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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**N i x o n   f o r   G o v e r n o r**

To: BOB HALDEMAN

Date: 11/5/62

From: NATE WHITE

Subject: PHOTOGRAPHIC PROPERTY STOLEN FROM NIXON TRAIN

Distribution:

Attached are my notes pertaining to the above theft. They may be of some assistance if and when the property is recovered.

JACOBSON - FBI  
1340 W. 6th. Street  
Los Angeles

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OON E M E R G E N C Y  
STOLEN PROPERTY

THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY STOLEN FROM RAILROAD CARS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN  
SANTA BARBARA AND LOS ANGELES APPROX OCTOBER 18, 1962.

ITEM 1 - CAMERA CASE/POOR CONDITION/ UNABLE TO BE LOCKED,  
APPROX 2FT BY 14IN

ITEM 2 - CAMERA, ROLLIFLEX 2-1/2 X 2-1/4 SER E21870 770

ITEM 3 - PORTABLE MOVIE BATTERY LIGHT "FREZZO", 12 IN  
ADJUSTABLE CENTER

ITEM 4 - CAMERA LENS 10 MILLIMETER, WIDE ANGLE /BELL AND HOWELL/

ITEM 5 - ZOOM LENS 16 MILLIMETER SERIAL 6818

ITEM 6 - PROJECTOR 16 MILLIMETER

ITEM 7 - FILM 16 MILLIMETER

ITEM 8 - STOPWATCH "TIMER"

ITEM 9 - LAMP /SUNGUN/ 110 VOLT, BLACK

ITEM 10 - MISCELLANEROUS PHOTOGRAPHERS EQUIP. BATTERY, ETC.

/REFER BENNETT/WHEELING BAD DR 62-548 474/

PD LOS ANGELES LOP JL LOS CK 1150AM

Don Black

Sx Paul Feil x man's  
pro. Co.

Paul meeks, SBR Televis  
newsfilms

1424 "2" Street  
facts

2 p.m. 10/22

*It was  
Don  
Rappeler*

BILL FINNERNAN

SP : Someone from Nixon party ??? (very unlikely) called B. SCHUMAN,  
:25  
about 3<sup>A</sup> a.m. on the 19th. (SCHUMAN works for SP :: ) and advised that camera  
equipment was missing. SCHUMAN allegedly contacted SP Patrolman GLEN FRANTZ - who  
determined from SCHUMAN that the equipment had been located in the baggage  
department of SP Coach railroad car # SP 2397, on Track # 2 :: ( at crossing)  
5 pieces and tripod. FRANTZ got his boss - SAR. JOHN MURPHY - on the air  
( in Burbank) and was advised to take the stuff in his private car to the  
Stationmaster's car and secure it.

Mrs. HARD of passenger department reported "1 or 2 pices of equipment missing  
(just when she made this report??)

*Capt Fred Bernard - Berkeley  
Sgt 2524 (returned call)  
MR 4521*

*'Odd' Jacobson : FBI  
HU 3-3551*

*Henry Ouegard : ASAC  
Bill Simon : SAC*

*STONE  
SP.  
San Fran.*

## Nixon for Governor

To: HALDEMAN

Date: 10/23/68

From: NATE WHITE

Subject: LOSS OF TV &amp; PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT

Distribution: ( 2 extra copies attached)

In the absence of JOHN KRBSHILL, his Secretary, HELEN RIEGEL, advised that to her knowledge there is no insurance in force which might cover the photographic & tv equipment lost from the Nixon Campaign Train on the night of 10/18-19. She said she was quite positive that there was no "floater-type" policy which would cover this loss. She said the Committee carries workmen's compensation, general liability and automobile liability insurance; but beyond this there is no coverage - except when specifically ordered.

BOOTH TURNER has advised that to his knowledge there was no signed agreement between the SP, and/or, the Santa Fe railroads and the Nixon for Governor Campaign - or the statewide Republican organization which might set out the responsibilities of all concerned. (there was an insurance agreement on the Santa Maria line, only). The Nixon group merely purchased ~~the~~ 150 first-class fares. It seems likely that agreement between any regular ticket-holder and the carrier would delineate the liability in this instance.

It is suggested that the question of liability - as it involves all concerned - including MEEKS, the railroads, the Nixon Campaign committee, etc. be referred to an attorney for his opinion. We must know our position when inquiry is made in this matter.

nlw - (Amount involved: about \$2,000)  
(PAUL MEEKS has advised that he has no insurance coverage).

V. John Krebichel Ins, Inc  
1422 W. Colorado Pasadena

MU 1-7444

Dorothy Wright (John Haldeman  
policy)

Agreement between  
Committee & Railroad  
Responsibility laid  
out -

Helen Riegel

~~no~~ ~~no~~

No floater policy

liability &

women's comp

general liability  
automobile

no fire  
damage

150 first  
class  
fare

in

Earl Adams

Adams, Duque & Hazeltine,

for

Finch, Bell,

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

ADAMS, DUQUE & HAZELTINE  
EARL ADAMS - MA 0-1240

FINCH, BELL, DUTSMAN & JEKEL  
BOB FINCH MA 0-1160

## Nixon for Governor

To: PAUL WENKS

Date: 10/21/62

From: NATE WHITE

Subject: THEFT OF CAMERA EQUIPMENT

Distribution: ACNELLO &amp; HALDERMAN

On 10/19-20 I made numerous calls to Santa Barbara and to Special Agents of the SF and Santa Fe in Los Angeles, but no one was able locate the stolen camera equipment. Obtained serials numbers and descriptions from WENKS and from HARVIN STERN of Birns & Sawyer.

On 10/21/62 - at 12:30 p.m. I made a complete report to the Los Angeles Police Department (in person). Officer ROGER WILLIAMS, Serial 4516, Div. BOD, took the complaint and a copy of the description of the stolen equipment. This theft report was accepted after consultation with Sargent OAKS of the Detective Division. It can be identified by DR No 62 - 548474; and in case the equipment is never located, you will need this number when reporting the loss on your income tax report.

My investigation of this matter indicated that it was most possibly a theft - and that it took place shortly after the S. F. train arrived at Union Station, Los Angeles - sometime after 11 p.m. on 10/18.

It is suggested that you keep in touch with the Police Department to determine what progress is being made. You are named as the Victim (or owner of the equipment); so further information concerning this investigation can be obtained by referring to above Crime Report # or to the name "Paul Wenks". Value of stolen merchandise was placed at \$2,000.

nlw -

( a copy of the description of the equipment is attached to the original copy of this memo - being routed to PAUL WENKS. In case a further copy is needed, I have another in my possession;)

PAUL MEEKS 7 pieces of luggage : with tripod

S. P. Special Agents :: Lt. JOHN WERHIE MA 4-6161 Ext. 22818  
Jack Moore Santa Barbara  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hitchins  
JOHN WARE - SP

A. T. AND SANTA FE Special Agent PAUL W. GENRICH MA 8-0111  
Ext. 381

SANTA BARBARA

CLAUDE MORTER (NORM WILLIS in MORTER'S office)

BILL GORDON (atty) had station wagon & cars

Mission Delivery Service (handled transfer)

JACK DUERR - drama teacher, auditorium

BIRNS & SAWYER (Martin Stern) HO 4-6166)

(Rented to Nixon Campaign ( 15th. or 16th.)

PAUL MEEKS

JOE AGNELLO

Disappeared from Nixon campaign train - night of October 18 - 19 ;

Union Station: following Photographic equipment, etc. (black metal reinforcement)

- (stenciled on side: Birns & Sawyer (1½" white on
- 1 - black, fibre case (similar to old-fashioned suitcase), somewhat beat-up; size 3 feet ~~imp~~ X 2½ feet X 14 inches; 2 U-shaped, ~~metal~~ clamp-down fasteners; lock on U-type clamp doesn't work.  
(tan in color) E 21870770
  - 2 - Rolleiflex, still camera; size 2½ X 2½; Serial # E 21870770; 5 inch X 3 inch ~~opening~~ opening? strap over; "Polesie Productions" identification card affixed with scotch tape; sunshade and set of five filters along with leather carrying case from which camera can be removed. Value of camera \$350 Extras \$50 (built-in light meter)
  - 1 - Frezzi portable battery light; fits on still camera with bracket on side; round shade; 12 inch adjustable center which moved in and out; bulb screws in; aluminum color; similar to newsreel flash equipment; serial number (if any) never recorded; no batteries in unit at time it was missed; value \$400
  - 1 - 10 millimeter, wide-angle camera lens, Bell & Howell make, to fit 16 mm motion picture camera; trade name: "Andenieux"; angle of 10 mm focal length; aluminum in color; 1½ inches in diameter; 2½ inches long; value \$195
  - 1 - 16 mm Zoom lens, C-mount, Pan Cinor motion picture, Serial # 6818 (on one side of "hump" on one side or another; 6 inches long; 3 inches diameter; black in color; lens black with white writing on it; zoom lever moves back and forth, sunshade, set of filters, zoom handle, accessories for lens. Value ~~camera~~ lens \$650 - Extras \$25 brown leather case-spring lock fastener.
  - 1 - 16 mm. Pro - Junior tripod spider - sometimes called a "triangle" used to spread on floor and form triangle and clamp movie camera tripod to. all aluminum - value \$50

Film Stock : 20 - 100 foot rolls - 16 mm motion picture raw film; Dupont -936A negatives; 4 - 400 foot rolls (Dupont & Co.) packs about 3 inch square (100 ft), 1" thick; red on one side with white ring and letter X - half black with white lettering; half white with black lettering. Value \$ 133

- 1 - motion-picture type stop-watch known as a "timer"; similar to old-fashioned, thick man's watch. Value \$65 (2½" diameter; ½" thick)
- 1 - Sungun lamp (to take movies with); will plug into 110 v. socket; black, plastic body; aluminum, adjustable reflector head; AC cord bottom of handle; microphone connector plugs : Value \$80

Miscellaneous items: 4 aluminum core take-up spools \$12; pkg. 20 rolls Size 120 still film; set batteries for sound camera (8 or 10) \$12.50 filters for m.p. camera, neutral density filters, ~~200~~ filter for zoom lens, etc. \$50; set of batteries for sound camera \$20; power cord; microphone cables & connectors, a.c. extension cord \$10; screw-driver

150 NO. LOS ANGELES ST.  
ROOM 302

MAdison 4-5211  
Station 2524

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
DETECTIVE BUREAU  
BURGLARY - AUTO THEFT DIVISION  
BURGLARY SECTION

Presented by Phillips & Cook's  
PLEASE KEEP THIS CARD FOR REFERENCE  
REGARDING CASE D.R. No. ....

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT		DR No.
VICTIM'S REPORT MEMO		62-548474
VICTIM'S NAME (Firm name if business)		
TYPE OF REPORT	DATE OF REPORT	
THEFT	10-21-62	
ARTICLES HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR AS EVIDENCE		
OFFICER OR CLERK	SERIAL NO.	DIVISION
WILLIAMS	4516	500
<p>CALL MADISON 4-5211. STA.----- OR-----</p> <p>AND ASK FOR----- TO GIVE OR RECEIVE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR REPORT.</p> <p>PROMPTLY REPORT RECOVERIES OF PROPERTY IF THE RECOVERY WAS <b>NOT</b> MADE BY THIS DEPARTMENT. IF MISSING PERSONS RETURN, OR YOU LEARN OF THEIR WHEREABOUTS, PLEASE NOTIFY THIS DEPARTMENT. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF RECOVERED VEHICLES, NOTIFICATIONS CONCERNING RECOVERED PROPERTY OR MISSING PERSONS MAY BE MADE BY TELEPHONE. IF YOU RECOVER A VEHICLE, OTHER THAN THROUGH THIS DEPARTMENT, YOU <b>MUST</b> MAKE A SIGNED REPORT OF SUCH RECOVERY AT THE NEAREST POLICE STATION.</p> <p><b>FAILURE TO REPORT THE RECOVERY OF A VEHICLE IS A VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE, SECTION 10502.</b></p> <p>FORM 3.17 REV. SEPT. 1960.</p> <p>RETAIN THIS FOR REFERENCE</p>		

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*N.L. WHITE  
3908 Wilshire  
Blvd*

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NIXON FOR GOVERNOR "WHISTLE STOP" SPECIAL TRAIN

Santa Cruz to San Diego - October 18-19, 1962

Report of meeting held in Room 465, P. E. Building, 10:00 AM, October 3, 1962.

Following were in attendance:

John D. Ehrlichman	Nixon for Governor Committee	3908 Wilshire	Los Angeles
Booth Turner	" " " "	" "	" "
Nick Ruwe	" " " "	" "	" "
M. E. Ryan	Dining Car Supervisor	Santa Fe RR	Los Angeles
J. R. Hoskins	Asst. Gen. Car Foreman	" " "	" "
V. A. Cockrell	Special Service Dept.	" " "	" "
John W. Barriger	Trainmaster	" " "	" "
C. A. Crouch	Supt. Communications	" " "	" "
W. L. Perkins	Head Transportation Clerk	" " "	" "
R.L.D. McAllister	General Passenger Agent	" " "	" "
Harry C. Johnston	Asst. Gen. Psgr. Traf. Mgr.	" " "	" "
A. K. Johnson	Superintendent	" " "	San Bernardino
R. W. Schulte	Superintendent	Pullman Co.	Los Angeles
C. O. Haskett	Superintendent	Pullman Co.	San Francisco
R. D. Workman	Superintendent	LAUPT	Los Angeles
C. H. Howard	A. G. F. & P. A.	Southern Pacific	Los Angeles
L. G. Crocket	Asst. Gen. Psgr. Traf. Mgr.	" "	San Francisco
L. H. Monk	<del>Passenger Traffic</del>	" "	" "
E. J. Carter	Asst. to C.M.O.	" "	" "
C. R. McNay	Dist. AC & CL	" "	Los Angeles
Floyd Hamel	Asst. Superintendent, Dining Car Dept.	" "	" "
T. B. Lochhead	Mgr. Dining Car Operations	" "	Oakland
P. V. Stone	Asst. Superintendent, Coast Div	" "	San Francisco
H. B. Atwood	Public Relations Mgr.	" "	Los Angeles
N. G. Moore	Dist. Master Car Repairer	" "	" "
W. J. Dore	Dist. Communications Supr.	" "	" "
J. H. Pruett, Jr.	Asst. Traffic Mgr.	" "	" "
J. J. Finneran	Special Agent	" "	" "
B. V. McCabe	Spl. Agt., Coast Div.	" "	San Francisco
C. W. Champlin	Asst. Chf. Special Agent	" "	" "
C. C. Brasket	Chief Clerk, Train Service	" "	Los Angeles
M. W. Sidel	City Frt. & Psgr. Agent	" "	" "
D. P. Boykin	Asst. Superintendent	" "	" "

Equipment for the train will be assembled and made up in Oakland and taken to Santa Cruz (probably on #90, P.M. of Oct. 17, to San Jose; thence DHQ about 4:00 A.M., Oct. 18). A Nixon Campaign Committee representative will inspect equipment Oct. 17 at West Oakland Yards with Southern Pacific representatives.

Line-up as follows:

- 22-roomette Sleeper
  - \* Chair Car
  - \* Diner
  - \* Tavern Lounge
  - Press Car (stripped Diner)
  - Lounge (reception)
  - 10-6 Sleeper
  - Candidate's Car (open-end Observation)
- 8 cars

The Candidate's car will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Nixon, and Mr. Nixon's personal staff of 4 people. A regular staff of 12 and approximately 30 members of the press will use the two sleepers. In addition, up to 25 people will ride between stations during the entire trip; for example, group entraining at Paso Robles will detrain San Luis Obispo, and so on.

SCHEDULE (S.P.)

Lv. Santa Cruz	8:00 AM (PST)	Oct. 18	
Ar. Watsonville	8:55 AM	"	
Lv. Watsonville	9:20 AM	"	
Ar. Salinas	9:45 AM	"	
Lv. Salinas	10:10 AM	"	
Ar. King City	10:55 AM	"	
Lv. King City	11:20 AM	"	
Ar. Paso Robles	12:15 PM	"	
Lv. Paso Robles	12:40 PM	"	
Ar. San Luis Obispo	1:45 PM	"	
Lv. San Luis Obispo	2:10 PM	"	
Ar. Guadalupe	2:45 PM	"	
Lv. Guadalupe (SMVRR)	2:55 PM	"	
Ar. Santa Maria	3:40 PM	"	
Lv. Santa Maria (SMVRR)	4:05 PM	"	# Allow 30"
Ar. Guadalupe	4:50 PM	"	loading time
Lv. Guadalupe	5:00 PM	"	Santa Barbara
Ar. Santa Barbara	6:50 PM	"	before de-
(Off-train rally)			parture
# Lv. Santa Barbara	8:30 PM	"	
Ar. Los Angeles	10:40 PM	"	

Parking charge at LAUPT (\$160.00) for the 8 cars will be billed to the Nixon for Governor Committee by the Santa Fe.

Railroad Special Agents, with Campaign staff members, will handle the roping off of crowds at stations. The Campaign Committee will control ingress and egress from the Candidate's car. There is a possibility at some stations that the Candidate may elect to give his address from station or adjacent property, rather than from rear platform.

All charges will be billed to the Nixon for Governor Committee, including food, beverages, tickets, insurance, etc. Minimum ticket requirement over both SP and Santa Fe is 150 first-class fares. Both roads will require meal guarantee of \$250.00 per meal from diner---3 meals on SP Oct. 18; 2 meals on Santa Fe Oct. 19---appropriate gratuities to be included. Full menus for all meals. No prices to be shown on menus-- Committee will provide suitable "souvenir cut" to be put on menus. Santa Fe will be set up for breakfast service beginning at LAUPT a.m. of Oct. 19; also luncheon middle of day. Mr. Charles Farrington in the Campaign office will work out menu details with both Santa Fe and SP Dining Car Departments. There will be ten men in each diner crew, including the Steward; also two attendants in each lounge car (total 4) one of which will attend the Press car, as required.

Candidate's car has own kitchen and dining facility--this service operated by the Pullman Company.

Information concerning passengers to be entrained and detrained at "whistle stops" will be furnished by the Nixon for Governor Committee, to protect identification on train. Also necessary identification buttons will be provided by the Committee for all through passengers.

Western Union and PT&T will have track-side facilities set up at all "whistle stops" as arranged by the Nixon for Governor Committee.

SP will arrange for rental of typewriters (to be included on the bill total later). The Campaign staff will furnish their own electric typewriter. SP will arrange for necessary outlets with 110-volt connection in the rear two cars (10-6 sleeper and Candidate's car). Also, Candidate's car and the Press car are to be wired for loud-speakers with the former provided outside speakers.

Billing or correspondence in connection with this train should be sent to:

Mr. Booth Turner  
Nixon for Governor Committee  
3908 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles 5, California

  
E. H. Howard

On arrival Los Angeles Union Passenger Terminal night of Oct. 18, train will be turned, switching out the SP chair car, diner and lounge (as indicated by asterisk). Santa Fe chair car, diner and lounge will be switched in to corresponding position at that time. Also, stock will be stripped from SP Reception Lounge. Liquor service will be discontinued on arrival Los Angeles in order to allow for switching of cars and makeup of train for departure A.M. Oct. 19. Train will be serviced at LAUPT, and all 8 cars parked on suitable track and sanitation protected as required. There will be all-night occupancy in the two Sleepers and Candidate's car.

SCHEDULE (Santa Fe):

Lv. Los Angeles	7:50 AM (PST)	Oct. 19
Ar. Pico Rivera	8:10 AM	"
Lv. Pico Rivera	8:40 AM	"
Ar. Fullerton	9:00 AM	"
Lv. Fullerton	9:30 AM	"
Ar. Anaheim	9:35 AM	"
Lv. Anaheim	10:05 AM	"
Ar. Orange //	10:15 AM	"
Lv. Orange	10:45 AM	"
Ar. Santa Ana	11:05 AM	"
Lv. Santa Ana	11:35 AM	"
Ar. San Juan Capistrano	11:55 AM	"
Lv. San Juan Capistrano	12:25 PM	"
Ar. Oceanside	1:05 PM	"
Lv. Oceanside	1:35 PM	"
Ar. Del Mar	2:05 PM	"
Lv. Del Mar	2:35 PM	"
Ar. San Diego	3:05 PM	"

RELEASED.

Drumhead sign text will be given in a few days for SP construction at Oakland.

SP equipment and power will operate over the Santa Maria Valley R.R. Guadalupe to Santa Maria (with SMV RR pilot engine) and will be backed Santa Maria to Guadalupe after the "whistle stop" at Santa Maria.

The Nixon for Governor Committee have arranged for necessary transportation at Santa Barbara to and from the Rally; also advance man Peter Johnson, making arrangements as to location for unloading and re-loading passengers.

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