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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 23, 1985

Dear John:

I just had a visitor, a young lady from Fresno, Ann Schuette. She brought me some pins and a greeting from you. Thanks very much for both.

She's a very nice person and we've corresponded for several years about her "pin" collection, but this was our first actual face-to-face meeting.

It was good to hear from you and, again, thanks.

Sincerely,

Ron

Mr. John T. Hay
California Chamber of Commerce
Post Office Box 1736
Sacramento, California 95808

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To John T. Hay - Calif. C. & C. 1027 10th St.
P.O. Box 1736 Sacramento Calif
95808

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*May the
next four years
be even greater!*

John T. Hay
President

John



California Chamber of Commerce
1027 Tenth Street, Fourth floor
P.O. Box 1736 • Sacramento, CA 95808
(916) 444-6670

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 23, 1985

Dear Teacher and Students:

Thank you very much for your warm, friendly letter and for your generous words. You were very kind to write as you did and I am most grateful.

I am also proud to have your approval and friendship. I'll do my best to be deserving of your trust in me. Believe me, I'm greatly impressed by your devotion to learning -- keep feeling that way.

We were very pleased to have Courtney staying with us in the White House and wish we hadn't been so busy with all the Inaugural events so that we could have spent more time with her.

Again, thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Kenney's Kindergarten
Anoakia School
758 West Anoakia Lane
Arcadia, California 91006

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758 West Arcadia Lane, Arcadia Calif. 91006

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Again thanks & best wishes.

Sincerely RR



January 19, 1985
Anoakia School

BOYS AND GIRLS

NURSERY THROUGH SIXTH

758 WEST ANOAKIA LANE • ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA 91006 • Phone 355-7259 / 355-4719

Dear Mr. President Reagan

Our friend, Courtney Justice,
gets to stay in your White House
with your grandson while her
parents attend your Inaugural Celebra-
tions! ♡

We sure do wish we could
come too 😊! Please write to us ♡

We want you to know;
we love learning to read, we love
our school, our friends, rainbows
and you! ♡ We wish you could come
see us, you would be proud cuz'
we are good and we work hard!
Best of all, we are glad you are our
President cuz' we voted for you, and
you are the BEST! ♡ ♡

Sincerely ~

Mrs. Kenney's Kindergarten
xxoo xxoo

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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TO: *Bill*

FROM: KATHY OSBORNE
Personal Secretary
to the President

DATE: *1-23-85*

*Moull has a copy
of this*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 22, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR KATHY OSBORNE

FROM:

Mark Weinberg

M. W.

A few more outstanding questions for PEOPLE:

~~1) Did the President ever lay a wreath in memory of President Millard Fillmore?~~

*They have
the answers!*

2) What kind of stuffed animal did the President give Ashley and does the animal have a name?

3) On the Cedar Rapids gun incident, in the interview with PEOPLE, the President said he considered getting his pistol, but since it was unloaded, he did not - he went to the window and shouted. In a Sports & Field article a few years ago, the President was quoted as saying that he went to get the gun, it was unloaded, but he pointed it out the window. Which is correct?

2. Stuffed Bear - no name.

3. Frankly after 50 years I'm not that clear on the details. I'm inclined to believe I did not bring the gun to the window because I definitely know I did not have it with me when I went down stairs to escort her over to the hospital.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 23, 1985

Dear Francis Albert:

I still feel that saying thank you as many times as I tried to say it, isn't enough. As a matter of fact there probably aren't enough words to express how grateful Nancy and I are and that goes for everyone here who had anything to do with the Inaugural.

The Gala was a smash hit and we're hearing that from everyone. Of course, we don't have to hear it to know that, we saw for ourselves. It really was a great show, Frank, and I know it didn't just happen. You put it together and I think I have some understanding of how much work it took, to say nothing of the touches that were all yours, the little girl who sang the National Anthem is just one example.

Nancy and I will be forever grateful. Again, a heartfelt thanks and love from both of us.

Sincerely, *Ron*

P.S. Just received your gift - the framed cartoon. Thank you very much, we're both delighted to have it & to hang it in the W.H.

Mr. Francis Albert Sinatra
70-588 Frank Sinatra Drive
Rancho Mirage, California 92270

To Frank Sinatra - We have his address

Dear Francis Albert

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Sincerely
Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 24, 1985

Dear Helen:

Just a very quick line to say thanks for the letters. You made the right decision on the Inaugural. The only one in town who wasn't turned off by the cold was the fellow from Alaska who brought his dog sled team.

Wouldn't you know, forty-eight hours after the final event, the sun was bright and the temperature was in the 40's.

Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

Dutch

Mrs. Helen Lawton
610 Center
Dixon, Illinois 61021

610 Center
Dixon, Ill. 61021
Jan. 9, 1985

Mrs. HELEN
LAWTON

Dear Dutch:

I received your note and picture and was so pleased to have it. You do look relaxed out on the portico leaning against that huge column.

I'm glad you liked the pictures of your mother. I have quite a few letters from her that she wrote to my folks and to me while she was living in California. One in particular was one she wrote to my Mom when my mother had written her of not feeling well. In it she tells my mother to have faith in God and to relax and let his healing power allow her to get well. I'll sent you a copy of it. It was so like your mother to think of others and try to help them.

I guess I'm not coming to the Inaugural this time. I did the last time and it was wonderful to be there and be a part of it all, even if we not get into all the events we had hoped. My girl friend isn't coming this time and I'd get lost trying to find my way around alone. Many are coming as couples, and I have been a widow for 20 yrs. I think some are coming on bus tours and some are flying in on tours.

Only a few days are left until your big day. In fact I guess you will have two Inaugural days with the 20th falling on Sunday.

I wish you the very best through the coming days and years. You have a lot ahead of you, and many decisions to make, but with God's help you will make it.

Bye now and God Bless.

Sincerely,



P.S.

I'm also enclosing another copy of a letter, of thankful thoughts she had of you and Neil in your concern for her, and the joy she seemed to have in your being cast in the different movies in which you were soon to ^{be} seen on the screens.

To Mrs. Helen Lawton 610 Center Dixon Ill. 61021

Dear Helen

Just a very quick line to say thanks for the letters. You made the right decision on the inaugural. The only one in town who wasn't turned off by the cold was the fellow from Alaska who brought his dog sled team.

Wouldn't you know, 48 hours after the final event the sun was bright & the temperature was in the 40's.

Again thanks. Sincerely Dutton

To Mrs. Helen Hayes 235 No. Broadway Nyack N.Y.

Dear Helen

10960

Thanks very much for your ~~kind~~ wire but even more for providing me with some material that brought the house down.

Nancy sends her love as do I and again thank you.

Sincerely Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 24, 1985

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Sincerely,

RON

Miss Helen Hayes
235 North Broadway
Nyack, New York 10960

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FMS PRESIDENT RONALD W REAGAN RPT DLY MGM

WHITE HOUSE DC

LAST EVENING YOU GAVE ME THE FINEST MOMENT OF LONG WORKING LIFE.

THANK YOU, BLESS YOU

HELEN HAYES

235 NORTH BROADWAY

NYACK NY 10960

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 24, 1985

Dear Rudolph:

I just received your letter and I was glad to hear from you. You asked some questions about the Inaugural, but maybe now that it's over you already have the answers. Just in case you missed a few, I'll answer anyway.

The Inauguration is the swearing-in of the President. Once elected (or re-elected as I was) your term begins at noon on January 20th with you taking an oath to uphold the Constitution and fulfill the duties of the Presidency.

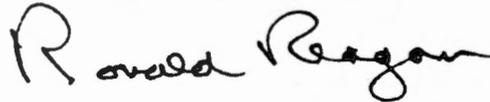
This year the 20th fell on Sunday, the first time since President Eisenhower's Inaugural. So I had to take the oath on Sunday, but repeated it on Monday for the public. I told some of our Congressmen that maybe we should change the Constitution so that when the 20th was a Sunday the President would still be President until Monday noon.

Over the years traditions have built up so that a big entertainment takes place the night before. Ours was at the Convention Center with Frank Sinatra in charge. Then on Inaugural Day there is a parade. Ours was cancelled because of the cold. On Inaugural night there is a big party. That custom started back in 1789 when George Washington became President. Now our country has become so big we had to have eleven of them. Nancy and I showed up and made an appearance at all eleven. This was the 50th Inauguration in our country's history.

I mentioned the cold and cancelling the parade; this was the coldest Inaugural Day we've ever had and the first time the outdoor events had to be cancelled. Let me tell you how cold it was. Upstairs in the White House there is a big potted plant in front of the window we open at night for fresh air when we go to bed. This time I only opened it about two inches. In the morning the plant was dead. It had frozen.

I'll look forward to hearing about the science fair and hope you succeed in the rocket launch. Please give our regards to your folks.

Best wishes from your pen-pal,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Ronald Reagan".

Rudolph Hines
607 Savannah Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20032

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Wash. D.C. 20032

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RR

Rudolph K. Harris

607 Savannah St., S.E.
Washington, D. C. 20032

January 12, 1985

Dear President Reagan:

Thank you for the Inaugural invitation. What is an (inauguration?)
What do you do? Is it parties, concerts and parades? Or is it something
else? Do you have to study for it? Does the inauguration take a long
time? My mom said that this is a very special time for you and that the
whole country will be watching. Is that true? What will Mrs. Reagan
be doing? Does she have to study too? I will be reading about it in
the newspaper. I will ask Mrs. Alexander, at our school, to help me in
the library to look up information about inaugurations. I hope Mrs. Alexander
can help me with my science project too. I want to launch a rocket ship
for the science fair. I saw some really good rockets at the Air and Space
Museum when we went to the Young Astronaut Program last year. It will be
a lot of work. I'm going outside to play now. Write soon.

Your Pen Pal,

Rudolph
Rudolph

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WALTER H. ANNENBERG
PRESIDENT

W. H. Annenberg

January 25, 1985

The Hon. Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

May I thank you for your gracious thoughtfulness in saluting me for my having been awarded Magazine Publisher of the Year by the Magazine Publishers Association.

It is, of course, debatable whether I have earned this recognition, but at least it will serve to remind me to get on with my responsibilities.

Every good wish to Nancy and you.

Most sincerely,

Walter

Walter Annenberg

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January 22, 1985

Dear Walter:

Message - I am truly pleased to join the members of the Magazine Publishers Association in this tribute to your many achievements in the field of communications.

As an editor and publisher, you have established TV Guide as the leading television authority for 17 million readers and Seventeen as the first popular magazine for teenage girls. As a broadcaster, you have pioneered new concepts in television and radio and sponsored new developments in the fast-growing telecommunications field. Additionally, as a diplomat and philanthropist, you have earned the respect of leaders around the world.

To these accomplishments you can now happily add what is perhaps the most satisfying honor -- the recognition of your peers.

I am sure that the Henry Johnson Fisher award will have a very special place in your long list of accolades. Nancy and I salute you!

Sincerely,

RON [REDACTED]

The Honorable Walter H. Annenberg
c/c Magazine Publishers Association
575 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10022

✓ Sent via Express Mail to:

Magazine Publishers Association
575 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10022

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✓ cc: K. Osborne/M. Crawford/C. Korte/CF

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 20, 1985

TO: KATHLEEN OSBORNE
RE: Message for Walter Annenberg

I thought you would want to have the attached signed and returned to me for dispatch. We need it back by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, for Express Mail if we are to get it to New York in time for the event.

If you want me to take care of the signature, please just return ASAP.

Thank you.

ANNE HIGGINS *cut in ash*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 18, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ANNE HIGGINS
FROM: MARGIE CRAWFORD
SUBJECT: Presidential Telegram

This letter was forwarded to Mike McManus and if you are not already aware of it we felt you would want to be.

Please process so that the telegram will reach the Magazine Publishers on Wednesday afternoon, January 23rd.

If you have any questions please let me or my staff know at x6687.

Thank you.

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Proposed Text for Telegram to Walter Annenberg

The Honorable Walter H. Annenberg
c/o Magazine Publishers Association
575 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10022

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 25, 1985

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your kind letter and generous words. It was good of you to write. Nancy and I hope we'll have an opportunity to see you both more often than we have in these past four years. That doesn't mean that I think the job is going to be any easier in this next four, I'm just being optimistic. After all, we'll have to come to California more often, won't we, since it is our future home. Anyway, that's what I keep telling myself.

Nancy sends her love to you and Audrey as do I.

Sincerely,

Ron

Mr. Robert F. Six
350 Trousdale Place
Beverly Hills, California 90210

To Mr. Robert F. Dix 350 Trousdale Pl.
Beverly Hills Calif. 90210

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Nancy sends her love to you & Nancy as well,
Smiling Ron

ROBERT F. SIX
350 TROUSDALE PLACE
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA 90210

January 21, 1985

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan
President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

First of all, congratulations on the start of your second term. Your first term was magnificent. The second term will be even better. Congratulations also on the magnificent speech you made this morning. Audrey and I watched you while you were sworn in for the second time.

You are a great President and are going to be even a greater one after the next four years.

Audrey joins me in our love to you and Nancy.

Sincerely,



Robert F. Six

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