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Mr. Morton Blackwell The White House Special Assistant to Mrs. Elizabeth Dole Washington, D.C. 20500 August 14, 1981

Dear Morton,

Mr. Carl DeTemple, Executive Director of CACI (Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry), has informed me that their plans have changed and they are longer requesting Mrs. Dole as a speaker at their Fall banquet in October.

Thank you for helping with this request. I know it is difficult to schedule so far ahead and I do appreciate all you have done to facilitate this. I wanted to let you know as soon as possible.

I will be in L.A. for an Executive Board Meeting with Dr. Hill tomorrow for S.T.E.P. I am eager to learn the latest developments.

Thanks for everything!

Best always.

HHC: Ld

cc: Mr. Carl DeTemple

### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON



July 29. 1981

Miss Pat Seawright
Executive Director
Citizens for a New Beginning
Suite 270
Union Exchange Building
8933 East Union
Englewood, Colorado 80111

Dear Miss Seawright:

Enclosed are some materials I hope you will find useful.

Thank you once again for all the support Citizens for a New Beginning is providing the Administration.

Sincerely,

Morton C. Blackwell

Special Assistant to the President

### Dear Miss Seawright:

Thank you for your letter of 5 June 1981 informing me about your organization, Citizens For A New Beginning. Your willingness to aid this Administration and your efforts to generate support for President Reagan's Economic Recovery Plan are appreciated.

Your correspondence has been forwarded to Morton Blackwell, Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, for his attention.

With the President's and my best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Miss Pat Seawright
Executive Director
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# Citizens For A New Beginning

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June 5, 1981

Mr. Edwin Meese, III White House Counselor Office of the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Subject: Colorado Citizens for A New Beginning

Dear Mr. Meese:

This letter is make you aware of the formation of the subject organization and its stated purpose. We are a grassroots, non-partisan, educational group established to help better inform the citizens of Colorado concerning what we believe to be the positive aspects of President Reagan's Economic Recovery Plan.

We have an established and active Speakers Bureau Program, Letters-to-the-Editor Program and an Educational Committee. In addition, we attempt to monitor the local radio and television media wherever possible to avail ourselves of "equal time" in order to explain that side of the Administration's program which we feel is not always adequately explained by the media.

In the near future we are sponsoring a Breakfast Seminar to which businessmen and other people whose opinions we value will be invited in order to hear from two outstanding economists on the state of the American economy.

Lastly, U.S. Representative Jack Kemp has agreed to be our principal speaker for a July 17 function where it is anticipated there will be some 2,000 key Colorado business and government leaders in attendance.

In order that our organization might function more effectively in its educational effort, we would appreciate receiving any materials released by the Administration in the subject matter that you feel would be appropriate.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Pat Seawright

Executive Director

cc: Richard Richards

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March 30, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR EDWIN MEESE, III.

FROM:

MORTON BLACKWELL

SUBJECT:

National Task Force on Poverty Meeting in Dallas

I want to urge you to participate in a program of the S.T.E.P. Foundation's new National Task Force on Poverty in Dallas on April 21-22. The S.T.E.P. Foundation (Strategies to Elevate People) is run by Rev. E.V. Hill and has the active participation of Dee Jepsen and many religious leaders who support the President.

This is a very good group working to solve the problems of the inner-city poor through church related/ private sector involvement.

On April 21, the group is having a dinner at Clint Murchison's for the purpose of presenting their program, and a cookout on the 22nd at Bunker Hunt's ranch.

They would like you to speak about the President's concern for the poor and interest in encouraging volunteerism. (CNB)

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February 12, 1982

Mr. Edwin Meese, III Counsellor to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ed:

I have become involved with a wonderful organization called the S.T.E.P. Foundation (Strategies to Elevate People), which is based in Pallas. Our Executive Director, Robert Pittenger, recently spoke with Morton Blackwell and Herb Ellingwood regarding this organization, and they suggested that I write you in this regard.

Pallas, Denver and Los Angeles (the Watts area) have been targeted, as well as twelve other cities with serious inner-city problems. I have visited Dr. Hill's successful program in Los Angeles, and I am amazed at what can be done through his leadership and through the churches, rather than through the welfare programs which only increase the dependency of the recipients for government handouts.

The reason I am writing you is to ask if you would consider taking time from your busy schedule to be in Dallas on April 21-22. On April 21, we are having a dinner for the purpose of presenting our program. We are calling ourselves the National Task Force on Poverty. We would be honored if you could join us for dinner on April 21st at Clint Murchison's home, meetings on the 22nd at the Adolphus Hotel and a cookout that evening at Bunker Hunt's ranch. If there is any part of this schedule that you could attend, we would be grateful. And if you could speak for a short time about the President's concern for innercity problems and his interest in encouraging church related/private sector involvement in volunteerism, it would be a welcome addition.

I eagerly anticipate your reply. Thank you so much for your consideration. We hope you'll say "yes!" I'm enclosing our new brochure for your information.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joseph Coors

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The Times Poll

Los Angeles Times - Tuesday, March 23, 1982

# U.S. Not Blaming Reagan for Its Economic Problems

By LEE DEMBART, Times Staff Writer

Despite rising concern about unemployment, the American people appear willing to continue to give President Reagan and his policies a chance to put the economy back in shape.

In a Los Angeles Times-Cable News Network survey conducted nationwide last week, an overwhelming majority of those polled laid the blame for the economy's distress on former administrations. Even those who voted for Jimmy Carter in 1980 tended to blame former administrations for the nation's economic woes.

The respondents were equally divided on whether Reagonomics was improving things or making them

worse. However, when asked to give Reagan a report card on the first year of his presidency, the average grade was C', the same as he received in the last Times Poll in January.

Among those who voted for Reagan in 1980, the average grade given his presidency was a B. Among those who voted for Carter, the average grade given Reagan was C. Among those who voted for John B. Anderson in 1980, the average grade for Reagan was C.

Half of the respondents approved of the President's handling of the economy and half disapproved. For

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## POLL: U.S. Would Give Reagan a Chance

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Reagan's handling of foreign policy, 52% approved and 37% disapproved.

The poll's findings are based on a telephone survey of 1,503 addits conducted from March 14 to 17.

Among other things, the poll found that one-third of the public thinks the economy will get better, one-third thinks it will stay the same and one-third thinks it will get worse, which closely parallels the thinking of professional economists.

Attitudes toward the Reagan Administration seemed supportive but somewhat hesitant, with opinions varying significantly.

Overall, however, the responses to the questions in the poll indicate' that people believe the nation's troubles are not Reagan's fault and, although they are not happy about what is happening, there is no clear indication of a rejection of the President's policies.

Fully one-fourth of those polled said the news story they have been following most closely recently was President Reagan's budget (topped only by inflation, which was the first choice of 28% of those polled).

#### 66% Favor Defense Cuts

Almost two-thirds of those asked (66%) said Congress should approve less money for defense than the President has proposed, but 26% said there should be no cuts in Reagan's defense budget.

One key element of the President's economic policy is the tax cuts that are supposed to put more money into everyone's pockets and thereby stimulate the economy. Under legislation that Congress enacted last year, there is scheduled to be a 10% tax cut this July and an additional 10% tax cut a year from July.

A growing number of congressmen have been quoted recently as saying that projected budget deficits are so large that taxes should be increased to help close the gap. But President Reagan has stood steadfastly behind the tax cuts.

Those polled last week were roughly evenly divided on whether they would be willing to forgo both tax cuts. Forty-three percent favored giving up both cuts, but 47% opposed it.

However, 55% favored giving up the 1983 tax cut and 34% opposed it.

By a substantial margin, enrolled Republicans were more in favor of forgoing the 1933 tax cut than were enrolled Democrats. But when asked about giving up both tax cuts, Republicans and Democrats were equally divided.

Significantly, 37% of those polled

tion's most important problem. That number has risen steadily since October, when 22% thought unemployment was the No. 1 problem, and January, when 34% thought so.

At the same time, the number who think inflation is the nation's most important problem has dropped consistently since October, when 41% of those polled listed it as No. 1. In January, the number had dropped to 36%, and last week it stood at 27%.

That is, as the unemployment rate has gone up, so has the public's concern about it, and as the inflation rate has cooled, public concern about it has dropped.

With midterm congressional elections coming up this year, the poll inquired about the public's impressions of the two parties. It is believed that off-year congressional voting is tied to party affiliation rather than to individual candidates, whom voters frequently do not know.

Fifty-two percent of those polled said they favored the Democratic Party or were leaning toward it, and



38% said they favored the Republican Party or were leaning toward it.

The Democrats are strongest in urban areas and in the East and the Republicans are strongest in rural areas and in the West.

Women are far more oriented toward the Democratic Party than are men, who are almost evenly divided in their preference between the parties. In fact, women make up essentially the whole difference between the parties in preference for the upcoming congressional elections

#### Job of Handling Inflation

When asked which party they thought would do a better job of handling inflation, the respondents favored the Republicans by 35% to 23% for the Democrats, but the largest group, 36% said there was no difference. (Responses do not total 100% because some persons were undecided or refused to answer some questions.)

When asked which party they thought was better at handling unemployment, 45% favored the Democrats and 20% favored the Republicans, with 29% seeing no

When asked which party they thought was better at keeping America prosperous, 34% chose the

Republicans, 31% favored the Democrats and 28% saw no difference.

When asked which party was best at keeping America strong, 44% favored the Republicans, 25% favored the Democrats and 26% saw no difference.

When asked which party was best at reaching agreement with the Russians on limiting nuclear weapons, 29% said the Democrats were, 26% said the Republicans were and 33%, the largest group, said there was no difference.

#### Which Is Party of Peace?

When asked which party was best at keeping America at peace, 29% said the Democrats, 26% said the Republicans, and, once again, the largest group, 33%, saw no difference.

Looking ahead to the presidential election of 1984, the respondents were asked whom they favored for the Democratic nomination.

Among enrolled Democrats, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (30%) was favored 2 to 1 over former Vice President Walter F. Mondale (15%). Sen. John H. Glenn of Ohio received 11%, and there was scattered support for former President Carter (8%), Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado (3%) and Sen. Alan Cranston of California (26%).

Although Kennedy was far ahead of Mondale among Democrats, Mondale was favored over Kennedy among independents and Republi-

Among enrolled Republicans, those polled were asked whom they favored in 1984 if President Reagan does not seek reelection. Vice President George Bush got 39%, Rep. Jack Kemp of New York (the Kemp of the Kemp-Roth tax-cut plan) got 8%, 28% said they favored someone else, 15% were not sure and 10% said they had not heard enough yet to say.

Those polled were also asked what overall impression they had of Ronald Reagan. Sixty-two percent said they were favorably impressed and 34% said they were unfavorably impressed. The number favorably impressed has slipped slightly from recent Times polls.

People were also asked for their overall impression of Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. of California. Thirty-seven percent said they were favorably impressed and 35% said they were unfavorably impressed.

For this survey, there is a 95% chance that the responses will be within 3% of what a poll of all citizens would have ascertained. The poll is conducted under the supervision of the Times Poll Director, I. A. Lewis

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 24, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR ELIZABETH H. DOLE

THRU:

DIANA LOZANDONI

FROM:

MORTON C. BLACKWELL

SUBJECT:

Meese Invitation to Address National Task Force

on Poverty in Dallas on April 21-22

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