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On Tuesday

The indefatigable 91-year-old **Eleanor Lansing Dulles** leaves for Berlin for the 750th anniversary of the city. She's the guest of **Ebehard Keipgen**, West Berlin's mayor. John Foster Dulles' sister has been working on the centennial of her brother's birth and the establishment of an educational fund and endowed fund at Princeton University. West Germany and Japan are among those countries joining the effort. **Douglas MacArthur** and **Susan Eisenhower** joined her at former Ambassador **Gerard Smith's** dinner at the Metropolitan Club to mark the 100th anniversary of Foster Dulles' birth.

Oh, dear. Are **Len Garment** and **Bob Gray** not talking? Reading Len's letter to the editor yesterday in *The Times*, in which he revealed he had not spoken to his friend Bob for "some months," made me wonder why these two peas in a pod avoided chatting when they sat at the same table Jan. 29 at Ed

Meese's intimate dinner at the Madison Hotel honoring **Bob Wallach**; or at Bob Wallach's swearing-in earlier that day as the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Commission for Human Rights. You could have fooled the guests, including me. Everyone seemed to be having such fun, talking to everybody.

Liz Haggerty, the Reagans' chief housekeeper, who arrived at the White House a few months ago from **Caroline Hunt's** Hotel Remington in Texas, is so attractive that even the president mistook her for someone else the other day. He caught her profile as she was overseeing details in the private quarters, and just for a moment mistook her for **Nancy** — addressing her as "Mommy," his pet name for the first lady.

Director **Peter Yates** told movie fans at the Gannett party the other evening that he's happy the attorney general will be out of the city this week. His film crews for "Suspect" have had to shoot **Cher** and **Dennis Quaid** in federal buildings after dark. They're shooting interiors in Ed Meese's office this week.

Some of our pounds are missing. **Ursula Meese** is looking ever so trim and 20 pounds lighter since beginning her Pritikin regimen. **Rosalynn Carter** is off to Safety Harbor Spa in Florida with her former social secretary, **Gretchen Poston**, next week.

Sir Roy Denman, ambassador to the EEC, and **Mrs. Denman**, **Effi Barry**, and Councilwomen **Hilda Mason** and **Carol Schwartz** were among the guests at Omaha **Larry King's** lavish bash at his Kalorama home the other evening. He's the caterer and consultant. Everyone is still talking about the beautiful long-stem yellow roses. The bill for the roses alone was in the upper four figures.

Bill Regardie not only belted his birthday cake with his Louisville Slugger the other evening, but he was like a wide-eyed kid who just couldn't wait to wear his gift, a brand-new baseball uniform. He stripped down to his jockey shorts in a show of exhibitionism before his guests, and then modeled his new attire. He had ordered 100 bats as appropriate souvenirs, but Hillerich & Bradsby, which man-

ufactures the Sluggers, called to cancel the order when they learned that the bats might result in "defamatory use." The president of the company insists his bats "only be used for recreational purposes." Maybe he ought to try Arkansas Travelers.

Now that **Howard Baker** has announced that he won't run for president in '88, and has accepted his new job as the president's chief of staff, some Republicans are wondering if such a top job, done in the top-notch way they expect of him, might make him attractive as a veep — as in a **Dole-Baker** ticket. The first call he made after being named chief of staff, by the way, was to **Warren Rudman**, the New Hampshire senator who was handling his New Hampshire presidential campaign. Sitting in the Miami airport on Sunday, waiting for his plane back to Washington, he was reading his press clippings and graciously accepting compliments from passers-by. He told one: "I told my wife to enjoy it while it lasts, because it'll probably be over in a day or two." How transient Washington can be.

— Karen Feld



Howard Baker