Little Paper #3: 1968, in their own words

Due Friday, March 5

For this little paper, you'll look at oral histories, interviews & memories from 1968. Choose and compare TWO of the following sources, and write a 2-3 page well-documented account of the event(s) your sources cover, using information and evidence from within the source documents themselves. What was the legacy of the event(s), or what did participants/eyewitnesses remember about it? If you chose sources that cover two different events, what connects them? Make a case for why these two events make sense to consider together. You could also use the Esquire magazine article about the DNC convention ("Grooving in Chi"), or another newspaper or magazine article of your own choosing FROM 1968 (e.g. Time, Newsweek, New York Times, Boston Globe...). Remember, no late work – must be handed in at start of classtime.

Time Magazine photo essay, "The Last Days of Dr. King"

http://www.time.com/time/photoessays/2006/martin_luther_king/

Oral Histories from 1968, "The Whole World Was Watching"

http://www.stg.brown.edu/projects/1968/

"This Weekend in 1968" series from NPR's Weekend America radio program http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=89372462 - each mini-program is about 5 min long

Resurrection City in Washington DC, May

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/05/08/1968_resurrection/

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/06/19/1968_resurrection_end/

Assassination of Bobby Kennedy, June (this page has additional audio & video resources)

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/06/04/1968_rfk/

At War on the 4th of July

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/07/02/1968_veterans4th

The DNC Convention, Chicago, August

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/08/23/1968_dnc/

Publication of Tom Wolfe's The Electric Acid Kool-Aid Test

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/08/16/acid_test/

Protests at Miss America Pageant, Atlantic City, September

http://weekendamerica.publicradio.org/display/web/2008/09/06/1968_miss_america/

For this assignment, one source = one Weekend America radio program segment, one oral history, one photo essay or slideshow, one video clip, one audio of a speech, or one news/magazine article. **You need to use at least TWO sources in your paper.**