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October 3, 1975

Dr. Theodore C. Marrs Special Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Ted:

For the first time in years, the NCRND annual meeting will be held in Washington to coincide with the 25th anniversary celebration of the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke. NINCDS will have a symposium at 2 o'clock, Saturday afternoon at NIH and a dinner that evening at the Chevy Chase Holiday Inn.

However, on behalf of the National Committee it is my pleasure to ask you to attend our meeting on Friday, November 21 -- either afternoon or evening session. We will meet at the National Press Club at 2:30.

This note is merely to acquaint you with the schedule and hopefully to note same on your schedule. I'll have more interesting details shortly, and will present them to you so that you might take advantage of meeting with representatives of the almost 50 professional and voluntary groups which make up the NCRND "serving an estimated 40 million individuals burdened by disabling neurological and communicative disorders and stroke."

We appreciate your interest and welcome your cooperation.

nn P. Cosgrove

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### National Committee For Research In Neurological Disorders

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#### DR. TOWER SETS PACE IN TESTIFYING FOR NINCDS FY76

Following are excerpts from testimony given to House and Senate Subcommittees on Appropriations by Dr. Donald B. Tower, Director of the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke (NINCDS).

Strokes and injuries to head and spinal cord rank as the third and fourth leading causes of death in this country, and together they represent the largest group of disabled and crippled adults in America. Altogether, the neurological and communicative disorders afflict more than one-fifth of our population, and because of their chronic, lifetime handicapping nature they impose enormous social and economic burdens, in addition to the immediate problems of health care and rehabilitation.

Hence the NINCDS must continue to support research and research training in its four major program areas, as well as in its intramural laboratories at Bethesda. Approximately 80 percent of our FY 1975 funds are invested extramurally in approximately 1,300 grants and 80 contracts comprising by program areas the following proportions of the total FY 1975 NINCDS budget: 11.8 percent for research in communicative disorders; 44.2 percent for research in neurological disorders; 12.2 percent for research in stroke and central nervous system trauma; and 10.6 percent for research in fundamental neurosciences not readily identifiable with any of the other three program areas.

In accordance with these budgetary categories, we are this year substituting for our present extramural grants program and our collaborative and field contract program a reorganizational amalgamation into the four program areas just described. Thus, the emphasis will be on program rather than on the instrument of support. We expect this reorganization to be operational by the beginning of FY 1976.

#### **Current Progress In Four Program Areas**

In the **communicative disorders**, the NINCDS is now funding 33 program project, center and other targeted research grants at a level of nearly 5 million dollars, as well as over 107 regular research grants and 13 contracts.

During FY 1975, the NINCDS sponsored several workshops on the current status and future search needs in such problem areas as secretory (serous) otitis media (a prime cause of childhood deafness), laryngeal papillomatosis (recurring benign tumors of the vocal cords in children), and cochlear or auditory implants (devices that hopefully may restore a measure of hearing to the profoundly deaf). The two workshops on cochlear implants have already generated recommendations for grant or contract supported research projects now being implemented

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#### NCRND CHAIRMAN SCHMIDT LEADS PUBLIC WITNESSES

I speak as the Chairman of the National Committee for Research in Neurological Disorders, which represents more than fifty voluntary and professional organizations interested in the neurological, neuromuscular, and communicative disorders. To go one step further, I represent the millions of Americans who suffer from the yet unsolved or incompletely solved diseases of the brain, spinal cord, neuromuscular system and the communicative functions of speech and hearing.

By way of personal introduction, I am a physician who has specialized in Neurology. I am a native of Ohio, a graduate of the University of Louisville School of Medicine in Kentucky. I have served on the faculties of several universities, including my Alma Mater, the University of Washington in Seattle, the University of Florida, and the State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse of which I am currently President. I have served on a variety of advisory committees of voluntary organizations and government, including a recently completed term as a member of the Council of the NINCDS and the National Multiple Sclerosis Commission. I am past-President of the American Academy of Neurology and of the American Epilepsy Society.

Mr. Chairman, you and the other members of the Congress are faced with the awesome responsibility of deciding the budget priorities of our country and I fully realize that you are unable to give all that may wisely be used for each project or function which may come before you. The budget proposed for the NINCDS is, however, a drastic reduction from Fiscal 1975, and is only slightly above the recision level which you have rejected. The sum of \$114,955,000 will be a serious set-back in the vital research areas which are the responsibility of this Institute. This is an absolute reduction of \$27,545,000 from the 1975 budget of \$142,500,000. This will mean that many high-quality and important research projects will not be funded or will be seriously limited in their capabilities of performance.

In December the Committee on Budget of our National Committee recommended a total of \$193,000,000 for the 1976 budget of the Institute. It recognized that there

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STATUS OF NINCDS FY76: In June the House approved HEW FY76 appropriations. Of this, NINCDS would receive \$136,546,000. This does not include funds for NIH research-training programs because the authorization expired on June 30, 1975. The Senate Subcommittee on Appropriations marked-up HEW FY 76 on July 30-31. This will be taken up by the full committee when Congress returns after Labor Day.

#### NINCDS MARKS 25th YEAR

On August 15, 1975, the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke will mark the 25th anniversary of the signing of Public Law 692, 81st Congress, establishing the Institute. To celebrate the anniversary, NINCDS will publish a compendium of this quarter century of research advances. Publishing details to be announced.

#### WHY THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR RESEARCH IN NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS?

In 1950 when Congress authorized the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Blindness it also created a public awareness and need for support of the NINDB, although not so spelled out in the written document. Within two years, it was realized that two goals were immediate: 1) establishment of NINDB as a line item in the appropriations budget, and 2) creation of greater unity among voluntary agencies and professional societies dedicated to the support of neurological and communicative research. The House Appropriations Subcommittee was concerned by the splintered and often competitive testimony provided by citizen witnesses, representing these agencies, which suggested a national identifiable program with a cohesive aggregate effort from the outside be organized.

To this end, the then NINDB Director, in his role as President of the American Academy of Neurology, organized an AAN Liaison Committee to meet with representatives from interested voluntary agencies in Bethesda, July 25, 1952, as a result of which the National Committee for Research in Neurological Disorders (NCRND) was founded. -

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were significant staff shortages which curtailed administrative functions and intramural research. There should be a minimum of 68 new positions for the Institute to meet its responsibilities. The Committee emphasized that there should be at least an amount equivalent to 20% of the NINCDS budget for training of scientists for fundamental and clinical research.

The total recommendations are as follows:

| Grants Research Grants Fellowships Training Grants. |    | ٠  | •  |   |   | • | ٠  |    | ٠  |    | ٠  |   | • | • | \$<br>12 | 3,7 | 00<br>00 |
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The group of diseases represented by this Institute are among the major killers and causes of chronic disability. The Director of the Institute, Dr. Donald Tower, in his testimony has presented an excellent outline of these and

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by the NINCDS. Among other major concerns, the problems of noise as it affects hearing and speech will be assessed in several contracts now in the solicitation and negotiation stages, and all such NINCDS projects are being coordinated with other Public Health Service groups as well as the Environmental Protection Agency.

For the neurological disorders, the NINCDS is funding in FY 1975 a total of 54 clinical research centers, program project and other targeted research grants totalling almost 10 million dollars, as well as more than 746 regular research grants and 47 contracts.

There have been key advances in our knowledge of the biofeedback systems which modulate the balance between excitatory and inhibitory circuits in the brain. Such studies are relevant to epilepsy, Parkinson's disease, dystonia, Huntington's disease and other disorders which result from imbalance in such circuitry. A new two-drug combination therapy for Parkinson's disease is about to be released for clinical use, and several new drugs for epilepsy (clonazapam and dipropylocetate) should be ready for clinical release next year. The feasibility stage of our comprehensive epilepsy program is nearly completed and proposals are now being sought for the full scale program, one or more of which we expect to fund in FY 1975.

The pace of virological and immunological research continues to quicken. An important new development is the finding that after experimental inoculation of slow virus agents of the kuru-scrapie group into primate brains, electron microscopic changes in nerve cells can be regularly seen as early as one month later, whereas brain wave (EEG) abnormalities only appear after 3 months and the clinical signs are not discernible before 2 years. The recent isolations of latent viruses of the foamy and adeno types from brains have important implications because their presence in brain tissue complicates the use of DNA hybridization techniques, a powerful tool for identifying in tissue samples the presence of pathological viruses, and because they may themselves function as "helper" viruses to facilitate the emergence of a pathogenic slow virus directly or after immunosuppressive therapy.

The recognition of the role of the thymus gland in the production of T-lymphocytes—one of the key elements in (Continued to page 3)

of the progress being made. I will not repeat his testimony in this regard since it has already been before you and you have asked very good questions of him. I do, however, most respectfully ask that you give very serious consideration to a more adequate support for these vital programs than has been put before you in the President's budget for

Dr. Schmidt then requested that statements be inserted into the record from the following: Dr. James B. Snow. Jr., Professor and Chairman, Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Human Communication, School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. Thomas W. Langfitt, M.D., Chairman of the Division of Neurosurgery and Vice-President for Health Affairs at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Paul C. Bucy, Chairman Emeritus of the National Committee for Research in Neurological Disorders; Professor Emeritus of Neurological Surgery of Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, Illinois, and Clinical Professor of Neurology and Neurosurgery, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Editor of a neurosurgical journal known as SURGICAL NEUROLOGY. •

#### DR. TOWER-continued from page 2

antibody production and development of cellular immunity-sheds new light in the previously suspected connection between the thymus and myasthenia gravis, a serious neuromuscular disorder. The connection may be explicable on the basis of thymus-produced circulating particles which affect neuromuscular junctions to produce the myasthenic syndrome but can be counteracted by prednisone, one of the most effective current therapeutic

Studies on immunosuppressive therapy, use of transfer factor, evaluation of HLA-antigen profiles, and use of immunoelectron microscopy and viral probes exemplify the surge in research following the workshops and report of the National Multiple Sclerosis Commission last year. Several surveys recommended by the Commission are now in progress, including an epidemiological study of multiple sclerosis in the Orkney and Shetland Islands, where the incidence of multiple sclerosis is the highest in the world.

With respect to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), a focus with an incidence even higher than that on Guam has been discovered by one of our NINCDS scientists in Western New Guinea. In addition to earlier circumstantial evidence for a viral etiology, viral probing of brain samples from Guamanian ALS patients has turned up a C-type virus particle, the significance of which is under active investigation.

In stroke and central nervous system trauma, the NINCDS is currently funding 63 program project, clinical research center and other targeted research grants totalling over 10 million dollars, plus more than 59 regular research grants and 16 contracts.

A highlight of FY 1975 has been the work of the NINCDS Advisory Council Subcommittee on regeneration in the central nervous system. Five workshops have been held, with a final report summarizing current status and recommended areas of promising research submitted to the March 1975 meeting of the NINCDS Advisory Council.

Progress in the field of stroke is perhaps not spectacular but it continues to be steady. The latest availabe ageadjusted mortality rates indicate that there has been a significant decrease from 88.8 per 100,000 population in 1950 to 68.5 per 100,000 in 1969. In the future, I think we may expect even lower figures as a result of more recent advances in diagnostic and therapeutic measures. These include X-ray angiographic and tomographic techniques to visualize cerebral vessels threedimensionally; radioisotope scintiscanning to localize damaged brain areas; computerized axial tomography (CAT-or EMI-scans), a most effective noninvasive technique for high resolution visualization of density differences in brain tissue caused by edema, hemorrhage, decreased blood supply, etc.; ultrasonic monitoring of cerebral blood flow; microsurgical correction of malformed blood vessels in brains or of narrowed or stenotic carotid (feeder) arteries to brain; surgical linking of superficial temporal (scalp) arteries to the middle cerebral (brain) artery, a procedure designed to bypass blocked feeder vessels and restore blood flow to the brain; and the use as appropriate of anticoagulant drugs (including aspirin), blood pressure lowering regimes, clot dissolving (thrombolytic) agents, and drugs for control of brain edema and of blood vessel spasm.

Finally, in the fundamental neuroscience program the NINCDS is funding some 159 grants and 5 contracts for



GOOD TO MEET YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN: House Subcommittee Appropriations Chairman Daniel Flood to NCRND Chairman Dr. Richard Schmidt during hearings on NINCDS FY76.

research on basic problems that are not readily categorized in the other three program areas. Two of the most exciting areas in the entire fundamental neuroscience field are those concerned with central nervous system regeneration (relevant especially to paraplegia and stroke) and with neuroimmunology (relevant to a host of degenerative disorders of the nervous system including multiple sclerosis, presenile dementias, etc.). These are truly frontiers where spectacular advances may be expected in the next few years.

Much of the work in our laboratories at Bethesda is in the fundamental neuroscience category. To keep pace, the Institute has established three new laboratories within the past year: one in neuro-otolaryngology (with special emphasis on the mechanisms responsible for the transduction of sound waves by the methanoreceptors of the inner ear into coded nerve impulses to the higher brain centers); another in neuroimmunology (with a broad emphasis on viral and autoimmune diseases and an extensive interlaboratory collaborative program); and a third in neuropharmacology (with particular expertise in the pharmacological manipulation of central nervous system pathways in disorders where excitatory-inhibitory imbalances exist).

During FY 1975, the NINCDS brought together at Bethesda representatives from virtually all the professional societies and voluntary health agencies in the fields of neurological and communicative disorders. Over 60 organizations and more than 100 representatives attended. As a result, there was better acquaintance with the NIH and the NINCDS, a realization of the need for greater coordination and cooperation rather than a fragmented or individual approach, and an opportunity for the many organizations to get to know each other.

#### **NINCDS CHANGES NAME**

The National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Stroke (NINDS) has changed its name to the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke. The name change stresses the Institute's research commitment to advance its knowledge of disorders that affect hearing, speech and language.

#### SUMMARY OF DR. BUCY'S TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

The National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke requires, if it is to properly meet the responsibilities placed upon it by the Congress and the Administration—

1) An adequate staff. The present staff for both its intramural and extramural programs must be increased by at least 60 persons in the immediate future;

2) An increase in funds sufficient to meet its new responsibilities and its plans for the expansion of its programs in the immediate future.

Its major plans now include the following:

1) Increase in research in immunology, genetics, and viruses. At the moment research in these areas promises important advances affecting the understanding of multiple sclerosis (MS), Huntington's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and other degenerative and genetic disorders, and of tumors of the brain and spinal cord;

2) An increase of two or three new clinical research centers concerned with injury to the brain and spinal cord. This is important for the large number of vigorous young people killed or disabled by injury to the brain and rendered paraplegic by injury to the spinal cord;

3) Two or three new comprehensive epilepsy centers; 4) Research in regeneration in the central nervous sys-

tem;

5) Research on disorders of speech, hearing, and learning.

The National Committee for Research in Neurological Disorders has carefully surveyed the needs of the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke. It strongly recommends that the necessary steps be taken to increase the staff of NINCDS by 60 positions and to survey the grade level of all appointments and increase the grade wherever necessary. NCRND also strongly recommends an appropriation of \$193,000,000 for NINCDS for FY 1976. The categories to be supported in that appropriation are indicated below. In addition NCRND has heard that the appropriation at this time may be for 15 months rather than the usual 12 months. If the appropriation is for 15 months it should be \$241,250,000.

The recommendation for FY 1976 for a 12-month

period is: Grants:

| Research Grants       \$123,000,000         Fellowships       23,700,000         Training Grants       3,800,000 | ) |
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| Direct Operations: Laboratory and Clinical Research \$15,000,000 Research and Development Contracts              | ) |
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## SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR RESEARCH IN NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS

#### Voluntary Health Agencies

American Heart Association Association for Children with Learning Disabilities Committee to Combat Huntington's Disease Deafness Research Foundation **Epilepsy Foundation of America** Gilles de la Tourette Syndrome Association, Inc. Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, Inc. Myasthenis Gravis Foundation Inc. National ALS Foundation, Inc. National Ataxia Foundation Inc. National Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children & Adults National Epilepsy League National Migraine Foundation National Multiple Sclerosis Society National Paraplegia Foundation National Society for Autistic Children National Parkinson Foundation, Inc. Paralyzed Veterans of America Parkinson's Disease Foundation Spina Bifida Association of North Jersey United Cerebral Palsy Research & Educational Foundation, Inc. United Parkinson Foundation Woman's Auxiliary to the American Academy of Neurology

#### **Professional Societies**

American Academy of Neurological Surgery American Academy of Neurology American Association of Neurological Surgeons American Association of Neuropathologists American Association for the Study of Headache American Council of Otolaryngology American Electroencephalographic Society American Epilepsy Society American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society, Inc. (The Trilogical Society)
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October 9, 1975

Honorable Theodore C. Marrs
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Old Executive Office Building
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Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Marrs:

October will be an eventful month for members of the Creek Nation. The inauguration of the Principal Chief will take place the morning of the twenty-fifth at eleven o'clock on the lawn of the new Creek Nation Tribal Capitol Complex in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. On that day, the Creek Nation would be honored to have your presence to administer the official oath of office to Principal Chief Claude A. Cox.

Arrangements will be made for lodging that may be required.

Will you kindly let Mr. James King of the Inaugural Committee know whether or not we shall have the pleasure of your company?

Cordially yours,

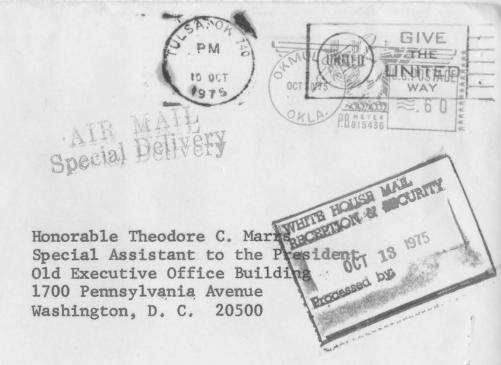
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October 17, 1975

Dr. Theodore Marrs Special Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Dr. Marrs:

On behalf of the National Indian Health Board, I would like to extend a formal invitation to you to attend the next NIHB quarterly meeting scheduled for November 10-14, 1975, in Portland, Oregon. This meeting will take place at the Riverside West Motor Hotel, Fifty S. W. Morrison Street, Portland, Oregon 97204, telephone No. 503/226-6833.

Enclosed you will find an agenda, and please note that we have your presentation before our board scheduled for Thursday, November 13, 1975 at 9:00 a.m. This date and time is subject to change at your convenience.

We have not made travel or loding arrangements for you, but we would be happy to do so if you wish. However, I regret our present budget precludes paying your expenses for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Douglas L. Sakiestewa Executive Director

Encl:

#### NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

Quarterly Meeting Portland, Oregon November 10-14, 1975

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1975

TRAVEL DAY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1975

9:00 a.m.

Roll Call Minutes

Introductions Review Agenda

9:30 a.m.

IHS Staff - Rockville

Staff Report

"ON OR NEAR" POLICY

Emery A Johnson, M.D.

12:00 noon

1:00 p.m.

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HEALTH TASK FORCE, AMERICAN INDIAN POLICY REVIEW COMMISSION

Lillie McGarvey

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1975

9:00 a.m.

**CLOSSED SESSION** 

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Board Discussion

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1975

NO MEETING

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1975

9.00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:00 noon

1:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Dr. Ted Marrs, Special Assistant to the President

IHS MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

H. B. Townsley, M.D.

NATIONAL HEALTH PLANNING & RESOURCES ACT OF 1974 (P.L. 93-641) & OTHER LEGISLATION BILLS

Speaker to be named

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Speaker to be named

OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

Dr George Blue Spruce, Jr. Director

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COUNCIL ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Dr. George Blue Spruce, Jr. Director, ONAP

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1975

9:00 a.m.

NATIONAL INDIAN BOARD ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE

Orville Maestes

NATIONAL TRIBAL CHAIRMAN'S ASSOCIATION (NTCA)

Errin Forrest

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10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1975, cont.

12:00 noon

1:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

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### SECRETARY OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON

Registraliste

21 October 1975

Dear Ted:

The Army-Navy Football Game has traditionally been one of America's great sporting events. An AMTRAK train will be taking Army, Navy, and other friends of both services to the game in Philadelphia on November 29th.

Muggy and I are looking forward to making the trip, and it would be delightful to share with you and Annette this unique traditional event. To answer questions you might have, I am inclosing an information sheet on the game activities.

I hope you can be with us.

Sincerely,

Martin R. Hoffmann

Incl

Honorable Theodore C. Marrs
Special Assistant to the President
for Human Resources
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#### INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: 1975 Army-Navy Game

AMTRAK cars have been reserved as a conveyance to and from the Army-Navy Football Game, 29 November.

The round trip fare is \$22 per person and \$11 per child under 12 years of age. Game tickets are \$8.50 per person. Box lunches, snacks, and refreshments will be provided on board.

Tentative schedule for Saturday, 29 November follows:

- 0815 Train departs Washington Union Station
- 1100 Train arrives at JFK Stadium, Philadelphia
- 1115 Pre-game activities
- 1250 Game starts
- 1630 (Approximate) train depart JFK Stadium
- 1900 (Approximate) Train arrives Washington Union Station

The train will depart track 25 at Washington Union Station. Plan to arrive at the station early enough to park and board the train prior to 0805 hours. Everyone is expected to return to the train within 30 minutes after the end of the game.

Free parking is available in the Senate Office Building Parking Lot at First and D Streets, NE. Windshield parking permits will be made available by contacting OX7-5338.

Please make checks payable to Major John R. Archer, Office of the Secretary of the Army.

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October 28th, 1975

#### New Location:

Mount Vernon Room Sheraton-Carlton Hotel 16th & K Streets, N.W. Washington, D. C.

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

HEW has asked NHC to sponsor a joint briefing on this subject. We agreed to extend our program as collows: Our morning session will be identical to what was originally planned. It will provide an overview of implementation from different perspectives (governors, health groups, federal officials), and provide a review of the newly-released HSA regulations. Questions and answers will be encouraged, as usual, at the conclusion of the discussion. In addition, however, an afternoon session will also be available for those who wish to discuss the regulations in greater detail with HEW officials. HEW has invited additional health groups to the full day's meeting. Therefore, the audience is likely to be somewhat larger than usual, and include a number of associations which are not members of NHC. Some of you may receive an invitation from HEW as well.



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on Thursday the Sixth of November
Nineteen hundred and seventy five
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Dear Dr. and Mrs. Marrs:

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America takes great pride in extending to you the accompanying invitation to a concert of the Ukrainian Byzantine Choir of Utrecht, Holland. Enclosed is a press release giving further information relevant to the performance.

We have extended invitations to those individuals who we believe are familiar with Ukrainian culture and history and with the work of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America. They include members of the international community in Washington, members of Congress, representatives of government agencies, and the Washington press.

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May we count on your response by the 5th of November?

very truly yours

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### CONCERT TOUR OF THE UKRAINIAN BYZANTINE CHOIR OF UTRECHT

The Ukrainian Churches together with the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America are sponsoring a concert tour of the Ukrainian Byzantine Choir of Utrecht, Holland throughout the United States and Canada. The tour which begins 25 October 1975 and ends 9 November 1975 will take the choir through 14 major American and Canadian cities. The choir will perform in Washington, D.C. at 8 p.m. on Thursday 6 November 1975, in the American Theater, L'Enfant Plaza, Washington, D.C.

The Choir is comprised of 40 male vocalists. It was established in 1951 by Dr. Myroslav Antonovych, a noted composer and musicologist, who has directed the Choir since its inception. Dr. Antonovych received his Ph.D. degree in musicology from Utrecht University and later performed post-doctoral research at Harvard University as a Foreign Exchange Scholar.

Though the Choir members are all Dutch, they have mastered Ukrainian music and song to such a degree that they are justifiably known as "The Dutch Cossacks". Their repertoir reflects the history and development of Ukrainian music as well as its close ties with the Ukrainian Churches. Christianity in Ukraine dates back to 988 AD when Wolodymyr the Great accepted Christianity and chose the Byzantine Rite(from whence the Choir takes its name) for the Ukrainian Church.

The Byzantine influence left a strong mark in Ukrainian religious rites and contributes to the beauty of Ukrainian religious music. The second half of the 18th Century marks a period of flowering and renewed development of Ukrainian religious music. The Choir's repertoir includes works by Bortniansky and Berezovsky who wrote classical pieces into which they blended much warmth and great expressiveness. There is also Vedel, who's works are of a pseudonationalistic character and reflect the melancholy and sadness of Ukrainian

folk songs. In the 19th Century we encounter the noted composer Mykola Lysenko who drew on the depth and wide variety of Ukrainian folk songs as the well-spring in many of his compositions.

The Byzantine Choir of Utrecht has appeared throughout Europe to critical acclaim. Their music has been recorded and their concerts broadcast over radio and television on numerous occasions. They have appeared in all the major capitals and cities of Europe including Brussels, Paris, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Luxemgourg, Munich, Rome, London and Basle to name but a few. The Choir has also given concerts in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, and Westminster Abbey in London.

Appearing with the Byzantine Choir as guest-artist will be Volodymyr Luciv, tenor and bandurist of international stature. Mr. Luciv has toured the world giving concerts in Australia, Canada, the United States, South America and Europe. He studied music and voice in London and Rome and achieved his proficiency on the bandura (the Ukrainian national instrument) under Gregory Nazarenko in London. Among Mr. Luciv's achievements we can list the First Prize at the International Competition of Vocalists in Belgium, and his appearances at the Brussels World's Fair, Expo in Montreal, and Prince Albert Hall in London. His appearances invariably evoke the highest critical acclaim.

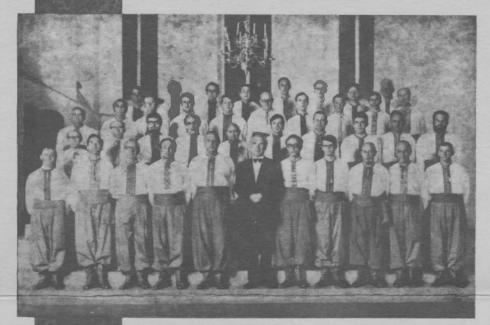
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Through the courtesy of Mr. John D. Schapiro, President of the Laurel Race Course, a special day honoring <u>The American Legion</u> will again be held at <u>Laurel on Saturday</u>, <u>November 1st</u>, 1975.

This will be the fifth consecutive year for this outstanding event which is co-hosted by The American Legion Department of Maryland.

The outstanding success of the reception and buffet for distinguished guests of the National Adjutant in the past insures a sellout for the 125 spaces available this year. The cost for this fine affair will be \$17.00 per person, including admission, a beautiful buffet luncheon and bar service for the afternoon, all in the exclusive Turf Club at Laurel. The \$1.00 per person increase in cost over last year is based on food and services increases.

We would be delighted to have you join us for this great social event, and would appreciate it if you will let our National Director of Public Relations, <u>Jim Watkins</u>, know whether or not you plan to attend at your earliest convenience, in order that we may confirm arrangements. Checks to cover the cost, payable to The American Legion, should also be forwarded to Jim at the Washington Headquarters address, along with the names of those accompanying you. (Telephone 393-4811, ext. 81 or 82)

Additional details are attached for your information.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. HAUCK National Adjutant

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#### "AMERICAN LEGION DAY" AT LAUREL, NOVEMBER 1, 1975

Reservations have been made for The American Legion's VIP party at Laurel Race Course, Highway 1, Laurel, Maryland, on Saturday, November 1, 1975.

All invitees are to enter by the Turf Club entrance, where the gate attendant will check off names and will present each guest with an identification tag.

Guests will then take elevator to the Turf Club Grill Room.

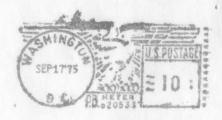
Guests should arrive no later than 12:00 noon.

Refreshments will be served from 11:00 a.m. until the races are over, and a buffet luncheon will be served during the entire period.

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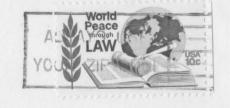
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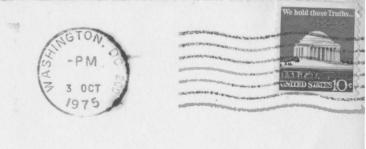
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Dear Dr. Marrs,

The United States Army Warrant Officers Association (USAWOA) will host its semi-annual Board of Directors/Council of Presidents Meeting on 5, 6 & 7 January 1976 at the Ft. Myer NCO Club. We expect approximately 50 warrant officers representing 75 chapters throughout the United States, Europe and Asia.

We would be pleased if you can find the time to address our member-ship any time during the meeting. We will adjust our agenda to accomodate your busy schedule. Thirty minutes of your valuable time would be a tremendous morale boost to the Warrant Officer Corps.

The USAWOA is dedicated to recommending programs for the improvement of the Army and to disseminating professional information to warrant officers in the field. We are sure that our members would appreciate your comments on how we can work together to achieve a better Army.

Sincerely,

AL COX CW3, USA President





The Commandant of the Marine Corps and Mrs. Wilson request the pleasure of your company at the New Year Reception and Band Serenade on Thursday, the first of January at eleven o'clock

Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C.

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The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare requests the pleasure of your company at the formal opening of BI-CENI-EX on Thursday afternoon the fifteenth of January, Nineteen hundred and seventy-six, at five-thirty o'clock, 200 Independence Avenue, Southwest Washington, D.C.





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January 12, 1976

Dr. Theodore C. Marrs
Special Assistant to the President
Room 103, Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Dr. Marrs:

Thirty years ago this month President Truman signed P.L. 79-293 establishing the Department of Medicine and Surgery in the Veterans Administration. This legislation was referred to by General Omar Bradley, then Administrator of Veterans Affairs, as the "Magna Carta" of the VA medical program.

To commemorate this important landmark in the annals of the VA medical program, you are invited to attend a buffet reception on January 22, 1976, from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. in the Caucus Room of the Cannon House Office Building.

I hope it will be possible for you to come.

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