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August 7, 1969

Telephone call from Elmer Bobst

In response to a message the Boss gave to Maury Stans before he left on the trip, Maury called me and I have become Honorary Chairman of the campaign in New Jersey for the election of William Cahill as Governor and also to be the honorary chairman for the dinner. I have gotten Alfred E. Driscoll to become the chairman of the dinner.

I have sent out under my own name letters to about 200 of the important givers of the last campaign through New Jersey and a ~~xx~~ few in New York.

I think that everything is in hand and would like to let the Boss know that I undertook this.

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Lionel E. Ogden
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August 20, 1969

The President
The Western White House
San Clemente, California

My dear Mr. President:

First, let me say that I deeply regret my extremely long delay in not thanking you sooner for those wonderful gifts that you so kindly sent to our whole family. Next to the fact that you chose Cotton Point for your new home, your gifts were the nicest things that have ever come our way.

I would also like to let you know that doing business with your representatives was really a pleasure, thanks to France Raine, Herbert Kalmbach and our own attorney, Charles E. Horning who happens to be an old friend of Mr. Kalmbach. Mr. Kalmbach, by the way, is a man who never takes "no" for an answer and gets things done but fast and to your satisfaction, I trust. Also, your Secret Service men, namely Mr. Ikavoni, Mr. Merchant and many others couldn't have been nicer and more accommodating to all of the family.

It was a great honor for me to have been even remotely connected with the negotiations and when I decided on the 7½% interest, even though it was the prime rate, I thought to myself that the President will think I'm really a Shylock. However, when the prime rate went to 8½%, I was one of the few around who seemed happy about it.

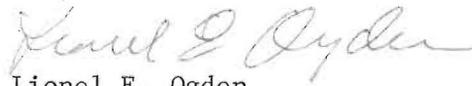
I was quite shook up when I read that you were particularly fond of real fireplaces and ours had never worked since it was built. I then quickly advised France Raine to pass this information on to the White House as you were coming out for your first visit. I hope, too, that there was something left in the patio besides the fountain and the peacocks in the house, however, with three new houses to furnish and gardens to landscape, I had no say whatsoever, which is generally the case in most family matters when the odds are four ladies to one lone man.

I saw an old college football mate of yours the other day and he told me a rather humorous story which I think you might enjoy recalling. It was about the time Whittier and Arizona State at Tempe were playing one of their big

games. Beryl ended up as your roommate and he told me you were the most restless and persistent roommate he ever had. Thank goodness for your persistency for our country. He remembered that you kept him awake most of the night because you were a nice guy but not an All American guard due to your size and he felt like telling you to keep still and let him get a little sleep and he also said the chief was not about to put you in the game. However, all ended up well as you did play in the game and good old Whittier beat Arizona State. Beryl Notoff is an old friend of mine and we go through the motions of playing golf together on many occasions.

Finally, in spite of the advice of Virginia Head, my secretary, not to gush all over the President as he gets enough of that, I have to say as one Navy man to another, "One hell of a tough job well done."

Most gratefully yours,



Lionel E. Ogden

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