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[Conversation No. 663-001](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 2:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Oval Office

- Furnishings
 - Presidential seal
 - Rug
 - Flags
 - Services
 - Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard
 - Presidential
 - US
 - Embroidery
 - Initials
- Painting
 - Charles Willson Peale
- Bust
- Chair
 - Heads of State

Bull left at an unknown time before 2:53 pm.

[Conversation No. 663-002](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 2:53 pm



Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods [?].

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[Duration: 5s]

Question

Woods [?] left at an unknown time before 2:53 pm.

[Conversation No. 663-003](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: 2:53 pm - 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.

Press relations

- Edith Efron, *How CBS Tried to Kill a Book* (1972)
 - Publicity
 - William F. ("Billy") Graham
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - Possible letter
 - Efron's forthcoming testimony
 - Book circulation
 - Distribution with testimony
 - Editors
 - [Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.] Committee
- Antagonism



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- L. Richard Guylay's view
- Television networks
 - Possible letters and calls
 - Barbara H. Franklin
 - John Birch Society
 - Women
 - Distribution of Efron book and testimony
 - Women
 - News monitoring
 - Possible foundation
 - Efron
 - Democrats
 - John A. ("Jack") Mulcahy
 - Franklin
 - Station owners
 - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC], Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
 - Foundation
 - Mulcahy
 - Accuracy in media group
 - Buchanan
 - Tom C. Huston
 - Story to CBS [?]
- Criticism of administration
 - Guylay memorandum
 - Meeting with Graham
 - Rebuttal
 - Bernard J. ("Bunny") Lasker
 - Max Frankel
 - Herbert E. Kaplow
 - Jacob K. Javits
 - Efron
 - Marriage [Clytia Chambers]
 - Administration
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - William L. Safire
 - Leonard Garment
 - Arthur F. Burns



- Herbert Stein
- Ezra Solomon
- Marina Von N. Whitman

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:53 pm.

President's schedule
-John N. Mitchell

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.

Appointments

- Atomic Energy Commission [AEC]
 - Woman [Jane Hall]
 - The President's meeting with James R. Schlesinger, January 31, 1972
 - Los Alamos
 - California

[Conversation No. 663-004](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: 3:02 pm - 4:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald W. Reagan, John N. Mitchell and H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman; the White House photographer and members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Appointments

- Atomic Energy Commission [AEC]
 - Woman [Jane Hall]
 - Los Alamos
 - Symbolism
 - Supreme Court
 - Martha (Beall) Mitchell
 - Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
 - Marina von N. Whitman



-John von Neumann
-John Lawrence, James R. Schlesinger
-California

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 3:29 pm.

Domestic problems

- Washington Post*
- Congressional testimony
 - Senate Finance Committee
 - Welfare reform and Family Assistance Plan [FAP]
 - Karl E. Mundt
 - San Clemente
- President's desire for full employment
 - Abraham A. Ribicoff
 - Trial cases
- Welfare
 - Russell B. Long
- Upcoming spending plans
 - Amount of savings
- C5A spending
 - West Germany
 - Japan
 - Melvin R. Laird initiative
 - Reagan's opinion
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Technical problems
 - Amount of allocations
 - Solutions
 - Rolls Royce Motors
 - Northrup
- Employment benefits
- Arms race implications
 - Japan
- Laird role
- John B. Connally
 - Role
- Defensive posture
 - NATO



- Joseph M. Luns
- President's instructions
 - Reagan's upcoming conversation with [David] Kenneth Rush
 - Rush's location

Economy

- Concern of businessmen
 - Call to Reagan from Reed Kaiser [?] [sp?]
 - State of the Union address
 - Budget message
 - Justin W. Dart
 - Deficit spending
 - Depressive effect
 - Reagan's opinion
 - Possible speech by the President
 - Compared to the President's Vietnam peace proposal speech, January 25, 1972
- Economic outlook
 - Deficits
 - Compared to Lyndon B. Johnson
 - Inflation
 - Full employment
 - Demand for labor
 - Expert view
 - Budget
 - Possible broadcast
 - Dart
 - 1968 elections
 - Employment
 - Defense
 - President's meeting with Reagan concerning People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Taiwan, Republic of China

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[National Security]
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Economy

- Economic outlook
 - President meeting Ronald W. Reagan about People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Potential invasion of Taiwan by People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Defense and protection of Taiwan by Thailand

Economy

- Economic outlook
 - Difficulty of deficit problem
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1958
 - Comparisons

California Republican Assembly [CRA]

- Background
 - Conservatives
 - Number of members
- Executive board meeting
 - Harry S. Dent
- Forthcoming convention
 - Invitation to President
 - Scheduling
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - [Forename unknown] Colbert [?]

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- Forthcoming Republican Governor's dinner
 - Idea for 1972 Republican National Convention
 - California Republican delegation
 - Idea of Ronald W. Reagan
 - Registered voters
 - Composition of delegation
 - Nixon supporters
 - Men
 - Women
 - Minorities
 - Need to placate prominent California Republicans
 - Justin W. Dart
 - Jaquelin H. ("Jack") Hume
 - Creation of honorary delegation
 - Based on service to Republican Party
 - Hotel accommodations
 - Names of delegation members in program
 - President's response to idea

- Forthcoming Republican Governor's dinner
 - Reagan
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - Linwood Holton
 - William G. Milliken

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1972 Republican National Convention



- California delegation
 - Idea of Ronald W. Reagan
 - John N. Mitchell's opinion
 - President's response to Ronald W. Reagan's idea
 - Honorary delegation
 - Platform committee
 - Honorary delegation
 - Representatives to actual delegation
- John N. Mitchell's observation
 - New Hampshire
 - Delegates
 - Women
 - Youth

Daniel J. Evans

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 3:02 pm.

The President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:29 pm.

Dock strike

- Congress
- Harry Bridges
 - Labor division
 - Talk with the President in Oregon
 - Age
- Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services

Vietnam

- President's peace proposal
- Proposal for resolutions before California legislation
 - American people
 - Media coverage
 - Press release



Evans, James D. Hodgson and George P. Shultz entered at 3:29 pm; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

Dock strike

- Legal aspects

Mitchell left at 3:29 pm.

Dock strike negotiations

- Coal mine

[Photograph session]

Dock strike negotiations

- Long range problems

 - Legislation from Congress

- Short range problems

 - Need for action

 - Taft-Hartley Act

 - Senate

 - Alan Cranston

 - President's opinion

 - Democratic presidential candidates

 - Organized labor

 - Taft-Hartley Act

- Teamsters Union

- Negotiation status

 - Bridges

 - Length of negotiations

 - Possible union mergers

- Congressional action

 - Comparison to the East Coast

 - East compared to West Coast

 - “Continental Gap”

 - Possible settlement

 - Jurisdiction issue



- Barry M. Goldwater
- Elliot L. Richardson
- Telegram
- Motion picture studio strike
 - Hardhats
- Reagan's talk with Bridges
- Compared to 1950 situation
- President's concern
 - Use in public statements
 - Need for more attention to West
 - Recognition by Congress
 - Washington
 - California
 - Oregon
 - Hawaii
 - Wyoming
 - Utah
 - Possible impact on western states
- Agriculture
 - Wheat
 - Corn
- Congressional concern
 - Press
 - Possible action
 - Proposed legislation in the West
 - Cranston
 - Jack Williams of Arizona
 - Hearings
 - Possible formula
 - Railroad Labor Act
 - Taft-Hartley Act
 - Approach to Congress from President
 - Inaction
 - Possible results of strikes
 - Congressional vacation
 - Lincoln Day
 - Mike McCormack
 - Clark MacGregor
 - Frank E. Evans



- Railroad and trucking strikes
- Labor problems
- Economic effect of strike
 - Europe
 - Great Britain
 - Possible problems
- Reagan's experience
 - General Electric [GE]
 - 1958
 - Motion picture studio strike

Welfare

- Benefits of plan
- Medicaid
 - Ribicoff
 - Former role
 - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
 - Congressional pilot program
 - Eligibility
 - Disabled
 - Reagan's opinion
 - Waivers
 - Cost of living increase
 - Wages
 - Percentage
 - Evans's comments

Abortion

- Law
- Liberal ideas
- Reasons
- Medicaid
- Number
- Welfare rolls
- Property rights of unborn

Well wishes from the President

- Forthcoming dinner



Reagan, et al. left at 4:00 pm.

[Conversation No. 663-005](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: 4:05 pm - 5:33 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman and John B. Connally.

President's schedule

Connally schedule

- Testimony
 - George P. Shultz
 - Reaction
- Taxes
- Pittsburgh trip
 - Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr. conference
 - Timing
- Testimony

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 5:33 pm.

People's Republic of China [PRC] and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] trips

- Possible gifts for officials
 - George Washington
 - Indians
 - Medals
 - Suggestions by Connally
 - PRC and USSR
- Chou En-lai, Mao Tse-tung, Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Gold

Domestic programs

- Congressional relations
- Revenue sharing



- Wilbur D. Mills
- Welfare
 - Abraham A. Ribicoff role
- Blind benefits
 - Political impact
- Social Security
 - Political benefits
- Welfare
 - Unemployment
 - Public opinion
- Government reorganization
- Polls
 - Timing
- Re-election of the President
- Congressional leadership
 - Mills
 - John W. Byrnes, Keith Sebelius, Frank T. Bow
 - Byrnes
 - Ways and Means Committee
 - Al Ullman
 - James A. Burke
 - Unknown person
 - Dan Rostenkowski
 - Charles A. Vanik

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1972 election

- Realignment of US political parties
 - Harry F. Byrd Jr.
 - Example of realignment
- Democratic Party



- Edmund S. Muskie
 - Potential nomination
 - Potential adoption of centrist positions post-nomination
 - Arizona and Iowa caucuses
 - Strategy
 - Potential move to left
 - As opposed to moving to center
 - George S. McGovern
- Polls
 - Southern states
 - Response to candidacy of George C. Wallace
 - Attempts to win Northern states rather than Southern states
 - Compared to previous Republican Party strategy
 - Potential impact on Democratic campaign in South
 - Georgia
 - Alabama
 - Texas
 - Border states
 - Potential candidacy as a Democrat
- Voters
 - Southern states
 - Mountain states
 - Farm states
 - California
 - New York
 - Ohio
 - Common bonds with President
 - As compared to Edmund S. Muskie
 - As compared to Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
- Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
- John C. Stennis
 - Commonalities with Democratic Party
 - Commonalities with Republican Party
- Democratic Party
 - President's opinion
 - Strength of left-wing
 - Rules Committee for 1972 convention
 - Southern Democrats
 - [first name unknown] Davies



- Medicare
- [first name unknown] Callaghan
- Reform rules
- Control over 1972 convention delegations
 - Rules
 - Equal representation
 - Primaries
 - Delegate selection
 - Makeup of delegates
 - Gender and racial diversity
 - Flexibility of rules

US Congress

- Need for reorganization
- Democratic members
 - President's view
 - John B. Connally's view

Connally's conversation with Pittsburgh businessmen, January 31, 1972

- National Association of Manufacturer [NAM]
- US Chambers of Commerce
- Labor leaders
 - George Meany
- Unknown person
- Unknown bankers
- John D. Harper, Bob Dorsey
- Connally's schedule
 - Reception

Conservative compared to liberal philosophies

- Connally's opinion
- Uniformity
- Labels
 - Radicals



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1972 election

- Democratic Party
 - 1972 Democratic Party convention
 - Forces operating within
 - Edmund S. Muskie
 - Potential nomination
- Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
 - View of John B. Connally
 - Attempts to deny nomination to Edmund S. Muskie
 - President
 - George S. McGovern
 - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
 - Opposition to Edmund S. Muskie
 - Michael J. Mansfield
 - Attitude towards Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
- News coverage
 - Prominence of Kennedy family
 - American Sportsman*
 - Magazine stories covering Kennedy family
 - Ethel (Skakel) Kennedy
 - Robert F. ("Bobby") Kennedy
 - Jacqueline Lee Bouvier Kennedy Onassis
 - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
 - Rose F. Kennedy
- Attempts to influence Democratic Party nomination
- Strategy to get Democratic Party nomination for president
 - Chappaquiddick
 - Plans prior to 1972 Democratic Party convention
 - Risks of strategy
- Potential makeup of 1972 Democratic Party convention
- 1968 Democratic Party convention
 - Texas delegation



- View of John B. Connally
- Populist nature
- Black delegates
 - As compared to Michigan delegation
 - As compared to New York delegation
 - As compared to California delegation
- Participation of labor activists and labor groups
- Diverse makeup of delegation
 - Men
 - Women
 - Mexicans
 - Blacks
- Contested seating of delegation
- Potential of walking out from 1972 Democratic Party convention
 - Eugene J. McCarthy
- State delegations to 1968 Democratic Party convention
 - Colorado
 - View of John B. Connally
 - Compared to delegations from other states
 - Wyoming
 - New York
 - Connecticut
- Delegations to 1968 Republican convention
 - New York
 - Jewish makeup of delegation
 - President's view
 - John B. Connally's view

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 4:31 pm.

- Ronald L.Ziegler
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - Interest in discussing welfare reform with President

Press announcement
-Welfare reform



- Meeting with governors
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - Daniel J. Evans
- President's instruction to Ziegler
 - Trial cases
 - Common ground with Congress
 - Reagan
 - California, New York
 - Ribicoff proposal

Ziegler left at 4:34 pm.

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Domestic politics

- John B. Connally suggestions
 - February through March 1972
 - Republican members of US Congress
 - Importance of keeping in check
 - Wives
 - One-on-one meetings
 - Presence of Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon
 - Photographers
 - Potential benefits to President
 - President's response to suggestion
 - Potential scheduling of meetings
 - After President's People's Republic of China [PRC] visit
 - Proximity to 1972 election campaign
 - Suggestions for President
 - Democrats in Congress
 - One-on-one meetings
 - Cabinet undersecretaries



- Assistant secretaries
- Aides
- Lower-echelon staffers
- Wives
- Description of undersecretary-level officials
- Potential receptions
- Meeting with general counsel of Treasury Department
 - Week of January 24, 1972
- Church attendance
- Interaction with unnamed individual
 - Individual's respect for Claudia A. (Taylor) ("Lady Bird") Johnson
 - Individual's wife
 - Dislike for Lyndon B. Johnson
 - Home portrait of Lyndon B. Johnson

Remaining length of President's meeting with John B. Connally

Federal funding of campaigns

- Possible legislation
 - Timing
- Federal Communications Commission [FCC] compared to networks
 - Congressional action
 - Long term solution
 - Use of network time
 - Prime time schedules
 - Advantages
- Nationalization
 - Great Britain

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1972 campaign

- Importance of establishing political machine
- John B. Connally's interaction at Democratic National Committee [DNC]
 - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC] program
 - Democratic Party
 - Thomas F. Eagleton
 - Issue of equal time given to coverage of presidential campaigns
 - Involvement of Bill Monroe
 - State of the Union coverage
 - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC] program
 - Robert S. Strauss
 - Lawrence F. O'Brien Jr.
 - Birch E. Bayh Jr.
 - Wendell R. Anderson
 - Patricia Harris
 - Mary Lou Gallagher[?]
 - John B. Connally's opinion of program
 - Divisive nature of program
 - Description of Democratic Party officials appearing on program
 - Democratic Party identification with the poor
 - Racial issues
 - Presentation of Republican viewpoint
- Economic class
 - Potential 1972 campaign issue
- Reform
- Democratic Party criticisms of Republican Party
 - Described by John B. Connally
 - Republican Party approach to wealthy Americans
 - Compared to approach to poor Americans
- Importance of point person to answer criticisms
 - Robert J. Dole
 - Republican Party chairmen
- President's analysis
 - Distinguishing between campaign operator
 - Compared to campaign spokesman
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Leaving February 15, 1972



- Position of campaign manager
- Description of Robert J. Dole
- John B. Connally
 - Need for spokesmen for President's re-election campaign
 - Inside and outside US Congress
 - Governors
- Democratic Party criticisms of Republican Party
 - Economic policies of Herbert C. Hoover

Domestic politics

- Criticism of President
 - Bob Eckhart
 - Ways and Means Commission
 - Unemployment charts
 - Republican administrations compared to Democratic ones
 - Lyndon B. Johnson
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Harry S Truman
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Comparisons
 - War economy
 - Barber B. Conable, Jr.
 - World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War
 - Care for people
 - Wealthy members of President's administration
 - Red Smith article
 - Aerospace industry
 - Rich compared to poor
 - Possible friction from the public
 - Wage criticism
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Maurice H. Stans
 - Reagan
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Possible role
 - Congressional feeling



- Robert J. Dole
- Hugh Scott
- Gerald R. Ford
- Barry M. Goldwater
- Spokesmen for President's view
 - Vietnam
 - Appearances
 - John V. Lindsay
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - Reagan
 - Support for the President
 - Opposition efforts
 - Welfare, People's Republic of China [PRC], class hatred
 - Connally
 - Goldwater
 - Television presence
- The President's forthcoming trip to the PRC
- Class distinctions

Economy

- International monetary conditions
 - Status
 - Gold bill
 - European Economic Community [EEC] view
 - Connally's previous conversation with unknown person
 - Canada
 - Canada
 - Cabinet
 - Forthcoming election
 - US efforts
 - Possible statement
 - Progress
 - Pierre E. Trudeau
 - View of negotiations
 - US public opinion
 - State and Commerce Departments
- Excise taxes
- Budget deficit
 - World War II



- Alternatives
 - Congress
 - Amount of taxes
 - Stagnation
 - Economic stimulus
 - Jobs
 - 1968 economy
 - Inflation
 - Unemployment
 - Productivity Commission
 - Public relations
 - Connally's meetings in Pittsburgh
 - Wage and price controls
 - Alternative
 - Inflation
 - US steel
 - Japan, West Germany
 - Productivity Commission
 - Importance
 - Haldeman
 - Possible speech
 - Possible material for speechwriters
 - Connally
 - Transcripts
 - Class distinctions
- International monetary conditions
 - Suspension of convertibility
 - Complexity of issue
 - Europe
 - Arthur F. Burns
 - Europe
 - US economic growth
 - Great Britain, France, Japan
 - The President's August 15, 1971 speech
 - Burns
 - Recommended call to James Dewey Daane
 - Wage and price controls
- Trade
 - Connally's testimony



- Memorandum from Peter M. Flanigan
- Peter G. Peterson
 - Confirmation as Secretary of Commerce
 - Testimony
 - Timing
- William D. Eberle
 - Previous conversation with Connally
 - Flanigan
- Gold
- Surcharge
 - Connally's previous with Eberle
 - State Department
 - Peterson
 - Testimony
 - Negotiations with Canada
 - Treasury Department
 - EEC
 - Commerce Department
- Concerns

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- Economy
 - Trade
 - William D. Eberle
 - President's concerns
 - Ultra-liberal stance
 - Tariffs
 - Similarity to Dwight A. Ink[?]
 - President's opinion



Economy

- President's concerns
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Eberle
 - John Meyer
 - Possible appointment of businessman
 - Tariffs
 - Concern
 - Burns's involvement
 - Quadriad
- The President's previous meeting with unknown people
- Lack of business input
 - State of the economy
- Criticism
- Money supply
 - Banking
 - Long term rates
 - Reduction
- Inflation
- Treasury bonds
 - Interest
 - Long-term rates
 - Long term bonds
 - Percentage
- Big business and bankers
 - Budget
 - Investment tax credit
 - Wage and price controls
- 1963-69 trends
 - Effect
 - Competition
 - Intimidation by statistics
 - Retail sales
 - Refusal to get too high or too low
- Connally view on the economy
 - Unemployment
 - Campaign issue



- Percentage over the last few years
- Movement of inflation indicators
 - Effect on public
- Haves compared to have nots
 - PRC, USSR
 - Possible trade bloc
 - Latin America
- Flanigan, Peterson
 - Style
 - President's opinion

Personnel

- Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Understanding of people
- Personal styles
 - Communication skills

Appointments

- Justice Department
 - Connally's talk with Mitchell
- Commerce Department
 - Peterson
- Bureaucracy

Government reorganization

- 1972 election
 - November 7, 1972
- 1968
 - Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD]
 - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
 - Treasury Department
 - Justice Department
 - State Department

PRC trip

- 1968

USSR trip

- Timing



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President's schedule

- President's conversation with [name unknown] about trip
- H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Conversation with John B. Connally
- President's suggestion to John B. Connally
 - End of February 1972
 - Trip to Florida
 - Advantages
 - Privacy
 - Attitude of residents
 - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
 - Golf course
 - Fishing
 - Warns against staying in hotel
 - Presence of media
- John B. Connally
 - New York
 - Phone call from H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Invitation to Camp David
 - Apology to President
 - Schedule
- California
 - As a vacation spot
 - President's family
 - President's opinion
- President's suggestion to John B. Connally
 - Trip to New York
 - House in Florida
 - Private beach



- Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo
- United States Secret Service [USSS]
- Dates
 - February 17, 1972
- John B. Connally
 - Meetings with Republican leadership
 - February 1, 1972
 - David N. Parker[?]
 - Trip
 - President’s suggestion of trip to Florida
 - Meeting with John B. Connally February 9-10, 1972
 - Dinner
 - Fishing
 - Sailing
 - George A. Smathers
 - Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo
 - Houseboat
 - Presence of Coast Guard
 - Upcoming meeting with President

Connally left at 5:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 663-006](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 5:33 pm and 5:35 pm
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The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Meeting with Ronald L. Ziegler
-Location



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[Conversation No. 663-007](#)

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Time: 5:35 pm - 5:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's schedule

- Recent meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
- Ziegler's press conference comments
 - Welfare reform
 - Reagan
 - Finance Committee
 - Experimentation
 - Waivers in California, New York
- Reagan, Daniel J. Evans
- Dock strike

Ziegler left at 5:36 pm.

[Conversation No. 663-008](#)

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: 5:36 pm - 6:25 pm
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The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.

Governors' dinner



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- Harry S. Dent memorandum
- Benefits
- Support for President
- Speech schedule
 - President's view
 - Drawbacks
 - Bryce N. Harlow [?], John N. Mitchell
 - Agenda
 - Long hours
- Previous meeting
 - Usefulness
 - Red Room
- California Republicans
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - Interests
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [UUSR]
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]

PRC trip

- George Washington
- Gifts
 - Types
 - Comparisons
 - USSR
 - John B. Connally
 - Symbolism
 - Gold
 - Expense
 - Benefits
 - US mint
 - Duplication in bronze
 - Reciprocal dinner
 - Chou En-lai
 - Mao Tse-tung

Connally

- Michael J. Mansfield
 - Breakfast
 - Timing



- Trip to Florida
 - Timing
 - Lincoln Birthday
 - George [A. Smathers?]
- Trade
 - Public relations
 - Peter G. Peterson

Peter M. Flanigan
-Possible meeting

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Domestic politics

- National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC] program
 - Coverage of Democratic Party
 - Tone of coverage
 - Balanced nature of coverage
 - David Brinkley interview with Patrick A. McCarran
 - Edmund S. Muskie
 - Nature of program
 - President's view
- Charles W. Colson's view
 - News coverage of President
 - Potential meetings between President and cabinet undersecretaries
 - Held at White House
 - John B. Connally's concern with unknown person
 - Catholic faith
 - Involvement in church
 - Potential meetings between President and cabinet undersecretaries
 - Timing
- Donald H. Rumsfeld



- Theory
- Cabinet undersecretaries
 - Reasons for dissatisfaction
 - Lack of state dinner invitations
- Republican congressmen
 - Wives
- Arrangements for meetings at White House
 - President's view
 - Breakfasts
 - Timing of meetings
 - Later in 1972
 - John N. Mitchell[?]
 - Handling
 - Christmas parties
 - President's opinion

White House staff and cabinet

- Briefings
 - John D. Ehrlichman
- Henry A. Kissinger role
 - Previous conversation with Ehrlichman
- Governors meetings
 - Value
 - Connally
 - Cabinet members
 - [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt
- Congress
 - Feeling of responsibility
 - Effect on their job
 - Request for balance
- Need for toughness
- Current situation
- Performances of President's advisors
 - Haldeman's view of situation
- Kissinger
- Flanigan



- Peterson
 - Testimony
- William P. Rogers
- Kissinger
 - Demeanor
 - Attitude towards Rogers [?]
- President's demeanor
 - Handling of complaints of White House staff
 - John A. Volpe
- Morale
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower view
 - Comparisons of administrations
 - Rose Mary Woods
 - Shortcomings of administration
 - Connally
 - Chicago
 - Kissinger
 - Rogers
 - Cambodia

President's schedule

- Governor's dinner
- Breakfast meeting
 - Timing

White House staff and cabinet

- President's instructions
 - Haldeman's upcoming conversation with Connally
- Charles W. Colson
- Congress
- Rogers
 - State Department
- Peterson
 - Trade memorandum
 - Middle East, West Germany
 - Possible handling
 - Instructions about the future, public relations



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Domestic politics

- California politics
 - Robert H. Finch
 - Los Angeles Times article
 - Return to California
 - Possible run for Congress
 - Possible work for law firm
 - Possible run for Senate
 - California congressional delegation
 - President's re-election
 - Robert H. Finch
 - Possible decision against run for Senate

Congress

- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's opinion
- Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
 - Congressman
- President's cabinet
 - Secretaries
 - Timing
 - President's second term
 - Possible replacement of Cabinet officials
 - Nominating individuals approved by President
 - Individuals on board with President's agenda
 - Treatment of individuals
 - Sherman Adams
 - Loyalty of individuals to President



White House staff and cabinet

- Connally

Post-election personnel changes

- Anti-trust Division of Department of Justice [DOJ]

 - University of Michigan professor

 - Frederic V. Malek

 - Ehrlichman

 - Cabinet

 - Resignations

 - Elliot L. Richardson

 - Connally

 - James D. Hodgson

 - Volpe

 - George W. Romney

 - Earl L. Butz

 - Clifford M. Hardin

 - Peterson

 - Rogers

 - Melvin R. Laird

 - Connally

 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger

 - Richard G. Kleindienst

 - George P. Shultz

 - Donald H. Rumsfeld

 - Unknown person

 - Agency heads

 - Russell E. Train

The President's schedule

- Governors

White House staff and cabinet

- Clark MacGregor

- Press conference

- Volpe

- Peterson



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[Political Returnable]

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[Duration: 1m 19s]

- 1972 Republican National Convention
 - California
 - Honorary delegation
 - President's opinion
 - Blacks
 - Youth
 - Compared to other delegations
 - Age of participants
 - Luncheon
 - Honorary delegation
 - Caucuses
 - Presence on convention floor
 - Hotels
 - Golf
 - Drinking

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[Duration: 1m 15s]

- President's conversation with John B. Connally
 - Democratic Party



- Contest for nomination
- Composition of 1972 convention
- Compared to 1968 convention
 - Description of people in delegation
 - President's opinion
 - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's opinion
- Edmund S. Muskie presidential candidacy
 - Likelihood of success
 - Potential strategy to obtain Democratic Party nomination

Haldeman and the President left at 6:25 pm.