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**ABSTRACT**

**INTERVIEWEE NAME:** Robert Fleming

**COLLECTION:** 4700.0017

**IDENTIFICATION:** Deputy Press Secretary under Bill Moyers during President Lyndon B. Johnson's administration

**INTERVIEWER:** David Culbert

**SERIES:** Political

**INTERVIEW DATE:** November 8, 1979

**FOCUS DATES:** 1968

**ABSTRACT:**

**Tape 19**

How Fleming came to work for Johnson; sessions with Johnson; Johnson loses touch with television criticism of himself; Johnson only watched programs that were of interest to him; story of Johnson chewing gum; typical day with Jim Christian; suggests that Johnson get away from podium; Johnson's trouble with the lighting and teleprompter in San Antonio; Johnson gets most of his information from the newspapers; receives instruction from the President on how to handle the press; Johnson calls Meriman (?) Smith, a reporter; Johnson's interest in reporters; opinion on television coverage; leaves the White House

**TAPES:** 1 (T19)

**TOTAL PLAYING TIME:** 1 hour

**# PAGES TRANSCRIPT:** 30 pages

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:** None

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