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Friday, April 10.

Willy Brandt day. Usual State arrival and private meeting. Had me in first regarding more battle plans for follow-up on his statement. Started really mad because Semple in the *New York Times* said his statement was "bitter." (I think he knows it was bitter and thus doubly resents it.) Set up meeting with Mitchell and Blackmun, the new justice, for this afternoon - completely off record. But the name leaked from Justice, and was in the *Evening Star*.

President saw UCLA Glee Club at arrival ceremony and asked them to sing at the dinner tonight, which we worked out and they were great. Had Pearl Bailey for after dinner, and it was spectacular. President entered into it, giving her his chair to use to get up on the piano, etc. A memorable evening. Mood was marvelous all the way through! In toast, President referred to his election phone call to Kiesinger saying he had dialed the wrong number. Great touch!

Pretty good day, as things simmered down.