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Sincerely,

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Mr. Frank Fiederly Post Office Box 12103 Nashville, Tennessee 37212

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THE HON. RON NESSEN
PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECY.
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASAINGTON, DC 70500

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July 2, 1975

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Mr. Ron Nessen White House Press Secretary White House Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Nessen:

I have noted on National T.V. news reports and read in our local papers of your criticism of a reporter at one of your recent White House News Conferences.

I appreciate your position and think you are doing an outstanding job. Anytime you can "sit down" one of these (and there are more than there should be) rude reporters you are doing a great job for the public.

Sincerely,

Medicine & L.
Fred Renneker, Jr.

FR/jr/mt



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Mr. Ron Nessen White House Press Secretary White House Washington, D.C. 20036 * 11 į. Dear Mr. Miller:

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Mr. Rick Miller 638 Smithfield Avenue Winchester, Virginia 22601

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The White House

ATTN: Ron Nessen

Dear Mr. Nessen:

For a very long time I have been an admirer of yours and your ways of reporting and handling the difficult task as spokesman for President Ford. You are to be heartedly commended.

Recently, I have read where you have been we peet with certain reporters and their styles, or tactics, at White House briefings. I believe you have reason to be upset with those few. I suspect that one was a White Collar and reports for WAVA...a Mr. Kinsloving. I used to work with him about a year ago, and found him the most arrogant and stupid man I had had the misfortune of meeting and working with. After awhile I told him that his brand of journalism was the best thing in the world to bring back slapstick comedy to radio; and, that even Weekly Reader wouldn't publish his stuff.

What I am saying, Ron, is ignore the son-of-bitch, and if you can't, get him an exorcist.

Rick Miller



638 Smithfield Ave. Winchester, VA





The White House ATTN: Ron Nessen 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, DC

July 1, 1975

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your letter of support and the attachments. I need all the support I can get!

I would be delighted to see you and spend some time hearing your suggestions for improving the White House press relations. The next time you are in Washington give me a call.

As you know, I spent the weekend with my staff at Camp David discussing this very problem and we are completely open to suggestions for improvements, especially from someone with your insights and interests.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Ron Nessen Press Secretary to the President

Mr. Richard C. Steele President and Publisher Worcester Telegram and Gazette Worcester, Massachusetts 01613



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SUNDAY TELEGRAM

RICHARD C. STEELE

June 20, 1975

Mr. Ronald Nessen
Press Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Ron,

I want you to know how much I appreciate all you did to make me feel at home in the White House last Wednesday when the Board of Directors of the ANPA were invited for a briefing and luncheon with the President. It was a rare and valuable experience for each of us, and I commend you for the manner in which it was conducted.

Enclosed is a tear sheet from the Worcester Sunday Telegram of June 15, 1975, containing a piece I did about the perils of a White House Press Secretary. Obviously, it is outdated, because I have learned that Gerry Warren has gone to San Diego as Editor and Margita White has succeeded Gerry as Deputy Press Secretary. It is hard to believe, but evidently the President saw my article and made the moves immediately thereafter.

I know how busy you are but I would welcome the opportunity to spend a half hour alone with you sometime. I think I could be helpful with a suggestion or two regarding the White House press relations with the hundreds of medium and smaller newspapers outside the Washington area. They represent a firm base for support as well as a more neutral outlet for White House press releases and information.



Mr. Ronald Nessen Press Secretary to the President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

From where we sit, the Washington Press Corps is almost too powerful and too close to the scene to present a truly objective and fair picture of what takes place in the White House.

My schedule is reasonably clear during the next month or so, and if this idea strikes you favorably let's get together.

With my very best wishes,



P. S. You might be interested in a letter received today from one of our readers, defending you and your staff.



Dear Mr. Steeles

I wish to add my approbation to those who commend you for your excellent Analysis in defense of Ron Nessen and his worthy staff. In an exchange of letters to me in April, Mr. Nessen lamented the criticism that he received from his asseciates in the press, and felt that some of it was unwarranted, but some was thoughtful and constructive.

However, in view of the viscious tirade during the news briefings of

13 June wherein he was labelled an unmitigated liar, I am sure that Mr. Nessen

can no longer be amenable to the jackals of the Washington White House Press Corps.

I am enclosing, as a matter of possible interest, a copy of a letter which I recently addressed to Mr. Benjamin Bradley of the Washington Post; Mr. A. M. Rosenthal of The New York Timess, and to Mr. Taylor of the Boston Globe.

I have also written to Senator John L. McClellan, Chasirman, Senate

Judiciary Subcommittee on Criminal Laws and Procedures, urging that the New York

Times writers, Seymour Hersch and Nicholas Hersock be subposensed to testify as to
the identity of the "high official" whose access to highly classified information
precipitated the initial account last December 1974 of CIA activities resulting in
the disclosure of national defense information useful to the prejudice of the
safety and interest of the United States and to the advantage of a fereign power.

Respectfully yours,

Alex J. Patruska

57 Depot Street

South Graften, Mass. 01560

Mr. Richard C. Steele, Fublisher The Sunday Telegram Wercester, Mass. 01601



AMBASSADOR GEORGE BUSH

Pete Ienjoy those WH pressbriefings.
The corps is probably less hostile in its questioning than it was with RZ but there still is a kind of snart-ass almost irresponsible questioning at times— I suppose some of it is humor that escapes one when reeading the transcripts, but some of it just seems little and nagging. One way to make it less would be to identify the questioners by name instead of just 'Q'. then maybe give the transcript some distribution. Keep em coming.

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Dear Father Findley:

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REV. HARRIS M. FINDLAY, PASTOR

July 38, 1975.

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Mr. Ron Kerson, White House, Lashington, D.C. Dear Mr. Stewart:

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Mr. Ron Nessen
c/o The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ron:

Filtered through the press and other "media," things -- facts -- get garbled. But you'll forgive me if, lately, one gets the impression that you've been irritated at questions asked you by reporters, questions that imply a certain reservation in their trust in you, in your answers to those silly questions. There's also current the rumor that you're at Camp David, quietly concocting a solution to these question-and-answer problems.

My deepest sympathy. By way of consolation, let me share with you my observation that not many people read the press. For example, just the other day, mostly for fun, I asked two of the girls in the office to identify Edward H. Levi. Not only did they not know, they couldn't care less. These girls are professional artists, with undergrad degrees. (I'm a 62 year old clerk, over-age in grade, a certified failure -- but my age, by itself, would discredit me in their eyes.) Throughout our employing organization, this seems to be the case -- The Press is irrelevant.

Likewise, however, the Government and the personnel thereof, both elected and appointed, is irrelevant. Both the governed and those who govern seem to agree on this. For example, didn't I hear Mr. Ford say that the general public shouldn't concern itself with questions on his hint that, should military action be resumed in Korea, he just might authorize the use of tactical nuclear weapons?

Of course, it must be allowed that some of the general public, silly as they are, think that Mr. Ford was nominated by a crook and a liar (the Press is largely responsible that the nominator is no longer Commander-in=Chief); that, remembering this unfounded allegation, they even look with suspicion on Mr. Ford's generous pardon of the man who put him in office. This suspicion quite likely casts its shadow on everybody appointed by Mr. Ford, even on you. They remember Mr. Ziegler, your predecessor, and probably confuse you with him. That unfortunate coincidence in first names; it puts too much strain on the mind of the public to remember last names.

Anyhow, best luck. And, if no better solution to your problem presents itself, you could always resign.

Yours,

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Mr. Ron Nessen

c/o The White House

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Merrill:

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Mr. Ron Nessen White House Press Secretary The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Nessen:

Re: Press Cynicism. Distrust.

They are baiting you as a build up to destroy you!

The Press has arrived at the point where they take it for granted to ridicule or belittle or to hold up our public servants as inept laughing stock.

Example: The cartoons, pictures and write ups showing President Ford at Salzburg, Austria, stooping to floor trying to prevent himself from falling as he stumbeled on a cappeted stairway and had to be steadied by President Sadat. What in hell wont they stoop to?

This same group made a laughing stock out of President Nixon when he was running against Kennedy, on television, in the press and every way possible. Dan Rather seemed to have a personal vendeta against President Nixon and Dnaiel Shore and Kronkite and Severeid all seemed to gang up on him. His blood is on their hands! They rode President Johnson's tail until he gave up and refused to run again!

I believe in the freedom of the press, not the freedom of brain washing and erroneous influences. America's upsurge of crime problems can be laid at the daoor of the Television industrys violent portraials and the news media's lack of respect for our civil servants, our public institutions and our traditions.

We, the American Public are sick of the opinions of the press. We would like to think we think for ourselves. We got the cigaretts off the air and most of the liquor ads. Now if we only could get rid of all the "Patent Medicine Ads" and medical advice?? and the annual brain wash of the coming "Oriental Flue Epedmic", that brings millions into the coffers of Dr. Miles Laboratories and other "Pill Peddlers."

Surely there must come a day when the Communication B usiness will have gone too far or will realize their own ineptness and clean the dung out of their own closet.

I am enclosing "The News Media", some items from T. V. Guide and the C. S. Monitor which all have a bearing on your problem and the Presidents problem.

In this respect you have to be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves". and be a law unto yourself that the malcicious intentions of the press can not touch you, or the President.

Sincerely.

Pasadena, California 91107

Berill 3664 Mountain ViewMay 11, 1974

THE NEWS MEDIA

From: Walter P. Merrill

to: My fellow American Citizens

AMERICA WAKE UP! YOU HAVE BEEN BRAIN WASHED!

Your fate and the fate of this nation is in the hands of a group of

clever news writers and copy desk practitioners!

The Newsmedia has become America's "Fifth Column."

If the Russians, the Communists or any other "ISM" had planned to destroy America from within, they could not contrive a better job than the Newsmedia is now doing, had they tried. For the Newsmedia has placed America in the act of taking our own life by our own hand. This cancer is rapidly eating to the very juglar vein of American Unity and Freedom.

The Newsmedia revells in their new found power in being able to make all cringe in fear. They have the gullible "American brain washed public" in the very palm of their hands, the hands of the "Boob Tube" and the sensational tabloid.

The clever missinterpetation of everything any politican of importance says is now immediately played back to the "Tube" audiance for their consumption and the play back is often missinterpeted half truths, slanted, witha definite ax to grind. A definite point to control or destroy, riducle, or plant fear or to "Thought Control" vast segments of our population.

All this is done by those who know nothing of running any government or business, except the slanted communication which has rapidly become a "national Poison" distilled from the udder of an adder.

WARNING O' AMERICA! WAKE UP! Read between the lines, look for the bug under the chip!

To this "Private Eye", with a nose for news spectatular, nothing is sacred to their investigations. They have become police, baliff, judge, jury, executioner. They would council, prosecute, persecute, condemn and even execute, even as the Sanhedrin, the Pharisees, the Sadducees did to Christ himself.

They pressurized your last Democratic President, Johnson until he gave in and decided not to run again and now they are trying the same tactics on President Nixon. Those who are out to get Nixon have built a great tower of babel and one of these days it is going to fall down of its own weight and the fall thereof will be great.

Newsmedia perform for the benefit of those who would make a mountain out of a mole hill, to believe the worst because they make it sound so plausible and real that they have influenced erroneously our Senators and Congressman and minds in high places in America and inthe rest of the world.

We have been trained to accept all news media as gospel truth and are quite willing to believe all we hear and the newsmedia are well aware of this situation and they have abused it and over stepped their bounds of good honest reporting of facts for the expediency of reporting their opinions and viewpoints, knowing how great is the public mind to grasp as sensational half truths, with fiendish glee!

Wake up America, its later than you think. Really how many think justly of the thinking few, how many really think, who think they do?

The newsmedia thought control fosters suspicious distrust where honor is due, fear where courage should be, and the constant bombardment of the public mind with these miserable lies, fret and confuse the public, spoiling all political belief, and undoing the very due process of law and sealing the doom of its victims, unless this operation is found out and destroyed. Our minds are made dormant and hazy by this constant perverted bombardment in which the American Public is led to believe and do what they never otherwise would think or do voluntarilly. The malicious aim of perverted mind power is to paralize our thinking, start factions and generate ethinic hatred. America's worst calamity would be a missdirected rabble mob of missinformed minds sadistically taking the law into their own hands as did our Salem witch hunter ancestors.

America Wake Up! Be more watchful, more vigilant, open your eyes to the modes of mental manipulation that works so subtletly that we mistake its suggestions for the impulses of our own thought until we allow ourselves to drift in the wrong direction without knowing it.

America be ever on guard against this enemy to our freedoms. Soon when your state or the United States has an election, no one will come to be elected but the elite elect of the newsmedia.

Americans, the newsmedia pendulum has swung far enough, if not too far. "Thus far proud wave and no farther!" It has got to start swinging the other way.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS: Americans, lets evaluate and re-evaluate the words "Freedom of the Press." This freedom we can not afford to loose for it is sacred to us. The people must be informed, but not brain washed. The line must be drawn between informing, go od reporting and interpeting and miss-interpeting and influencing by so called experts. What really constitutes an EXPERT? Is this expert only the write up man for newscasters. What right has he got to influence us one way or another? Regardless of who owns him or pays him?

We must stop influencing and being influenced eeroneously by clever innuendoes, voice inflections, the sly smirk, the raised eyebrow, the slanted reports, the phony spolls, the clever cartoons, the all out effort to hold every one in the public gaze under the high powered miscroscope of the white light of public ridicule of the newsmedia, who have put every public servant in a gold fish bowl from the cradle to the grave.

The Salem With Hunt tactics of the newsmedia and others will soon scare anyone from everytrying for public office. Our public servants are only human and are not trying for Saint Hood. Lets communicate this to the Witch Hunters of Salem, where only the Cronkites speak to the Severeids and the Severeids speak to God.

Yours for real freedom of the press!

One small voice.

News Watch

May 18-24, 1974

Television News: Can It Become Too Powerful?

By Kevin Phillips

THE NETWORK **VS. THE UNIVERSITY**

CBS and Vanderbilt are locked in a legal struggle

over the taping of newscasts

By John Weisman

If President Nixon, or Dr. Kissinger or anyone else who has been "Murdered" by the press would instigate a law suit for defamation of character or whatever, here in these tapes would be indisputable evidence against the net works and this could be a \$500,000,000.00 law suit.

Also the F.B.I. or the C. I. A. could instigate one of these law suits claiming interference in national security and the giving of help to the enemy.

I believe the net works realize the inherent danger in these historical tapes and would like to have them destroyed as they are loaded with dynamite! They would be pretty damaging evidence in court.

News Watch

T.V.Guide. 6-8/14-74

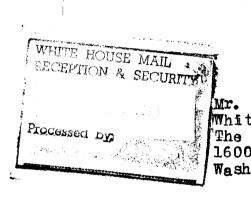
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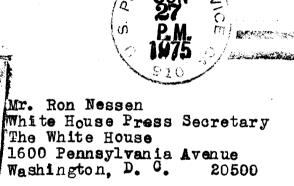
Vs. the Press: An Old Story

By John D. Lofton Jr.

Mirror of opinion CSM 6-4-74 'Fair press' and 'free press'

Walter Parker Merrill 3664 Mountain View Pasadena, Calif. 91107





Dear Mrs. Rosenblum:

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Mrs. Sidney Rosenblum 2529 Lyric Avenue Los Angeles, California 90027

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June 27, 1975

2529 LYRIC AVENUE Los Angeles, California 90027

Ron Nessen Press Secretary to President Ford Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Nessen.

I can understand the frustration of your work. You are the pickle in the middle and sometimes it is very confusing for you to decide where your loyalties belong. It has taken me a lifetime of research to determine solutions to those very difficult questions.

CONSULTANT - HUMANITIES AND BEHAVIOR SCIENCES

Each individual perceives life from a different point of view. It is necessary to be aware, to know the facts, to express truth and to act with integrity. If each individual did that using his own conscience to help the individual to determin a preference of actions, our Democracy would function as our Founding Fathers intended.

Communication is the essential ingredient.

It is easy to express facts that are visable. Invisable facts are dependent on the integrity of the people expressing the facts. Feelings, thoughts, beliefs ect. are facts but we don't know those facts until they are expressed in some way.

Our laws motivate individuals to manipulate the truth and to become hypocrites. Our government is creating criminals instead of worthwhile creative competent human beings.

People are dynamic. Laws and institutions are static. Any virtue to an extreme is destructive. Our laws and institutions are obsolete and destructive. I have been writing to our Presidents since 1965 expressing my beliefs of actions that I believe would be beneficial to America. I write President Ford almost daily. I receive a printed card. Therfore I can't trust him.

Do you believe it to be possible for our laws to be enforced with an attitude to motivate truth and self-determination? An example of injustice of our government is the punishment of the youngmen that expressed their honest feelings against the war and felt it was wrong to fight in Vietnaam. They continue to be punished. The crime on the street is a reaction to the manipulation and bribery that continues within the system.

We are all accountable to our conscience. Good people with good lintentions are doing the wrong actions. My research has proven to me that the most distructive of actions is giving undeserved sympathy and self-sacrifice. Those actions give false notions of duty and Each individual needs the freedom to make choices responsibility. that cooperate with nature and mankind then we will all be cooperating and striving for our own self-interest which will benegit us all.

Sincerely, Thelma Rosenblum

CONSULTANT -- HUMANITIES AND BEHAVIOR SCIENCES

2529 LYRIC AVENUE
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June 27, 1975

Dear Mr. Nessen,

I am enclosing some copies of letters that I have sent to some of our professionals in government. I want you to understand why I don't trust our government. I react to the responses I receive.

I believe that Richard Nixon continues to manipulate the White House. I sent copies of letters I had sent to Richard Nixon to Chèt Justice Warren Burger at the time the "tapes controversy" came befor the Supreme Court. I sent the letters certified and asked that they be returned. I never received any response of any kind. I have written 2 more letters asking for the copies back, I haven't received a response. Therefore I don't trust Warren Burger.

I have sent letters to General Hig, John Connley and haven't received any kind of response therefor I don't trust them. Many concerned citizens are trying to make the Constitution a Reality.

Manipulation dehumanizes. People that are manipulated are unable to perceive reality; they make false assumptions and misread intentions. People that express truth are perceived as "enemies" those that manipulate the truth are perceived as "friends"

Please have the courage to think for yourself. Be aware. It is the responsibility for all professionals in government to help the people to help themselves.

It is important for each individual to have the courage to speak up and expose those that manipulate the truth for their own selfish interests.

I feel that I have answers. I feel compeled to express the facts that my research has proven to me. If ther is anything I can do to help America to become a real democracy I want to help.

Call on me if I can help in any way. When we humanize our system we will become creative productive people and democracy will perpetuate itself.

Sincerely,

Thelma Possiblum

A concerned citizen

P..S. Are you aware of The United States Citizen's Congress at 1221 Connecticut Avenue N.W Washington D.C.Baruch Korff is active in trying to manipulate the thinking and actions of our gove.

Anything you can do to help us will be appreciated. Thanks

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August 24, 1974

2529 LYRIC AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90027

Dear President Ford,

Please help us to make the Constitution of America a "Reality"

Please enforce the laws with an attitude to help us to assume responsibility for our lives. The less government controls the better.

At this point in time the criminals have every advantage. The controls only control the honest person.

It is my responsibility to assume responsibility for myself.

I'm responsible for my actions.
I'm responsible for the reactions that my actions cause.

I'm responsibile if I allow others to exploit me.

I can't assume all of that responsibility without the cooperation of my government. Please help me to help myself.

Our Foreign policy is destructive and assumes that we know what is good for others. We must express support for democracies but we must not act in destructive ways to assume that our way is right. We must not finance wars and despons of destruction to anyone. We have to allow their own self-determination to express itself. It is for their own benefit that they compromise and cooperate with each other. I resent sending our dollars to totalitarian governments to help them suppress their people. The people of those countries resent us. The American taxpayer resents this destructive use of our dollars.

Our Domestic policy is self-destructive. In order to have strong defense system it is all of our responsibility. Each of us must learn how to defend ourselves. Each 18 year old could be trained according to their skills or talents what to do to defend ourselves. Most young people that didn't want to fight in Viet Nam are patriotic but felt it was wrong to destroy the country and people of Viet Nam. Taxpayers are expressing themselves but there doesn't seem to be channels of communication where their ideas get any response. Citizens become apathetic if they don't recieve a response.

Today we are using technology in a dehumanizing way that creates robots that make destructive decisions. Experts and specialists percieve for one point of view. Human problems have to be percieved from many points of view in order to arrive at a creative answer that will benefit humanity. May I help you arrive at creative solutions. Please make the Constitution of America a "Reality" Taxpayers and tired of being emploited by totalitarian governments, And Con artist that win our trust and cheat us. Please help us! Sincerely,

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Senator Howard Cannon Washington D.C. Member of the Communications sub-committee



Dear Senator Cannon,

I am writing this letter to you because I ran out of carbon copies that I sent to some of the other members. I shope that your colleagues will discuss their letters with you.

Communication is essential in a democracy. No one knows what is going on inside of a person unless it is expressed in some way. We communicate on trhree levels. The visable level is easy to verify and discuss. The two lower, invisable layers are hard to prove.

We have professionals in government that have learned to manipulate the truth because it has been profitable. Our Founding Fathers knew that our system would work but only if people told the truth.

The crime on the streets is a reflection of the crime within the system. People react to injustice. All people want justice. People in a position of power that take special priviliges are u;nfair to the honest, hard working taxpayer. Our system and the way it has been functioning is making criminals out of honest people.

Our tax and welfare system motivates honest people to manipulate the truth, They justify it becaus if they don't they are exploited more than they feel everyone else is paying. Our welfare motivates people to manipulate the truth and to cheat.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO ENFORCE THE LAWS WITH AN ATTITUDE TO MOTIVATE TRUTH.

It isn't a sin or a crime to make honest mistakes. The worst crime is to manipulate the truth. That undermines democracy and perpetuates communism and beauracracy.

We want the freedom to assume responsibility for ourselves. We want a government that expresses truth and the actions of the government match the words that are expressed.

Please help us to humanize our government. We will trust communications and our government when facts are exposed. We have never had a democracy. Obstruction of truth continues. The government continues to bribe and call it motivae "Our system of justice makes the people angry.

Please get an individual on the Communications that we can trust.

I reccomend Jerald terHorst. I believe that he will be trusted and believed because he had the courage to express his honest feelings.

Thank you for all of the concern this problem is causing you.

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Again, thank you for letting me know your thoughts on this issue which involves only a small part of the White House press relations, but nevertheless is important to the open flow of information to the American people which President Ford so strongly supports.

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Mr. Ronald Nessen Press Secretary The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Nessen:

In light of recent events I thought it might be of interest to note the following quotation from Boswell's LIFE OF SAMUEL JOHNSON: "In our time (the press) has acquired an unrestrained freedom, so that people in all parts of the kingdom have a fair, open, and exact report of the actual proceedings of their representatives and legislators, which in our constitution is highly to be valued; though, unquestionably, there has of late been too much reason to complain of the petulance with which obscure scribblers have presumed to treat men of the most respectable character and situation."

Sincerely,

Collingwood J. Harri Associate Director Washington Office

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Mr. Formest Boyd Mutual Brendeasting Co. 918 16th St., NW World Center Bldg. Washington. D.C.

Dear Mr. Boyds

Pinally, Someone has had the courage to tell the news media of those United States that it is pushing its freedom of speech beyond its limits.

It amused me to hear you this merning, in your commentary "One Man's Opinion" on KWIX Radio, Waco, Texas, rebuke Mr. Rom Nessen for "telling off" the news media. Mr. Nesson's words were long past due. I am completely disgusted listening to the media say "it some" and "it appears". I'm tired of hearing the news media speculate. Therefore, I agree with everything Mr. Nesson said.

These flattering commercials, which Mutual Breadensting Co. is injecting into its news programs, patting itself on the back, are very elfensive. It is going to take much more than that to remove my lost confidence in the news media.

So, Mr. Boyd, if Mr. Nesson's "shoe fits you - wear it".

Lucie J. Proper (Mrs. Blom L.)

C.C.s Mr. Ron Nesson Mutual Breadensting Co. KWTX Radio







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Ron Messen Press Secretary to the President

Mr. William J. Walsh Apartment 18 550 Leavenworth San Francisco, California 94109



Ron Nessen, Press Secretary The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Nessen:

Don't give a single thought to resigning your position as White House Press Secretary in the face of those vultures known as the White House Press Corps.

Those sons-of-bitches would nail Jesus Christ to the cross if it would sell newspapers "to the People". And what I think of the People shouldn't emerge from my typewriter.

Frank Sinatra correctly classified reporters: whores.

For some years now many people have thought, with reason, that the two loneliest people in the world are the Pope in Rome and the President in the White House. Always remember, too, there are millions of us out here among the so-called Silent Majority who are quite cognizant of the insatiable, conscience-less (simon-pure, too), journalistic prostitutes with whom you must deal in your work.

Without one iota of facetiousness but with utmost sincerity let me say: stay loose, man; hang in there!!

Up the Republic!!!

what's left of it.

Wm. J. Walsh 550 Leavenworth #18 San Francisco

cc: William F. Buckley Jr. William Randolph Hearst Jr. Randolph A. Hearst

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Mr. Ron Nesson The White House Washington, D.C.

Mr. Nesson,

Hurrah for you!!!

It's about time some one stops these so called reporters!!

I've read and listened to these people turn any or all statements into something else, or something not intended.

If it was up to me, I would tell them nothing for fear they would turn it into something else.

Regards,

GR/gvs

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