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GROUP XIX



Presidential Inaugural Committee - 1981

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Labor Committee

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Otto Wolff, Jo McKenzie
FROM: Labor Committee
SUBJECT: Weekly Report
DATE: January 2 - January 9, 1981

A. Special Invitations

The Labor Committee has been inundated this week with phone calls from Labor VIPs who have not received their special invitations to the balls or other events. We've kept an alphabetized master card file on every name submitted on our source code. Each card has been coded with a number that refers to a certain page of the copies of the computer sheets submitted. In comparing those with the computer printout of invitees for our source code, we found that some names we had submitted were not on the computer printout of labels made. Occasionally, some names on the same sheet were on the printout, while others were not. Often we found that some names on one page of the printout had received their invitations while others had not. Tracking all these names, and trying to insure that those who had been invited were able to buy their tickets was where we spent the vast majority of our time.

B. Staff

Our small staff has been reduced since the last weekly report. Kathy Vogt, the Deputy Director requested and received a transfer to the Opening Ceremonies Committee, effective January 3, 1981. No additional personnel was hired.

C. Liaison with other Committees

The tractor/trailer requested from the Ohio Conference of Teamsters by the Parade Committee will arrive Saturday. It will serve as the command post for the merge point of the parade.

Also this week we arranged for transportation for searchlights needed at a saving of \$14,000 in freight to the Inaugural Committee.

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TO: OTTO WOLFF, JO MCKENZIE
FR: PAUL LOCIGNO
DA: JANUARY 2, 1981
RE: WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

INAUGURAL INVITATIONS

The Labor Committee received an allocation of Ball and Inaugural tickets that was four times its original allocation of Ball tickets and a much higher multiple of its original Gala allocation. The main focus of the office this week was processing all those names of Labor invitees that we could not previously accomodate. With volunteers being scarce because of the holidays, it required almost all the time of our paid staff of 3. Altogether we processed about 600 names--which meant gathering additional names from labor sources checking our master card file of invitees from our allocation, as well as making about 600 additional cards, and of course typing all those names on the lists for the computer.

This week we have also been the contact for those that expected Inaugural tickets and did not receive them-- as well as those who plan to attend and need rooms and information.

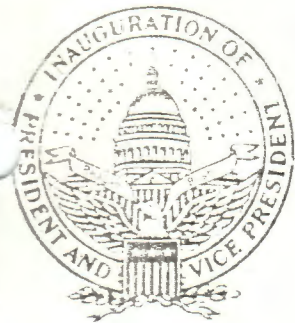
WEEKLY REPORT (cont.)

I am awaiting a reply from the Parade Committee in regard to logistical assistance and a purchase of a float by labor unions.

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December 19, 1980

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Otto Wolff, Jo McKenzie
FROM: Paul Locigno, Labor Committee, Group XIX 
SUBJECT: Weekly Report

A. Labor Inaugural Participation

The Labor Committee has the responsibility for insuring that all key labor people receive an inaugural invitation. In that regard over 1400 names were processed to receive commemorative invitations. Those names came from an older directory of all current union presidents that had to be compiled by this office which required contacting 1100 unions listed in a 5-year old directory.

B. Interaction with Other Committees

The Labor Committee was recently contacted by the Parade Committee in hopes that we could encourage labor unions to sponsor floats. However, that task was made more difficult by virtue of the fact that a month ago we were told by the Parade Committee to reject the offers of the Teamsters and other unions to sponsor floats.

C. The Aerial Display

We have offered to help the Aerial Display Committee find carriers that would haul their freight for free. However, before we can really begin, the Aerial Display Committee must determine which vendors will be their suppliers since that will determine which carriers will be contacted.

D. Report Requirements

Our budget was prepared and resubmitted this week as well as the information requested by the Transportation Committee.

September 12, 1980

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fred Biebel
FROM: LABOR COMMITTEE/ GROUP XIX/ Paul Locigno
SUBJ: WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

I. UPDATE ON STATUS REPORT

Because of the poor communication between labor and other committees, we faced deadlines that were both impossible and unrealistic. Our second budget report was due before any memorandum regarding the deadline or procedure for preparing the first budget. Although the President-elect initiated the labor committee (unprecedented for either Republican or Democratic Inaugurals) to insure that organized labor played an active role in the Inauguration, the drastic cut in our allocation of Inaugural tickets has seriously jeopardized the President-elect's conception. Consequently, the deadline for special invitations became a massive project of sifting through hundreds of names submitted because of the original assurances that all those key labor people who should be invited would be. Lacking an updated directory of all unions (there is none available that is more recent in 1978), we had to call every union to determine if the address and the President listed was still accurate since every union president should receive at least a commemorative.

Also, this week initial preparation for the Labor Inaugural Reception had to be done as part of the budget process. However, our ability to adequately prepare for this event has been affected by our uncertainty regarding its amount of funding.


Our small staff has met all deadlines, despite having only three typewriters and that we are constantly inundated with worthless memos and time-consuming requests.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: FRED BIEBEL
FR: PAUL LOCIGNO
RE: STATUS REPORT/LABOR COMMITTEE
DA: DECEMBER 8, 1980

I. Staff of the Labor Committee

Paul Locigno.....Executive Director (uncompensated)
Director, Research, Ohio Conference of Teamsters
Kathy Vogt.....Deputy Director
Anne O. McCarthy.....Administrative Assistant
Denise Balzano.....Staff Aide
Debra King.....Executive Secretary
Roseann Fuhrman.....Staff Assistant (uncompensated)
Shirley Foote.....Receptionist (uncompensated)
Robbie Motter.....Executive Secretary (uncompensated)
Ernie Shinemans.....Receptionist (uncompensated)
Alice Burroughs.....Typist (uncompensated)

II. Overview Group XIX

Logistically the other internal departments have been cooperative and supportive of our needs for personnel, procurement, security and facilities. However, our main charge of insuring labor's participation in the Inaugural has been severely restricted by the unrealistic allocation of Inaugural tickets to the various events.

A. Tickets

(see attached Memorandum)

B. Parade

I am coordinating with the different construction unions to provide logistical support for the parade.

C. Local Inaugural Balls

Organized labor is working closely with the state inaugural ball committee to insure active participation by labor in all designated Inaugural Ball cities.

D. Labor Inaugural Reception for Ronald Reagan

(see attached Memorandum)



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TO: TED GARRISH
FR: PAUL LOCIGNO *Paul*
RE: LABOR COMMITTEE ALLOCATION FOR 1981 INAUGURAL
DATE: DECEMBER 8, 1980

In conjunction with the Presidential Inaugural theme, "Together... A New Beginning", consideration for substantially raising the Labor Committee's allocation could be a pivotal point for a new relationship between the Republican party and organized labor.

My recommendations are as follows:

Commemoratives	2300
Special Invitations Balls	625
Candlelight	6
Concert	32
Gala	41
Vice-Presidential Reception	55
Distinguished Ladies	25
Governor's Reception	60

The rationale for such request is as follows:

1. Historically, the state party's attitude toward organized labor has ranged from little rapport to openly hostile. As a consequence our committee has met with minimum success in obtaining Inaugural tickets for key labor supporters through the cooperation of the state party organization.

2. The massive grass roots effort that recruited organized labor bypassed the state campaign structure and was totally directed out of the national Reagan-Bush campaign headquarters. Literally hundreds of union officials risked their jobs to endorse the Reagan-Bush ticket by going against the wishes of their national union leadership.

These individuals must have an opportunity to attend the Inaugural Balls.

This will prevent the alienation of those trade unionist whose allegiance formerly was owed to the Democrat party.



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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE HONORABLE ROBERT GRAY

FROM: PAUL LOCIGNO

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR LABOR INAUGURAL RECEPTION
FOR RONALD REAGAN

In conjunction with the Presidential Inaugural Theme, "A New Beginning," consideration for holding the above event could be a pivotal point for a new relationship between the Republican Party and organized labor.

This reception would give the President-elect an opportunity to meet with leaders of 243 labor unions representing over twenty-six million Americans.

In evaluating this request, the following points should be considered:

- (1) There should be recognition of the massive grass roots efforts by trade unionists on behalf of the Reagan-Bush campaign.
- (2) This is a golden opportunity for the President-elect to "pamper" leaders of organized labor whose support he will need for quick enactment of his legislative program to put America back to work.
- (3) Promotion of such an event is a viable alternative to acknowledge the support of hundreds of union officials who risked their jobs to endorse the Reagan-Bush ticket and will not have an opportunity to attend the Inaugural Balls. This will prevent alienation of those trade unionists whose allegiance formerly was owed to the Democratic Party.

I would appreciate your comments and suggestions regarding this request.

cc: Frank E. Fitzsimmons
Jackie Presser
Shannon Wall