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August 4, 1983

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Sincerely,

ANNE HIGGINS
Special Assistant to the
President and Director
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✓ Enclose small photograph return to Mrs. Clinger

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AVH

Anne -
As you can
see I didn't auto-sign
the little photo and did the Big
one instead. Here's a
draft - Let me know.
— Lovey

*Leslie
be sure
return
the
photo
autograph*

*Be sure to read my letter
and this clipping I'd like to get back.
Ladonia Church
2807 So Mulberry St
mumie Ind 47302
turn over*

Welch to succeed Jones as GE chairman April 1

John F. Welch, Jr. will succeed Reginald H. Jones as General Electric chairman and chief executive officer April 1, when Jones plans to begin his retirement.

Jones announced Dec. 19 that the Board of Directors had named Welch chairman-elect effective Jan. 1.

Jones, whose GE career spans 41 years, has been GE chairman since 1972 when he succeeded Fred J. Borch in GE's top post.

Welch, 45, joined General Electric in 1960. In 1979 he was elected a director, vice chairman and executive officer, and a member of the four-man Corporate Executive Office which is responsible for overall management of the worldwide businesses of the company.

John F. Burlingame and Edward E. Hood, Jr. will continue as vice chairmen of the board and executive officers but since Jan. 1, they have had increased responsibilities for realigned operations and staff functions and will report to the chairman-elect.

The realigned responsibilities are



John F. Welch Jr. assumes top GE executive post.

International Sector, Power Systems Sector, Utah International Inc., Corporate Planning and Development Staff, and Corporate Relations Staff.

- Reporting to Hood will be Consumer Products and Services Sector, Industrial Products and Components Sector, Technical Systems and Materials Sector, Corporate

*This was taken at Broadway plant
and Ronald Reagan was at Winter St plant
between Winter St. & Anthony St. when I worked
when he came there to meet people.*



Please mail back to me

We knew him when . . . *General Electric*

Next Tuesday Ronald Reagan, shown touring Fort Wayne GE plants in 1954, will become the first member of Elex to be inaugurated president of the United States. Reagan may have long since forgotten receiving his honorary life membership in the Fort Wayne GE women's club, but what Elex member can forget? This photograph published in the Nov. 2, 1954 **News Sentinel** shows Reagan visiting the Broadway location. From left are: Rose Myers (maiden name), Goldie Lehman, Reagan, Trudy Wolf, Pat (Hoover) Gray, Peg Houston and Leota (Smith) Ware. Goldie still works at GE in graphic reproduction, Building 8-2; Leota works at Taylor Street order service. Goldie remembers, "It really was a big deal," but she didn't idolize Reagan, who was then star and host of "General Electric Theatre" on television. Leota ("Lee") recalls, "Everyone was going overboard. We had never seen a movie star before, but he was a very ordinary person and we all had a nice visit."

Elex February calendar

*Please read my letter as I talk of a picture
of you and Joan Leslie in 400 I'd like for
you to sign but am not sure*

April 26, 1983

Dear Friend:

I was so pleased to get your call about the Snap Shot of Black & White that I feel great privilege to have ask and receive the Autograph of Pres. Regan hand write. Since I failed to bring it to work with me the day he visited L.E. Plants. I want to thank you for trying to find me here & finally did. A friend of mine mailed it to me during the war II when this film was being made and he took the picture and mailed it to me. When Regan was in St. Wayne. We then lived in Markle - I worked at L.E. & my husband at International Harvester. After his death late 1975 Jan 1977 I sold & moved back to Muncie - Thanks again

Love & Prayers
Ladocia Clinger

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Dear President (multi views) Nancy
(TD?) I heard your speech over NRB
and your deliverance was heart warming. And to say in
the manner you did about God, Christ and this wared condition
you do have to know and have known about God before you took
over Stewardship of our nation - we know too or better quickly
say I know. What goes on is not always of your agreement.
I could see in your Government speech, that night, those who
sit just behind where you stood, - had the ^{look} look one far sure
of pure determination on his face. You'd better say it the way we
say. for it was not an angry look but very much not
pleasant look. Now why can't the very rich people have from
their income and their interest removed from them. As we working
class of people have had to have pensions, Insurance & withheld
taxes since they started it. I've paid until I retired Social Security
since 1936 - ^{also} - and remove all this from High Salaries people
now and go back as far as 1960 - Then was my first time
to hear the Cabinet had voted themselves \$10,000.00 raise and my
husband and I ^{together} both at that time we weren't getting \$12,000.00
It's quite an invasion on people's lives & welfare. & yes it's mandatory
So many are getting from S.S. Welfare & live high on the hog - who if one
only works. Has can this S.S. be so misused - to many who never drew a pay
check, adopted children's ^{prisoners} parents receive it. Well Mr. Reagan. I am not
sending the snap shot taken of you and Joan Leslie sitting on Harroke
steps in California in the 40's & I failed to bring that picture to the
plant at Winter Street to have you to Autograph for me. a boy
friend of mine mailed it to me and said he was in part of the
march during the part where groups of soldiers were in the
march. But they took out the part that his group was in. So I'm
not sure that you will even read this. So I'm not sending the
snap shot unless I hear from you that you'll autograph it.
I received one letter from ^{you} But feel sure you knew not anything
about it. Mrs. Sadacia Clinger - 2807 S. Mulberry, Muncie, Ind. 47302 telephone 317-288-4517

REQUEST FOR PHOTO/MAILING

(PLEASE TYPE)

30 Aug 88

(Date)

TO: MARY INGALS
CORRESPONDENCE OFFICE, Room 94, OEQB, Ext. 7610

FROM: Kathleen Conway Room 185 Ext. 7565

Description of photograph or photo number C4713931

ATTACH PHOTO IF OTHER THAN OFFICIAL PORTRAIT

TO: CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW SECTION, Room 76, Ext. 2916

PHOTO TO BE SIGNED BY: The President

☒ Return to originating office. TYPE NAME & ADDRESS OF RECIPIENT BELOW

☐ Photograph is to be mailed.

Attach mailing label, any correspondence and include typed address here:

NAME: Joan Leslie

ORGANIZATION: The American Film Institute

STREET: P.O. Box 27999, 2021 North Western Avenue

CITY/STATE: Los Angeles, CA 90027

INSCRIBE TO: Joan Leslie

MESSAGE SHOULD READ:

☒ With best wishes

☐ Congratulations and best wishes

DO NOT PACKAGE PHOTO. DO NOT SEND IT TO THE MAIL ROOM.



*To Joan Leslie
With best wishes, Ronald Reagan*