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As Alice Brownfield said about a year ago, we (are) getting to a time in our lives for sentimental journeys. One of these days I'm going to get up to see you - if I can get in - and may be able to tell you what I hope is a new Nixon story (I wish there were more Nixon stories making the rounds FDR and Harry had them when they were at the top and it helped to put them back.)

Anyway, thank you again. My best to you and yours.

Fred Albrink

P.S. - I'm curious as to how you knew. Is Big Brother watching?
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Anyway, thank you again. My love to you and yours.      Fred Allind

P.S. - Did you know, the Big Bad Wolf talking?
Call Hutschnecker -- RN is interested in this medicine that Jack Dreyfus is talking about and in which he has had so much research done. He would like you to sit down with him because he thinks you would be interested as well.

If you will let me know when you might be willing to talk with him on the telephone to set up a date I will give him your number and ask him to call you.

"I have talked with him as an old friend. I would like for you to listen - it will take some time but I would like to get an analysis from you of what you think of this."
MEMORANDUM FOR FILES
11/9/68

Telephone call from DR. MILTON EISENHOWER to rmw:

Whenever it is possible after you folks come back North I want a chance to talk with the President-Elect for a very short time. This Violence Committee -- New York or Washington -- will not be finished up before the new Administration. Some weeks ago RN sent word to me that he wanted to talk about organizational matters. He wanted to have Fleming/ Stans and me to get together.

Bob Wilson came to see me and urged that I call and recommend Rogers Morton for Secretary of Interior. I do not do so -- because I do not recommend on such matters -- if RN wants to talk with me about Morton I will be glad to talk with him. They came all the way over here and talked with me.

During the campaign I put out a very strong statement for Nixon-Agnew -- Agnew saw it because he wrote a note to me. Did RN see it?

(Again it appears we failed to see this or to get a letter off if someone was watching for this type of support. If we are ever in another campaign -- we have to get the best organized people around working FIRST on the mail -- it is vital). rmw
Dear John:

Your letter of December 27 was most gracious, but you can be sure there are no outstanding bills which should be borne by the family of the groom rather than the family of the bride. Barbara and you can indeed be proud that you have raised such a fine young man as David. We think that, clearly apart from the names they happen to bear, they make a great couple!

I am delighted that you will be going to Brussels. I understand the plan is to announce several of the European appointments at the same time and, consequently, there will be some but not any significant delay before the public announcement is made. I am going to urge that Julie and David take a trip to Europe this summer. One of the dividends will be that they will be able to visit you there.

Pat joins me in sending our best wishes,

Sincerely,

Colonel John S. D. Eisenhower
Valley Forge,
Pennsylvania 19481
Mr. Richard M. Nixon  
Nixon, Mudge, Rose, Guthrie & Alexander  
20 Broad Street  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dick:

I have been intending for some time to drop you a note to tell you my feelings about the present campaign. As things now stand I plan definitely to vote for you -- with enthusiasm.

Lately I have been approached by some of those active locally in the Republican cause who have asked me to take an open and declared part in the campaign. This I have declined to do for reasons similar to those I expressed in a letter to you in June, 1965, à propos of a dinner for Elliot Richardson.

My reluctance to get directly involved in politics comes largely from my observation of colleagues who, having gone in for political activism, seem to have difficulty in making the trip back to more prosaic academic surroundings. Four of my present colleagues have held important positions with the Kennedy and Johnson administrations; their "return" to academic life has been, to say the least, incomplete; they are restless and ill-at-ease when they are not in the midst of things. There are those who can make the trip back successfully; I think I could. The trouble is, however, that those who really return are judged by the standards applied to those who don't and their opinions tend from then on to be suspect.
You may be interested to know that I am now playing the part of a father-confessor for some of my colleagues who want to vote for you but are worried about compromising their liberal principles in doing so. So far I have been fairly successful in purging them of a sense of guilt, though my efforts in that direction have been somewhat impaired lately by the Wall Street letter.

Let me close by wishing you success in a campaign that has been very successfully conducted on a high plane.

With affection and respect,

Lon L. Fuller
December 2, 1968 (RN TAPE)

FORM LETTER

TO: Members of the Staff, Nixon Chairmen, Citizens Chairmen and key campaign workers to whom it would be appropriate to send such a letter.

Dear [Name]:

Now that I have had time to reflect on the... results of the election, I realize our victory would not have been possible had I not had the good fortune to have the most dedicated and efficient campaign organization in American political history.

I only wish I had the opportunity to express my appreciation personally to all of those who gave so generously of their time and effort to our cause. Since that is not possible, the best way I can express my gratitude is to do everything in my power in the years ahead to see that our new administration makes a record which will be worthy of the dedication and sacrifice of those who worked so hard for our victory. I know that you join with me in the hope that, as a result of that record, we shall all be able to look back to the Campaign of 1968 and say that we played a part at one of the critical turning points in history in providing the new leadership that America needed, and, in the words of Winston Churchill, "in making this world a better place in which to live."

Mrs. Nixon joins me in sending our very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Sincerely,
December 2, 1968 (RN TAPE)

FORM LETTER

TO: People who sent congratulatory notes or wires.

Dear _____:

I want you to know how much I appreciated the (indicate WIRE or LETTER) you sent to me after the election.

As I undertake the great responsibility of providing new leadership for America in the years ahead, the messages I have received by the thousands from all over the world will be a constant source of strength and inspiration in the years ahead.

Mrs. Nixon joins me in extending our very best wishes to you for Christmas and the New Year.

Sincerely,
December 2, 1968

FORM LETTER
To those who lost their races.

Dear [Name]:

(Due to the fact that my office staff has been swamped by a mass of mail since our election victory, this is the first opportunity I have had to express my respect and appreciation to you for waging such a gallant battle in your campaign for [Governor, Senator, Congressman].

I know the disappointment you must feel from personal experience and I only hope that you will not allow this defeat to discourage you in your efforts to continue to provide leadership for our party in the years ahead.

I want to take this opportunity to extend my very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Sincerely,
December 2, 1968

NOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS (STATE LEGISLATURE and STATE SENATE & GOVERNORS)

Dear [Name]:

Due to the great mass of mail which swamped my office staff after our election victory, this is the first opportunity I have had to extend to you officially my congratulations for your election (or re-election) to the (Ohio or whatever the state is) (State Legislature.) OR (Ohio State Senate) OR as (GOVERNOR) of Ohio. *

One of the major objectives of our new Administration will be to establish a much closer working relationship between the federal and state governments. I shall look forward to working with you and your colleagues toward that end in the years ahead.

With every good wish for Christmas and the New Year,

Sincerely,

*Note that Nebraska has only one house known as the Senate. Refer to the Nebraska state winners as follows: "your election State (re-election) to the Nebraska Legislature."
Dear Kay -

I react with a sense of deep
deluxe of your mother's passing.

She was one of the most
determined and eloquent women
I have been privileged to know.
When it came to taking a strong
position and standing up for it,
I particularly recall a
Camphor Battelde 2 2 years
ago when I first met your
father and mother. Her kindness
to a very junior Conner and
his wife - when so many
Real celebrities were there
is something I shall always
remember (the funeral was at your home
off 16th street). 
Pat joins me in
expressing our deepest
gratitude.
October 29, 1968

Dear Miss Woods:

Since it has become quite clear to me by now that our mutual friend appears most anxious to avoid any direct contact or association with me — and I understand the reasons why — I could not tell you over the phone last Sunday how I really felt about the change of trend I had been observing and what could possibly be done about it. What I thought was necessary was the injection of an element that could arouse enough excitement to move the undecided voter. It is senseless at this late hour to go into any detail but I did hope that I could be helpful in outlining some ideas or something of an inspirational philosophy that could kindle the imagination of people especially those of a passive, anxiety-ridden mind and give them the hope to look forward to not only an economically but mentally secure and happier future. The problem of today is not just political, it is human and psychological as well, or moreso and I feel that whoever of the two candidates will present the more concise and the more trustworthy concept of peace will win the election.

My reason for writing to you is to clear my conscience for I feel now as I did in 1960, frustrated to help yet being unable to do so. I therefore, decided, at this late hour to relate my thoughts to you for communication to our friend before that fateful day, when the great decision will be made.

Please extend to him my warmest wishes and accept my own personal regards,

P.S. As to your prediction, Mr. Drew Pearson has called me and I think I handled the problem delicately and in a non-committal way dispersing any doubts that could be used adversely. A simple "no comment" would have been more harmful than helpful.
January 10, 1973

PERSONAL
CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Miss Woods:

Thank you for having taken time out to talk to me last week in regard to my consultant position with the President's Office of Drug Abuse Prevention.

Today, I ask you to be good enough to return my confidential papers which, at your suggestion, I had given to Mr. Andrew M. Hutch, of the U.S. Secret Service on September 25, 1972 to be kept in a safe until after the election. Though all went well, I still intend, from now on, to keep this file with other papers and copies I have in a vault at my bank.

I hope you and the boss are well and that you will enjoy the Inaugural Ball and I wish you a good and happy and productive year.

With warm personal regards and my greetings to the President.

Yours,

Arnold A. Hutschnecker M.D.

Miss Rose Mary Woods
Personal Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.
September 20, 1972

Dear Mr. President:

It was kind of you to write me as you did on September 15. You were more than generous in your remarks and I appreciate it very much.

In this so-called "Hall of Fame" all of the sculptures were done by modern sculptors. The sculptor's conception of me is a rectangular piece made of steel, about nine feet tall and weighing seven hundred pounds. I confess I do not understand modern art. Bill Casey looked at it and said he could see some resemblance because it was wide in the middle and empty on top! I guess I lack culture.

Again, many thanks.

Sincerely,

Leonard W. Hall

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.
The President
The White House

My dear Mr. President:

Donald Nixon was in Spain this week on a business trip to Majorca and Madrid.

I want you to know how well he handled himself. At the airport in Madrid he was asked some tough questions and handled them well on making it clear that he left the politics in the family to you. His only political comment was the firm prediction that you would be re-elected in 1972.

Your brother and I had a long and very interesting talk. He asked for some views from me and I gave them fully and frankly. I expect he will be mentioning some of them to you.

Cecelia joins me in sending our very best to you and the family.

With warm regard.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Hill
Ambassador
February 21, 1973

Dear Mr. President:

I was overcome by your thoughtfulness in sending to me the handsome book of photographs taken during our celebration of your sixtieth birthday.

Obviously some of these photographs had been retouched, because in a couple of them Bebe almost looked presentable.

I must say you have a very nice house there. And if you ever think of selling I hope you will get in touch with me, and maybe we could work something out.

Warmest personal regards,

President Richard M. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.
Mr. Lee Edwards  
Americans for Agnew  
Suite 500  
1735 De Sales Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  

Dear Mr. Edwards:  

Forgive my belatedness in answering your cable of August 25, but I have been away from the Islands. I regret that I cannot accept your kind invitation to serve on your National Board of Sponsors of Americans for Agnew - not because I do not admire him greatly, for I do - but because I believe it is the immemorial right of the President to choose his own Vice Presidential running mate, in order to balance his ticket. I hope he will choose Mr. Agnew, but I definitely do not want to be among those who publically pressure him to do so.

Sincerely,  

The Hon. Clare Boothe Luce  

cc: President Richard M. Nixon  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.
The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed is the Directory of the Silver Dollar Club, of which you are the most distinguished member, and a Silver Dollar, our indicia of membership.

At our last luncheon meeting on December 13, 1968 at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles, upon the motion of Vince Barnett and seconded by Goodie Knight, all of the members of the Silver Dollar Club were elected to its Board of Directors by a vote of 263 to 0.

The Board of Directors present thereupon unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS our esteemed Member, the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, has been elected President of the United States of America,

"Be It Resolved that the Vice President and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Silver Dollar Club extend to President Nixon heartiest congratulations on behalf of all of our members with sincere best wishes for his continuing good health, happiness and success in all his endeavors.

"And Be It Further Resolved that the next meeting of the Silver Dollar Club be held at the White House at the President's convenience."

Respectfully yours,

Robert W. Berry
Admiral Robert W. Berry (USN-Ret.)
Vice President

William T. Middleton
Secretary-Treasurer

WTM:lw
Encls.
January 7, 1968

Honorable Richard M. Nixon
President-Elect of the United States
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to inform you that on Thursday night, at 6:15 p.m., January 9, 1969, the RICHARD M. NIXON COUNTY PARK will become an official facility of the government of York County, Pennsylvania, only 10 miles southeast of the farm owned by your late parents in Menges Mills.

The 152-acre property, out of production for some years, was donated to the county by an admirer and friend of yours, Robert "Bob" Hoffman, president of York Bar Bell Company, 52 N. Ridge Avenue, York, Pennsylvania, and former Olympic U.S. Weightlifting Team. You once hosted Bob and a team of lifters upon their arrival home from the Soviet Union.

The property is valued at approximately $75,000.

You will recall that I was appointed to the newly-created York County Board of Parks and Recreation last April, and elected its chairman.

Mr. Hoffman felt the date of your birthday was a proper time to transfer the deed.

We all join in wishing you a Happy Birthday.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,

HARRY J. MCLAUGHLIN
Chairman

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— Things of Beauty Are Joys Forever —
August 17, 1973

Dear John:

This is just a note to thank you for your letter of July 31 commenting on one of the problems that concerns all of us. I have passed your comments along to the people who are trying to handle these matters in the campaign.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mr. John Merrill Olms
489 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

RN:RMW:ma
Dear Dick:

I am deeply concerned with the schism related to McGovern and organized labor. It is evident George Meany's purpose is to relieve the AFL-CIO-COPE from the heavy contributions to the Presidential campaign and concentrate on candidates of labor's choosing to materially increase their representation in the House and Senate by contributions which are collected tax free by dues and assessments from members of organized labor.

I do hope the strategy of the Republican campaign management will be alert to this threat and appropriate steps will be taken to combat this increased financial impact. I am quite certain you are well aware of this threat, but to me it is alarming.

Warm regard.

Sincerely,

John M. Olin

The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D. C.
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 20, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROSE MARY WOODS
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

You may want to put the attached photo in the President's "personal file." Don't ask me where I got it... it just turned up in one of my desk drawers this morning. I think it came out of the Oval office with the out basket items back in early February.

Attachment
Richard Nixon
Playing Ed Kighten's
Drums.
Long Island
Circa 1966
March 13, 1969

Dear Ben:

I was sorry -- and I know Pat will also be -- to learn that you and Doris are not going to be able to be with us for Pat’s surprise birthday dinner Sunday evening.

More than that, I was distressed to learn that you are having to spend some time in bed. However, we are all hoping that having your doctor put the brakes on now will mean that you will be back on the firing line in better shape than ever before long.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mr. Ben Regan
50 E. 79th Street
New York, New York 10021

RN/RMW/ma
February 5, 1969

PERSONAL

Dear Duke:

The most generous shipment of your handsome Johnston & Murphy shoes, which arrived yesterday, should keep me well-shod for every conceivable appearance. Many thanks!

I hope we will have an opportunity to see you if your travels should bring you to Washington.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mr. Duke Rose
Genesco
Genesco Park
Nashville, Tennessee

RN/RMW/ma
Office of the President

October 24, 1969

President Richard M. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

We just don't like to think of our shoes worn and possibly not well tread so am belatedly sending these two pairs.

Hoping that you will accept our personal regards.

Sincerely,

Jack

GMS/ds
February 5, 1969

PERSONAL

Dear Jack:

Duke Rose had mentioned that you were going to send me some shoes but he did not say it would be a complete wardrobe. Certainly if wearing the proper shoes can do it, I should be able not only to start off on the right foot but to stay on it!

With appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Mr. John M. Settle  
President  
Johnston & Murphy  
Genesco Park  
Nashville, Tennessee

bcc: Duke Rose  

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Mr. President,

We haven't missed one yet in a hundred and eighteen years. Hope this will help start your eight years off on the right foot.

With best wishes for the New Year.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

John M. Settle
January 15, 1969
Key Biscayne, Florida

Dear Coach Shula:

You have my heartiest congratulations for the great game the Colts played in Miami last Sunday. They have played championship football throughout the year, and they showed themselves true champions particularly in defeat. I know what it is to lose and I hope you will give every player on the team my greetings, best wishes and every encouragement for the next season.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Mr. Don Shula
Coach
Baltimore Colts
600 North Howard Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201
January 29, 1969

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

TO: Secretary Stans
FROM: Rose Mary Woods

I showed the President the memo you sent concerning Leonard Ettelson's offer to build a home in La Quinta and lease it to him at a small retainer per year.

He greatly appreciated the offer and asked that you thank him. His plans are to go to the ocean and not the desert as the ocean has great powers of relaxation for him.
TO: Richard M. Nixon
FROM: Maurice H. Stans

Leonard Ettelson of Chicago, who is the principal owner of the La Quinta Development in Palm Desert, California, has offered to build and lease to you a house at La Quinta at a retainer of a dollar a year.

I am passing this on just in case you want to emulate Ike and have your private home in California.

Leonard Ettelson

M.H.S.
Dear Mr. President:

It was a great pleasure seeing you and having the opportunity of playing another game of golf with you at Eldorado. I thought you were in extremely good form considering the little time you have had to play, and I do hope that after the election you will have more time to devote to golf, because you could become a very consistent player.

As I mentioned to you, if there is anything I can do for you in Texas next year, please do not hesitate to let me know.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

Pollard Simons

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.
November 29, 1971

Eisenhower Medical Center
39000 Bob Hope Drive
Palm Desert, California 92260

Gentlemen:

Attached please find my check for $100.00 as a special gift to the Center.

Yours very truly,

Pollard Simons

PS: bpt

cc: The President of the United States
Mr. Bob Hope
Mr. Paul Jenkins
16 June 1969.

Miss Rose Mary Woods
Executive Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20006.

Dear Miss Woods:

At the suggestion of Mr. Clint Harris of the Class of 1934 at Whittier College I am sending you the enclosed for President Nixon.

We had hoped that Dick would have been able to be with us on our 35th Reunion on June 7th, but, circumstances were such that he could not. However, as you will see, his Classmates did not forget him.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would see that he gets this. I appreciate the effort on your part to carry this out and thank you for each and every member of the Class of 1934.

Very gratefully,

Richard A. Thomson.

"Our 50th Year in Style Appeal for Men"
Copy of hand-written letter

February 2, 1971

Dear Richard:

Thank you for your note which took a great burden off my - soul - I guess is the spot where it was lodged.
It was extraordinarily kind of you to write.

I have been hesitant after seeing in Ireland the incredible demands made upon your time to add so much as three more words to those demands.

But I do want you and Pat to know what a great thing in my life that trip to Ireland was.

Thank you for making it possible.

With love and blessings

s/Jessamyn

Jessamyn West
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Jessyna
December 20, 1968

Dr. Augustus A. White
Carlanderska Hospital
Goteborg, Sweden

Dear Dr. White:

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I very much appreciate your interest in taking the time to write as you did about this deeply important problem which confronts the American people. To the extent that decisions are made or policies are perpetuated which reflect racial prejudice or bias we will fail to realize our full potential as a nation. I can assure you that one of the highest objectives of the new administration will be to develop as quickly as possible programs and policies which, in so far as it is possible to do so, will rest on the complete equality and unlimited potentiality of each individual without regard to race or color. This course will not always be easy nor without opposition, but any other set of priorities will almost certainly guarantee our failure of leadership in meeting our own stated national objectives and our responsibilities to our fellow man.

With best wishes for the success of your own work,

Sincerely,
Dear Charlie,

Hope that all is well with you. By now you’re no doubt getting back in the groove at AT&T. Things are just fine here.

Charlie, would you do me a big favor? Can you see to it that Mr. Nixon himself reads this and at least gets it. Spent several hours in an attempt to express some hopefully constructive thoughts about racism in the U.S. Will be happy to send you a copy if you’re interested. It’s atemnent but nothing that would embarrass you for having gotten it.
to him directly. If he's not in town, perhaps you would mail it in such a way that he would read it.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Nixon,

Sincere congratulations on your election as our next President.

The following words bear an urgent message. I trust that you will give them your attention. Their writer is not an eccentric nor a radical, but a concerned rational Afro-American. This letter comes to you from Sweden as I am here on a research fellowship prior to taking a teaching position in surgery at Yale University School of Medicine. I am a friend of your very competent and faithful associate Charles K. McWhorter. This letter has to do with the problem of racism in America.

You are aware of the militancy in the black community. We have evolved from a complacent accepting people; human beings who actually believed themselves inferior and unworthy. This, as the result of one of the most effective psychological and social conditioning processes ever conceived and practised. We then involved ourselves in a faithful and passionate attempt for acceptance through loyalty, self-improvement and education. This did not suffice. The legal institutions were challenged and petitioned for reforms and justice. The oppression continued while peaceful demonstrations and methods to implore the conscience of the nation proved inadequate. The more aggressive, sit-in type endeavors failed. The voter registration drives for political power were aborted by the racist system. The doctrine for Black Power emerged as a plan and a call to a dedication of self-determination for black people. This has persisted but has not solved the problems either. The wanton protests of burnings and lootings have come on the scene. These activities provided a poetically appropriate setting for the racists’
ultimate statement in Memphis of their view of the non-violent leader of Afro-Americans. The more recent events on the evolutionary chain are the activation of black organizations for self-defense, and the ambush of white police in the Cleveland ghetto. The trend is clear.

In developing this message, let us take just a perfunctory look at what is happening in the ghetto. Let us pause to reflect with empathy on the millions of de-humanized fathers, mothers, and brothers - - - poor oppressed and without hope (that so very essential element for human motivation). Now there is of course considerable "tokenism" - a black face on a TV-commercial, a few conspicuous jobs and positions. But the reality of the situation is that the black man in the ghetto is still almost completely without potential or opportunity for upward mobility. He knows it too well, he lives the facts of oppression all his waking hours. He does not have work. He cannot get work. He sees no hope of getting work. He has just about reached the bottom. Many have reached the bottom. When a man reaches the bottom then no matter what he does, he can go no way but up. (That is why the small scrawny undernourished under-equipped Viet Cong fight with such vigor and resolve.) During the black man's oppressed existence he is chronically, and acutely aware of the luxuries and comforts of his "fellow Americans". Does this not constitute a rather explosive potential?

The Afro-American is required to go half-way around the world to fight and die for the freedom of "another people". This freedom his country is dedicated to guarantee. At the same time half-way around the world in the other direction his black brother is much less free than those for whom he is fighting. The half-way between the two half-ways - right at home he himself is half-free. Pause for just one minute now - - - relax and use your imagination to the utmost - - - to get just some idea as to how you might feel in this same situation with only the colors reversed. As regards Vietnam, one other point is relevant. The black brother observes these little people with even
less than he has "holding their own" against the "oppressor". Though the situation is significantly different, he gains some courage from the performance, and admires their bravery, spirit and conviction. At the same time he learns much of the technology and logistics of the type of military activity involved.

The preceding paragraphs point toward the foregone conclusion that there is potential for even more violence inside as well as outside the ghetto directed at people as well as property. You are no doubt aware of this, but think also of the realistic probability of a nasty bloody revolution. With the prevalent circumstances and conditions this seems almost inevitable. The system would contain it. Nevertheless, many people would die; mostly black, but not all black. The last nine years of my life since college have been spent learning to save life and limb. The last two years were spent actually saving life and limb. One of those years in a large military hospital in Vietnam. That is a marvellous place to be educated about war! In such a situation one ponders repeatedly the value of having world leaders spend just 10 days with a surgeon in a large military hospital to watch the blood flow. At this particular hospital one could see everybody's blood - the blood of black men and boys, white men and boys, yellow men, women and children. It was all red, warm and disgustingly ironic when attempting to equate its price to whatever it was supposed to be purchasing. Any man who has seen war from this point of view would like myself be vehemently opposed to it. We must find some other means of expressing and settling our differences. Man can go to the moon and transplant the heart but he still involves himself in the type of savagery that was practised thousands of years ago.

Now what is the message? The brothers are angry, very angry. The trend is toward massive bloodshed .... red blood. It may be possible to prevent this. This requires a completely new revolutionary policy toward eliminating all racist practices in America. A policy of palliation, stop-gaps, and compromises, giving a bit here and there will not suffice. There must be a vigorous determination to solve the pro-
problems, yesterday. The attitudes, sensitivities and vested interest of the racists have to be ignored. They are wrong. No compromises with them are acceptable. "We shall overcome speeches" and black faces in the cabinet are ineffectual to the point of being almost remote to the issues at hand. Change will involve sacrifices on the part of the establishment, the economy, the social structure and the American people. There must be a sacrificing. There must be a yielding. It must come now - - - , from within. This is all painful, but less so than the alternative. Racism is like a cancer in the body of our country. Operate now - pay the price of pain and inconvenience, and save the life of the patient. The patient cannot survive with this cancer. Without the surgery the patient will become much more ill and eventually die.

Most probably a black militant revolution can be suppressed - but too many jobless, hostile, frustrated brothers do not know that, or perhaps do not care. A man can reach a point in which his emotional equilibrium is such that he is happier destroying himself even if only to harass his enemy; than he would be living with his frustrations and hostilities unmitigated by retaliation. You are thoroughly aware of the international liabilities of a black revolt in America. Militant rebellion may not happen in the next four years or eight or ten years - but without radical changes it will come to pass. The longer it seethes the more violent, profound and widespread it will be. The cancer will spread.

You, sir, are the leader and the administrator. The techniques and implementations are for your vast resources. A spirit of aggressive determination to right the wrongs now is the essential starting point. Your idea of participation of private enterprise seems to be good. Large amounts of government funds will also be needed. Economic injustices can be eliminated by more job training programs, fair employment practices, and a cleaning up of labor union policies. Many people can be employed in work created by rebuilding the cities and constructing new satisfactory housing. Educational standards must be equal first and/or
integrated as the housing situation is corrected. This should be done with the full participation of black leaders who truly represent the needs of their people. Medical care should be provided through good clinics especially for child guidance and health. Sincere concern and conscientious medical care programs are a marvellous entrée for establishing communications with alienated people. This could be financed and operated by the government in conjunction with postgraduate medical training centers many of which are already in the ghetto.

Thank you for your attention. May I recapitulate. I know the deep-rooted militancy. The trend is toward more and more bloodshed. Palliation, delay and compromise are inadequate to solve the problem. There is an absolute necessity for a complete revolution with an elimination of all racist practices, by executive initiative through well-conceived and executed programs now.

American history and the present state of the world dictate that, WIN, LOSE or DRAW the fate and destiny of the black and white American is the same. It is difficult to envision how either can win, lose or draw without the same consequences befalling the other. As long as the malignancy of racism persists the prognosis for winning is not good. Your actions and inactions during the next four years will have a great deal more than the usual bearing on the outcome of that fate. The awesome office you have earned, more than ever constitutes a tremendous opportunity for service to mankind.

With respect, urgency, and conviction,

Augustus A. White, M.D.
The attached letter is from Gus White, a young negro doctor who is a friend of mine. The letter is quite sincere and makes a plea to RN to move boldly to rid the nation of racism. My draft reply is intended to be sympathetic but not get into specifics. Letter should be send Air Mail. Thanks,

Charlie McWhorter

Dr. Augustus A. White Letter should be send Air Mail. Thanks, Carlanderska Hoschar

Goteborg, Sweden 11.

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With wishes for your own work.

Sincerely,

RN
January 8, 1969

TO: RMW
FROM: RN

From the enclosed letter from Eisenhower, you will note his reference to Bob Woodruff. Would you check Stans' office to see if an acknowledgement was made to Bob Woodruff. If none was made, see that a letter goes to him and then have Haldeman ride herd to see if there are any others of this type who should have letters from me. I don't want things to fall between the stools as they did in 1960 in this respect, simply because we don't get the information.

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My recollection is that he apparently did make a contribution, but not in his own name.
February 19, 1969

Dear Bob:

This is just a note to tell you again how very much I have appreciated your support through the years and particularly in our most recent successful campaign.

Pat and I also have many fond memories of those occasions when we met at the meetings of the Business Advisory Council and at the White House. We hope it will not be too long before we can get together for another visit.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mr. R. W. Woodruff
P. O. Box 1734
Atlanta, Georgia

RN/RMW/ma
January 31, 1974

Dear Jessamyn:

I want you to know that everybody I have talked to has spoken glowingly of your article on Pat. Most important, she liked it and so did Tricia and Julie!

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mrs. H. M. McPherson
2459 Third Avenue North
Napa, California 94559

RN dictated/RMW/ma
Dear Mr. President:

I was sorry not to see you before I left the wedding party yesterday. John, Anne and I eased out but it was eight thirty before we reached home.

My thanks to you for the special powder compact you gave to me at the rehearsal dinner and for the beautiful toast you made to this great grand mother. It was a story book wedding for Tricia and she looked heavenly. My adorable Julie called to tell me good bye and I am so happy she will have this time with David.

Always you and "pat" have my affection and I do appreciate your friendship --

/s/ Mamie Eisenhower
June 13, 1971
The Eisenhower Farms
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. President,

I was sorry not to see you before I left the wedding party yesterday. It was late but I check out until two-thirty before I reached home.

My thanks to you.

In the spirit...
and "Pai" have my affection and I do appreciate your kindness. 
Marie Eustace

grew to me at the National Dinner and 
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Treat you made to 
This great social nature. 
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Nothing in Tobin me 
She looked heavenly. 
My darling Julie 
Called to tell me 
Good Bye and saw 
As happy she still 
Have this time with 
David - always yea
Dear Tom,

Pat and I were deeply saddened to learn of Bessie's passing last night. In the world of politics there are very few friends one can count on -- in good times and bad. Bessie and you were among that special few.

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The faith and courage both of you have had through your many happy years together will sustain you in the years ahead.

You will be in our prayers - always -

Sincerely,

s/Dick
The White House
Washington

June 15, 1971

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1/21/71