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After the session, the four of us went to Vanessis to eat. When I got back to the hotel I went to 3020 and bumped into MJ. We talked in the hall. She was thrilled with Cuomo's speech.

She sat with John in a special section. He did not sit with the delegation. "He didn't applaud the speech. I knew how he felt. It's been a hard time for him. Everyone else in our row was enthusiastic. I wanted to get into it. I was so thrilled. I have never heard as great a speech as that one. But I didn't, because I knew the senator's feelings. He even wanted to leave early, but Dale said Everyone will say Sen. Glenn walked out on Mario Cuomo's speech. I said nobody will notice. But he stayed. If he had sat with the delegation, he would have been even more depressed."

"I knew the convention would be a down period. But I keep telling him that he should put a positive face on everything, that he should reach out and take every opportunity. He should have given the speech at the convention. They treated him badly. He could have done it if he had treated it as an opportunity to participate. It was the staff that put him in the negative mood about "podium participant." They thought he shouldn't do it. Now they have come around and they think he should. But it's too late. He's told too many people he won't do it. He's got to stop thinking negatively. This morning Dale said 'did you see the NY Times. It was great.' I thought he meant that it had something nice about Senator Glenn; but, no, it was very critical of Mondale. I said, don't go in and tell him this anti-Mondale stuff. That just feeds his negative feelings. He should support Mondale and not feel happy when Mondale screws up. He's down and negative right now. We are keeping him busy, and he's getting a warm response wherever he goes. People

love him and want to give him so much. He's being a little hard on people now. He's not fun."

"He could have had the delegation chairmanship, but he kept saying no he didn't want it. It was another missed opportunity. Celeste called him and told Dick that he (Dick) should take it. So Celeste went and told everybody that Glenn didn't want it. We kept it open till the very last minute. He could have been honorary chairman, with Jim Ruvolo as chairman. But he wouldn't do it. I think it was a mistake.