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Monday, May 3.

The day of the big demonstration. It all went reasonably well. They were able to keep traffic open all day and keep the city under control, although a lot of the demonstrators were running loose. Ultimately, they ended up arresting about 8,000 of them and holding them in a stockade sort of setup, out at Kennedy Stadium. They finally put them in the U-line Arena to hold them up for the night and do the processing and then releasing them after putting up bail. The President was concerned that we, perhaps, should let them out and let them disrupt traffic rather than keeping them locked up and [unclear] it would appear that they are all being badly treated.

[Unintelligible]

And the President and I went up to the Lincoln Sitting Room for about half an hour while John reported on the [unclear] of the demonstration. The President [unclear] the thing had been handled. It does appear that it worked out extremely well for us at least so far.

End of May 3.

There is missing material due to errors/defects on the original media.

This segment, on May 3, contains the following subjects:

- Ambassador lists - decisions
- Demonstrators
- Return trip to DC
- Rogers
- Pope
- POW's



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- Press conference
- Extremists—1962 campaign
- Honor America Day—Red Skelton, Jackie Gleason, Art Linkletter, U.S. forces salute
- Lincoln Sitting Room meeting on the handling of demonstrations