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April 8, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
TO U.S. WINTER OLYMPICS CHAMPIONS

The South Lawn

2:47 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Well, please be seated. Mr. Vice President and Marilyn -- I've been jealous of them ever since they got to go to see a little bit of Albertville -- not as much as they would have liked, but we were just delighted they could represent our country, albeit briefly at this marvelous event.

And may I salute an old friend, Bill Hybl, from Colorado, who is the President of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and who stepped into a difficult job and has done a superb job for our athletes and for our country. I see next to him Oss Day, who was also on our delegation that represented us over there. Welcome, sir. And may I just salute all that are here today, fellow Americans, and most of all, the very special athletes who did our country so proud. (Applause.)

And a special hello to another athlete in his own right, a former coach of Notre Dame's Fighting Irish, who has just come, as Dizzy Dean would say -- from "commemertating" on the NCAA basketball tournament.

Now, a parenthetical note, and one of great importance, and I think benefit to our country -- today we're announcing that Digger Phelps will be a Special Assistant to the Director at the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Next to Digger is Governor Bob Martinez, who is doing a superb job heading up that office. And now, Digger will be at his side, the side of the Attorney General Bill Barr, and he's joining our efforts to take back the streets from crime and drugs, working on our new "weed and seed" program, which is terribly important to every community in our country.

Digger, welcome, officially, and please stand up. (Applause.) Well, I'm so glad to see all of you here, helping salute the Olympians. And let me say that it's an honor to have this team here, though I almost didn't recognize you all without the interruptions for commercials. (Laughter.)

The Olympics -- sorry about that one -- (laughter) -- the Olympics have been described as "going for the gold." Well, whether you took home a gold, silver, bronze, or simply just gave it your best, in my book and the book of your countrymen, you're all winners -- indeed, heroes -- and I think that's true for all Americans -- look at it that way.

A book once proclaimed, "Let us now praise famous men." The 1992 Winter Olympics praised famous women, and did they do it well. I speak of champions like Kristi Yamaguchi over here, of Fremont, California. And I know Kristi's got her own cereal now -- (laughter) -- but we know she's the real Special K. (Laughter and applause.)

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Bonny, you made the entire Olympics friendly skies for America. Now, where is Bonny? Way up high. There she is. (Applause.)

And then, members of the men's hockey team, of course, have now all spread out, returned to a variety of careers. And I know they'll be as successful as they were at Albertville -- fourth in the Winter Games -- best since the Miracle Team of '80. Team USA was led by Ray LeBlanc from Fitchburg, Mass., who did a superb job in goal. As an expert at taking a lot of shots, I know exactly how he felt. (Laughter.) We can all learn from him.

No wonder they call Ray "America's Choice" -- just as Nelson Carmichael, winning a bronze in moguls freestyle skiing, is the choice of his home town, Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Then, Paul Wylie, a figure skater from Somerville, Mass., who won a silver medal when some said he was over the hill at age 27. Don't worry, Paul. Barbara and I know you'll get used to it. (Laughter.) Had to rope her in on it.

At the end of this year's games, Paul Wylie received the Olympic Spirit Award. Let me add, that spirit owes much to this year's demonstration sport competitors -- the men's curling team of Bud and Tim Somerville and Bill and Mike Strum, Jeff Hamilton in speed skiing and Lane Spina and Sharon Petzold in freestyle ballet skiing, all here someplace. Hold up your hands now so we can get a little idea. There they are. Welcome, welcome. (Applause.)

But in the broad and in the truest sense, all of you here today mirror America's Olympic spirit: The work ethic, the desire to give of yourself and of your heart, the love of victory and, above all, competition. Each quality makes the Olympics great. Each, in turn, makes our country great.

In 1954, Dwight Eisenhower called the Olympics "the means and methods by which some understanding of fair play and justice can be developed among nations."

Here is what we call it: human beings vying peacefully. Athletes asking more of themselves. Excellence -- achievement -- the boundless energy of the human spirit.

Each of you showed how the Olympics race can ennoble the human race -- that cooperation and competition can produce a better world. And you led the way to America's best showing in the Winter Games since 1980 -- 11 medals, the most we've won on foreign soil.

And you pointed the way to Lillehammer in 1994. And you gave the world a taste of what we'll do when America holds the Summer

Olympics in Atlanta in July of 1996. White House to the world: I can't wait. And I know all Americans agree with me. (Applause.)

More than two millennia ago, a Greek statesman asked, "Which would you rather be -- a victor in the Olympic Games, or the announcer of the victor?"

Today, I am privileged to be the announcer of you victors: Americans who showed what we mean by competition, decency, self-reliance, self-discipline. Proving that the Olympics -- like America -- are truly number one.

For that I thank you -- for coming to the White House. We just welcome you once again. And may God bless you all -- and the nation that you made so proud, the United States of America. Thank you, and welcome. (Applause.)

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2:58 P.M. EDT

March 27, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR CURT SMITH

FROM: JAG

SUBJECT: '92 U.S. OLYPIC ATHLETES

- 1) This was a Women's Olympics: 9 of the 11 medals were won by women. All of the gold medals were won by women: Bonny Blair won 2, Cathy Turner won 1, Kristi Yamaguchi won 1, and Donna Winbrecht won 1 (freestyle skiing). This 14K team was so impressive, the media soon dubbed them "The Golden Girls."
- 2) Bonnie Blair won her two medals in speedskating, becoming the first American woman to win repeat golds ('88 and '92). Note: in the early days, before she became established, she was supported by the Champagne Fire Department, back in her home town of Champagne, Illinois.
- 3) Cathy Turner won a gold medal in the 500 meter short track speed skating contest. She had retired from the sport and was working as a part-time nightclub singer and cocktail waitress. The 30-year-old Rochester, New York native made a calculated gamble -- and a golden comeback. Guess she's singing a different tune now.
- 4) The goalie for the ice hockey team, Ray LeBlanc, was not a career star, but became one of the Olympic heroes with his outstanding performance -- taking the ice-hockey team into the medal round. He was dubbed "America's Choice."
- 5) Kristi Yamaguchi won the gold medal in the ladies' figure skating event. This Japanese-American star is from Fremont, California. Her parents were interned in interned during WWII. Note: now she's got her own box of cereal -- she's the current face of the Special K box. Most people think she's the real "Special K."
- 6) The American team won 11 medals -- the best we've ever done on foreign soil (or foreign snow?).
- 7) Figure skater Paul Wylie won a silver. At 27, he stuck it out when others said he was past his prime (joking parallel to POTUS?). At the end of the games, he was honored with our own Olympic Spirit Award.
- 8) Bonny Warner didn't get her medal in the luge event -- but her three-time olympian status makes her very impressive. She's probably done more than anyone else for this

particular sport. She retired following the games --  
returning to her career as a United Airlines pilot.

- 9) Hilary Lindh won the silver medal in the women's downhill  
and became the first Alaskan athlete ever to win an Olympic  
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**THEMIS**, thē'mis, in Greek mythology, was the guardian of divine law and order. As a daughter of Uranus and Gaea (Heaven and Earth), she was a Titaness. Possessed of the gift of prophecy, she for a time lived in the oracular temple at Delphi but left it to become consort to Zeus. By him she became the mother of the Horae (Hours) and of the Moirae (Fates). In Olympus her mission was to give counsel to Zeus and to preserve order. Her daughter Dike, the goddess of human justice, is often confused with her. In art, Themis is pictured as a stately personality holding a cornucopia and a pair of scales.

**THEMISTOCLES**, thə-mis'tə-klēz (c. 524 B. C.—c. 459 B. C.), was an Athenian general and public official. As a champion of the lower classes and an advocate of naval expansion, he became an archon (a magistrate) in 493–492 and began fortification of Piraeus, the port of Athens, as the Persian threat to Athens grew. He supported the anti-Persian policy of the general Miltiades, and served as a general in the battle of Marathon (490) against Persia. After Miltiades' death (489), Themistocles became the leading political figure in Athens by using ostracism to eliminate rivals. He may have been responsible for reducing the importance of the archonship by introducing election to it by lot. Thereafter, the ablest politicians sought the generalship, which was accorded annually by vote.

In 483, Themistocles convinced the Athenians that they should use the silver from a newly found rich vein at Laurium to build 100 to 200 new warships, ostensibly for protection against Aegina, which had been at war with Athens, but really in preparation for the coming invasion of the Persians under Xerxes. In 481 he persuaded the Athenians to cooperate with the other anti-Persian Greeks even to the point of giving nominal command of their fleet to the Spartans, the leaders of the Hellenic League. He also seems to have convinced the Athenians, even before the arrival of Xerxes in Greece, to trust in their ships—the “wooden walls”—and so to abandon their land and city, removing the women and children to Salamis, Troezen, and Aegina. This information is not contained in the traditional account of Herodotus, but comes from an inscription found in Troezen in 1959. After the inconclusive naval battle at Artemisium and Xerxes' forcing of the pass at Thermopylae, Themistocles urged the other Greeks to fight in the narrow bay of Salamis. The decisive naval victory there in 480, which saved Greece, was attributed to his strategic and tactical planning.

After the Persian threat was removed in 479, Themistocles incurred the enmity of the Spartans by having the walls of Athens hastily rebuilt against their advice. He vexed them also perhaps by negotiating with their disgraced general, Pausanias, in an attempt to stir up anti-Spartan feeling in the Peloponnesus. He may also have wanted to cooperate with the Persians. Although acquitted when brought to trial on the latter charge about 476, he lost his political influence and was ostracized about 473. A few years later he was condemned to death, *in absentia*, on a charge of plotting with the Persians and so fled to Asia Minor, where the Persian king gave him the city of Magnesia-on-the-Meander to rule over. He died there about 459. One account held that he committed suicide rather than help Persians against Greeks.

The ancient sources were often unfriendly to Themistocles, portraying him as vain, ambitious, and greedy. They blamed him for the radicalization of the Athenian democracy by promoting a naval policy that gave political power to the lower classes upon whom the fleet depended. In fact, this did not actually happen until more than a generation later. The historian Thucydides, however, praised his judgment and foresight. Themistocles was generally considered to have been responsible for the saving of Greece from the Persians.

DONALD W. BRADEEN  
University of Cincinnati

**THENARD**, tā-nār', Louis Jacques (1777–1857), French chemist and discoverer of hydrogen peroxide. The son of a peasant, Thenard was born in Louptière, France, on May 4, 1777. At the age of 17, he went to Paris where he became laboratory assistant to Louis N. Vauquelin. Encouraged both by Vauquelin and Antoine de Fourcroy, he obtained a junior post at the École Polytechnique in 1798. In 1810 he became a full professor there. He also held chairs of chemistry at the Collège de France and the Paris Faculty of Science.

Thenard did much of his important work with J. L. Gay-Lussac. In 1808 they discovered boron, and in 1811 they devised the first general method for analyzing organic compounds by oxidation with potassium chlorate. Thenard discovered hydrogen peroxide in 1818. He also introduced a new pigment, Thenard's blue, which was made by heating together certain cobalt and aluminum compounds.

Thenard was a prominent educational administrator, becoming chancellor of the University of France in 1845. His textbook *Traité de Chimie (Treatise on Chemistry)* ran to six editions. He died in Paris on June 21, 1857.

W. A. SMEATON, *University College, London*

**THENARDITE**, thə-nār'dīt, or *mineral sodium sulfate*, occurs in salt lakes. The crystals are colorless to brownish and have a glassy luster. Composition, Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>; hardness, 2–3; specific gravity, 2.7; crystal system, orthorhombic.

**THEOBALD**, ti'bald, Lewis (1688–1744), English scholar, poet, and dramatist, who was subjected to a brilliantly witty but unjust attack in Alexander Pope's *Dunciad*. He was born in Sittingbourne, Kent, and was educated for the law. He practiced for a time as an attorney but soon devoted himself to literary pursuits. Although Theobald wrote some poetry and a number of dramatic works, his fame rests on his work as scholar and editor. In *Shakespeare Restor'd* (1726) he demonstrated the inadequacies of Pope's edition of Shakespeare, arousing the ire of the great satirist, and the early versions of *The Dunciad* (1728) conferred on Theobald an undeserved reputation as a pedant. (See *DUNCIAD*.) He died in London on Sept. 18, 1744.

Theobald's first published poem was *A Pindarick Ode on the Union* (1707). A volume of verse entitled *The Grove* appeared in 1721. His dramatic works include the pseudo-Shakespearean *Double Falsehood* (1727) and the opera *Orestes* (1731). Theobald's own edition of Shakespeare (1733) displays admirable editorial gifts.

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Phelps, former coach of Notre Dame's Fighting Irish who's just  
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NCAA basketball tournament. //

I am pleased today to announce Digger's appointment to the  
Office of National Drug Control Policy. / Digger will be the  
point man spreading the word on our "Weed and Seed" initiative.  
This pioneering program seeks to take back the streets from crime  
and drugs. Respected among young people, Digger is the right man  
to do the job. /

Beginning today, Digger Phelps will be ~~(fighting drug abuse.)~~  
In that spirit, he wanted to be here to help salute America's  
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## 1996 OLYMPIC GAMES

### At A Glance

- What**                    XXVI Olympiad marking the 100th anniversary of the modern Olympic Games
- When**                  July 20 through August 4, 1996
- Where**                 On September 18, 1990, the International Olympic Committee selected Atlanta, Georgia as host city for the 1996 Games.
- 30 of 31 Olympic events (including Opening and Closing Ceremonies) will occur in the metropolitan Atlanta area. Yachting will take place in the Atlantic Ocean near Savannah, Georgia.
- Of Note**              The 1996 Games will be the first Olympiad held in the American South and the first summer Games ever held in the U. S. east of the Mississippi River.
- Atlanta is the only city to have won the right to host the Games on its first attempt competing against other cities.
- The other bid cities were: Athens, Greece; Belgrade, Yugoslavia; Manchester, England; Melbourne, Australia; and Toronto, Canada.
- Atlanta launched its bid for the Games in February 1987.
- IOC Vote**              Atlanta won the right to host the Games in five ballots from IOC members by a final margin of 51 to 35 over its nearest competitor, Athens, Greece. A simple majority of 44 IOC votes was required to award the Games to any city.

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Volunteers	More than 70,000 volunteers will be enlisted to help produce the 1996 Games
Construction	<p>Some of the major facilities to be built for staging the Games:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Olympic Stadium (85,000 seats)</li><li>• Natatorium (15,000 seats)</li><li>• Olympic Towers (housing for 9,000 athletes)</li><li>• Water Polo Stadium (4,000 seating)</li><li>• Velodrome (10,000 seating)</li><li>• Yachting Marina (Savannah)</li></ul> <p>All construction is scheduled to be completed one year before the Games begin.</p> <p>Some modifications will be made to other sites hosting Olympic events.</p>
Visitors	150,000 persons per day during the duration of the Games
Hotels	Atlanta currently has available 50,000+ hotel rooms within a 20 minute radius of the Olympic Centre in downtown Atlanta and another 20,000 within a 90 minute radius of the Olympic Centre.
Media	More than 15,000 representatives of the international media are expected at the Games.
Financial Forecasts	<p>Revenue, including television rights, corporate sponsorships, ticket sales and the Olympic Coin Program is estimated at \$1.161 billion.</p> <p>Expense, including venue and village construction, security, ceremonies and the cultural festival is estimated at \$1.005 billion.</p> <p>Thus, a surplus of \$156 million is projected. Most of this surplus will be redistributed for the support and development of amateur athletics.</p>

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On the metropolitan Atlanta area is estimated at  
\$3.5 billion.

Upcoming  
Games

1992 Winter Games - Albertville, France  
February 8 through February 23, 1992

1992 - XXV Olympiad - Barcelona, Spain  
July 25 through August 9, 1992

1994 Winter Games - Lillehammer, Norway  
Dates to be determined, 1994

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Meeting with the President in the Oval Office, 2:00 pm, Wednesday, October 3, 1990, regarding Atlanta's selection as host city for the 1996 Olympic Games are:

1. The Honorable Joe Frank Harris, Governor of Georgia
2. The Honorable Maynard Jackson, Mayor of Atlanta
3. Ambassador Andrew Young, Chairman, Atlanta Organizing Committee
4. Billy Payne, President, Atlanta Organizing Committee
5. Robert Helmick, IOC Member; President, United States Olympic Committee; and, attorney, Des Moines, Iowa
6. Anita DeFrantz, IOC Member and attorney, Los Angeles, California
7. Harvey Schiller, Executive Director, United States Olympic Committee

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
TO U.S. WINTER OLYMPICS CHAMPIONS

The South Lawn

2:47 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Well, please be seated. Mr. Vice President and Marilyn -- I've been jealous of them ever since they got to go to see a little bit of Albertville -- not as much as they would have liked, but we were just delighted they could represent our country, albeit briefly at this marvelous event.

And may I salute an old friend, Bill Hybl, from Colorado, who is the President of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and who stepped into a difficult job and has done a superb job for our athletes and for our country. I see next to him Oss Day, who was also on our delegation that represented us over there. Welcome, sir. And may I just salute all that are here today, fellow Americans, and most of all, the very special athletes who did our country so proud. (Applause.)

And a special hello to another athlete in his own right, a former coach of Notre Dame's Fighting Irish, who has just come, as Dizzy Dean would say -- from "commemertating" on the NCAA basketball tournament.

Now, a parenthetical note, and one of great importance, and I think benefit to our country -- today we're announcing that Digger Phelps will be a Special Assistant to the Director at the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Next to Digger is Governor Bob Martinez, who is doing a superb job heading up that office. And now, Digger will be at his side, the side of the Attorney General Bill Barr, and he's joining our efforts to take back the streets from crime and drugs, working on our new "weed and seed" program, which is terribly important to every community in our country.

Digger, welcome, officially, and please stand up. (Applause.) Well, I'm so glad to see all of you here, helping salute the Olympians. And let me say that it's an honor to have this team here, though I almost didn't recognize you all without the interruptions for commercials. (Laughter.)

The Olympics -- sorry about that one -- (laughter) -- the Olympics have been described as "going for the gold." Well, whether you took home a gold, silver, bronze, or simply just gave it your best, in my book and the book of your countrymen, you're all winners -- indeed, heroes -- and I think that's true for all Americans -- look at it that way.

A book once proclaimed, "Let us now praise famous men." The 1992 Winter Olympics praised famous women, and did they do it well. I speak of champions like Kristi Yamaguchi over here, of Fremont, California. And I know Kristi's got her own cereal now -- (laughter) -- but we know she's the real Special K. (Laughter and applause.)

With us today, of course, is a champion whose specialty is speed skating. Bonnie Blair was supported in her early days by her hometown Champaign, Illinois, Fire Department. Now, after becoming the first American woman to take a gold medal in two

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straight Olympics -- she's set the speed skating world on fire. Congratulations. (Applause.)

So did Cathy -- Cathy Turner of Rochester, whose story even Ripley would disbelieve. A briefly retired speed skater, Cathy gave up her job as a nightclub singer to return to her sport and win the gold in short track -- a silver in the relay event. And I congratulate her -- well done, well done. (Applause.) That brings me to other members of what's been called "The Golden Girls." People like Donna Weinbrecht of New Milford, New Jersey, winning the first-ever gold medal in moguls skiing. Or Juneau's Hilary Lindh, winning the silver in the women's downhill -- the first Alaskan athlete to win an Olympic medal. Hilary, you've made Alaska almost forget about the Iditarod. Where are you?

I think, too, of Diann Roffe, Nancy Kerrigan, Amy Peterson, Darcie Dohnal and Nikki Ziegelmeier -- each -- each of them winning bronze or silver. And also three-time Olympian Bonny Warner -- who has now traded the luge for her new career as an airplane pilot.

Bonny, you made the entire Olympics friendly skies for America. Now, where is Bonny? Way up high. There she is. (Applause.)

And then, members of the men's hockey team, of course, have now all spread out, returned to a variety of careers. And I know they'll be as successful as they were at Albertville -- fourth in the Winter Games -- best since the Miracle Team of '80. Team USA was led by Ray LeBlanc from Fitchburg, Mass., who did a superb job in goal. As an expert at taking a lot of shots, I know exactly how he felt. (Laughter.) We can all learn from him.

No wonder they call Ray "America's Choice" -- just as Nelson Carmichael, winning a bronze in moguls freestyle skiing, is the choice of his home town, Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Then, Paul Wylie, a figure skater from Somerville, Mass., who won a silver medal when some said he was over the hill at age 27. Don't worry, Paul. Barbara and I know you'll get used to it. (Laughter.) Had to rope her in on it.

At the end of this year's games, Paul Wylie received the Olympic Spirit Award. Let me add, that spirit owes much to this year's demonstration sport competitors -- the men's curling team of Bud and Tim Somerville and Bill and Mike Strum, Jeff Hamilton in speed skiing and Lane Spina and Sharon Petzold in freestyle ballet skiing, all here someplace. Hold up your hands now so we can get a little idea. There they are. Welcome, welcome. (Applause.)

But in the broad and in the truest sense, all of you here today mirror America's Olympic spirit: The work ethic, the desire to give of yourself and of your heart, the love of victory and, above all, competition. Each quality makes the Olympics great. Each, in turn, makes our country great.

In 1954, Dwight Eisenhower called the Olympics "the means and methods by which some understanding of fair play and justice can be developed among nations."

Here is what we call it: human beings vying peacefully. Athletes asking more of themselves. Excellence -- achievement -- the boundless energy of the human spirit.

Each of you showed how the Olympics race can ennoble the human race -- that cooperation and competition can produce a better world. And you led the way to America's best showing in the Winter Games since 1980 -- 11 medals, the most we've won on foreign soil.

And you pointed the way to Lillehammer in 1994. And you gave the world a taste of what we'll do when America holds the Summer

Olympics in Atlanta in July of 1996. White House to the world: I can't wait. And I know all Americans agree with me. (Applause.)

More than two millennia ago, a Greek statesman asked, "Which would you rather be -- a victor in the Olympic Games, or the announcer of the victor?"

Today, I am privileged to be the announcer of you victors: Americans who showed what we mean by competition, decency, self-reliance, self-discipline. Proving that the Olympics -- like America -- are truly number one.

For that I thank you -- for coming to the White House. We just welcome you once again. And may God bless you all -- and the nation that you made so proud, the United States of America. Thank you, and welcome. (Applause.)

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