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JC: That, I was obviously not the choice of governing board in either case. I'm happy in retrospect, that those opportunities did not develop into a reason for having to leave the institution because, I've been basically, thoroughly, basically and thoroughly happy in this position and happy to have had this opportunity to watch it as it develops over, you know, two decades plus. I suppose the only, since basically I came out of the classroom, but still feel very still apart of the classroom environment. That, the only thing I really miss is really teaching. But that's one of those personal decisions one has to make in one's life, and I tried to go back to teaching here, as a matter of fact. Introduced a course in parliamentary procedure here, and thought it was possible to select some evening during the week on which I could confidently feel nothing would happen and that there would be no reason to have to miss a class, but as a backup I got Don Cameron to co-teach the course. And I chose Thursday night because those early days, Monday nights were still filled with problems of one sort or another, student sit-ins and so on. Tuesday and Wednesday are the days, traditional days, of the trustee's meetings and meetings of the presidents, then the Council of Presidents, now the Exec Council. So I picked Thursday, Friday we wouldn't get any students interested in coming to a parliamentary procedure class normally on a Friday night. So we settled on Thursday, and even then, in the course of the semester I had to miss at least three classes because of emergencies of one sort or another. But maybe someday I can get back to teaching. I like to feel as though it's a matter, the experience really, is a matter of leaving the environment of a classroom, but the concept of a classroom has just changed into meeting with the Alumni Board or Advisory Board or meeting with the AS senate from time to time. But in answer to your question I think you've really covered the waterfront beautifully, very well.

JB: Should we go off then?

JC: Sure.

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