Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:53 am and 8:57 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person

Schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 8:57 am

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:53 am and 8:57 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

Call to Admiral Thomas H. Moorer

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 8:57 am - 9:05 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Admiral Thomas H. Moorer

Laos operation (Lam Son)
- Military situation
  - Air strikes
    - Effect of weather
  - Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
    - Duration of operation
  - Airplanes
Conversation No. 468-4

Date: March 16, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 9:05 am and 9:30 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull

President’s schedule  
- John B. Connally  
- Telephone call

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:30 am

Conversation No. 468-5

Date: March 16, 1971  
Time: 9:30 am - 9:50 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] negotiations  
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin  
- A meeting
-US and Soviet Union proposals
  -Kissinger’s view
-Anti-ballistic Missiles [ABM]
-Multiple Independently-Targeted Reentry Vehicles [MIRVs]
-US position
  -President’s concerns
  -Kissinger’s view
-Soviet Union position
-Vienna
-ABM
-Offensive weapons
-Future negotiations
-Current situation
  -*New York Times* editorial, March 16, 1971
-Possible letter from the President
-ABM
  -*New York Times*
-US position
-Gerard C. Smith
-Possible instructions

Laotian operation (Lam Son)
-President’s conversation with Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
-Air strikes
  -Weather
-News stories
  -Firebase Lolo
  -Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN] withdrawal
-Military situation
  -Moorer
  -Television reports
-Press reports
-ARVN
  -Tchepone
  -Withdrawal
-Military situation
  -Cable from General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  -Ellsworth F. Bunker
  -General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
  -White House response
  -Moorer
- Ho Chi Minh Trail
  - Supplies
  - Truck traffic
  - Need for information

- Press reports
  - A Firebase
  - Compared with World War II
  - Kissinger’s view
    - A radio report from Saigon
  - White House response
  - Editorial writers
    - Effect
  - White House reports

Vietnam
- Negotiations
- President’s opponents
  - Kissinger’s view
    - Need for White House response
  - Paul N. (“Pete”) McCloskey, Jr.
    - Liberals
  - New York Times editorial
    - Saigon and Hanoi
  - Prisoners of War [POWs]
  - Liberals
    - Kissinger’s view

SALT negotiations
- The President’s view
- Kissinger’s meeting with a group of businessmen
- Possible summit
  - [David] Kenneth Rush
    - Dobrynin
- Berlin
  - US position
  - Willy Brandt
  - US position

Vietnam
- Press
  - New York Times
  - Washington Post
-Joseph C. Kraft
-A speech at Colorado Springs
-Stewart J. O. Alsop
   -Joseph W. Alsop
   -Kissinger’s efforts
-S. J. O. Alsop
-Richard ("Dick") Wilson
   -Support for the Administration
-Gridiron dinner
-The establishment
-President’s supporters and opponents
-Neo-isolationists
   -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew

Laotian operation (Lam Son)
   -White House objectives
   -ARVN

Vietnam
   -Press
      -Possible White House campaign
      -Timing
   -Negotiations
      -Status
         -Kissinger’s view
      -Possible future
         -Dr. David K. E. Bruce’s role
      -Kissinger’s role
         -Participation
         -A speech at the English-speaking union in London
         -President’s concern
   -US position
      -General Nguyen Van Thieu
      -Public opinion
         -Effect on future US policy
            -Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
            -Laotian operation (Lam Son)
   -US position
      -South Vietnamese government

Soviet Union
   -Possible summit
-Possible SALT agreement
  -Press response

Vietnam
  -Thieu
    -Possible meeting with President
    -US military role
  -US policy
    -US military role
    -Draft
    -Forthcoming Presidential statement
    -April 7 announcement
  -Press
    -An editorial about Firebase Lolo
    -Inaccuracy
    -Kissinger’s reports

-Military situation
  -Tchepone
  -Tanks
  -Air power
  -ARVN forces
  -Melvin R. Laird
  -Laos (Lam Son)
    -Publicity
    -White House position
    -Duration of operation
    -ARVN
    -President’s view

Kissinger left at 9:50 am

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 9:56 am - 9:59 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods
Conversation No. 468-7

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 10:02 am - 10:31 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

- President’s schedule
  - John B. Connally
  - Robert J. Dole
  - Time
  - John D. Ehrlichman and George P. Shultz
    - Possible meeting with the President
    - Previous meeting with the President
  - Connally

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 10:04 am

Vietnam
  - Troop withdrawals
    - Briefing by Department of Defense [DOD]

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 10:04 am
President’s schedule
  - Connally
  - Time
  - Cabinet meeting
  - Dole
  - Connally

Butterfield left at 10:04 am

Vietnam
  - Troop withdrawals
    - Briefing by DOD
      - Melvin R. Laird
    - Possible statement
      - Henry A. Kissinger
    - President’s previous statements
    - Forthcoming Presidential statement

Ziegler left at 10:06 am

President’s schedule
  - Robert H. Finch
    - Youth
  - Priorities
  - Connally
  - Dole
  - Connally
    - Call
  - Dole
    - Cabinet meeting
  - Connally and Dole
    - Priorities

Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 10:06 am

  - Connally
  - Schedule
    - Rolls-Royce meeting
  - Time of meeting

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:27 am
-Schedule
-Dole
-Other attendees
-Connally
-Time
-Ehrlichman and Shultz
-Dole
-A delayed meeting

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: _26s_ ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Haldeman’s conversation with William F. (“Billy”) Graham
-Graham’s schedule
 -Lexington, Kentucky
 -Lyndon B. Johnson Library dedication
 -Johnson’s health
 -Funeral

Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 10:06 am

President’s schedule
-Connally
-Dole

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:27 am

-Length of meeting
-Time
-Ehrlichman and Shultz
-Dole
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 3m 5s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Stock market
- March 16, 1971 Dow-Jones average

Haldeman’s White House staff meetings
- President’s image
- Connally’s suggestion

Public relations
- The President’s image
  - Coverage
  - Need for White House effort
- President’s accomplishments
  - Domestic policy
  - Foreign affairs
    - Cambodia
    - Laos
    - November 3, 1969
- President’s opponents
  - Current situation
  - Possible White House action
    - Laos
    - Timing
      - Cambodia and Laos
      - President’s forthcoming statement
      - Summer 1971
- Stewart J. O. Alsop’s column
  - Vietnam
  - The President’s policy
A memorandum concerning staff
- Charles W. Colson
- Ziegler’s office
- Herbert G. Klein’s office

Personnel
- Donald H. Rumsfeld’s work
  - Possible position as US Trade Representative
  - Shultz
  - Peter M. Flanigan
  - Peter G. Peterson
  - Haldeman’s forthcoming conversation with Shultz
- Staff
- Office of Economic Opportunity
  - Future
  - President’s position
- Trade representative job

President’s schedule
- John N. Mitchell
  - Frequency of meetings
- Ehrlichman and Shultz
  - Frequency of meetings
- Kissinger
  - Frequency of meetings
- Access to President
  - Cabinet members
  - Mitchell
  - Connally
    - Arthur F. Burns
    - Ehrlichman and Shultz
    - Kissinger

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: _1m 3s_]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
Press
  -White House action
    -Timing
    -Enemies
    -Colson’s responsibility
      -Networks
      -Polls
  -President and Agnew’s appearances
    -Timing
      -Laos operation (Lam Son)
      -Cambodia operation
      -November 3, 1969
  -Future events

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 3s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Public relations
  -President’s image
    -“Confidence factor”

Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon entered at an unknown time after 10:06 am

Greetings

The President left at an unknown time before 10:27 am

Irish
Haldeman left at 10:27 am

The President entered at an unknown time after 10:27 am

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 3m 18s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 10:27 am

President’s schedule
- John M. (“Jack”) Lynch arrival ceremony

The President, et al. left at 10:31 am

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:31 am and 11:00 am
Location: Oval Office

Secret Service agents met

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Agency Policy]
[Duration: 22s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
The agents left at an unknown time before 11:00 am

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 11:00 am - 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John M. (“Jack”) Lynch
[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

Blair House
- Compared with European houses
- Irish guest house

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 11:01 am

Photographs

Members of the press entered at 11:01 am

Houses
[Unintelligible]

Lynch’s schedule
- March 18, 1971

Election
- Lynch

Ziegler and members of the press left at an unknown time before 12:20 pm

Press
- Lynch’s trip to St. Louis
- Lynch’s statement
Northern Ireland
- A housing problem
  - Discrimination
  - President’s concern
  - Catholics and Protestants
  - Housing authority
- Unemployment
  - Bann River area
    - Percentage
    - Teenagers
- History
  - Prejudice
  - British occupation
  - Oliver Cromwell
  - Protestants
    - Ulster
Great Britain
- Economy
  - Textile trade
  - Recession
  - Union strikes
  - Post office
  - Effect on relations with Ireland
  - Employment

Ireland
- Trade unions
  - Compared with Great Britain
- Post office
- Economy
  - Inflation
  - Effect of British economy
  - Recession
- Wages
  - Employment
  - Construction
  - Maritime industries
  - Other industries
  - Compared with US
- Emigration to Great Britain
- Passport restrictions
- Unemployment
  - Construction industry
- Politics
  - Previous party conference
    - Issues
    - A Shakeup
    - Lynch
    - Previous Prime Minister
      - Support for Lynch
    - Previous election in Dublin
      - Lynch’s party
    - Demonstrations
      - Compared with 1968 Democratic Party Convention
- Inflation
  - Lynch’s policy
  - Labor agreements
- Trade unions
- Negotiations
  - Resolution
- Budget
  - Compared with US budgetary process
    - Timing
  - Cabinet requests
  - Problems
- An unknown Irish Cabinet minister
  - Policy
- Tenure of governments
- Budget
  - Lynch’s policy

Inflation
- Europe
- Japan
- US
- Brazil
  - A Latin American friend of the President
- Indonesia
- US rate
  - President’s policies
  - Prices
  - Unemployment
    - Effect
  - Effect of welfare
  - Future
    - Economy
  - Effect on Europe, Great Britain, and Ireland
- US policy
  - International effect

Ireland
- Imports
- Emigration
  - President’s view

Rural America
- Defined
- Population loss to cities
  - Problems in cities
-Productivity
  -Agriculture
-Population loss to cities
  -President’s policy
-Cities
  -Boston-Washington, DC
  -Pittsburgh-Detroit-Cleveland-Chicago
  -San Francisco-San Diego
-City population increases
-Problems
-President’s policies
  -Medium-sized cities
    -Infrastructure and facilities
    -Employment

Lynch’s visit to North and South Carolina
  -Industry
    -Compared with Ireland
  -Economy
  -Schools
  -Lynch’s observations
    -Universities

Cities
  -Federal policy
  -Facilities
  -Problems
    -South Philadelphia
  -Irish immigrants
    -Socio-economic condition
  -Problems
    -South Philadelphia
      -Blacks
      -East Europeans
      -Italians
    -Changes

Irish immigration to US
  -Changes
  -Socio-economic position
  -Accomplishments
-President’s view
  -George Meany
  -Teddy Renton [?]
-Traditions

Ethnic groups in US
-Blacks
  -African civilizations
  -Irish, Poles, Germans, and Italians
-Head of State visits
-Nicolae Ceausescu
  -Romania
-Irish

Meany
-Previous International Labor Organization [ILO] conference
  -Lynch’s recollection
  -Presidency
    -Communist candidate
    -Madagascar
    -Soviet Union
    -Poland
  -Election
  -Communist participation
  -Lynch’s policy
    -Purpose of ILO
    -Labor issues
-A West German labor leader
-Support for President
  -Conversation between Lynch and Meany
-Cuba
-Soviet Union
-United States
-ILO
-Meany’s change in perception
-Lynch’s policy

Vietnam
-US troop withdrawals
  -President’s forthcoming announcement
-Military situation
  -Laos and Cambodia operations
    -Press reports
    -Results
      -Effect on North Vietnamese supplies
      -US troop withdrawals
  -Future of South Vietnam
    -US policy
    -Objectives
      -Viability
  -US troop withdrawals
    -Timing
    -Peace negotiations
-Peace negotiations
  -Possible cease fire, withdrawal, and exchange of prisoners
    -President’s previous comments
    -North Vietnamese strategy
  -Timing
    -President’s view
  -North Vietnam, US, South Vietnam
  -Possible future
-Military situation
  -Laotian operation (Lam Son)
    -Results
      -ARVN
      -Effect
 -US troop withdrawals
  -President’s position
  -Senators
  -Newspaper editorials
  -President’s position
    -Timing
-Negotiations
  -Prisoners of War [POWs]
  -Cease fire
- Timing
- Results
- Future of South Vietnam
- Viability
  - US policy
- US troop withdrawals
  - South Vietnamese military
- North Vietnamese position
- South Vietnamese military

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] negotiations
- Spring 1971 meetings in Vienna
- Effect on US and Soviet Union
  - President’s view
    - Future
    - Prospects

Middle East
- Israel’s position
- Egyptian position
- President’s view
  - Truce
  - Future
- Egypt
  - Gamal Abdel Nasser
  - Anwar el-Sadat
- US position
  - Israel
- Soviet Union
  - Egypt

Europe
- US interests
- British entry into Common Market
- US agriculture
  - US policy
  - Free trade philosophy
  - British and Irish entry into the Common Market
  - Common Market policy
  - US discussions with Edward R. G. Heath
- British entry into Common Market
  - US policy
- France, Germany, and Great Britain
- British entry into Common Market
  - President’s view
  - US trade position
-US trade policy
  - Free trade
-German agriculture
  - French, British, Irish agriculture
    - President’s view
-Agriculture subsidies in Europe
  - Butter
  - Dairy products
  - Cattle
-US agriculture
  - Dairy industry
    - Subsidy
      - Cheese
      - Effect on prices
  - President’s view
-French, British, and German economies
  - Industry
  - Agriculture

Agriculture
  - Importance
    - President’s view
-Irish
  - Sector of economy
    - Benefit of Common Market
      - Great Britain
      - Access to markets
  - Cheese and grains
  - Budgetary problems in Ireland
    - Compared with European budget problems
-James Callaghan
  - Lynch’s previous conversation
  - Heath
  - Political future
Tricia Nixon’s engagement
  -Announcement
  -Forthcoming Head of State dinner
    -East Room
    -Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon and Mairin (O’Connor) Lynch
    -The President and Lynch
  -Entertainment
  -Mrs. Nixon
  -Guests
  -President’s remarks
    -Lynch’s response
  -Mrs. Nixon
  -Blue Room receiving line
    -Mrs. Nixon and M. O. Lynch
    -T. Nixon and Edward R. F. Cox
  -Lynch’s departure for Blair House
  -Mrs. Nixon’s birthday

Press questions for Lynch
  -Foreign policy
  -Northern Ireland
    -Lynch’s comments
    -The President

Northern Ireland
  -Lynch’s meeting with the President
  -Heath
  -Forthcoming press statements by Lynch
    -Unification
    -Reforms
    -British policy
    -Meeting of President and Lynch
      -President’s comments
    -Reforms

Lynch’s schedule
  -Forthcoming events
  -Blair House
  -President’s forthcoming meetings
Duties of Presidents
- President
- Eamon De Valera
  - President’s meeting
  - Possible successor
    - Lynch’s age
    - Political position

Ireland
- Revolution
  - Compared with US
- Political situation
  - Lynch’s policies
  - Future leadership
  - Parliament
  - Lynch

Political leadership
- President’s advice to youth
- President’s advice to Congressmen and Senators
- Leadership traits
- Issues of Nixon Administration
  - Riots
  - Vietnam War
    - Youth
    - President’s policies
- Polls
  - Winston S. Churchill’s statement
- Actions of leader
  - Public opinion

President’s meeting with Lynch

Oval Office
- Painting of George Washington
- Seal in carpet
- Theodore (“Teddy”) Roosevelt
- Picture of White House in 1837

The President and Lynch left at 12:20 pm
Conv. No. 468-10

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:20 pm and 12:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown men met

President’s location
- Cabinet Room

The President’s schedule

The unknown men left at an unknown time before 12:25 pm

Conv. No. 468-11

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 12:25 pm - 12:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with William Brickley, John Kull, and Henry C. Cashen, II; members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting

Introductions

Anniversary of Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick
- Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon
- Medal for President
- Bicentennial of organization

President’s clothing, March 17, 1971
- Color
- A presentation

An unknown man

Presidential gifts
- Cufflinks
-Gifts for wives
-Secretaries
-Cufflinks

Unknown women entered at an unknown time after 12:25 pm

Appreciation for gift

Gifts for wives

President’s schedule, March 17, 1971
-Whitney M. Young, Jr. funeral
-John M. (“Jack”) Lynch

Mrs. Nixon’s previous trip to Ireland

Brickley, et al. left at 12:30 pm

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 12:35 pm - 12:42 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Jack McCarthy and Henry C. Cashen, II; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting

Introductions

John A. (“Jack”) Mulcahy
-Palm Springs

McCarthy’s career
-Baseball
-Saint Patrick’s Day parade coverage
-Songs taught by mother
-Father
-Fights, football coverage
-National Broadcasting Company [NBC]

McCarthy’s trip to Ireland
-Mulcahy’s lodge

Mulcahy

McCarthy’s son at Air Force Academy

McCarthy’s wife
  -Location

McCarthy’s mother

Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon’s visit to Ireland

Presidential gifts
  -Son, mother, McCarthy, younger son
  -Golf balls

President’s party, March 16, 1971
  -Entertainers

An unknown man

President’s party

New York City’s Saint Patrick’s Day parade

A joke

**McCarthy and Cashen left at 12:42 pm**

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**Conversation No. 468-13**

Date:  March 16, 1971
Time:  12:45 pm - 1:15 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

The President’s schedule
-Cabinet meeting
  -John A. Volpe
-Alexander P. Butterfield
  -Revenue sharing
-Cabinet meeting
  -Volpe
    -A trip report
  -William P. Rogers
-Length
  -Maurice H. Stans
-Purpose
  -President’s view

Whitney M. Young, Jr. funeral
  -President’s departure time
  -Motorcade
  -Arrival time
  -Possible delays

Saint Patrick’s Day

Lyndon B. Johnson
  -Health

Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  -Assignment

Johnson
  -Health
  -Lifestyle
  -Attacks by press and other Democrats while President
    -Compared with President’s 1968 campaign
    -Compared with attacks on President
      -Dan Rather’s comments on President’s demeanor

Forthcoming press conference
  -Radio coverage
    -Haldeman’s view
    -Effect of television
-Coverage
  -Television, radio, film
    -President’s view
  -Compared with a Senate hearing
    -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  -President’s decision
  -Effect of cameras and microphone on commentators
    -Compared with a hearing

Press coverage
  -President
  -Coverage of Johnson
    -Reason
      -Compared with the President
  -John B. Connally’s remarks
  -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  -Vietnam War

President’s schedule
  -Head of State visits
    -Frequency
      -1972
  -White House Church services
    -Frequency
  -A Republican fundraiser
    -Possible future changes
      -President’s participation
    -Type
  -Attendees
    -President’s length of stay
      -Other speakers
        -Robert J. Dole
        -Rogers C. B. Morton
      -Effect of President’s appearance
    -Possible future changes
      -Dole
  -Head of State visits
    -Frequency
  -A dinner for ambassadors
    -North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
  -Arrival ceremonies
    -Effect
-Coverage
  -Television
  -John M. (“Jack”) Lynch
  -Coverage

Tricia Nixon’s engagement
  -Coverage
  -Publicity
  -Lynda B. (Johnson) Robb and Luci B. (Johnson) Nugent

Connally meeting with Arthur F. Burns
  -Possible meeting between Burns and the President

President’s press conference
  -Radio coverage
  -Live coverage
    -Advantages
    -Response of press

Lynch visit
  -Shamrocks
  -President’s schedule

Haldeman left at 1:15 pm

Date:  March 16, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 1:15 pm and 2:23 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:23 pm

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:23 pm and 3:06 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

President’s schedule
- John B. Connally

Daniel P. (“Pat”) Moynihan’s report
- Accuracy
- Businessmen
- Peter M. Flanigan
- Department of Justice [DOJ] antitrust actions
  - Response of businessmen
- Business community
- Administration policies
  - Need for White House response

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 2:23 pm

President’s schedule
- Connally
Butterfield left at an unknown time before 2:25 pm

Moynihan’s letter
- Antitrust action report
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - John N. Mitchell
- Relations with Mitchell
  - Black Panthers
- [Forename unknown] Epstein story in *The New Yorker*
- Need for White House follow-up
- Harvard colleagues
  - Response
  - Professors
- Businessmen
  - Need for White House response
    - Public opinion
    - White House staff efforts

The President left and Connally entered at 2:25 pm

[Unintelligible]

Haldeman left at 2:25 pm

The President entered at an unknown time after 2:25 pm

Whitney M. Young, Jr. funeral
- Connally’s possible attendance
- Cabinet attendees
- Connally’s acquaintance with Young
- President’s attendance
  - Purpose
  - Importance
  - Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.
  - Blacks
  - Edward W. Brooke
  - Adam Clayton Powell, Jr.
    - President’s recollections

Connally’s meeting with Arthur F. Burns
An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 2:25 pm

Refreshment order

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:57 pm

Airlines
- Connally’s meetings
- American companies
- British companies
- Concern for Lockheed
- Dan Hoffman’s role

- Eastern, Delta, Trans-World Airlines [TWA]
  - Lockheed, Rolls-Royce, General Electric [GE]
  - Possible effect

- Order level
  - Lockheed’s financial position
    - Number of orders
      - Need for increases
      - Possible Congressional action
        - Connally’s meeting with Clark MacGregor, David Packard, Mitchell, and Peter G. Peterson
        - The President’s decision

- Administration strategy
  - Employment

- Supersonic Transport [SST]

- Lockheed
  - Timing
  - Loan from Export-Import Bank

- Packard’s work at Department of Defense
  - Internal Revenue Service refund
  - Timing
  - SST

- SST action in Congress
  - Possible problem
    - Lockheed collapse

- Charles H. Percy and William Proxmire
Isolationism
   - President’s remarks in Cyrus L. (“Cy”) Sulzberger interview
   - Isolationists
     - Policies
     - President’s comments

Foreign trade
   - Dumping
     - Treasury Department action
     - Connally’s position
   - Japan
     - Textiles
     - Connally’s conversation with Japanese businessmen
   - Canon calculator
     - Development
   - Ministry for International Trade and Industry [MITI]
   - Texas Instruments
   - MITI actions
   - Philosophy of international relations

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National Security]
[Duration: 32s]

JAPAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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   - Japan
     - President’s view
     - Connally’s negotiations

Banks
   - A 1925 law on political contributions
- A DOJ suit in Ohio
- Frost National Bank of San Antonio loan
  - Preston Smith supporter
- Banks’ actions
- Loans
- Report to DOJ
  - DOJ action
    - Connally’s discussion with Mitchell
- Connally’s meeting with Will R. Wilson
  - Policy
    - Administration’s position
      - Connally’s view
      - President’s view
- Past practices
- An unknown Republican in Illinois
- An unknown Democrat
- Effect on politicians
  - William J. Casey confirmation
- Labor unions
- Borrowers
- Mitchell
- Connally’s instructions to Wilson

Agnew
- March 16, 1971 meeting with Connally
- Tax matters
  - Research grants to universities
  - Possible polls

Economy
- Dow-Jones average
- Industrial production
- Dow-Jones average as an economic indicator
- Business leaders
  - Connally’s comments on “Meet the Press”
    - Need for leadership
  - A man in Houston [name unintelligible]
    - Speech to business leaders
      - Loans
      - Money supply
      - Inflation
      - Increases in interest rates
-Loans
-Connally’s comments
-Compared with labor people
Stock market
- President’s statement
- Connally’s former stocks
  - Texas Instruments
  - Halliburton
  - Tyler Corporation
-Future Dow-Jones average
  - Connally’s view
  - General Motors, US Steel, Westinghouse, General Foods
  - Connally’s friends on Wall Street
-Need for confidence
  - White House policies
  - President’s view
  - Business community
  - Business Council
-Interest rates
  - Bankers
  - Possible statement by President or Connally
    - Reconstruction Finance Corporation
      - Franklin D. Roosevelt
      - Jesse H. Jones
      - Herbert C. Hoover

Burns
- Action
  - Support for Administration
-Inflation
- Interest rates
-Social Security
  - Congress
-Investment tax credit
  - A bill by Vance Hartke
    - William McChesney Martin
-Possible meeting with President and Connally
- Relations with Connally
- Connally and Burns’ relations with Congress
- Relations with business community
  - An unknown man
- Relations with George P. Shultz and Paul W. McCracken
-Possible action by President
-Previous talk with Connally
  -Hartke’s bill
  -Burns’ position
  -Connally’s subsequent call to Shultz
-Importance
-Testimony in Congress
-Testimony
-Meetings with President
  -Quadriad
  -President’s position
-Forthcoming meetings
  -Connally
  -President
-Relations with Shultz, McCracken, and Connally
-Possible meeting with Connally
  -Areas of jurisdiction
  -Federal Reserve Board
  -Wage and price policies
  -Fiscal policy
-Budgetary input
-Monetary and fiscal policy
-Position on interest rates, Social Security
-Testimony in Congress
-Russell B. Long
-Social Security
-Revenue sharing
-Forthcoming meeting with Connally
-Interest rates
-Monetary supply position
  -February figures
-Forthcoming meetings
  -Connally
  -President
-Actions
  -Public comments
    -Administration policies
-Shultz and McCracken
-Forthcoming meetings
  -Connally
  -President
-Previous Quadriad meeting
Butterfield entered at 2:57 pm

President’s schedule
- Cabinet meeting
- Connally’s entrance

Connally left at 2:57 pm

- William P. Rogers
- George W. Romney
- Shultz (?)
- Rogers

The President and Butterfield left at an unknown time before 3:06 pm

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 4:02 pm - 4:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John N. Mitchell, Robert J. Dole, and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

Gridiron dinner
- Dole’s effort
- President’s non-attendance
- Fistfight
  - Edward E. Mitchell and [Thomas] Hale Boggs

E. E. Mitchell

Boggs
- Behavior at dinner
  - E. E. Mitchell
Gridiron dinner
  -Dole’s speech
  -President’s appreciation
-Speeches
  -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  -Unknown man’s [Bob Haley?] observation
-Behavior
  -Dole’s speech
  -Agnew’s speech
  -J. N. Mitchell’s attendance

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 15m 52s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Vietnam War
  -1961-1969
    -Number of US troops
    -Combat deaths
  -President’s administration
    -President’s policy
  -Laos
    -Effect of media
      -Confidence factor
      -Franklin D. Roosevelt
      -A program on the media at Vanderbilt University
        -Dole’s complaints
      -Howard H. Baker, Jr.
      -Coverage
      -William E. Brock, III
      -CBS filming and use
    -Future
"Dove" Republicans
- Charles H. Percy
- Jacob K. Javits
- President’s policy
- Dole’s actions
-Democrats
- Cambodia, peace offer
-President’s accomplishments
-Media coverage
- Dole’s view
- Vanderbilt program
  - John W. Chancellor, Roger H. Mudd
- Effect on public opinion
- White House campaign
- Time story on “New Doves” compared with “Old Doves”
  - J. William Fulbright
  - W[illiam] Stuart Symington
  - Walter F. Mondale
  - William B. Saxbe
-Mondale’s resolution
- Saxbe
- Boggs’ prediction on passage

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 6m 28s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Issues and Administration accomplishments
- Vietnam War
- Dole’s view
- Budget
- Revenue sharing
- Economy
- Vietnam War  
  - Dole’s actions  
    - President’s instructions  
    - President’s policy  
  - Cambodia and Laos  
  - Percy  
  - Neo-isolationists  

- Defense  
  - President’s speech at Newport, Rhode Island  
  - Speeches  
    - Patrick J. Buchanan  
    - Pentagon  
    - Noel C. Koch  
    - Buchanan  
    - Republican National Committee [RNC] staffer [Forename unknown] Sullivan  
    - Henry A. Kissinger’s staff  
    - Koch  
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]  
    - Reduction of military bases  
  - Dole’s statements  
  - Importance  
    - Highways, Social Security, Medicare  
    - Budget cuts  
  - Koch or Buchanan speech for Dole  
  - President’s speech at Newport  

- Campaign spending  
  - Democrats and press statements  
    - Possible statement by President  
  - John O. Pastore  
  - Marlow W. Cook  
  - Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.  
  - Maurice H. Stans’ comments  
  - Possible administration bill  
    - President’s previous veto  
  - Hugh Scott’s bill  
  - Effect of a proposed limit on RNC  
  - John B. Anderson  
  - Gerald R. Ford  
  - Supporters  
  - Congressional campaigns  
  - Spending limits, disclosure
- Cole’s role
- Press coverage
  - Broadcast industry
- Scott
- Possible action by President
- Possible Republican position
- Pastore

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 17s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

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Dairy industry
- Parity
  - Carl B. Albert
  - Wilbur D. Mills

Thomas E. Dewey
- Death
- J. N. Mitchell’s encounter, March 13, 1971
- Death
  - Golfing with Dwayne O. Andreas in Florida
- Plans to attend President’s party, March 16, 1971
- Age
- Plans to attend President’s party

Elder Republican statesmen
- Barry M. Goldwater
- Alfred M. (“Alf”) Landon
  - Appearance, March 13, 1971
  - A press conference
  - Landon lecture
    - Scott
    - Elliot L. Richardson
Dewey
  -Circumstances of death
  -Health
  -Plans to attend President’s party
  -Kitty Carlisle
  -Appearance, March 13, 1971
  -Attendance at Gridiron dinner
  -Golfing plans
  -Carlisle
  -Plans to attend President’s party
  -Invitation to Dole at Seaview
    -Anti-Semitic rules
    -Andreas
    -Anti-Semitic rules

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 4m9s]

Kissinger entered at an unknown time after 4:02 pm

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Mitchell, et al. left at 4:50 pm
Conversation No. 468-17

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 4:52 pm - 5:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman

George P. Shultz’s location

Clifford M. Hardin
  -Future
  -Purdue University

A possible assignment regarding agriculture
  -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  -Hyde Murray

President’s schedule
  -Meeting with mayors
  -Funds to cities
    -Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
  -Special revenue sharing
    -George W. Romney
  -Richard G. Lugar and an unnamed man
    -Press briefing
  -President’s role
    -Scope
  -Black activists
  -Mayors
    -John V. Lindsay
  -Communications with White House
  -Prospective meeting attendees
    -Lugar’s group
    -Lindsay’s group
  -Complaints
    -Ronald L. Ziegler
  -Length of meeting
  -President’s role
    -Ehrlichman’s position
  -Weinberger
  -Compared with governors’ meeting
-Location
-Weinberger, Romney
-President’s role
-Plans
-Length

Shultz entered at an unknown time after 4:52 pm

-An earlier meeting
-Lindsay’s group

Unemployment and scientists
-Dr. Edward E. David, Jr.’s report
-Government training programs
-A task force

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[End of transcript]

President’s schedule
-Meeting with mayors
-President’s role
-Length
-Previous meetings with Lugar group and Lindsay group
-Lindsay group
-Carl B. Stokes
-Legislative committee of Conference of Mayors
-Possible meeting with Lindsay
-Meeting with mayors
-Press briefing by Lindsay
-Stokes
-Lindsay
-Press briefing subjects
-Attendees
-Lugar
-League of Cities officers
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 8s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Social Security
- Impact on budget
- Alternatives
  - Cuts
  - Congressional cuts
  - Financing benefits
    - Welfare Reform Bill
  - Effect on revenue sharing
- Possible statement by President

[The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:52 pm and 5:30 pm]

[Conversation No. 468-17A]

Message
- Delivery

[End of telephone conversation]

Social Security
- Signing of debt statement
  - Time
    - John B. Connally
  - Congressional action
  - Time
  - Ceremony
    - Purpose
  - President’s meeting with Fortune people
  - Inflation
- Effect on President’s possible statement
- Congressional action
- Arthur F. Burns’ testimony
  - Effect
    - Russell B. Long and Wilbur D. Mills
    - Wage base
- Budget
  - Possible signing of debt statement
    - Future Congressional action
      - Cost-of-living increases
      - Ways and Means Committee
      - Financing
  - A bill
    - Long
  - Possible signing ceremony
    - Effect
      - Possible remarks
        - Congress
        - Financing
    - Attendees
      - Congressmen
      - Senior citizens
  - Cost-of-living increase
  - A bill in the House
  - Cost-of-living increases
    - Administration position
    - Mills

Revenue sharing
  - Effect on full-employment budget
  - Administration position
  - Mayors’ position
  - Possible White House request for Congressional action
    - Congressional response
      - Effect on budget
      - Possible Presidential veto

Social Security
  - Possible Congressional action
  - Inflation
  - Burns
-Effect on economy
  -Monetary growth
  -Compared with pay raises
  -Shultz’s view
-President’s statement upon signing bill
-Another bill
-Connally
  -Possible meeting with Mills
-House Ways and Means Committee
  -White House negotiations with Mills
-Compared with tax reform bill
-Budget deficit
  -Amount
  -Effect

Revenue sharing
  -Burns
  -John N. Mitchell [?]
-MAurice H. Stans and Romney
-Congress
  -Other programs
-Administration’s role
- Constituency
  -Administration spokesmen
  -Audiences
-Appeal
-Republican and Democrat positions
  -[Thomas] Hale Boggs
    -Alternatives
    -Democrat mayors
    -Carl B. Albert
  -Lawrence F. O’Brien, Jr.
    -Regional commissions
-John W. Byrnes
-Barber B. Conable, Jr.
  -Alternatives
  -Ways and Means staff
-Congressional ability to formulate alternatives
-Congressional votes
-Possible alternatives
-White House position
-Upcoming bills
  -Effect
    -Amarillo, Santa Fe, New York

Other domestic programs
-Health, environment, welfare
-Congressional committees
-Welfare
  -Elliot L. Richardson
-Health programs
  -White House efforts
    -Revenue sharing
-Ways and Means Committee
-Byrnes
  -Effect on small business of proposed programs
  -Meeting with White House staff
-California Kaiser Permanente Health Maintenance facility
  -Possible visit by the President
  -Senior citizens
  -Medicare patients
  -Coverage
  -Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland

President’s forthcoming press conference

Consumer Price Index announcement
  -Bureau of Labor Statistics
  -Time
  -Presentation
  -Secretary of Labor’s statement

An unknown person [Alexander P. Butterfield?] entered at an unknown time after 4:52 pm

Thomas E. Dewey’s death

The unknown person [Butterfield?] left at an unknown time before 5:30 pm

President’s schedule
  -Work on a message

Ehrlichman and Shultz left at 5:30 pm
Conversation No. 468-18

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:47 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

President’s schedule
- Items for the President’s signature
- A statement
- Timing

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 5:47 pm

Conv. No. 468-17 (cont.)

Conversation No. 468-19

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: 5:47 pm - 6:22 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

Items for signing

President’s schedule
- Thomas E. Dewey’s funeral

Papers for signing
- Richard Morrison
- Terry Wilson
- Rose Mary Woods
- A declaration

Dewey
- Announcement of death

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at 5:50 pm
Butterfield left at an unknown time before 5:52 pm

President’s schedule
- Dinner, March 16, 1971

Dewey funeral
- Day
- President’s attendance
  - Hobart D. (“Hobe”) Lewis
  - Whitney M. Young, Jr. funeral
- Day
- Possible demonstrators
- Location
- Health of Dewey

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 5:52 pm

Young
- Query about job offer
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - President’s Cabinet offer
  - Previous statement

Ziegler left at 5:53 pm

President’s schedule
- Dewey funeral
- Forthcoming press conference
  - Consumer Price Index [CPI]
    - George P. Shultz
  - Timing
    - March 26, 1971
    - Maurice H. Stans’ dinner
  - Timing
  - CPI
    - Coverage
    - President’s possible statements
  - Timing
  - John B. Connally
- Meeting with mayors
  - Mayors’ complaints
  - John V. Lindsay
-Richard G. Lugar
-Ziegler’s office
-A list of attendees
-Ehrlichman
-President’s previous meetings with mayors
  -Lindsay
  -Lugar in Indianapolis
  -White House meeting
-Meetings with mayors and blacks
  -Ziegler
    -Press release
  -A mayors committee
    -Legislation proposals
    -Lindsay, Carl B. Stokes, Joseph Alioto
-Staff awareness
-Purpose
-Information on past meetings
  -John V. (“Jack”) Brennan
  -National Archives office
    -Retrieval of information
-Young funeral
  -Travelers on President’s plane
    -W. Ramsey Clark
    -Donald H. Rumsfeld
    -Margaret (Birchner) Young
    -Ehrlichman
    -William P. Rogers
    -Ziegler
    -Clark
      -Rumsfeld
      -Connection with Young
      -Rumsfeld’s decision
        -Reason
        -Press coverage
        -Clark

Daniel P. (“Pat”) Moynihan’s letter
-Peter M. Flanigan
-Stans
-Business Council
-Content
- Flanigan
  - Possible business constituency
- Stans
- Letter from Fred J. Borch

Supporting constituencies for the Administration
- Business
- Congress
- Republican National Committee [RNC]
- Governors
- Business
- John N. Mitchell
- A possible meeting with the President

Dewey funeral
- President’s attendance
  - Lewis, George C. Wallace, Barry M. Goldwater
- Dewey’s positions
  - Presidential candidate
  - Presidential advisor
- President’s attendance
  - Young funeral
  - Public opinion
  - Compared to Lyndon B. Johnson
  - Young funeral
- President’s attendance
- Day
  - President’s schedule
  - Possible demonstrations

Demonstrations
- President’s response
- Public opinion

President’s schedule
- Meeting with mayors
  - Ehrlichman
  - Length
- Previous Cabinet meeting
  - Ehrlichman
  - John A. Volpe
- Stans
  - Greece
  - Nicaragua, Kenya
  - Compared with home slide shows

- Dewey funeral
  - Wreath
  - Dewey’s sons
    - Possible letters from the President
  - Wreath
  - Family and associates
    - Sons
    - Importance

- Possible other funerals
  - Johnson
  - Harry S Truman
  - Johnson
    - Possible lying-in-state
  - Truman
  - Johnson
    - President’s possible attendance
      - Washington, DC; Texas
  - Publicity value
  - Young funeral in Kentucky
    - Publicity value
  - Richard B. Russell’s funeral
    - Symbolism
    - Coverage
    - Value

- Dewey funeral
- Meeting with mayors
  - Ehrlichman’s view
  - Revenue sharing
  - Length
  - Ehrlichman
  - President’s role
- President’s role in meetings
  - Blacks
  - Leonard Garment
  - Congress
  - National Security Council [NSC]
    - Henry A. Kissinger
Haldeman left at 6:22 pm

Conversation No. 468-20

Date: March 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 6:22 pm and 6:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull

Items for the President
  - Arrival schedule
  - John M. (“Jack”) Lynch

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:53 pm