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Presidential Materials Review Board Review on Contested Documents

Collection: President's Personal Files
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Folder: Ancestors of Richard Nixon

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136 Return Private/Personal $Memorandum\ for\ Rose\ Mary\ Woods$

Subject: The President's Ancestry

The President's ancestors came to this country beginning in about 1634. All of them were here before 1775, and on the average they arrived in 1695. Among the President's more prominent relatives are the following:

- (1) John Bartram, a prominent 18th century naturalist and
- (2) Daniel Webster, to whom the President is related through the Griffiths, Hussey and Bachiler families, and who is about a 9th cousin.
- (3) John Greenleaf Whittier, to whom the President is related through the Griffiths and Hussey families.
- (4) The late actor, Robert Taylor (Spangler Arlington Brugh), to whom the President is about an 11th cousin through the Trimmer family.
- (5) The Rockefeller brothers, who are the President's 8th or 9th cousins through the Trimmer family.
- (6) The first Mrs. Nelson Rockefeller, who is the President's 8th cousin through the Griffith, Hussey and Brinton families.

Noble Melencamp

THE WHITE HOUSE

January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR

Rose Mary Woods

Subject: Well-known Presidential Relatives

If you think it appropriate, you might want to let the President know that he is related to the following famous Americans. This information comes from Dr. Bell and other relatives and citizens who have written since last January:

- 1. Daniel Webster. The President shares a mutual 10 greats grandfather with him the Reverend Stephen Bachiler who came to Massachusetts in 1632.
- 2. John Greenleaf Whittier. His mother, Abigail, was a sister of the President's 5 greats grandfather, John Hussey.
- 3. The late Robert Taylor, the actor. He and the President are about 8th cousins through the Trimmer family.
- 4. The Rockefeller brothers. They are related to the President through the Trimmers. Their common ancestor was Johannes Trimmer, who came to America in 1738.
- 5. John Bartram, the famous 18th century botanist. He married a Mendenhall and is the President's 6th great uncle. Dr. Bell's latest estimate is that the President has 2 million identifiable cousins.

Two-thirds of the President's ancestors were Quaker and on the average they landed in America about 1695. There is no record of any arriving after 1775.

Noble Melencamp

February 9, 1970

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Ron Ziegler

FROM:

Rose Mary Woods

The attached should make a good article

for some "feature" writer. Will you follow through on this?

THANKS.

cc: Bob Haldeman

Herb Klein