

WSAZ archive footage

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Plane arrives, US. Dept. of Commerce sign, politicians exit plane, Byrd (this is all terrible quality, can hardly make out faces)

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(This is a television report. Byrd is speaking and demonstrating with a chart.)

Now here on the charts is what this victory means to WV. Instead of the facility being maintained in standby at a cost to the taxpayers of \$240 thousand annually. Goodrich Gulf has advised me that the opening of Institutes doors will mean the employment of approximately 300 individuals within 60-90 days. And over the next 12-18 months, it will mean the employment of 700-1000 persons. This should provide an increased payroll of about 3 million dollars in the area. The federal government will collect 52% of the profits in taxes and state and local govts. will get their share. The opening of the operations at this plant will encourage and attract the location of other industries in southern WV. %And finally, it will be in the best interest of national security because it is in keeping with the military policy of dispersal of vital energy (?)

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Last week the senate committee on banking and currency conducted hearing on a resolution introduced by senator Fulbright. The resolution would disapprove sale of the synthetic rubber producing facility at Institute, West Virginia. I appeared at the hearings and testified against the senate resolution. If either house fails to pass the disapproving resolution within the next few days, the sale of the Institute plant to Goodrich Gulf Incorporated will become an established fact. The sale of this plant was introduced in a bill, which I introduced last year in the House of Representatives in which later became law. If the plant is sold as am confident it will be, it will mean the employment from 200-300 men and the ultimate employment of 300-600 men. This will provide a shot in the arm for WV. I have fought to see this become a reality for a long time and I think the opponents of the proposed sale can muster enough strength to defeat us. I'm keeping my fingers crossed (crossing fingers to camera). I have the trust and I have the faith that we're going to win this battle. And several hundred of my fellow West Virginians will soon be afforded jobs at the Institute facility.

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Byrd and someone talking (on film and quality is bad, can't tell who he is)

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(Dinner, speaker, applause)

Did not see Byrd in this. No sound.

09:06:19:23 09:06:53:25 MM1-002-9 WSAZ-Man in Washington show

(Host)) Good evening ladies and gentlemen, we present tonight's man in Washington- West Virginia's US Senator elect- Robert C. Byrd, former Congressman of WV's 6th district.

(turns to Byrd)

Senator, we're curious to know what you'll carry with you up to the upper chamber now that you've had experience in the house. And what your feelings will be when you leave the members of that ?, that many times members of the House have challenged on one issue or another.

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Well I will go with a lot of very pleasant memories concerning the house- the house membership and my service in it. But I'm also going in the realization that I'm stepping into a body, which carries a greater influence, perhaps, certainly one in which each individual member has great deal more influence and with that has a great deal more responsibilities. I have, many times, as I've sat in the House said, "thank God for the Senate." Because even though the House is a great body, it sometimes acts irresponsibly and, uh, I go into the Senate realizing, with this background of service in the house, that the problems are going to be more difficult, I think and the demands upon one's moral courage are going to be even greater than they have been in the House..of Delegates.

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(host)Senator, speaking of problems that will be coming up, how do you feel about Mr. Eisenhower's balanced budget? (wide shot of Byrd and host, goes back to cu on Byrd's response)

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I, um, realize that many people have acclaimed the President for submitting a balanced budget, but I personally cannot believe that the action is totally devoid of political hypocrisy. And I think that we democrats are going to get the blame for any deficit spending. I cannot help but believe that the income of revenue is going to be short of the figure of outgo spent by this government in the next fiscal year. I don't think anyone would question that fact. And with it so obvious that we're going to be operating with a deficit, from a political standpoint there may be some people who think it wise to submit to the Congress a balanced budget with the idea in mind, and I don't say that this is the basic idea, motivating those who have submitted a balanced budget. I don't question their sincerity, but I cannot help but believe that part of the objective is to submit a balanced budget and let the democrats take the blame for the deficit spending that will in all reality follow.

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Well included in that balanced budget were two proposals on taxes, one for including postal rates and one for gasoline. Those would certainly not be a popular political move.

09:09:50:22 09:10:17:19 MM1-002-9 WSAZ-man in wash-Byrd response

Well that's very true. But at the same time, I suppose, it would make it less obvious that it was a totally political, politically motivated gesture to offer some proposed revenue measure than it would have been to offer none.

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(host) Senator could we assume that what you have to say is that you and other democrats are preparing to go in to a session on deficit spending?

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I don't think that the democrats look upon deficit spending any worse than our friends in the Republican Party. But, uh, I think that we do realize that the results of the past election show that the people of America are expecting some results. I think they are expecting congress to do something to overcome the Recession, where it still exists in some areas. They expect the congress to do something in formulating foreign policy and I think that the people of America expect the congress to ensure this country has a strong defense, a strong defense and anti-recession measures, and adequate school rooms are all going to cost money. And these days of inflation, as I said earlier, the outgo is bound to exceed the income and I'm just trying to take a look at the problem realistically. I cannot see anything other than a deficit at the end of this fiscal year when we're just completing a fiscal, a fiscal year that will show a deficit of 12 million dollars.

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Do you plan to resubmit your depressed areas bill?

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"depressed areas"

Yes I do. I think it's needful. I think we must have a bill to aid depressed areas. I think that we should have the community facilities act enacted, which failed to pass in the House of Representatives this year. I think that we should have a public works program particularly in the distressed areas. And these things are going to cost money. There are areas such as

the one in which I live that cannot hope to get on their feet economically without some state assistance. The state of WV where the economy is geared to the coal industry, basically, an industry which is a sick industry, I cannot see any hope for recuperation until the federal government steps in to provide some assistance to such areas.

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"defense"

Is this look to depressed areas, is this kind of thinking also going to apply to defense spending now that we recognize that something is needed? How do you see it? (ws shot of host and Byrd)

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"defense"

Well the administration, of course, is trying to curtail spending in the areas of conventional weapons. The high cost, the growing high cost of missiles and nuclear weapons is persuading the administration to move in the direction that I've just described. Many of us in the Congress, however, continue to stay abreast of our potential enemies in the conventional weapons areas. We feel that we cannot too drastically cut the manpower in various branches of the service. And, uh, the defense dollar is just like any other dollar-it's inflated and worth less and less. Consequently, if we're going to stay ahead of the Russians, we're going to have to spend more and more..money for defense.

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Senator, one other question concerning aid to the unemployed. Are you in favor of lowering the age for social security benefits?

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Yes. Three times since I've been in the congress I have introduced legislation to lower the age to 60 years. I feel that this should be on a voluntary basis, but I am also confident that were such a law enacted, many citizens would volunteer to retire thus creating new job opportunities for the thousands upon thousands of young people who are entering the labor force each year.

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It's been predicted that the cost of social security will raise from 2.5 to 4.5f percent by 1965? Wouldn't this compound that?

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It would. It would increase that about 1.8% of the payroll. It would mean an additional tax to be divided between the employer and the employee- 1.8% of the payroll. I've talked to many working men and women who've indicated to me that they would be willing to bare the entire burden of the additional cost of 1.8% payroll tax themselves without placing any additional tax other than that which is already included that you have mentioned, on the employer.

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Still speaking of money...how about foreign aid. Do you want to plan a little bit of the budget for foreign aid, too? How do you feel about that?

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We're presently participating in about 7 different countries in foreign aid programs. We've spent 82 billion dollars already in this monstrosity. I cannot feel that it is wise to keep spending on such a broad scale because there is clearly no ending in sight for those individuals. There's many of them who are trying to do an excellent job in our country, but in other countries I cannot help but believe that there are many of them, on the basis of my own observations, that many of them are seeking to perpetuate their own jobs in the foreign aid field. I think that we need to take a look at this program. I think that it has become outdated, that is it over funded. And uh, we certainly should cut out the waste and have a better efficiency in the administration of the program.

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Senator. What about labor legislation? There are some that insist ....(can't understand this very well).... what are your feelings on labor legislation? Do you feel we need some

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I do. I think we need some legislation to do with the corruption, racketeering that exists in the labor management field. I do think that such legislation should be carefully considered. I don't believe that it should be punitive legislation. But I personally am prone to support any carefully and deliberate, carefully drawn and deliberate legislation in this area.

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Senator how do you feel about senate rule 22 concerning stopping the filibusters?

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filibuster/ majority vote

Well, uh, we're going to be called upon early in the session to take a position on senate rule 22. I feel that a minor modification of the rule is in order. I would be prone to support a move to invoke cloture on the basis of 2/3 of those present in voting, voting to invoke cloture. I will not support a majority vote to invoke cloture because I do not feel that a majority vote is always necessarily right. I think that the majority can be wrong. I think that in periods of great emotion stress, if a majority in the Senate can cutoff debate, we're liable to pass legislation that we might regret in later years. I've seen in the House a great body operate without rules of prohibiting extensive debate and I've seen some pretty irresponsible action in the House as certain times. And as I say, I've often said, "thank God for the Senate," because there certain measures that are passed hurriedly by the House are subjected to close scrutiny by the members of the Senate and the public at large is given more time to adequately understand the measure and uh, I feel that there is something to be said, both pro and con about the filibuster. A majority crucified Christ; a majority persecuted the Jews in Germany so I'm not one who believes that the majority is always right.

09:18:10:17      09:20:48:12      MM1-002-9 WSAZ- man in wash- outro

Thank you very much senator. Ladies and gentlemen...you've just heard the senate elect from West Virginia. (b-roll of Byrd and hosts talking after show, no sound)

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Well, I think we all look upon deficit spending with a great deal of concern. I do and I know that my party does. But, with a gross national product approaching a half-billion dollars a year and with every evidence pointing to a gross national product of a thousand billion dollars a year before many years have passed, I feel that we can perhaps be over concerned about a budget deficit. Particularly in a time like this when we need to spend more money on roads, on schools, for aid to depressed areas, for programs to put men and women to work, programs which, when the result is greater employment, will certainly redound to the better interest of our government through increased revenues which in turn will help to cut down the deficit.

I say that sometimes if we spend a dollar we may get 5 dollars back in revenue. And it is for this reason that I cannot see

anything other than a deficit. And the next fiscal budget and, uh, ...I think that as long as the money is spent wisely and spent in this country that it may very well set up the stage for increased revenues which in the future may cut the deficit rather than extend it.

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I would because I think that increased taxes will hamstring the growth of industry and will cut the purchasing power of the people. uh, and uh, deficit spending may ...(not good sound).

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MM1002-10 interview w/ Byrd-host

Senator Byrd you're a member of the Senate appropriation committee and banking/currency committee, but before asking you any questions that might be pertinent to those two committees, I'd like to ask you a little about Khrushchev's visit since it will be a couple of days from now. He'll land in Andrew's field in Washington and I think you've made several public statements in opposition of this visit. Uh, would you comment further on this?

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MM1002-10 interview-Russian visit

Bob I really haven't formally protested the visit of Mr. Khrushchev. I have, uh, voiced a strong protest to any suggestion that he be invited to address the congress. Uh, I feel that if he were to address the congress that, uh, we would naturally, as we always do have, we would have the Supreme Court sitting here, we would have the members of the President's cabinet, we would have the diplomats from other countries of the world who are located here in Washington, and then we would have the members of the House and the Senate. All, uh, sit for a forum before this man and there would be the usual, ordinary show of respect, I suppose, out of standing and possibly some

applause would be given to him. And I feel that this would be a tremendous mistake because the people in the captive countries throughout the world would misunderstand this show of respect and feel that we perhaps were, um, respecting a man upon whose hand is the blood of many, many millions of people. So, I have voiced a protest, a very strong, very strong protest, um, in connection with any thought that he be invited to address the congress. Now, I have not looked with favor on the visit of Mr. Khrushchev to this country. Quite possibly, I've been misunderstood with that regard. I think that it is good for the people of Russia to visit this country. I think that it is good for our people to visit Russia. I believe that a better contact might be made with Russian people themselves, so that they might better understand us and so that they might know the truth about us and so that they might appreciate our ideals and our things that we hope for and strive for. I think that it would contribute to a greater understanding and a much more peaceful understanding between the two countries.

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Well Senator Byrd I think your position is extremely well taken relative to Khrushchev addressing the congress because certainly there is no stronger platform to disseminate propaganda than a joint session of the United States Congress worldwide. And I'm sure we don't want to provide a forum for Mr. Khrushchev to come over here and spread his ideas and his ideology. But, there has been some talk of the foreign relations committee perhaps, uh, visiting with him or inviting him to lunch, as this did with Mr. Castro of Cuba. Now would that sort of approach meet with your approval or do you still think that that's not a good thing?

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No I think that that would be a good thing. I was on the foreign affairs committee of the house of reps. for four years until I came to the Senate. And I believe that kind of consultation with Mr. Khrushchev might be beneficial. Uh, I am a strong believer in continuing discussions between the two countries, but, uh, we already have a channel through which those discussions can be held. There's the United Nations, discussions can be held on the ambassadorial level and on the foreign minister's level. But when we bring Mr. Khrushchev to this country, we're bringing the

one man who epitomizes, who symbolizes the hateful thing that communism is. While, I think it was good for the vice-president to visit Russian and I certainly have no objections to, um, men on a lower level visiting this country, but Mr. Khrushchev himself to come- the one man who is the symbol of communism today, the man who was responsible for the treacherous acts by which the Hungarian leaders were arrested and from which later resulted their execution, the one man who is responsible for the sending in of tanks into Budapest, the one man who is most responsible for the merciless slaughter of men and women and children in Budapest- men, women and children whose only desire and whose only request was liberty, then I feel we're making a tremendous mistake. I fear the results that it will have in the captive countries of the world.

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Well Senator Byrd you have answered the question I was going to ask you very clearly and concisely as to why you feel he shouldn't come here. There's one more question I would like to propound on Mr. Khrushchev. This past week Senator Wayne Morris of Oregon, uh, some people said he was blocking the senate, other people said he's doing a good thing keeping it from adjourning. But he made a statement during his course of holding the floor, in which he said that, "I don't think the congress ought to run away from Khrushchev. I think we ought to stay here when he's here." In other words, he gave the feeling that the senate was afraid of Khrushchev. Now that is not the case in point at all, is it?

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That is not the case at all. I don't know of any senator or any member of the house of reps. who has recommended that the congress run away because Khrushchev is coming to Washington. Uh, I do feel that the overwhelming desire of members in both houses do not want Khrushchev to be invited to address the congress. But, uh, I see nothing in the fact that congress is about to complete his work to indicate that congress is running away from Mr. Khrushchev. I have been in congress seven years and this is the first year we have been in session. uh, end of the month of September. So, we're already here longer this year than any of the seven years that I have been in congress. We have about completed our work. Of course, there's

always work that can be done. Our work is never done, the same is true with an individual. I think the poet said, "Heaven is not gained by a single bound. We build a ladder by which we rise from lowly earth to the vaulted skies and mount to its summit round by round." The same thing is true of government. We'll always have work to do. So, uh, I do not agree with Senator Morris merely to uh, give the impression that we're not running from Mr. Khrushchev.

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One final question Senator Byrd. How do you think the American people should treat Mr. Khrushchev? Now there are going to be millions of them see him in his trip around the country. How should we conduct ourselves?

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Well, the, uh, if the invitation is a reality, if it is, Mr. Khrushchev will soon be in America. We can only make the best of it. And those of us who do not look in favor on it must make the best and hope the best as a result. I think that Mr. Khrushchev should be treated with a firmly, um, with a firm but cool politeness. I think that he should be accorded the, at least the very minimum politeness and courtesy that would be accorded to any visiting chief of state. Uh, Mr. Khrushchev is not the top man in the Soviet government. He is the dictator, but technically speaking he is not the top man. Uh, I do trust the American people will govern their passions and their feeling. I can understand the strong feeling of resentment that perhaps precipitates the, uh, uh, strong statements that are being made. I can understand their rally that are being planned in protest. But, I do think that it would be a serious mistake for us to insult Mr. Khrushchev. I think that we must not engage on any attacks on his person because the President of the United States is going to visit the Soviet Union in a short time. And the best that we can do, is just treat him with that minimum politeness and respect, uh, which will at least not insult him. And at the same time will be in keeping with our same moral and spiritual convictions. And, uh, which will not, at least will not give to the people in captive countries the idea and impression that we are bowing and scraping to this man.

10:12:24;21 10:13:19;09 MM1002-10 interview-host-labor  
bill

This country passed a labor bill. Many of them were for it. Many laboring men were for it. Some of the racketeers, not the average labor leader, but the racketeers were pretty much against it. This past Labor Day saw many speeches, most of which, were by top labor leaders. Some saying that it's a horrible bill, terrible bill. And as a matter of fact, I think two UMW gentlemen criticized you on your work on that bill. Now that passed the senate with only two dissenting votes, I believe, which meant that many senators that are tagged as labor senators, pro-labor all the way down the line voted for this labor legislation. Now, I'd like to get your thoughts on the matter, not to justify your vote, but how you feel about the bill in general, as far as the ordinary, run-of-the-mill type man is concerned?

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bill

I do not think that the bill that has been passed by the congress recently will endanger or jeopardize the rights or the average working man and the average union man. I said in the campaign last year to the people in my state, that I would vote for a reasonable, uh, labor management reform bill. I believe the bill which came back from the conference was the very best that we could possibly hope for. Uh, I think that there are certain labor leaders in this country and I think they're in a very small minority, but there certainly are certain labor leaders who by their own labor acts in flagrant disregard of the government and other people and of the rank and file membership of the union, have engaged in activities which were revealed in the course of recent hearing, which made it absolutely necessary that some kind of legislation be passed to deal with this situation. The American...I say that I think we did the right thing.

10:14:19;00 10:14:52;01 MM1002-10 interview-Byrd-foreign aid

I think you're to be congratulated on the way congress handled the public works bill over two presidential vetoes. Of course, you did spoil Mr. Eisenhower's record. (Byrd smiles) But, uh, it's for the good of the people by large. And I think when you as a member of the House of Foreign Affairs committee have studied this mutual aid program so well. You feel, as I think most senators do, that we must help our own people, not lost sight of our own people while we're giving these millions abroad. I believe you're against our present mutual aid program. Are you not?

10:14:51;17 10:15:15;28 MM1002-10 interview -Byrd-budget

Well for four years I've been for it. I'm for spending a dollar anywhere in the world if it will renown to the best interest of Uncle Sam. (smiling) This year I voted against it. This year in my Appropriations Committee we have cut over...let me say it this way...This year we have cut over one million dollars out of the president's budget, president's budgetary request out of the foreign aid program. So I think we're getting it down to proper size.

10:15:14;15 10:15:17;28 MM1002-10\* interview-host

One quick answer. How do you like the senate as opposed to the house?

10:15:18;06 10:15:30;25 MM1002-10 interview-Byrd-likes senate (smiling, animated) Oh. I like it much better. I think I can be of more use. The opportunities are greater. (interviewer: Harder work isn't it?) Oh yes it is, but it's a greater challenge. (interviewer: Thank you very much Senator Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia.)

10:15:38;19 10:15:59;08 MM1002-10 Byrd getting on boat (Byrd getting on a boat.)

10:15:59;11 10:16:30;28 MM1002-10 Byrd press conference 1

The future economic growth of West Virginia to a large extent will be dependent on the conservation and intelligent utilization of its natural resources. In 20 years, with the continued increased demand on water for domestic and industrial uses, water may very well be the most critical material limiting our future economic growth.

10:16:25;28 10:16:40;28 MM1002-10 Byrd-press conference 2

IF anyone will take a look at the industrial location of WV, it is quite obvious that most of our industries are location along the Ohio River, along the (goes out)

10:16:49;06 10:17:25;17 MM1002-10 Cass railroad footage

Cass Railroad Train footage-ws of train, cu of people, more train, cu of train, cu of people, cu of man, ws of people,

10:18:20;26 10:19:58;05 MM1002-10 meeting footage

1st shot-Byrd walks up steps and waves at camera, smiling. Continues with inside shots of various speakers and cu/ws of audience. Not much more of Byrd.

10:19:59;17 10:20:35;00 MM1002-10 Byrd presenting

Byrd at podium ws, cu of audience, cu of Byrd at mic. (sometimes fuzzy and no sound)

10:20:34;05      10:21:08;14      MM1002-10 WV food stamp program

Byrd speaking to attendant with other officials around, cameras flashing...cu of food stamp sign.

10:21:08;05                      MM1002-10 women food stamp bite

(woman with baby) I think food stamps are better than the commodities. You get a variety of meats, more milk. And I feel that my family will have a more balanced diet with the food stamps than with the commodities. And we can get several things that we couldn't get with the commodities. We had dry meat, dry milk with the commodities, but with this we get fresh milk, fresh meat, fresh eggs, more food that they really should have in their daily diet.

10:22:11;05      10:22:41;11      MM1002-10 Byrd speaking at a luncheon

(cu of Byrd, cu of audience, back to Byrd) no sound

10:22:41;04      10:24:03;10      MM1002-10 interview bite-conventions

Well I think it may harm the chances. I think it should be said that there was confusion and disorder at both conventions. there was a good bit of violence occurring at Miami. But this was not the fall of those who are participating in either of the conventions. And I think, of course, there was a great deal of more confusion and disorder and violence, apparently, at least

which came through to the people at Chicago than Miami. Now, as to just what affect it will have on the elections it still remains to be seen and will be determined, I believe, by the position that is taken by the candidates in the two parties and the position that is taken by the leadership of the two counties. Now if the candidates in the democratic party and the leadership in the democratic party take forthright stand against violence, against disorder and take forthright stands upholding, not only justice, but also law and order, then it may be overcome. I think the people are concerned that they're going to be greatly persuaded by the positions taken by the top candidates on this very issue. The issue of law and order.

10:24:03;10      10:25:22;18      MM1002-10 Byrd gives speech

Byrd speech, various shots of Byrd and audience- no sound

10:25:16 Byrd at podium with audience giving standing ovation  
(no sound)

10:25:24;03      10:25:50;10      MM1002-10 Byrd cu      Byrd cu-  
no sound (talking during an interview)

10:26:42;05      10:26:59;14      MM1002-10 I'm not kidding anybody

(cu on Byrd giving interview) I don't think I'm kidding anybody if I speak one way and vote another. I think that if I really mean business about attacking crime, I should attack one of the roots of spiraling crime and that would be the root of Supreme Court decision.

10:27:09;27      10:27:38;10      MM1002-10 Byrd sound bite

The President complains about a small group of senators who, in his words, thwarted the will of the majority. Well, the majority

is not always right. The majority can be wrong. The President can be wrong. I can be wrong. But I have( starts shaking and cuts out at end) a duty to vote by my own convictions rather than somebody else's.

10:27:38;10      10:28:35;12      MM1002-10 Russian education bite

At the present time the Russian education system envisions 8 years of compulsory attendance with 10 years being the goal. The average Russian student is treated to a much stronger dose, of intellectual exercises than is the average American student. For example, the average student attends school 6 days a week. Mathematics and the Russian language are taught in grade one. The student is taught biology and foreign languages in grade five, physics...etc.

10:30:24;20      10:30:48;21      MM1002-10 Byrd b-roll (no sound)

interview without sound

10:30:01;17      10:30:18;08      MM1002-10 Byrd-Russian student

Under the soviet system there are no square pegs and round holes. Students are placed in jobs for which they have been trained and in a location for where they can best serve the all-important state. (goes out here)

10:31:26;22      10:32:33;13      MM1002-10 Byrd-election day

The extensive coverage that has been given to the candidates and to the conventions has acquainted most citizens by now with the issues and the

personalities involved. And I do not believe there is any really good reason for spending 3 months between conventions and the election on an old style campaign that was geared for railroad travel and radio. The voters become satiated and bored and the candidates become exhausted. Our campaigns, by the time of announcement by candidates, sometimes a year in advance of the elections, waste a great deal of time and manpower and talent and money. And I think they should be shortened. And this could be done best by moving the general election day back from Nov. to the first week in Oct. The better weather in Oct. really would encourage a larger turnout of voters in my opinion. And I believe that voters and the candidates alike would welcome this change. And the change could be easily brought about by an act of the congress of the United States.

10:32:37;00      10:33:08;20      MM1002-10 Byrd b-roll

silent b-roll- looks like an acceptance speech.  
audience eating and Byrd giving speech. (gets dark at times)

10:33:07;27      10:33:54;26      MM1002-10 Byrd-peace talk w/  
Russia

I have much confidence in the word of the soviet leaders. I am encouraged by the fact of strategic arms and limitation talks between the United States and Russia will begin in "(Russian city) The worlds greatest military power certainly ought to reach an agreement so that they would not have to spend tremendous amounts of money on new or additional weapons that could still leave them in the same relative position of strength.

There is noting particularly idealistic about the talks, but they are a necessity that could save each country the needless spending of billions of dollars and they could stave off a nuclear holocaust.

10:33:51;12      10:34:26;12      MM1-002-10      Byrd defense  
dollars

Criticism of the so-called military complex is increasingly heard. A comprehensive of the nation's management and defense and spending practices is needed. I am glad that the president has created an outstanding panel of citizens to make such a study. I believe a strong military defense is necessary, but I also believe that the taxpayers should get a dollars worth of defense for each dollar spent. He should not gloss over military waste or condone vast overruns in procurement of weapons and supplies.

10:35:36;00 10:36:29;22 MM1002-11 WSAZ-Byrd & Vietnam

I hope that the new withdraw of US troops will spur the south Vietnamese to assume more of the combat burden. We have already spent more than 100 billion dollars and lost nearly 40 thousand men. I have supported every effort to train and equip the south Vietnamese to take over the fighting. But I do not believe that they will do so until we compel them to. From the beginning, we have fought this war with one hand tied behind our back. We should've hit the enemy with all of our conventional power. We should have destroyed his dikes, closed his ports and forced him to negotiate his good faith. Our fighting men did not ask to go to Vietnam and if we're not going to do everything we can to protect them while they're there and get them back alive, then we ought to continue a gradual withdrawal and get out!

10:36:42;15 10:37:18;28 MM1002-11 WSAZ-Byrd and college riots

Now uh, students have a right to ask for administration and faculty consideration of their ideas, but they have no right to formate rebellion and disrupt campus life for those serious students who still think of college as a place where one goes to get an education. The disrupters constitute only a small number of the student body and the uh, university administrations should expel them from the campuses instead of compitulating to their arrogant demands. And student and outside agitators who destroy property and incite violence should be properly arrest and prosecuted.

10:37:24;24 10:38:15;11 MM1002-11 WSAZ-Byrd & Nixon visit

President Nixon's, uh, trip to Europe will serve the good purpose of showing the nations in the NATO alliance that the United States is still concerned about what happens in Europe, as well as, in Asia. It comes at an oportune time, I think, because of recent events in Check., new tensions between east and West German, and the prospects for our Soviet talks on cooling the nuclear arms race. Mr. Nixon will have his work cut out for him in dealing with the presumptuous arrogance of Charles Degall, who has been trying to get the US to recognize France as a full-fledged nuclear power. And I told believe that we should "cow tow"(?) to Mr. Degall, but I would favor improved relations with the French people, however.

10:38:16;14 10:39:15;29 MM1002-11 WSAZ-Byrd and high jacks

I am pleased that we have reached an agreement with the Cuban government for the prompt return of hijacked airplane

passengers. There is an urgent need for our government to work out an agreement with the Castro, Castro government, uh, to return hijackers promptly to the United State to face prosecution. Each hijacking cost the airlines and estimated 18 thousand dollars, but this is not the worst part. There's always the possibility that the next time there's a high jacking will result in a disaster. Now there have been some interesting suggestions on how to handle the highjackers, such as dropping them through a trap door into the claims of baggage department or flying them into a phony replica of Havana airport. But I don't believe that we will see an end to the problem, until Castro sends the highjackers home to face trial.

10:39:16;16 10:39:58;17 MM1002-11 MM1002-11 - 10:39:16;16

One of these is a mind, health, and safety institute, which could provide highly specialized, long-term training for mine inspectors, engineers, laboratory research technicians. National attention has been focused on mine health and safety problems and I believe the need for such an institute goes back to two items which I have been able to place in the Bureau of the man's project were money for the immediate hiring of federal mine inspectors and money for a research project to develop effective methods for the suppression and control of mine dust. I intend to do my utmost to see that these programs become a reality.

MM1002-11

10:40:01;00 10:40:46;11 MM1002-11 Byrd-Vietnam 2

In as much as the US and South Vietnam need to be in accord before an honorable solution can be negotiated with Hanoi and the national liberation front. I hope that the Midway conference will dispel any lingering suspicion that the U.S. might sell out of S. Vietnam and that it will also reinforce our position calling for free, internationally supervised elections. There has been some speculation that the meeting will result in a partial US troop withdrawal. I certainly hope that conditions are such that Mr. Nixon can make such an announcement. But we need to bear in mind that a withdrawal should be predicated on the ability of the S. Vietnamese to take over the fighting.

10:40:46;17 10:41:35;07 MM1002-11 Byrd-social security bill

Both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Nixon have recommended an increase in social security payments and I have introduced legislation to provide such an increase. I am disturbed therefore by the ways and means in which social security legislation may originate. It may not bring out a social security bill this year. Social

security recipients have small fixed incomes and they are hardest hit by inflation. Social Security increase would be slightly inflationary, but if Congress can vote its own members a raise this year, and I voted against members of Congress, it can vote a little increase in social security payments for the old folks this year. My bill would not increase the withholding tax on either the employer or employee.

10:41:52;09      10:42:17;00      MM1002-11 Byrd-nuclear weapon treaty

It does not impose any obligation on us to unilaterally withhold deployment of an ABM defense system or of any offensive strategic system. I would be against unilateral disarmament, but I am in favor of doing all that we can do slow down the proliferation of nuclear weapons. Because every additional nation that gets nuclear weapons is just one more finger on the trigger for a nuclear war. I hope that the treaty will operate to discourage such proliferation.