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DDE APPOINTMENT BOOKS SERIES

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The DDE Appointment Books Series consists of 1,400 pages which cover the period from April 1961 to May 1968. This series includes seven appointment volumes dated 1961, 1962-63, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968, and is arranged chronologically.

The appointment book dated 1961 consists entirely of printed appointment schedules with intermittent pencilled entries. It includes a few typed lists for 1962, the only items found in this series for that year.

The second volume, although dated 1962-63, consists entirely of entries recorded during 1963. Pages for the first four months of the year bear sketchy typed or handwritten annotations. Beginning in May, however, more detailed appointment schedules were prepared. These sometimes list not only individuals meeting with President Eisenhower but topics discussed as well. A few summaries of conversations also appear among the 1963 entries.

The volume dated 1964 is the most detailed of the appointment books and includes summaries of numerous conversations as well as appointment schedules. It constitutes an important source of information on General Eisenhower's participation in the 1964 presidential campaign.

The appointment volumes for 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968, though less detailed than the 1964 volume, nevertheless contain information on several of President Eisenhower's meetings. Republican politics is the main topic but information on other subjects is present, too, including international affairs, especially Vietnam and the Middle East, Dwight D. Eisenhower's opinions of the Lyndon Johnson administration, civil rights, and Eisenhower's health.

These appointment records document Eisenhower's meetings and telephone conversations with numerous individuals during the period covered. Most prospective Republican presidential candidates met with Eisenhower in 1964 and afterwards, including Barry Goldwater, Richard Nixon, Nelson Rockefeller, George Romney, William Scranton, and, during 1966-68, Ronald Regan. Some of Eisenhower's contacts with the Johnson administration are recorded here as are many of his meetings with personal friends, political associates, media representatives, and former Eisenhower administration officials. Some of these individuals include Robert Anderson, Milton Baker, Milton Eisenhower, Andrew Goodpaster, Freeman Gosden, James Hagerty, Bryce Harlow, Jim Lemon, Barry Leithead, Aksel Nielsen, Floyd and Jackie Odlum, Cliff Roberts, Lewis Strauss, and Walter Thayer.

Ms. Lillian "Rusty" Brown apparently prepared most of these appointment records when she served as President Eisenhower's confidential secretary from October 1962 to October 1967. The earlier sketchy records were presumably maintained by Mrs. Ann C. Whitman, who served as President Eisenhower's secretary during 1961 and early 1962.

Literary property rights in these papers are retained by President Eisenhower's son, Mr. John S.D. Eisenhower. This series was reviewed under the provisions of the instrument of gift which Dwight D. Eisenhower signed on April 13, 1960. Portions of 75 pages were closed while three documents totaling five pages were closed in their entirety. Portions of six documents containing national security information have also been withheld from research use. Copies of those pages with the closed or national security portions excised have been placed in the open. All documents copies with portions excised have been annotated to clearly indicate those portions which have been closed under the instrument of gift or withheld because of national security.

Other appointment-related materials are contained in the various principal files within Dwight D. Eisenhower's post-presidential papers. These materials will be opened to research when the remaining post-presidential papers are processed.

CONTAINER LIST

Box No. Contents

- 1 DDE Appointment Book- 1961 (1)(2) [incl. 1962 items]
- DDE Appointment Book- 1962-63 (1)-(9) [entirely 1963 entries: politics; civil rights; European alliance; DeGaulle; test ban treaty; 1964 campaign; filming of "D-Day Plus Twenty Years;" Charles Percy's campaign; comments of Kennedy administration; Tito; George Romney; Kennedy assassination; Lyndon Johnson and fiscal policy]
- 2 Calls and Appointments 1964 (1)-(9) [1964 campaign; politics in general; Southeast Asia; civil rights; the President and nuclear weapons; Lyndon Johnson and fiscal policy comments of Lyndon Johnson; allegation of morals case in Eisenhower administration; Reagan's speech; Robert Anderson and Lyndon Johnson; Braceros in California]
- Calls and Appointments 1965 (1)-(7) [Winston Churchill's death; Lyndon Johnson; Vietnam; William Pawley and Latin American; Dominican Republic; People-to-People; Freedoms Foundation; Barry Goldwater and Republican Politics; Panama Canal; loyalty oath for students and teachers; Jerry Ford; Nato; right to work; books on John F. Kennedy; riots in Los Angeles; John F. Kennedy and Cuba; Republican white paper on Vietnam; Milton Eisenhower and South America]
- 3 Calls and Appointments 1966 (1)-(7) [19-year-old voters; health politics; DeGaulle; NATO; Ronald Regan]
- Calls and Appointments 1967 (1)-(8) [South Africa; Richard Nixon; politics; George Romney; Lyndon Johnson; Vietnam; Jackie Cochran and Curtis LeMay; Middle East; desalination; Lyndon Johnson and Vietnam; Robert Anderson and Panama Canal treaty; Ronald Reagan; Louisiana Governor Bob Kennon; Detroit rioting; prisoners of war]
- Calls and Appointments 1968 (1) (2) [Pueblo incident; Vietnam; Soviets; Eisenhower's health; GOP convention; Nixon; Romney; Reagan; Rockefeller]

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