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September 25, 1975

The Hon. Lila Cockrell,
Mayor of San Antonio,
San Antonio, Texas 78205.

Dear Lila:

One of the main reasons I am upset about the cancellation of the Mayors' visit is that you didn't get to come here. I had been looking forward to seeing you, and so had Henrietta Morris. I respect the action taken, but on a personal basis I would love to have seen you here.

Pardon my delay in answering your letter of July 25*, but I have just returned to China from consultations in Washington.

Yours very truly,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

(*which didn't arrive here until September 17)



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78205

LILA COCKRELL
MAYOR

she didn't come

July 25, 1975.

The Honorable George Bush
Chief Liaison Officer
17 Guanglua Road
Peking, People's Republic
of China

SEP 17 1975

Dear Ambassador Bush:

I am very proud to have been selected as one of 14 U. S. Mayors to visit the People's Republic of China in September. The trip is being made under the auspices of the National Committee on United States-China Relations, Inc., and the U. S. Conference of Mayors. ~~We will be touring Chinese cities and meeting with urban leaders.~~

We will be arriving in Peking, September 15th. I hope there will be time in your schedule to permit a visit while I am there. I am looking forward to the trip and would appreciate an opportunity to meet with you.

Sincerely,

Lila Cockrell

LILA COCKRELL
Mayor

LC/bh

cc: Miss Henrietta Morris
17 Guanglua Road
Peking, People's Republic
of China



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78205

LILA COCKRELL
MAYOR

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October 7, 1975

Mr. George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office
Peking, People's Republic of China

Dear Mr. Bush:

Thank you for your warm note of September 25th. I, too was disappointed in the cancellation. I was particularly looking forward to visiting with you.

We have been informed we will be contacted for any future Mayor's trip. In the event that happens, I will contact you again.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lila Cockrell

LILA COCKRELL
Mayor

LC/bh

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Honorable George Bush
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Peking, Peoples Republic of China

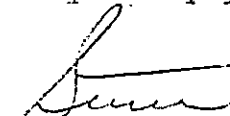
Dear George,

I spoke this date with Ab Hermon in Washington, D.C. regarding the possibility of having Mary Louise Smith as a guest speaker for the Dallas County Republican Men's Club. During the conversation, Ab told me that you had been quite ill in the past few weeks. I hope by the time this correspondence reaches you that you will be fit again and in your usual good health.

All things are good in Dallas at this time. The D.C.R.M.C. is progressing day by day and is currently sporting a membership well in excess of 400 persons. In the next few months I have planned to have such speakers as Congressman John Rhodes, the Mayoral candidates in Dallas, Mrs. Mary Louise Smith, and we are even being carried on President Ford's invitation list for consideration should an opportunity arise during a trip to the South. I truly hope Mr. Ford can find it in his schedule, as it would be of great aid to the Party in Dallas County.

My best wishes to you and Mrs. Bush as the both of you go about your duties in Peking.

Very truly yours,



Stephen A. Coke

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Inter-American
Relations

John H. [Signature]
Don A. [Signature]

NOTE TO MEMBERS

Jack Cates recently asked to be relieved of administrative duties at the Center in order to concentrate on the important task of surveying attitudes in Latin America about critical issues in U.S.-Latin American relations. The Board of Directors has complied with this request and I am delighted that this new assignment for Jack is one to which he is so well suited.

We were fortunate to find a highly qualified new President for the Center. Roger Stone is a former journalist and banker with considerable experience in Latin America, including a three-year assignment as Rio de Janeiro Bureau Chief for Time Magazine. Most recently he spent three months preparing a feasibility study for a thirteen-hour television series on Latin America. I hope we will be able to take on the production of the series he has recommended as a new major project for the Center. Roger has been actively functioning as the Center's president since last week, and looks forward to meeting those of you whom he does not already know..

For your further information, I have attached a copy of a press release which is being issued this week.

Emilio G. Collado
Chairman of the Board

April 29, 1975

Attachment

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 29, 1975

CENTER FOR INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS ANNOUNCES

THE APPOINTMENT OF ROGER D. STONE AS PRESIDENT

David Rockefeller, Honorary Chairman, and Emilio G. Collado, Chairman of the Board of the Center for Inter-American Relations, are pleased to announce the election of Roger D. Stone as President of the Center, effective April 22.

Mr. Stone, who most recently spent three months working on a feasibility study for a thirteen-hour television series about Latin America, was formerly Vice President in charge of the Communications Division, International Department, Chase Manhattan Bank. Prior to joining Chase in 1970, Mr. Stone served as Assistant to the President of Time Incorporated and as a Time Magazine correspondent with assignments in San Francisco and Paris in addition to Rio de Janeiro where he spent three years (1964-67) as Bureau Chief. He is a former U.S. Naval Aviator and a 1955 graduate of Yale University, where he was chairman of the Yale Daily News.

The Center for Inter-American Relations, a non-profit, membership organization located in a New York City Landmark Building, has approximately 600 members from some 20 countries within the Western Hemisphere. The purpose of the Center is to provide a forum and common ground for those concerned with political, economic, cultural and social activity in the Americas. The Board of Directors includes representatives from several Latin American countries. The Center was recently granted special status by the United Nations as an independent international organization.

John M. Cates, Jr., the Center's previous president, had asked to be relieved of administrative duties in order to concentrate on a special Center survey of Latin American attitudes about critical issues in U.S.-Latin American relations. He remains a Director of the Center.

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January 17, 1975

Ambassador George H. Bush
5161 Palisade Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20016

Dear Ambassador Bush:

As a fellow Yale Alumnus I am writing to invite you to speak to a formal dinner or luncheon gathering of the San Francisco Yale Club. We, of course, would be very honored if you would accept our invitation.

By way of background I should note that the San Francisco Yale Club has been in existence for many decades. Despite the presence of 1800 Yale Alumni in the San Francisco Bay Area, however, attempts prior to 1974 to set up a regular schedule of luncheon or dinner meetings rarely attracted more than a dozen alumni. Several months ago a group of San Francisco Alumni - both young and old - volunteered to try to overcome this alumni vacuum. As a result we have instituted monthly luncheons which occur on the first Wednesday of each month and which have been enthusiastically attended.

As a part of the Yale Club's rejuvenation, I volunteered to explore the possibility of inviting extraordinarily distinguished Yale Alumni to serve as guest speakers to our Club during their visits to San Francisco. Obviously, we think that a speaker of your distinction will serve as a magnet to attract our fellow alumni back to meetings and activities which provide not only the excitement of listening to prominent speakers, but also the enjoyment of communicating once again with each other.

With our invitation we are able to offer you the camaraderie, intellectual curiosity and enthusiasm of our members. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer transportation expenses or other honorariums. Consequently, we hope you

Ambassador George H. Bush
January 17, 1975
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would be able to speak to our group on a date when you travel to San Francisco for some other occasion. The Club would require very little advance notice (at a minimum seven to ten days) in the event you chose to speak at a luncheon arranged in your behalf. If you chose the first Wednesday of a month, we would require even less notice since that date would coincide with our regular monthly luncheon. On the other hand we would prefer to arrange a more widely attended dinner on your behalf for which we would need at a minimum one month's advance notice. Of course, we are most flexible regarding the date and time of your talk and the topic itself, depending on your schedule while in the Bay Area.

On behalf of San Francisco Yale Club I urge you to accept our open ended invitation. Thank you for your consideration and reply.

Very sincerely yours,



Stephen E. Clark
Speakers Committee
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April 1, 1975

Mr. George Bush
United States Liaison Office
Kuang Hua Lu, 17, Peking
People's Republic of China

Dear Mr. Bush:

Thank you very much for your very kind response to my invitation to speak to the Yale Club of San Francisco. Again, I would mention that the invitation is open ended and would not require a great deal of advance notice. We would provide you with a receptive and inquisitive audience as well as with a friendly atmosphere of Yale.

Please contact me if ever you are able to accept.

Sincerely yours,


Stephen E. Clark

SEC:dw

cc: Mr. George Hale
Mr. Meyer Friedman

UNITED STATES LIAISON OFFICE
Peking, People's Republic of China

May 30, 1975

The Honorable James M. Collins,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C. 20515.

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your great letter of May 6th which brought me up-to-date on national and Texas politics. One can certainly get out of touch way over here in China. I was interested in what you said about Steelman and also interested in the strength you perceive Reagan to have in the South. Rog Morton was out here the other day, and we had a good chance to talk politics, but, Jim, it is unbelievable how fast one gets out of touch.

If you get an opportunity in the next few months to write again, I would really appreciate it.

In the meantime, the Bushes are getting along fine over here and enjoying our new life, but we miss Texas and politics.

Love to Dee.

Warm regards,

George Bush

JAMES M. COLLINS
THIRD DISTRICT, TEXAS

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May 6, 1975

Ambassador George Bush
Chief, U.S. Liaison Office
Peking, Peoples Republic of China
% Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear George:

The first signs of 1976 being an election year are beginning to turn up. Charlie Wilson is running hard as a Democrat for Senator from Texas. His thinking is that Bentsen will be elected Vice President and then he wants to step in like Tower did after Lyndon Johnson. Very confidentially, I understand that Steelman is thinking of running as a Republican. He is doubtful of his chances of holding his seat in Congress and is considering moving up to the Senate. He has made several state wide speaking engagements.

I would like to run for the Senate as it would be my last shot. But looking at it from a pragmatic viewpoint, I cannot see the averages for me to consider it.

As you know, Texas passed that law again that makes it possible for Bentsen to run both as Vice President and President and as a Senator. I cannot see Lloyd getting the number one spot. He is running a vigorous campaign and his conservative image will help him get the number two spot. In my book he will end up being the number two on the Democratic ticket.

One other development has been the growing strength of Reagan in the South. Last week Clark Reed told me that Reagan would carry every state in the South in a Republican Convention. He is right. I think Reagan would also carry all the Western states in a Republican Convention. All of President Ford's liberal nominations to the cabinet have had a cooling effect in the South. His \$25 Billion tax boondoggle was very unpopular with

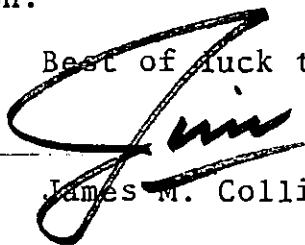
Southern leadership. Rockefeller taking a stand on the filibuster which clipped the Southern position was very, very unpopular.

The radio and television shows that Reagan has been using, are having a strong impact. Reagan is touring the Country on a regular basis and his fund raisers are well attended. He is raising money for local Republican efforts so he is a most welcome person. John Tower is standing with Ford. I am still 100% behind President Ford as a person, but his advisors have really cooled me down on his policies.

There is no question that Jerry Ford will be the Republican nominee. Wallace is the big strange power to be reckoned with. No one has any firm idea on the Democrat choice.

Congress passes every spending bill. I am convinced the 1976 Deficit will top \$100 Billion. No one seems to worry about Inflation.

Best of luck to you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jim', written over a horizontal line.

James M. Collins, M.C.

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July 21, 1975

Ambassador George Bush
Chief, U.S. Liaison Office
Peking, PRC
c/o Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear George:

I just heard that Gregg Petersmeyer was coming by to visit you. You run the best hotel West of San Francisco. And because of the Bush hospitality, everybody has been heading out to China.

Things look much better for the Republicans since Ford became more conservative and vetoes most everything. He is getting stronger and stronger.

The general feeling continues that he has solid Republican support. But he is going to be challenged by Reagan. And Connally is moving to the front to start speaking everywhere.

I do not quite understand Reagan's position because everyone knows that this incumbent President leads the party. But Bo Callaway has made it clear to everyone that Rockefeller is not an automatic choice. The other day in North Dallas they took an opinion poll of 800 Republicans as to who they would prefer for President. Only 1% named Rockefeller. He is really cold in the South.

When Reagan had his banquet in Dallas, they had 1,200 out. He is a great campaigner and his conservative "Balance the Budget" message appeals strongly.

On July 31, Connally is getting back in full momentum. He has been speaking here and there in the Country, but on July 31 he is holding a big banquet in Houston. Tickets are being sold state-wide and are priced from \$25 to \$1,000. He is going to use this money to carry his message around the Nation. He has not taken any specific position but he is getting exposure to keep him in front of the American people.

A couple of weeks ago, we elected a new State Republican Chairman. They chose the best legislator we had, who is

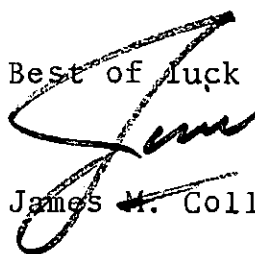
Ray Hutchison from Dallas. He is a most able young lawyer. Connally supported him and took an interest in it. I was interested to see that he wrote a letter raising money for Connally's dinner.

Hutchison filled the vacancy created by Jack Warren who was forced to resign. The women of Texas brought it on when Jack got his divorce and married his pretty young secretary. John Tower continues to control the state organization. He took over the resignation and saw to it that Hutchison was elected. But Hutchison is independent. He is his own man. They say Ray plans to be the Republican candidate for governor in 1978.

Briscoe is the most popular man in Texas today which is amazing to everyone. He has been a do-nothing governor and so no one is mad at him. But Briscoe announced the other day that he plans to be the candidate for reelection. Have you reviewed Bentsen's voting record? When he ran against you he said he was conservative--but he has become very Liberal as he runs for President. Businessmen are getting cold on him but his good press has kept him favorable in Texas.

This Congress is the most confused group that ever assembled. We work very hard and stay very busy. We pass a bill one week and two months later we change it completely. Committees are in session every morning and every afternoon. Most members have three committee meetings simultaneously. The press has been on the Congress for doing nothing. As a result of this needling, they just run in haste in every direction.

Best of luck to you,



James M. Collins, M.C.

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May 20, 1975

Miss Colwell,
c/o Mr. Richard W. Jencks,
Vice President,
CBS/Washington,
1990 M Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20036.

Dear Miss Colwell:

You are the kind person that sent me the invitation for the CBS tennis tournament on May 6th. That was good news.

Now for the bad news: the invitation mailed April 3rd reached me today.

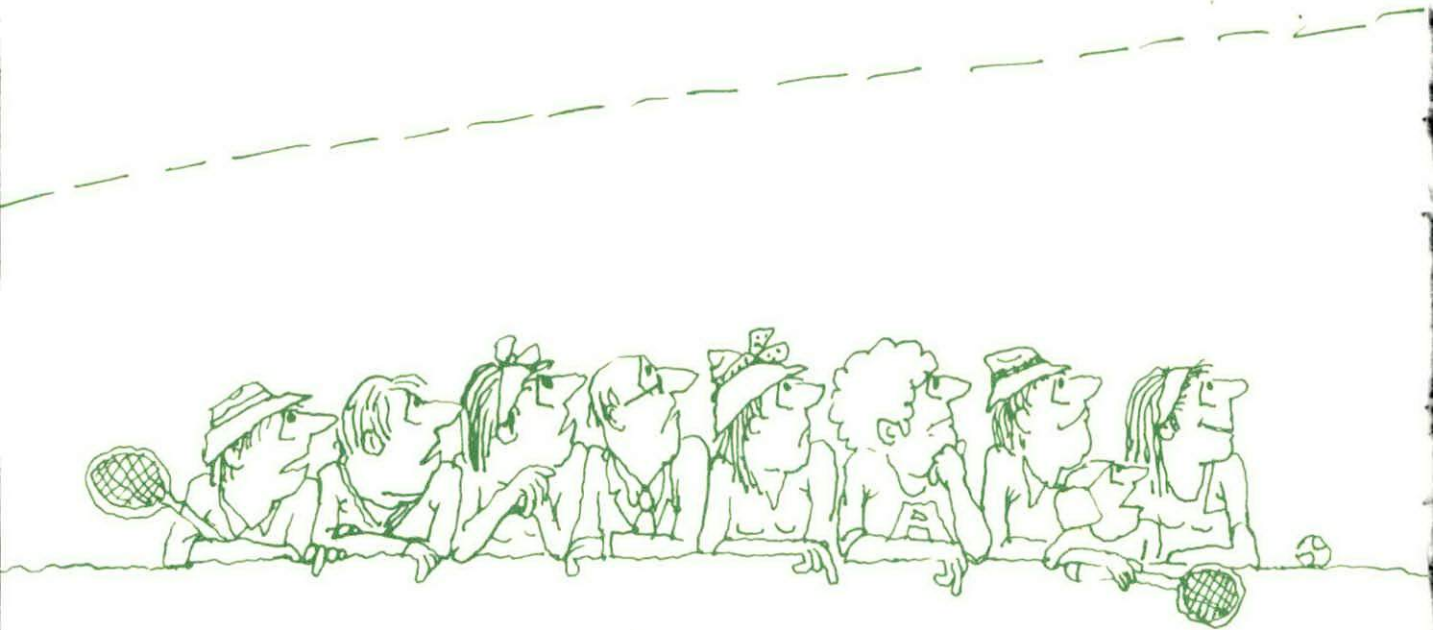
Now for the worst news: that means I will find it difficult to defend the championship that Pierpoint and I won against overwhelming odds last year. Is there no justice? Please Jencks it will take me a while to recover from this, and please tell Pierpoint I am a little sore at him for not giving me advance notice. Who knows, I might have been able to wing it back for the big event.

Last year's silver bowl is sitting happily on my table in the Peking office, 5 minutes from the Great Square of the People, 5 minutes from the Forbidden City, 35 minutes from the Summer Palace, and an hour and a half from the Great Wall. Just think of it!

Warm regards,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office





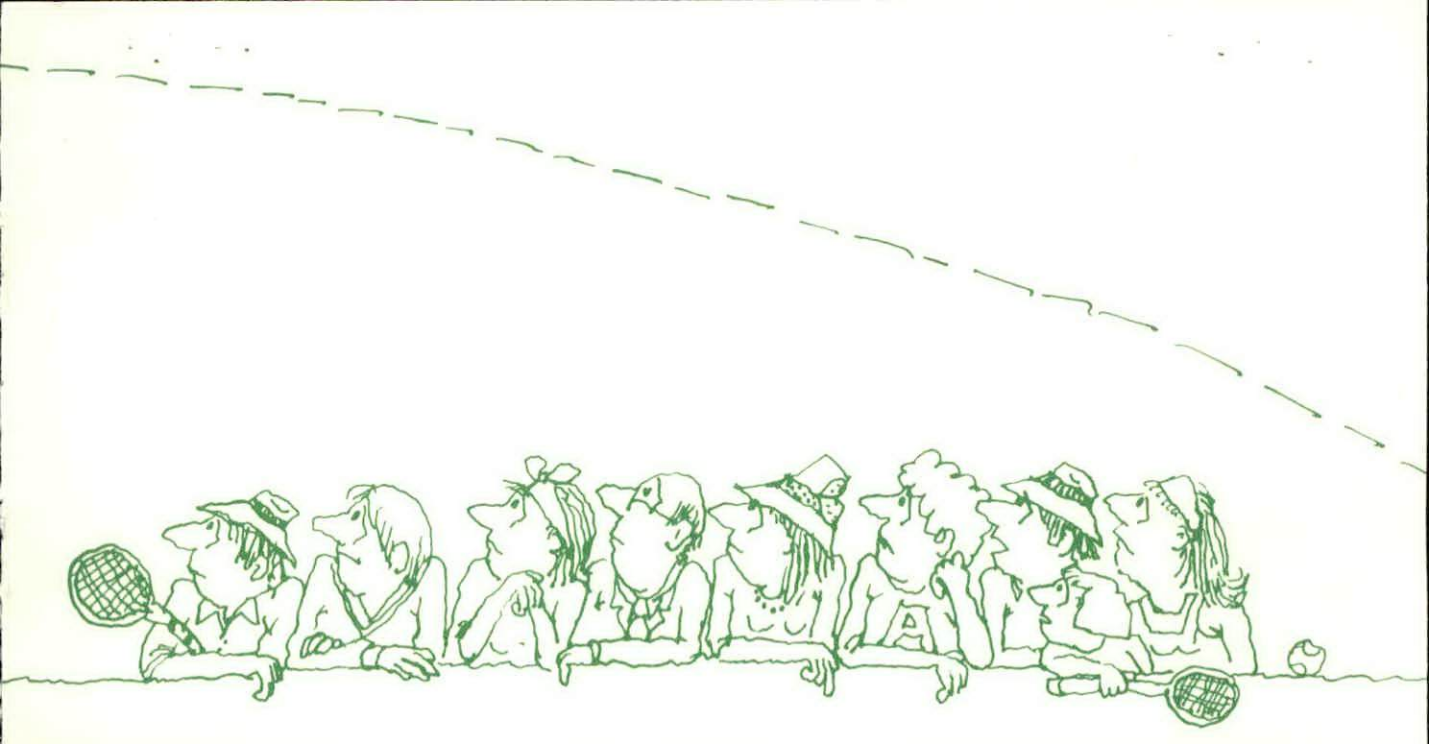


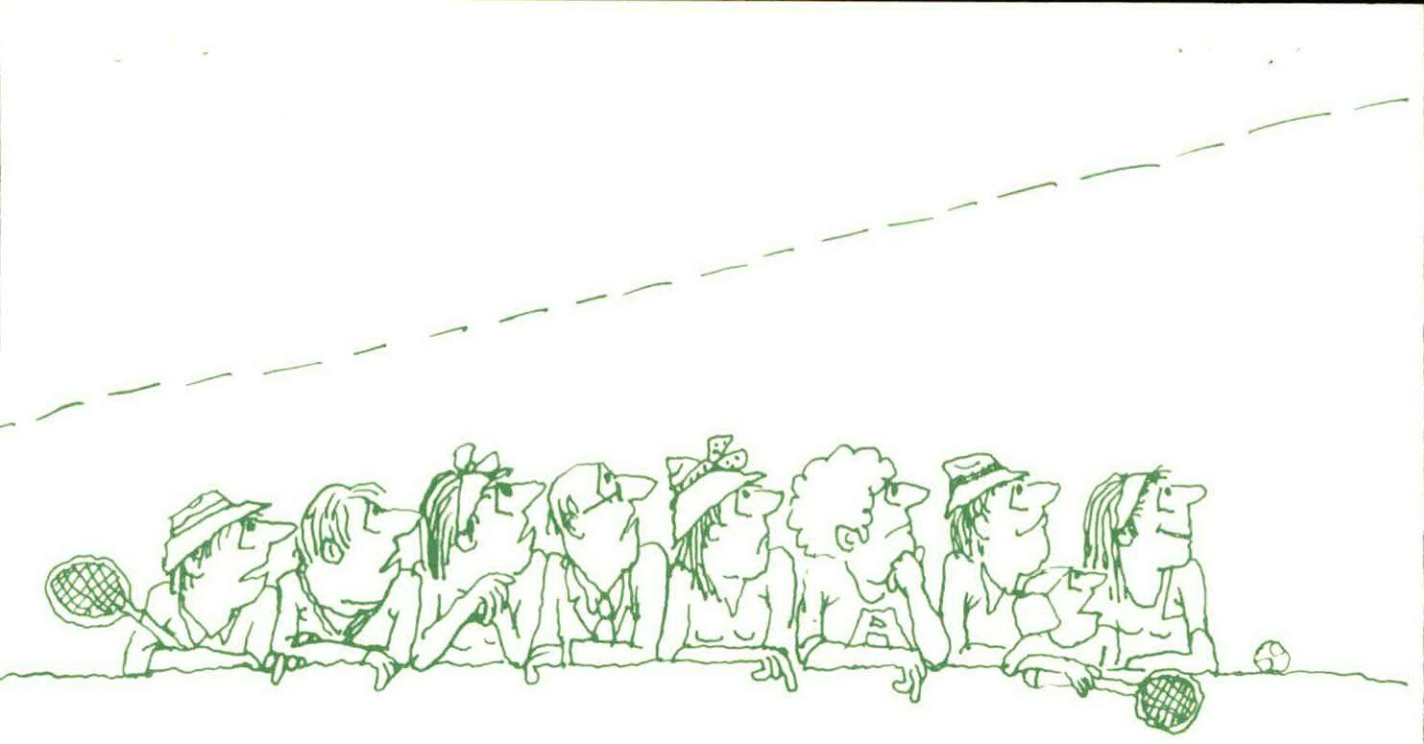
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Vice President, CBS/Washington
cordially invites

George Bush
(see back cover for special note)



to participate in
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RSVP Miss Colwell 296-1234
by April 15

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Salute To John Connally Dinner Menu

Shrimp Cocktail

Crisp Mixed Green Salad, Tomato Wedge Vinaigrette

U.S. Choice 12-Oz. Broiled Sirloin Strip With Mushroom Sauce

Delmonico Potatoes

French Cut Green Beans Almondine

California Burgundy Wine

Black Forest Cake

Coffee

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December 23, 1975

Dear Bill:

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Thanks a million.

Yours very truly,

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To John H. ~~James~~
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March 28, 1975

then to my
personal file

Mr. George Bush
United States Liaison Office
Kuang Hua Lu, 17, Peking
People's Republic of China

Dear George:

Thank you for your note of March 9 and it was a great pleasure hearing from you.

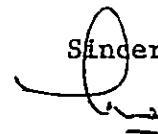
I don't know when I will ever get back to China, but if I ever do, you may rest assured I will be by to see you and of course, will let you know prior to my arrival.

The recently cancelled 600,000 tons of wheat with China: In our judgment, they did not need the wheat, and second, we thought there was some desire on their part to conserve foreign exchange.

As you know, they are physically and financially very conservative. In any event, their commercial ethics in cancellation negotiations were impeccable.

Hope all is well with you. Best wishes to Barbara and hope to see both of you soon.

Sincerely,



Edward W. Cook
Chairman of the Board

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USLO Peking,
Department of State,
Washington, D.C. 20520.

April 1, 1975

Mr. Dana M. Cotton,
7816 Sanderling Road,
Sarasota, Florida 33581.

Dear Mr. Cotton:

I am happy to submit the attached
letter of reference on behalf of my
friend, Edward A. Curran.

Thank you for your letter of March
19, and thank you for your kind words
about my service here in Peking.

Sincerely yours,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

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USLO Peking,
Department of State,
Washington, D.C. 20520.

April 1, 1975

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have known Edward A. Curran for many years and I can recommend him without reservation as to his character and abilities. I have seen him in action at both St. John's School and the National Cathedral School. In both places he was extremely popular and effective. He and his most charming wife, Nancy, are an ideal couple.

I would be happy to answer any questions that this letter might bring to mind.

I am an enthusiastic supporter of Edward A. Curran.

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

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March 19, 1975

Ambassador George Bush
Chief, U.W. Liaison Office
Peking, Peoples Republic of China
c/o Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

My dear Ambassador Bush:

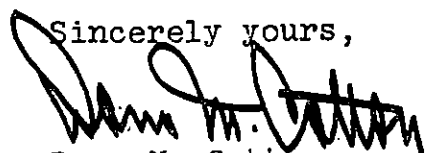
It has been my privilege to know Edward A. Curran for over ten years, and as an Educational Consultant I am sincerely interested in his future professional plans. In talking with Ed on the phone, he suggested that I communicate with you for a written reference.

At your convenience, I will appreciate having a statement which I can use in Ed's behalf. Thank you very much for your understanding the spirit in which I am writing this letter.

In closing, Sir, may I say that I am one of the citizens of this country who is most grateful for the service you are rendering this nation and the world.

Wishing you and your family a joyous Easter,
I am

Sincerely yours,



Dana M. Cotton
7816 Sanderling Rd.
Sarasota, Fl. 33581

April 24, 1975

Mr. Norman Cousins,
Saturday Review,
380 Madison Avenue,
New York, N.Y. 10017.

Dear Norman:

The best thing to do on a visa is to continue to plug away through the PRCLO in Washington. I have regretfully found that there is nothing we can do on this end to expedite visas. It is an enormous frustration to me, since we get jillions of requests. I would suggest you call Mr. Oscar Armstrong at the State Department (x26300) for assistance, but in all frankness our PRC Desk also has little influence over the visa issuing process.

Life here continues fascinating in every way. Barbara and I are enormously happy. If you get your visas, we would love to share our lives with you, Ellen, and Carl Schaeffer.

Warm regards,

George Bush

bcc: Oscar Armstrong, EA/PRCM, Dept of State

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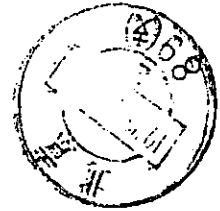
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AMBASSADOR GEORGE BUSH UNITED STATES

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APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN EXPEDITING VISAS TO VISIT CHINA FOR MY WIFE
ELLEN COUSINS MY FRIEND AND BOARD MEMBER CARL SCHAEFFER AND MYSELF IN
MAY 1975 PLEASE ADVISE IF POSSIBLE

REGARDS

NORMAN COUSINS SATURDAY REVIEW

COLL LT 1975

From the Desk of

GEORGE BUSH

SENT IT serial comming

Norman Cousins c/o Shinbashi Restaurant 280 Park
New York City.

We are digging a hole in our yard hoping to ^{emerge} ~~come out~~
near the Shinbashi ^{in time} ~~in time~~ to say happy Birthday.
Love from Peking.

Barbara and George Bush

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December 16, 1975

Dear Marshall:

Thank you for your letter of November 26th. Had I known you were a Chinese cook I would have pressed you into service over there in Peking. Thanks for the offer of the dinner. I hope we can take you up on it. Sorry we didn't see more of you there.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. Marshall B. Coyne
President
The Madison
Fifteenth & M Streets, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20005

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*Office of the President
Marshall B. Coyne*

November 26, 1975

Dear George:

I was delighted to see you, although it was most brief. I could understand the pressures you were under with the Secretary and his staff being there.

I also wish to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your new assignment, and hope to see more of you when you get to Washington. I have a Chinese family that lives with me, and we will arrange to have a Chinese meal for you and have some of your friends in, so that you don't get too lonesome for Chinese food when you get back to Washington.

Warm regards,

The Honorable
George Bush
Ambassador of the United States
American Embassy
Peking
The People's Republic of China

December 3, 1975

Mr. Earle M. Craig, Jr.,
501 Midland National Bank Building,
Midland, Texas 79701.

Dear Earle:

Thank you for your letter with its
expressed concern about the energy situation.
Unfortunately, it arrived just as the President
got to about 22,000 feet.

We miss you and Dottie.

You are right when you say the CIA may
not be the best move for me personally, but
that clearly isn't the question. It is a
tough one, but I'm ready.

Warm regards,

George Bush

EARLE M. CRAIG, JR.
501 MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701
915-682-8244

20 November 1975

Ambassador George H. W. Bush
USLO
Peking Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear George:

When the President is in China soon, I know you will have some private time with him. Please urge him to veto the proposed bill to roll back domestic crude oil prices.

My reasoning is set forth in the enclosed letter which I have just sent to David Emery, and the editorial from an Albuquerque newspaper. Please do what you can. Our industry needs your help.

We see Georgie often, and are thrilled and delighted to have — him here in Midland. Dottie and I are embarrassed however that we still have not entertained him in our home. Needless to say, we have invited him many times, but he is very popular and always on the go. We will keep trying.

Sandy will be married next weekend in San Francisco to a young architect whom she met there. The reception will be in one of the ball rooms of the Fairmont Hotel. You can imagine that Dottie is busy with preparations.

We surely support you for the CIA if you want it, but I am not at all sure it is your and our best move.

Dottie and I think of you and Bar often, and we send our love and best wishes to you both.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

EARLE M. CRAIG, JR.
501 MIDLAND NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701
915-682-8244

19 November 1975

Honorable David F. Emery
425 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear David:

Last week my associates in a joint venture and I discontinued an extensive geological survey of northern Kansas and cancelled an exploratory program there which would have consisted of probably four or five test wells. The reason for this cancellation is that, with the legislative roll-back of domestic oil prices, we simply will not have the money to pay for that exploration program.

This small example of cancellation of domestic exploration will be duplicated many thousands of times I am sure because of the roll-back, and it will mean that your constituents in Maine rather than buying some future oil from Kansas will buy it from the OPEC nations, paying whatever price, both monetary and political, that the OPEC can extract.

The price roll back will reduce my gross income about 14%. Since expenses are almost constant, I estimate it will reduce my net income available for exploration by between 20% to 25%. My position is very typical, and I am sure those figures will apply generally to the entire industry. Unquestionably our industry will have to cut back about 25% on exploration, and soon Maine (and the entire nation) will be importing much more than the 39% of its oil requirements which it is now importing.

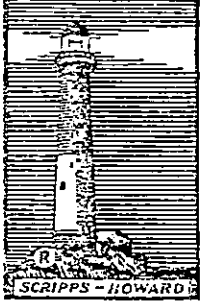
Earlier this month I spent about two weeks in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. I talked with many people and gave them figures such as I have cited above, and they were all appalled. They all asked why does Congress vote for a short-sighted energy policy like that. Obviously I had no good answer to that question.

I do hope you will bear all of this in mind and talk with your associates about freeing this nation from increased dependence upon foreign oil as you consider the current roll-back legislation now before Congress.

All best regards.

Sincerely,

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Congress' energy flimflam

With its eye fixed firmly on the 1976 election, Congress has decided on an energy bill that is good politics and bad national policy.

And what may be worse, President Ford, who knows better, is reported by his aides to be leaning toward signing Congress' handiwork.

The measure treats Americans like economic illiterates, believing that they will be so grateful for temporarily cheaper gasoline that they will overlook long-term damage to the country.

If Ford swallows the bill, it would promptly roll back the average price of a barrel of domestic crude oil by 12 per cent, from the present level of \$8.75 to \$7.66.

That is designed to cut the price of gasoline by 3.5 cents a gallon. Under its complicated provisions, the bill would keep gas prices down until the election is safely past. Then they would start rising and would be 3.5 cents above today's prices when price controls expire in 40 months.

* * *

The plan is an ingenious one to allow congressmen to posture as champions of the consumer and promote the re-election of as many

as possible. But it would be harmful in at least three major ways.

By artificially lowering gasoline prices, it would encourage consumption when conservation should be the watchword.

By cutting the oil industry's income, which is already slipping, it would cause a drop in exploration and a faster decline in domestic oil production.

As a result of using more fuel and producing less, this country would have to import more high-priced foreign oil, now 40 per cent of overall consumption.

Inevitably we would become more dependent on the pricing and supply whims of the OPEC cartel and more vulnerable to another embargo.

Apart from its basic flaws, the measure contains a number of useful provisions. These include requiring Detroit to produce more fuel-efficient cars; setting energy standards for household appliances; building up an oil reserve to protect against an embargo, and helping small coal operators to increase output.

Such steps toward a sensible energy policy show that Congress can do better on the oil-price issue — if President Ford vetoes its flimflam and demands an honest bill.



james

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There is a lot of talk now about how Supreme Court will change with Mr. Just Douglas gone and a more conservative put in his place, but there is no more business in public life than trying to guess who will be appointed to fill a vacancy on court or what will happen when she goes there. That is not a typographical error, merely an indiscretion.

The speculation on the press when Mr. Douglas was appointed to the Supreme Court more than 36 years ago was that President Roosevelt would choose Sen. Lewis Schwellenbach of the state of Washington, because Schwellenbach was a prominent liberal from the West.

Whereas Douglas, who came from the same state, was at that time teaching at Yale and was regarded as an Easterner who was identified with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Disturbing testimony



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November 13, 1975

The House/Senate Conference Committee has adopted an oil pricing plan which the Administration has indicated it may accept with minor changes. In effect, this plan freezes the price of old oil and immediately rolls back the price of new and stripper oil by about \$2 per barrel. Longer term the measure will reduce the price of new oil even further as the volume of production of old oil inevitably declines. Any hope of developing substantial new domestic oil reserves will be dashed and the domestic oil industry will be subjected to the debilitating effect of Federal bureaucratic regulation for the foreseeable future.

This measure constitutes a decision to stifle new domestic oil development, to encourage gasoline consumption, and to rely ever more heavily on higher priced foreign oil. Such a decision will encourage further price increases by foreign producers and have far-reaching balance of payments, inflationary and foreign policy implications. Election year politics are no excuse for this type of legislation.

If you agree, please let the White House and your elected representative know by telegram today of your opposition to this measure. The time is short and the stakes are large for this country and for all of us.

J. Hugh Liedtke,
Chairman,
Pennzoil Company

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HOUSE AND SENATE CONFEREES HAVE AGREED TO A PRICE ROLLBACK ON DOMESTIC CRUDE WHICH IS BASICALLY THE SAME AS THE AGREEMENT TENTATIVELY REACHED LAST WEEK. THE AGREEMENT, IF SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT, WILL INCREASE CONSUMPTION OF OIL AND GAS AND INCREASE OUR RELIANCE ON IMPORTS TO MAKE UP THE SUPPLY DEFICIT. INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATION HAVE INDICATED THAT THE FEA WILL RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT THAT HE SIGN THE BILL.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU ACT NOW TO URGE A VETO OF THE BILL.

THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF THE COMPROMISE PRICING POLICY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. A DOMESTIC COMPOSITE CRUDE PRICE OF \$7.66 APPLICABLE TO ALL DOMESTIC OIL. (IF OLD CRUDE REMAINS AT \$5.25, NEW CRUDE COULD SELL FOR \$11.28.) THE ONL- CATEGORY OF OIL THAT MIGHT BE EXCEPTED FROM THE COMPOSITE PRICE CEILING IS ALASKAN CRUDE AND THAT DECISION IS DEFERRED UNTIL FEBRUARY OF 1977.
2. THE STRIPPER PRODUCTION PROVISION DESCRIBED TO YOU LAST WEEK HAS BEEN DELETED, BUT STRIPPER PRODUCTION MUST RECEIVE THE HIGHEST PRICE ALLOWED FOR ANY OIL.
3. A MAXIMUM UPWARD ADJUSTMENT IN THE \$7.66 PER BARREL PRICE CEILING OF TEN PERCENT PER YEAR WOULD BE PERMITTED, IF JUSTIFIED, AS A RESULT OF INFLATION OR INCENTIVES REQUIRED FOR HIGH COST OR HIGH RISK PRODUCTION SUBJECT TO DISAPPROVAL BY EITHER HOUSE.
4. THIS PRICING POLICY WOULD CONTINUE IN EFFECT FOR FORTY MONTHS AND THEN CONVERT TO STANDBY AUTHORITY.

LET THE PRESIDENT KNOW NOW WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS POLICY WILL BE FOR THE COUNTRY AND HOW IT WILL AFFECT YOUR ACTIVITIES.

WAYNE GIBBENS, PRESIDENT
MID-CONTINENT OIL & GAS ASSOCIATION

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May 7, 1975

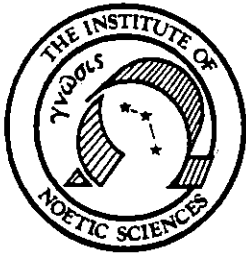
Mr. L. O. Crosby,
Secretary-Treasurer,
The Institute of Noetic Sciences,
575 Middlefield Road,
Palo Alto, California 94301.

Dear Mr. Crosby:

Thank you very much for sending me the
copy of Dr. von Braun's speech from the dinner
dedicating the Chair in the Physical Sciences
at the Institute of Noetic Sciences. It will
be a most useful addition to our USLO library.

Sincerely yours,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office



The Institute of Noetic Sciences
575 Middlefield Road
Palo Alto, California 94301
(415) 328-2340

March 11, 1975

The Honorable George Bush
U. S. Liaison Office
Peking, People's Rep. of China

Dear Ambassador Bush:

Enclosed is a copy of Dr. von Braun's speech from the dinner dedicating the Chair in the Physical Sciences at the Institute of Noetic Sciences.

We will send more materials as they become available.

Best regards,

L.O. Crosby

L. O. Crosby
Secretary-Treasurer

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*Thank you
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December 30, 1975

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of November 5th which just caught up with me in Washington, having gone to Peking and back.

I agree with everything you say about Bill Colby. He is certainly bright, imaginative, and totally dedicated. He has been fantastically thoughtful towards me.

We are glad to be home and I am really excited about this tough new job. Happy New Year to you and yours.

Sincerely,

George Bush

Mr. James E. Cross
1219 Vista del Mar
Delray Beach, Florida 33444

GB:rs

JAMES E. CROSS
1219 VISTA DEL MAR
DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA 33444

November 5th, 1975

Dear George,

Just a note to congratulate you on your new appointment. Having been in and out of the intelligence business for a long time, with the Agency and back to OSS days during the war, I'm profoundly glad that the President has fingered a man like yourself for this job. You are taking on a demanding task, for, despite all Bill Colby's efforts, the events of the past year have shaken the Shop badly. Still, with all its challenges and problems, I'm sure you will find the job satisfying and rewarding. Certainly, I can think of few more important at this time.

You may have met and known Bill Colby in the past. If not, you will find him an extremely bright, imaginative, and dedicated man. I have known him for over thirty years, and I'm sure he will do everything possible to make the transition to your leadership a smooth and easy one.

Again, congratulations and good luck.

Sincerely,

Jim

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CABLE FROM AMCONGEN HONG KONG, received in USLO on
December 6, 1975:

SUBJECT: USLO CHIEF'S DEPARTURE

FOR AMBASSADOR BUSH

As you and Barbara prepare to depart Peking to assume your key role as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, everyone at the Consulate General would like to wish you the very best of luck and express our appreciation for the close cooperation between our two Missions during your stay at USLO. The task assigned to you by the President is a tough one, but you can be certain as you head into those congressional hearings that you have a sizeable cheering section at the ConGen in Hong Kong.

Best regards. Cross.

CONSUL GENERAL
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Hong Kong, June 16, 1975

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Mr. George H. Bush
US Liaison Office
Peking

Dear George:

I am taking advantage of Chris Ballou's return to Peking to convey my most belated thanks for your wonderful hospitality last month in Peking. I know Shirley has said all this to Barbara, but I wanted to let you know myself how much it meant to see the old home town with your help. I particularly appreciated being included in the luncheon with Li Ch'ing and watching you all at work.

I tried to say this to Barbara at the Sick Duck Restaurant -- Shirley and I both feel that you are the ideal representatives for our country in Peking in this rather difficult period. We were

glad to have this sentiment universally confirmed by all the many foreign diplomats we met in Peking.

Now that you have seen the big city, I hope we can lure you down here again.

All the best, and love to Barbara,

Sincerely,

Charles

Charles T. Cross
Consul General

P.S. We just received a great collection of pictures from Tamy Bryan. They were here such a short time we weren't able to do anything for them.

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REALIZE THAT YOU HAVE NOT YET MADE UP YOUR MIND ON WHETHER YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT US AFTER YOUR CANTON FAIR DUTIES. WE, OF COURSE, HOPE THAT YOU CAN AND THAT BARBARA COULD COME TOO. IF IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO BE IN HONG KONG EVENING OCTOBER 31, WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO JOIN OUR OTHER GUESTS AT THE BICENTENNIAL BALL GIVEN THAT NIGHT BY AMERICAN COMMUNITY. IT IS A BLACK TIE AFFAIR ATTENDED BY SOME 500 AMERICAN AND PROMINENT LOCAL BUSINESSMEN WHICH WILL BE THE CULMINATION OF OUR AMERICAN FORTNIGHT TRADE DRIVE. PLEASE KEEP THIS IN MIND AND LET US KNOW ALTHOUGH, OF COURSE, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU IN ANY CASE.

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BARBARA G. CULVER
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MIDLAND COUNTY
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TELEPHONE
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October 10, 1975

Honorable George Bush
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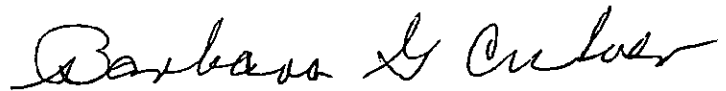
Dear George:

Please excuse me for not responding sooner to your letter. I am distressed that Carolyn Minton did not get to see you when she was in Peking and that she was disappointed. She is a good friend, and you probably knew her when you lived in Midland. She was one of my main campaign workers when I first ran for office.

However, you are one of my favorite acquaintances and I am sorry that Carolyn wrote you such a harsh letter. Do not let it bother you. I think your answer to her was perfect. I appreciate your furnishing me with copies.

I was so happy you came to Midland with President Ford for the dedication of the Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame. I am sorry I did not get to say "hello". Do come back to Midland whenever you can.

Sincerely,



Barbara G. Culver

BGC:eh

November 3, 1975

Hon. Barbara G. Culver,
County Judge,
Midland, Texas 79701.

Dear Barbara:

All's well. Your letter was perfect,
your tact fantastic, and your friendship,
as always, highly valued.

Warmest regards,

George Bush

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Chief, AS Prison Office
George Bush

My dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst.

and I hope our business will be soon settled.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst.

I hope our business will be soon settled.

I have received the handwritten letter I sent you
concerning the message for the 14th inst. and the amount
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of the bill and I pointed out the error
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make, however, the bill is now paid and I am sorry
that the bill is now paid. Since the bill is now paid
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Very truly,
George Bush

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Yours truly,
George Bush

Respectfully,
United States Prison Office

United States Liaison Office
Peking, People's Republic of China

July 30, 1975

Mrs. R. M. Minton, Jr.,
2701 University Ave.,
San Angelo, Texas 76901.

Dear Mrs. Minton:

I received your letter of July 30. Frankly, it disturbed me. Not only did I send you a personal letter to the hotel in Peking, but I personally tried to call you on three different occasions and my staff, both Miss Fitzgerald and Miss Morris, called you innumerable times.

Knowing that making contact with people here in Peking isn't easy, most American citizens do make the effort to come by the United States Liaison Office - only five minutes by cab from the Peking Hotel.

I am very sorry I missed contact with your group. One thing I have tried assiduously to do is to make visiting Americans feel at home here in Peking.

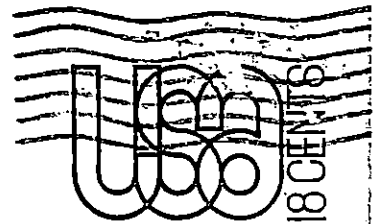
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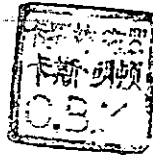


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San Angelo, Texas 76901
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Additional message area

July 20, 1975

Dear Mr. Bush,

From June 19 until July 6 a delegation of Texas educators, of which I was a member, were honored guests in the People's Republic of China. We were in Peking for six full days, four of which you were in town. It is also my understanding that you were informed in advance of our arrival that we would be in China on these dates. However, our mutual friend Judge Barbara Culver, my close friend for 25 years, had asked me to call you saying that I would like both you and your wife. In good faith, I acted upon her suggestion--twice! both times leaving messages, identifying myself, and giving the hotel and the room number where I might be contacted.

Now, I realize that your duties are many, but it seems to me that some small effort could have been made on your part to acknowledge the presence of the group and to welcome us to China. We were the only American delegation in Peking (And probably in all of China) at that time. There were 17 in the group; most of us were Republicans. I do not know about the others, but I have been quite active in the Republican party in Midland and San Angelo since well before Texas became a two-party state. In October I was a delegate to the state convention in Houston and even saw you there. At the time, I was so proud to know that you were a fellow Republican...you seemed to have intelligence, looks, and charisma... all the necessary ingredients for a successful candidate.

Therefore, I was surprised and a bit hurt that you, our own George Bush, Republican and Texan, would have treated us so shabbily. It truly saddens me to have to report that we were treated with the greatest kindness, courtesy, and hospitality by everyone except our own ambassador and fellow-Texas. (Yes, many people and the newspaper reporters have asked if you entertained us. It seemed to be an expectation by everyone.)

For these reasons, I feel that you owe apologies to the delegation, to our nice Barbara Culver, and to me.

Sincerely,



Mrs. R. M. Minton, Jr.

March 20, 1975

Dr. D. Duane Cummins
Director
Robert A. Taft Institute
Oklahoma City University
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

Dear Dr. Cummins:

Thank you for your letter of February 26th.

Inasmuch as I am now living in Peking I will not be able to accept your invitation for June 13th.

As a former Director of the Taft Institute, I am a strong believer in its work and I am delighted that you are putting together such an excellent program.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Oklahoma City University

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106
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Robert A. Taft Institute

February 26, 1975

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

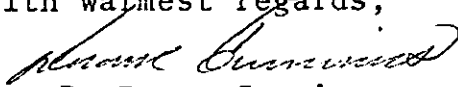
Mr. Bush:

Enclosed is a copy of an advance brochure describing the Robert A. Taft Institute of Politics and Government at Oklahoma City University. Also enclosed is a copy of our program for a previous year. The Institute provides teachers of Oklahoma and Arkansas with an intensive study of political parties and their function. The program includes 40 speakers evenly balanced between Democrats & Republicans as it is a non-partisan program.

This year we are delighted to be able to extend an invitation for you to address the seminar on Friday, June 13 at a 12:00 luncheon, on the topic, "The National Party Organization." We would be happy to pay all travel and lodging costs plus ... arrange through the State Republican Party subsequent week-end appearances in Oklahoma, if you so desire. We would also arrange a television news conference to follow your address.

Thank you for your consideration of our request, and we hope to hear from you soon.

With warmest regards,


Dr. D. Duane Cummins
Director, Robert A. Taft Institute
Darbeth Professor of American History

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November 7, 1975

Mr. Edward A. Curran,
Headmaster,
National Cathedral School,
3109 Wisconsin Avenue,
Washington, D.C. 20016.

Dear Ed:

Thanks for your great letter. I appreciate your personal interest in Valerie Vigoda. Her Mother is an awfully good person and Valerie sounds like she is a real legitimate genius. I don't know whether a high achiever like Valerie makes it more difficult for the School, but I do appreciate your considering her.

While I have your attention in the special favor department, I am sending you the attached, which comes without any pressure of any kind.

see Elizabeth Gibbons

We will be coming home before too long. We will miss China enormously. This new job is going to be real rough, but we are ready for it.

Save some time for a hamburger with the Bushs.

Warm regards,

George Bush

NATIONAL CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

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OFFICE OF THE HEADMASTER

October 15, 1975

The Honorable George H. W. Bush
C/o Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear George,

Wow! Where this summer and early fall have gotten to already I don't know. Nina and I are off to the usual hectic fall start at N.C.S. - the only real difference being that I can honestly say this has been our smoothest and best opening of school yet. The faculty is strong and varied; the students are absolutely top quality, personally and academically.

Nina and I still regret very much that we somehow missed connections during your brief visit to D.C. We did travel quickly through Maine enroute to Nova Scotia, but, alas, we didn't have the Maine address. I'm still being somewhat ridiculed at home for having tried to reach you for several days through your old telephone number. Nina did bump into Bar and Dorothy on a spending spree, so at least we had a chance to touch base.

In regard to young Valerie Vigoda, about whom you wrote me, I know you will understand that we have not been able to take her simply because we do not have the space at the moment. I have talked with Mrs. Vigoda, as has Mrs. Stirling, and just want you to know that we will do everything to fit Valerie in when a space becomes available. In fact, we have assured Mrs. Vigoda that should a fourth grade family move away, Valerie can have that child's desk even in the middle of the year.

I hope all is going great for you and Bar in Peking. Things seem to be going well here (Peyton's situation seems to have worked itself out, but Nina and

I really appreciate your counsel during what was a difficult time for us). Nina and I still think of considering "other challenges" but did decide that St. John's, Houston, wasn't right. (I understood from Sid Smith that you were asked to write a letter on my behalf and I appreciate this very much.)

Nina joins me in sending you and Bar our very best wishes. As I'm sure you know, we miss you both and think of you often. Maybe we'll give you another call one of these days.

Sincerely,



Edward A. Curran

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January 7, 1975

Mr. Edward A. Curran
National Cathedral School
3109 Wisconsin Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Ed:

I just want to thank you for your letter of December 10th and your understanding about my resignation from the Board of the school.

The best time in Peking, I am told, is spring and fall. Is there any chance you can come in either of those two seasons?

I'll be back at the end of January, perhaps we can chat about it then. We'd love to have the two of you here -- really.

Warmest personal regards,

George Bush

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OFFICE OF THE HEADMASTER

December 10, 1974

Dear George:

Many thanks for your letter of November 10. It was so good to hear from you and to know, as I suspected, that things are going quite well in China at this time. I understand your decision to resign from the Board and know that you came to it reluctantly. The full Board will be informed at our next meeting on December 16th and I know that your resignation will be accepted with regret on everyone's part. My only concern is that now we will be unable to have our spring meeting with you in Peking!

Nina and I think about you and Bar frequently. In fact, we just read a very favorable article of your goings on in the Washington Post. It seemed like a fair article and we were pleased to see it.

We are giving Bar a few days to adjust to the time and then we'll give her a call in order to hear all about the China experience. We continue to think about getting over to visit you. You'll have to let us know what is the best time of year there. I'd love to take off sometime in June or July but am not sure we can handle such a big trip quite that soon.

I was delighted to hear that the kids are all doing fine. Nina and I were in Wilmington over the weekend and bumped into one of her cousins and apparently Jeb's close friend, Frank duPont. I think Frank was in Jeb's class at Andover and certainly spoke very highly of him.

Things seem to be going well this year at N.C.S., and from what I hear I gather this is true of colleges and secondary schools across the country. While the students themselves are certainly every bit as serious as they were during the 60's, they are showing their concerns in more positive and quieter ways. While we are pleased with the

school's progress, Nina and I continue to feel as we did when we talked to you during the summer. (Incidentally, things seem to be cooling off between Peyton and her "older friend.")

Again, thanks for your very fine note, George. Nina and I look forward to seeing Bar soon and to seeing you before too long.

Sincerely,



Edward A. Curran

The Honorable George Bush
United States Liaison Office
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