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Saturday, December 6.

President to Arkansas for the Texas game. All pleased with his plan to present Presidential plaque to winner as number one team in 100th year of collegiate football. Great combination of circumstances to make this possible as final game of season is between number one and number two teams, on national TV. He did a great job and TV covered it thoroughly - the arrival by helicopter; the half-time interview in the press box; the plaque presentation to Texas (15-14); the crowd scene outside the locker room; the consolation visit to the Arkansas locker room. Great stuff. Especially at half-time, when President gave thorough analysis of the game so far, and outlook for second half, which proved 100 percent accurate. And some really good stuff in the locker rooms, talking to the players. A real coup with the sports fans.

He called from Camp David for a recap this evening and seemed greatly pleased with the whole deal. Will stay up there until Monday preparing for the press conference Monday night.