

**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF****Tape Subject Log**  
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Conversation No. 204-1

Date: August 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 6:26 pm and 7:35 pm

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

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

The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- Summary of materials
  - Richard A. Moore [?]
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
  - Letters from relatives of Vietnam War casualties
  - Answers to the President's questions
- The Administration's accomplishments
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - The President's view
  - Buchanan
    - Foreign policy
    - Supreme Court
- Haldeman's conversation with William F. ("Billy") Graham
- 1968 campaign
- Possible duration
- Buchanan's suggestions
  - Issues
    - Contrast with George S. McGovern
      - Defense
      - Amnesty for draft evaders
      - Permissiveness
      - Welfare
      - Foreign policy
      - Isolationism
      - Taxes
      - Spending
  - American society
    - Harvard University
    - Yale University
    - Notre Dame University
- Graham's view
  - Tone of speech
  - Accomplishments
  - Thomas E. Dewey complex
  - John B. Connally

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- Mention of McGovern
- Welfare state
- McGovern
- Length of speech

Graham's visit with Lyndon B. Johnson

- Johnson's endorsement
- Sale of television station
  - Johnson's health
  - Los Angeles Times*
- Gift of house
  - National Park Service

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 5m 9s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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Polls

- Public approval of the President
  - George H. Gallup
- Support for the President
  - Conservatives and liberals
  - Public exposure
  - The public's perception of support for the President
    - McGovern
- Media coverage of politics

The President's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
  - Duration
  - Possible report
  - California
    - Effect of Reagan's support on the President
    - Democrats

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- Franklyn C. ("Lyn") Nofziger
- Timing of meeting

#### The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- Buchanan's view
  - Ivy League
  - Intellectual elite
- The President's recent talk with Tricia Nixon Cox
- Format
- Strategy
  - Mention of McGovern
- Introduction
  - "New majority"
- Economics
- Law and order
- Foreign policy
- Defense
- Offer of choice
- Buchanan
- Beliefs of the Administration
  - Welfare reform
    - \$1000-per-person proposal
  - Defense
- Gallup
- Debate
- Polls
- Speechwriters
  - The President's view
- Content
  - Haldeman's view
  - "New majority"
  - Offer of choice
    - Contrast with McGovern
      - Economy, personal safety, world peace
- Format
  - Foreign policy
    - Peace
  - Domestic issues
    - Environment, Women, youth, farmers, Indians
      - Issues
        - Economy
          - Inflation
  - McGovern's speech

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- The President's progress in drafting the speech
  - Reagan
    - Compared to Nelson A. Rockefeller
    - The President's view

#### Public relations

- McGovern
  - Crowds in Racine, Wisconsin
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower's conversation with the President
  - Advance work
    - Compared to Hubert H. Humphrey
  - McGovern's possible reaction
    - Haldeman's view
      - Press reaction
- The President
  - Crowds
    - Compared to McGovern
  - Ohio State University appearance
    - Television
      - Estimates of size
        - Los Angeles
        - El Toro

#### The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- State of US in 1968
  - Buchanan
- Strategy
  - Haldeman's view
- Tone
- Speechwriters
  - Price
    - William L. Safire
    - Buchanan
      - John K. Andrews, Jr.
      - Aram Bakshian
    - Knowledge of issues
- Andrews's draft
  - McGovern
    - 1972 Democratic Party platform
      - “New majority”
    - Partisanship
- Price
- The President's accomplishments

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- Bakshian's draft
  - Vietnam
  - Inflation
  - Cities
  - Environment
- Price's draft
  - Mamie G.D. Eisenhower
  - Progress since 1952
    - Workers income
    - Americans in poverty
    - Increase in college education
    - End of segregation
    - Output of goods and services
    - Decrease of work week
    - Wages
    - Home ownership
    - Technology
    - Leisure
    - Environment
    - Aid to poor and elderly
  - Unemployment
  - Cost of living
  - Crime
  - Drug abuse
  - Tax cuts
  - World peace
  - Offer of choices
    - McGovern
      - Increase in welfare rolls
  - Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Thomas Jefferson
  - Harry S. Truman
  - John F. Kennedy
  - US traditions
  - Trials of former presidents
  - Adlai E. Stevenson, II
    - The President's view
- Recounting of administration achievements
  - Public reaction
    - Compared with State of the Union address
- Efficacy of speech
- Content
  - Major topics

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- Taxes
- Inflation
- Taxes
  - Spending
- Economy
  - Inflation
- Need for positive tone
- Differences between the candidates
- Reaction of listeners
  - The President's beliefs
  - Politics
- Recounting of the President's accomplishments
- Audience
  - Context of speech
  - Other speakers

Haldeman's forthcoming call to John D. Ehrlichman

The President and Haldeman left at an unknown time before 7:40 pm.

Conversation No. 204-2

Date: August 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:30 pm and 10:32 pm

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President rehearsed his "Remarks on Accepting the Presidential Nomination of the Republican National Convention".

[A transcript of the speech appears in *Public Papers of the Presidents*, 1972, pp. 787-795.]

[Pause]

The President replayed portions of his speech at an unknown time between 8:30 pm and 10:30 pm.

Conversation No. 204-3

Date: August 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:30 pm and 10:32 pm

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Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 140-28]

Conversation No. 204-4

Date: August 17, 1972

Time: 10:32 pm - 10:51 pm

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

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

[See Conversation No. 140-29]

Conversation No. 204-5

Date: August 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:51 pm and 11:02 pm

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 140-30]

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Conversation No. 204-6

Date: August 17, 1972  
Time: 11:02 pm - 11:04 pm  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

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

[See Conversation No. 140-31]

Conversation No. 204-7

Date: August 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:04 pm and 11:43 pm  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President rehearsed his "Remarks on Accepting the Presidential Nomination of the Republican National Convention".

[A transcript of the speech appears in *Public Papers of the Presidents*, 1972, pp. 787-795.]

The President replayed a portion of his speech at an unknown time between 11:04 pm and 11:43 pm.

Conversation No. 204-8

Date: August 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:04 pm and 11:43 pm  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 140-32]

Conversation No. 204-9



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Date: Unknown between August 17 and August 18, 1972

Time: Unknown after 11:04 pm, August 17, 1972 and before 12:45 am, August 18, 1972

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President rehearsed his "Remarks on Accepting the Presidential Nomination of the Republican National Convention".

[A transcript of the speech appears in *Public Papers of the Presidents*, 1972, pp. 787-795.]

Rose Mary Woods entered at an unknown time after 11:04 pm.

The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- Transcription of tapes
- John K. Andrews, Jr.
- Text changes
- Completion of speech
  - Woods's residence
    - Dogwood Lodge
- Elmer H. Bobst's view
  - 1968 acceptance speech
  - The President's televised address in the Soviet Union, May 28, 1972
  - Effect of speech on electorate
  - The President's televised address in the Soviet Union
    - Tanya Savicheva
    - William L. Safire
- Raymond K. Price, Jr.
- Aram Bakshian
- Harold J. ("Tex") Lezar, Jr.
- Patrick J. Buchanan
- Price

The President's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
  - Report on European trip
    - The President's view
- New suits
  - Republican National Convention
  - The President's televised address in the Soviet Union
  - Anthony T. Rossi
  - Zosimo T. Monzon

Call to Woods from unknown person

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- Support for the President
- Brig. Gen. Daniel ("Chappie") James, Jr. television appearance
  - View of blacks in US

#### Letters

- Marjorie P. Acker
- Mamie G.D. Eisenhower and John S.D. Eisenhower
  - Thanks for statement about George S. McGovern
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Charles W. Colson's recent call
  - Letter to George Meany
    - The President's telephone call to Meany
      - Vietnam veterans

#### The President's speeches

- The President's televised address in the Soviet Union
  - Mushroom metaphor
    - Price's role
    - Safire
  - Savicheva story
- Quality
- Speechwriters' effort
  - Political orientation
    - Buchanan
    - Kenneth L. Khachigian
    - Buchanan
      - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
      - Question and Answer [Q&A] work
  - Andrews
  - Price
    - Pace of work
      - Wok with Andrews during the Soviet trip
        - Woods's view

#### Agnew

- Compared to R. Sargent Shriver
  - Woods's view
- Domestic Council
  - John D. Ehrlichman
- National Security Council [NSC]
- John V. Lindsay
- Charles H. Percy
  - Woods's view

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- Domestic Council
- Accomplishments
- Staff
- Briefings for the President while he was Vice President
  - Robert E. Cushman
  - Agnes Waldron
  - Colgate Prentiss
    - Princeton University
    - Robert C. Wilson
  - Agnew's staff
    - The President's view
    - William A. Anders

The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- Agnew
  - Nomination
  - John B. Connally

The President talked with the Camp David operator at an unknown time between 11:04 pm and 11:43 pm.

[Conversation No. 204-9A]

[See Conversation No. 140-33]

[End of telephone conversation]

Price

- Pace of work
- Andrews
  - Work with Price during the Soviet trip

The President talked with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman between 11:43 pm and 11:49 pm.

[Conversation No. 204-9B]

[See Conversation No. 140-34]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's forthcoming acceptance speech

- Relationship between Price and Andrews
- Unknown person

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- Previous speechwriters
  - Bryce N. Harlow
  - Bill Elliot
  - James R. Shepley
  - Arthur S. Flemming
  - Gabriel Hauge
  - Harlow
  - Shepley
  - Wife
  - William P. Rogers
  - Flemming

Rogers

- Platform Committee
- Woods's view

The President's schedule

Woods left at an unknown time before 12:45 am, August 18, 1972 .

Conversation No. 204-10

Date: Unknown between August 17 and August 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:49 pm, August 17, 1972 and 12:45 am, August 18, 1972

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Telex to Raymond K. Price, Jr.

- Instruction for unknown woman [Rose Mary Woods?]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:45 am, August 18, 1972.

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Conversation No. 204-11

Date: Unknown between August 17 and August 18, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:49 pm, August 17, 1972 and 12:45 am, August 18, 1972  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President rehearsed his "Remarks on Accepting the Presidential Nomination of the Republican National Convention".

[A transcript of the speech appears in *Public Papers of the Presidents*, 1972, pp. 787-795.]

The President replayed portions of his speech at an unknown time between 11:49 pm, August 17 and 12:45 am, August 18, 1972.

Conversation No. 204-12

Date: Unknown between August 17 and 18, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:49 pm, August 17, 1972 and 12:45 am, August 18, 1972  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Delivery of material to Rose Mary Woods  
-Transcription

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:45 am, August 18, 1972.

Conversation No. 204-13

Date: Unknown between August 18 and 19, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 9:15 am, August 18, 1972 and 11:42 am, August 19, 1972  
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 140-35]

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Conversation No. 204-14

Date: Unknown between August 18 and 19, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:15 am, August 18, 1972 and 11:42 am, August 19, 1972

Location: Camp David Hard Wire

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

[See Conversation No. 140-36]