

# Take Note

## Of Where the LBJ Men Are Now

After the infighting and the glory and the blunders along the corridors of influence, there often follows a difficult period for retired cabinet officials and Presidential advisers. But if the withdrawal from the narcotic of Potomac power is hard for some, there are other compensations readily available to high government officials entering private life. Like big salaries and a chance to use their expertise with the bureaucracy in private jobs. For some men this is the surrogate, the Methadone following the real addiction to Influence.

Still, a curiosity lingers about some of the men who molded our government's (and thus our own) destinies and policies. Consequently, this week we Take Note of the new niches of some of the famous and not-so-famous cabinet officials and advisers of the late Johnson administration.

—SHELBY COFFEY III



**John W. Gardner**  
Former HEW secretary John W. Gardner is now the head of the Urban Coalition.  
**Alexander Trowbridge**

Former Commerce Secretary Alexander Trowbridge was named president of the American Management Association in New York. The group's purpose is to advance professional management in government and business.

**John Gronouski**

Former Postmaster General and Ambassador to Poland John Gronouski is now "writing, lecturing, and organizing a venture I really can't talk about now." The writing concerns his experiences in Poland (including the Vietnam talks with the Chinese in Warsaw), and may "wind up being memoirs to my children." He has lectured at several colleges including the University of Rhode Island and Creighton.

**Clark Clifford**

Clark Clifford made his pitch for de-escalation of the Vietnam war while he was Secretary of Defense and won. Now he is back in his lucrative law practice with Clifford, Warnke, Glass, McIlwain and Finney.

**Ramsey Clark**

Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark has joined the New York law firm (Paul, Weiss, Goldberg, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison) in which JFK aide Ted Sorensen

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and former Supreme Court Justice Arthur Goldberg are also partners. Goldberg is representing Yale University chaplain William Sloane Coffin Jr. in the latter's appeal from a conviction for conspiring (with Dr. Benjamin Spock and several others) to obstruct the draft. While Attorney General, Clark approved bringing the case against Coffin and Spock.

### Cyrus Vance

Former Deputy Secretary of Defense Cyrus Vance, who was President Johnson's right hand man during the Detroit riots and later went to Paris as a negotiator, has also returned to law practice in New York (Simpson, Thacher and Bartlett). In March Pan American World Airways announced that Vance had been added to its board of directors.

### Stewart Udall

Former Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall is the head of Overview—a planning group exploring the maze of urban and environmental problems. Located just a block from the White House, Overview is still in the planning stage. The group is "privately financed." Although he still carries on his law practice in Phoenix and Washington, Udall spends most of his time on Overview matters.

### Walt Rostow

Walt Whitman Rostow, special assistant to the President and one of the chief architects of Vietnam policy, is now at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas. His star rose and eclipsed under John Kennedy and rose again when Johnson became President. A number of Vietnam doves damn him for his part in the war planning and claim that he was refused his old post at MIT because of his involvement in Vietnam policy-making. But the post at Austin reportedly has its compensations, though university officials decline to state the size of Rostow's salary.

### Lawrence O'Brien

Lawrence O'Brien, the stocky red-haired Irishman who managed the last three Democratic Presidential campaigns and was Postmaster General for a time, is now president of McDonnell and Co., a New York investment firm.

### Robert Weaver

Robert Weaver, first Secretary of HUD, joined the uneasy legion of America's college presidents this year. He heads the Bernard Baruch College of the City University of New York. He is also a director of the Bowery Savings Bank.

### Orville Freeman

Orville L. Freeman, whose tenure as Secretary of Agriculture (like that of most Agriculture secretaries) was studded with controversy, has glided into the less harried world of technology. He is president (of the international section) of EDP Technology, Inc., a computer software firm with which ex-Food & Drug Administration boss James L. Goddard is associated.

### Dean Rusk

Dean Rusk, that favorite whipping boy of the New Left, is doing his cold turkey from power with his old employer, the Rockefeller Foundation. He announced that he would be the first "distinguished fellow" after he left the mazes and solutions at Foggy Bottom. He is in Washington "doing research."

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### **Alan Boyd**

Alan F. Boyd, former Secretary of Transportation, admitted he wasn't an expert in railroad transportation last January. Nevertheless, he took over as President of Illinois Central railroad in April and said his "lack of a committed position" might be a help in his new job.

### **Wilbur Cohen**

Former HEW Secretary Wilbur J. Cohen is still wrestling with education problems at the University of Michigan where he is the Dean of Education.

### **Robert McNamara**

Robert McNamara made his celebrated exit from the Pentagon and went to the World Bank. Recently he has spoken on the urgency of the world population crisis.

### **N. deB. Katzenbach**

Former Under Secretary of State and Attorney General Nicholas deB. Katzenbach also moved into the computer busi-

ness. He has been named vice president and general counsel of International Business Machines Corp., which controls about 70 per cent of the computer business in America.

### **Willard Wirtz**

Willard Wirtz, following his stint as the head of the Labor Department, is reported to be still on vacation as of late May. He was, however, elected to the Board of Directors of EDP Technology. (Bill Don Moyers is also on the board.)

### **C. R. Smith**

C. R. Smith, former Secretary of Commerce, is a partner in Lazard Freres & Co. an investment company. Several other Johnson administration officials, including Peter A. Lewis, former Assistant Director of the Budget, also went to Lazard.

### **Marvin Watson**

W. Marvin Watson, a close Johnson associate who filled in as Postmaster General during the waning months of the administration, is in the oil business now. Last March 20 it was announced that Watson

would become president of Occidental International Corp. This subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum was formed on that day.

