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Tuesday, February 11.

Usual bits and pieces in the morning meeting - Harlow failed to show until late. Wants to see schedule on regular basis of opposition speaking plans, especially Teddy and Muskie. Then we can plan to top them with our own stories. Thinks we can use Agnew as ombudsman in consumer area - where people have complaints.

Problem with signals on his Menzies dinner last night - Lucy served just champagne (orders for State Dinner) when should have had cocktails - 12 in black tie. Also was in family dining room upstairs, so Pat Nixon and Tricia trapped in their bedrooms.

Wants the best decorator to do EOB office, etc.

Cranked up on getting Cabinet members to fire holdovers and start loading in our people. Ordered me to take this on and get it done. Determined to dump Vaughn of Peace Corps - also wants to reevaluate Job Corps and Vista.

Big to-do with Hickel trying to get a release written to launch his investigations of Santa Barbara oil problem. Couldn't get it worded right

Another pretty heavy day, but some time to kill at the end, he wandered into my office as Larry and I were talking and fireplace was backing up and smoking. Asked me to take him to Kissinger's office - we walked in, startled the secretaries, and interrupted Kissinger conference with the German Ambassador. President joined them.

Late night for me - stacks of paperwork, talked with Alex regarding system. Have to work it out.