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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

CAMPAIGN SWING
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN
WASHINGTON, D. C.

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 2, 1976
DAY # 12

First Event: 7:05 A.M.

From: Terry O'Donnell

BACKGROUND

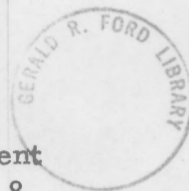
At 7:05 a.m., you and Mrs. Ford will proceed to the Wealthy Elementary School at 2006 Wealthy Street, S. E. to vote. The school students will be outside to welcome you -- as well as Mr. Robert Stoppels, Mayor of East Grand Rapids, and Dr. Marilyn Van Valkenburg, Wealthy Elementary School Principal.

You return to your Suite in the Pantlind Hotel at 8:20 a.m. and have 2, hours, 15 minutes personal time.

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You and Mrs. Ford depart your Suite at 10:35 a.m. and go to Kent County Airport to unveil a mural depicting your life. The 18 x 8 foot painting is by a native Grand Rapids artist, Paul Collins, who is best known for his paintings of American Indians and African blacks.

Centered in the foreground of the mural is a portrait of you, pipe in mouth. Slightly behind and to the left side are portraits of Mrs. Ford, Susan, Steve, Jack and Mike. All are in color as is the double portrait



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of you and Mrs. Ford as you were when you were first elected to Congress. The remaining images, in black and white, include you as a baby in your mother's arms, as a boy with your brothers, as a Scout, playing football, as a Park Ranger, and as a Serviceman. Behind the central portrait and forming a backdrop for the mural's elements are the Declaration of Independence, The Statue of Liberty and the Presidential Seal.

You make remarks after Paul Collins unveils the Mural and makes a symbolic presentation to you.

Air Force One departs Kent County Airport at 11:50 a.m. en route Andrews AFB. (Flying Time: 1 hour, 30 minutes)

Arrival time at Andrews AFB: 12:20 p.m.

Arrival on the South Lawn: 12:40 p.m.



3.

SEQUENCE

7:05 a. m.

You and Mrs. Ford depart Suite en route Hotel Lobby to greet Hotel employees.

7:10 a. m.

You and Mrs. Ford depart Hotel Lobby en route Motorcade for boarding.

7:13 p. m.

Motorcade departs Pantlind Hotel en route Wealthy Elementary School.

(Driving Time: 17 minutes)

7:30 a. m.

Motorcade arrives Wealthy Elementary School.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

You and Mrs. Ford will be met by:
Mr. Robert Stoppels, Mayor of East Grand
Rapids

Dr. Marilyn Van Valkenburg, Wealthy
Elementary School Principal

You and Mrs. Ford proceed inside auditorium for voting.

7:40 a. m.

You and Mrs. Ford arrive inside and proceed to voting booth.

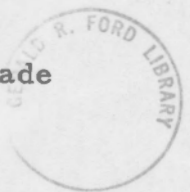
PRESS POOL COVERAGE

7:45 a. m.

You and Mrs. Ford thank Election Board Staff and proceed to motorcade for boarding.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

NOTE: Elementary school children may be on hand to bid farewell to you and Mrs. Ford.



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8:00 a.m.

Motorcade departs Wealthy Elementary School en route Pantlind Hotel.

(Driving Time: 15 minutes)

8:15 a.m.

Motorcade arrives Pantlind Hotel.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

You and Mrs. Ford proceed to Suite.

8:20 a.m.

Arrive Suite.

PERSONAL TIME: 2 hours, 15 minutes

10:35 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford depart Suite en route motorcade for boarding.

10:40 a.m.

Motorcade departs Pantlind Hotel en route Kent County Airport.

(Driving Time: 25 minutes)

11:05 a.m.

Motorcade arrives Kent County Airport.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

You and Mrs. Ford enter Passenger Building en route Holding Room.

11:07 a.m.

Arrive Holding Room.

PERSONAL TIME: 5 minutes



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11:12 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford depart Holding Room en route Mural Dedication Site.

11:13 a.m.

Announcement.

11:13 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford proceed onto dais and are seated.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 400

11:14 a.m.

Remarks by Mrs. Bobbie Butler, Chairman of Mural Committee.

11:15 a.m.

Remarks by David Menhey, Finance Chairman of Mural Committee.

11:17 a.m.

Paul Collins unveils Mural and makes a symbolic presentation to the President.

11:20 a.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

11:27 a.m.

Remarks conclude. You remain at the podium.

11:30 a.m.

Presentation of Reproductions to you and Mrs. Ford by Paul Collins.

11:31 a.m.

You will present Reproductions to Rev. James Abney, Bethel Pentacostal Church, and representatives of Jefferson School.

11:32 a.m.

You remain at podium.

11:32 a.m.

Benediction by Rev. Brown.

11:34 a.m.

"God Bless America" by Bethel Pentacostal Choir.



6.

11:36 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford thank dais guests and depart en route Holding Room.

11:37 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford arrive Holding Room.

PERSONAL TIME: 5 minutes

11:42 a.m.

You and Mrs. Ford depart Holding Room en route motorcade for boarding.

11:44 a.m.

Motorcade departs Passenger Building en route Air Force One.

11:46 a.m.

Motorcade arrives Air Force One.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED DEPARTURE.

You and Mrs. Ford board Air Force One.

11:50 a.m.

Air Force One departs Kent County Airport en route Andrews AFB.

(Flying Time: 1 hour, 30 minutes)
(No Time Change)

12:20 p.m.

Air Force One arrives Andrews AFB.

You and Mrs. Ford board helicopter and depart en route South Lawn.

12:40 p.m.

Arrive South Lawn.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Sunday, October 31, 1976

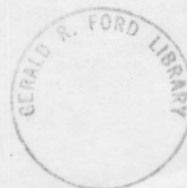
11:00 am Depart White House for Andrews Air Force Base to fly to New York City where you will drive to the lower East Side to stop by Rather's Delicatessen to sample pastries and greet patrons. You'll then drive three blocks to the Orchard Street Shopping District to do a short walking tour greeting shoppers in the streets. Louis Lefkowitz, Attorney General of New York or Telly SaValas will accompany you.

2:00 pm You will join the President at WABC Television for the taping of the New York PFC 30-minute special which is scheduled for 5:30 pm. Following the taping, you will bid farewell to the President and proceed independently to the Waldorf Astoria for the night.

NOTE: Still to be scheduled is Milton Hoffman's Council of Rabbi's Dropby.

Monday, November 1, 1976

Depart the Waldorf Astoria for LaGuardia to fly to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to attend a Rotary luncheon honoring you as a Paul Harris Fellow. Following the luncheon you will return to the airport for a send off rally as you depart for Detroit to join the President for a rally in Livonia. You will travel on Air Force One with the President to Grand Rapids arriving at 7:05 pm for the hometown rally. The final schedule is not yet determin



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Carolyn —

Thought Mrs Ford
might enjoy this on
one of the plane rides —

(K)





Davy Crockett, on Grinning

The mighty Tennessee hunter Davy Crockett served in Congress from 1827 to 1831 and again from 1833 to 1835. He was, like Abraham Lincoln, given to the tall tale, and once while a candidate for Congress he found that his opponent had a winning smile. He decided that the smile was costing him votes, so he made this stump speech about it:

"Yes, gentlemen, he may get some votes by grinning, for he can out-grin me, and you know I ain't slow. And to prove to you that I am not I will tell you the following.

"You all know I love hunting. Well, I discovered a long time ago that a coon couldn't stand my grin. I could bring one tumbling down from the highest tree. I never wasted powder and lead when I wanted one of these creturs. Well, as I was walking out one night, a few hundred yards from my house, looking carelessly about me, I saw a coon on one of the highest limbs of an old tree. The night was very moony and clear and old Rattler was with me. But Rattler won't bark at a coon, he's a queer dog in that way. So I thought I'd bring the coon down in the usual way, by a grin.

"I set myself, and after grinning at the coon a reasonable time found that he didn't come down. I wondered what was the reason and I took another steady grin at him. Still he was up there. It made me a little mad. So I felt around and got an old limb about

five feet long and, planting one end on the ground, I placed my chin on the other and took a rest. I then grinned my best for about five minutes but the coon hung on.

"So, finding I could not bring him down by grinning, I went over to the house, got my ax, returned to the tree and began to cut away. Down it came and I run forward, but damn if the coon was there. I found that what I had taken for one was a large knot on a branch of the tree and, upon looking at it closely, I saw that I had grinned all the bark off and left the knot perfectly smooth.

"Now, fellow-citizens, you must be convinced that in the grinning line I myself am not slow. Yet when I look upon my opponent's countenance I must admit that he is my superior. You must all admit it. Therefore be wide awake—look sharp—and do not let him grin you out of your votes."

This was drawn from the introduction to the forthcoming book "The Comic Mark Twain Reader," edited by Charles Neider.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1976

TO: KAYE PULLEN

FROM: CONNIE BANFORD (Russ
Rourke's Office)

Attached is a copy of the message sent by the President to the members of the Hungarian Freedom Fighters Federation, per your request.

If you have any questions, please let me know. (Ext. 6690)



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 27, 1976

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HUNGARIAN
FREEDOM FIGHTERS FEDERATION, USA:

In our Bicentennial year of freedom, millions of Americans join in your thoughts and in the reaffirmation of your devotion to the concepts of freedom and self-determination. We know your concern for the land of your birth and for the well-being of your families and friends.

We draw inspiration from your valor and perseverance in adversity. We express our pride in the qualities of citizenship you have brought to your new homeland.

Gerald R. Ford



~~TELEGRAM~~

The White House
Washington

FULL RATE
(STRAIGHT TELEGRAM) ☒
NIGHT LETTER ☐
MAILGRAM ☐

October 30, 1976

STRAIGHT WIRE

Hon. Eugene Gold
Chairman
National Conference on Soviet Jewry
11 West 42nd Street
New York, New York 10036



I greatly appreciate your recent inquiries, and I fully share the concern you have expressed for the Soviet Jews petitioning for their right to emigrate. Together with all Americans, I attach the highest importance to the right of people everywhere to exercise fundamental rights, including the rights of freedom of speech and freedom of emigration.

At my direction, Secretary of State Kissinger has called in the Soviet Ambassador to underscore our concern in this specific instance and to stress the importance that we as a people attach to the need for respect of human rights.

As President, since the day I took office, I have impressed upon governments everywhere, including the Soviet government, the importance we attach to these issues. The results of this responsible diplomacy have been decidedly positive.

(Continued)

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GRAM

The White House
Washington

FL RATE
STRAIGHT TELEGRAM) ☐
NIGHT LETTER ☐
MAILGRAM ☐

(Hon. Eugene Gold, October 30, 1976, continued)

We will continue at all levels to impress upon the Soviet government--and other governments as well--the importance the American people attach to humanitarian rights.

very seriously and
We shall do so ~~forcefully~~, but responsibly, as befits an issue of such importance.

GERALD R. FORD



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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

October 29, 1976

TO: Kay Pullen

FROM: Cathie deSibour

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the message directly
to you.*



OCTOBER 21, 1976

Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

LEADERS OF AMERICAN HUNGARIAN COMMUNITY

Dr. Zoltan Beky
President
American Hungarian Federation

Major General Donald S. Dawson
U.S.A.F. Retired
Attorney

Mr. Istvan B. Gereben
Executive Secretary
Coordinating Committee of
Hungarian Organizations in
North America

Mr. Tibor Haelcz
President
Federation of Former
Hungarian Prisoners

Mr. Laszlo Hamos
Chairman
Committee for Human Rights
in Romania

The Honorable Frank Horton

Dr. Andras Pogany
President
World Federal of Hungarian
Freedom Fighters

Mr. Jozsef Kovago
Former Mayor of Budapest

Mr. Louis Lote
National Chairman
Coordination of Hungarian Organizations

Mr. George Lovas
Executive Director
Hungarian Bicentennial Committee

Mr. Laszlo Mogyorossy
National President
Hungarian Freedom Fighters
Federation

Mr. Lejos Hajou Nemeth
Chairman
American Hungarian Republican
Federation

A. Background: Formed under the banner of the Committee to Commemorate the American and Hungarian Revolution (1776, 1956), various Hungarian Organization members are celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution.

1. The theme of the celebration is to reaffirm belief in the self-evident truth "that all men are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness," and to pay tribute to those who fought and fell for those rights.

2. During a 30 day period, which began in Budapest, Hungary, on October 23, 1956, has been considered by the Hungarian Freedom Fighters as a revolutionary period against tyranny. It started with 2,000 students peacefully gathering in historic Parliament Square in Pest and reached its climax when 9,000 Hungarians in one day crossed the Austrian frontier seeking freedom on November 23, 1956.

3. There will be a dinner Friday night in Washington to which the President was invited but had to decline. However, a Presidential message has been prepared for the event. Dinner

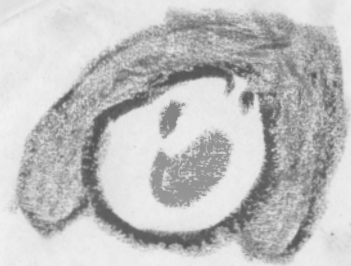
Chairman is Congressman Frank Horton (R-NY) and Leo Cherne, Executive Director of The Research Institute of America, Inc. and Chairman of the Board of the International Rescue Committee is the guest speaker. Dr. Andras Pogany, The World Federation of Hungarian Freedom Fighters, is also with Congressman Horton on the event.

The group also plans to make two presentations to the President while they are here:

- A book of the Hungarian Revolution entitled, "Remember Hungary".
- A plaque with a statement from remarks by Cardinal Midzenty engraved.



KIDS
LOVE



PRESIDENT

BETTY

FORD

GRETCHEN
CARRIE
TIMMY
DANA



GRETTY
Mentz





TOM R. S. FORD

FROM CARRIE





Any staff personnel intending to go to Wealthy
Elementary School must NOT wear campaign material.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Atty. Gen. Louis Lefkowitz,
who will escort you through
the shopping area, has been
in that office since 1957.
he is one of the most popular
state-wide officeholders in
New York.



ATTORNEY GENERAL



Louis J. Lefkowitz

LOUIS J. LEFKOWITZ

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Louis J. Lefkowitz, Republican, Attorney General of New York State, was born in New York City on July 3, 1904. After attending public schools in New York City, he received his law degree (cum laude) from Fordham University, School of Law, in 1925 and was admitted to the Bar the following year.

Mr. Lefkowitz served as a member of the Assembly in the New York State Legislature, from the Sixth Assembly District, New York County, from 1928 to 1930, inclusive, and served on the Judiciary Committee. He was appointed a Justice of the Municipal Court of the City of New York by Mayor LaGuardia on June 12, 1935, and served in that office until the end of that year. He was appointed in 1943 as Deputy Tax Commissioner, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, and resigned in 1944 when he became Counsel to the New York State Joint Legislative Committee to recodify and revise the Election Law, serving with that Committee until 1952.

In 1953, Mr. Lefkowitz was appointed Counsel to a new Joint Legislative Committee on Election Laws and served with that Committee until April of 1954 when he was appointed a Justice of the City Court of the City of New York by Governor Dewey, an office he held until November 2, 1954. He has been Research Counsel to the Speaker of the New York State Assembly, Counsel to the New York Republican State Committee, Chairman of the Law Committee of the New York Republican County Committee and has been a delegate to Republican National Conventions and to Republican State Conventions.

Mr. Lefkowitz is an active member of the New York State Bar Association, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, a member of the New York County Lawyers' Association and a member of the Association of Lawyers of the Criminal Courts of Manhattan. He is active in many civic and community organizations.

While an Assemblyman, Attorney General Lefkowitz was the author of laws extending greater benefits to Civil Service employees and providing for greater relief for mothers under the Child Welfare Law. He also was the author of amendments to strengthen the Election Law and an anti-injunction law to prohibit the issuance of injunctions without a hearing in labor disputes. Mr. Lefkowitz was one of the pioneers in civil rights legislation in the State.

As Attorney General, he has initiated positive programs for greater protection of consumers, investors and the legitimate businessman. He created a Civil Rights Bureau, a Bureau of Consumer Frauds and Protection, a Bureau of Charity Frauds, a Bureau for Syndicates and Cooperatives and a Charitable Foundations Division in the Department of Law.

The Attorney General is married to the former Miss Helen Schwimmer and resides at 575 Park Ave., New York City. They have two children—a daughter, Mrs. Harold Feinbloom, residing in Rochester, New York; a son, Stephen, an attorney in New York City; and two grandsons, David and Stephen Feinbloom.