in new permanent taxes. One hundred billion dollars -- that's billion dollars. So let me cut to the chase. If that plan reaches my desk, I'll slam dunk it faster than you can say..."Chi-ching." [LSU lingo for "score," finality of action]\\

My plan contains an investment tax allowance to create incentives for American businesses to buy new equipment and hire more workers. My plan bolsters the housing market. I will give the first-time homebuyer a \$5,000 tax credit to help with that down payment. Then there are those who are determined to stoke the fires of class warfare. To them I say, that's no way to light a fire under this economy. Quit punishing the people who create jobs and cut the capital gains tax.

There's been a lot of talk about the deadline for action on my plan. Some have said the deadline is unfair. Some have said the deadline is too short. I have said -- and I say now -- the deadline is March 20. But I suppose Congress does have it's

reasons to ignore the deadline. After all -- true story -- it is "National Procrastination Week," and Congress is doing its civic best to honor the occasion. ((And you all thought only college students took a spring break)).

You've been a great crowd. You've got the right message. And if you want to send that message to Washington -- send this President back for four more years, and send more Louisiana Republicans to Congress. Thank you very much. God bless you all, and God bless the United States of America.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 3/5/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI RALLY
FRIDAY, MARCH 6 - 4:30 pm

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WASHINGTON

32 MAR 4 P5:58

March 4, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
FROM: JOSEPH P. DUGGAN
SUBJECT: JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI RALLY

I. SUMMARY

On Friday, March 6, at 4:30 p.m. in front of the Mississippi Statehouse in Jackson, you will address 4,000 state workers, students, and members of the community. This is a Bush-Quayle campaign rally.

II. DISCUSSION

The address (12 minutes, on teleprompter) is patterned after your stump speech. It touches on family, welfare and education reform, your economic plan, and defense.

(Duggan/Simon)
March 4, 1992
Draft 7
Jackson

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:

BUSH-QUAYLE RALLY
STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1992
4:30 p.m.

It's refreshing to be here. ((It's always refreshing to get away from Washington, D.C.)) I share your pride in your new governor, Kirk Fordice. He's a common-sense leader who shares our values and our vision for America's future. These values have changed the world -- and we need them now to change America.

We're in a battle for our future: \ We're determined to leave our kids the best possible legacy. \ We want America to lead the world in good jobs with productive work. \ We want to remain a force for world peace and freedom. \ And we're fighting to protect our most basic institution -- the family. \ \ \

That's why this year of decision is so important for America. \ That's why next Tuesday's primary election -- and November's general election -- are vital to our future. I'm asking you to get out the vote and create a resounding mandate for transforming America. \ Let's nominate and elect men and women who share our values. \ We've got much more to do to get America on the right track. \ \ \ So I'm asking you for four more years as your President. \ \ \ \

This country was built on faith, family and freedom -- and we must renew those sources of our strength. \ \

We must allow common sense to prevail in our welfare system -- restore the connection between welfare and work. Americans

aren't cold hearted -- they're a caring people: They'll support welfare for families in need. But Americans want to see government at every level work together to track down the dead-beat Dads -- the ones who can't be bothered to pay child-support.

\\ They want to see us break the cycle of dependency that destroys dignity -- passes down poverty from one generation to the next. That's wrong. That's cruel. And we're going to change it. \\

And we will continue to fight for the parents' right to choose their children's schools. School choice is at the heart of America 2000, our strategy to literally revolutionize American education. My wife Barbara recently joined Gov. Fordice, and your lovely First Lady, Pat Fordice, in the town of Winona [WYENONA] to kick off Mississippi 2000 -- your own state's commitment to reform. \

By the way, I've never agreed with the notion of expelling God from the classroom. Today, March 6, is World Day of Prayer. And I think it's quite a commentary on things that World Day of Prayer is observed a lot more fervently in Mississippi than it is in Washington, D.C. \ There's something wrong when a kid can get a condom in school but cannot lead the class in a voluntary prayer. Well, that's wrong -- and we need to change it. \\

Parents -- not some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C. -- know what is best for their children. \\ That's why I worked to win a child-care bill that provides parents the right to choose who provides the care. We know America is first as long as we put

the family first. \\\

For three years I've had to fight the liberal leadership of Congress. And I will continue to stand for principle no matter how daunting the odds. We've fought, and we've put judges on the bench who know their role is to interpret the law -- not to legislate. I'll use the veto when I have to -- to stand for principle -- to stand up for family values. \\\ Sometimes even my friends said I was flirting with defeat by casting a veto instead of cutting a deal. But we've never lost a veto fight -- and I'll never hesitate to use the veto when principle is at stake. \\\

The liberal leadership of the Congress is once again on a collision course with my veto. You remember I've asked Congress to pass tax cuts and incentives to get the economy moving -- to get real estate up and running, to reward risk-takers who create good jobs. \\\

But instead of passing my plan, the big spenders that control the Congress had other ideas. They pushed through one of their own. Here's what's in it for you: a tiny temporary tax cut -- 25 cents -- a quarter-a-day for each man, woman and child in America. And here's the catch: you can keep that quarter -- in exchange for 100 billion dollars in new taxes. \\\ The Democrats call that "new revenue." I call it: your money. \\\

If you feel the way I do, you'll tell the Congress: Keep the change -- and keep your hands off the taxpayers' wallets. \\\

Count on it: the liberals are going to tax the Middle Class

for the same reason Willie Sutton robbed banks -- because that's where the money is. \\\

Well, let me put your minds at ease. In Mississippi, you don't take storm warnings lightly. Hurricanes and tornadoes are nothing to trifle with. Well, Congress better not mistake my veto warning. \\\ The storm flags are flying. \\\ If the liberals send me their scheme, I'll send it back faster than a Mississippi whirlwind. I'll veto it. \\\

Remember: I've set a deadline: March 20. I've said to Congress: pass our plan, \ get our economy moving, \ do something now for the American people. \\\

We'll fight as we must -- and we'll win. And we'll keep to our course of leadership in the world economy -- that's absolutely a must if we're to succeed economically at home. Trade with our neighbors -- trade with the world -- is important here in Mississippi. A couple of months ago, I visited Peavey Electronics in Meridian. They told me forty percent of their sales are exports. Across the state, 45,000 jobs now depend on exports. And remember, every billion dollars more in manufactured exports means 20,000 new jobs -- and each extra billion dollars in agricultural exports means thousands more jobs on Mississippi farms and in Mississippi agribusiness. \\\

But my opponents are peddling protectionism -- a retreat from economic reality. Cut through all the patriotic posturing - - all the tough talk about "fighting back" by shutting out foreign goods. Look closely. That's not the American flag

they're waving -- it's the white flag of surrender. \\ Well, that's not the America you and I know. \\

America doesn't cut and run -- we compete. Never in this nation's long history have we turned our backs on a challenge -- and we won't start now. \\

I put my faith in the American worker: level the playing field, and the American worker will out-think, out-produce and out-perform anyone, anywhere, anytime. \\ And you know what Dizzy Dean said: "It ain't bragging if you can back it up." \\ \\ \\

We're strong because we value faith, family, and freedom. We're the world's greatest power because whenever our values are threatened, we fight to defend them. We need to keep our defenses strong. In my State of the Union Message, I proposed far-reaching, but still responsible cuts to bring our armed forces into line with the new realities of the world. But the liberals, true to form, want to put down the scalpel and pick up a meat axe. We can't let that happen. | We will keep America strong -- you can count on it. \\ \\ \\

Let me just close with a few words from the heart. Barbara and I are blessed -- blessed to serve this great nation of ours at a moment when so many of the old fears have been driven away. When so many new hopes stand within our reach. And since the day I took the oath of office I made it my duty always to try to do what is right for this country. I've given it my level best -- and I'm not done yet. \\

You and I have more work ahead before we've finished our

mission. It's a battle for our future: it's about jobs,
family, peace -- the kind of legacy we'll leave our kids.

Together, we've made a great beginning to renew the miracle
of American enterprise -- and to strengthen our values of family,
faith and freedom. Now we're approaching an hour of decision --
- next week. Don't wait until November. \\ I'm asking you to
vote on Tuesday -- in the Republican primary. \\ Give me your
primary vote so I can run stronger than ever in November. Help
me win four more years to lead the fight for the values we share.

Thank you, and God bless the United States of America.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 3/5/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: EDMOND, OKLAHOMA RALLY
FRIDAY, MARCH 6 - 9:15 a.m.

SUBJECT: _____

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VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☒	HORNER	☐	☐
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REMARKS:

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The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

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March 4, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVE DEMAREST
FROM: DAN MC GROARTY *DMG*
SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMARKS FOR THE EDMOND, OKLAHOMA RALLY

I. SUMMARY

On Friday, March 6 at 9:15 a.m. you will deliver remarks to a rally audience of about 2500 students, faculty and Oklahoma GOP leaders at the Thelma Gaylord Forum on the campus of Oklahoma Christian University in Edmond.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks, patterned after the Georgia GOP and Savannah Rally "stump speeches" (approximately 12 minutes / teleprompter), focus on the economy, and challenge Congress to act by March 20th. They also highlight a series of reforms aimed at enhancing personal responsibility.

Re local color: the speech includes a quote from Oklahoma's own Will Rogers, page 3. Spring Sing (see page 1 reference) is an Oklahoma Christian talent show, held on the days before and after your visit. Enterprise Square (page 4 reference) is a hands-on, see-the-future exhibit located several hundred feet from the speech site.

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President Terry Johnson.] But most of all -- thanks to every one
of you who got up at all hours this morning to come to Edmond --
from Elk City to Enid and towns all across Oklahoma -- to show
your support. And a special welcome to all the students here
from Oklahoma Christian. [[Just one question: is it too late
to audition for "Spring Sing?"]]

I don't want to scare any of the seniors in today's audience
-- but the words you dread most are music to my ears: four more
years. //

We're here today because we agree on the big issues: On the
issues that shape the world -- and on the values close to home:
I'm talking about jobs, about family -- about peace: for
ourselves -- for our kids.

We believe that parents -- not the government -- should make
the decisions that matter in life. // Parents -- not government
-- should choose their children's schools. // Parents -- not
government -- should choose who cares for their children --
because parents know better than some bureaucrat in Washington,
D.C. // And yes, we believe there's a place for voluntary
prayer in our children's classrooms. //

To those who doubt what makes this nation great, we say:
America is first as long as we put the family first. //

If America holds fast to these truths -- we will never lose our bearings. And still, right now, there's no denying it: in too many ways, we're going down the wrong track.

We've got to reform America's health care system. Right now, the quality of American health care is the best in the world -- bar none. The problem is access: too many Americans, many with families, do not have health insurance coverage. And you know how even a short stay in the hospital can rip a hole right through a family's budget.

But socialized medicine isn't the answer. We've got to open up access: help all Americans -- rich and poor -- get health insurance they can count on. / If we wanted long lines and revolving-door health care, we'd put our doctors to work at the Department of Motor Vehicles. // Nationalized health care would be a national disaster. The last thing we want is the government playing doctor. //

We've got to reform our country's legal system. The home of the free has become the land of the lawsuit. // When you're as likely to serve your neighbor a subpoena as a cup of coffee -- something's wrong. We won't turn this mess around until we spend as much time helping one another as we do suing one another. //

And we've got to reform our welfare system -- make a connection between welfare and work. Americans aren't cold hearted -- they're a caring people: They'll support welfare for families in need. But Americans want to see government at every level work together to track down the dead-beat Dads -- the ones

who can't be bothered to pay child-support. // They want to see us break the cycle of dependency that destroys dignity -- passes down poverty from one generation to the next. That's wrong. That's cruel. And we're going to change it. //

But the number one issue today is the economy -- it's jobs. That's what keeps people up late at night -- worrying about how they're going to pay the bills, put food on the table, pay that college tuition and still manage to put away something for their own retirement.

That's why -- in my State of the Union Address -- I laid out my plan to spark economic recovery -- to create jobs. And because I know Congress tends to drag its feet -- I set a deadline to help them along the way: March 20 -- just 14 days from now.

I know, Will Rogers once said it was better to have termites in your house than the legislature in session. But this time, there's no way around it: Congress has got work to do.

The bad news is, the first week in March is National Procrastination Week -- true fact. [[That's not one of those Congressional proclamations. They were going to issue one -- ...they just never got around to it. //]]

But instead of passing my plan, the big spenders that control the Congress had other ideas. They pushed through one of their own. Here's what's in it for you: a tiny temporary tax cut -- 25 cents -- a quarter-a-day for each man, woman and child in America. And here's the catch: you can keep that quarter --

in exchange for 100 billion dollars in new taxes. // The Democrats call that "new revenue." I call it: your money. //

If you feel the way I do, you'll tell the Congress: Keep the change -- and keep your hands off the taxpayers' wallets. //

Count on it: the liberals are going to tax the Middle Class for the same reason Willie Sutton robbed banks -- because that's where the money is. //

Well, let me put your minds at ease. If the liberals' tax-and-spend plan reaches my desk -- I'll send it right back. They can count on a veto. //

That's the difference between my plan and theirs: They want to raise your taxes -- I want to put America back to work. //

But there's one critical part of our economic future I want to talk to you about today. You can see it right here at Enterprise Square -- Edmond's intellectual amusement park.

I've heard they even have one exhibit where you can see what it's like to work in a given occupation: all the way from pilot to police officer -- even President. I'd like to take one of those machines with me back to Washington -- program it to show the liberal crowd what it's like to live in something called The American Family. Sit the tax-and-spenders down, show them what it's like to pay the bills and live on a budget -- to scrimp to make ends meet. //

Fact is, each day, more and more American jobs are tied to trade. Even here in land-locked Oklahoma: a state surrounded on all sides -- by America. In the past four years, Oklahoma's

exports have jumped by 75 percent. Today, 72,000 Oklahoma jobs are tied to trade.

In our new world, that's the new economic reality: If we want to succeed economically at home -- we've got to lead economically abroad.

But my opponents aren't about to let fact intrude on fantasy. They're peddling protectionism -- a retreat from economic reality. Cut through all the patriotic posturing -- all the tough talk about "fighting back" by shutting out foreign goods. Look closely. That's not the American flag they're waving -- it's the white flag of surrender. // Well, that's not the America you and I know. //

America doesn't cut and run -- we compete. Never in this nation's long history have we turned our backs on a challenge -- and we won't start now. //

I put my faith in the American worker: level the playing field, and the American worker will out-think, out-produce and out-perform anyone, anywhere, anytime. //

I say: let the world know -- whatever the challenge, America is in it to win.

Think back a year ago -- to the calm after Desert Storm. Ask any one of the proud sons and daughters of Oklahoma -- ask the kids right here on this campus who became the liberators of Kuwait: they'll tell you military strength doesn't mean a thing without moral support right here at home.

Yes, we all know: There were those who didn't support us

then -- there are those who second guess us now. But not here -
- not in Oklahoma. When I drew that line in the sand -- you
stood with me. Never would this country tuck tail // and let
aggression stand. // America did what was right and good and
just -- and America prevailed. //

We're bringing that same spirit to the fight we face today.
Let my opponents sound the retreat -- run from the new realities,
seek refuge in a world of protectionism, high taxes and big
government. Let the talking heads drone on about what's wrong in
America: We know what's right. From next Tuesday through the
first Tuesday in November, I'm going to take my message all
across the country. So if you want to send a message to
Washington, send this President back for four more years. //

Let me close today with a few words from the heart. //
Barbara and I are blessed -- blessed to serve at a moment in
history when so many of the old fears have been driven away.
When so many new hopes stand within our reach. //

Since the day I took the oath of office, I've made it my
duty to work for what's right for America. I've done my level
best -- and I'm not done yet. / I say to people here in Edmond
and all across Oklahoma: together we've made a great beginning.
Give me four more years to finish the job. //

Thank you all for this warm Oklahoma welcome -- and may God
bless the United States of America.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

to POTUS
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March 6, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL K. SKINNER 
SUBJECT: Wallop-Breaux Fund

As you requested, please find attached a memorandum from Ede Holiday containing specific facts and figures regarding application of the Wallop-Breaux Fund to Alabama. Also attached are short talking points which you may wish to use on outdoors issues generally.

Finally, attached is a White House fact sheet on the Administration's proposals with respect to outdoor recreation and wildlife. It's contemplated that the fact sheet will be released in Alabama.

Hope this is helpful.

Attachments

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- Fully fund protection of important natural assets, such as the Everglades in Florida (\$7.5 million is provided to acquire an additional 8,800 acres), the Ace Basin wetlands in South Carolina (\$1 million is provided to acquire an additional 575 acres), Bogue Chitto Wildlife Refuge in Louisiana (\$500,000 is provided to acquire an additional 1,500 acres), the Appalachian Trail in Virginia (\$3 million is provided to acquire an additional 2,300 acres), and the Apalachicola/Tates Wetlands in Florida (\$2 million is provided to acquire 12,600 acres).
- Authorize a new "America the Beautiful Passport", which, for \$30, would allow Americans year-round access to all of the

outdoor recreation areas managed by the Interior and Agriculture Departments, with Passport revenues earmarked for improvement of these lands and waters and the expansion of recreational opportunities.

- Plant, maintain, and conduct timber stand improvements affecting one billion trees per year.

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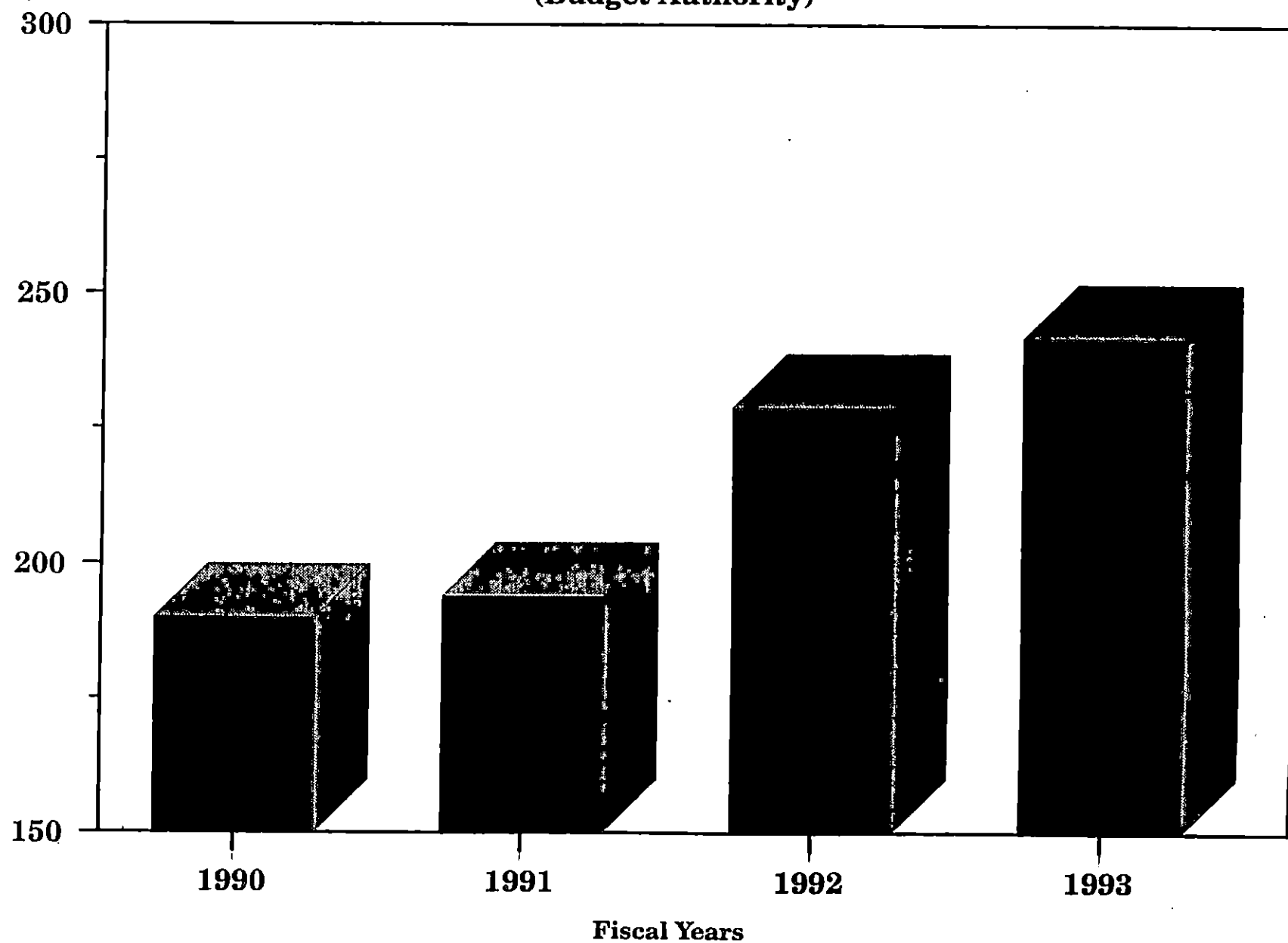
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 - A rating system which makes high-value wetlands a top priority in Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) acquisition;
 - \$15 million in discretionary funding again proposed to fully fund the North American Wetlands Conservation Act.
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- Since 1989, the Administration has nearly tripled its investment in protecting and restoring America's wetlands (from \$295 million in FY 1989 to \$812 million proposed for FY 1993), while at the same time working for regulatory reforms to enhance economic growth and protect private property rights.

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INVESTMENT BY THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION IN WALLOP/BREAUX SPORT FISH RESTORATION

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- Fully fund protection of important natural assets, such as the Everglades in Florida (\$7.5 million is provided to acquire an additional 8,800 acres), the Ace Basin wetlands in South Carolina (\$1 million is provided to acquire an additional 575 acres), Bogue Chitto Wildlife Refuge in Louisiana (\$500,000 is provided to acquire an additional 1,500 acres), the Appalachian Trail in Virginia (\$3 million is provided to acquire an additional 2,300 acres), and the Apalachicola/Tates Wetlands in Florida (\$2 million is provided to acquire 12,600 acres).
- Authorize a new "America the Beautiful Passport", which, for \$30, would allow Americans year-round access to all of the

outdoor recreation areas managed by the Interior and Agriculture Departments, with Passport revenues earmarked for improvement of these lands and waters and the expansion of recreational opportunities.

- Plant, maintain, and conduct timber stand improvements affecting one billion trees per year.

THE PRESIDENT HAS TAKEN STEPS TO PROTECT AND ENHANCE WETLANDS:

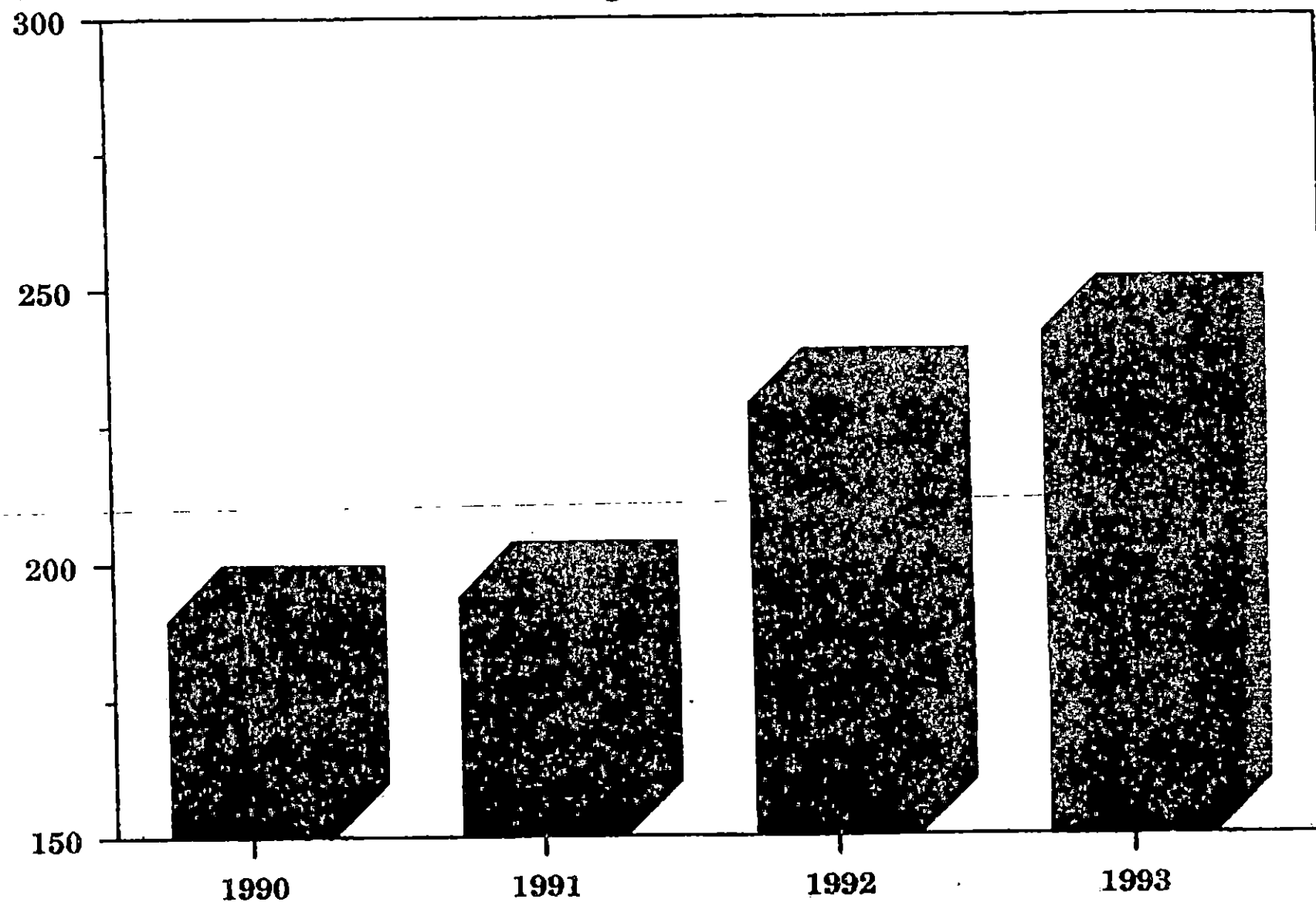
- The President's budget for fiscal year 1993 includes an increase of \$212 million (35 percent) over 1992 for a series of key wetlands protection measures, including:
 - Full funding for USDA's Wetlands Reserve program at 1 million acres through 1995;
 - A rating system which makes high-value wetlands a top priority in Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) acquisition;
 - \$15 million in discretionary funding again proposed to fully fund the North American Wetlands Conservation Act.
 - Increased Army Corps of Engineers staff to accelerate processing of Section 404 wetlands permits.
- Since 1989, the Administration has nearly tripled its investment in protecting and restoring America's wetlands (from \$295 million in FY 1989 to \$812 million proposed for FY 1993), while at the same time working for regulatory reforms to enhance economic growth and protect private property rights.

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INVESTMENT BY THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION IN WALLOP/BREAUX SPORT FISH RESTORATION

\$ MILLIONS

(Budget Authority)



Fiscal Years

From the desk of
George Bush

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

dad I have just returned from D>C> and could not help myself. I run the risk of being like Pfau, but here goes.

you know better than anyone that jobs determine the outcome of elections at your level. This is very true in 1992 except in a very unusual way. Those who don't have a job are not your voters although you have gone overboard in providing extended benefits. I worry about the thousands who have a job, but who worry about losing it and have no place to go.

These folks are your base. White collar workers. Many have neighbors laid off. Many hear of layoffs in industries similar to their own. Many are in defense. All really understand that the US economy must change to compete in the global community and are very worried that this change will leave them out. They tend to be older and once displaced by the new order can't imagine themselves in a new job.

This is why this current recession is unlike any before. The old days saw blue collar workers laid off, the world improve as normal cyclical took its course, and the men put back to work. The workers affected today, the ones sending messages are not blue collar but professional, white collar types.

It is true that the numbers should improve which will help your standing. But an uptick will not quiet the worries because the issue is different. The issue is how does the US go toe to toe with Japan and Europe. The people want to know if you know and what you intend to do. "Does the Prez see the world the way I do, does he see why I am worried, can he articulate the problem and what does he have in mind" they wonder.

You really have addressed this issue in scatter shot form, but you have laid out a solid foundation of excellent ideas:

education 2000

R&D as expressed in the State of the Union

perhaps money for job retraining of defense workers and others

increasing markets for US products as well as enhancing the trading area of our own hemisphere.

hopefully promote industries which our nation has a clear advantage: telecommunications, agriculture, biotech.

Most everything you have thought of, except it has not been presented to the people in a simple repetitive way. You should let them know you know the problem and tie in the many smart and good things you have done and proposed in

this context. This would be a worthwhile project, projecting the vision thing, during the period after which you dispose Pat and the conventions.

Consolidate the base

(After Pat is gone - ? After deadline)

Obviously we have work to do with the party. The protest is real (who really likes Pat). People really like you and want you to win, but are upset about the budget agreement, think the gov't is out of control and no one, you or Congress know what to do.

Besides kissing Pat's ass at the convention etc there are several options to consolidate the base.

I think the notion of indexing cap gains as well as the veto thing are really good. It says to the people that you are tired of trying to accomodate the Congress and you are tired of the status quo. A call for limited terms is a huge hit *as well*.

You could change some personnel. I know you hate to do this when all are calling for scalps, but Dad you have not been nor are you being well served by Brady and Darman.

Brady: appears out of touch with the problems of global competition as well as current political problems. He is Mr. Status quo exactly that which you cannot be. He does not control his own department otherwise why would most of the ideas in the Union speech relating to tax relief been turned to absolute mush by unnamed bureaucrats. He carries no message for you at all (his light bulb speech was laughed at), he inspires no confidence at all.

Darman: He is smart. He is also the status quo defending the past unwilling to fight the Congress and huge gov't that now exists. He is very interested in relations on the Hill and therefore is worried about deals with a hostile group. My friend and good guy, Hubbard, who runs the competitive counsel, tells me that many of the reasons why regulations grow the way they do (the federal register is huge) is because Darman and Grady do not want to buck the Hill. Boyden confirmed. The old watchdog of regulations OIRA? has been dismantled.

Perhaps an action item would be to expand regulatory oversight. With the addition of civilrts, disabled legislation, and the clean air act, you are going to need an army to defend the people from the regulators.

Finally I am told Darman is too smart to replace. There are plenty of smart folks who want to serve.

Insum it is OK to blast the Congress, but words will wear thin. Just like you acted in foreign policy arena you need to do so domestically in rather dramatic fashion which says enough of the way government is today is enough. Reagan used to run against the gov't, you need to as well, but *are the gov't* have to lay the groundwork to be credible *since at present you*
CAMPAIGN

It appearsto be functioning well . Malek and teeter fit nicely and communications appear to be good and improving between the two. Matalin's political shop is very good. Dave Carney is damn good.

Relations between the WH and campaign are very good at the top. Many staffers are adjusting to Teeter and the need for change of directions. A few rough spots at lower levels by people who forget the reason they are there. This will smooth out with time.

I am a little worried at the W. House. I was told by quite a few folks how absolutely thrilled they were that I had arrived as if my presence would either solve problems or calm things down. People are still uncomfortable with the newcomers . I told all that they must give the system and Sam a chance to work and all seemed satisfied that they were heard. Sam needs to calm down himself. He has a frantic style about him .

In short, the tactical aspectsof your campaign are good.

We need the "Reasons why you need me for 4 more years and How I see the World" worked out, simplified and told to the people.

Notes:

Had a very good visit wiht Veep and thanked him for all his great work

Listened to Sununu and have arranged for Malek and Teeter to take him to dinnner next Wed so he can have input into strategic planning

Talked to Teeley, Bartlett, and Gold-they seem their ususal worring selves but certainly on panic

do not bring up Brady or Darman to Jeb .He is on the rampage.He may be right.

Ranger is obese.

The White House was lonely without you and Mom

You are probably exhausted by this , but it is done out of love and respect.+

Background and Status of
Cable Legislation
3-3-92

*Phil
I still need
one page on
the issues here
What does
S 12 do?
why down
oppose
etc??*

- * Last year the Senate cable reregulation bill, S. 12, was reported out of the Senate Commerce Committee by a 16-3 vote. The Administration has a senior advisors veto threat on S. 12.
- * This year Senators Packwood, Dole, Stevens and Burns developed a Republican substitute to provide something to vote for and to show veto strength. The substitute is significantly different from S. 12; it has less regulation, does not include regulatory provisions on access to programming, and contains several good pro-competitive provisions.
- * From a policy perspective, some members of the Administration preferred a less regulatory approach than that contained in the substitute. Nonetheless, the Administration supported the substitute to generate a credible veto strategy.
- * The Packwood/Stevens substitute generated 35 votes in the Senate. After this vote, the Senate voted 73-18 to pass S. 12.
- * A markup on cable legislation is scheduled in the House Energy and Commerce Telecommunications Subcommittee in the next few weeks. We are trying to develop a Packwood/Stevens-type substitute that would parallel the Senate. Initial meetings with Republican members of the Subcommittee have not been encouraging relative to the Administration's policy position.
- * Most of the Republican Members of the Subcommittee would be willing to vote for a Packwood/Stevens-type substitute. However, after it failed on mostly a party line vote, they would vote for a more regulatory bill.
- * Currently, it appears that it will be difficult to sustain a veto on this issue.

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

FEBRUARY 26, 1992 92 FEB 28 P6:50

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: NICHOLAS E. CALIO *NEC*

SUBJECT: LETTERS FOR SENATORS PACKWOOD AND STEVENS

Enclosed are two letters for your signature to Senators Packwood and Stevens thanking them for their leadership in fighting the cable television bill.

Please return to the Office of Legislative Affairs for delivery to the Hill.

From the desk of
George Bush

(Phil)

*Please
give me again
the issues on
this Cable bill*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Bob:

Many thanks for your leadership in fighting the highly regulatory cable television bill. While we did not prevail, we demonstrated bipartisan veto strength.

Again, I am grateful for your leadership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

The Honorable Bob Packwood
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Ted:

Many thanks for your leadership in fighting the highly regulatory cable television bill. While we did not prevail, we demonstrated bipartisan veto strength.

Again, I am grateful for your leadership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'C. B. L.' with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Ted Stevens
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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March 2, 1992

GENERAL SCOWCROFT CONCURS.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

CONSTANCE HORNER

Director of Presidential Personnel

SUBJECT:

Presidential Delegation to Australia for the
Australian-American Friendship Week, May 5 -
May 10, 1992.

Each year since 1950, the President of the United States has named a "Special Representative" to attend the celebration in Australia commemorating the Australian-American Friendship Week. Secretary Cheney is already scheduled to attend the festivities and NSC recommends that he be named as your "Special Representative." Because Secretary Cheney's official duties preclude his participation for the entire period of the celebration, I would like to recommend Secretary Lamar Alexander be designated to stand in for Secretary Cheney as a follow-on for the concluding days of the ceremony. You may recall that he spent six months with his family in Australia after he left the governorship of Tennessee.

Secretary Richard Cheney as "Special Representative" and
Secretary Lamar Alexander as "Alternate Representative"

APPROVE

[Signature]

DISAPPROVE

great idea, Constance!!



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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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February 7, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Representative to Australian-American Friendship Week

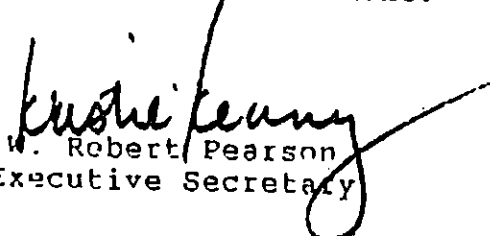
Each year since 1950, the President has named a Special Representative to the celebration in Australia of Australian-American Friendship Week (formerly called Coral Sea Week). Marking the anniversary of the 1942 Battle of the Coral Sea, this annual commemoration is an important symbol of the close ties between the United States and Australia. This year's commemoration -- to take place May 1-10 -- will be particularly important as it will mark the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea.

The President's Special Representative traditionally has been a distinguished American from the private or public sector. Although there is no formal invitation from Australia, the Australians have traditionally designated the envoy the guest of the Commonwealth of Australia, with accompanying red carpet treatment. Last year, Admiral Frank B. Kelso II, Chief of Naval Operations, was the Special Representative; the year before, Energy Secretary Watkins and Mr. Jerry Weintraub attended.

The Special Representative's spouse is included in the invitation, and most expenses are covered by the Australian-American Association and the Australian Government.

The Department's recommendations on possible candidates will be conveyed orally.

Once you have advised the Department of the President's choice(s), we will undertake to make the necessary arrangements. When a U.S. candidate has accepted, draft language will be forwarded for a White House announcement.


W. Robert Pearson
Executive SecretaryUNCLASSIFIED

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

February 18, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR CONSTANCE HORNER

Assistant to the President and
Director of Presidential Personnel

FROM:

WILLIAM F. SITTMANN

SUBJECT:

Special Representative to Australian - American
Friendship Week, May 1-10, 1992 in Australia

Each year since 1950, the President has named a Special Representative to the celebration in Australia of Australian - American Friendship Week (formerly called Coral Sea Week). The celebration marks the anniversary of the 1942 Battle of the Coral Sea. This year's 50th anniversary celebration will occur May 1-10.

Past Special Representatives included Admiral Kelso, Chief of Naval Operations and Energy Secretary Watkins. The Special Representative's spouse is included in the invitation. Most of the couple's expenses are covered by the Australian - American Association and the Australian government.

The NSC recommends that Secretary of Defense Cheney be named as the President's Special Representative to the 1992 Australian - American Friendship Week. Because Secretary Cheney's official duties preclude his participation for the entire period of the celebration, we recommend that CINCPAC Admiral Larson be designated to stand in for Secretary Cheney as a follow-on for the concluding few days of the ceremony.

Attachment:

Tab A Incoming Memo from State

Department of State Suggested Candidates
for Special Presidential Representative
to Australian-American Friendship Week, 1992

(to be conveyed orally to the White House by PA/WHL)

- Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney
- Secretary of Education Lamar Alexander (suggest Alexander as an alternate to Secretary Cheney should Cheney not be able to stay in Australia for the entire commemoration period)

Supporting points to be conveyed:

Defense Secretary Cheney would be an appropriate representative since this year marks the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea. The U.S. Ambassador to Australia, Melvin Sembler, has long promoted Cheney as the President's representative to this year's commemoration. He has talked with DOD officials as well as White House personnel, and the President himself. Cheney is not only interested in attending, but plans to be in Australia in order to participate in the commemorative activities.

We informally understand, however, that the SecDef might not be able to participate in all of the week-plus activities. For this reason, the Embassy has proposed (and we concur) that Education Secretary Lamar Alexander, who has previously lived in Australia, be considered for designation as the (alternate) representative who would participate in events during the period after Secretary Cheney departs Australia. A high-ranking designate would be desirable; we note that near the conclusion of the commemorative period (i.e., around May 9 and 10), Prime Minister Keating is expected to participate -- along with the U.S. representative -- in a wreath-laying ceremony at sea near Townsville, Australia.

From the desk of
George Bush

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PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

El periódico Gramma, órgano del comité central del partido comunista de Cuba, publica hoy un artículo bajo el título de "la política anticubana de George Bush: inmovilismo, doble moral y *astrología*".

George Bush estampó su firma al pie de un artículo aparecido la pasada semana en el Nuevo Herald de Miami, consagrado a divulgar su pensamiento sobre la revolución cubana que amerita algunas reflexiones, aun cuando en su mayor parte sea, por reiterativo, banal y transpire un propósito electorero tan obvio que más bien parece un anuncio pagado.

En favor del señor Bush debemos admitir de inmediato que siguiendo los pasos de su antecesor, él tampoco se ha dado por aludido en ningún momento por el pueril llamado a una nueva mentalidad política; en nombre de la cual los primeros en desmoralizarse, casi sin excepciones fueron los partidos comunistas gobernantes en Europa Oriental.

Tanto Reagan como Bush han sido consecuentes, los tiempos de cambios, la renovación, la nueva era, el nuevo orden mundial, lo que el propio Bush definió simbólicamente la revolución del 89, concierne de forma exclusiva a lo que Estados Unidos se han como sus adversarios históricos.

Mientras otros tienen que cambiar ya sea para desmerecerse, para desaparecer, como ocurrió con el Estado obrero alemán o estallar, como está ocurriendo en la multinacional Unión Soviética, los gobernantes yanquis alardean de un fundamentalismo movilista en el que no están a todas luces dispuestos a acompañarlos algunos de sus más cercanos aliados.

Sin embargo, para comprender esta inserción miamense en el tema cubano, hay que ponerse en el lugar del mandatario norteamericano y tomar en cuenta la competencia desleal que venía haciéndole en el estado de la Florida, su oponente en la trifulca por la nominación republicana.

Ni corto ni perezoso, Pat Buchanan, subió desde el primer momento a la parada. Si él resulta electo, sostuvo ante un alegado auditorio, el comunismo en Cuba tiene los días contados. Es decir el señor Buchanan ha prometido a la gusaperla, lanzar una invasión contra Cuba. Guaperla barata aparte, los estrategas de la campaña reeleccionista de Bush creyeron no debía perderse un minuto y le pusieron delante a su candidato un texto m insípido, como suelen ser estos productos impersonales de meras maquinarias burocráticas a que el jefe de la Casa Blanca debe haberle sumado los exabruptos donde se le reconocía y sobre todo, los delirios de su reciente vocación por la astrología.

Frente a la imagen de cruzado anti-comunista, con talaje a lo Torquemada de Buchanan, los artífices de los mensajes propagandísticos de Bush opta-

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ron por atenerse al fatalismo histórico.

Si todos los demás capitularon, lease los estados socialistas europeos, incluyendo la extinguida URSS, Cuba no puede ser la excepción.

En el artículo atribuido al presidente Bush se apela por eso a un mesianismo más pragmático y cauteloso: ofrecer en un segundo mandato lo que no se ha logrado en el que concluye, ni con el auxilio de un virtual segundo bloqueo que según Buchanan al acecho del desliz puede resultar el clásico tiro por la culata.

El error de Bush, por su parte, incurre en la misma práctica chauvinista, evasiva de los problemas domésticos, por la que tanto fustiga su adversario.

¿Es que la prolongada recesión y el creciente desempleo que hace estragos, sobre todo, entre la población hispana, se resolverán barriendo a la revolución cubana?

Con el texto publicado en Miami Bush intenta salirle al paso a la retórica inflamada de Buchanan y sugiere una alternativa más económica y viable a la luz de la experiencia europea.

No hace falta que Estados Unidos intervenga directamente para forzar los acontecimientos en el caso de la isla; basta con recrudecer el bloqueo y acentuar las presiones de todo tipo.

El argumento contra el tremendismo oportunista de Buchanan no es menos demagógico, evitar un baño de sangre. Márito que según el artículo de marra pertenece a Bush, quien a propósito de lo afanes de venganza que su competir alimenta entre la gusanera, asume una posición-habría que reconocerlo en honor a la, verdad-mucho más inteligente.

Tomando a préstamo el lenguaje de nuestros reformistas, aconsejados en este caso por su instinto de conservación, el señor Bush, nos desea un proceso pacífico, ordenado y sin derramamiento de sangre.

De tal manera, al electorado de origen cubano se le vende un Bush profético, pacifista.....iluminado, al mismo tiempo intransigente y benévolo, dispuesto a perdonarnos la vida y capaz de prometer ayuda para reconstruir el capitalismo en Cuba.

La misma ayuda que continúan esperando los ilusos, si queda alguno, en Rusia. No menciona siquiera una palabra de la profunda crisis económica que está padeciendo Estados Unidos, con un déficit presupuestal, anunciado para este año de 400 mil millones de dólares, ni que ese país necesita una enorme suma de moneda extranjera para evitar una catástrofe.

No falta, desde luego, la letanía más que dogmática, cínica, de elecciones libres, esta vez con el formato bravucón de un reto. Alguien pudiera pre-

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guntarse: ¿Porqué Estados Unidos, si sostiene el carácter de libre y planetario del sistema de gobierno que le reclama a Cuba, mantiene íntimas relaciones y establece alianzas estratégicas con Estados y gobiernos donde tal sistema, ni uno semejante es siquiera pensable?

El edicto imperial de elecciones a lo yanqui con supervisión internacional que Bush le exige a Cuba, no es ya, en la letra del panfleto acogido por el Herald, condición para un reconocimiento de relaciones normales y ~~civiliza-~~das entre ambos países, como no se cansa de repetir el secretario de estado Baqu si no un simple expediente o trámite, para desplazar del poder político en nuestro país a los comunistas y a los patriotas, porque en tales elecciones, los candidatos de la revolución, sería derrotados.

Bush se hace cargo así de un comprometedor papel de gurú, el más ridículo y menos creíble en la medida en que sus acciones y discursos van dejando ver que de la incertidumbre respecto a las posibilidades de alzarse con la nominación republicana, no obstante las obvias ventajas que le proporciona disponer de los resortes del poder ejecutivo, se ha pasado al temor y ya se perciben señales de pánico.

Cualquiera se da cuenta de los apuros en que se encuentra el gran mariscal del Golfo Pérsico. Allá el poderío militar de Occidente ensayó sus más modernas armas y dispuso a sus anchas y dispuso a sus anchas de un polígono en el que a pesar de una superioridad abrumadora en su favor, cometieron no poca chapucerías y en varios episodios ocasionaron sensibles bajas a sus propias tropas.

Si disipó la fanfarria y la ola chavinista cedió a la realidad de una economía enferma en repliegue, cada vez más incompetente para enfrentar el desafío de las potencias económicas rivales, en el umbral de un nuevo reparto del mundo.

Bush anuncia en el Herald, como suelen hacerlo los astrólogos, para sus crédulos lectores de la Florida, un auditorio que desea oír exactamente eso, sus vaticinios fatalistas sobre el inminente colapso de la revolución cubana. La profecía nace de un triunfalismo lógico. ¿Sería imposible pedir o esperar otra lectura de los acontecimientos mundiales de los últimos cinco años por parte de la élite gobernante norteamericana?

Toda su política respecto a Cuba obedece a esa predicción apocalíptica del oráculo Bush y de sus visionarios asesores. ¿Tendrían que dejar de ser para aproximarse a la comprensión de que mientras una experiencia histórica concreta de edificación socialista ha fracasado en un ámbito geopolítico específico

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ocasionando el más duro y profundo revés en toda la historia del movimiento revolucionario, en las postrimerías del siglo XX, la utopía capitalista del bienestar general ha fracasado como sistema social en el mundo, dada su responsabilidad histórica con el atraso, la pobreza, las desigualdades y en suma con el subdesarrollo y el hambre.

Si algo ha demostrado el capitalismo, con toda la opulencia de las sociedades altamente industrializadas es su incapacidad para dar respuesta a los problemas, necesidades de la humanidad.

Ya que el señor Bush encontró tiempo para hablar de Cuba, bien hubiera podido explicarle a los lectores floridados porqué los índices de salud en nuestro país son superiores a los de todos los países latinoamericanos, los mejores del tercer mundo y en uno fundamental, como la mortalidad infantil, superamos con creces a los de la ciudad de Washington, capital del imperio.

Más temprano que tarde la comunidad internacional tendrá que desafiar la hegemonía norteamericana y aun en el contexto del dominio militar y político unipolar, no tendrá otra alternativa que afrontar, al margen o en contra de las ambiciones geo-políticas y de primacía económica de Estados Unidos, los enigmas y peligros que plantean los convulsos y con frecuencia trágicos procesos de restauración capitalista, los conflictos étnicos, los antagonismos regionales entre países dotados con armas nucleares, el fanatismo y la xenofobia.

Bush puede creerse su profesías. Al pueblo de Cuba corresponde demostrar que se engaña y sobre todo, que cometería el mayor error de cálculo de su vida si pretendiera imponerle a nuestro pueblo sus designios imperiales.

Mientras está por verse si el pueblo norteamericano logrará que su opinión sea respetada. La prensa norteamericana publicó hace sólo una semana los resultados de la encuesta sobre los aspectos modulares del enfrentamiento histórico entre Cuba y Estados Unidos, realizada por una entidad de ese país, libre de sospechas y que obedece a intereses bi-partidistas, según la cual, la mayoría de los estadounidenses celebrarían un enfoque de las relaciones con Cuba, en el que ya haya espacio para los mitos ni para fantasmas.

En este sentido cabe suponer que a la hora de redactar el artículo Bush y sus colaboradores cedieron ante la disyuntiva de ignorar por completo esa reveladora encuesta o enviarles un mensaje a potenciales electores. Se decidieron por esto último y en dos momentos del texto, el mariscal del Golfo afirma categóricamente: no habrá relaciones normales con Cuba y no tenemos absolutamente ninguna intención de acordar ninguna relación normal. Porque de lo contrario,

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¿Para quien es ese mensaje? ¿Quien le ha pedido al señor Bush esa limosna? ¿para quienes es el reportaje? Tal petición no se la ocurre en Cuba ni a los grupos-
culos contrarrevolucionarios cuya defensa Bush asume casi con ternura.

Al recordar que durante el desplome de los gobiernos en Europa Oriental se levantaron voces urgiendo a sacar partido político de la situación de deterioro de esos países, el señor Bush identifica con esa misma calentura a Bucharest y replica con el inventario que testimonia su decisión de mantener la presión sobre Castro. Relaciona entonces con el desenfado que puede permitirse, sobre todo desde que Estados Unidos se quedó de pronto solitario, sin tener contra quien apuntar los cohetes estratégicos, sus fechorías anticubanas, desde las transmisiones radiales y la 'televisión invisible', hasta una serie de medidas para endurecer más el embargo, lease bloqueo, y para restringir la capacidad de Castro de obtener divisas. ¡Hurra! por ese proverbial ejemplo de la nueva mentalidad política y del novísimo orden mundial.

Pero el señor Bush sabe la diferencia entre la tolerancia que sus aliados le conceden para que se solace en su papel de verdugo y la creciente resistencia a perder las oportunidades legítimas de establecer relaciones económicas y comerciales con Cuba.

La astrología no da para tanto y la Casa Blanca no tiene más alternativa que matizar con todo cuidado su apleación a nuestros amigos y aliados democráticos a quienes apenas puede suplicarles que no reemplacen la pasada ayuda de la Unión Soviética a Cuba, ofreciéndole apoyo económico y acuerdos de comercio preferenciales.

Cuba no solicita ni espera de los amigos de Estados Unidos ayuda, apoyo económico ni acuerdos preferenciales. Cuba confía en que no pocos de ellos sean lo suficientemente independientes como para no prohibirles a sus nacionales que mantengan ni desarrollen relaciones económicas ni comerciales civilizadas, mutuamente ventajosas con un país del tercer mundo, donde gracias a la revolución a pesar del doble bloqueo a que está sometido, halla oportunidades serias y completas garantías para empresarios con talento y virilidad.

Con simulada humildad George Bush apunta, permitámonle también comentar sobre ciertos informes recientemente publicados respecto a que Estados Unidos está cooperando con el gobierno cubano sobre las actividades anticastristas y conuye al respecto solemnemente: estas historias, sencillamente no son ciertas.

¿Y que es lo cierto entonces? ¿que conclusiones deben extraerse de patente de corzo que esa afirmación entraña para los perdedores y desesperados

SIGUE

que en la Florida acudirían al banderín de enganche de una nueva oleada de terrorismo contra Cuba?

¿Como conciliar esta amenaza a una semana de la infiltración por Cárdenas del comando que pretendía sembrar la muerte y el pánico en nuestra población civil, con la reiterada disposición de las autoridades norteamericanas de concertar con Cuba entendimientos en materias tan sensibles para su seguridad nacional como es el caso de la normalización de los flujos migratorios.

Cuba no ha dependido ni dependerá nunca de la cooperación de las autoridades norteamericanas para defenderse del terrorismo, pero resulta indignante contrastar las fierezas con que asumen sus responsabilidad internacional ambos gobiernos.

Cuba unilateralmente sin pedir nada a cambio y empleando recursos ahora precarios con el combustible, lleva a cabo los más eficaces esfuerzos para combatir operaciones de narcotráfico que pretenden abrir un boquete para la introducción masiva en el mercado norteamericano de las más nocivas drogas, precisamente por la ciudad portuaria donde tiene el Herald sus asientos.

Una verdad asoma en el artículo firmado por Bush. Cuba enfrenta desafíos cruciales. Lo que el nervioso aspirante a la nominación republicana para un segundo mandato es incapaz de comprender es que no estamos en una encrucijada como los que se quedaron sin revolución, sin socialismo y algunos hasta sin patria en Europa Oriental.

Al sostener durante más de 30 años una política anticubana de la que forman parte acto de lesa humanidad como el imparable bloqueo económico, Estados Unidos ha contribuido exactamente a lo contrario de lo que pretendía. Cuba es el país más independiente del planeta. Bush puede ensayar retóricas contra la revolución cubana, ponerse la camisa de fuerza del inmovilismo, desafiando la opinión pública norteamericana, compartarse a su antojo con la doblez de que históricamente ha hecho gala todos los imperios o incluso escrutar nuestro futuro en las cartas astrológicas, pero el destino del pueblo cubano es un rehen de la nauseabunda campaña presidencial a lo yanqui.

Los centros del poder mundial, en la cumbre o en el ocaso son impotentes para ejercer una influencia determinante en los procesos internos de Cuba. Ese tino de impotencia, señor Bush, es incurable.....

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Laurie
Fristone done
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CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Hamilton, Bermuda

February 27, 1993

The Honorable Samuel K. Skinner
Chief of Staff to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Sam:

When last in Washington I met with the President by chance at a small luncheon on the day of the Alfalfa Dinner. The President inquired about his friend, the Premier of Bermuda, Sir John Swan. I advised him that Swan had recently requested a short meeting with the President during his next visit to Washington.

The President stated that he would like to give the Premier a dinner party and that I should coordinate with you and copy him as well.

The Premier has since advised me that he of course would adapt to the President's schedule for any such meeting or event.

Please let me know how you think this should be handled.

Sincerely,

Eh

L. Ebersole Gaines
Consul General

cc: ✓ President George Bush
c/o Patricia Presock
Deputy Assistant to the President

James A. Baker, III
Secretary of State

*Brent / Sam / I would like to have daily
John Swan to a medium sized upstairs
dinner - maybe 7.5-30
people -*

*Please
have it
set up*

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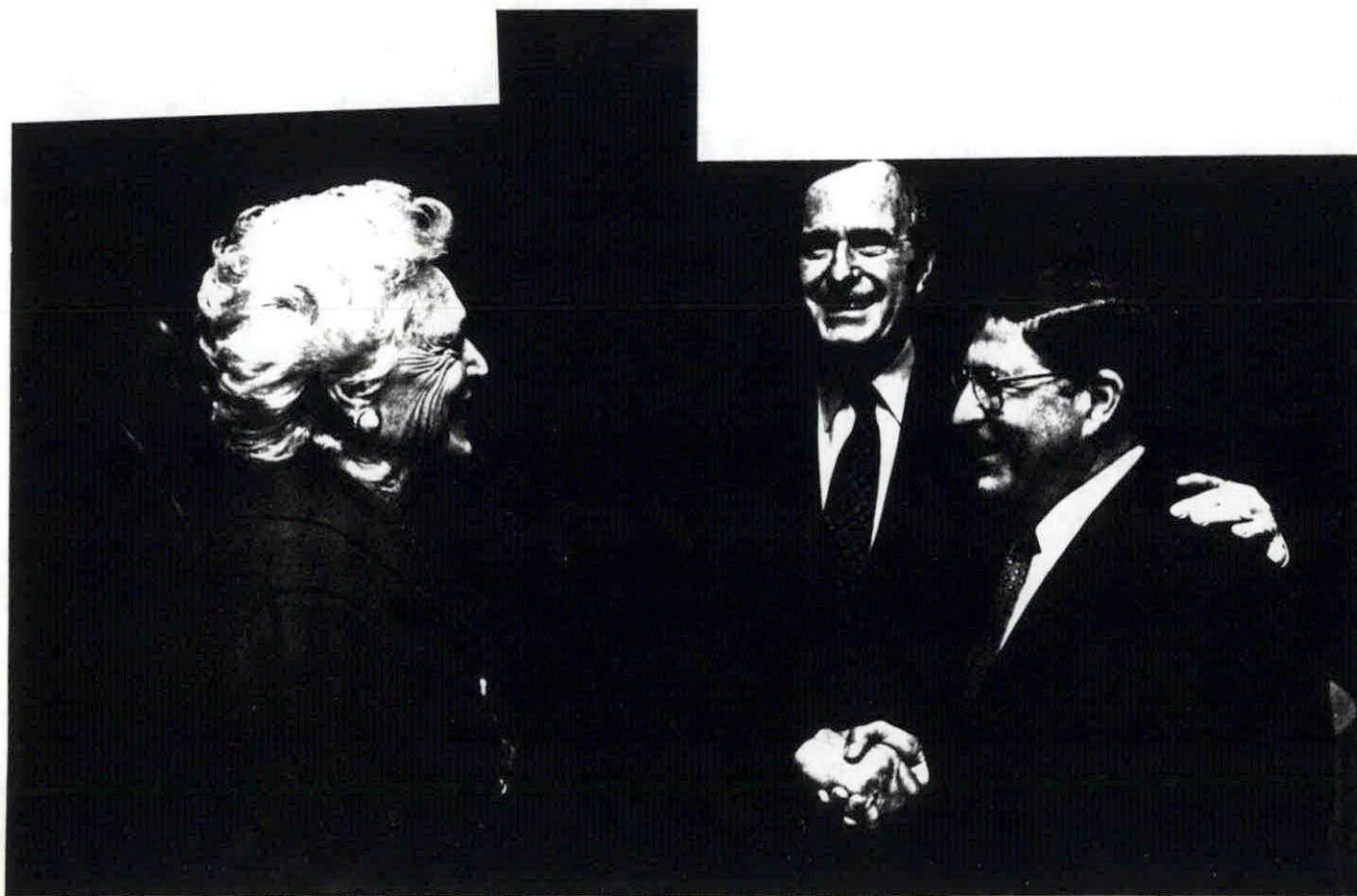
cc = JAB

The President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable John H. Sununu
2737 Linda Marie Drive
Oakton, Virginia 22124



Hey, John, Is that the private sector
relaxed look and smile??

All Best
Lyn Bush

RZ
man



ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE

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homesick for
Maine waters.

Yes, Fidelity is
20 years old, but
thanks to you
she's still sound
and seaworthy

Please thank
Keith, master of all
trades.



ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE

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3-6-92

Dear Wazoo

I loved that
TV tape on
Fidelity. You guys
sure are thorough.
Even the cat
seemed to know
what was going
on. I watched
the whole tape
and it made me

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Paul B. Lariviere
517 Pool Street
Biddeford, Maine 04005



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Sure, I remember
Steve Rummery,
give him my best

Give my very
best to Dave, too -
a fine boat man

Warm Regards,
Ag Bush

P.S. Dad Rhodes bought
a new truck (Ford)
in Texas. He's thrilled

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3-6-92

Aboard Air Force One

Dear Mr. Wilson

Love that T shirt.

Yes, I'm trying to stay
in shape. I'm running
about 3 times a week -
2 miles - slow $9\frac{3}{4}$ minutes /
mile.

Thanks for your
letters and words of
encouragement. Sincerely,

Ly B

Mr. Harry Wilson
Director
St. Anthony Hospital Foundation
1000 North Lee Street
P.O. Box 205
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101

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March 5, 1992

President George Bush
Sheraton Hotel
Oklahoma City

Dear President Bush:

It is great to have you in Oklahoma City and to provide you work out equipment. I hope you exercise at every opportunity. Winners exercise. Keep it up. It doesn't appear that Pat knows exercise.

SCORE (on the "T" shirt) means Specialized Center of Rejuvenation and Exercise. It is located at the Performance Center, of the Oklahoma Cardiovascular Institute at St. Anthony Hospital. St. Anthony was the first hospital in Oklahoma Territory in 1898 and continues today as a leader in Oklahoma Health Care.

We are happy to also make Mr. David Winham available should you wish a massage. His therapy is regarded as unique and very effective.

Good luck in your campaign. You will win by reminding the American people of your significant accomplishments and objectives for the future.

With highest regards,

Harry Wilson, Director
St. Anthony Hospital Foundation

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WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

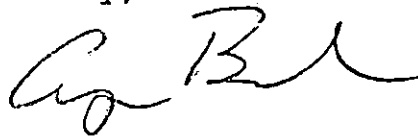
Dear Coretta:

Thank you for your kind letter. I was grateful for the opportunity to spend time with you again in Atlanta in January and deeply moved by the ceremony commemorating the King Holiday.

I am delighted to learn that the work of the King Center is proceeding, and my Administration stands ready to work with you. Sam Skinner has been making some changes in the White House staff, and this has not yet permitted us to appoint a permanent liaison with the King Center. In the meantime, I would encourage Dr. Quincy to contact Leigh Ann Metzger, one of our top liaison officials. She is an Atlanta native and would welcome the opportunity to work with your staff.

Barbara and I send our best wishes to you and the entire King family.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Coretta Scott King
Founding President and
Chief Executive Officer
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center
for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc.
449 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30312-1590



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February 26, 1992

President George Bush (Personal/Confidential)
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Attn: Patricia Persock

Dear President Bush:

Again please accept the sincere thanks and appreciation of The King Center family for your visit to Atlanta on Friday, January 17, 1992 for the Presidential Proclamation Ceremony. We continue to cherish your inspirational message of a vision of equality for all and your support for The King Center.

This letter is in response to your willingness to consider several initiatives to help The King Center prepare for its 1993 Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Since my last correspondence to you, we have held a Board of Directors Planning Retreat, and a series of meetings with numerous King Center friends and supporters in order to best prepare a comprehensive proposal to be forwarded to you. The proposal will focus on programs to support The King Center's mission to instruct a present and future generation in the philosophy and principles of Kingian nonviolence.

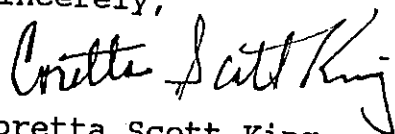
As I discussed enroute to The King Center from Dobbins Air Force Base on January 17, 1992, The King Center is now positioned to effectively contribute to implementing education, training and community services program objectives of several of the Federal agencies (i.e. HUD, Health and Human Services, Labor, Education, Justice, State Department/AID) through operating grant programs. We will submit our proposal to your office within the next thirty days.

President George Bush
February 26, 1992
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Mr. President, also as you recall, you indicated that you would appoint a White House liaison to work with our Executive Director, Dr. Ronald Quincy. We would like to begin regular dialogue with that person as we further develop our proposal.

My very best wishes to Barbara and other members of your family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Coretta Scott King". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Coretta Scott King
Founding President &
Chief Executive Officer

daily



Aboard Air Force One

March 6, 1992
(En route Jackson, Mississippi)

Dear Carolyn,

It was good seeing you at Memphis. We go back a long way. I hope you get to be delegate, and I wish you well in all your political activities.

Barbara joins me in sending our warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. H. W. Bush".

Ms. Carolyn H. Gates
7430 Mimosa Drive
Germantown, Tennessee 38138



To Carolyn Gates -

3-6-92

Thanks for your loyal support. Good luck to You
in your bright political future. Sincerely, *Cap Bush*

Carolyn H. Gates

District 4

Shelby County Board of Commissioners

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(901) 754-3956

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7430 Mimosa Drive

160 N. Main St. (Suite 619)

Germantown, TN 38138

Memphis, TN 38103

President Bush:

I am one of the
original 14 delegates
for Bush for President in 1980.

Thank you for all that
you have done for our
Country. I am once
again running as a Bush
delegate. And I hope to see you in Houston!

Paid for by Committee to re-elect Carolyn Gates, Margie Poe, chairperson

I plan to run for
Mayor of Shelby County
in 1994. I may
need your help
then!

Carolyn
Gates

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 6, 1992
(En route Baton Rouge, Louisiana)

Dear Ed,

Someone called to my attention that ugly story about Jim Baker in today's New York Post by Broderick, Burke, and Goldstein. I don't accept that Jim would say such a thing. He is working relentlessly to find a solution to a difficult problem -- one that will benefit Israel and the cause of peace in the Middle East. He would not have had any White House meeting on the subject of loan guarantees except in my presence; and, Ed, I never ever heard such ugliness out of Jim Baker.

As a matter of principle, I don't think it is fair to have a guy attacked like this by some nameless source. I don't know who allegedly would report to have heard such a statement, but I simply do not believe the allegation.

In your column, you also suggest that I "intimidate many American Jewish leaders by implying that their opposition to my policy on Israel was a demonstration of dual loyalty." There was a flap, and many Jewish leaders were upset with me, but it was not about dual loyalty. It was about the "lobbying" effort. Some were disturbed with my statement that led them to believe I thought lobbying was pejorative. I tried to make clear in the attached letter, for example, that I did not have that in mind.

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Ed, you know I respect you, and I hope you will accept the truth of these statements that come from the heart.

Warm Regards,

Ed

The Honorable Edward I. Koch
30th Floor
1290 6th Avenue
New York, New York 10104

*(P.S. In spite of this 'flap'
your #1 fan remains
BFB - she sends her best)*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1991

Dear Shoshana:

I have received your letter of September 13 and appreciate your kind words about my support for the State of Israel and for the successful absorption of Soviet Jewish and Ethiopian refugees. I also appreciate your noting that we share aspirations for a Middle East peace conference and direct negotiations between Israel and her Arab neighbors.

I am concerned that some of my comments at the Thursday press conference caused apprehension within the Jewish community. My references to lobbyists and powerful political forces were never meant to be pejorative in any sense. As a veteran of many years in the governmental and political arena, I have a great respect for the exercise of free expression in the democratic process. It is essential that all our citizens have the right to present and advocate their positions on issues. Politically organized groups and individuals are a legitimate and valued part of the decision-making process in a democracy.

We obviously disagree on the question of a 120-day delay in the submission of the loan guarantees. I believe, as you do, that we can have honest differences on issues. I also share your belief that we are committed to the same principles and that our areas of agreement far outweigh our areas of disagreement.

I continue to value your thoughtful input and perspective. You are always honest and forthright

CC:
Ed Koch

in your comments to me, and that is invaluable as we move forward in this delicate process for peace. The lines of communication will always be open between us.

Barbara joins me in sending you good wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a stylized "B".

Mrs. Shoshana S. Cardin
Chairman
Conference of Presidents of
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110 East 59th Street
New York, New York 10022

CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS
OF MAJOR AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

Shoshana S. Cardin
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Executive Director

September 13, 1991

The Honorable George Bush
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The White House
Washington, DC 20500

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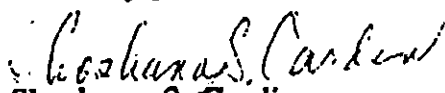
We recognize and appreciate your past and continuing support for the State of Israel and the successful absorption of Soviet Jewish and Ethiopian refugees. We also share your aspirations for the proposed Middle East peace conference and direct negotiations between Israel and her Arab neighbors.

Because of our commitment to the hundreds of thousands of Soviet Jews who have arrived in Israel and the countless others who have yet to emigrate, we support Israel's request for loan guarantees to enable these new immigrants to become productive and self-supporting citizens in their new homeland. For that reason more than 1200 Americans representing Jewish communities in 40 states and numerous Christian leaders, came to Washington to meet with their senators and congressmen. They came out of personal conviction to participate in a day of education and dialogue on a matter of great concern -- a matter which has often been misconstrued. They were exercising their right - even obligation - as American citizens, consistent with the democratic process, to advocate their position on this vital humanitarian issue. A position we believe to be consistent with the efforts for peace in the Middle East, with United States national interests, with the needs of our ally Israel and the absorption of Soviet and Ethiopian Jews.

Therefore, I found some of the comments at your press conference on Thursday to be disturbing and subject to misinterpretation. In particular, the references to "1,000 lobbyists on the Hill working the other side of the question" and to the "powerful political forces" trouble me and many others.

Reasonable people can have honest differences on issues. Clearly, we agree on far more than we disagree. We are committed to the same principles, even if we differ on timing or other specific aspects. These differences are best resolved through dialogue and close communication. I am confident that with good will and cooperation on all sides the two goals of achieving a comprehensive Middle East peace and enabling acknowledged pressing human needs to be adequately addressed, can and will be met.

Sincerely yours,


Shoshana S. Cardin
Chairman

CC:
Ed Koch

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Howard Air Force One

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Ag Bush

The Honorable Edward I. Koch
30th Floor
1290 6th Avenue
New York, New York 10104

3/9/92

Mr. President:

Do you want anyone to get a copy of the Ed Koch letter?

- Marlin
Jim Baker - *Yes*

YES _____

NO _____

*Let Marlin
Brent*

see it also

read a return to you!

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BAKER'S 4-LETTER SLAM AT U.S. JEWS

By MARIANNE GOLDSTEIN, CATHY BUREL and DON BRODERICK



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"When Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, 'F--- 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us.'"

Koch said last night: "His [Baker's] statement was made in the presence of the person who repeated it to me. I have no doubt that Baker made it."

He added that the remark was made "within the last two weeks" in the White House.

Koch described his source as well-placed and high-level.

The White House had no comment last night on Baker's remark.

A State Department press officer, who would not identify herself, said she would not respond "to any kind of question like that" — and hung up.

In the 1988 election, 64 percent of Jews voted for Democrat Michael Dukakis, while 33 percent voted for President Bush.

The report of Baker's remark comes just four days after Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) said Baker was in favor of cutting Israel's existing foreign aid to penalize the country for continued construction work on settlements in the occupied territories.

Baker, Leahy said, has

I AM angry with President Bush, Secretary of State James Baker, The New York Times, The Washington Post, Times columnist Anthony Lewis and former Ambassador Rita Hauser.

They all have contributed to the current divisive rhetoric about Israel and its loan-guarantee request, funds which are needed to assist in relocating the Soviet and Ethiopian Jews. Unless Israel defaults on the loan — and it has never defaulted in the past — it won't cost taxpayers a nickel.

Baker a longtime foe of Israel

U.S. support of Israel has changed dramatically under Bush and Baker. The latter showed his hostility toward Israel often when he was chief of staff under President Reagan, a friend of Israel — but Reagan always overrode him. Now that Baker has the dominant position in U.S. foreign policy, he is able to act on his hostilities.

In fact, when Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, "F--- 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us." Baker used every opportunity to denigrate Israel's right to allow Jews to live on the West Bank. According to Sen. Patrick Leahy, in addition to blocking the loan guarantee, Baker wants to cut Israel's existing foreign aid as a penalty for constructing settlements on the West Bank.

Bush succeeded in intimidating many American Jewish leaders by implying that their opposition to his policy on Israel was a demonstration of dual loyalty. What an outrage! His later apology did not undo the harm.

While Bush and Baker should be condemned, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is not without fault. Rabin has failed to adequately present Israel's case because he is so convinced of the rightness of his cause. It's understandable because he is responsible for protecting the lives of 4 million Israelis, and security has to be paramount in his mind. He believes — as I do — that Jews have the right to live on the West Bank, and that Israel needs the depth of the West Bank in order to have time to mobilize its army.

Bush and the press inspire my wrath, too

Anthony Lewis and Rita Hauser take every opportunity to attack Israel and extol the Palestinian cause. In Hauser's case, she embraces PLO leader Yasser Arafat and praises him for his moderation. Was she at all moved by Arafat's latest comments when he characterized the Jews as "Dogshit Filthy Dirt" — Trash is always trash... the rotten Jews with whom we will settle accounts in the future? If there ever is — and I

believe there will be — a Palestinian state, separate or aligned with Jordan, its first governmental act should be to honor Lewis and Hauser with the "Book of the West" award.

Is it wrong for American Jews to be critical of Israel? Of course not. Criticism is warranted, and I have criticized Israel. But there are Jews who carry the guilt of the world on their shoulders, which requires them to regularly exorcise Israel and blame themselves and Israel for the ills of the world.

Bush, Baker and the others mentioned have let loose a whirlwind. Their continuing assaults on Israel and their constant demands for concessions from Israel without counterconcessions from the Arab states fan the flames of blatant anti-Semitism.

Bush has the right to urge that conditions be placed on the loan guarantee. But supporters of Israel have the right to disagree while still maintaining their total loyalty to the United States. Congress also has the right to oppose the president and support Israel's request. It is unconscionable for the president to demand that Israel accept the premise that any part of the world should be "Judecrats." If that is the price for the guarantee, then Israel must decline and pursue another route.

Jews and supporters of Israel should not hesitate during the current political debate and election to let the candidates know that the security of Israel is a top priority for them. Other groups advance their priorities without fear of intimidation. Why not supporters of Israel?

BAKER'S BLEEP: Secretary of State hit the roof over criticism of his stance toward Israel.

Begin gets pacemaker as condition worsens

By URI DAN
Midwest Correspondent

TEL AVIV — Former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's condition worsened yesterday, and doctors gave him a pacemaker to regulate his heart, damaged by a heart attack two days earlier. The next 24 hours will be

the most crucial for the 79-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner, doctors at Ichilov Hospital said last night.

Begin collapsed early Tuesday at his home, where he was found unconscious by his daughter, Leah.

He was brought to the hospital and placed on a

respirator. Doctors said he had suffered a heart attack.

Begin slowly regained consciousness Wednesday, raising hopes that he was able to breathe on his own.

But the situation took a turn for the worse yesterday, and Begin was kept on a respirator while doctors fought to stabilize his

heart condition.

Yesterday afternoon, doctors decided to give Begin a pacemaker, which acts to regulate the electrical activity of the heart.

Begin has largely stayed out of the limelight since 1982, after six years as prime minister and a long and powerful political career.

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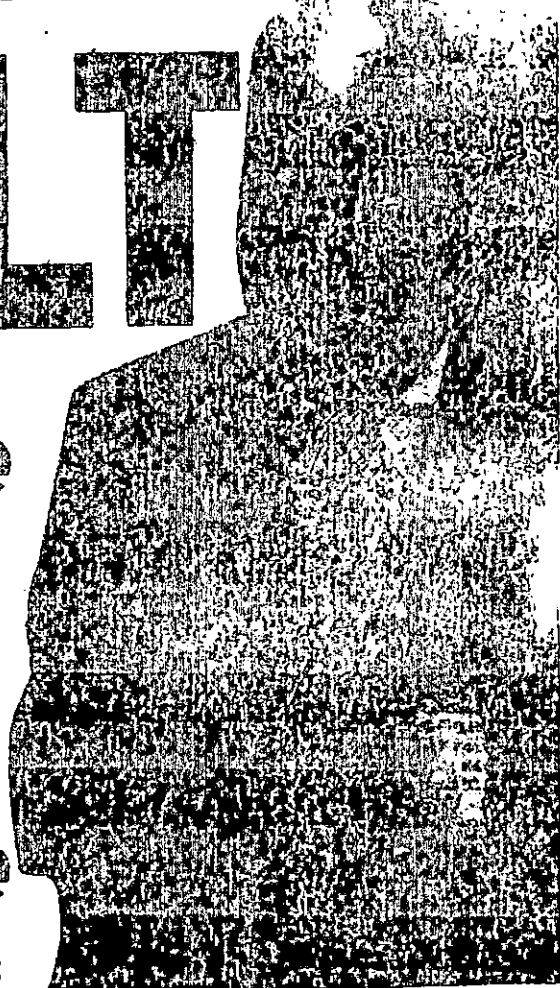
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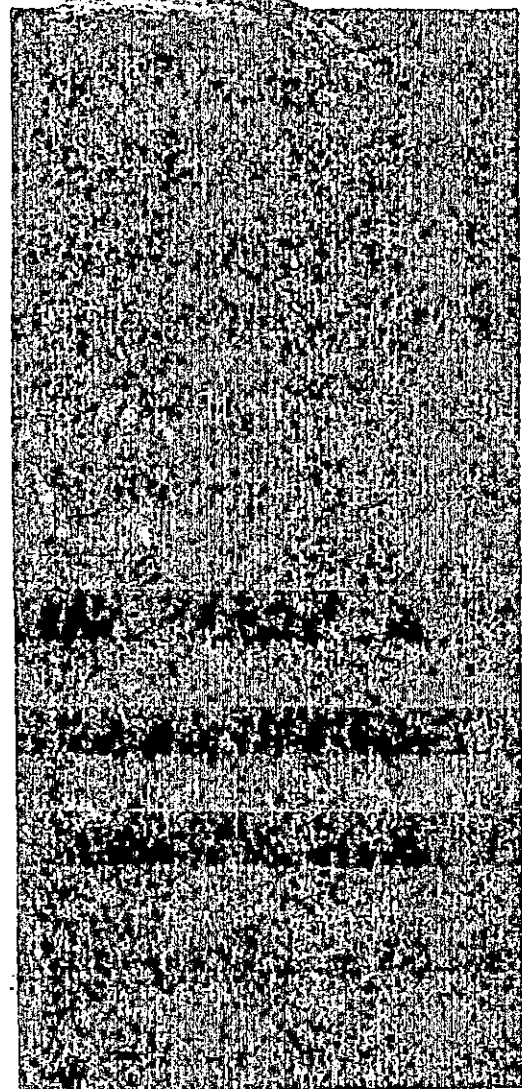
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The remark is reported today by former Mayor Eli Koch in his Post column, which says:

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Koch said last night: "The [Baker's] statement was made in the presence of the person who reported it to me. I have no doubt that Baker made it."

He added that the remark was made "within the last two weeks" in the White House.

Koch described his source as well-placed and high-level.

The White House had no comment last night on Baker's remark.

A State Department press officer, who would not identify himself, said she would not respond "to any kind of question like that"—and hung up.

In the 1988 election, 64 percent of Jews voted for Democrat Michael Dukakis, while 38 percent voted for President Bush.

The report of Baker's remark comes just four days after Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) said Baker was in favor of cutting Israel's exorbitant foreign aid to penalize the country for continued construction work on settlements in the occupied territories.

Baker, Leahy said, has



Ald angry President Bush, Secretary of State James Baker, The New York Times, Washington Post, Times columnist Anthony Lewis and former Ambassador Rita Hauser.

They all have contributed to the current divisive rhetoric about Israel and its loan-guarantee request, funds which are needed to assist in relocating the Soviet and Ethiopian Jews. Unless Israel defaults on the loan — and it has never defaulted in the past — it won't cost taxpayers a nickel.

U.S. support of Israel has changed dramatically under Bush and Baker. The latter showed his hostility toward Israel often when he was chief of staff under President Reagan, a friend of Israel — but Reagan always overrode him. Now that Baker has the dominant position in U.S. foreign policy, he is able to act on his hostilities.

In fact, when Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, "F— 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us." Baker's words were apparently to denigrate Israel's right to allow Jews to live on their land. According to Sen. Patrick Leahy, in October, blocking the loan guarantee, Baker wants to punish the Jewish people as a penalty for continuing to live on the West Bank.

Baker's attitude is intimidating many American Jewish leaders by implying that their opposition to a loan on Israel was a demonstration of dual loyalty. What an outrageous and unapologetic apology did not undo the harm.

Bush and Baker, in so condemning Israel, are a disgrace to the Jewish people. In the case of Israel's case because he is so convinced of the righteousness of his cause. It's understandable because he is responsible for protecting the lives of 6 million Israelis, and security has to be paramount in his mind. He believes — and so do — that Jews have the right to live on the West Bank, and that Israel needs the depth of the West Bank in order to have time to mobilize its army.

Anthony Lewis and Rita Hauser take every opportunity to attack Israel. Lewis, the Palestinian expert, and Hauser's case, she embraces PLO leader Yasser Arafat and praises him for his moderation. Was she at all moved by Arafat's latest comments when he characterized the Jews as "Dogs Filthy Dirt"? Trash is always trash... the rotten Jews with whom we will settle accounts in the future? If there ever is — and I

where there will be — a Palestinian state, separate or aligned with Jordan, its first governmental act should be to honor Lewis and Hauser with the "Thank of the Year" award.

Is it wrong for American Jews to be critical of Israel? Of course not. Criticism is warranted, and I have criticized Israel. But there are Jews who carry the guilt of the world on their shoulders, which requires them to regularly excoriate Israel and blame themselves and Israel for the ills of the world.

Bush, Baker and the others mentioned have let loose a whirlwind. Their continuing assaults on Israel and their constant demands for concessions from Israel without counterconcessions from the Arab states fan the flames of blatant anti-Semitism.

Bush has the right to urge that conditions be placed on the loan guarantee. But supporters of Israel have right to disagree while still maintaining their total loyalty to the United States. Congress also has the right to oppose the president and support Israel's request. It is unreasonable for the president to demand that Israel accept the premise that any part of the aid should be "Jew-baiting." If that is the price for guarantee, then Israel must decline and pursue other means.

Jews and supporters of Israel should not be distracted by the current political debate and election to let the conditions pass that the security of Israel is a top priority for them. Other groups advance their priorities without fear of intimidation. Why not supporters of Israel?

BAKER'S SLAM: Secretary of State hit the roof over criticism of his stance toward Israel.

Begin gets pacemaker as condition

By URI DAN
Midwest Correspondent

TEL AVIV — Former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's condition worsened yesterday, and doctors gave him a pacemaker to regulate his heart, damaged by a heart attack two days earlier. The next 24 hours will be

the most crucial for the 70-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner, doctors at Ichilov Hospital said last night.

Begin collapsed early Tuesday at his home, where he was found unconscious by his daughter, Leah.

He was brought to the hospital and placed on a

breath mask and given oxygen.

Begin, who was conscious Wednesday, is now unable to breathe on his own.

But the situation took a turn for the worse yesterday, and Begin was kept on a respirator while doctors fought to stabilize him.

Doctors decided to give Begin a pacemaker, which is used to regulate the electrical activity of the heart.

Begin has largely stayed out of the limelight since 1982, after six years as prime minister and a long and powerful political career.

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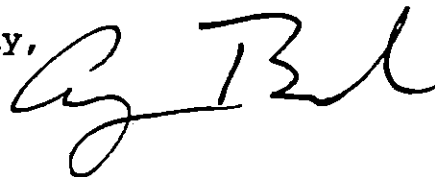
Dear Ed:

I read with interest your latest letter. You know that I respect your views, but this is one area where I strongly disagree because I also know the heart of Jim Baker. No one has worked harder for peace between Israel and its neighbors -- a peace that holds so much promise for Israel -- than Jim Baker.

I assure you that the security of Israel is a priority of the United States today, just as it has always been; and it will remain a priority as long as I am President. One can disagree with a particular policy of Israel's without casting doubt upon one's basic commitment to its welfare. Moreover, and as you know, it is long-standing U.S. policy -- under Democratic and Republican administrations alike -- that settlements in the occupied territories are counterproductive to peace. We are not following a new policy, nor will we. I want to find a way to help Israel with its humanitarian needs, but peace, too, is a humanitarian objective. I am hopeful this can be worked out, but even if not, I am confident that once we get past all the rhetoric, you will see that the bonds of friendship between Israel and the United States remain constant and strong.

Best wishes, in which Barbara joins.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Edward I. Koch
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P.S. I really appreciated the "spirit" of your first letter. P.S.S. Don't think I'm trying to become a penpal. Gtz

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March 13, 1992

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

I want to thank you for taking the time to send me your extraordinarily gracious note. I think you know that I have great affection for both you and Barbara, and I have on many occasions praised your leadership. What you did in marshalling the forces of the free world against Saddam Hussein -- against all the odds -- was remarkable. Most of the members of my party opposed you, but I condemned them and supported you.

You say that your comment concerning the lobbying of supporters of Israel was not intended to convey a charge of dual loyalty. I accept your statement while recognizing that it was subject to such a pejorative interpretation. That matter is now behind us.

Regarding Secretary of State Jim Baker and his alleged remarks, which I reported in my column, you must know that if I did not have total confidence in my source, who was present when the remarks were made, I would not have reported it as such. Believe me, the source is impeccable and is one that even you would find totally credible.

I have gone out of my way to say I do not perceive Secretary Baker's remarks as anti-Semitic, but rather as crude, political comments, writing off Jewish voters, which I am sure is not what you would want. Two newspapers corroborated my references that Jim Baker made such statements. The New York Post, a

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conservative, overwhelmingly Republican-directed paper which supports your candidacy, ran an editorial showing that they were independently aware of Secretary Baker's comments. In **The Forward**, a moderate Jewish-oriented paper, probably supportive of your election, there is further confirmation of Secretary Baker's views, similarly expressed on another occasion. Those articles are enclosed.

Now that I am no longer a party official but rather, in addition to other things, a journalist, I do not perceive my party affiliation to be my primary political loyalty. It is hard for Democratic officials to understand that I might very well vote for you in November, but despite my Democratic inclination, my mind is open. However, I'm sure you understand that every ethnic and religious community has its priorities. One of my priorities is the security of the State of Israel. I believe the special relationship between the U. S. and Israel, which began with Harry Truman and continued through Ronald Reagan, has been considerably weakened. I hope I'm wrong.

Please do give my very best to Barbara. I hope that you and she are in the best of health and that our friendship endures.

All the best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'E. Koch', written over the printed name.

Edward I. Koch

enclosures

Baker and 'The Jews'

We don't have to wonder whether Secretary of State Baker really did say, about American Jews, "F--- 'em. They didn't vote for us anyway." We are in a position to know the genesis of the Ed Koch column in which Baker's comment was first reported. We also know that the secretary's remark was reported immediately after he made it to more than one journalist. In short, the quotation can be taken at face value.

In any event, no one seems much to question anything other than why Baker would have been foolish enough to express such sentiments in front of several high administration officials. That the secretary of state's words reflect his attitude toward Israel — and toward American Jews who support Israel — hasn't particularly been challenged. In Israel itself, where Baker's policies and pronouncements are followed with special attention, there is little doubt that the remark in question jibes with Baker's entire manner vis-à-vis the Jewish state.

Obviously, a comment of this sort bespeaks something more profound than a policy dispute between Washington and Jerusalem. After all, it's possible to oppose Israeli settlements on the West Bank or American loan guarantees (or the Shamir government's entire foreign policy, for that matter) without betraying a fundamental cynicism about Israel and its supporters.

Unfortunately, this is not a new departure for Baker. Last week, the Israeli newspaper Maariv quoted an even more hostile utterance made by the secretary of state some two years ago. And, as far back as 1976, when Baker was under secretary of commerce in the Ford administration, he gave a speech which seemed to take

issue with U.S. laws forbidding American businesses from complying with the Arab boycott of Israel.

None of this is to suggest that Baker is genuinely anti-Semitic. That's a charge that shouldn't be hurled lightly; and one or two unhappy comments — however unseemly — simply don't suffice to prove the case.

Indeed, it can be argued that the administration's attitude toward Israel itself — not to speak of its disposition toward "the Jews" — is a more nuanced matter than some realize. The column by Lally Weymouth that appears on the adjacent page indicates the degree to which the U.S. and Israel see eye to eye on issues of substance relating to the ongoing Arab-Israeli peace negotiations. Last week, moreover, the State Department pointedly criticized the Palestinian delegates for their failure to negotiate in a meaningful fashion.

In our view, this administration is less well disposed toward Israel than almost all of its predecessors — it has no sense of kinship or solidarity with the Jewish state. It does not see Israel's survival and security as a matter of moral urgency.

That's not a happy circumstance for friends of Israel. And, in view of Israel's status as a U.S. ally of long standing — and as a lonely democracy in a sea of authoritarian regimes — it's not particularly logical, either.

Obviously, we'd hoped the Bush administration would continue to nurture the friendship between Israel and the United States that obtained during Ronald Reagan's presidency. Still, Israel's friends would be well advised to make sure they're comfortable with a Democratic alternative before turning on George Bush's candidacy.

Furor Over Baker Stuns Bush Camp

By DAVID TWERSKY
FORWARD STAFF

WASHINGTON — The report that Secretary of State Baker employed an obscenity to dismiss American Jewish claims on the attention and policies of the Bush administration highlights a fight within the White House over the direction of Mr. Bush's reelection campaign, but whether it has a major impact on Mr. Bush's reelection chances hinges on how California Jews respond.

"F— them. They didn't vote for us," is what the secretary of state said, according to the report, which appeared last Friday in a New York Post column by the city's former mayor, Edward Koch. The report was denied by Mr. Baker and by his spokeswoman, Margaret Tutwiler. But Mr. Koch told the Forward that he stood by his account.

White House officials and GOP activists here tended to discount the specific report, which indicated the comment had come at a meeting within the past three weeks. "Baker chooses his words very carefully," one senior White House official said. But the Forward has learned that on at least one other occasion in the past year, Mr. Baker replied, "F— the Jews" when an interlocutor maintained that, if nothing else, domestic political considerations argued for a less-hostile-to-Israel policy. This account has been corroborated by several people who heard the story from Mr. Baker's interlocutor.

Pro-Arab Tilt

Mr. Baker's comments "should come as no surprise to the community," a GOP analyst here said, "since that's what he's been doing from day one."

After a year of rising tensions and acerbic comments, the latest squabble will increase the likelihood of defections from the Bush candidacy by American Jews. White House officials denied the reelection effort was

turning its back on Jewish support, pointing to the many invitations for Vice President Quayle and Secretary Kemp of Housing and Urban Development to appear before Jewish groups. Some of these invitations are passed on by the Bush reelection campaign. Mr. Quayle, for example, is scheduled to address next month the annual policy conference of the America Israel Public Affairs Committee.

Despite two years of achievement by the Bush administration — the

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rescue of Ethiopian Jewry, the pounding of Iraq, and the beginning of direct peace talks between Israel and its Arab neighbors — there is a lengthening list of complaints. These include a pro-Arab tilt, which manifested itself when Israel was asked to refrain from retaliating for Iraqi Scud attacks during the Gulf war. They also include the passion with which the administration has pursued its opposition to Jewish settlements in the administered territories. Most significant has been the nearly year-long fight over the loan guarantees, which appeared no closer to resolution this week. Mr. Bush's demand for a delay in consideration of the Israeli request on Sept. 12 and his offhand remark about "a thousand lobbyists on the Hill" have left resentment in the Jewish community.

Singling Out Israel

In a meeting March 6 with Shoshana Cardin and Malcolm Hoenlein, chairman and executive director respectively of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Mr. Baker denied the report of his gutter language. In a letter to the Anti-Defamation League, the secretary said he had been "deeply offended by the false and malicious press story."

"Assistant Secretary Tutwiler emphasized my outrage at the kind of journalism in her briefing today. Nothing could be further from the truth than the story, and nothing could be further from my beliefs or values," Mr. Baker wrote.

The report sparked critical reactions from pro-Israel Democrats. Representative Larry Smith, a Florida Democrat, issued a terse statement saying, "If these allegations are true, Mr. Baker is unfit to serve and should either immediately tender his resignation or President Bush should ask him for it." Representative Charles Schumer, a Democrat of New York, said the report, when "combined with his previous statements and views on Israel, make it all too clear that he has lost all ability to be an evenhanded negotiator with regard to the Middle East peace process."

In testimony before Congress a few days before the flareup, Mr. Baker angered pro-Israel lawmakers and groups with testimony that singled out Israel for critical attention. In a March 5 statement, the Conference of Presidents accused Mr. Baker of misstating "the history of U.S. loan guarantees to foreign lands." Mr. Baker told a congressional

panel Tuesday that "the United States conditions its economic and military assistance to countries when we give them that assistance." Mrs. Cardin responded that "only in the case of Israel has the administration insisted on demanding a political requirement as price of its approval" for such aid.

A Costly Political Mistake?

Mr. Bush received around 30% of the Jewish vote in 1988, but a sizable amount of his financial contributions stemmed from people with identifiably Jewish names. According to one GOP strategist here, at least 25% of 1988 Team 100 contributors were Jewish. Such contributors donate a minimum of \$100,000 to the national party.

The Democrats received more than 50% of their major contributions from Jews, according to one expert, Steven M. Cohen. "If money matters, Jews count a hell of a lot, and Israel-oriented Jews give a disproportional amount to presidential candidates." Professor Cohen said a shift in giving could occur in any of these three ways: Republican Jewish donors could sit out, Democratic Jewish donors could give more enthusiastically, or erstwhile GOP contributors could move over to the Democrats.

Morris Amitay, a lobbyist and pro-Israel activist and a former director of the America Israel Public Affairs Committee, said that if Mr. Baker is writing off the Jewish vote, he may be making a costly political mistake. Using figures developed elsewhere, Mr. Amitay has written that in the event of "a close contest," Mr. Bush's share of the Jewish vote may decline to only 10% to 20%.

Mr. Amitay argues that if Mr. Bush's share declines to 10% of the total, it could hurt his reelection bid. The difference between Mr. Bush getting 30% of the Jewish vote and 10% would represent a shift of about 8.5% of the total vote in New York; 2% in New Jersey, and 1.5% in both Florida and Maryland. But the most significant number cited in Mr. Amitay's figures concerns California. According to the pro-Israel lobbyist, a 20% Jewish shift in California with its bloc of 54 electoral votes would translate to 1% of the overall California vote. California is a must-win for the Democrats. In 1988, Mr. Bush carried the Golden State by 300,000 votes, or around 3% of the vote.

"It's very close in California," Rabbi Marvin Hier, Simon Wiesenthal Center dean, told the Forward. "Losing even 10 points could cost the president the election."

FROM
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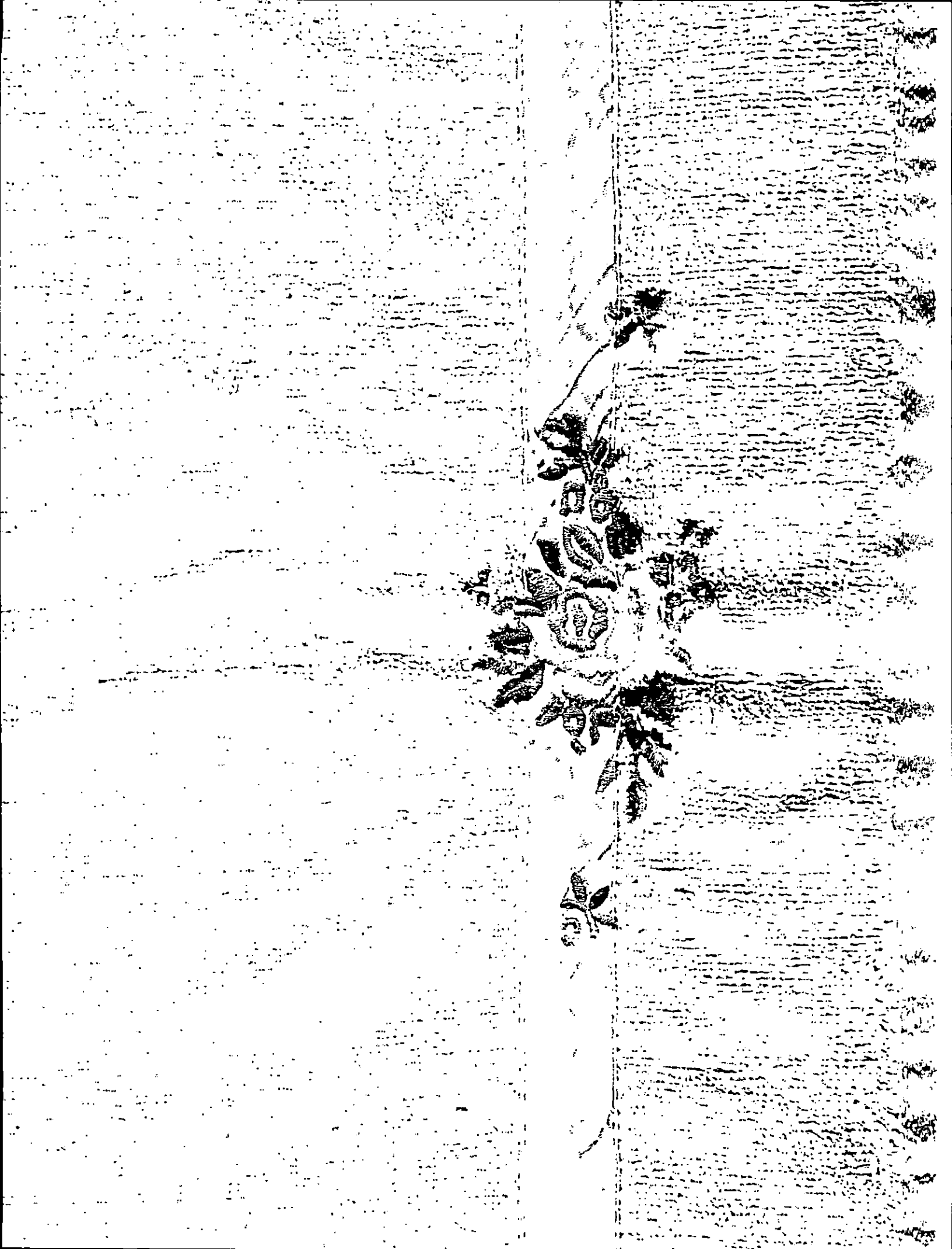
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Made me feel
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Love -

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PEOPLE

Kitty Dukakis

Sobering Thoughts On Being First Lady

In her recent best-selling book, "Now You Know," and in interviews since the 1988 presidential race, Kitty Dukakis has hinted that life would have been rough for her if her husband, Michael Dukakis, had defeated George Bush.

Now, she has made it clear she is grateful that Dukakis, a Democrat, lost, and that she didn't want the pressures of being first lady. "I would not have been able to get sober had Michael been elected," she said in a speech this week to health professionals and former addicts in West Palm Beach, Fla. "I could not have faced being in that spotlight."

Dukakis, 55, disclosed several years ago that she was addicted to diet pills and alcohol, and suffers from manic depression. She wrote about these problems in her book. In her speech, she called her life "sort of an open book" on her addictions and said she and her husband are crusading for universal health care, including substance-abuse coverage.

She also told of her current work with recovering addicts at Wayside House, a drug rehabilitation center in Delray Beach, Fla. A University of Massachusetts student, Dukakis is working toward certification as a chemical dependency counselor, and her studies include 10 weeks at Wayside House. "I see women come in with only the clothes on their back, and I see miracles happen there," The Associated Press quoted her as saying.

Michael Dukakis, who teaches at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, also spoke at the gathering, saying it would "take either this guy or some other guy in the White House" to make health care a priority.



Dukakis

WILLIAM MURCHISON

Gentle persuader for family renewal

While the presidential candidates scamper about, barking and growling at one another and chasing their tails, an occasion of larger consequence than a mere primary takes place. I refer to the 15th anniversary of Dr. James Dobson's Focus on the Family organization.

I kid you not, as Jack Paar used to say. About one-tenth of the world's problems can be called purely political. The rest are problems of the heart and soul and mind, though you wouldn't deduce this from the hoopla over our political "saviors" — their diets, their war records, their sex lives.

The ordinary 20th century politician is bent chiefly on the renewal of his tenure in office, and of the perks dependent on that tenure. If he lacks the tenure, he lusts for it. Dr. James Dobson, the physician who heads America's most visible pro-family organization, has a larger agenda, centered on the recovery and reinvigoration of the family. The agenda is pursued in books, magazines, tapes, film series and radio broadcasts (1,600 U.S. stations — and more recently 2,500 in the former Soviet Union). A Washington affiliate addresses political and economic questions affecting families.

The range of Focus on the Family's concerns is evident from the titles of the books it distributes, some written by Dr. Dobson, others not: "Twelve Things I Want My Kids to Remember," "Turning Hearts Toward Home," "Preparing for Adolescence," "Why America Doesn't Work," "Parenting Isn't for Cowards," "Children at Risk." The conjunctive theme is, these are tough times for kids and parents, but if we remember who we are (children of God), and where we came from (God's mind) and what we owe one another (love and respect), all will be well.

No Focus material I have ever come across is remotely strident; the tone, rather, is firm but gentle — like Dr. Dobson himself, a genial, folksy physician. The good doctor — this barren conventionality has point in the present case — articulates the Judeo-Christian view of human responsibility more convincingly than the trendy clergypersons who inhabit so many modern pulpits.

Focus on the Family, which Dr. Dobson founded in 1977, is no send-

me-your-bucks-and-God-will-heal-you ministry. Dr. Dobson never wrenches his eyeballs heavenward, never wheedles while an 800 number flashes on the screen. He doesn't even draw a salary from the Colorado-based ministry — this, to obviate the kind of questions that now beset Bob Tilton.

With 20/20 vision, Focus on the Family views the family's role in society as rock-bottom basic. The family, not the government, gives and nurtures life — and transmits unchangeable genetic traits. The family is the chief educational institution — the more so with government schools failing increasingly to achieve any objectives higher than the preservation of classroom order.

The family sets standards of right and rectitude ("Members of our family don't do that kind of

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thing.") The family teaches appreciation of religion and its claims on husbands, wives and children. Where the family is well, society is well; where and when the family suffers — like here and now — the whole of society suffers.

Mighty right somebody should focus on families! The government isn't going to, never mind the soapy pieties of the campaign trail. Government's main achievements, vis-à-vis the family, are taxing it to death, corrupting the public schools, weakening family bonds through welfare dependency, encouraging divorce, and driving public religious expression back into the catacombs.

Focus on the Family, through its legislative arm, argues for laws that ease the social and economic predicaments of families. The rest of the rebuilding job is up to families and their members — for whom there is now an impressive support base, rarely noticed by the Great Glass Eye that flickers in the corner, showing us modern life.

Dr. James Dobson is the support base's best-known and, for my money, most effective leader. Fifteen years into the family-rescue calling, he looks more influential and respected than ever: ample cause to suspect that modern life may be less bleak than the Great Glass Eye shows it to us.

12:15 P.M. CST/1:15 P.M. EST NEWS UPDATE

TRIP (Oklahoma City/Rita Beamish, AP) -- President Bush called on Americans to "reject the ugly politics of hate" as he campaigned at a cheering, pom-pom waving student rally in this Super Tuesday primary state. Bush, who thus far has avoided a direct clash with Pat Buchanan over civil rights, blended a warning against bigotry with a call for voluntary prayer in school in remarks at Oklahoma Christian University.

Bush was cutting short what was to have been a campaign trip lasting through Monday and returning to Washington Saturday night. Some advisers have been saying his packed schedule looked like an unpresidential, panicky dash through Tuesday's primary states.

(Oklahoma City/Steve Heilbrunner, UPI) -- President Bush, ignoring more sour economic news, preached hope, optimism and family values to enthusiastic evangelical college students. In a thinly veiled attack on Pat Buchanan, Bush also appealed to the crowd at Oklahoma Christian University, "to reject the ugly politics of hate that's rearing its head again. Bigotry and anti-Semitism." The President never mentioned the name of his pugnacious foe. Nor did Bush mention the Labor Department's report that the nation's jobless rate rose to 7.3% in February.

Unlike some other recent crowds Bush has addressed, the one at Oklahoma Christian University responded enthusiastically, and with repeated chants of "Four more years."

VOTER CONCERNS/POLLS (Houston/Reuter) -- Political handicappers and polls indicate that President Bush and Gov. Clinton are favored to win their respective primaries in Texas, Super Tuesday's biggest prize. A recent poll conducted for the Houston Chronicle showed Bush supported by 78% of the state's Republicans.

(Detroit/UPI) -- A Detroit Free Press-WXYZ-TV poll shows that Michigan voters are dissatisfied with President Bush's handling of the economy, but most would vote for him if the election were held today. Half of the 810 voters surveyed gave Bush a grade of D or F on domestic issues. Asked if Bush deserved to be re-elected in November, 42% said yes and 47% no. But if the general election were held now, 49% picked Bush to 37% for Clinton, while 44% picked Bush to 37% for Paul Tsongas. Among those who said they would probably vote in Michigan's March 17 Republican primary, 73% picked Bush and 13% picked Pat Buchanan. The poll was conducted Feb. 22-27 by the Center of Urban Studies at Wayne State University in Detroit.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (AP) -- The nation's unemployment rate leapt to 7.3% in February, the highest point since the recession began and the worst in 6.5 years, the Labor Department said. The new rate, up from 7.1% in January, came despite separate data showing employers expanded their payrolls by a more-than-expected 164,000 jobs. The two statistics are derived from separate Labor Department surveys and can sometimes conflict. The mixed news on the employment front came despite signs of life elsewhere in the economy. According to economists, the job market will not begin reflecting what is happening in other economic sectors until the second half of 1992.

SETTLEMENTS (Jerusalem/Reuter) -- Prime Minister Shamir said on Army Radio that Israel could never let Washington dictate its policy and would forgo \$10 billion in U.S. loan guarantees rather than halt settlement of occupied Arab lands.

VIETNAM (Bangkok/UPI) -- Assistant Secretary of State Richard Solomon said implementation of the latest agreements with Vietnam on missing servicemen would lead to faster lifting of the economic embargo of Hanoi.

HUMAN RIGHTS (Geneva/Reuter) -- The United Nations' annual human rights marathon came to an end, leaving some countries accused of serious violations bloodied but others untouched. Reed Brody of the International Commission of Jurists said the U.S. strongly supported the resolutions against Iran, Iraq and Cuba but failed to promote the motion condemning China for human rights abuses, particularly in Tibet. According to J. Kenneth Blackwell, the head of the U.S. delegation, the China resolution failed not through U.S. indifference but because its mention of Tibet was regarded as questioning China's sovereignty over the Himalayan region.

AZERBAIJAN (Agdam/AP) -- President Mutalibov, a career Communist who held onto power in Azerbaijan despite the Soviet collapse, resigned, according to an official. Mutalibov quit amid recent military setbacks by Azerbaijan in its fierce fighting with Armenia over Nagorno-Karabakh. Afghan Mamedov of the press department of the Azerbaijani Foreign Ministry confirmed the resignation.

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4:00 P.M. CST/5:00 P.M. EST NEWS UPDATE

TRIP (Oklahoma City/Benjamin Shore, Copley) -- A smiling and mellow-appearing President Bush emerged from the Cattleman's Cafe Thursday night after enjoying a private dinner of steak and Russian vodka with a few close political friends. Asked by a waiting reporter how he felt about the anti-Bush campaign waged by Pat Buchanan, Bush though for a moment, then replied, "That's why I'm more relaxed." A sign that Bush, indeed, may be more relaxed and confident about his re-election prospects came when the White House announced that the President would be ending his Super Tuesday campaigning Saturday night, not continuing through Monday as initially planned.

(Baton Rouge/Gene Gibbons, Reuter) -- President Bush hopscotched through the South Friday seeking a "Super Tuesday" voting sweep that could neutralize right-wing challenger Pat Buchanan, but grim new jobless figures clouded his quest for votes. The Republican President, who got a wildly enthusiastic welcome from thousands of well-wishers at a rally at Louisiana State University, said the jobless figures were "a good argument for passing our program" -- referring to his anti-recession tax cut plan, which is mired in the Democratic-controlled Congress.

(Baton Rouge/Terence Hunt, AP) -- Under a cloud of gloomy economic news and tension in his campaign, President Bush gave benefits to the energy industry and slammed rivals who "tell us everything that's wrong about our country." "My opponents sound a retreat, run from realities, seek refuge in a world of protectionism and high taxes and big government," Bush said on the final day of a Southern campaign trip suddenly cut short. Using his power as an incumbent, Bush said he was eliminating "some of the regulatory barriers that have hampered the gas industry." He lifted curbs on use of natural gas by electric utilities and said it would provide them with "significant relief."

(AP) -- President Bush, campaigning in oil and gas territory, announced that he is ordering the lifting of regulatory barriers that affect use of natural gas by electric utilities. The White House issued a fact sheet on the changes as the President campaigned in Louisiana and Mississippi and said details would be made public in an announcement later at the Department of Energy.

IRAQ (London/Reuter) -- Prime Minister Major and President Bush agreed they would use whatever means necessary to force Iraq to comply with U.N. resolutions on weapons destruction, an official said. The official would not say whether Major and Bush talked about military action against Iraq but both countries have refused to rule out a military strike.

(UPI) -- Saddam should answer charges of environmental terrorism and the world should act to prevent future environmental destruction during wars, a Senate task force said. Sens. Lieberman and Chafee said action is required because Saddam's assaults on nature could be repeated if he went unpunished. The Senate Gulf Pollution Task Force completed its year-long study of Gulf War environmental damage and concluded that Iraqi troops sabotaged 732 Kuwaiti oil wells, setting 650 on fire and allowing the others to spill oil freely onto desert sand and into the Gulf. **-more-**

BAKER/JEWISH LEADERS (New York/Reuter) -- An obscene remark about Jews allegedly made by Secretary Baker drew criticism from Jewish leaders, with some calling for Baker's resignation. Friday's New York Post said Baker allegedly used an obscenity about American Jews who were critical of his tough stance towards Israel at a recent meeting of high-level White House staffers. According to a column written by former Mayor Koch, Baker reportedly said: "F--- 'em. They didn't vote for us." State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler called the report "garbage."

NORTH KOREA (Reuter) -- The Bush Administration is examining a Plan under which the U.S. Navy might stop and search two North Korean cargo ships believed headed for Iran with Scud-C missiles, Administration officials said. The anonymous officials confirmed a New York Times report that contingency plans to uncover the missiles, possibly destined for both Iran and Syria, had been discussed by the White House, State Department and Pentagon and was under consideration.

CUBA (Mexico City/Reuter) -- President Bush is stargazing if he sees political changes coming in Cuba, Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca was quoted as saying. Malmierca told Mexico's state news agency Notimex he suspected Bush spends part of his time practicing astrology. But if his predictions include political change in Cuba, "it seems to us he's pointing his telescope in the wrong direction," Malmierca said.

ROE V. WADE/CONGRESS (AP) -- The Supreme Court should protect the rights of all American women by reaffirming its 1973 Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion, 147 members of Congress told the court.... The 29 senators and 118 House members joined in a "friend-of-the-court" brief written for them by Duke University law professor Walter Dallinger in a closely watched Pennsylvania abortion case.

CANADIAN LUMBER (AP) -- The Commerce Department, moving to protect U.S. lumber producers, preliminarily ruled that a 14.5 percent import duty would be needed to offset Canadian subsidies on wood shipped to the U.S.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Oklahoma City, Oklahoma)

March 6, 1992

FACT SHEET

As part of his 90-day regulatory relief initiative, the President today announced several steps the Administration is taking to improve economic conditions in the natural gas industry and, at the same time, reduce utility rates to American consumers.

Noting the importance of the natural gas industry to the Nation's economic health and security, the President also acknowledged that the industry has fallen on hard times. The specific actions, all of which were called for in the President's National Energy Strategy, are as follows:

1. Remove Regulatory Barriers to Use of Natural Gas By Electric Utilities. Two additional actions will eliminate regulatory barriers that impede the use of natural gas by electric utilities:

o Final WEPCo Rule. Within the next two weeks, EPA will issue a final rule (the so-called "WEPCo" rule) allowing electric utilities to make certain physical and operational changes at existing power plants without having to undergo expensive and time-consuming "new source" review. Because many of the modifications discouraged by the current regime are conversions to natural gas or gas co-firing generators, the final rule should lead to increased natural gas usage as well as lower electricity rates. The final rule will be substantially the same as EPA's proposed rule.

o Incentive Regulation for Electric Utilities and Natural Gas Pipelines. Currently, the manner in which the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulates the rates of electric utilities and natural gas pipelines reduces significantly their incentives to reduce costs. FERC Chairman Martin Allday and Commissioner Branko Terzic have proposed a policy statement permitting electric utilities and natural gas pipelines to choose "incentive regulation" as an alternative to traditional "cost-of-service" regulation. Over time, this new approach will increase consumption of natural gas by electric utilities as well as other consumers of natural gas. When fully implemented, moreover, a shift to incentive regulation should ultimately reduce total electricity and natural gas transportation costs by \$1-3 billion per year, thereby significantly reducing utility rates to consumers.

2. Remove Regulatory Barriers that Prevent Increased Usage of Natural Gas Vehicles. The Administration has already taken a number of steps to enhance usage of natural gas vehicles (NGVs), including substantial purchases of NGVs for use in government fleets. Two additional steps will lead to greater usage of natural gas vehicles:

- o Remove Regulatory Barriers to the Sale of Compressed Natural Gas. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Martin Allday has proposed for Commission action a rule that will remove perceived regulatory barriers to the sale of compressed natural gas (CNG) for use in motor vehicles. The rule will exempt from FERC jurisdiction most local sales of CNG. For distribution companies or others that cannot be exempted from FERC jurisdiction, the rule will allow FERC to grant a "blanket" certificate authorizing generically the sale of CNG for use in motor vehicles.
- o Issue Emissions Standard for Natural Gas Vehicles. The Environmental Protection Agency will issue proposed emission standards for natural gas vehicles that will allow them to compete on an equal basis with other vehicles. Specifically, the new standards will eliminate the separate total hydrocarbon standard for natural gas vehicles -- an onerous requirement that places natural gas vehicles at a disadvantage.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Baton Rouge, Louisiana)

For Immediate Release

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT TO
BUSH/QUAYLE '92 EDMOND RALLY

Oklahoma Christian University
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Nickels, for that kind introduction. May I salute our State Chairman, Clinton Key and Finance Chairman Ed Lawson. And I'm pleased to share this stage this morning with some of this state's finest: State Representative Larry Ferguson; Mayor Norick of Oklahoma City; Mayor Randal Shannon of Edmond; and Commissioners Watts and Bob Anthony. Welcome to all of them. And last, but not least, Treasurer Claudette Henry. And I also want to express my deep appreciation to your hometown Congressman Mickey Edwards who couldn't be here today because he's back in Washington, participating in the budget debate, and helping me hold the line on federal spending. (Applause.)

And may I also salute two friends of longstanding, Ed and Thelma Gaylord. This square is a fitting tribute to Thelma, and I think we're all very grateful to them. And finally, let me note what a great host Terri Johnson has been today. (Applause.) And a special thanks to George Wesley, who we just heard doing a superb job singing The National Anthem. (Applause.) But most of all, thanks to every one of you who got up at all hours this morning -- (applause) -- to come to Edmond from Elk City, to Enid, and towns all across Oklahoma to show our your support. And a special welcome to all the students here from Oklahoma Christian. (Applause.)

One question. One question. Just one question. Is it too late to audition for the spring sing? (Applause.) Well, let's talk about our country. We are in a battle for our future, and I am determined that America should leave young people like you the best possible legacy. And we want America to lead the world in good jobs with productive work, and we want to remain a force for world peace and freedom. (Applause.)

And we are fighting -- and we will continue to -- to protect our most basic institution, which is the family. (Applause) And that's why this year of decision is so important for America.

In next Tuesday's primary election, and November's general election, you will hold the future of this country, your future, in your own hands. And I'm asking you to get out the vote and create a resounding mandate for transforming America. Let's nominate and elect men and women who share our values. (Applause.) We've got much more to do to get America on the right track. So I'm asking you for four more years as your President of this great country. (Applause.)

AUDIENCE: Four more years! Four more years! Four more years!

THE PRESIDENT: This country was built on faith, family and freedom -- and we must renew those sources of our strength. And we must allow common sense to prevail -- for example in our

welfare system, restore the connection between welfare and work. (Applause.) Americans are not cold-hearted. We're a caring people. Americans support welfare and families in need. But we want to see government at every level work together to track down the dead-beat fathers, the ones who can't be bothered to pay their child support. And most important, we've got to break the cycle of dependency that destroys dignity and passes down poverty from one generation to the next. That's wrong. That's cruel. And we're working to change it. (Applause.) The way we're doing that is to encourage states to innovate with workfare, and plans that help people break that dependency -- begin learning work skills. Let's help those families.

And we will continue to fight for the parents' right to choose their children's schools. School choice -- (applause) -- we've got a great education program, and school choice is at the heart of America 2000, our strategy to literally revolutionize American education.

Today, March 6th, is a World Day of Prayer. And I think it says something that the World Day of Prayer is observed a lot more frequently here in this community than it is in Washington, D.C. (Applause.) You know, there's something wrong when our kids cannot participate in voluntary prayer in the classroom across this country. (Applause.)

The Senate and the House -- and they need it, I'll admit -- open their sessions every day with prayer. Why can't we have a voluntary prayer in the classroom? (Applause.)

And let me be clear: Parents -- parents, not some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C. -- knows what is best for the kids. And that's why we worked hard to win a child care bill that provides parents the right to choose who provides the care. We know America is first as long as we put the family first. (Applause.)

Now, back to Congress, regrettably. For three years I've had to fight the liberal leadership of the Congress; one party having controlled that Congress for most of the last 50 years. And I will continue to stand for principle no matter how daunting the odds. We have fought, we've put judges on the bench who know their role is to interpret the law, not to legislate from the federal bench. And I'm going to keep on doing that. (Applause.)

And let me be clear to those here and those that are not here but might be listening: I will use the veto when I have to -- to stand for principle -- to stand up for family values. (Applause.) Sometimes even my friends said I was flirting with defeat by casting a veto instead of cutting out a deal. But we've never lost a veto fight, and I will never hesitate to use the veto when principle is at stake. (Applause.)

And so here we go again. The liberal leadership of the Congress is once again on a collision course with my veto. You remember, when I asked Congress to pass tax cuts and incentives to really stimulate this economy, to get it moving -- to get real estate up and running, to reward risk-takers who create good jobs. It's time to quit punishing people who create jobs. We ought to cut the tax on capital gains. (Applause.)

But as Don Nickles knows -- because he's fighting against them every day -- instead of passing my plan, the big spenders who control the Congress had other ideas, and they pushed through one of their own. And here's what's in it for you: a tiny temporary tax cut -- 25 cents -- a quarter a day for each man, woman and child. And here's the catch: You can keep

that quarter in exchange for \$100 billion in new taxes. The Democrats call that new revenue, and I call it your money. And we are not going to let that happen. (Applause.)

If you feel the way I do, write your Congress, and then tell him to keep the change, and keep your hands off of the taxpayers' wallets. (Applause.) Unless I haven't been clear: If they send me the bill -- anything like the one that came out of the House -- I'm going to veto it faster than an Oklahoma twister and send it right back. (Applause.)

And remember, I have set a deadline to the Congress: March 20th. And I have said to the Congress: Pass our plan, get our economy moving, set the politics aside for just a minute, and then we can fight about it politically from now on, and do something for the American people. (Applause.)

I know -- you've probably got some Will Rogers students around here -- but I know Will Rogers once said it was better to have termites in your house than the legislature in session. (Laughter.) But this time there's no way around it: Congress has got work -- its work to do to get this country moving.

And I know full well how difficult times have been in the past few years in this state for the people in the oil and gas business, for example. And our domestic oil and gas industry is important to our national economy. It's important, it is vital to our national security. And all of us share an interest in a national energy strategy that will keep America strong and keep us competitive. And it's a common-sense plan, ours is, that will help both consumers and producers.

Congress has been slow to act on our energy strategy, but finally it's beginning move. And so I'd like to ask all of the people of Oklahoma to join me and Don Nickles and Mickey and help us put the heat on Congress to get our energy initiatives in place. (Applause.)

Without getting too technical, I also want action on an issue absolutely vital to Oklahoma energy producers. This is technical, but it's important. The alternative minimum tax as applied to the energy industry is hurting our economy and helping no one. It is unfair to the independent producers. And it's costing us jobs. And Don Nickles understands this problem and he's been in the lead to get it solved. And so let me assure you, I will work with Don to get the Congress to reform this tax provision and restore fair treatment to our energy producers. It is in the national security interest of the United States to do this. (Applause.)

I am not going to sit around waiting for the congressional leadership to help the economy, though. Our administration has been reviewing what we can do under existing laws to help. And in the natural gas industry -- help that get moving again as well.

And so today we're going to announce several new actions that will eliminate some of the regulatory barriers that have hampered the gas industry. And these actions will provide significant relief to industry, but they are no substitute for prompt action by Congress to pass my energy legislation. (Applause.)

We're going fight as we must, and we will win. And in the world today, if we want to succeed economically right here at home, we've got to lead economically abroad. Each day, more and more American jobs are tied to trade -- to international trade.

And that's the case here in Oklahoma. In the past four years, Oklahoma's exports have jumped by 75 percent.

And today, 75,000 Oklahoma jobs are tied to trade. And remember, every billion dollars more in manufactured exports means 20,000 new jobs here; and each extra billion dollars in agricultural exports means thousands more jobs on Oklahoma ranches and farms and in the Oklahoma agribusiness. (Applause.)

And so some of my opponents are out there peddling protectionism -- a retreat from economic reality. And you cut through all the patriotic posturing and the political promising and all the tough talk about fighting back by shutting out foreign goods. Well, look closely. That is not the American Flag they are waving, it is the white flag of surrender. And we must not have it. (Applause.)

That is not the America that you and I know. We don't and run, we compete. And never in this nation's long history have we turned our backs on a challenge. And we are not going to let them start doing it to us now. (Applause.)

I put my faith in the American worker. Level the playing field, and the American worker will outthink, outproduce and outperform anyone, anywhere, anytime. So let's back those workers with free and fair trade. (Applause.)

We're strong. We're strong because we value faith, family, and freedom. We are the world's greatest power because whenever our values are threatened, we fight to defend them. And we need to keep our defenses strong. In my State of the Union message, I proposed far-reaching, but still responsible cuts to bring our armed forces into line with the new realities of the world. These cuts were based on recommendations from the Joint Chiefs of Staff -- from Colin Powell, from Secretary Cheney -- all who have performed superbly. But now the liberals, true to form, want to put down this scalpel on that kind of cut and pick up a meat axe. And I am not going to let that happen. We are going to keep America strong. And you can count on it. (Applause.)

You see, as President -- and I'm sure all of you all know this -- I have a constitutional responsibility for the national security of this country. And as long as I am President, I guarantee you we will have defenses strong enough to meet our responsibilities. We were ready last year and an unforeseen situation arose when Iraq's brutal dictator invaded Kuwait, and we will be ready when we face the next crisis. Do not let them cut the heart out of our defenses. (Applause.)

We must let the world know this: Whatever the challenge, America will stay strong. We are in it to win. And make no mistake about this -- don't listen to these politicians on the other side who tell you we're in decline. You travel anywhere around the world and you will find we are the undisputed, respected leader of the free world. And we're going to stay that way. (Applause.)

Think back to a year ago -- the calm after Desert Storm. Ask any one of the proud sons and daughters of this great state of Oklahoma, ask any of the young people from this campus who became liberators of Kuwait and they'll tell you, military strength doesn't mean a thing without moral support right here at home. And let me say America is proud of the Oklahoma 45th -- the 45th Brigade -- and proud of the decision this week to keep that brigade in service. (Applause.)

Of course, there are those who didn't support us then -- I can understand that -- there are those who second-guess us now. But not here, not in Oklahoma. (Applause.) When I drew

that line in the sand -- when I drew that line in the sand, you stood with me. And never would this country tuck tail and let aggression stand. (Applause.) And America did what was right and just and good, and America prevailed.

And we're bringing that same spirit to the fight that we face today. And so let my opponents go out there and tell us everything that's wrong about our country. Let them try to win by carrying down our great fabric. My opponents sound the retreat, run from realities, seek refuge in a world of protectionism and high taxes and big government. Let them drone on about what's wrong in America. We know what is right about the United States of America. (Applause.)

Once again, I'm proud to be on this campus. And let me close with just a couple of words right from the heart. In the first place, I think my wife is a fantastic First Lady of the United States -- (Applause.) But we are blessed. She and I are blessed to serve this great nation of ours at a moment when so many of the old fears have been driven away. When so many new hopes stand within our reach. And since the day I took the oath of office, I made it my duty always to try to do what is right for this country. And I've given it my level best. And I am not done yet.

You and I have more work ahead before we've finished our mission. And it's a battle for our future. It's about jobs for your future, it's about the family, it is about world peace.

And together, I think we've made a great beginning to renew the miracle of American enterprise and to strengthen our values of family, faith and freedom. And I am counting on Oklahomans, you young people especially, to reject the ugly politics of hate that's rearing its head again -- antisemitism, bigotry, they have no place in the United States of America. (Applause.)

And now we're approaching an hour of decision -- next week. Don't wait until November. I'm asking you to vote on Tuesday in the Republican primary. Give me your vote in this important election next Tuesday and help me win four more years to lead the fight for the values we share. (Applause.)

Thank you, and may God bless the United States of America -- the freest and fairest and strongest country on the face of the Earth. Thank you very, very much. (Applause.)

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9:40 A.M. CST

POOL REPORT

OKLAHOMA CITY TO BATON ROUGE

No one came back on Air Force One. Before the event at Oklahoma Christian University, Marlin Fitzwater commented on the unemployment figures announced this morning.

"It shows how serious the economy is. Unemployment is a lagging indicator, so hopefully we're turning it around. We've got an economic plan. It shows why the crucial question for every candidate is who's got an economic plan to deal with it."

On arrival in Baton Rouge, Bush was asked on tarmac if jobless rates will hurt him.

"I don't know," he said. "We've just got to worry about those who don't have jobs. It's a good argument for passing our program."

Judy Keen
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JAMES BAKER: '... they didn't vote for us.'

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BAKER'S 4-LETTER SLAM AT U.S. JEWS

By MARIANNE GOLDSTEIN, CATHY BURKE and DON BRODERICK

I AM angry with President Bush, Secretary of State James Baker, The New York Times, The Washington Post, Times columnist Anthony Lewis and former Ambassador Rita Hauser.

They all have contributed to the current divisive rhetoric about Israel and its loan-guarantee request, funds which are needed to assist in relocating the Soviet and Ethiopian Jews. Unless Israel defaults on the loan — and it has never defaulted in the past — it won't cost taxpayers a nickel.

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U.S. support of Israel has changed dramatically under Bush and Baker. The latter showed his hostility toward Israel often when he was chief of staff under President Reagan, a friend of Israel — but Reagan always overrode him. Now that Baker has the dominant position in U.S. foreign policy, he is able to act on his hostilities.

In fact, when Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, "F--- 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us." Baker uses every opportunity to denounce Israel's right to allow Jews to live on the West Bank. According to Sen. Patrick Leahy, in addition to blocking the loan guarantees, Baker wants to cut Israel's existing foreign aid as a penalty for constructing settlements on the West Bank.

Bush succeeded in intimidating many American Jewish leaders by implying that their opposition to his policy on Israel was a demonstration of dual loyalty. What an outrage! His later apology did not undo the harm.

While Bush and Baker should be condemned, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is not without fault. Shamir has failed to adequately present Israel's case because he is so convinced of the rightness of his cause. It's understandable because he is responsible for protecting the lives of 4 million Israelis, and security has to be uppermost in his mind. He believes — as I do — that Jews have the right to live on the West Bank, and that Israel needs the depth of the West Bank in order to have time to mobilize its army.

Anthony Lewis and Rita Hauser take every opportunity to attack Israel and extol the Palestinian cause. In Hauser's case, she embraces PLO leader Yasser Arafat and praises him for his moderation. Was she at all moved by Arafat's latest comments when he characterized the Jews as "Dog! Filthy! Dirt! ... Trash is always trash ... the rotten Jews with whom we will settle accounts in the future?" If there ever is — and I believe there will be — a Palestinian state, separate or aligned with Jordan, its first governmental act should be to honor Lewis and Hauser with the "Thank of the West" award.

Is it wrong for American Jews to be critical of Israel? Of course not. Criticism is warranted, and I have criticized Israel. But there are Jews who carry the guilt of the world on their shoulders, which requires them to regularly exorcise Israel and blame themselves and Israel for the ills of the world.

Bush, Baker and the others mentioned have let loose a whirlwind. Their continuing assaults on Israel and their constant demands for concessions from Israel without counterconcessions from the Arab states fan the flames of blatant anti-Semitism.

Bush has the right to urge that conditions be placed on the loan guarantees. But supporters of Israel have the right to disagree while still maintaining their total loyalty to the United States. Congress also has the right to oppose the president and support Israel's request. It is unconscionable for the president to demand that Israel accept the premise that any part of the world should be "Judeized." If that is the price for the guarantee, then Israel must decline and pursue another route.

Jews and supporters of Israel should not hesitate during the current political debate and election to let the candidates know that the security of Israel is a top priority for them. Other groups advance their priorities without fear of intimidation. Why not supporters of Israel?



BAKER'S BLEEP: Secretary of State hit the roof over criticism of his stance toward Israel.

An angry Secretary of State James Baker used an obscenity when referring to American Jews critical of his tough stance toward Israel, The Post has learned.

At a recent White House meeting, Baker reacted to criticism of his seemingly anti-Israel policies by saying: "F--- 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us."

The remark is reported today by former Mayor Ed Koch in his Post column, which says:

"When Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, 'F--- 'em. They [the Jews] didn't vote for us.'"

Koch said last night: "His [Baker's] statement was made in the presence of the person who repeated it to me. I have no doubt that Baker made it."

He added that the remark was made "within the last two weeks" in the White House.

Koch described his source as well-placed and high-level.

The White House had no comment last night on Baker's remark.

A State Department press officer, who would not identify herself, said she would not respond "to any kind of question like that" — and hung up.

In the 1988 election, 64 percent of Jews voted for Democrat Michael Dukakis, while 35 percent voted for President Bush.

The report of Baker's remark comes just four days after Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) said Baker was in favor of cutting Israel's existing foreign aid to penalize the country for continuing construction work on settlements in the occupied territories.

Baker, Leahy said, has

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consistently taken the position of cutting Israel's aid throughout recent delicate and highly charged discussions on whether to accede to Israel's request for \$10 billion in loan guarantees over the next five years.

In yesterday's edition of the Israeli Hebrew-language daily Maariv, columnist David Bar-Ilan quoted an unnamed Republican operative who, in 1990, spoke with Baker about fears that Bush administration relations with other Mideast leaders — such as Saddam Hussein — would force Jews to leave the Republican Party.

Bar-Ilan — who is also editorial-page editor of the English-language Jerusalem Post — said Baker responded by saying:

"Don't worry. Jews remember the Holocaust, but they forget insults as soon as they smell cash."

Jewish leaders, told last night of Baker's recent four-letter remark, thought it might spell the end of any American Jewish support.

Brooklyn Assemblyman Dov Hildesheim said that many in his district did vote for Bush in the last election. "But after this, not one of them is going to vote" for the president, he predicted.

"I hope Jewish people will remember in November's added City Councilman Noitch Dear (D-Brooklyn).

Begin gets pacemaker as condition worsens

By URI DAN
Mideast Correspondent

TEL AVIV — Former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's condition worsened yesterday, and doctors gave him a pacemaker to regulate his heart, damaged by a heart attack two days earlier. The next 24 hours will be

the most crucial for the 79-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner, doctors at Ichilov Hospital said last night.

Begin collapsed early Tuesday at his home, where he was found unconscious by his daughter, Leah.

He was brought to the hospital and placed on a

respirator. Doctors said he had suffered a heart attack.

Begin finally regained consciousness Wednesday, raising hopes that he was able to breathe on his own.

But the situation took a turn for the worse yesterday, and Begin was kept on a respirator while doctors fought to stabilize his

blood pressure.

Yesterday afternoon doctors decided to give Begin a pacemaker, which acts to regulate the electrical activity of the heart.

Begin has largely stayed out of the limelight since 1983, after six years as prime minister and a lon and powerful political career.

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TODAY: Cloudy and cooler. High in the mid 40s.
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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The President today recognized the volunteers of TreeUtah of Salt Lake City as the 712th Daily Point of Light for the Nation. TreeUtah develops community partnerships which plant trees in urban areas and other depleted regions of Utah, teaches tree stewardship, and fosters a clean environment.

Pepper Provenzano, a concerned citizen, founded TreeUtah in 1987 after learning that age or disease had left many of Salt Lake City's trees in declining condition, and that the city had only five employees handling 46,500 street trees. Due to limited funding and personnel, 800 trees were being removed yearly, while only 400 could be replaced.

Since TreeUtah began planting in 1988, over 30,000 trees have been planted at more than 20 locations throughout Utah. Arbor and Earth Day celebrated through annual plantings. Each October, "Plant Your Family Tree Week" encourages families to plant and maintain trees together. A live Christmas tree campaign encourages families to purchase living trees, which are planted in the community after the holiday season. During one planting, volunteers planted 200 trees at a Salt Lake cemetery in two hours. Hoping to plant two million trees by the year 2000, TreeUtah is expanding rapidly.

TreeUtah also supplements state forestry programs. Its thousands of volunteers have seeded fire sights and watershed areas and helped other groups organize planting projects. Volunteers come from local schools, church and scouting groups, local businesses, and elsewhere in the community. Inmates from state prisons have even helped on plantings, enabling them to receive contact with the outside community and learn work skills. Planting instructions are given at all sites, and students are given lessons in reforestation -- why a certain type of tree is being planted, why a particular site was chosen, and how trees benefit the environment.

The President salutes the volunteers of TreeUtah for exemplifying his belief that, "From now on in America, any definition of a successful life must include serving others."

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Oklahoma City, Oklahoma)

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March 6, 1992

The President today recognized the volunteers of Sojourners' Place, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware, as the 713th Daily Point of Light for the Nation. This innovative center combines the resources and ideas of various local institutions to offer hope, meaningful job opportunities, and economic advancement to homeless individuals.

Realizing that providing beds was not be enough to solve the homeless problem, 50 churches, synagogues, and civic groups worked to "revolutionize" the shelter process several years ago. In January 1991 Sojourners' Place opened to provide residents with job training and placement, living skills, and help to overcome substance abuse or other problems. Since March 1991, 63 full-time residents have left the shelter with a job and home.

Sojourners' Place residents who have not completed high school work toward a General Equivalency Diploma (GED) at the center through the Delaware "Operation Unlock" project. GED students and other residents interested in improving their math and basic educational skills receive extra tutoring from community volunteers and board members. More academically advanced residents receive full-time vocational training from Delaware Technical and Community College, sponsored by businesses through the Private Industry Council. The council also provides job placement. Residents have access to a drug and alcohol treatment program, a state social worker, and a state mental health worker at the residence facility. Volunteering professionals provide pro bono legal services as well as physical and mental examinations to shelter residents, often through groups such as the "Alliance of Professionals for the Homeless."

In addition to the 40 members of the Sojourners' Place Executive Board and Advisory Committee, church groups and some 30 volunteers donate up to twenty hours a week preparing meals, showing movies, teaching crafts, organizing the clothing and toiletry closets, and leading workshops on personal development and budgeting. Volunteers supplement a paid staff of 25 state and shelter employees.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Columbia, South Carolina)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 5, 1992

The President today recognized the volunteers of the Louisville Chapter of the Elfun Society, as the 711th Daily Point of Light for the Nation. The chapter mobilizes current and retired General Electric employees to foster a culture of lifelong learning throughout Jefferson County.

Founded in 1928 by then company President Gerald Swope, the Elfun Society makes opportunities available for people affiliated with General Electric to help solve serious social problems within their communities. More than 1200 members of its Louisville Chapter devote their time, energy, and creativity to projects ranging from tutoring elementary and high school students to repairing dormitories on the campus of Maryhurst. Maryhurst provides 24 hour treatment programs to neglected, abused, or troubled adolescent girls, offering an on-campus school, clinical services, group living and community based services.

Elfun Society volunteers work closely with Jefferson County Public Schools, notably Cochran Elementary and Western High School. At Cochran Elementary, they entertain students with puppet shows that have anti-drug themes and, through the Parent Partnership program, they work with families to foster self-esteem and academic excellence among children. At Western High School, Elfun Society members assist teachers with their classroom presentations. In addition, they encourage students who graduate to attend college, by leading discussion sessions on higher education and by helping them and their families prepare college applications and financial aid packets.

Elfun volunteers also work with a variety of other organizations, including the American Red Cross, Dare to Care, Help-A-Buddy, the March of Dimes, the Ronald McDonald House, and the Salvation Army. Last year, their combined efforts generated over 200,000 hours of service to the community.

The President salutes the volunteers of the Louisville Chapter of the Elfun Society for exemplifying his belief that, "From now on in America, any definition of a successful life must include serving others."

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THE WHITE HOUSE

**Office of the Press Secretary
(Jackson, Mississippi)**

For Immediate Release

March 6, 1992

The President today announced his intention to nominate James B. Huff, Sr., of Mississippi, to be Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration for a term of ten years. He would succeed Gary C. Byrne.

Currently, Mr. Huff serves as State Director of the Farmers Home Administration for the United States Department of Agriculture in Jackson, Mississippi. From 1957-1969, Mr. Huff was Director of Operations for the Masonite Corporation in Laurel, Mississippi.

Mr. Huff was graduated from Mississippi State University (B.S., 1954). He was born August 4, 1932 in Jones County, Mississippi. He is married, has two children and resides in Taylorsville, Mississippi.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Jackson, Mississippi)

For Immediate Release

March 6, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Louisiana State University
Pete Maravich Stadium
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

12:55 P.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. So pleased to be introduced by your Congressman and my Chairman, Richard Baker; doing a great job up there in Washington. And I want to salute two other great Congressmen: Bob Livingston and Jim McCrery. What a job they're doing for the people of Louisiana. (Applause.) And we brought back to Louisiana with us another Louisiana's sons and Secretary of State Fox McKeithen right here, whose dad used to be Governor. (Applause.) And also Henson Moore, my Deputy Chief of Staff, who represented Baton Rouge in the Congress. (Applause.) He now serves as our Deputy Chief of Staff there in the White House. And Chancellor Davis, thank you, sir, for letting us come to this beautiful campus, and thank all of you for the warm welcome.

Let me just say, when I saw the tiger descending, it is great to be back in Tiger Territory. (Applause.) And let me be very clear why I am here: Four more years -- that's what we want. (Applause.) And I'm so pleased to see two that were in the White House not so long ago -- Coach Brown and Shaquille, the "Shaq Attack" O'Neal. (Applause.) Shaq didn't think I'd come down for his birthday, did he? (Laughter.) Right?

And I wonder if I have any Deke fraternity brothers out here. (Applause.) As I was driving -- now, wait just a minute -- as I was driving past the fraternity house, I heard him shouting: Four more years! And that's brotherhood for you, I thought. And then, Barbara said what they were really saying was: Four more beers! (Laughter and applause.)

I think my fraternity -- I think the Dekes get a bad rap. Some would compare to them to Animal House, you know. They ought to take a look at what happens up on Capitol Hill. (Applause.)

Let me just comment about what we're doing. We're in a battle for our future: I'm determined that America should leave young people like you the best possible legacy. We want America to lead the world in good jobs with productive work. And we want to remain a force for world peace and freedom. And we are fighting to protect our most basic institution -- the American family. (Applause.)

And that's why, really, I would say to all of you -- no matter who you are for in this process -- that's why this year of decision is so important for our country. In next Tuesday's primary election, and November's general election, you will hold the future of this country -- your future -- in your hands. And I'm asking you to get out the vote and create a resounding mandate for transforming America. Let us nominate men and women, and elect men and women, who share our values. And we've got much more to do to get America on the right track. And so I'm asking you for four more years as your President to finish the job. (Applause.)

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Somehow I think Louisianans understand this, but this country was built on faith and family and freedom. And we must renew those sources of our strength. And we must allow common sense to prevail.

For example, in our welfare system, restore the connection between welfare and work. Americans aren't cold hearted -- we are a caring people, and we support help for those families in need. But we want to see government at every level work together, for example, to track down the dead-beat fathers -- the ones who cannot be bothered to pay child support. (Applause.) But more important, we've got to break the cycle of dependency that destroys dignity and passes down poverty from one generation to the next. That's wrong. That's cruel. And we've got to keep working to change it. (Applause.) And so we're encouraging states to innovate with workfare and with plans that help people break welfare dependency and begin learning and work skills.

So anyway, we're going to continue to fight for the parents' rights. We're going to fight for the parents' rights to choose their children's schools. School choice -- (Applause.) We've got a great education program to help revolutionize the schools, school choice is at the heart of America 2000, our strategy to literally revolutionize American education. (Applause.)

And let's get our priorities right: There's something wrong, our kids cannot participate in voluntary prayer in the classroom, and we need to change that. (Applause.) I will admit that they need it, but both the House of Representatives and the Senate open their sessions with a prayer. And Congress needs it, I will admit, but I think it ought to be true for voluntary prayer in the classrooms. (Applause.)

Parents -- not some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C. -- really knows what is best for their children. And that's why I worked to win a child care bill that provides parents the right to choose who provides the care. We know America is first as long as we put the family first. So everything I do is going to be shaped at strengthening the American family. (Applause.)

As Bob and Jim and Richard know, for three years I've had to fight the liberal leadership of the Congress. And I will continue to stand for principle no matter how daunting the odds. We've fought, and we've put judges, for example, on the bench who know their rule is to interpret the law, not to legislate from the federal bench. And I'll use the veto when I have to, to stand for principle, to stand up for these values. Sometimes even my friends said I was flirting with defeat by casting a veto instead of cutting a deal. But we've never lost a veto fight -- and I'll never hesitate to use the veto when principle is at stake. That's the only way we can change the direction of the Congress. (Applause.)

The liberal leadership of the Congress is once again on a collision course with my veto. You remember I asked the Congress to pass tax cuts and incentives to get this stagnant economy moving, to get real estate up and running, to reward those that go out and take the risks -- the risk-takers who create good jobs. And it's time to quit punishing people who create jobs. And I so I say cut the tax on capital gains and start a lot of new businesses. (Applause.)

But instead of passing my plan, the spenders who control the congress had other ideas. And they pushed through one of their own. And here's what's in it for people who work for a living: a tiny temporary tax cut -- 25 cents a day -- a quarter-a-day for each man, woman and child in America. But here's the catch: you can keep

that quarter -- in exchange for \$100 billion in new taxes. Now, they call that "new revenue" -- I call it: your money.

And if you feel the way I do, tell the Congress to keep the change -- and keep their hands off the taxpayers' wallets. (Applause.) And just so I am clear with the Congress on this, let me say right here in Louisiana, but beamed to Washington, D.C.: If the liberals send me their scheme, I'll send it back the minute it reaches my desk. I will veto it. I will slam dunk it faster than LSU can say "cha-ching." (Applause.)

Remember: I've set a deadline -- March 20th. And I've said to the Congress: pass our plan, get our economy moving, do something now for the American people. And let me say this: Let's just set -- it's tough this time of year, right before a primary election. But let's set the politics aside long enough to take these few selective steps to stimulate the economy, and then we can put the politics in place for the fall. But let's stimulate the American economy and get people back to work. (Applause.)

But we will fight -- I like a good fight -- and we will fight as we must -- and we will win. And in the world today, if we want to succeed economically at home -- we must -- we have got to lead economically abroad. Each day, more and more American jobs are tied to trade. Remember this one: Every billion dollars more in manufactured exports means 20,000 new jobs -- and each extra billion dollars in agricultural exports means thousands more jobs on Louisiana farms and in Louisiana agribusiness.

But my opponents are peddling protectionism -- a retreat from economic reality. And you can cut through all the patriotic posturing -- all the tough talk about "fighting back" and bashing somebody by shutting out foreign goods. But look closely. That's not the American flag they are waving -- it is the white flag of surrender -- and that is not the America that you and I know. (Applause.) And clearly, when you look around the world, it is not the way of the future for young Americans.

America doesn't cut and run -- we compete. And never in our long history have we turned our backs on a challenge -- and we simply are not going to start that now.

I put my faith in your talent to compete: level the playing field, and Americans will outthink, outproduce and outperform anyone, anywhere, anytime. (Applause.)

As I said earlier, we're strong because we value faith, family, and freedom. We're the world's greatest power -- the world's greatest power because whenever our values are threatened, we fight to defend them. We need to keep our defenses strong. In my State of the Union message, I proposed some far-reaching, but still very responsible cuts to bring our Armed Forces into line with the new realities of the world. I base my recommendations to Congress; on the unanimous opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; of their able Chairman, Colin Powell; of our Defense Secretary. And we send this program up that will keep our defense strong, but still make cuts in defense; because of what's happened around the world we can do that. But the liberals, true to form, want to put down the scalpel and pick up a meat axe. We cannot let that happen. We must keep America strong -- and I'll do that, and you can count on it. Who knows where the next threat comes from? (Applause.)

For those of you studying government, you know this: As President, I have a constitutional responsibility for the national security of this country. And as long as I am President of the United States, I guarantee you we are going to have defenses strong enough to meet our responsibilities. We were ready when Iraq's brutal dictator invaded Kuwait, and we will be ready when we face the

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next crisis. We must not cut into the muscle of our defense.
(Applause.)

We must let the world know this: Whatever the challenge -- and we're facing some right now if you look around the world -- whatever the challenge, America will stay strong. America is in it to win.

Think back to just about one year ago today -- the calm after Desert Storm. Ask any one of the proud sons and daughters of Louisiana -- more than 250 from right here at L.S.U. -- ask any one of those young people from this campus who became liberators of Kuwait: and they'll tell you, military strength doesn't mean a thing without the moral support right here at home. (Applause.)

And, yes, there are some revisionists out there trying to rewrite history now. And, of course, there were those who didn't support us back then. There were those who second-guess us now. But not here -- not across this state of Louisiana. When I drew that line in the sand -- you stood with me. And never would this country tuck tail and let aggression stand. America did what was right and good and just -- and we prevailed. And we are today the envy of the world, people looking to us to defend freedom and democracy wherever it may be. (Applause.)

And now we've got to bring that same victorious spirit, that same America together spirit to the fight the problems we face today. And so let my opponents sound retreat -- run from the new realities, seek refuge in a world of protectionism, high taxes, big government. Let them drone on about what's wrong in America: we know what is right about this country. (Applause.)

The spirit of Desert Storm brought us together -- Americans of every color and creed. And I'm asking you young people to do all you can to keep this country united. Make it a land of harmony for years to come. And that means: right now -- every one of us -- I don't care -- South, North, East or West -- every one of us must stand up and say no to the politics of prejudice and hate and anti-Semitism and bigotry. They have no place in America. (Applause.)

Let me close with just a few words from the heart. Barbara and I are blessed -- we are blessed to -- and I might say I think the First Lady is doing a first-class job if that's all right. (Applause.) No, but I know she feels this way, and I do -- we are blessed to serve this great nation of ours at a moment when so many of the old fears have been driven away. When so many new hopes stand within our reach. Every day -- and this is the gospel truth -- we still say our prayers. But every day, I thank God that young people like you will be able to follow your dreams without the nightmare of nuclear holocaust hanging over us as it did just a few years ago. (Applause.) And since the day I took the Oath of Office I made it my duty to try -- to try hard always to do what is right for this country. And I've given it my level-best -- and I am not done yet.

You and I have more work ahead before we've finished our mission. It's a battle for our future: it's about jobs for your future, it's about the family, it's about world peace.

Together, I believe we have made a great beginning to renew the miracle of American enterprise -- and to strengthen our values of family and faith and freedom. Now we're approaching an hour of decision -- now it gets into the political trenches. Next week. So don't wait until November. I'm asking you to vote on Tuesday -- in the Republican Primary.

And give me your vote in this important election next Tuesday. Help me win four more years to lead the fight for the values we share. Thank you, and may God bless the United States of

America, the freest, the fairest, the most decent country on the face of the Earth. Thank you all. (Applause.)

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