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Sunday, February 6.

On the plane coming back tonight, President went through a lot of instructions for Ray Price on the 1990 speech. He was pretty upset because what Price gave him was a general statement and supporting notes which would be okay if the President had a week to work on it, but now he wants Price ordered to come up with a 1200 word speech the President can read, plus an alternate approach of several paragraphs of points to be made. Same for the voluntary action dinner later in the week. He says to tell him to try and get away from the soft flabby draft that the President has to put all the bite into.

He invited me over for dinner tonight with Bebe and we went through a flap before dinner about staying over tonight and canceling tomorrow's schedule because it's such beautiful weather. But President's wiser judgment prevailed and we ended up coming back, which is what we definitely should have done. Discussion at dinner was pretty much the usual things, political, the attacks, and a lot of talk about the quality of the fish and the rest of the food at dinner, and some general planning for the Connally weekend, next weekend, when he brings him down.

End of February 6.