

000 August U.S. in her relational plot  
Derradi explaining his success with  
Queen Victoria -

Gridiron  
1969

"I never refuse; I never contradict,  
I sometimes forget."

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Thank God,  
Aunt Hannah's role - Good bye  
Miss Hall Petrus

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Gov Wallace: "If I don't do well,  
I want lose many votes -  
May I join the Club!"

Ⓢ Love - by Mark Hanna!!

Thank God, for Dr. Farley, & Aunt Hannah

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know you have lost. !

(insert at will)

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∟ In the spirit of the new Administration,  
will you please lower your voices.

It's Bad enough to be defeated <sup>000224</sup>  
but then to be on the  
Program with Pres Hyakawa  
& O. J. Simpson - that's almost  
too much

Hagakawa

000226

Mr President - Mr Chief Justice,

Mr. Chairman, Vice President Agnew,

Governor Wallace . . . and Mayor Daley --

wherever you are. -!!

And old friends down at  
the Ranch - <sup>to feel it</sup> ~~to~~ the alarms all  
over again!

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At the outset, and without any sense of  
bitterness for what has gone before, I want to

pay my respects to the two men who have ~~gone~~ <sup>gone to the</sup> ~~to the~~ <sup>national</sup> ~~to the~~ <sup>capital</sup>  
~~to our city~~ <sup>taken on</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> assume awesome new responsibilities --

~~a~~ <sup>in the national capital</sup> ~~new~~ <sup>new</sup> team which has the eyes of the

nation upon it -- two men who must struggle

~~under~~

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under intense pressure and against great odds --  
and who deserve the sympathy and the support  
of every American --

I ask you to join me in saluting --  
Vince Lombardi and Ted Williams.

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*This is a note for remembering -*  
~~my husband's year~~

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Seems like my training has been off  
1960. Kennedy; 1968 N.Y.C., & New Bedford  
the campus

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remembered trip a bit confusing  
added they had to keep notes at  
the end Pres de Gaulle's Pen.

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*But, as you know,*

That fast pace on an overseas trip can be  
very confusing. Perhaps that explains why  
President Nixon urged the Pope to rejoin NATO  
and then kissed General de Gaulle's ring.

*now* (of President Nixon)

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I don't envy the decisions that President Nixon  
has had to make these last few days. He had a choice of  
going ahead with the Anti-Ballistic Missile system at a  
cost of about eight hundred million dollars or paying  
my political campaign debts.

Mr. President, only history can judge whether  
you made the right decision.

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Speaking of the ABM, we Democrats are working on our own system. ~~that's only Defense in~~ ~~no Production~~

~~and~~ We learned a lot last fall. We ~~know~~ ~~how~~ how to protect the cities, but we were a little thin in the countryside.

slow

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*Mr President, your own life has inspired me and wounded me! may I be so fortunate!*

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*"Winning the Peace is a lonely battle"*

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REMARKS  
GRIDIRON DINNER  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
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*This sort always do things backwards -  
Take my ~~side~~ ~~I~~ ~~rated~~ ~~the~~ ~~best~~ ~~review~~ ~~over~~ ~~for~~ ~~expensive~~ -  
I didn't need 'em when I was V.P. but I sure  
can use them  
now.*

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~~And speaking of riots, a funny thing happened to me on the way through Chicago.~~ Daley joke

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 for the Roy Chalk buses -

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But as an irate taxpayer, I think it's about time the Federal  
bureaucrats started keeping track of their work day. I should let you in on  
the best kept secret of the Johnson-Humphrey Administration -- LBJ  
had me fill out 12-minute work sheets for four years -- in triplicate.

*I had a much longer speech - but then I saw*  
*Mr. K held out his stopwatch.*

*I never thought I'd see the day that they thought they*  
*could get H to speak for 12 minutes.*

*Deputy*  
*with*  
*General*

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DRAFT:

Humor for the Television and Radio Broadcasters Dinner, and  
for the Gridiron Dinner . (Note: If the President shows up at  
the former, we can save our material for the latter).

The President's messages are full of talk about disadvantages,  
second-class citizens this year. <sup>But</sup> I read the housing message over  
three times, and didn't find a single referent to housing for the  
Vice President.

They were going to give us the Naval Observatory, but since  
the Pueblo Crisis, they are watching the Navy a <sup>lot</sup> more closely.  
\* \* \*

The President has just expanded the duties of my office --  
to include Presidential Elevator Tester.

Only he told me to make sure I remember to get off before  
the top.

This is a temporary assignment -- just until the Secret Service  
has his new self-propelled elevator ready.

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The President called me in last week. "Hubert, I am going to give you a new assignment. I need a man who knows the cities, feels for the farmers... a man who believes in a better America."

"Mr. President," I said, "do you mean the Great Society?"

"No, Hubert. Pacification."

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The President is worried about my Youth Program. He said the other day, "Hubert, what we need is somebody who can serve as a national symbol of hope for the younger generation."

I said, "Well, we could get ~~George~~ Hamilton... or Hugh Hefner... or (T.V. ~~Personality~~)." /

He said, "No. No. Somebody with a good shock of hair. Somebody who carries around the books kids like. Athletic -- but thoughtful. Courageous and outspoken -- but realistic." /

"Mr. President," I said, "do you mean...?"

"Precisely. Arthur Schlesinger." (Who else can we use?)

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(For Gridiron).

I understand there is <sup>a</sup> power struggle going on in the Gridiron Club between the hawks and the doves. I want you to know that my membership lapsed three years ago.

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Sayings of Chairman Lyndon:

The President sent over a few of his quotations from his soon-to-be-published collection:

"Remember Balaclava."

He who stands and waits....

(Others?)

It's the player-trading season again. ~~We're ready to trade two~~

Kennedy  
Maddox  
Lippman  
Giap  
Dayan

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~~Rockefeller~~ and Nixon lived in the same apartment house until just awhile ago. The superintendant said, "I regret that I have but one tenant to give for my country."

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Dick Nixon is worried about his loser image, and now he's lost Romney.

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Primaries:

There is nothing like a primary to promote a state's economic development, <sup>or</sup> ~~^~~ The primary states are all disappointed Romney withdrew. But they are counting on a big year in 1972.

Dick Nixon called the other night to borrow my  
little book about primaries. "West Virginia on Five Dollars  
a day." (Better title? Something to equate  
Kennedy + Rockefeller money?)

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Coalition government (list names and portfolios)

Ky to take Over ~~the~~ Latimore Chair of Pacific relations.

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Possible points of ~~development~~ departure:

Credibility

Gold Supply

Tourist Tax

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Doug

PROPOSED REMARKS -- Gridiron

I think that the Gridiron Club is the one place in the world in which I can tell the true story of how I was chosen by the President to be his running mate. You have heard many versions of this, and I just want to tell you that I am now going to tell what actually did happen before the convention in Atlantic City.

Several weeks before that convention, my wife and I were sitting around and she said to me, "Hubert, the trouble with you is that you are too shy. You are a retiring man. You are too inarticulate and, as a result, here in Washington people just don't seem to know that you are around the Senate."

And I agreed with her. I have always felt shy and inarticulate, and I said to my wife, "Darling, what do you think I ought to do about it?"

"I think you ought to advertise in the Yellow Pages. You should put your name in the phone book so that, just in case the time comes when some President is looking for the name of a running mate, you will be there."

I said, "Now that's just silly. I can't do a thing like that."

But she got the Yellow Pages and turned to "Vice Presidents - Available for -" and you would be surprised at the names that were on that list. So she persuaded me to get my name listed, which I did.

Now a week before the convention opened, I learned later, the President brought his closest advisors into an office in the White House and said, "Gentlemen, I have got to find a running mate." And around that table -- many of them are in this room tonight -- were Bill Moyers, Jack Valenti, Abe Fortas, Clark Clifford. . . . . And the President went around the table and said to each, "Whom would you suggest as Vice President for my running mate?"

He went around and said, "Bill, what do you think?"

"Jack, what do you think?"

"Clark, what do you think?"

"Sarge. . . . . oh, never mind, Sarge."

Well, I don't have to tell you fellows how hard it was for that group to find just the right mixture of talents and qualities for a candidate. Some came from states that were too small, and one came from a state that was too large. Some, it was thought, would alienate the farmers. Some, it was thought, might not win the support of the unions. And some were opposed by Ph. D.'s from Harvard who form 92 per cent of the voting population of Massachusetts.

Finally, the President -- with that remarkable ability to get to the very heart of the problem -- turned to the most astute political mind of the lot and said, "What do you think, dear?"

And she said, "Why, landsakes, Lyndon, why don't you do what I do when I need something. Why don't you look in the Yellow Pages?"

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(List people alphabetically with comments to the reverse)

There was the name of William Fulbright -- "Oh, he is a fine man but he's too much of a hawk for me."

They came to the K's -- "Well, let's skip over this letter."

Then he came to the name of Gene McCarthy -- "A very good man. The trouble with him is that he will go right with me on every policy point, and I will never find . . . ."

When he came to the name Humphrey, he asked around the table, "Who's he?"

One fellow said, "I think he worked in a drug store in Minnesota once."

"That's good -- there are a lot of pharmacists in this country."

(Wayne Morse?)

He came to Nelson Rockefeller -- "By the way, what party does he belong to?" Well, they couldn't agree on that.

"Let's take another look at Hubert.....Now he's got a lot going for him, not the sort that can go gallivanting around the country making speeches. He doesn't come from New York or Massachusetts."

And then the President said "the best thing of all, the most priceless asset he has -- he is such an extravert and such an optimist that he is always laughing."

I want you to know, gentlemen, that it was that quality that clinched it because the President knew, as do all of you, that the most important thing a Vice President needs is to be able to laugh. And I haven't stopped laughing since I have been in office.

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smile upon them . . . until November 6, 1972.

March 7, 1969

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To: John Stewart

From: Ted

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I am grateful for the chance to join with you this evening in honoring my good friend Mayor Daley. I want to assure Mayor Daley that I really didn't say what he saw and heard me say the other night on Educational Television. As Mayor Daley always says: You just can't believe what you see or hear on television.

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As I think of Mayor Daley my thoughts also turn to another man who did so much in my behalf last fall: George Wallace. Governor, those National Guardsmen with bayonets make me feel much safer in my new job on campus. Professors of Law and Order.

Governor, you've been opposing me for years -- from the school house door to the White House door. But contrary to what you might think, I harbor no grudge -- only a feeling of deep bitterness.

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I am also in the company tonight of a man with whom I cannot help but feel a spirit of kinship -- and for whom I pray. I need not say his name; by now it's a household word.

Mr. Vice President -- my, what a pleasure it is to address someone else in those words -- you have already given for your President what I was never able to give for mine: a broken nose.

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The other day a lot of us Democrats were laughing it up about the campaign. There was Mayor Daley... and Gene McCarthy... and Jess Unruh... and Governor Maddox... and Paul O'Dwyer. They were all telling me about these mistakes I made and how I messed things up. I finally had to apologize: I let them down.

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But those days are all behind us now. Now there is one Democratic Party, marching in step. My friends Ted Kennedy, Ed Muskie, George McGovern, Gene McCarthy, Fred Harris, John Connally -- all marching side by side, arm in arm. The only trouble is: they're all headed for one narrow door.

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I'm often asked: What is your future in politics? I can only answer: I'll let you know when my students unlock the door and let me out of my classroom.

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## Gridiron Club Remarks

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Finally, I'll answer a question I know is in all your minds. After 20 years in Washington... after those 20-hour workdays... after all the controversy and conflict, how does it feel to finally be able to get away from it? I'll tell you: It feels lousy.

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It should be noted that Mr. Kleindeinst has succeeded in converting the awkward system of hours and minutes to a decimal system, whereby 24 minutes, for example, is the value of .0023 and 5 minutes would be conveniently designated as 00.0833333333.

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If you've seen one GI show -  
you've seen 'em all -  
I enjoyed myself. To paraphrase our  
Great V.P. - if you've seen one  
GI show, you've seen 'em all -

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Old VP is never del', they just wind up  
Teaching

Art Buchwald  
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REMARKS  
GRIDIRON DINNER  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
MARCH 15, 1969

It's good to be back in Washington for the night --  
even though my accommodations here aren't quite what I had  
in mind last fall. You know, I had a terrible time finding  
the East Room at the Holiday Inn.

Yesterday -- I just couldn't stop her -- Muriel planted  
a tree in front of Howard Johnson's. But she told me later  
it just wasn't the same.

It's not the results on election night. It isn't even the  
verdict of the Electoral College. It's when you have been  
invited to speak at the Gridiron that you know it's official --  
that you know you have lost.

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(I have enjoyed myself tremendously this evening but, to paraphrase one of America's immortal statements: If you have seen one Gridiron show, you have seen them all.)

When a man loses a Presidential election, he keeps thinking about what went wrong.

I have had daily thoughts about this -- daily conferences with my staff about this -- daily meetings with members of the Democratic Party -- daily discussions with newspapermen. It all boils down to one thing -- Daley.

Of course, I have been puzzled by the Mayor's answer as to whom the Democrats should have nominated. You recall he said he had in mind the name of a former President.

Who could he mean -- I thought and thought.

And then it dawned on me ... Hoover ... J. Edgar Hoover.

As a matter of fact, it's been easy for me to switch from political life to academic life -- especially since I had my riot training last fall.

Now that I have returned to teaching, I have a lot more time for reading. I have just finished "The Love Poems of Eugene McCarthy." It's a rather unusual book. The author dedicates it to himself.

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I am delighted to see so many old friends and fellow travelers on the campaign trail. In fact, the last time I saw President Nixon was on Inauguration Day.

He was taking his oath, and I was muttering a few of my own.

The President had a most productive trip to Europe. He went to France and had a very successful visit with General de Gaulle. After their meeting was finished, President Nixon wrote out their areas of agreement on a sheet of paper and General de Gaulle, of course, chipped his ten points out on a tablet. But as Nixon later told a reporter, "If you have seen one burning bush, you have seen them all."

The whirlwind pace on these trips can sometimes be very confusing. Perhaps that explains why President Nixon urged the Pope to rejoin NATO and then kissed General de Gaulle's ring.

Yes, it's been a fast-moving 56 days for the President ...

56 days, 5 hours, 20 minutes, and 6 seconds ... but who's

counting?

I had prepared a much longer speech. But coming in,

I saw Deputy Attorney General Kleindienst with his stopwatch.

So that's what the Administration means by a new day --

thinking they could get Humphrey to speak for 12 minutes.

But I know that all Americans have an enormous sympathy

for the man who holds the loneliest office in the land ...

the most sensitive office within the gift of the people ... the man

in this office walks a tight rope between what is right and what

is wrong ... tossed between one force and another ... He is

the man who must act not on the basis of what is in his heart but

on the basis of what is possible.

We honor this man tonight and I want to pay my special respects to ... the Vice President of the United States, Spiro T. Agnew.

You know, Mr. Agnew and I are soul brothers. We have both occupied the office space allotted to the Vice President. So we both understand the meaning of that immortal phrase: "If you've seen one slum, you've seen them all."

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ART BUCHWALD

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about this, daily  
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staff about this, daily  
meetings with members  
of the Democratic party.  
Daily discussions with  
newspaperman and it  
seems to me it all  
boils down to one  
thing Daily.

March 14, 1969

Memo for HHH

From Marsha

Chuck Bailey called this morning with some lines for your Gridiron remarks -- the following came from Jack Wilson who writes "Potomac Fever." Chuck will try to think up some of his own and call later today.

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"It's nice of Republicans to curb inflation, although some of them seem to think it's too bad the curb had to start with the stock market."

"I am glad Mr. Nixon can be here tonight; although if I may paraphrase Mr. Agnew very slightly, when you've seen one former Vice President, you've seen them all."

"I was cranking my Model T Ford the other day, and it reminded me that I hadn't heard of George Wallace for some time. I was pleased to learn from a news story that he is alive and well and living in the 19th Century. He has a newsletter which he issues every month. It reports that he is looking ahead to 1972 -- and back to 1861. The newsletter costs \$12 a year, but it's worth more than that just for the ads. They have some marvelous bargains. You can save the cost of the subscription on just one shipment of dynamite. And there are fashion tips, too. Did you know that the

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miniskirt fad is over? From now on it's the old-fashioned full-length sheet with matching hood. You do have to say for Mr. Wallace that they maintain law and order better down South. You never hear of students burning Confederate flags or refusing to stand when the band plays "Dixie."

cc: John Stewart ✓

Bill Hunter

Udon Campbell

Sen. Hinkle

Sen. Bayh

Roger Braunger  
SPEECH  
at the Phi Delta Theta

Judge Hugh Dillin

(A real judge of the only man  
who would dare speak so  
much truth without  
fear of contempt of court.

INDIANA GRIDIRON DINNER

APRIL 4, 1964 Run for Governor  
again

I was a little disappointed when I arrived here and found out  
I had to address a political dinner.

(Judge Hunter mentioned  
for Richardson Wright)

I came out here with the distinct understanding that I would be  
addressing a college fraternity convention.

And to make matters worse, I found out we weren't even meeting  
in the Claypool Hotel.

I LEARNED THAT BILL BRAY HAD THE HONOR AND THE HIGH PRIVILEGE OF  
ADDRESSING THE PHI DELTA THETA CONVENTION. THESE FINE UPSTANDING  
STUDENTS PICKED JUST THE RIGHT MAN FOR THEIR KEYNOTE SPEECH.

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RHY

THE REPUBLICANS <sup>stomach</sup> HAVE ALL THE FUN. Bray

I'M TOLD THE FRATERNITY BOYS GAVE HIM A ROUSING OVATION, BECAUSE  
HE DIDN'T TAKE TOO MUCH OF THEIR VALUABLE TIME AND HE GAVE THEM A  
CHOICE BETWEEN PIETY AND PASSION AND THEY KNEW WHAT TO SELECT.

When beginning to wonder  
if Richard Baker was not  
a Republican plant!

WHEN BILL GIVES THEM THE "WORD" HE REALLY SENDS THEM.

IT WAS PROBABLY THE MOST ~~ENTHUSIASTICALLY~~ ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED  
SPEECH BILL WILL EVER MAKE DURING HIS RACE FOR GOVERNOR.

*and* I UNDERSTAND THAT WHEN BILL GOT BACK TO WASHINGTON HE CHECKED IN  
FOR A LITTLE SPIRITUAL TREATMENT AT DOCTOR CHARLIE HALLECK'S CLINIC.

*beck* IN CASE YOU DON'T KNOW, DOCTOR HALLECK'S CLINIC IS THE "AMERICAN  
~~FARM~~ FARM BUREAU'S "DO IT YOURSELF PROGRAM" FOR LIQUIDATING THE  
CORN SURPLUS.

I MUST SAY THE REPORTS WE GET IN WASHINGTON ABOUT THE CULTURAL  
ACTIVITIES AT THE CLAYPOOL ARE MOST ENCOURAGING.

*by  
ker* WE ALWAYS THINK THAT WASHINGTON IS SETTING THE TONE AND THE PACE  
FOR THE REST OF THE NATION. BUT I CAN SEE NOW THAT EVEN BOBBY BAKER  
COULD HAVE LEARNED A THING OR ~~TWO~~ TWO IN INDIANA.

I'M SO NAIVE I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT INDIANA'S BIGGEST CLAIM TO  
FAME WAS ITS ROUGH-AND-TUMBLE BRAND OF POLITICS.

I EVEN THOUGHT THAT BASKETBALL WAS INDIANA'S FAVORITE INDOOR  
SPORT.

NOW I KNOW WHY MAYOR JOHNNY BARTON IS TRYING TO GET MORE OF  
THESE FIVE CONVENTIONS TO COME TO INDIANA AND AWAY FROM BROWN VICK

AUTHOR'S -- CAPEHART-LIEBOWITZ

I'VE HAD OTHER ENCOURAGING CULTURAL REPORTS FROM INDIANA.

SOMEONE TOLD ME THAT MY OLD AND DEAR FORMER COLLEAGUE, HOMER  
CAPEHART, IS BUSY THESE DAYS WRITING A BOOK.....ITS TITLE, "MILITARY  
INVASIONS DURING AN ELECTION YEAR" OR "HOW TO LOSE WITHOUT TRYING."

WE HAVE ANOTHER AUTHOR IN OUR MIDST - A REAL AUTHOR, IRVING  
LEIBOWITZ. AND YOU KNOW IT TAKES A GUY FROM BROOKLYN TO WRITE A BOOK  
ABOUT INDIANA.

I WANT TO GIVE A WORD OF WARNING TO VANCE HARTKE AND BIRCH BAYH.  
YOU HAD BETTER LOOK OUT - "LEIBO" LOOKS ENOUGH LIKE PIERRE SALINGER  
TO RUN FOR THE SENATE.

BILL MILLER -- REPUBLICANS

I'M SORRY TO SEE THAT BILL MILLER IS QUITTING POLITICS. BUT  
I'V ALWAYS KNOWN THAT BILL IS A <sup>SHREW'D</sup> ~~SMART~~ NATIONAL CHAIRMAN. HE'S GETTING  
THE ELEPHANT OFF HIS BACK WHILE THERE'S STILL TIME. HE KNOWS A LOSER  
WHEN HE CARRIES ONE.

I'VE HEARD IT RUMORED IN WASHINGTON THAT BILL ~~MILLER~~ MILLER IS SUPPOSED  
TO HAVE TOLD A SAINTS AND SINNERS LUNCH THAT IF YOU WANT A VIRGIN LOSER  
--- TRY SCRANTON. BUT IF YOU WANT ONE WHO HAS DONE IT AGAIN AND AGAIN.  
TRY NIXON.

WELL, THERE ARE A LOT OF REPUBLICANS WHO AREN'T AS SMART AS BILL. THEY'RE  
STILL PANTING FOR THE REPUBLICAN CONSOLATION PRIZE. Consolation Prize

I FIGURE THESE PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFULS CAN USE A LITTLE HELP SO I'M  
OFFERING THEM SOME CAMPAIGN SONGS. OF COURSE, THEY AREN'T AS CATCHY AS  
"BIRCH BAYH'S CAMPAIGN JINGLE BUT BIRCH TELLS ME THEY SHOULD DO.

HAROLD STASSEN'S SONG IS ~~SO~~ EASY -- "BORN TO LOSE."  
FOR GEORGE ROMNEY AND BILL SCRANTON -- "WERE POOR LITTLE SHEEPS"

WHO HAVE LOST OUR WAY."

HENRY CABOT LODGE -- "ABSENCE MAKES THE HEART GROW FONDER."

BARRY GOLDWATER -- "I'VE GOT PLENTY OF NOTHING."

NELSON ROCKEFELLER -- "I CAN'T GIVE YOU ANYTHING BUT LOVE."

And for the G.O.P. Convention --  
I humbly suggest that old  
Republican favorite  
"Bewitched, Bothered, and  
Bearded!"

~~News by Barry Goldwater~~

① News Report today -- Princeton Republican  
Beas

"Discovery of Primitive man  
1,800,000 years old" -- The founder  
of R.P. Party

"Anciently, Nil. Species of Primitive Man  
has been found. News as wearing  
Goldwater button" See Nated Budget

INDIANA POLITICS

*Enlightened  
Candidates,  
A Day -*

I CAN SEE THAT INDIANA POLITICS ARE OFF TO A ROUSING START  
ALREADY. *The Puller candidates are in the Race - Adalberto and  
Stacy are campaigning with Running lights in their  
Naval!*

I NOTE THAT ROGER BRANNIGAN IS NOT ~~THE~~ ROASTMASTER THIS YEAR  
AND EVEN THE YOUNGEST CHILD IN INDIANA KNOWS WHAT THAT MEANS - ROGER  
IS RUNNING FOR GOVERNOR.

GOV. WELSH IS GETTING SET FOR HIS FIRST PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY.

I CAN OFFER HIM A LITTLE ADVICE -- BASED ON EXPERIENCE! DON'T ENTER  
ANY PRIMARIES OUTSIDE YOUR HOME STATE -- ESPECIALLY WEST VIRGINIA!

I'M SORRY VANCE HARTKE ISN'T HERE BECAUSE IT'S A TREAT TO WATCH  
THE FASTEST MAN WITH A HANDSHAKE NORTH OF THE OHIO RIVER.

IN THE COMING OLYMPIC GAMES, THERE IS A NEW COMPETITION -- TABLE  
HOPPING -- AND WE HAVE A SURE WINNER -- VANCE HARTKE!

BIRCH BAYH HAS MADE QUITE AN IMPRESSION ON WASHINGTON. HIS WAS  
THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 88TH CONGRESS.  
LAST SUMMER HE PLAYED IN THE ANNUAL CONGRESSIONAL BASEBALL GAME AND  
STOLE THE SHOW. HE WENT FIVE FOR FIVE, INCLUDING A HOME RUN AND MADE  
A CIRCUS CATCH OF A FLY BALL.

SOME SMART ALECK SPORTS COLUMNIST SAID THAT BIRCH COULD DO  
MORE FOR HIS COUNTRY BY LEAVING CAPITOL HILL AND JOINING THE  
WASHINGTON SENATORS

But, I say he's needed in  
both places!

(X)

<sup>convenient</sup> Indiana Primary, make a champion look like a lousy fellow

Use  
account  
money  
what  
take  
on  
them

Speaking of Indiana Politics  
A word about Frank McKimney  
and the American Fletcher  
National Bank —

~~The man who~~

(V) The man who proved that the only  
way to get a Democrat even  
close to the Columbia Club is  
to build a bank ~~Back to Back~~  
~~with~~ next door — and close it!

HALLECK

*Franka Jefferson  
non-partisan*

*I miss*

I SEE MY GOOD FRIEND CHARLIE HALLECK IS HERE. I HAVE TWO TELEGRAMS FOR HIM.

THE HONORABLE CHARLES A. HALLECK, MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

"YOUR APPEARANCES ON THE EV AND CHARLIE SHOW ARE DOING WONDERS FOR THE GRAND OLD PARTY. (STOP) SENATOR DIRKSEN HAS ALWAYS HAD A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART EVER SINCE THE CONVENTION OF 1952. (STOP) BUT HE CAN'T HOLD A CANDLE TO YOU. (PLEASE STOP).

SIGNED DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

THE SECOND TELEGRAM READS:

"YOUR EV AND CHARLIE TV SHOW APPEARS ON OUR LOCAL <sup>TV</sup> STATION. (STOP).

IS THIS A CONFLICT OF INTERESTS?

*and Dr you need a stove  
slightly used and much  
abused.*

SIGNED -- LBJ





1885-1969

MR. HUMPHREY



THE DINNER of THE GRIDIRON CLUB—MARCH 15, 1969



Mr. Radcliffe explaining his success with  
Quarantine -

"I never refuse; I never contradict,  
I sometimes forget!"

Thank God,  
I shall have a very good year  
with all the others

Hayakawa

Mr. President - Mr. Chief Justice,  
Mr. Chairman, Vice President Agnew,

Governor Wallace . . . and Mayor Daley --

wherever you are. --!!

And old friends down at  
the Ranch - to the Alamo all,  
over again!

under intense pressure and against great odds --  
 and who deserve the sympathy and the support  
 of every American --

I ask you to join me in saluting --

Vince Lombardi and Ted Williams.

*Yes.* It's good to be back in Washington for the  
 night . . . even if my accommodations aren't  
 quite what I had in mind. *(you see)* I always wanted  
 to live next <sup>*door*</sup> to Bebe Robozo.

Bebe Robozo

*Kleine Deinst*

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I noticed that Deputy Attorney General

*Kleine Deinst*

~~Kleindeinst~~ started his stop watch when I began.

Forget it, Dick ↳ If LBJ couldn't restrain me,  
the Nixon Administration never will.

*This is a note for reminiscing —*  
*my lament for*

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↳ When a man loses a Presidential election,  
he keeps thinking about what went wrong ↳ I want  
to share those thoughts with you -- because of the  
great support I got from the publishers and <sup>*news*</sup> papers  
of this country.

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↳ I've thought ~~privately~~ about this daily. ↳ I've had daily conferences with my staff -- daily meetings with members of the Democratic party and daily discussions with newspapermen. ↳ We agree -- it all boils down to one thing -- Daley.

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↳ But the defeat was not without some blessings. ↳  
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~~As~~ As a matter of fact, it's been <sup>rather</sup> easy for me  
 to switch from political life to academic life -- *involuntarily*  
 especially since I had my riot training last fall. *I miss!*  
 My only complaint is -- I don't get combat pay! *add*  
*Seems like my timing has been off*  
*1960. Kennedy; 1968 Nixon, & New Back to*  
*the Campus*

I teach at two schools and this gives me the  
unusual and historic opportunity to be held hostage  
 on two campuses simultaneously. *No other*  
*4th Vice President or Professor can make*  
*that claim!*

h Speaking of books, I had a chance recently to discuss Eric Goldman's book with LBJ. "Hubert," he said, "Eric was just the wrong man at the wrong place at the wrong time."

h I understand the Nixon administration is looking for someone to fill Eric Goldman's place at the White House. Now that Philip Roth has finished Portnoy's Complaint, ~~he~~ he might do the inside story of this administration.

h But enough of the past . . . let us turn  
 to the present. The last time I saw President Nixon  
 was on Inauguration Day. He was taking his oath,  
 and . . . I was muttering a few of my own.

Since then it has been a fast-moving presidency . . .  
 a fast-moving <sup>62</sup>56 days for the President . . . to be precise,  
 a fast-moving <sup>60</sup>50 days, 5 hours, 20 minutes, and  
six seconds . . . but who's counting!

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In that time President Nixon withdrew  
nominations for 451 Postmasters, 26 judges,  
retired more than a dozen ambassadors, rescinded  
the Trans-Pacific route decision, sent Governor  
Rockefeller to Latin America, and exiled Murray  
Chotiner to Bethesda.

*and* For all of this, he has been awarded the  
Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval.

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*remembering Nixon a bit of a  
advised the President to keep his  
the President de Gaulle's point*

*But, as you know,*

↳ That fast pace on an overseas trip can be very confusing. ↳ Perhaps that explains why President Nixon urged the Pope to rejoin NATO and then kissed General de Gaulle's ring.

*now* (of President Nixon)

↳ I don't envy the decisions that President Nixon has had to make these last few days. ↳ He had a choice of going ahead with the Anti-Ballistic Missile system at a cost of about eight hundred million dollars or paying my political campaign debts.

↳ Mr. President, only history can judge whether you made the right decision.

Speaking of the ABM, we Democrats are  
 working on our own system. ~~It's not only Science in~~  
~~the US Producers~~  
~~and~~ We learned a lot last fall. We ~~know~~ how to  
 protect the cities, but we were a little thin in the  
countryside.

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in the land ... the most sensitive office within the  
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 are soul brothers! We have both occupied the  
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~~will continue to feel~~ I ran. I lost. I was disappointed,  
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Mr. President, your entire life  
 has inspired me and renewed my faith!  
 may I be so fortunate!

Columbia University in the City of New York | *New York, N. Y. 10027*

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I was puzzled by Daley's answer as to which person he had in mind. He said "The name of a former President." Suddenly it dawned on me....Hoover....J. Edgar Hoover

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It is true that Nixon offered a number of us Democrats top Administration Posts. Both Arthur Goldberg and Sol Linowitz turned down ambassador to Egypt. He tried to persuade Mayor Stokes to represent us in Rhodesia with Hatcher going to South Africa. But I'm glad George Wallace is here...that Ivory Coast ambassadorship might have kept him there through '72...and '82...and '92.

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I see there Spiro has found the vice-presidency is not without its identity problems. He was stopped by a White House guard last week who asked him to prove he was really Agnew, the VP. Spiro was annoyed, but the Guard stuck to his guns and said, "Sir, last week Picasso came here and had to identify himself; and then Leonard Bernstein; and finally Pablo Cassals. That's the way we are ordered to do it." Agnew responded "Who the hell are they"; and the Guard opened up the gates and said, "Enter, Mr. Vice President."

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# Norm Sherman's

American Motors finally produced its own Edsel -- George Romeny.

Nelson Rockefeller says he is waiting for a draft. General Hersey may draft him. If we can only find out his views on Vietnam.

We've got the way to get the youth vote -- Bumper stickers which read, " LBJ is my guru. "

Rockefeller says, "My guru is Happy. "

Rockefeller settled the garbage strike and Dick Nixon said now we have Nelson by the can.

has been getting a lot of laughs  
Bobby Kennedy says he has been casting the movie, "The good, the bad, and the ugly." I've been doing my own casting --  
..... "Why LBJ, K? Jack Paar, and Clark Molenhoff.

Jack Paar spent a lot of time imitating me on a recent telethon,  
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I dreamt I saw Muriel in a leopard skin coat.

Last week's Apollo Lunar Module mission was truly remarkable. Do you remember when they announced after lift-off that the spaceship was making an orbit around the two poles to fill in any chinks in the program? Well, when he heard that, Vice President Agnew shuddered.



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