

October 20, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR BOB ORBIN

FROM: RON NESSEN

Can you come up with something appropriate for me to use as an explanation of why the President couldn't attend the Toledo Press Club, as the attached letter requests?

Time is short, I know. I received this on Saturday, and you were not in that day.

Cecile Gerard will be in touch with you on this.

Thanks, Bob.

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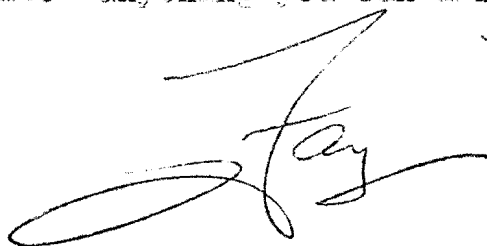
October 17, 1975

Dear Ron:

The Toledo Press Club is having its annual "Rib and Roast" dinner October 22nd. It is a "rib-tickling roasting of VIPS" similar to the Circus Saints and Sinners affairs.

The Club would like to have an amusing explanation from you as to why President Ford can't attend... a minute of you on film giving the explanation or, if that is not possible, perhaps a direct message from the President to the Club, to be read at the dinner.

I realize time is of the essence but the communication between Washington and Toledo is unbelievably slow. I'm sure they would appreciate anything you can arrange.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

NOTE FOR: *Connie*

FROM : RON NESSEN

*See what Bab
Orbin can come
up with. Time
is short.*

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RESPONSE TO THE TOLEDO PRESS CLUB FOR THEIR
"RIB & ROAST" DINNER BY RON NESSEN 10-22-75

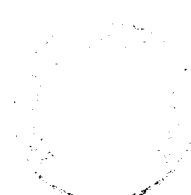
President Ford has asked me to extend his regrets that,
as much as he would like to, he will not be able to attend
The Toledo Press Club dinner tonight.

Unfortunately he has a very full schedule consisting of
meetings with his staff, meetings with his Cabinet,
meetings with the Congress --- and he also has to get
three different estimates from body and fender repair shops.

He sends his best wishes to the Toledo Press Club
and wants you to know he has always had a great
admiration for members of the press corps --- and
anyone else who can type and chew gum at the same time.

He thanks you for your invitation and good intention
but wants you to know that nowadays, he really doesn't
have to travel all the way to Toledo to be roasted by the
press. He has home delivery.

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October 22, 1975

MEMO FOR BOB ORBIN

FROM: Ron Nessen

Do you have time to do something like
this?

Attachment: Request from Gregory Hoffman
for article for program for Ohio State-
Michigan football game

RN/cg



May 29, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BOB ORBEN

FROM: RON NESSEN

Golf Illustrated magazine is planning a special issue to honor Arnold Palmer, the golfer. The magazine has requested a short statement by the President about his own views of Palmer. This would be published along with other testimonials in the magazine. It sounds like something we might want to do if it can be done with a minimum of trouble.

The magazine's deadline is June 15. Can you provide the short, requested statement?

Attachment:

Copy of letter from Ray Rich, Golf Illustrated



RN/jb