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WILLIAM LOEB
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October 9, 1972
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Mr. Charles Colson
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Chuck:

Mel Thomson, the Republican candidate for Governor, needs some financial support and some political help generally.

This is almost as important a contest as Wes Powell's against McIntyre because if anything happens to any of the senators in the next two years, it will be Mel Thomson who would make an interim appointment.

Unfortunately, because of the bitter primary contest, Mel is not getting the support he ought to have up here from the old line Republicans. As an example, when the President's daughter was up here at the dedication of Mount Eisenhower this last weekend, believe it or not, those in charge of the affair did not invite Mel Thomson, the Republican candidate for Governor nor Wesley Powell, the Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate to the luncheon given at Crawford House for all those connected with the ceremony.

Furthermore, after that insult, Governor Powell went home and Thomson, who is a bear for punishment sometimes, went on to the ceremony and all the important people were standing under a canopy while Thomson was left out standing in the pouring rain. It was a day when the rain was really pouring down because I was in New Hampshire on another matter and I witnessed it. With that kind of blankety blank nonsense going on, you can see where Mel needs some help. I hope you can give it to him.

Regards.

Very sincerely,

Bill

William Loeb
President

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September 13, 1972
(Tel. dictation)

Mr. Charles Coulson
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Chuck:

You might want to call the President's attention to the fact that it would be a very good idea to send a telegram of congratulations or make a telephone call to Meldrim Thomson, the winner of the Republican governor's nomination and to former Governor Wesley Powell, who won the Senate nomination.

The Thomson nomination was especially good news for the President because if he had had a campaign in New Hampshire with Governor Peterson around his neck, it would not have done New Hampshire very much good. Peterson's pro-tax viewpoints have been very, very unpopular for years. New Hampshire, as you know, is the only state in the Union which has neither sales nor income tax and we like thrifty governors, not expensive governors like Peterson.

While nominee Thomson only beat Peterson by a little more than 2,000 votes, the anti-tax Democratic candidate whom we also supported, retired Navy Captain Crowley won by a tremendously big margin over the Democratic Minority Leader Robert E. Raiche, who always played Peterson's pro-tax game in the Legislature.

Add the total Thomson-Crowley anti-tax vote (72,592) compared to the Peterson-Raiche pro-tax vote (57,334) and you can see just how unpopular more taxes are in New Hampshire.

In the Senatorial battle, Wesley Powell gained almost as many votes as all three of his opponents put together gained. The opponents consisted of the former Republican Speaker of the House, the former U. S. Attorney and an unknown citizen of Greek background, Peter Booras, whose only claim to fame was running the



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write in vote for Vice President Agnew. This was a successful
write in, not because of Booras but because of Agnew's popularity
in New Hampshire.

I can tell you that for a number of years Wesley Powell
has felt the White House has been giving him the back of their hand
and I think Wesley's feeling on this is quite justified, so it is a
good time right now for the President to mend a few fences up in
New Hampshire.

As you know, I couldn't care less about mending fences
with me because I'm not supporting the President because I love
him, but because the other son of a bitch is so horrible.

Over the years, I have given you advice along this line and
I told you what was going to happen in New Hampshire, and now it
has happened.

Regards.

Very sincerely,

Bill

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WILLIAM LOEB
PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER

November 7, 1972
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Mr. Chuck Colson
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Chuck:

Thank you for your good note of October 18 which I found on my desk on my return from a goose shooting expedition in Canada.

Just for future information to add to your vast fund of political information, the following fact: Wes Powell called me up at the shooting camp in New Brunswick where I was and was very anxious to have the President stop by when he was so close by in Providence, just for fifteen minutes or so at Grenier, to stimulate the voters in favor of Powell and Thomson. I called Pat Buchanan about this and he took it up with Haldeman and Chapin, and they said "no".

Since then I learned, and I believe I am correct in my information, that Haldeman and Chapin consulted with Louis Wyman, who is friendly with many of the White House staff, and he told them it wouldn't be necessary for the President to stop since Powell was going to win.

The problem is that ever since Powell and Wyman were both young men together on Styles 'Bridges' staff they have fought like a couple of alley cats, and don't get on together at all. Louis is almost insanely jealous of Wes, in my estimation, and the last thing in the world he wants to see is to have Wes win this election because he feels it would interfere with his own progress to the U.S. Senate.

If Powell does lose, it is largely because Wyman's organization on the sea-coast sat on their hands. By the time you receive this letter, of course, we will all know the results one way or another, but just for future political activities in New Hampshire, I am just suggestion now that neither of these two gentlemen is a reliable source of information as to the other.



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Thanks again for your gracious note of October 18.

Best wishes.

Regards,

Bill

William Loeb
President

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