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*Melvin R. Laird*

APPRECIATION NIGHT

NOVEMBER 12, 1959

November 17, 1959

Memo to: Sheila Burke

I have incurred the following air travel expenses which were for personal reasons:

New York to Wisconsin - TWA Ticket Number 0153 C 853145	\$ 66.94
Wisconsin to New York - North Central Airlines - Ticket Number 324 C 426124	78.10
New York to Wisconsin - American Airlines - Ticket Number 012 1, 820, 521	<u>70.79</u>
Total	\$215.83

The first ticket listed above (TWA) you purchased for me. The other two I bought on my air travel card.

I am sending you my check herewith, for \$215.83 to cover these expenses.

Thank you very much for your help.

H. R. Haldeman

HRH:jc

November 17, 1959

Miss Loie Gaunt  
Office of the Vice President  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Loie:

My expenses for the advance on November 1 through 4 and the trip with the Vice President's party on November 11 through 14 in Wisconsin and Indiana, are as follows:

Hotels	\$ 46.96
Meals (Including Secret Service and members of party)	49.00
Cabs, parking, and limousines	25.00
Miscellaneous - newspapers, etc.	<u>6.00</u>
Total	\$126.96
Air Fare	<u>215.83</u>
Grand Total	\$342.79

*Rec'd check 11-25*

I am attaching hotel bills and air fare stubs.

I also have an expense of \$1,500.00 for the second Leadership Panel Poll.

Your check will be appreciated.

Best regards,

HRH:jc

H. R. Haldeman

Enclosures 7

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# Wisconsin - Indiana

## Expenses

Advance Nov 1-2-3-4  
with party Nov 11-12-13-14

Advance -

Hotels (bills att.)	29.50	
Meals	17.00	
Cabs & parking	7.00	

Total

Hotels	46.96	
Meals (incl 55¢ tip)	49.00	
Cabs, parking & limo	25.00	
Misc - papers, etc	<u>6.00</u>	
	126.96	

Party -

Hotel (bill att.)	17.46	
meals - incl. members of party	32.00	
cabs - airport limo	18.00	
misc - papers, etc	6.00	

Charged -

NY-C60-WIS	TW 0153C 853145		
WIS-C60-IND-NY	NO 324 C 426124		
NY-C60-WIS	AA 012 1820521		

	66.94	(L.S. bot)
	78.10	ATC
	<u>70.79</u>	ATC
	215.83	(owe check) to Co

Charges - hotel - included above

Mead	15.20	
Carlton	17.46	

~~Handwritten scribbles~~

Felker off 31640 res 33804

Harrison res 31440

Wisc. Rapids Comm - Greg Thibodeaux 34100  
Ed Kurty - hotel mgr  
Lincoln - 2 cars for VP party - RN + staff  
Charlie Carpenter in chg

Welcoming Comm - 10 or 12 people at hotel or airport  
local comm prefer greeting at hotel

Lead table on stage  
Local comm HQ at Mead.

Hotel - Ed Kurty mgr	10:36	10.5	lv hotel	4 <sup>th</sup> St to Chestnut	Low
RN - suite	10:39	11.4	an Oak Hill		
247 (connects)	55	11:4	lv 1 <sup>st</sup> Chestnut to Lincoln	to 6 <sup>th</sup> R-5 in circle	R. E. in circle
244 Hughes	55	12.0	an Lincoln		
245 Klein	11:22	12.0	lv Lincoln		
240 Prentiss	23	12.3	an hotel		
243 Haldeman	29	12.9			
242 Woods					

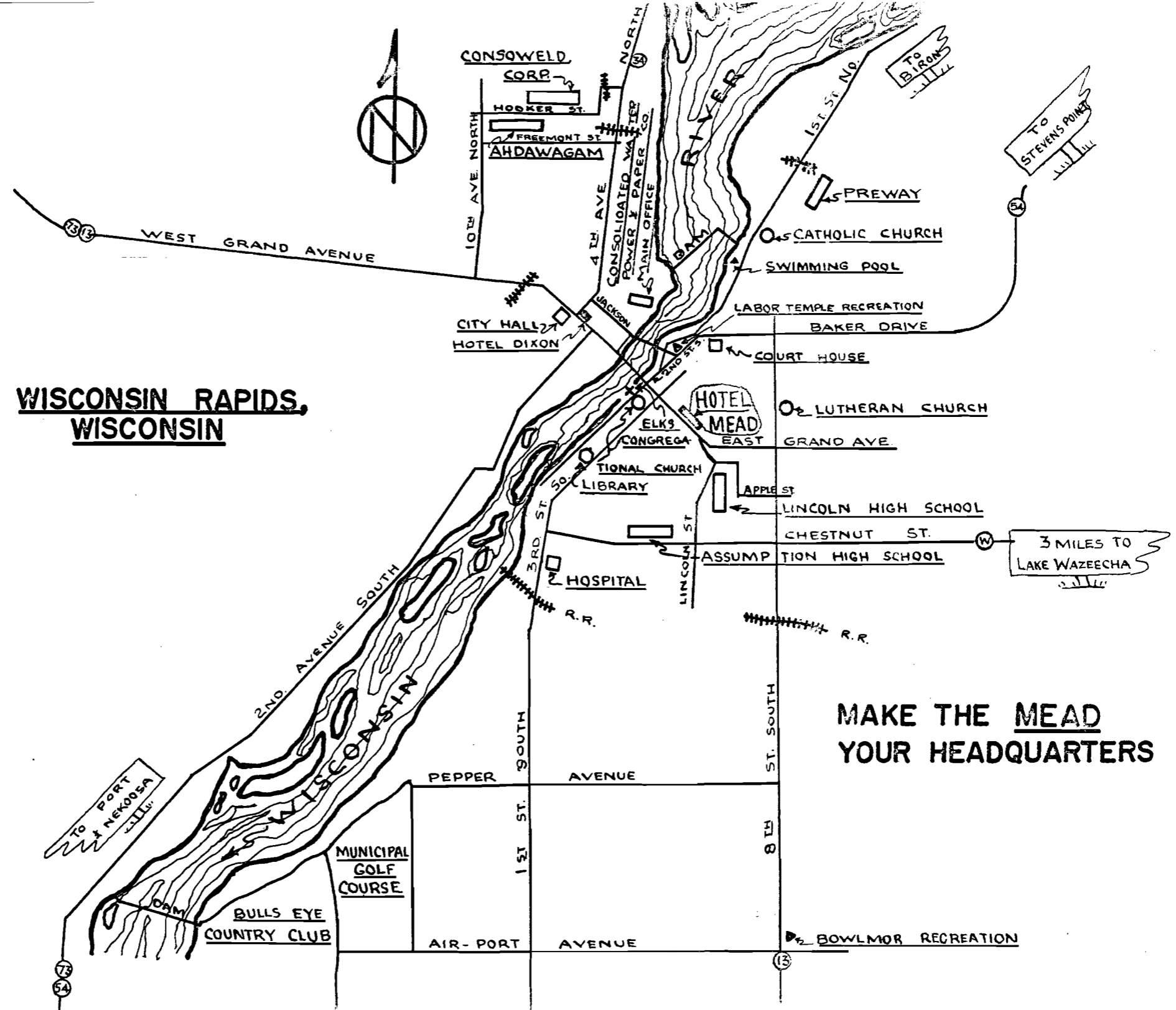
alt it for Elks - off 3<sup>rd</sup> on ~~Beach~~ Walnut Row to 2<sup>nd</sup>

- Wassau - WR - 46 mi
- Stee - WR - 25 mi
- WR - Appleton - 80 mi
- Appleton - OK - 20 mi

Felker & Council

~~Alexander Field~~

**WISCONSIN RAPIDS,  
WISCONSIN**



**MAKE THE MEAD  
YOUR HEADQUARTERS**



Wisconsin - Indiana

Travelling Party

Vice President Nixon  
Congressman John Byrnes

Staff

John Sherwood

Jim Holden

Don Hughes

Herb Klein

Bob Haldeman

Coke Prentiss

Rosemary Woods

Press

Art Edson - AP

Don Wilson - Life

Paul Schützer - Life photog

~~Bob Hartman - LA Times~~

Ed Follard - Wash. Post

W+1 Austin Wehrwein NY Times

Charles Dancy Peoria Jnl Star

Wonly Ira Kapenstein - Mil Jnl

Fred Tonne - "

# Wisconsin Rapids

## Schedule

- 3:00pm ar Stevens Point airport  
met by Mel Laird
- 3:05 lv airport by motorcade for Wis. Rapids  
Laird + Byrnes ride
- 3:45 ar Wis. Rapids Elks Club - County Chmn meeting in progress  
2 min speech by R.N. - photos with Chmn. - Jasper intro
- 4:15 lv Elks Club <sup>emphasize Recruit for 60</sup>  
<sup>+ Town Hall Meeting programs</sup>
- 4:30 ar Mead Hotel - reception committee - So. Pac. room  
welcome by civic comm. - 12-15 people
- 4:40 press questions in So. Pac. room  
20 min
- 5:00 lv So. Pacific room - to suite  
20 min res. VP
- 5:20 lv hotel by motorcade for Assumption Hi - reception
- 5:25 ar Hi -
- 5:30 receiving line starts - VP, Laird, — 1200 people
- 7:00 lv receiving line - to dinner in gym
- 7:30 lv dinner to Room 104 - private office  
30 min res. V.P.
- 8:00 lv Assumption Hi by car to Lincoln Field House
- 8:05 ar field house - go backstage
- 8:15 program starts
- 9:00 speech by R.N. - 20 min
- 9:20 end of speech - Laird acknowledgement
- 9:30 program ends
- 9:45 lv field house
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# Appleton

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### Wisconsin Rapids

9:59  
9:00

7:50  
APW

### Appleton

- 9:30 an Appleton airport - greetings - Minahan, Knight + Mayor <sup>Clarence Mitchell</sup>
- 9:35 lo airport by motorcade to Conway Hotel - Minahan + Knight <sup>ride</sup>
- 9:45 an hotel - to party workers meeting - 50-60.  
brief talk by RN
- 10:10 lo hotel by car for college
- 10:15 an Lawrence College Chapel - meeting starts  
intro of penitents - opening remarks by RN - Q + A <sup>tape + sound file</sup>
- 11:45 program ends - (stop by overflow in Music Bldg)  
walk to Colman Hall for luncheon (5 min walk)
- 12:00 an Colman Hall - to private room for 15 min  
- add student interview
- 12:15 luncheon - college Pres + nsp
- 1:30 end luncheon - lo by car for airport  
an airport  
take off for Indianapolis

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Appleton Los Angeles  
Beverly Hilton  
CR 4-7777

Airport Max Sagunsky

Plane arrival -  
Minahan + Knight will  
meet - also Byrne if not on plane  
also Mayor --

Minahan + Knight will ride

stop by overflow room  
afterwards

9:22 20.5 by airport  
9:22 23.4

About 20 at luncheon

9:15

9:32 on ATW press  
9:45 by car  
9:55 on Mission Blvd  
10:15 on Chapee

- Douglas McKnight Pres LC
- Harold Adams Pres Natl Bank
- Mrs James Buchanan Housewife - Husband marathon type
- Thomas Wengert Assoc. prof economics - Lawrence
- Mojmir Povolny - asst. prof government - Lawrence
- Marilyn Low - sr. - Pres Mortar Board
- Ashley Haase - jr. - athlete & good student
- Vic Minahan - ed. Post Crescent
- ~~John Wyngard - Madison Square for App + G.B.~~
- Mrs. John Walter - foreign affairs ed. writer for App + G.B.

John Rosebush -

2, Madison - 2 DK name

luncheon -

- 3 Ed Cochrane ed & pub Twin City Newsweek  
Nash
  - 4 Paul Riegler asst ed. editor Mil Jnl
  - 5 Geo Tracey mg ed Mil Sent
  - 6 Mrs Edith Bock ed writr Oshkosh Northwestern
  - 7 John Torinus mg ed Green Bay Press Gaz  
H.
  - 8 Ray Sherman ed Lawrence Colleg
  - 9 Patricia Daniels } assoc Laurentian
  - 10 Erick Hansen } ed
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- 1 Edgewood Coll of Sacred Heart - Madison
- 2 Holy Family Manitowoc
- 3 Inst of Paper Chem - aff Law
- 4 Lakeland College Sheboygan
- 5 Marian Coll - Fond du Lac
- 6 Mil School of Enginry
- 7 Northland Coll - Ashland
- 8 Northwestern Coll - Watertown
- 9 Ripon Coll
- 10 Wis State - La Crosse

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This occasion is an expression of our Seventh District's pride in Representative Melvin K. Laird and the contributions he has made to the cause of good government in the Congress of the United States. His personal qualifications of integrity, forthrightness and leadership exemplify those attributes essential to democratic representation.



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MEL LAIRD • A HISTORY

This year 1959 finds Mel Laird continuing a century of Wood County public service as practiced by his family.

It was 1859 when his great grandfather, Dr. G. F. Witter, migrated here from New York state. This practicing physician served as County Superintendent of Schools, Postmaster and as a member of the State Board of Health.

Mel's other great grandfather, Mr. Robert Connor, helped found the village of Auburndale in 1872 when he established a sawmill. His son, Mr. William Duncan Connor, is remembered as a successful businessman interested in the civic and political life of the county and state. He served on the County Board for 20 years as a member and as Chairman.

Mr. William Duncan Connor and his wife, the former Mary B. Witter, moved to Marshfield in 1895. There he helped found the City Library and is remembered for his charities. He became Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin in 1907 after serving as Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee for a number of years.

His daughter, Helen, Mel's mother, was born in the city of Grand Rapids, which is now Wisconsin Rapids. She was married in 1913 to Melvin R. Laird, a young Presbyterian minister serving a Marshfield pastorate. He served churches in Lincoln, Illinois, Omaha, Nebraska and as an Army Chaplain overseas in World War I before returning to Marshfield in the early 1920's. He served on the County Board for 12 years as a member and as Chairman. In 1940 he was elected to the State Senate representing the 24th District. After reelection in 1944

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he served for two years before his death.

The Wisconsin Legislature said of Melvin R. Laird, Sr: "He brought with him into a field of business and politics those attributes of kindness and simple righteousness and a deep sense of understanding of humanity which characterized his labors in the ministry".

Mel Laird's mother lives in the family home in Marshfield today. She has always maintained her own intense interest in civic affairs. While raising four sons she served as President of the Library Board and as President of the Marshfield Board of Education. For the past nine years she has been a Regent of the University of Wisconsin.

Mel grew up in Marshfield, graduated from Marshfield High School in 1940. After graduating from Carleton College and serving ~~in~~ three years in the Navy during World War II he married a college classmate, Miss Barbara Masters. They have three children - John 12, Alison 8 and David 5.

At the age of 24 he followed the Laird family tradition of public service. It was then he was elected to fill the unexpired term of his father in the Wisconsin State Senate. Here he served with distinction for six years. In 1952 he was elected to the Congress of the United States representing the 7th District. He is now completing the first year of his fourth term in that office.

His record speaks for itself.

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PROGRAM

INVOCATION

The Reverend James P. O'Connell  
Principal Assumption High School  
Wisconsin Rapids Boy Scout Drum and  
Bugle Corps Color Guard

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Marshfield Civil Air Patrol Band  
Lieutenant Anton Kramer Conductor

NATIONAL ANTHEM

WELCOME

Robert Felker, General Chairman  
Wood County Mel Laird Testimonial Committee  
Clarence A. Searles, Chairman Wood County  
Board

WOOD COUNTY'S TRIBUTE

MEL'S EARLY YEARS

August Keller, Al Sitzer, Frank Rademacher,  
Instructors of the Marshfield School System  
The Honorable Frank Panzer, President  
Pro-Tem Wisconsin Senate

MEL'S SIX YEARS IN THE  
WISCONSIN SENATE

MEL'S SEVEN YEARS IN THE  
UNITED STATES CONGRESS  
ADDRESS

The Honorable John Byrnes, M.C.  
Chairman, Wisconsin Congressional Delegation  
The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
Vice-President of the United States

RESPONSE

The Honorable Melvin R. Laird, M.C.  
Seventh Wisconsin Congressional District  
The Reverend Douglas Oyan, Minister  
First Presbyterian Church, Marshfield  
Wisconsin. Mr. Laird's home Church.

BENEDICTION

Wisconsin Rapids FB Ayers - exec Conway charter

SS - Fremont Stout - St. Paul - Capitol 2-8011 x469 res Midway 98297

Don Summers

Senator - Alexander Wiley Chippewa Falls Auke 33715 res 33964  
State Chmn - Claude Jasper Madison Alpine 72505

Natl Comm - Bob Pierce Menominee 292 or 766

Natl College YR - Bill Steiger Madison Alpine 68112

Congman - John Byrnes Green Bay Hemlock <sup>41412</sup> 23381 res 59596 <sup>res</sup> DC Otis 48696  
AA Wm Hage - DC

- Mel Laird Marshfield Fulton <sup>71512</sup> 45656 res 49500  
AA Bob Dumble

Dinner Comm -

Genl Chmn - Bob Felker Harrison ~~31640~~ res ~~33804~~

WR Chmn - Greg Tubodeau 34100 res 31440

Publicity - Bob Williams Stev Pt Diamond 45291

Motorcade - Charlie Carpenter - Casey Lincoln

Hotel Mgr - Ed Kurtz HA 31500

Assumption High Father O'Connell - principal

Welcome Comm - Bernard Barber

Airport - Alexander Field mgr Robert Quirk Butler Av. HA 38983 res 38087

Dorwin

Appleton

Lawrence College - <sup>pres</sup> Dr. Douglas Knight Regent 35577 res 46741

Alum Rel & Dev - John Rosebush " res 43409

SS - Maurice Martinian - Milwaukee Bay 28600 x588 res Sunset 68922  
John Sokoll res Edgewood 25438

Cong - Wm Van Pelt Fond du Lac WA 11320 res 17762

City Chmn - Leonard Paszek Neenah PA 23311 res App. RE 44749

Nsp - Post Crescent VI Minahan ed.

Airport Mgr - Max Segunsky