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U.S. Ambassador to Belgium, 1957-59; Chairman, Republican National Finance Committee, 1955-57 and 1960-61.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. His first encounter or meeting with DDE. DDE's wish that Milton Eisenhower replace him as the Republican nominee in 1956 in the event he did not run for reelection; Milton's Eisenhower's influence on DDE during his administration. Organization of the Salute to Eisenhower dinner, 1956; DDE's emphasis on citizens groups during the 1956 campaign; Folger's role as Republican national finance chairman and national finance chairman for DDE's 1956 campaign. His experience as U.S. Ambassador to Belgium; Herbert Hoover's visit to the Brussels Fair. DDE's failure to build the Republican party; comments regarding the lack of rapport between DDE and Richard Nixon.

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