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April 11, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

Subject: Note from the President

Frank Jorgensen called Rose Mary on or about April 3rd to express his concern over what seems to be a lack of preparation for the Congressional races which are coming up soon. He went on to say that he is ready, willing and able to assist in any way whatever.

On the memorandum which Rose Mary sent to the President on this, he (the President) wrote the following note to you:

"Bob -- How about getting Jorgensen to work on key Congressional races?"

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. John Sears

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December 24, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Christmas Gifts

I don't mean to touch on a matter of your personal business in which I was not originally involved; however, I do want to pass on before Christmas day some information which was relayed to me by Connie Stuart.

Evidently quite apart from the Christmas gift project being undertaken by Rose Woods, Connie went to New York to purchase some family presents approved earlier by you through Bob Haldeman. She ordered 1 ring each for Mrs. Nixon, Julie and Tricia. The ring for Julie arrived on time and, as you know, was given to her prior to her departure for Brussels but the other 2 rings for some reason failed to meet the desired specifications and cannot be properly made up until the jewelers have a chance to look again at Julie's ring. Therefore, there will be no rings for Mrs. Nixon or Tricia on Christmas day.

I have been asked to explain also that the gift which Tricia thanked you for on Sunday or Monday was opened early by mistake; it was intended for delivery to her on Christmas.

The family gifts obtained by Rose have just arrived and Marje Acker is in the process of going through them and insuring that they are properly and clearly marked.

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February 3, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Rings for Mrs. Nixon and Tricia

You will recall that during the Christmas season you told me to get word to Connie Stuart that she should proceed with original plans for obtaining rings as gifts for Mrs. Nixon and Tricia ... rings similar to the one given to Julie just prior to her departure for Belgium. Connie went to work on the project without delay and received the finished products today. She suggests that you might now want to present them as birthday gifts -- Tricia's this month and Mrs. Nixon's in March.

I am forwarding with this memorandum the boxes containing the rings. Each box is marked appropriately.

bcc: Mrs. Stuart

March 9, 1971
3:00 p.m.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Upon graduation from the Navy's Officer
Candidate School at Newport, David will stand
17 in a class of 214. The top 44 will be
"honor graduates".

May 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. STUART

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

I am attaching 2 applications for absent voters' ballots -- one requiring the signature of Mrs. Nixon and the other requiring Tricia's. Please get the applications back to me as soon as possible.

Many thanks.

Attachments

June 24, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROSE MARY WOODS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Absentee Ballots

Mr. W. E. St John is the County Clerk to whom I sent the completed applications for absent voter's ballots for the President and Mrs. Nixon. He will be on the lookout for my envelope and immediately upon its arrival will send the ballots to you at the Western White House. In the event that you have heard nothing by Friday evening, you may want to give him a call. His name, address and phone number appear below:

Mr. W. E. St John, County Clerk
P. O. Box 11298
Santa Ana, California 92711
Telephone (714) 834-2200

It is important, as you know, that both the President and Mrs. Nixon vote in this Special Election, for (as Murray Chotiner keeps telling us) it's going to be a very close race and "every vote will count."

Many thanks.

August 10, 1970
3:15 p. m.

Mrs. Nixon:

I have enclosed in the attached envelope your absentee ballot for a special primary election -- for State Senator.

You have not acted on this matter previously ... although I must agree that it seems that only a few weeks have passed since you last voted in absentia. Actually, you did so just prior to your departure for Peru -- in a run-off election to fill the House seat of deceased Congressman Utt.

You need only sign in the upper right hand corner of the face of the envelope.

Thank you.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

October 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. CONSTANCE STUART
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Mrs. Nixon's Application for Absent
Voter's Ballot

I have in my possession the President's application for an absent voter's ballot for the General Election coming up on November 3, 1970. It arrived in the mail just the other day, having been sent from Santa Ana on October 8th.

I would very much appreciate your keeping an eye open for Mrs. Nixon's application (and for Tricia's too) and informing me when it arrives so that I can keep track of where we stand with applications and absentee ballots. As you may know, there has been some confusion in the past and I am anxious to do what I can to keep a clear record in the future of all that transpires with regard to the First Family voting actions.

Many thanks.

October 21, 1970

Mrs. Nixon:

We want to at least apply for Absent Voter's Ballots for both you and the President. . . . even though we are fairly certain that you will be in the San Clemente area during the voting hours on the day of the General Election, November 3rd. There is always that very slim chance that you will have to return to Washington on short notice before the 3rd.

The President will be signing his application this afternoon, too--and I will get both in the mail before evening.

Thank you.

Alexander P. Butterfield

Dear Miss Yang:

Thank you so much for your very pleasant note of April 20th. The cottage cheese snack you mentioned doesn't really taste all that good ... but it's certainly good for the diet!

Sincerely,

Miss Virginia Yang
9786 Audelia Road, #124
Dallas, Texas 75238

RN:APB:ts

June 1, 1971

February 15, 1972
10:31 a.m.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Tricia called you from the Residence at 10:30. I said that you were in conference at the moment ... but that you would call her back very shortly.

August 25, 1972

Bob:

The President called Bebe early this morning and asked him to come out in time for dinner this evening. Bebe agreed and will arrive at Los Angeles International Airport at 6:00 p.m. -- but by the time he picks up his baggage, gets down here and changes his shirt, it will be close to 7:30. As of this moment, the President does not know of Bebe's arrival time at San Clemente -- only that he will be coming in sometime this evening.

Alex

**Western White House
San Clemente, California**

September 3, 1972

Dear Jack:

**I was preparing for my Hawaii meeting with
Prime Minister Tanaka on your birthday, and
consequently did not get a chance to call you.**

**This note brings my best wishes for many
happy returns and my deepest appreciation for
your continued support in the battle of '72.**

Sincerely,

**Mr. John A. Mulcahy
President
Quigley and Company, Inc.
235 East 42nd Street
New York, New York 10017**

RN:APB:RP:ts

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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June 12, 1970

FOR: ALEXANDER BUTTERFIELD
FROM: MURRAY CHOTINER

The Congressional Special Election in the California 35th District will be held on June 30.

The deadline for a written application for an absentee ballot is June 23, 1970 and should be mailed to the County Clerk, Courthouse, Santa Ana, California.

The applicant should give his name as he is registered; his voting address in California; his address in Washington, D. C., and a brief statement why he will not be available to vote personally in California.

The absentee ballot must be returned so as to be in the hands of the County Clerk no later than midnight, June 23.

Murray

ALEX
WE St. John
County Clerk
California

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 3, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR ALEX BUTTERFIELD
FROM CONSTANCE STUART

Enclosed find two rings for Mrs. Nixon and Tricia as marked.

These were copied from Julie's ring.

The President might like to give Tricia hers in February (her birthday) and Mrs. Nixon in March (her birthday).

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 9, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR ALEX BUTTERFIELD

FROM CONSTANCE STUART

I have called Julie Eisenhower, and the finger ring is on its way back today.

I will have it copied within the next two weeks and should have two additional rings ready by the end of January.

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TELEGRAM TO BE SENT ASAP 10/8/70

**Mrs. Lynn Clark
6001 Athletic Club
140th Avenue N.E.
Redmond, Washington.**

It is a special pleasure to send greetings ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ as you gathered to honor Brian Lewis. All of you working in his behalf are to be commended. He is a candidate Washington's Seventh District can be very proud of, and his election is vital not only to our party's interests, but to our country's interest. If we all pull together -- and if we all pull hard -- we will assure a sweeping victory in November for Brian Lewis. Good luck!

Richard Nixon

RN:avhiggins

requested by Alex Butterfield

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 24, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: ALEX BUTTERFIELD
FROM: JOHN DEAN
SUBJECT: Application for Absentee Ballot

Forwarded per our conversation is the application form for an absentee ballot which was sent to the President by the Registrar of Voters in Orange County. We had discussed this matter with Rose Woods, who advised that she thinks in past years the President always applied for the absentee ballot just in case he was unable to be in California on election day. It apparently is possible to return the absentee ballot at the polling place on November 7 if, as planned, the President is in San Clemente at that date. You may wish to check with Rose on this procedure.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 29, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: PATRICK J. BUCHANAN
SUBJECT: PRIMARY STRATEGY

Have given thought to 1972; and preliminary returns indicate to me that RN should:

1. Let Reagan and Rockefeller know early that he, RN, is going after the nomination, that he is not dropping out under any condition, and that RN is going to secure the nomination, and run in 1972, and that decision is irrevocable.

WHY: Both Governors are now "positioning" themselves to be the beneficiary of a "Dump Nixon" movement. I don't believe either is promoting or supporting same -- but if "Dump Nixon" should succeed, then either Rockefeller or Reagan would become the nominee; and right now, they would be foolish not to alert their staff to the long-shot possibility that in 1972, the nomination may be open.

If, however, the President makes it known to both, in no uncertain terms, that regardless of the left-right division in the party, regardless of the blood spilled -- he is going after and taking that nomination -- then the interest of both Governors becomes to help make sure the President wins.

In short, for either Governor to have a distant chance at the nomination -- the President must voluntarily pull out. If the President goes for it, he has it, regardless of what happens in a few Eastern Primaries. So, if they know for certain RN is going for it -- they are more likely to forget any lingering hopes.

2. The President's name should be on the ballot in the early contested primaries -- not some stand-in.

WHY: The President would run stronger for himself than any other stand-in; and if a McCloskey ran well against a stand-in or beat him in, say, Rhode Island, or New Hampshire -- the press will treat it as if the stand-in had beaten the President anyhow.

Secondly, by using the President's name in the early primaries -- there are a good deal more of them -- we can blunt any momentum built up in, say, Rhode Island by McCloskey -- by whipping him soundly in North Carolina, in Indiana, in Nebraska, in Florida, etc. This way -- even if McCloskey gets some initial momentum, we can give the country the appearance that the President has now stepped out, taken this challenge, and then smashed it in one primary state after another.

Further, because we have money, resources and organization, and they do not, we should take on McCloskey in not simply one or two primaries -- but whip him in one primary after another by triumphal margins. Force him to spread his limited resources. Thus, we could turn McCloskey's candidacy to our advantage, by showing the President -- a la 1968 -- the unmistakable choice of his party for President of the United States, and provide us in passing some good media from the string of victories run up.

Third, if we duck the primary challenge, we will open ourselves to all manner of negative media, about seeking a "bossed" convention, about refusing to go to the people, etc.

ALTERNATE STRATEGY

There might be some merit in -- after in-depth polls -- using a stand-in only in one or two states where the polls show the President running very weak, and where McCloskey might do very well. If we did that and McCloskey did well, we could point to the other primaries where the President himself was entered and was undefeated, untied and un-scored upon. But, this might be too clever by half.

3. The President should not rule out two or three appearances in major primary states -- in which he is entered. I am not sure what benefits accrue from saying, "Well, we never visited that state," as compared with the disadvantages if we do not do well. I do not argue for a stump speech -- but an appearance or two, and a Presidential address in New Hampshire I would not rule out. ("He cared enough to come.")

4. The above early primary strategy argues strongly that we send top-flight political operatives now into the early primary states, that we not wait -- especially on states like N.H., where the media is already focusing. If we wait too long, we will have to set our organizational machinery right in the hot light of national publicity.

Others have surely thought this through also. I am not averse to them seeing it and knocking down the arguments -- but, if they share these views, then we might well be moving on the Primary Road.

January 28, 1972

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MEMORANDUM TO: CHUCK COLSON

FROM: PAT BUCHANAN

Talked with Vic Lasky. Bantam books is doing his book; they will go in with 10,000 hard cover or thereabouts, and 50,000 paperbacks. Vic is dealing with Oscar Dystel up at Bantam. What is needed now is some guarantee, through Jack Drown, that Bantam will be able to sell the original shipment of books, or get an even break on their investment. Can we get someone with authority here to make the commitment to Drown, and have him contact Dystel, or his contact at Bantam, and commit to subsidize the original investment -- so that Bantam is not facing a possible large loss when they come out with the book. Vic is in New York. He says that is what is needed right now.

Also, Vic is going to need someone in the White House with authority to co-ordinate this thing. He asked if we can get in touch with Drown -- pronto, if possible.

Thanks.

Buchanan