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[Unclear] the open hour at noon, but the President did a good job not with [unclear] number [unclear] quite a few items on the economy [unclear] option paper that Peterson had put in on distribute items [unclear] when I sent it in there were five options and the whole thing was great [unclear] worked it out with either Connally or Harlow and [unclear] he also felt each would be better

Made the point to Flanigan that we wanted him to take complete charge of the drought handling in Texas because we aren't getting enough mileage out of what we are doing and we're not doing enough to begin with. John Tower was in during the Open Hour and hit him afterward on this as well as on the problem of the LBJ Library dedication which we worked out later this afternoon also. The demonstration still is a major item and the concern now is that the charges of repression which keep bouncing up on the basis of the unconstitutional arrests. The President wants to be sure we don't back off of the hard-line that we stay firm and get credit for it. Throw out the story of the example we set for universities and other cities and so forth than [unintelligible] but not be defensive.

The-- He talked to Chief Wilson's wife because today is their anniversary and-- so the President called her to let her know what a good job the Chief is doing. In the afternoon he had a several meetings that he had me sit in. The first with Flanigan and Weinberger, for the purpose of putting the heat on them, regarding the allocation of funds to the key states. He gave them very [unclear] California if possible and to other key states [unclear].

--made it clear that they are not to inform Kranston their attorney of any of these

Then he had a meeting with Ford, Arrends, and Tom [unclear] to discuss Connally's idea of a [unclear] new coalition of the Republican House Leadership with the [unintelligible].



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[End of May 5.]

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This segment, on May 5, contains the following subjects:

- Open House
- Economy—Peterson's option paper, Connally, Harlow, President's evaluation of paper
- German mark—Quadriad meeting, cancellation
- Business Council
- Flanigan—Texas drought, publicity
- John Tower, LBJ Library dedication,
- Demonstration—charges of repression, arrests, hard line, publicity, example
- Chief Wilson's anniversary—President call to Mrs. Wilson, praise for Chief
- Ford, Arends meeting—Connally's idea, coalition—SST
- Connally meeting