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Saturday, March 15.

I took the day off for house-hunting with Jo. President arrived in his office at 8:00, and buzzed for me. Elmer called to tell me - and I asked operator to call President - she said he was probably asleep because had been up as late as 4:00 a.m. I told her he was in the office - she was amazed, rang, and he answered. I told him I was at home, and he insisted I take day off with Jo. Apparently he kept Ehrlichman busy all day answering his calls, although he had NSC from 10:00 to 12:00, and left office about 1:30 for a swim and to the Residence.

Tonight was the Gridiron. Fairly good show - but pretty strained. President was great at the end-with a serious note - first a toast to Earl Warren, then remarks regarding war, need for peace, etc., brought on by his appearance at American Legion dinner (which he ducked out to drop by and light the Unknown Soldier Tomb). He then went to several of the cocktail parties afterward.