

April 30, 1971

Dear Jeanne:

Many thanks for your letter of April 14 concerning the wine served at the White House.

I have noted that California wines have been served on several occasions, particularly at Mrs. Nixon's functions. However, as you know, French and German wines are often served at state dinners. I appreciate your concern and will be happy to call it to the attention to the appropriate people.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Herbert G. Klein
Director of Communications
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August 3, 1971

Dear Mr. Klaus:

Thank you for your letter of June 18. Your kind words about the wedding of Miss Wilson to Mr. Cox were appreciated.

Both New York and California champagnes were served to the wedding guests. Information concerning brand names is not available.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Margita E. White
Assistant Deputy Director
of Communications

Mr. Ronald J. Klaus
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November 9, 1971

Dear Professor Rada:

Your letter of October 28 to the President has been received. While it is true that Federal funds are used to purchase alcoholic beverages for State and diplomatic functions, such purchases in no way imply the promotion of alcoholism. Such beverages are offered, as a token of hospitality, to foreign guests of this country. I might add that non-alcoholic beverages are also purchased, offered, and served to these guests.

With my best wishes,

Sincerely,

Michael B. Smith
Staff Assistant

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October 28, 1971

MS
The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
President of these United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Why is it that Federal funds can be used for the purchase of liquor for social functions, entertainment, and persuasion? State funds cannot so be used. Is it not sheer hypocrisy for the Federal government to be combatting alcoholism while at the same time promoting it??

Respectfully yours,

Edward L. Rada
Edward L. Rada
Professor

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February 4, 1972

Dear Jeanne:

Thanks for your note of January 10.

I have checked it out, and I join you in cheering that not all is lost.

The President and Mrs. Nixon do serve California wines as well as those from New York and those which are imported. The release from Carillon was in error, and it has been called to their attention.

I know that the Nixons do enjoy serving California wines on occasion even though they do not do so exclusively.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Herb
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August 17, 1972

Dear Graham:

I would like to thank you for your August 10 letter to Bill Timmons in behalf of Mrs. J. C. Bradshaw of Wichita Falls, Texas.

For your information, there is no "bar" at the White House. The President and Mrs. Nixon do offer to their guests, when entertaining, a wide range of beverages, some of which from time to time include alcoholic beverages. However, as I am sure you would agree, this is only proper, reflecting the fact that guests of the White House have varied tastes and that the First Family very much wish that guests feel as comfortable as possible.

We appreciate Mrs. Bradshaw's concern in this matter and hope that this explanation will be helpful.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Dick

Richard K. Cook
Deputy Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Graham Purcell
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

August 10, 1972

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Mr. William E. Timmons
Congressional Relations
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Bill:

I have received the attached correspondence from
my constituent, Mrs. J. C. Bradshaw of Wichita Falls,
Texas.

I would appreciate your assistance in properly re-
sponding to her letter.

Sincerely,



GRAHAM PURCELL

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Enclosure

Dear Mr Purcell.

Will you
Please tell me, if our White House
where the President is, has a Bar in
it, I was shocked when some one
told me it went when Kennedy was
President. God never intended for
this man Kennedy to ever be President
again. if Christ was here, do you know
what he would do,

He would turn
the Capital up side down & destroy
it, Oh Mr Purcell Why do men stand
for such Pollution. I would not
stand for that Whiskey when it's at, it
would only take me 3 minutes to
smash it out the door. I have no respect
for the ones who stuck it in there
tempting men to Pollute their Souls,
another thing we don't care for any
of the men ~~of~~ they brought out in
the Democratic convention, I don't

believe in Democrats and
Republicans, I believe in the right
man, no two parties ever got along
I happen to know they don't love
one another, Christ said for us to be
one,

Thank you if you can tell me
about the Bar being in the White
house, and a woman helps put it
there, Mr Purcell, I would as soon
see a bottle of Rattle Snakes as a
Bar in our White house. Please
if you can tell me so I'll know
for sure its so. Thanks,

I am Mrs J. P. Bradshaw.

2138 ave F, Wichita Falls, TX 76309

A member of Highland Heights
Christian Church. I'm widowed 18 years

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October 9, 1973

Dear Miss Shelline:

Thank you for your recent letters regarding Presidential press conferences.

First, I want to assure you that reporters who cover a White House press conference are not served liquor here before, during or after a press conference. As one of the reporters who did cover the White House, I can assure you that we were too busy putting out a story.

We do appreciate your comments with regard to the capability of weekly newspapers. As you no doubt know, we do try to include weekly newspapers by sending special material which should be of interest from time to time. I think this is effective, and it certainly meets the problem that most weeklies do not have the budgets to send staff to conferences here and the like. I will be sure that your newspaper is on the list.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Ken W. Clawson
Deputy Director
of Communications

Miss Madge Shelline
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