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January 30, 1976

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MARIA DOWNS

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN ?.

Attached is the original of a letter from Carole K. Bellows of the Section on Individual Rights and Responsibilities of the American Bar Association, together with a copy of a letter sent to me by Judge Charles Joiner of Detroit.

I would appreciate receiving a copy of Mrs. Ford's action on this request.

Attachments



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Betty Ford

Feb. 10, 1976

To:

Mildred

From

Eva

I called Mrs. Buchen and read the attached telegram to her. She suggested passing the telegram on to you for the Fords' information.

I have called to let Mrs. Leonard know that Mr. Buchen is making a speech in Philadelphia on Saturday 2/14 and they will not be going to Florida.

OE BALONO TO BUSH

9:25 I talked with Peggie Bolger Leonard (Hilton Hotel, St. Petersburg, Florida) and told her that you would not be going to Florida since Mr. Buchen will be making a speech in Philadelphia on Saturday.

(813) 896-1111

She said she will be writing you -- and to give you her best.

I have given a copy of the telegram to Mildred Leonard.



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WASHINGTON DC

DEAR BUNNY,

I AM IN ST PETERSBURG FLORIDA VISITING MY NEPHEW AND WIFE AND FAMILY. IT IS A VERY DANGEROUS CITY. MANY SOCIAL SECURITY SENIOR CITIZENS DRUNK ALL DAY AND NIGHT. BE CAREFUL. MY NEPHEW SAYS I SHOULD NOT TRY TO GO TO WILLIAMS PARK BUT I WANT TO PLEASE TELL JERRY CHUCK AND I LIVED AT 644 SOUTH UNION ST ACROSS FROM HIM WHEN WE WERE FIRST MARRIED, BUT HE HAD MOVED TO ANOTHER HOUSE. DID KNOW BETTY WELL BOUGHT CLOTHES FROM HER AT HERPOLSHEIMERS KNEW AMELIA HERPOLSHEIMER HERDY WELL. I HOPE YOU COME TOO CHUCK IS NOT WITH ME BUSINESS. IF YOU CAN COME PLEASE CALL ME BACK I AM AT HILTON HOTEL

ST PETERSBURG FL (813) 8961111 EXT 4518 UNTIL 11AM TUESDAY. CHUCK AND I KNEW YOU WELL AT CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL. PLEASE LET ME KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. BEST WISHES,

PEGGIE BOLGER LEONARD

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Wed., Apr. 7, 1976

'First Mama' Betty

campaigns on new CB

WASHINGTON (AP) — The husky growls of burly truckers warning each other of smokies and their radar traps and advising of detours around the weighing station mingled with the dulcet tones of a woman calling for votes.

It was Washington's newest citizens band radio freak trying out her fresh new CB license and calling for Wisconsin voters to cast their ballots for her husband. President Ford.

A White House spokeswoman said Betty Ford tried out her new license on Wisconsin voters over the weekend and liked

Meeting 4/15/76 12:45 p. m.

11:30 Maria called to say Mrs. Ford is running behind schedule -- so she will meet you at the elevator at 12:45 -- or a few minutes before.



9:55 Maria Downs said your meeting with Mrs. Ford will be in the residence.

Maria will meet you a few minutes before 12 today (Thursday 4/15) at the elevator (lower level of the residence area -- across from Dr. Lukash's office).



Meeting 4/15/76 12 o'clock

4:15 Maria Downs called to say Mrs. Ford can see you at 12 o'clock tomorrow (Thursday 4/15).

SERAL SERAL

Monday 4/12/76

1:45 Burt Avedon of Bulgari Jewelers in New York called to talk with you. Said he would be in until 2:15 this afternoon.

(212) WA 4-7330

I called to let him know that you had not returned 2:00 but we would call him when convenient.

> He will be in meetings the remainder of the day; we will call him at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow (Tuesday 4/13).

4/13 they talked 212

Friday 4/9/76

2:20 Maria Downs called the Bulgari Company in New York.
Nicolai was not there and they weren't sure when he would return.

So, either Monday or Tuesday ---- if Nicolai Bulgari doesn't call you himself, Burt Avedon (his associate) will be calling.



Tuesday 4/6/76

5:05 Maria said she will be calling the Bulgari Jeweler in New York City and ask him to get in touch with Mr. Buchen next Monday or Tuesday (week of 4/12).

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THE WHITE HOUSE

April 14, 1976

Mr. Buchen:

Re: National Commission on Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases

Attached is the information you requested concerning the above-mentioned Commission. Included is a memo from HEW describing the purposes of the Commission, as well as a list of its members, and the statute creating the Commission. Section 3(g) of the statute delineates the purpose of the "plan" which Congress has directed the Commission to formulate.

H.P. HP.



MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH

. H. P. Goldfield

DATE: 1 3 APR 1976

FROM: W. Delano Meriwether, M.D. Mariwether SUBJECT: National Commission on Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases

> In follow-up to our conversation of today, I attach a list of the 18 members of the National Commission on Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases.

With respect to the origin and purpose of the Commission, I do not know the principal congressperson who ushered the bill that created this Commission. It is my general impression, however, that this bill received wide support -- as have other pieces of legislation that have looked at disease problems such as diabetes, kidney disease, and epilepsy.

The National Commission on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Diseases was created to formulate a long-range plan with specific recommendations for the use of national resources to combat arthritis. The recommendations are to be based on a survey of epidemiology, environmental, behavioral, and biological determinants. Recommendations are also to be based on surveys of Federal, State, and local programs that currently exist in relation to this disease. Finally, recommendations are to address the question of how to coordinate the efforts of several Institutes of NIH and other Federal agencies for the development of educational thrusts, manpower requirements, and international cooperation.

Should you desire additional specific information as to the origination, purpose, and activities of this Commission, I recommend that you contact directly, Dr. Ronald Lamont-Havers (Telephone: 496-2121), Deputy Director of NIH, and member of the Commission or Dr. William H. Batchelor (496-1963), the Executive Secretary of the Commission.

If I may be of further assistance, do not hesitate to call.



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*Nominee for the current vacant position of Associate Director for Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases; consistent attendee in current consulting capacity to the Commission.





Public Law 93-640 93rd Congress, S. 2854 January 4, 1975

An Art

To amend the Public Health Service Act to expand the authority of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases in order to advance a national attack on arthritis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SHORT TITLE

of 1974. 42 USC 289c-1

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National Arthritis Act

42 USC 289c-1

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "National Arthritis Act of 1974".

FINDINGS AND DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

SEC. 2. The Congress makes the following findings-

(1) Arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases constitute major health problems in the United States in that they afflict more than twenty million Americans and are the greatest single cause of chronic pain and disability.

(2) The complications of arthritis lead to many other serious 88 STAT. 2217 health problems and other severe physical disabilities in persons

of all ages with the disease, particularly children and adolescents.
(3) The annual cost of arthritis to the national economy in 1970, from medical care expenses and lost wages, was \$9,200,000,000, and number of workdays lost in that year totaled over 14,500,000.

(4) Uncontrolled arthritis significantly decreases the quality of life and has a major negative economic, social, and psychological impact on the families of its victims and society generally.

(5) Athletic and other types of joint injuries involving trauma

can lead to arthritis.

(6) The development of advanced methods of diagnosis and treatment of arthritis and quality trained health professionals in arthritis deserves the highest national priority.

(7) There is a critical shortage of medical facilities and properly trained health professionals and allied health professionals in the United States for arthritis research, prevention, treatment, care, and rehabilitation programs.

(8) The citizens of the United States should have a full understanding of the nature of the human, social, and economic impact of arthritis and should be encouraged to seek early diagnosis and treatment to prevent or mitigate physical disability resulting from

(9) There is great potential for making major advances against arthritis in the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases, in concert with other institutes of the National Institutes of Health.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON ARTHRITIS; ARTHRITIS PLAN

SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (here- Establishment. inafter in this section referred to as the "Secretary"), after consulting 42 USC 289c-1 with the Director of the National Institutes of Health, shall, within note. sixty days of the date of the enactment of this section, establish a



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National Commission on Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Commission"). (b) The Commission shall be composed of eighteen members as

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(1) Six members appointed by the Secretary who are scientists, physicians, or other health professionals not in the employment of the Federal Government, who represent the various specialties and disciplines involving arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases (hereinafter in this section collectively referred to as "arthritis"), and of whom at least two are practicing clinical rheumatologists, at least one is an orthopedic surgeon, and at least one is an allied health professional.

2) Four members appointed by the Secretary from the general public, of whom at least two suffer from arthritis.

(3) One member appointed by the Secretary, from members of the National Arthritis, Metabolism, Digestive Disease Advisory Council, whose primary interest is in the field of rheumatology.

(4) The Director of the National Institutes of Health or his designee, the Director of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases or his designee, the Directors, or their designees, of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Institute of General Medical Science, the Associate Director for Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Diseases of such Institute, and the chief medical officer of the Veterans' Administration and the Secretary of Defense or their designees, each of whom shall serve as ex officio,

nonvoting members.

(c) The members of the Commission shall select a chairman from among their own number. The Commission shall first meet on a date specified by the Secretary, not later than 30 days after the Commission is established, and thereafter shall meet at the call of the Chairman of the Commission (but not less often than three times).

(d) The Director of the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases shall-

(1) designate a member of the staff of such Institute to act as Executive Secretary of the Commission, and

(2) provide the Commission with such full-time professional and clerical staff, such information, and the services of such consultants as may be necessary to assist it in carrying out effectively its function under this section.

(e) Members of the Commission who are officers or employees of the Federal Government shall serve as members of the Commission without compensation in addition to that received in their regular public employment. Members of the Commission who are not officers or employees of the Federal Government shall each receive the daily equivalent of the rate in effect for grade GS-18 of the General Schedule for each day (including traveltime) they are engaged in the performance of their duties as members of the Commission. All members, while so serving away from their homes or regular places of business, may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsist-

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tional Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive

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ence, in the same manner as such expenses are authorized by section 5703, title 5, United States Code, for persons in the Government serv-

ice employed intermittently.

(f) The Commission shall survey Federal, State, and local health Federal, State, programs and activities relating to arthritis and assess the adequacy, and local technical soundness, and coordination of such programs and activities. health pro-All Federal departments and agencies administering health programs grams, survey. and activities relating to arthritis shall provide such cooperation and assistance relating to such programs and activities as is reasonably necessary for the Commission to make such survey and assessment.

(g) The Commission shall formulate a long-range plan (herein- Long-range after in this section referred to as the "Arthritis Plan") with specific plan. recommendations for the use and organization of national resources to combat arthritis. The Arthritis Plan shall be based on a survey investigating the incidence and prevalence of arthritis and its economic and social consequences, and on an evaluation of scientific information respecting, and the national resources capable of dealing with arthritis. The Arthritis Plan shall include a comprehensive program for the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Institute") and plans for Federal, State, and local programs, which program and programs shall, as appropriate, provide for-

(1) investigation into the epidemiology, etiology, and prevention and control of arthritis, including the social, environmental, behavioral, nutritional, and biological control of arthritis;

(2) studies and research into the basic biological processes and mechanisms involved with arthritis, including abnormalities of the immune, musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, urogenital, pulmonary, and nervous systems, the skin, and the

(3) research into the development, trial, and evaluation of techniques, orthopedic and other surgical procedures, and drugs (including drugs intended for use by children) used in the diagnosis, early detection, treatment, prevention, and control of

(4) programs that will apply scientific and technological methodologies and processes involving biological, physical, and engi- 88 STAT. 2219 neering sciences to deal with all facets of arthritis, including 88 STAT. 2220

traumatic arthritis;

(5) programs for the conduct and direction of field studies largescale testing, evaluation, and demonstration of preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, and control approaches to arthritis, including studies of the effectiveness and use of home care programs, mobile care units, community rehabilitation facilities, and other appropriate community public health and social services;

(6) studies of the feasibility of, and possible benefits accruing from, the organization and training of teams of health and allied health professionals in the treatment and rehabilitation of individ-

uals who suffer from arthritis;



(7) programs to evaluate available resources for the rehabilita-

tion of individuals who suffer from arthritis; (8) programs to develop new and improved methods of screening and referral for arthritis, and particularly for the early detec-

tion of arthritis;

(9) programs to establish standards and criteria for measurement of the severity and rehabilitative potential of disabilities

resulting from arthritis;

(10) programs to develop a uniform descriptive vocabulary for use in basic and clinical research and a standardized clinical patient data set for arthritis to standardize collection, storage, and retrieval of research and treatment data in order to facilitate collaborative and comparative studies of large patient populations;

(11) programs to establish a system for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of data useful in the screening, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of arthritis, including the establishment of a national data storage bank to collect, catalog, and store, and facilitate retrieval and dissemination of information as to the practical application of research and other activities pertaining

to arthritis:

(12) programs for the education (including continuing education programs and development of new techniques and curricula) of scientists, bioengineers, physicians engaged in general practice, the practice of family medicine, or other primary care specialties, surgeons, including orthopedic surgeons, and other health and allied health professionals and educators in the fields and specialties requisite to screening, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of arthritis and rehabilitation of individuals who suffer from arthritis;

(13) programs for public education and counseling relating to arthritis, including public information campaigns on current developments in diagnostic and treatment procedures and programs to discourage the promotion and use of unapproved and ineffective diagnostic, preventive, treatment, and control methods

and unapproved and ineffective drugs and devices;

(14) a program for the acceleration of international cooperation in and exchange of knowledge on research, screening, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and control of arthri-

(15) coordination of the research programs relevant to arthritis of other Institutes of the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and other Federal

and non-Federal entities.

(h) The Commission may hold such hearings, take such testimony, and sit at such time and places as it deems advisable.

(i) (1) The Commission shall prepare for each of the Institutes of e National I stitutes of Health whose activities are to be affected by the Arthritis Plan estimates of necessary expenditures to carry out each such Institute's part of the comprehensive program included in the Plan. The estimates shall be prepared for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and for each of the next two fiscal years.

(2) Within five days after the Budget is transmitted by the President to Congress for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and for each of the next two fiscal years, the Secretary shall transmit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare of the Senate, and the Committee on Commerce and Health of the United States House of Representatives an estimate of the amounts requested for arthritis research by each of the Institutes for which estimates were

Research programs, coordination.

Hearings.

Expenditure estimates. 88 STAT. 2220

88 STAT. 2221

Transmittal to congressional committees.

prepared under paragraph (1) and a comparison of such amounts with such estimates.

(j) (1) The Commission shall publish and transmit directly to the Arthritis Plan. Congress (without prior administrative approval or review by the publication; Office of Management and Budget or any other Federal department transmitted or agency) the Arthritis Plan within two hundred and ten days after Congress. the date on which funds are first appropriated for the Commission.

(2) The Commission shall cease to exist on the thirtieth day following the date of the submission of the Arthritis Plan pursuant to para-date.

graph (1) of this subsection.

(k) There are authorized to be appropriated, without fiscal year Appropriation. limitation, to carry out the purposes of this section \$2,000,000.

ARTHRITIS COORDINATING COMMITTEE, DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, AND COMPREHENSIVE ARTHRITIS CENTERS

SEC. 4. Part D of title IV of the Public Health Service Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

"ARTHRITIS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

"Sec. 437. (a) In order to improve coordination of all activities in Establishment. the National Institutes of Health, in the Department of Health, Edu- 42 USC 2890-4. cation, and Welfare, and in other departments and agencies of the Federal Government relating to Federal health programs and activities relating to arthritis, the Secretary shall establish an Arthritis Coordinating Committee to be composed of representatives of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (including the Food and Drug Administration) and of the Veterans' Administration, the Department of Defense, and other Federal departments and agencies involved in research, health services, or rehabilitation programs affecting arthritis. This committee shall include the Directors (or their Membership, designated representatives) of each of the Institutes of the National Institutes of Health involved in arthritis related research. The Committee shall be chaired by the Associate Director established pursuant to section 434(e) and shall prepare a report not later than sixty days Post, p. 2224. after the end of each fiscal year as possible, for the Secretary detailing the work of the committee in seeking to improve coordination of departmental and interdepartmental activities relating to arthritis during the preceding fiscal year. Such report shall include-

(1) a description of the work of the committee in coordinating the research activities of the National Institutes of Health relating

to arthritis during the preceding year, and
"(2) a description of the work of the committee in promoting the coordination of Federal health programs and activities relating to arthritis to assure the adequacy of such programs and to provide for the adequate coordination of such programs and activities

"(b) The Committee shall meet at the call of the chairman, but not 88 STAT. 2222 less often than four times a year.

88 STAT. 2221 Meetings.

Report.

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"ARTHRITIS SCREENING, DETECTION, PREVENTION, AND REFERRAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS; AND DATA BANK

"Sec. 438. (a) The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Health, may make grants to public and nonprofit entities to establish and support projects for the development and demonstration of methods for arthritis, screening, detection, prevention, and referral,

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and for the dissemination of these methods to health and allied health professions. Activities under such projects shall be coordinated with (1) Federal, State, local, and regional health agencies, (2) centers State, and other assisted under section 439, and (3) the data bank under subsection (c). "(b) Projects under this section shall include programs which-

(1) emphasize the development and demonstration of new and improved methods of screening and early detection, referral, and diagnosis of individuals with a risk of developing arthritis, asymp-

tomatic arthritis, or symptomatic arthritis;

"(2) emphasize the development and demonstration of new and improved methods for patient referral from local hospitals and physicians to appropriate centers for early diagnosis and treatment;

"(3) emphasize the development and demonstration of new and improved means of standardizing patient data and recordkeeping;

"(4) emphasize the development and demonstration of new and improved methods of dissemination of knowledge about the projects and methods referred to in the preceding paragraphs of this

subsection to health and allied health professionals.

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"(c) (1) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this section the Secretary, through the Assistant Secretary for Health, tion Data Bank. shall establish the Arthritis Screening and Detection Data Bank for the collection, storage, analysis, retrieval, and dissemination of data useful in screening, prevention, and early detection involving patient populations with asymptomatic and symptomatic types of arthritis, including where possible, data involving general populations for the purpose of detection of individuals with a risk of developing arthritis.

"(2) The Secretary shall provide for standardization of patient standardization data and recordkeeping for the collection, storage, analysis, retrieval, and dissemination of such data in cooperation with projects under this section and centers assisted under section 439, and other persons

engaged in arthritis programs.

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$2,000,000 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, \$3,000,000 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and \$4,000,000 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1977.

"COMPREHENSIVE ARTHRITIS CENTERS

42 USC 289c-6.

Appropriations.

42 USC 289c-1.

Ante, p. 2217.

"Sec. 439. (a) The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Health may, after consultation with the National Advisory Council established under section 434(a) and consistent with the Arthritis Plan developed pursuant to the National Arthritis Act of 1974, provide for the development, modernization, and operation (including staffing and other operating costs such as the costs of patient care required for research) of centers for arthritis research, screening, detection, diagnosis, prevention, control, and treatment, for education related to arthritis, and for rehabilitation of individuals who suffer from arthritis. For purposes of this section, the term 'modernization' means the alteration, remodeling, improvement, expansion, and repair of existing buildings and the provision of equipment for such buildings to the extent necessary to make them suitable for use as centers described in the preceding sentence.

"Modernization." 88 STAT. 2222 88 STAT. 2223

> "(b) Each center assisted under this section shall—
> "(1) (A) use the facilities of a single institution or a consortium of cooperating institutions, and (B) meet such qualifications as may be prescribed by the Secretary; and

"(2) conduct—

"(A) basic and clinical research into the cause, diagnosis, early detection, prevention, control, and treatment of, arthritis and complications resulting from arthritis, including research into implantable biomaterials and biomechanical and other orthopedic procedures and in the development of other diagnostic and treatment methods;

"(B) training programs for physicians and other health and allied professionals in current methods of diagnosis, screening and early detection, prevention, control, and

treatment of arthritis;

"(C) information and continuing education programs for physicians and other health and allied health professionals who provide care for patients with arthritis; and

"(D) programs for the dissemination to the general public

of information-

"(i) on the importance of early detection of arthritis, of seeking prompt treatment, and of following an

appropriate regimen; and
"(ii) to discourage the promotion and use of unapproved and ineffective diagnostic, preventive, treatment, and control methods and unapproved and ineffective drugs and devices.

"(c) Each center assisted under this section may conduct programs

"(1) develop new and improved methods of screening and early detection, referral, and diagnosis of individuals with a risk of developing arthritis, asymptomatic arthritis, or symptomatic

"(2) disseminate the results of research, screening, and other activities, and develop means of standardizing patient data and

recordkeeping, and

"(3) develop community consultative services to facilitate the

referral of patients to centers for treatment.

"(e) The Secretary shall, insofar as practicable, provide for an Equitable geoequitable geographical distribution of centers assisted under this sec- graphical distion. The Secretary shall give appropriate consideration to the need tribution of for centers especially suited to meeting the needs of children affected centers. by arthritis.

"(f) The Secretary shall evaluate on an annual basis the activities of centers receiving support under this section and shall report to the Report to appropriate committees of Congress the results of his evaluations not congressional later than four months after the end of each fiscal year.

"(g) No center may receive more than three grants under this Grants, limisection.

"(h) For purposes of this section, there are authorized to be appro- Appropriations. priated \$11,000,000 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, \$13,000,000 88 STAT. 2223 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 88 STAT. 2224 ending June 30, 1977. Not less than 20 per centum of the funds appropriated for each fiscal year under this subsection shall be used for the purposes of establishing new centers."

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, ANNUAL REPORT, RESEARCH FUNDING, ADVISORY COUNCIL

SEC. 5. (a) Section 434 of the Public Health Service Act is amended 42 USC 289c-1. by adding at the end the following new subsections:

(e) There is established within the Institute the position of Associate Director for Arthritis and Related Musculoskeletal Disease (hereinafter in this part referred to as the 'Associate Director'), who shall report directly to the Director of such Institute and who, under the supervision of the Director of such Institute, shall be responsible for programs regarding arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases hereinafter in this part collectively referred to as 'arthritis') within such Institute.

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Report to President and Congress. "(f) The Director of the Institute shall, as soon as practicable, but not later than sixty days, after the end of each fiscal year, prepare, in consultation with the National Advisory Council, and submit to the President and to the Congress a report. Such report shall include (1) a proposal for the Institute's activities under the Arthritis Plan formulated under the National Arthritis Act of 1974 and activities under other provisions of law during the next five years, with an estimate for such additional staff positions and appropriations as may be required to pursue such activities, and (2) a program evaluation section, wherein the activities and accomplishments of the Institute during the preceding fiscal year shall be measured against the Director's proposal for that year for activities under the Arthritis Plan."

(b) Section 431 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof

the following new subsection:

Research projects, grant applications, review.
42 USC 289c-1.

42 USC 289a.

"(c) Of the sums appropriated for any fiscal year under this Act for the National Institutes of Health, not less than \$500,000 shall be obligated for basic and clinical orthopedic research conducted within the National Institute of Arthritis, Metabolism, and Digestive Diseases which relates to the methods of preventing, controlling and treating arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases, including research in implantable biomaterials and biomechanical and other orthopedic procedures and research in the development of new and improved orthopedic treatment methods."

(c) Section 434(b) of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "The Advisory Council shall review applications made to the Director for grants for research projects related to arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases and shall recommend to the Director for approval those applications and contracts which the Council determines will best carry out the purposes of this part. The Advisory Council shall also review and evaluate the arthritis programs under this part and shall recommend to the Director such changes in the administration of such programs as it determines are necessary."

Approved January 4, 1975.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

SENATE REPORT No. 93-1251 (Comm. on Labor and Public Welfare). CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 120 (1974):

Oct. 11, considered and passed Senate.

Dec. 18, considered and passed House, amended. Dec. 19, Senate concurred in House amendment.

ORAL TESTIMONY OF EPHRAIM P. ENGLEMAN GIVEN TO SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS MARCH 16, 1976

MR. CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS EPHRAIM P. ENGLEMAN.

I RESIDE IN CALIFORNIA WHERE I AM A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN AND CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA -- SAN FRANCISCO. OUR WRITTEN TESTIMONY HAS BEEN SUBMITTED, AND I ASK YOU TO ENTER IT INTO THE PERMANENT PROCEEDINGS OF THIS COMMITTEE.

AS CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON ARTHRITIS,

AND IN BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF

THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE NATIONAL ARTHRITIS PLAN (APPENDIX

A). DOCUMENTATION OF MY COMMENTS WILL BE FOUND IN THAT

PLAN. IT WILL BE PUBLISHED AND PRESENTED TO CONGRESS ON

APRIL 30 OF THIS YEAR. THIS PLAN WAS MANDATED BY CONGRESS

IN THE NATIONAL ARTHRITIS ACT. CONGRESS PASSED THAT ACT

UNANIMOUSLY. IN DOING SO, CONGRESS RECOGNIZED THE MAGNI
TUDE OF THE ARTHRITIS PROBLEM IN THE UNITED STATES; THE

MORE THAN 20 MILLION VICTIMS OF ALL AGES; THE CATASTROPHIC

EFFECT OF ARTHRITIS ON OUR ECONOMY -- \$13 BILLION A YEAR

(APPENDIX B); AND THE DEVASTATING EFFECT OF THESE DISEASES

ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE VICTIMS, THEIR FAMILIES

AND SOCIETY IN GENERAL.



IN OUR EFFORTS TO EVOLVE A PLAN WHICH WILL REVERSE
THIS TERRIBLE SCOURGE, THE COMMISSION SOUGHT THE OPINIONS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF LEADING SCIENTISTS, EDUCATORS,
PHYSICIANS, MANY OF WHOM ARE NOT RHEUMATOLOGISTS, AND
OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. WE ALSO HEARD TESTIMONY IN
CITIES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY FROM PATIENTS AND THEIR
FAMILIES, SENIOR CITIZENS, LABOR, MANAGEMENT, STATE AND
LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
WHEREVER WE WENT, AND WHOMEVER WE HEARD, IT WAS OBVIOUS -AND THIS IS A GREAT TRAGEDY IN OUR COUNTRY -- THAT MUCH
THAT CAN BE DONE FOR THE ARTHRITIS PATIENT IS NOT BEING
DONE. MANY ARTHRITIS PATIENTS WHO COULD BENEFIT FROM
THE KNOWLEDGE WE POSSESS TODAY ARE NOT RECEIVING ADEQUATE
CARE.

IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY THE REASONS FOR THIS INTOLERABLE SITUATION -- THE LACK OF PROFESSIONAL MANPOWER, THE NEED FOR EDUCATION -- EDUCATION NOT ONLY OF PHYSICIANS AND OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, BUT ALSO OF THE PATIENT, HIS FAMILY, AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. BECAUSE OF DEFICIENCIES IN MEDICAL SCHOOL AND RESIDENCY TRAINING, MANY PRACTITIONERS ARE INADEQUATELY PREPARED TO CARE FOR ARTHRITIS PATIENTS. MANY SEEM CONVINCED THAT ALL ARTHRITIS IS HOPELESS. REPORTEDLY, AT LEAST \$485 MILLION A YEAR IS WASTED ON QUACK REMEDIES THAT, AT BEST, ARE USELESS, OR AT WORST, ARE HARMFUL.

THE MAJOR NEW AUTHORIZATION OF THE NATIONAL ARTHRITIS ACT AND A KEYSTONE OF THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL IS
THE IMMEDIATE FUNDING OF ARTHRITIS CENTERS THROUGHOUT
THE COUNTRY. EACH ARTHRITIS CENTER MAY BE DEFINED NOT AS
A STRUCTURE OF STEEL AND CONCRETE, BUT AS A GROUP OF COOPERATING HEALTH PERSONNEL WHOSE PROGRAM AND FACILITIES ARE
DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE TWO GOALS: FIRST, TO DEMONSTRATE
AND STIMULATE THE PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE APPLICATION OF
AVAILABLE KNOWLEDGE, AND, SECOND, TO DEVELOP URGENTLY
NEEDED NEW KNOWLEDGE -- ALL FOR THE BENEFIT OF PATIENTS.

EACH CENTER WOULD BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN EITHER AN INDIVIDUAL TEACHING INSTITUTION OR A CONSORTIUM OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS, AND WOULD BE DESIGNED, IN SO FAR AS POSSIBLE, TO MATCH ITS PROGRAMS TO COMMUNITY NEEDS. APPROXIMATELY 40 CENTERS COULD BE FUNDED IN FY 77, WITH THE WIDEST POSSIBLE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION. EFFORTS WOULD BE EXERTED TO REACH SUCH SPECIAL TARGET GROUPS AS CHILDREN, THE ELDERLY, THE POOR AND ETHNIC MINORITIES. IT IS RELEVANT TO NOTE HERE THAT THERE IS, IN FACT, A HIGHER PREVALENCE OF ARTHRITIS AMONG THE ELDERLY AND THE POOR.

BECAUSE OF THE GLARING DEFICIENCIES IN MANPOWER, EARLY EMPHASIS IN THE CENTERS PROGRAM WOULD BE PLACED ON EDUCATION. IDEALLY, EVERY ARTHRITIS PATIENT SHOULD BE TREATED BY A TRAINED RHEUMATOLOGIST. HOWEVER, THE ENORMOUS PREVALENCE OF THIS DISEASE MAKES THIS IMPOSSIBLE. MOST ARTHRITIS

TREATMENT IS PROVIDED AND WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED BY PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS. CONSEQUENTLY THE CENTERS WILL TEACH DOCTORS WHO ARE OR WHO WILL BE PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS IN COMMUNITIES. AT THE SAME TIME, THE CENTERS WILL DIRECT A PORTION OF THE EDUCATION PROGRAM TOWARD THE TRAINING OF MORE EXPERTS WHO WILL BE NEEDED TO SERVE AS EDUCATORS AND THEN TOWARD PATIENTS, THEIR FAMI-LIES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC, NURSES AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. THE CENTERS WOULD STIMULATE THE DEVELOP-MENT OF PROGRAMS IN THE GEOGRAPHIC REGION THEY SERVE: SATELLITE CLINICS, MOBILE UNITS, AND WHATEVER OTHER TECH-NIQUES MIGHT BE USED FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BEST POSSIBLE CARE TO PATIENTS. THE CENTERS WOULD STIMULATE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, IDENTIFY COMMUNITY LEADERS, INCLUDE THEM IN THE PLANNING, OFFER TECHNICAL ADVICE. INDEED, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS A COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER IN EACH CENTER.

BUT OVER AND BEYOND THE CENTER-INITIATED COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, THE COMMISSION RECOGNIZES THE NEED FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS WHICH ARE ACTUALLY INITIATED BY THE COMMUNITY ITSELF.

OUR PLAN, THEREFORE, CALLS FOR SUCH COMMUNITY INITIATED PROJECTS, WHICH WOULD DETERMINE LOCAL NEEDS, ORGANIZE EXISTING RESOURCES AND DEVELOP NEW RESOURCES TO MEET THESE NEEDS. FAILURE OF OUR HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM IN ARTHRITIS CAN BE EXPLAINED NOT ONLY BY A LACK OF ACCESSIBLE SERVICES,

BUT ALSO BY THE POOR COORDINATION AND UTILIZATION OF EXISTING RESOURCES. THIS APPLIES NOT ONLY TO ARTHRITIS, BUT TO ALL CHRONIC DISEASES, OF WHICH ARTHRITIS IS THE MAJOR PROTOTYPE.

AS ADJUNCTS TO THESE EFFORTS THERE ARE INCLUDED IN THE PLAN PROVISIONS FOR A NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MANPOWER SURVEY, A SURVEY OF REHABILITATION RESOURCES, A NATIONAL ARTHRITIS INFORMATION CENTER TO WHICH ALL AMERICANS CAN TURN FOR AUTHORITATIVE INFORMATION, AND PILOT ANTI-QUACKERY PROGRAMS. THE REQUESTED FUNDS FOR FY 77 FOR THE ABOVE PROGRAMS ARE THE AUTHORIZED \$24 MILLION.

WHILE THE BENEFITS OF APPLYING PRESENT KNOWLEDGE ARE EVIDENT, IT IS EQUALLY APPARENT THAT AVAILABLE KNOWLEDGE IS INADEQUATE TO LEAD TO CURES OR PREVENTION. THE COMMISION IS IMPRESSED THAT THIS IS AN ESPECIALLY PROPITIOUS TIME FOR UNDERTAKING A MAJOR NATIONAL PROGRAM IN RESEARCH IN ARTHRITIS. RECENT DISCOVERIES, ESPECIALLY IN GENETICS, AND VIROLOGY AFFORD THE PROMISE OF MAJOR ADVANCES IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE CAUSES OF THESE DISEASES. WE PROPOSE, THEREFORE, INTENSIFICATION OF RESEARCH AS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE ARTHRITIS PLAN. THESE INVESTIGATIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED PARTICULARLY AT SPECIFIC DISEASE ENTITIES SUCH AS RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS AND ARTHRITIS IN CHILDREN, AT NEW DRUGS, AND AT IMPROVED SURGICAL AND BIOENGINEERING TECHNIQUES FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED JOINTS.

'IN ORDER TO EMBARK ON THIS INTENSIFIED RESEARCH PROGRAM, AN INCREASE OF \$34,235,000 FOR RESEARCH IS REQUESTED. IT IS EMPHASIZED THAT THIS RESEARCH WOULD BE DONE NOT ONLY THROUGH THE NIAMDD BUT IN OTHER INSTI-TUTES IN WHICH ARTHRITIS-RELATED RESEARCH IS CURRENTLY SUPPORTED. THE DISTRIBUTION OF ARTHRITIS RESEARCH DOLLARS BY INSTITUTE IS SHOWN IN TABLE 2. THE TYPE AND COST OF RESEARCH PERFORMED IN EACH OF THE INSTITUTES ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 3. NOTE ITEM 6 - AN NIH TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$79,000 FOR ARTHRITIS IN CHILDREN. ONE MIGHT WELL ASK WHETHER THERE IS AVAILABLE EXPERIENCED RESEARCH MANPOWER TO MAKE GOOD USE OF SUCH AN INCREASE IN RESEARCH DOLLARS. THE COMMISSION HAS EXPLORED THIS QUESTION THOROUGHLY AND IS CONVINCED THAT THE REQUIRED MANPOWER CAN BE RECRUITED IMMEDIATELY. THERE ARE AT LEAST 20 ESTABLISHED INVESTIGA-TORS WHO WERE TRAINED ORIGINALLY IN ARTHRITIS RESEARCH LABORATORIES WHO HAVE MOVED OUT OF ARTHRITIS BECAUSE OF LACK OF ARTHRITIS RESEARCH FUNDS, AND WOULD PREFER TO RETURN TO ARTHRITIS LABORATORIES WHEN FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE. THERE ARE AT LEAST 60 YOUNGER RESEARCHERS WHO ARE TRAINED AND PREPARED TO DO INDEPENDENT RESEARCH, BUT WHO ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN SUPPORT FOR ARTHRITIS-RELATED STUDIES. FURTHER JUSTIFICATION FOR OUR PROPOSED INCREASE IN RESEARCH WILL BE FOUND IN TABLE 4.

. A RESEARCH DISCIPLINE WHICH HAS BEEN GROSSLY

NEGLECTED IN ARTHRITIS IS EPIDEMIOLOGY --BY DEFINITION,

THE STUDY OF THE DISTRIBUTION, THE NATURAL HISTORY,

AND THE DETERMINANTS OF HUMAN DISEASE. FEW EPIDEMIOLOGISTS HAVE HAD THE NECESSARY SPECIFIC TRAINING IN ARTHRITIS AND NO EPIDEMIOLOGICSTUDY OF ARTHRITIS IS BEING CONDUCTED EVEN IN SUCH FACI-

LITIES AS THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL. IT IS SHOCKING THAT SO LITTLE IS BEING DONE IN ARTHRITIS TO EXPLOIT A FORM OF RESEARCH WHICH IDENTIFIED IN HEART DISEASE SUCH RISK FACTORS AS SMOKING, HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, AND HIGH CHOLESTEROL LEVELS. EPIDEMIOLOGIC STUDIES IN ARTHRITIS NOT ONLY WOULD PINPOINT EARLY SYMPTOMS AND RISK FACTORS, BUT WOULD SUPPLY ESSENTIAL BASE-LINE DATA NEEDED TO SHOW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF ANY CONTROL PROGRAMS. THE COMMISSION FEELS STRONGLY THAT THESE STUDIES ARE LONG OVERDUE AND RECOMMENDS FOR THEIR SUPPORT THE EXPENDITURE OF \$4,530,000.

ALSO INCLUDED IN RESEARCH FUNDING SHOULD BE A RELATIVELY SMALL SUM TO ACCELERATE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OF KNOWLEDGE OF ARTHRITIS. THIS WOULD BE ADMINISTERED THROUGH THE FOGARTY INTERNATIONAL CENTER OF THE NIH, SPECIFICALLY IN THE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AND THE SENIOR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (MANGUSON FELLOWSHIPS). THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE IN FY 77 IS \$370,000.

AS SHOWN IN TABLE 5, THE TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE NATIONAL ARTHRITIS PLAN IN FY 77 IS \$97,765,000 OF

WHICH ONE-THIRD IS ALREADY BEING SPENT THROUGH THE NIH.

THIS \$97 MILLION REPRESENTS AN INVESTMENT OF LESS THAN

5% OF THE TOTAL NIH BUDGET AND LESS THAN \$5.00 FOR

EACH ARTHRITIS VICTIM IN THE U.S. -- A SMALL AMOUNT FOR

ACTION THAT CAN BE TAKEN NOW TO REDUCE THE SUFFERING

AND DISABILITIES OF SO MANY OF OUR CITIZENS, AND OFFERS

SUCH POTENTIAL FOR HELPING EVEN MORE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE

IN THE FUTURE.

Betty Ford

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
June 10, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BETTY FORD

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN

Larry Varnum, after reading the newspaper accounts of your disappointment with the John Ulbricht portrait, has dropped me a note to suggest that you might want to consider a portrait by Larry's wife, Zoë. He enclosed the attached brochure and photographs. Two of the photographs show oils done by Zoë of Judge Starr and of Larry. The others are pastel portraits of Ambrose, the long-time waiter at Kent Country Club, and of Lili Damita, the former wife of Errol Flynn. Larry points out that Zoë would be delighted to do the portrait without remuneration.

Larry also indicates that he and Zoë are planning a trip to Washington Monday, June 28. If you would let me know your reaction to this suggestion, I will call Larry before they depart for Washington.

Attachments

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Jord, Betty

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MRS. FORD

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN

Attached is a lovely note to you from Arthur Rubinstein and the beautiful picture of the two of you taken when he was awarded the Medal of Freedom on April 1st.

It was sent to my attention so that I might make sure it got directly to you.

G. S. Odege you kave a gived recovery from your cold.
The dinner on Wednesday was beautiful, and Bunny and I were deeply grateful to be there.

SERVICE OF STREET

June 30, 1976

Dear/Mrs. Ford, I was very Touched and most delighted to receive your photograph, with such a lovely dedicace for which I am Very grateful. Dicture which you so graciously toanted me to sign With my great respect, very cordially, AMM Robins Terms



To Mrs Gerald Ford Still under the spell of your charming hospitality and the unforgettable day of April 1st With my cordial thanks and admiration

Paris June 1976 \$



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Betty Ford

August 5, 1976

Dear Lord Tavistock,

I am most grateful to you and the members of The British Bicentennial Heritage Hission for your thoughtfulness in presenting to our Nation a very levely painting of the Jefferson Hemorial with becutifut lilies and graceful flamingoes.

The painting is a most welcome addition to our Bicentennial gifts which are being displayed in the Great Hall of the Commerce Building. Many Americans and visitors to our country will enjoy seeing it and are sure to admire it as a most worthy contribution to the art treasures of our Nation.

Sincerely,

Betty Ford

Harquis of Tavistock Woburn Abby Bedfordshire, HK4 30-TP England

SERAL ORDER

Dear Lord Mortage!

Tot and the rembers of The British Bicantennial Heritage Mission base been most thoughtful and generous in your presentation to our Mation of The American Atlas 1776".

The gift, which you have to my Counsel, Philip U. Duchen, is next imaginative. It has been soided to our display of Electrosmial gifts in the Great Hall of the Commerce Building so that many others may bave the pleasure of seeing and enjoying it.

The manner is which our many friends in other lands have been responding to the spirit of the discentamial has been a source of great setisfaction. The visit to this country by you and your colleagues and your special presentation are further examples of that response.

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Monday 10/11/76

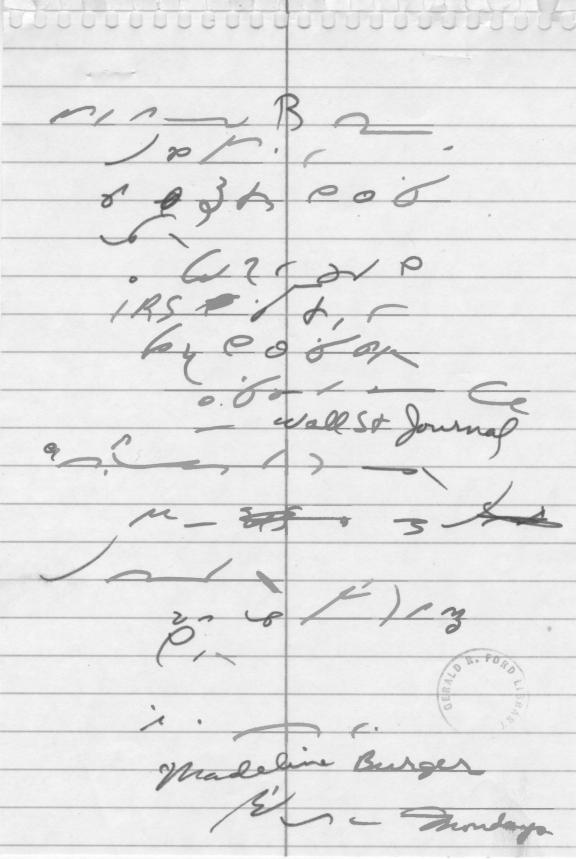
12:50 Mrs. Ford said she had talked with you this morning concerning checks that she had written, and indicated that IRS had apparently not checked the beauty shop that she had used. You mentioned you would get a copy of the Wall Street Journal article for her. She has found the article — it was in the News and Comments — so you don't need to worry about it.

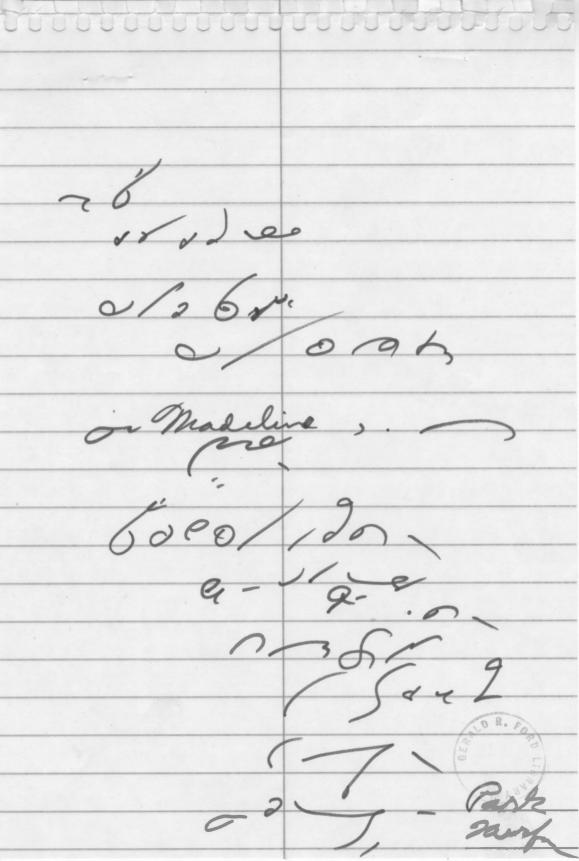
She said it's a good thing that Madeline Burger doesn't work on Mondays because she'd have called her. Madeline said she very rarely cashed checks in excess of the amount of the charge for getting her hair done. (Without Susan knowing anything about the article, Mrs. Ford turned around and asked Susann"Where do I buy my stockings?" and Susan immediately answered "At the hairdresser's." Then she asked her where she cashed checks and Susan immediately answered at the hairdresser's or the Safeway.

Mrs. Ford said she knows Madeline is a good Democrat.
Mrs. Ford was in there at least twice a week.
This goes back to the timebefore she was even
the manager when she lived in Park Fairfax.
Mike and Jack were youngsters and it was before
Susan and Steve were born. Mrs. Ford has traded
at that beauty shop all that time. She has had
a very long friendship with them. When they
moved their shop, she moved with them. She
said it's probably just as well she didn't
make the call. Madeline could then go
to the press and say that Mrs. Ford had called
her up.

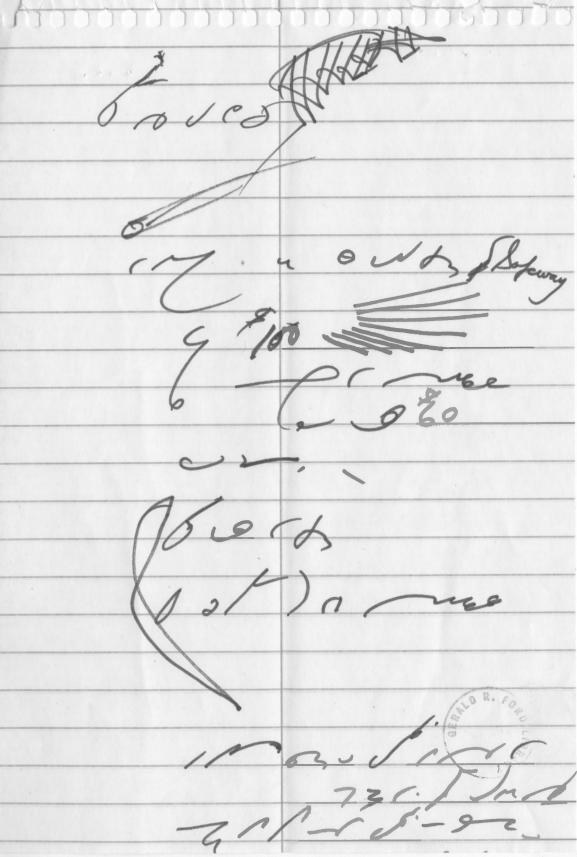
She said the trouble was that she wrote checks to the Safeway for probably \$100 -- and maybe the grocery bill was something like \$60 -- and of course, she hasn't kept her grocery slips.

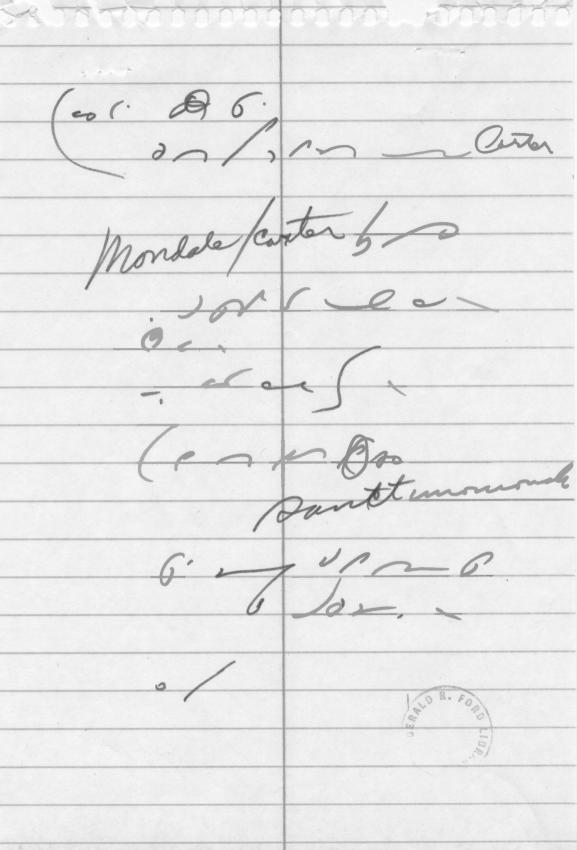
Mrs. Ford said it took weeks of auditing to get the 1973 thing done and it was quite impossible to do another auditing. Mondale/Carter just gave their accounts of last year -- that's all -- nothing in the years before. But they can talk so sanctimoniously. She thinks someone ought to come out and say something.





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WHITE HOUSE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

5026 New Executive Office Building Washington, D. C. 20506 (202) 737-8292



October 15, 1976

Mrs. Frankie Welch Frankie Welch of America, Inc. 305 Cameron Street Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Dear Mrs. Welch:

Thank you very much for your Check 1809 of October 8, 1976 for \$353.97, which you sent to this Association through Mrs. Wilma Sands of Curator Conger's White House staff, in line with our exchange of letters of July 15 and July 21, 1976.

Your check has been sent to National Capital Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, for deposit in the "White House Donations Account" maintained by the Treasury Department. It and other funds in that Account will be used by White House officials to purchase historic items for the permanent White House Collection.

Sincerely,

Hillory A. Tolson Executive Director

HT:cal

cc: Mr. Buchen, Counsel to the President, W.H.



Myra Ford

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 22, 1976

TO:

DOTTIE

FROM:

EVA GUE

Mrs. Buchen called this morning and said she had a letter from one of the ladies who did the beautiful needlepoint of the Ford's Alexandria home and that she would love to have a pin from the President with the seal on it. She said when the President was in Grand Rapids and stayed overnight, pins were given to some ladies and she would very much love to have a pin also Fred 2)

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If it is proper, could we have one for each of the ladies -- Mrs. John Osier and Mrs. Waldo Stoddard.

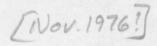
THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Phil,

Attached is a copy of the revised press release.

Therea Winderfeld?





Betty Ford will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from The University of Michigan during winter commencement exercises on Sunday, December 19.

Commencement will begin at 1 p.m. on the University campus. It is expected Mrs. Ford will be accompanied by President Ford and some members of their family. They will travel to Vail, Colorado, following commencement.

President Ford earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the U-M College of Literature, Science and the Arts in 1935 and later took two summer courses in the U-M Law School. He was U-M commencement speaker on May 4, 1974, and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at that time.

"Mrs. Ford exemplifies today's independent woman,
expressing her views honestly and forcefully," said

"She combines an assertive position on women's rights with a
dedication to family values and ties. She has become widely
admired for her courage, her compassion, her commitment, and
her common sense. She is a woman with substance and a woman
with style."

Mrs. Ford was born 58 years ago in Chicago and moved to Grand Rapids when she was three. She grew up in Michigan and

her love of dance drew her East to Bennington College in Vermont and to New York to dance with Martha Graham. She returned to Grand Rapids in her early twenties as fashion coordinator at Herpolsheimers Department Store and continued her interest in the arts as a dance teacher. She married a young congressional candidate named Jerry Ford in 1948 and started a 28-year commute between Washington, D.C. and Michigan.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Date_\\\

TO:

Mr. Buelon

FROM:

TERRY O'DONNEL

The President evalued me to pass on this note.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON 11 Lil Buchen I talked with Betty Sout 4. 1) M We believe Dec 19

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Mr Buchen:

[NOV-1976?]

This isxxke copy of the citation we gave Betty the other day....
and the article will go with this and the photo. Please mention it
again and don't be bashful to say it'd be gandbetter if he is relaxed
in the mansion after hours....

Seeing #2 man Tuesday on same, so please remember TO ME NTION THAT #2 really wants this....for historical purposes.as per conversation.

thanks

will call you tuesday or wednesday



A 100 year dialogue with the American Woman

THE McCALL'S CENTENNIAL AWARD

1876-1976

TO BETTY FORD, whose courage and candor have prompted untold numbers of American women to seek early diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer; whose open advocacy of the Equal Rights Amendment has encouraged millions of American women to support the struggle for equal rights under the law; whose public statements have set a new standard for compassion, understanding and independence of thought as a woman combined with loyalty and loving support as a wife and mother; whose unfailing grace and dignity have become a model for women everywhere ... To Betty Ford, the editors of McCall's present the McCall's Centennial Award as the woman who today best represents the values and principles that have inspired American women in the 100 years of McCall's existence.

President & Publisher

Robert Stein

Editor

9:25 Mrs. Buchen suggested asking you about the letters for the girls who made the needlepoint for the Fords.

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9:20 Susan Porter was not in -- but I talked with her assistant.

She said the needlepoint was framed and presented to the whole family and they all signed pictures -- letters will be prepared and sent.

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10:30 Miss Panah (Ambassador Zahedi's secretary) said she tried to reach Mrs. Buchen but her line was busy so called here to see if we could help.

797-6581

She wondered if we could let them know who performed the breast surgery on Mrs. Ford. She indicated it is quite urgent and would appreciate knowing today.

I have pulled the press releases (attached) which indicated surgery would be performed at Bethesda Naval Hospital by Navy Captain William Fouty (Chief of Surgery at Bethesda) and his assistant would be J. Richard Thistlethwaite (civilian consultant to Bethesda and Professor or Surgery at the George Washington University Medical School) -- with Dr. Lukash in attendance.

Do you want me to verify those names?
Do you want to talk with Miss Panah or shall I call and give her the names?

12:45 notified miss Panal



2:15 Michael Radock has talked with President Fleming and also with the Campus.

They would like to hold the commencement at 1 o'clock -- and if the Fords would want to do so, they could depart by 1:30 (it would mean departing before the ceremony is over.

He said when the President got his degree, he left right away -- prior to the end of the ceremony.

The easiest arrangement would be for the President to sit on the platform along with Mrs. Ford in cap and gown and then they could leave as soon as she received the award.

He said they are almost committed to Hill Auditorium (which has limited capacity) -- since they want to keep the commencement as traditional as they can.

Also would like to know when the White House may announce it -- but he said there's no particular rush.

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10:40 Michael Radock called for Robben Fleming.

I told him that the Air Force said they would have to be off the ground in Detroit at 2:30 p.m. EST.

They are now checking to see if they can move the ceremony to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 19 -- so that would make the ceremony over by 1 p.m.

They usually have the commencement in the Hill Auditorium, which holds 4,200 people. They might move it to the Chrisler Arena, where President Ford spoke, which holds 14,000.

That could possibly be a Secret Service concern. They would like to know if that would be a problem -- it would help in their planning to know that as soon as possible.

Would also like to know when the White House is going to announce the Ann Arbor commencement ceremony? It would help in their announcement plans.

He is assuming that all of the family would be coming with Mrs. Ford -- since it would be a stopover on the way to Vail.

They would plan for a reception for Mrs. Ford and the family from 10 to 11; commencement at 11:30 -- which would last from one to one and a half hours. Could be over by 1:00 -- Willow Run is not too far away.

He will get back to us about whether it would be possible to change the Commencement to 11:30.



Tuesday 11/16/76

9:45 Mr. Buchen said Robben Fleming would be calling.

Tell him Air Force advises they would have to be off the ground at 2:30 p.m. EST in Detroit.

(Question is they're trying to schedule commencement ceremony when Betty Ford would get an honorary degree.)



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 18, 1976

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

December 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MRS. BETTY FORD

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN

Attached is the most recent draft of the proposed agreement covering disposition of the Ford historical papers and memorabilia. The President reviewed the draft just before this one and made some changes this morning which are included in this draft. He would like you now to look it over, especially the portion designated Annex A. In that part of the document certain items are excluded from the conveyance, and Bob Barrett expects to work with you in the next few days to be sure we have properly described the articles to be excluded from the conveyance.

cc: Bob Barrett

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

January 11, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: SUSAN PORTER

FROM:

EVA DAUGHTREY

As you will recall, friends of the President and Mrs. Ford made a needlepoint of their Alexandria home and Mrs. Buchen presented it to Mrs. Ford at a meeting on July 30, 1976.

Mrs. John Osier and Mrs. Waldo Stoddard have returned the color photo which was used as a pattern for the needlepoint. Mrs. Buchen thought Mrs. Ford might like to have the photograph also.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 30, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUSAN PORTER

FROM:

EVA DAUGHTREY 600

As requested, the following are the names and addresses for the people who were either in the meeting with Mrs. Ford this morning when she received the beautiful needlepoint of the Fords' Alexandria home or were involved in putting together the needlepoint:

- * Mrs. Beatrice Buchen (Bunny) 1200 16th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20036
- * Miss Mildred Leonard 4545 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20008
- * SFC James Seibert 275 Hillwood Park 14454 Lee Highway Gainesville, Virginia 22065
- ** Mrs. John Osier (Helen)
 2311 Wealthy, S. E.
 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506
- ** Mrs. Waldo Stoddard (Win) 617 Lakeside Drive Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506
- *** Miss Victoria Chern (Vicki) 1428 Foxhall Road, N. W. Washington, D. C.

* Attended the meeting

** Designed and did the needlework

*** Took the color photo from which the design was made



Miss Victoria (Vicki) Chern 1428 Foxhall Road, N. W. Washington, D. C.

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Mrs. Buchen Meeting with Mrs. Ford 7/30/76 10:45 a.m.

11:50 Mrs. Buchen advises the meeting with Mrs. Ford for the presentation of the needlepoint of the Alexandria home will be at 10:45 a.m. on Friday 7/30 and they will meet in the Diplomatic Reception Room.

Susan will alert Mildred Leonard to the time of the meeting.

I have been trying to reach Mr. Siebert at home.

I am advised that he has a part-time job -- so I will keep trying to reach him.

(703) 754-842

He is normally due to work frm. 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. in the garage; however, he isn't on until tomorrow night (Friday).

((Sorry about the odd hour for Mr. Siebert but the Fords are leaving at 11 o'clock -- and if the meeting weren't scheduled at 10:45 they would have to wait quite a long time for another open spot on Mrs. Ford's calendar.))

Mrs. Buchen will pick the needlepoint up from our office and take it over. (Indicated she would be going over a little early for the meeting.)

