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Thursday, January 29.

Press conference preparation. Whole day clear except for morning announcement of Environmental Council of Advisors. President really blew a fuse when he came in just on schedule to meet them and discovered he was supposed to go before press with the group and announce them. Had not prepared remarks, etc. A classic staff goof in setting up the meeting. Really amazing how few of these we have. He rallied to the cause all right and did very well.

Then he spent one and a half hours with Kissinger in Oval Office. Then went to EOB for rest of the day to work. Called several times for information, and regarding plan for tonight. Had first of the "Evenings at the White House," with Red Skelton. Was a smashing success - and will be a great new program.

Flap on new White House police uniforms is building. Ehrlichman doing great job of backing out on it - and apparently Secret Service approved the headdress all by themselves after Ehrlichman had okayed the tunics. It looks like a long lasting point that they'll keep bringing up in cartoons, etc. Can't hit us on substance so they pick away at the fringes.