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8/18/93

Dear Virginia,

David Reck was very thoughtful in taking pictures of your "in the pink" party, with descriptions and identifications on their backs. We do appreciate that and that you have had such a wonderful occasion to enjoy.

The picture of Art Buchwald speaking reminds me of a story that may amuse you, one ~~is~~ that illustrates he has no blind side to be crept up on.

At the annual convention of the American Booksellers Association in Washington in June, 1967, when women's voices were not acceptable on radio, a friend who ran a book-and-author show that went to more than 300 stations asked me to do the questioning because she could not and the man who was to have did not show up.

So, knowing nothing about the book, I ad libbed all for that progeam over a two-day period. All those interviewed had books just out or just about to be published. Most of the time I did not even know the title of the book until I began questioning! But with Buchwald, as soon as my friend brought him into the room she was using as a studio, I thought I'd pull a fast one. And I knew nothing of his book anyway.

So, as soon as I introduce him, as best I could imitate a sort-of, hoarse sotto voce I used that kind of voice to ask him, "Now you know all the inside in Washington, why don't you please tell us about the real CIA." It took him only long enough to ask CIA"? twice and then he launched into what several weeks later was his column. What he said is that what people think is the real CIA isn't that at all. That is just a front. "The real CIA is two divisions of the Agriculture Department nobody ever heard of." I loved it, he loved it and he did it magbificently, with no advance warning at all.

What a man!

We are having a kind of party Sunday, as the enclosed story from the local paper reports.

I have a couple of extra copies of your book for a couple of the professor friends who are coming. I hope I can interest another one in using it in his teaching.

All our best, dear Virginia!

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Dear Dave,

In a few minutes I have to leave for a medical appointment but to be sure that when I return nothing can lead me to [^]forget to thank you so very much for your thoughtfulness in taking and sending us those fine pictures of the wonderful tribute to Virginia Durr I do that and start this letter now. Reminder: Buchwald stories, two, geese and CIA. Later: I'll write Virginia about Buchwald and enclose a copy.

What you say about Livingstone is a bit ambiguous and whatever it means I'd like to know ^{ew} whatever else you can say than: "C.J. Rowell's (don't know him) Investigator (or it) reported on the Third Decade conference. There was a self-serving interview with Livingstone who claims multitudes are flocking to him (^{may} ~~as~~ well be true), though he has been vilified." I think you probably mean that Rowell interviewed Livingstone there and reported it in his sheet, whatever it is. Continuing with your note, and I presume you are speaking for yourself, "This investigation has turned into litmus tests and fellow critic-bashing."

The critic-bashing is mostly Livingstone's and if anyone responds, that is still him starting it.

With him that is not really new.

But there are others who have long done it. I avoid public comment unless there is no real choice.

But I do not in the Bibliography/Bibliography ^{al} Essay in NEVER AGAIN!

About which I have no news.

In any event, I'll appreciate anything you can send me about or from Livingstone, including what you refer to as I quote you above.

Those Livingstone has accused of conspiring against him continue to grow. All they have to do it refused to have anything to do with him.

Two more recent cases.

Again thanks for your thoughtfulness and sorrow over your friend's untimely death.

David

was to be one of these 8
us to present in Nashville
at the National Council for
Social Studies Convention
on how to teach JFK/assas-
ination died Friday 17 a
train tumor after only 2
weeks. He was deeply
interested in the subject
and was expard to your
writing. He will be missed.
He was only 41.

THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

Mt. Saint Alban

Washington, DC

Hope you start to coming
Envisioned by George Washington and chartered in 1893, the
Cathedral stands as a great symbol of the religious heritage of
this nation. In a watercolor by Richard C. Guy, the south transept
and central tower are seen above the green and quiet of the

Bishop's Garden
along. Best wishes. David Keck



August 15, 1993

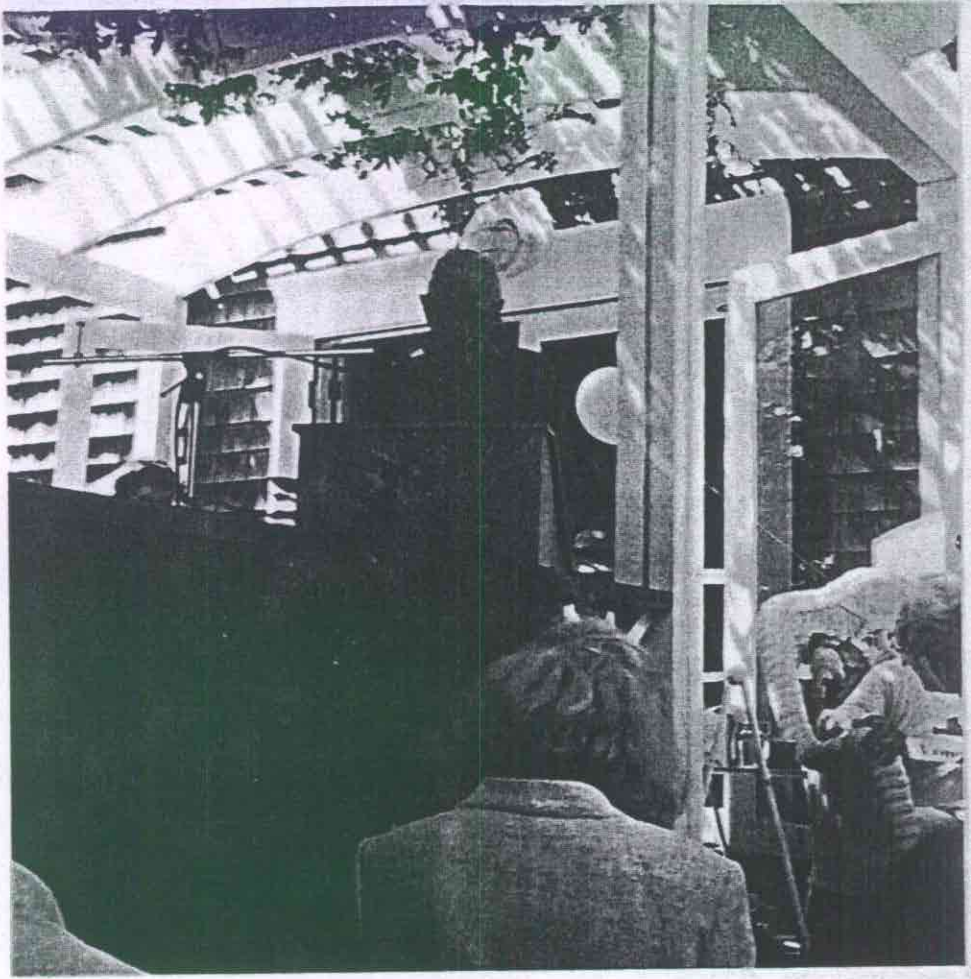
Dear Mr. Weisberg,

I have enclosed some pictures, with descriptions on the reverse, of people and events at Virginia Davis' 90th birthday celebration at Martha's Vineyard on August 7. At that time I read to her and gave her the tribute you sent to me about her and passed on your best wishes. Also in attendance, among hundreds of others were Sam Greene and Vernon Jordan and

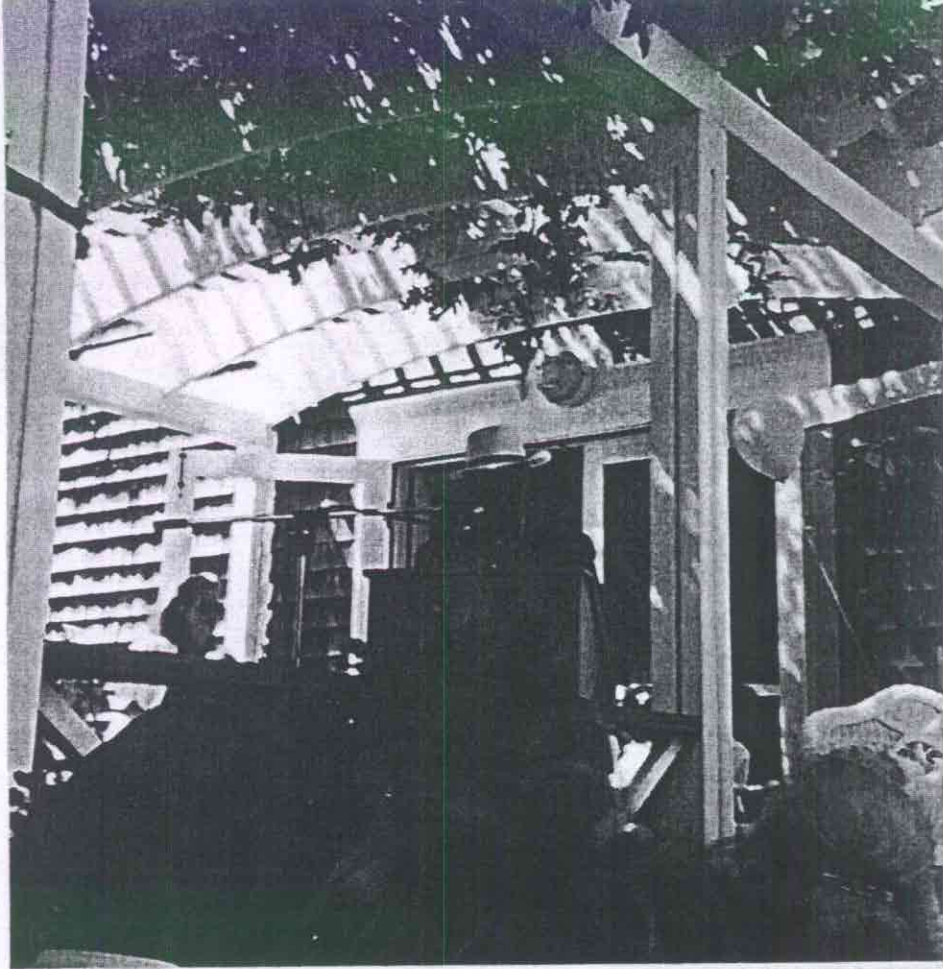
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Fred Gray, Martin Luther King's attorney. It turned out to be a beautiful day.

On another note, S. J.

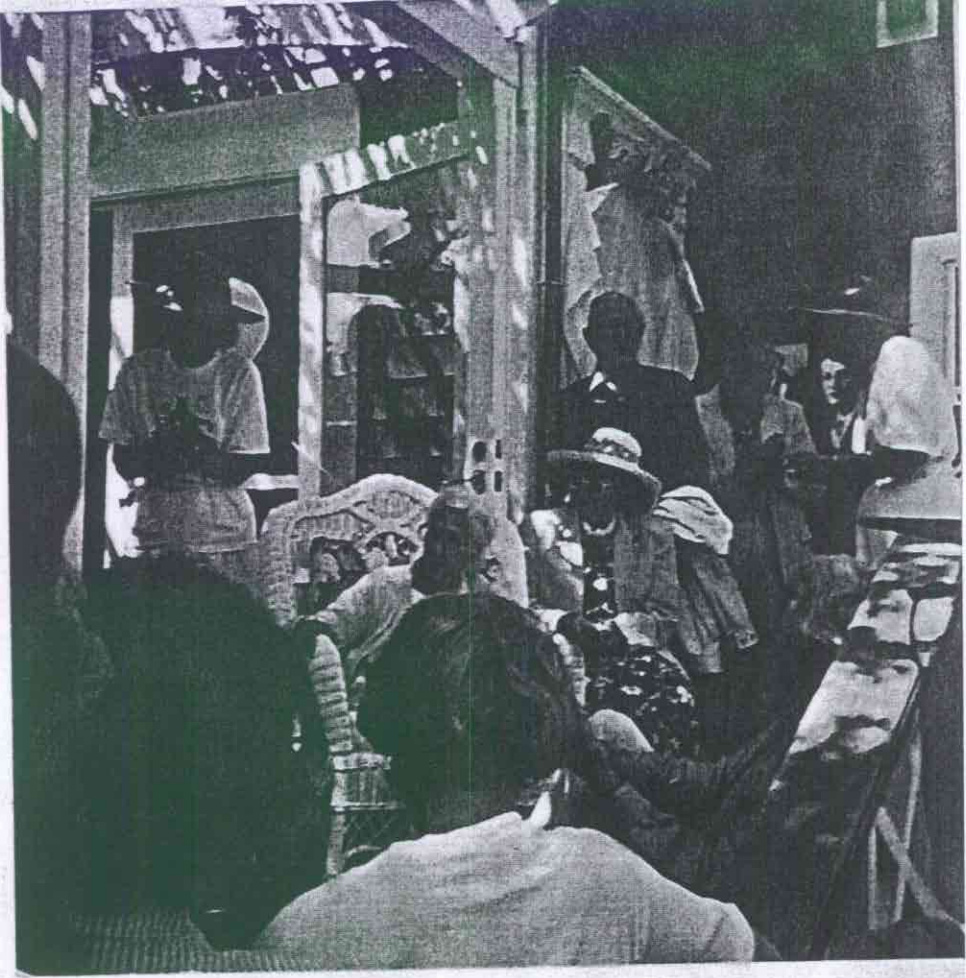
Russell's Investigator reported on the Third Decade Conference. There was a self-serving interview with Livingston who claims the multitudes are flocking to him. ^{He} ~~he~~ has been vilified. This investigation has turned into letters, posts and fellow critic-flogging.
One of my teaching friends, David Moady, who (over)



C. Vann Woodward, historian,
Speaker, 90th birthday of
Virginia Foster Durr
Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard,
Massachusetts; August 7, 1993

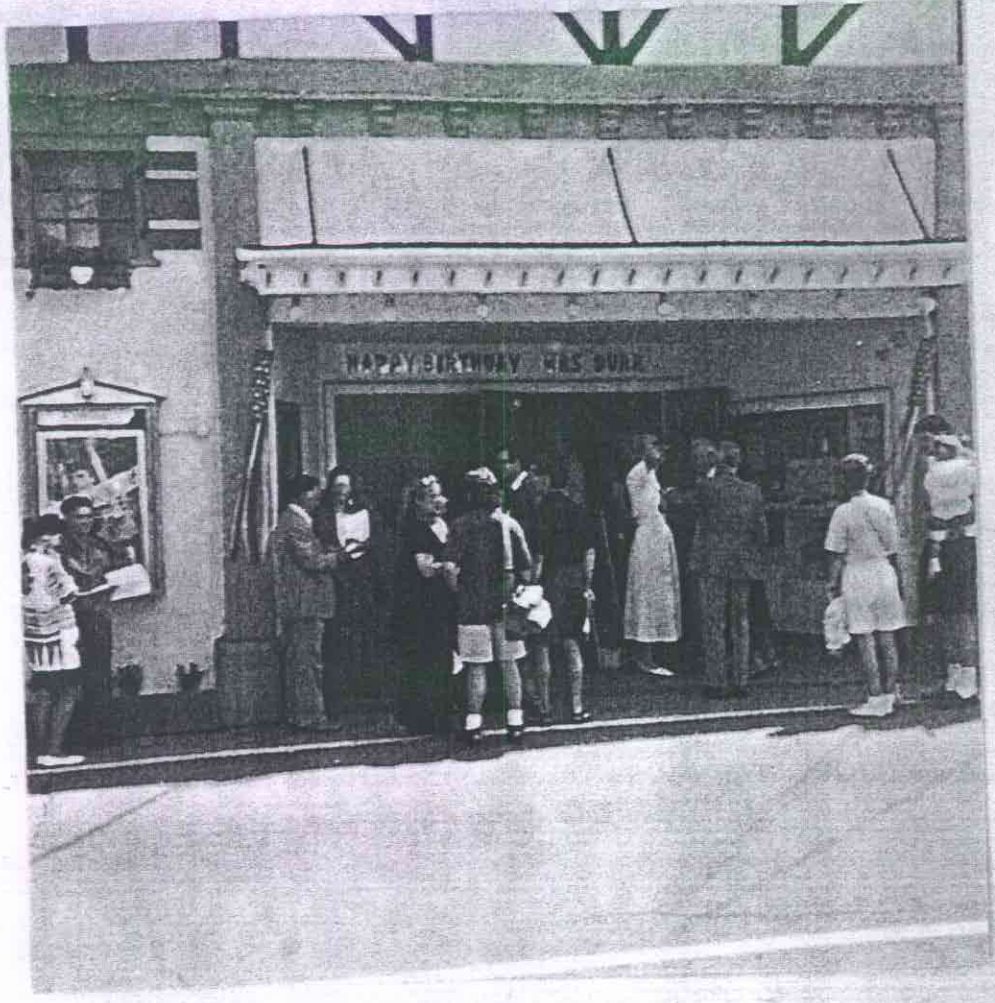


Art Buckwald
Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard,
Massachusetts; speaker at 90th
birthday of Virginia Foster Durr
August 7, 1993



90th birthday of Virginia Foster Durr
Sheldon and Lucy Hackney home,
Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard,
Massachusetts; August 7, 1993;
left to right Lucy Durr Hackney
(pink hat); Virginia Foster Durr
(seated), Lady Bird (Claudia Alta Taylor)
Johnson (seated, yellow coat);
C. Vann Woodward (standing, orange)

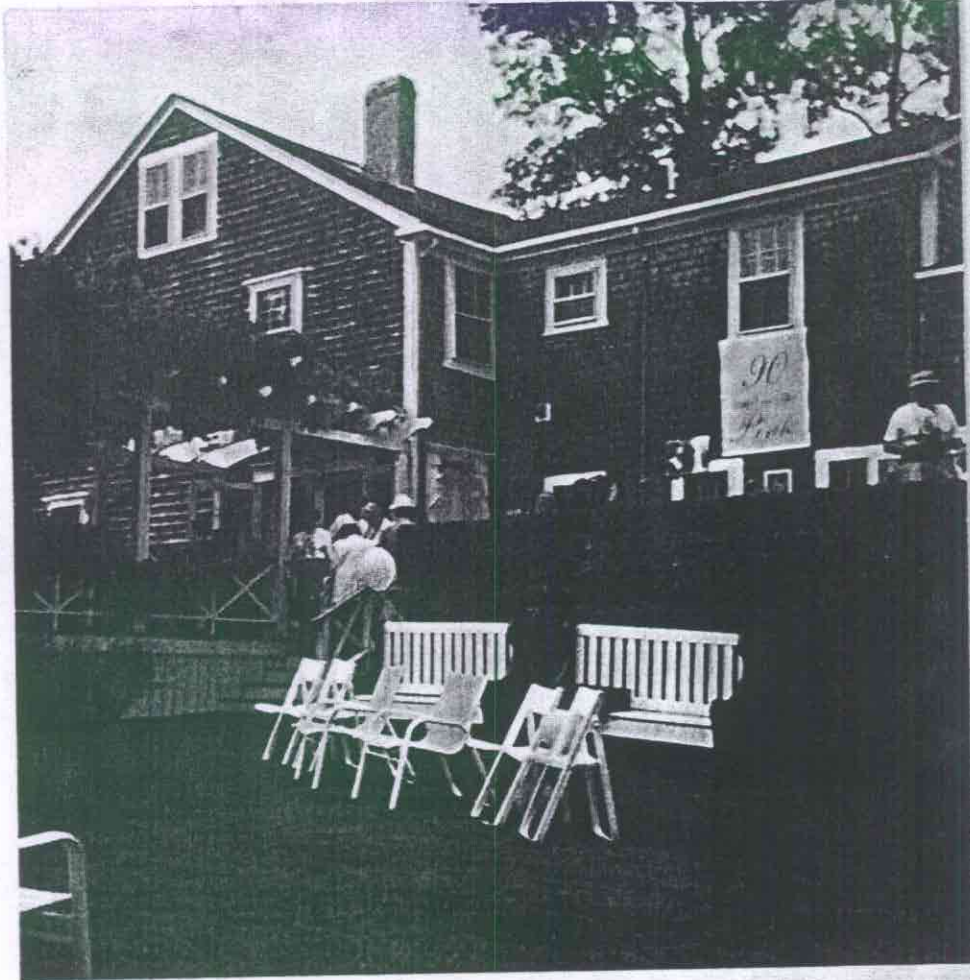
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Movie theatre Vineyard Haven,
Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts,
Showing of tribute to Virginia
Foster Durr on 90th birthday;
August 7, 1993

In front, daughter (in black)
Virginia Foster Durr II (Tilla)
protesting contributions to speaker's
fund honoring her father

PHOTO BY ROBERT SMITH



home of Sheldon Hackney,
President University of Pennsylvania,
Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities,
Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard,
Massachusetts; 90th birthday of
his mother-in-law Virginia Foster Durr
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