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Eliska:

I am forwarding this request transmitted by Gwen King to you as it involves the 175th anniversary of a town.

Thank you.

Dianne

(I include the backup material with the thought that it may be useful.)
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
May 10, 1972

MEMO FOR DIANE HUMES

I don't want to continue burdening you with this gentlemen's contributions if you have no interest.

I do think, though, that Eliska Hasek might wish to do a Presidential letter for the 175th anniversary of Waynesville.

Let me know if I should continue sending these to you!

Thanks,

Gwen King
May 2, 1972

Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. King,

I have been doing further Nixon "Hillhouse" relative research since my last letter to you concerning the President's family tree rooted here in Waynesville.

From early records kept by the Miami Monthly Meeting of Friends at Waynesville, I have gleaned some very interesting tidbits which I thought Mr. Nixon might like to have.

It seems that Mr. Nixon's fifth cousin, Henry Hillhouse, settled here first before building a log house near the Caesar's Creek Meeting of Friends which he was instrumental in organizing having helped build the meeting's first log Meeting House. I have indicated these findings in the published records of that year. Miami Monthly Meeting of Friends here is also an affiliate of the Indiana Yearly Meeting.

We also have Nixons living here in Warren County and Corwin Nixon is our local State Representative. From Corwin Nixon's 2,000 page Nixon Family Genealogy, I have retrieved the names and genealogical data of all Waynesville Nixon family relatives, Corwin's family is descended from Allan Nixon who was apparently the brother of President Nixon's first American ancestor. Amidst my findings I find that between the Nixons and Hillhouses half or more of the population of this rural village (Waynesville's population is about 1,700) can claim 7th or 8th cousins kinship to the President.

It would certainly be wonderful if the President and Mrs. Nixon could visit here and meet their country "kissin' cousins". The old "White Brick" Hicksite Friends Meeting House, built in 1811 and the oldest Quaker meeting house West of the Allegheny Mountains) is still being used by Hillhouse relatives. Henry Millhouse, who settled here before 1805, and his descendants and relatives worshiped there before transferring to Center Meeting and later Caesar's Creek Meeting.

I would be most appreciative if you would please see that the President receives this letter and enclosed information. It is Waynesville's 175th anniversary this year and we are most proud that the Millhouses decided to settle here near our village.

Sincerely,

Dennis Dalton
P.O. Box 194
Waynesville, Ohio 45068
A HISTORY OF INDIANA YEARLY MEETING

by Seth E. Farnes, Sr.

Indiana Yearly Meeting
Religious Society of Friends
general conference
FRIENDS MONTHLY MEETING-HOUSE, WAYNESVILLE, OHIO. BUILT, 1811
During the 133rd session of Indiana Yearly Meeting, held at Pendleton, Indiana, a concern was expressed by Barret Hollister that a history of Indiana Yearly Meeting be written and published. The concern was approved and stated that Seth E. Furnas should, with others, write the history of the Meeting.

When I learned of this decision, I wondered what the history should contain—beliefs and doctrines? Establishment of meetings and basis of membership? Efforts for peace, temperance, etc.? As I considered these ideas, my memory kept traveling back to that Friendly atmosphere that I remembered as a boy and I lived again with Friends that are no more.

Well do I remember a hot afternoon in late August. I was riding on the back seat of my grandfather's carriage, returning home after a long day of meeting. I heard Grandfather telling Grandmother what had happened in the men's meeting. Then, after a quiet moment, he turned to her and said, "Now tell me what happened in the women's meeting." It was in 1895, when the two meetings were still held separately. I could hear them talking but couldn't understand what they said. Before long, I went to sleep and I only remember that as Grandfather carried me into the house, Grandmother was saying, "Meeting was too much for him."

Now, after more than sixty years, we are grandfathers and grandmothers. We have grandchildren just as the grandfathers and grandmothers for over 130 years have had, and yet, during all this time, there has been one yearly meeting. What has it meant to the grandfathers and grandmothers? What have we meant to the meeting? Has each relationship supplemented the other?

What of these 130 years? Do they not tell of the devotion and loyalty to Indiana Yearly Meeting of many grandmothers and grandfathers and of what it has done for them? What of the different problems that each generation faced? What of their differences and the goals that each tried to reach? Did they achieve them with the help of the Heavenly Father inspiring them in their collective search for truth? Were they able, amidst the problems of their time, to translate grace and truth in their outward lives with love for their fellow men? Their efforts to achieve these goals; some realized, some not; make the history of Indiana Yearly Meeting.

How shall it be told? Shall I be the judge? There have been too many judges already. As I look back into the past, I see once more that scene in the old carriage and hear Grandfather say to Grandmother, "Tell what happened in the women's meeting." It makes me say, "Why not?" Why not let Grandmother tell the story— the problems that the women met and solved; the glory and the beauty they were able to find in their lives.

Grandmother and Grandfather have left a written record. There are also traditions and stories handed down by word of mouth that tell how Indiana Yearly Meeting was formed and kept alive to this day. As much as can be, let her tell it in her own way.
- THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE GRANDMOTHERS -

First, let's get acquainted with the grandmother and grandfathers of our generation. How satisfied we are, dressed in simple taste; avoiding both extreme plainness and too much adornment in dress. We are thankful to have lived in a time when grandmother saw the wood-burning cook stove replaced by an electric range. The baking, the churning, the laundry and other household chores are easier now. And grandfather, if a farmer, has seen many-labor-saving tools ease the hard work that he remembers as a boy. Surely it's a wonderful time to live!

However, if we look closely, we can see on their countenances the strain of the first World War, when brothers and lovers answered the call of duty with the army and ambulance units. More cases were added when the second World War called sons to army duty and C.P.S. camps. Yes, they had to face stern realities. They met them.

The grandfathers and grandmothers just before them lived at a time of low wages, panics and decreasing crop yields. Some progress had been made toward labor-saving appliances. However, they were more concerned with keeping ahead financially and reviving the waning interest in meeting. As we look at them, we can see how it affected them. In an effort to retain the prestige of the past, simple plainness was replaced by fashionable appearance. It is to their credit that they carried on.

Looking back another generation, we see the prosperous years at the close of the Civil War. In their younger years, these grandparents faced the War. At its close, they were concerned with sending the wounds of the war and the meeting. They saw changes in their homes and on their farms.

They had improved machinery and livestock, better heating, improved lighting, more comfortable homes, more efficient tillage tools, and other means of harvesting grain and, at the close of the Civil War, better times. Pictures of that time show touches of refinement and luxury in the traditional Quaker dress.

The preceding generation shows a sternness of belief and an effort to meet a changing society and still live according to the demands of Quaker doctrine. It was a time of economic hardship while the political question of slavery and the plight of those to the South who were held in bondage, was of grave concern. Truly, they lived and raised their families at a time when preserving the tradition of the past required economy and hard work.

In the generation before were the pioneers. They left their comfortable homes and came to a wilderness where they built new homes. They met many hardships but insisted on a way of life that carried out the ideals of their beloved society. Here, with the simplest of tools, they built their homes and their meeting and demanded the strictest adherence to the principles of membership.
A progress report was given to Yearly Meeting in 1954. These five generations appeared and were photographed by Dr. Emma G. Holloway. This report was short and given orally.

Four women from Caesar’s Creek Meeting represented the pioneers. Let us think of each as a grandmother from one of the four different areas from which Friends came to what is now Indiana Yearly Meeting. Let one of these grandmothers represent the group of Friends who came from six monthly meetings in Virginia (55 certificates and 269 persons) and six monthly meetings in Maryland (8 certificates numbering 25 persons). Another grandmother represents Friends from six monthly meetings in Pennsylvania (16 certificates numbering 45 persons) and seven monthly meetings in New Jersey (14 certificates numbering 69 persons). The third grandmother represents pioneers who came from one monthly meeting in Georgia (28 certificates numbering 155 persons) and two monthly meetings in Tennessee (45 certificates numbering 221 persons). The last grandmother stands for members from 11 monthly meetings in North Carolina (90 certificates numbering 387 persons) and from Bush River Quarterly Meeting (171 certificates numbering 810 persons).

The above represents the years 1803 to 1807 and makes the estimated number of Friends belonging to Miami Monthly Meeting 2,000 members. When Miami Monthly Meeting was set up, in 1803, it had about 200 members. By 1807, Friends were located in Warren, Clinton, Highland, Montgomery, Miami and Preble Counties in Ohio, and Wayne County in Indiana. (Eli Jay, Richmond, Indiana.)

Behind all these meetings and migrations are many stories. Many Friends, after the Revolutionary War, migrated to the South where there was land and opportunity. The Indians were more friendly, too. While in the North, Friends were asked to aid in war measures to defend the outlying settlements.

Then, about 1800, there was the temptation of cheap land in the newly formed Northwest Territory. However, the grandmother from the Carolinas tells of the greatest problem the Friends faced — “to live righteously.” Let her tell her story. (The following, while based on the minutes of the meeting, is told as a traditional story that makes the history of Indiana Yearly Meeting more dramatic and beautiful.)

I will have to go back to the time that there was no yearly meeting, no quarterly meeting, no monthly meeting, and not even a meeting for worship. In fact, I go back to the time that all of us lived in our comfortable homes in the East. I remember a First-day in our home in South Carolina. We mounted horses that were brought to the ‘upon’ block by Mose, our slave, and rode through the woods to Bush River meeting house. About 400 Friends were assembled in a meeting for worship.
After a time of silent worship, Zachariah Dix, a minister, rose to speak. He spoke on the question of holding slaves, an issue that was rapidly dividing the meeting. Reminding the meeting of the equality of all men as taught by Fox and Penn, he said, "O Bush River . . . there are those among you who have within your household a wedge of gold and the Babylonish garment. You are depriving your fellow men of their God-given rights. You have bought them like cattle in pens; you have sold them like sheep at the slaughter; you have held them for gain, them, their wives and their children.

O, young men of Bush River, the awful curse of human slavery will never be conquered or its crimes avenged until this land shall flow in blood. The cry of the slave beneath the driver's lash, the terror of the slave mother for her baby boy sold at the block, the immorality incident to the very system itself will be avenged . . .

O, Bush River, purge thyself. Young men, young women, to you I appeal . . .

Go to the Northwest Territory. Look not behind you into this Sodom of human slavery . . . How do you expect, in the midst of this curse, to bring up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord? O, sell your lands, sell your homes, and, in the virgin forests of the Northwest Territory, build homes whose sanctity shall forever be secure . . ."

Never before had such an invective against slavery been uttered in that meeting house. To me, it was very painful, for my father was one of those who loved his slaves and they loved him. As he had treated them kindly, he could see no harm in slavery. I felt the criticism was unjust. It disturbed me, for I could not think of Father doing a cruel or unjust thing.

Criticisms seemed to echo from every side. I felt that I must escape.

When dinner was over, I said to Betty, our Negro cook, "When thee has done the dishes, put some of the pudding in two porringer and take some of the corn pone thee' baked yesterday and pack them in the willow basket and come with me to carry it to Ebenezer Brown's".

Uncle Eb, as he was called, was a relic of the past. He had lost his arm in the battle of Guilford Court House and, for going to war, was disowned by his meeting. Now, old and nearly blind, he and his wife Matilda were, for the most part, objects of charity. I felt that by relieving the discomforts of others, I would relieve my discomfort.

After following the path through the woods and arriving at Uncle Eb's, I said, "Uncle Eb, I thought some pudding and some of Betty's corn pone might taste good to thee."

"...You setting here," he said, "feeding me, reminds me of the day after the battle of Guilford Court House. In the early morning, ther came a
bunch of Quakers with their wagons and picked us up, British and Continentals all alike, and bandaged our wounds and made us beds on the floor and fed and nursed us."

Then, turning his eyes toward his wife, he said, "Tildy, pull out the chest from under the bed and give Hannah them land papers..." The documents proved to be a land warrant issued to Ebenezer Brown for his services in the Revolutionary War. It called for 200 acres of land in the valley of the Miami River.

"Dear Uncle Eb, doesn't thee know that being here with thee and Matilda is reward enough for anything I may do? I'll take the paper and treasure it as a token of our friendship - not as a gift of land in a faraway wilderness."

"Jes take it, Hannah, dear," interrupted Matilda. "Thee might have use for it. I heard some say, coming home from meeting, that Robert Evans was powerful took with Zachariah Dix's idea of moving to the Northwest Territory."

"I really don't see what that has to do with me and Uncle Eb's gift." Then all at once, overcome with emotion and calling Betty to follow, I darted quickly out of the cabin and up the woodland path. Suddenly, I heard Robert say, "Why, Hannah, thee's crying!" And then, somehow, I found myself in his arms.

Robert, too, had his troubles; he had been arrested for freeing a slave. Thus, on this woodland path, we comforted each other and knew and felt that together we might find a way that would be right for both of us.

At his trial, Robert pleaded not guilty for liberating a Negro slave. Elisha Coffin appeared at the trial as one of the trustees of North Carolina Yearly Meeting, with a bill of sale for this slave, which had been sold to North Carolina Yearly Meeting. It was accepted by the court and Robert was discharged.

It was not long after this that first my father and then my mother died. "Time's changes seem often to linger long...then, suddenly, all is changed. We rush to new duties and new cares. Some call this fate, some call it luck, some call it chance, and some call it God."

Robert's life and my life seemed to come together. We planned our marriage and were married in Bush River Meeting. We planned, as soon as it could be arranged, to make our home in the Northwest Territory where some Friends had already gone. So it came about that, after a journey of seven weeks in the company of other families, we came to the confines of what later became Miami Monthly Meeting.

It was necessary for Friends to sell their homes and farms for less than half of what they were worth. They were able to buy land in the wilderness of the
Northwest Territory for $1.25 an acre - what was price and hardship compared to "the living devotion to a great principle"?

In Robert's pocket was a letter dated 25th of 5th month 1802. It was written by Borden Stanton who had moved to Concord, Ohio, "beyond doubting, that was the ordering of Wisdom for us to remove; and that the Lord was open way for our enlargement, if found worthy." The loafer's on the boxes in the corner of the village store that morning were sufficiently moved, in spite of scoffing, to wave a genial goodbye and mutter, "Mighty good neighbors, a set of fanatics."

The Friends records show that North Carolina Yearly Meeting, under a law of 1796 and its amendments, owned, over a period of sixty years, more than three thousand slaves. This was done so that the owners could avoid prosecution for freeing their slaves. Technically, the Yearly Meeting owned slaves who were, by intent, free.

Among the Friends who were living at Waynesville, Ohio, (which was settled in 1797,) were the families of Robert Kelly, Abijah O'Neall and James Hill, who came 11th month 20th, 1799, from Bush River Meeting. On 4-25-1800, David Falkner and David Painter came from Hopewell Monthly Meeting, Frederick County, Virginia. David Holloway and Rowland Richards came the same year. Later in the year, Joseph Cloud, a minister from Cane Creek Monthly Meeting, North Carolina, (who later settled here himself), held several meetings among them.

Other Friends continued to arrive and on 2-26-1801, a number of Friends, consisting of twenty-four parents and forty-seven children, met at the home of Rowland and Lydia Richards in a voluntary meeting for worship. The Richards lived near the center of the block bounded by North, Third, Miami and Fourth Streets, in Waynesville.

In the later part of the 18th century, two monthly meetings (Westland in 1785, and Redstone in 1793,) were established in southwestern Pennsylvania. These united, in 1798, to form Redstone Quarterly Meeting of Baltimore Yearly Meeting. Certificates of removal for Friends moving to Waynesville were sent to Westland Monthly Meeting.

The Friends at Waynesville continued their meeting for worship during the summer. In the following winter, they sent a request to Westland Monthly Meeting, 300 miles away, asking that a recognized meeting for worship be held on First-days and the middle of the week. On 12-26-1801, Westland Monthly Meeting adopted the following minute:

"A number of Friends being settled near the Little Miami River, request has been made for the privilege of holding meetings of worship on first and fifth days of the week. After weighty deliberation, it appears to be the sense of the meeting that a committee be appointed to sit with them, inspect their situation and judge of the propriety of granting their request. Jacob
Griffith, Abram Smith, David Grave and Henry Mills are appointed to the service, to report when called on by this meeting."

The following minute from the same meeting is dated 9-25-1802. "The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting (Redstone) report they all attended the same and that meeting united in leaving this at liberty to act in respect to request of Friends near the Little Miami as way may open in truth. After divers sentiments were expressed, it appeared the sense of Friends that the request be granted till otherwise directed. David Grave, Joseph Townsend, Abraham Smith and Henry Lewis were appointed to write to the Friends there on the occasion and forward the substance of this minute when opportunity offers."

The meeting was set up accordingly and appears to have met in a log building that had been erected for a dwelling by Ezekiel Cleaver. This, their meeting house, stood on the northeast corner of Third and Miami Streets in Waynesville. However, tradition tells that a small meeting house was built near where the Red Brick Meeting House now stands and was heated by live coals of fire placed in the meeting house.

- THE FOUNDOING OF MIAMI MONTHLY MEETING -

The action of Redstone Quarterly Meeting satisfied the need for a meeting for worship but in matters of business, the Monthly Meeting was 300 miles away. Therefore, it was necessary that the first marriage among Friends - William Mills and Mary Richards - be solemnized by a Baptist minister - a method used at that time.

Early in 1803, the number of Friends settled in and about Waynesville had become large. Many of them were, or soon became, members of Westland Monthly Meeting. By 9-25-1802, there were certified to Westland Monthly Meeting from Bush River Monthly Meeting, Abijah and Anna (Kelly) O'Neall and children, 9 persons; Samuel and Hannah (Pearson) Kelly and children, 8 persons; Mary Jay Patty, wife of Charles Patty, 1 person; Layton and Elizabeth (Mills) Jay and children, 8 persons; Ann Horner, wife of Thomas Horner, and Ellis Fugh and Phebe, his wife, 3 persons.

From Cane Creek, South Carolina, before 10-13-1803: Amos and Elizabeth (Townsend) Cook and family; Levi and Ann (Frazier) Cook and family; Esther Campbell, Naomi Spray; Samuel and Mary (Wilson) Spray and family; Robert and Hannah (Wilson) Furnas and family; Dinah (Cook) Wilson; Jehu and Sarah (Hawkins) Wilson and family; Christopher and Mary (Cox) Wilson and family; Thomas and Tamar Cox; this partial list includes about 40 persons.

Other names - Ezekiel and Abigail Cleaver and family; Samuel Linton and five children; Edward and Margaret Kindley and family; John Mullen and family; Benjamin and Hannah Evans and family; as well as others not named, make a
8-9-1804 — Thomas Nixon produced to this meeting, a paper concerning his misconduct, which was read and received.

10-11-1804 — The preparative informs this meeting William Pope and Elizabeth Pope request to be joined in membership with Friends. Asher Brown and David Faulkner are appointed to visit them on the occasion and report to next meeting the state they may find them in.

11-8-1804 — One of the Friends appointed to visit William and Elizabeth Pope, reports that he, in company with several other Friends, performed the service and they believed their request to be in a good degree of sincerity and thought it best to continue it under the care of Friends. Phineas Hunt and John Bails are appointed to have it under care and report to a future meeting.

12-13-1804 — One of the Friends who had the request of William Pope under care, reports they had an opportunity with him to pretty good satisfaction and the meeting appearing easy to receive him as a member, he is accordingly received in membership.

Enos Baldwin and Sarah Hunt propose their intention of marriage with each other, to this meeting. David Faulkner and Asher Brown are appointed to make inquiry concerning Enos' clearness in relation to marriage, and report to next meeting.

Enos Baldwin and Sarah Hunt continue their intention of marriage with each other. Inquiry being made, concerning Enos' clearness, and nothing appearing to obstruct, they are left at liberty to consummate their marriage according to good order used among Friends. John Bails and Evan Evans are requested to attend the marriage and report how it is accomplished, to next meeting, and return the marriage certificate to be recorded.
(There were 229 marriages recorded to 1954.)

10-10-1805 — The meeting appoints Isaac Stubs, Henry Millhouse, Thomas Horner, David Freis, Abijah O'Neal, Jehu Wilson, and Henry Steddom to prepare a petition to represent the state of our suffering under the military law, (before the House of Assembly), and produce to next meeting.

11-14-1805 — The committee appointed produced a petition which was approved and signed. Isaac Ward, Abijah O'Neal, and Mordical Walker are appointed to attend the Legislature therewith and report to next meeting.

12-12-1805 — The committee appointed to attend the Assembly, report they attended and were favorably received and produced a bill of their expense, being $22.94-1/2, which this meeting recommends to be produced to next meeting.

7-25-1810 — The committee appointed to take an account of the suffering of Friends for military fines, produced as follows, namely from two Friends in the year 1805, to the amount $3.00.........
in a book produced for this purpose, and report to next meeting.

3-13-1806 - George Hayworth and 13 others are appointed to unite with a like committee of women Friends, in a visit to the several indulged meetings within the limits of this meeting and afford them such advice and assistance as they may be enabled and report their care to next meeting.

5-8-1806 - (Request of indulged meetings to be preparative and monthly meetings.) Friends of Todd's Fork (Center) and Caesars Creek request to have meetings for worship and discipline established, a preparative at each place and also, a monthly meeting and that to be held circular.

Friends of the southwest branch of the Big Miami, request to have meetings for worship and discipline established; preparative and monthly meetings.

Friends, of Elk Creek, request to have a meeting; unite in forwarding to the quarterly meeting.

Following is the account of the first monthly meetings set up by Redstone Quarterly Meeting:

1-8-1807 - The following minute of the Quarterly Meeting (Redstone) held 12-1-1806, was produced and read, namely ... A part of the committee, on the request of Miami Monthly Meeting, reported, in writing, as follows: ... to the ensuing quarterly meeting. We, of the committee appointed on the request of Miami Monthly Meeting, have attended our appointments and visited Miami Monthly Meeting and the several meetings that made the request and unitedly agree to report that we think it would be best to grant their request in the following manner, to wit:

1st - West Branch meetings for worship on first and fifth days of the week and the preparative meeting to be held on the third Fifth-day of each month and the monthly meeting to be held on the Seventh-day following, to be known by the name of West Branch Monthly Meeting.

2nd - Elk Creek meeting for worship on first and fifth days of the week and the preparative meeting on the first Fifth-day of the month, to be known by the name of Elk Preparative Meeting, to be a branch of Miami Monthly Meeting.

3rd - Caesars Creek meeting for worship on the first and fifth days of the week and the preparative meeting on the first Fifth-day preceding the first Seventh-day in each month, to be known by the name of Caesars Creek Preparative Meeting.

4th - Center meetings for worship on the first and fourth days of the week and the preparative meeting to be held on the fourth day of the week preceding the first Seventh-day in each month, to be known by the name of Center Preparative Meeting, and, also, a monthly meeting to be held alternating between Caesars Creek and Center, on the first Seventh-day in each
quarterly meeting be established by the name of Miami Quarterly Meeting, to be held at Waynesville the second Seventh-day in the 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th months, and the meeting for ministers and elders the day preceding, each at the eleventh hour. Which was concurred with. It was directed that the first meeting be held at the time mentioned in the 5th month next and that a committee be appointed to attend the opening thereof and report to the meeting next year. The following Friends were accordingly appointed to that service, namely, Jonas Cattell, Samuel Cope, Horton Howard, George Kinsey, William Keets and Isaac Votaw.

Pursuant to the above minute, a quarterly meeting was opened and held at Miami, at the time proposed by the Yearly Meeting; the minutes and proceedings of which are as follows:

At Miami Quarterly Meeting held the 13th of the 5th month, 1809. Jonas Cattell, Horton Howard, William Keets and Isaac Votaw, part of the committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting, attended.

The reports from the several monthly meetings inform that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting: from Miami, Isaac Pedrick, Asher Brown, John Stubbs and Nathan Stubbs; from West Branch, Benjamin Iddings, William Hail, Jeremiah Hote, Isaac Embree and Samuel Pierce; from Center, Jonathan Wright, Isaac Perkins, Samuel Spray and Henry Millhouse; from Fairfield, Josiah Tomlison, Eno Williams, Richard Barrett and Zebulon Ruiman, who, being called, were all present. Benjamin Hopkins is appointed clerk at this time.

The following Friends are appointed to propose to next meeting, a Friend for clerk and one for assistant, namely, Benjamin Iddings and eight others.

West Branch Monthly Meeting informed that Friends of Whitewater request their meeting for worship established; also, a preparative and monthly meeting. After solid consideration, Jacob Jackson and five others are appointed to visit them in a collective capacity, judge the propriety of granting their request and report to next meeting.

A number of copies of the extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were received and directed to be handed to the representatives and the important matters, therein contained, recommended to the consideration of each monthly meeting.

Redstone Quarterly Meeting forwarded to this meeting several copies of an address from the meeting for Suffering relative to the school education of the beloved youth, which, claiming the attention of this meeting, are directed to be handed to the different monthly meetings for their care.

Thomas Horner and five others are appointed to propose to next meeting their prospect respecting building a house to accommodate this meeting. No further business appearing, the meeting concludes. (5th month, 1809)

At Miami Quarterly Meeting held the 12th of 8th month, 1809. The representatives all attended.
Which, being several times read and deliberately considered, is united with
and Miami Monthly Meeting is directed to appoint a committee to attend the
openings of the several meetings at such times as may appear suitable to
that meeting and report their care to next quarterly meeting. (Copied from
the minutes of said meeting by Thomas Farquhar, Clerk at this time.)

1-8-1807 - Steven Brown and three others are appointed to attend the opening
of West Branch Preparative Meeting on the third Fifth-day in the present
month and the monthly meeting on the Seventh-day following.

2-12-1807 - The committee to attend the opening of West Branch Preparative
Meeting, 1-15-1807, and monthly meeting, 1-17-1807, report they attended,
except one.

Henry Hillhouse and three others are appointed to attend the opening of Elk
Preparative Meeting on the first Fifth-day in 2nd month. (The Friends later
reported they attended, except one.)

Jacob Jackson and five others are appointed to attend the opening of Center
and Caesars Creek Preparative Meetings on the Fourth and Fifth-days preced­
ing the first Seventh-day in 2nd month and of Center Monthly Meeting, to be
held at Center on the Seventh-day following, and report their service to the
next meeting.

2-12-1807 - The Friends that were also appointed to attend the opening of
Center, 2-4-1807, report three attended to the appointment.

The grandfathers and grandmothers first had an indulged meeting; then, they
had a monthly meeting. With three monthly meetings under Redstone Quarter,
which was 300 miles away, they asked for a quarterly meeting.

2-12-1807 - This meeting (Miami) proposes taking under consideration the mak­
ing request for a quarterly meeting be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting in
the sixth month next, if the other meetings unite with our proposal. Abijah
O'Neall and Joel Wright are appointed to attend West Branch Monthly Meeting
on the occasion and implant their care to next or the succeeding meeting.
Joseph Cloud and Mordcai Walker are appointed to attend Center on the same
occasion and report likewise.

5-14-1807 - The monthly meetings of Miami, Center and West Branch united in
a request for a quarterly meeting to be established and held at Miami, which
is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

- MIAMI QUARTERLY MEETING - ITS BEGINNINGS AND FIRST ACTIVITIES -

At Baltimore Yearly Meeting, held by adjournments in 10th month, 1808 -
The committee appointed last year to take into consideration the united re­
quest of Miami, West Branch and Center Monthly Meetings including the Friends
who now constitute Fairfield Monthly Meeting, report as their sense that the
8-9-1804 - Thomas Nixon produced to this meeting, a paper concerning his misconduct, which was read and received.

10-11-1804 - The preparative informs this meeting William Pope and Elizabeth Pope request to be joined in membership with Friends. Asher Brown and David Faulkner are appointed to visit them on the occasion and report to next meeting the state they may find them in.

11-9-1804 - One of the Friends appointed to visit William and Elizabeth Pope, reports that he, in company with several other Friends, performed the service and they believed their request to be in a good degree of sincerity and thought it best to continue it under the care of Friends. Phineas Hunt and John Bails are appointed to have it under care and report to a future meeting.

12-13-1804 - One of the Friends who had the request of William Pope under care, reports they had an opportunity with him to pretty good satisfaction and the meeting appearing easy to receive him as a member, he is accordingly received in membership.

Enos Baldwin and Sarah Hunt propose their intention of marriage with each other, to this meeting. David Faulkner and Asher Brown are appointed to make inquiry concerning Enos' clearness in relation to marriage, and report to next meeting.

Enos Baldwin and Sarah Hunt continue their intention of marriage with each other. Inquiry being made, concerning Enos' clearness, and nothing appearing to obstruct, they are left at liberty to consummate their marriage according to good order used among Friends. John Bails and Evan Evans are requested to attend the marriage and report how it is accomplished, to next meeting, and return the marriage certificate to be recorded. (There were 229 marriages recorded to 1954.)

10-10-1805 - The meeting appoints Isaac Stubs, Henry Millhouse, Thomas Horner, David Freis, Abijah O'Neall, Jehu Wilson, and Henry Steddom to prepare a petition to represent the state of our suffering under the military law, (before the House of Assembly), and produce to next meeting.

11-14-1805 - The committee appointed produced a petition which was approved and signed. Isaac Ward, Abijah O'Neall, and Mordicai Walker are appointed to attend the Legislature therewith and report to next meeting.

12-12-1805 - The committee appointed to attend the Assembly, report they attended and were favorably received and produced a bill of their expense, being $22.94-1/2, which this meeting recommends to be produced to next meeting.

7-25-1810 - The committee appointed to take an account of the suffering of
Nixon Family Tree Rooted Near Waynesville

by Mary Bellman

History has been made near this community with the discovery that President Richard Milhouse Nixon has kin folks buried at the Caesar's Creek Friends Cemetery.

H. Thomas Sweet, Jr., Resource Planner, Environmental Resources Branch, Corp of Engineers Louisville, Kentucky, told Dennis Dalton, local historical writer, and Richard Workman, Park Board Administrator, in December 1971 that a relative of the President was supposedly buried in Caesar's Creek Friends Meeting Cemetery. He did not know the name of the relative at that time. The family are cousins of Richard Nixon. Henry Millhouse Sr. and his wife Rebecca had six children. Mary, born May 2, 1763 married David Whitson in Union County, South Carolina in 1800. Rebecca Millhouse was born November 8, 1767 and married Amos Compton in 1793, Sarah, born March 25, 1770 married Mordecai Spray in 1793. Ann was born January 24, 1772 and married Amos Hawkins in 1796. Robert married Sarah Compton in 1791. Dinah Millhouse married Stephen Compton in 1796. Robert Millhouse Jr., Henry Millhouse's grandson, was married in Caesar's Creek Meeting House to Dinah Furnas, daughter of Robert and Hannah Furnas of Warren County. The Millhouses also married into the Mendenhall, Scott, Owen, and Homer families. A number of the Millhouses were members of the Miami Monthly Meeting of Friends at Waynesville.

There were several people involved in putting all this information together. Mrs. Martha

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Caesar's Creek Friends Meeting House and Cemetery on New Burlington Road, 8 miles from Waynesville.
—Photo Mary Bellman—

Gazette Names
New Editor

The Miami Gazette is happy to announce the appointment of a new editor, Mrs. Mary Bellman.

Mrs. Bellman has lived in Waynesville 20 years, and is a native of Warren County, having lived here all her life. She presently resides on North Fifth Street with her husband Herman. Mary is the mother of five children and has five grandchildren.

Mary has been in the newspaper business for six years, and has been a correspondent for The Miami Gazette for one year. She has been in several local charity organizations and for the past two years she has served as U.S.O. chairman, being the only Warren County resident to do so.

Through her writings, Mrs. Bellman has displayed an intense interest in community activities and past historical events.

The Gazette is proud to welcome Mary to their staff as editor.

Girl Scout Sunday

Girl Scout Sunday is March 12th. There will be a program at the Junior High Gym from 2:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. Parents of girls to attend.

Town Square Restaurant Opens

by Mary Bellman

The newly named "Town Square Restaurant and Coffee Shop" opened for business on February 14th. New owners Don and Mary Frances Scott would like to take this opportunity to welcome patrons past and present to their new establishment. They are catering to family style dining and also to the younger set.

The Scott family is well known in the area. Scott is a native of South Lebanon and his wife is the former Mary Frances Hartsock. The Scotts have three children, Greg 14 years old, Allen 12 years old, and daughter Lynn who is five. Phyllis Hartsock is the manager, and her husband David is seen occasionally doing his part.

The Scotts' aim is to please you the customer. Scott said he feels Waynesville should be able to support a good restaurant and have a place for young people also.

Scott has been in the light excavating business but now

Paul Scott owner of Town Square Restaurant and Coffee Shop located in shopping center. Don is discussing business with sister-in-law Phyllis Hartsock who is the restaurant manager.
Nixon Family Tree
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Edmiston of the Dayton Journal Herald's "Action Line" staff played a very important part. Dennis Dalton and Richard Workman copied Millhouse lineage from "Henshaw's Quaker Encyclopedia" at Wilmington College. They had extra copies made at the Mary L. Cook Public Library at Waynesville. Mrs. Regina Wolf, assistant Librarian made the copies and through acute observation noticed Millhouse's name. Later without telling anyone, she dug out library books and worked until 10:00 P.M. two hours past library closing to copy all materials. All research with the exception of that done at Wilmington College and information provided by Dr. Raymond Martin Bell, Nixon genealogist, was done at the Mary L. Cook Library which has an excellent historical reference library.

Dr. Willis Hall the college librarian at Wilmington College was very cooperative when contacted and confirmed that the records were stored in the college vault and could be seen anytime.

Dalton consulted with Mrs. Kenneth Hough of Waynesville concerning Nixon in the Harlan family. Mrs. Hough, a retired high school teacher and Waynesville historian and descendant of Friends who settled near Waynesville in 1799, gave Dalton a list of Nixons who had married Harlans and other pertinent genealogical data.

Restaurant Opens
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The restaurant is open 7 A.M. till 9 P.M. weekly and from 11 A.M. till 8 P.M. on Sunday. They are closed on Monday but in the near future could possibly be open seven days a week. They are equipped to handle 100 guests at a party in the main dining room and approximately 30 people in the Lantern Room. There are twelve people employed at the restaurant.

Welcome Don and Mary Scott in your new business venture in downtown Waynesville.

HARVEYSBURG

By Marjean Price
Ph. 897-6172

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Dalton wrote Gwen King, Director of Correspondence for Mrs. Richard Nixon since he had had previous correspondence with her, sending along the Millhouse data. She replied this week and said his letter had been forwarded to the proper genological channels. A lot of hard work and persistence has finally paid off with the discovery.

Another discovery was made by Regina Wolfe at the library. The records of the war between the states show that George Nixon III of Clinton County, enlisted with Company B, 73rd Ohio Voluntary Infantry Regiment. He is buried at Gettysburg, one of the last to die in that terrible and decisive battle. His son Samuel Brady Nixon, married Sally Ann Wadsworth, a descendant of the first American Commander, General "Mad Anthony" Wayne. Their son Francis Anthony Nixon is Richard's father.

Waynesville was named for General "Mad Anthony" Wayne. The village this year is celebrating its 175th birthday.

Debbie Gibson spent Saturday night at the Taylor home. Cynthia Huffman was reinstated as a member.
March 13, 1972

Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. King:

I and a friend, Mrs. Mary Bellman, also of Waynesville, a newspaper correspondent have made another Millhouse discovery.

In one of my first letters to you, I mentioned that historical records showed that the Millhouses had built mills on Buck Run near here and that one of the mills had been torn down in 1828 and moved to the Jay property and rebuilt into a school house under Friends' supervision. That exact record from the 1882 Clinton County Ohio history states:

"Among the first mills in the township (Chester Twp.) was a saw-mill built at the mouth of Buck Run by Robert Millhouse but operated by the waters of Caesar Creek. In after years, a corn stone was placed there-in, and corn grists were ground there. Lower down on Buck Run, the Millhouses erected a carding and fulling mill which remained there until 1828, when it was torn down and removed to the lands of David Jay, Sr., where it was made into a schoolhouse, under the supervision of the Caesar Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends."

Sunday Mrs. Bellman and I got a lead on that school house and investigated. After investigating the old "Blackberry School" on Mound Road near Center Road, I was compelled for some reason to investigate a section of Center Road I had not been over.

Finally I asked directions to Buck Run and explained in detail why it was so important I find the stream and where it emptied into Caesar's Creek. We were taken by Mr. William Creager of Kingsman to the home of Mr. Elmer C. LeMar near New Burlington in the vicinity of the area we were investigating. I repeated the same information as above concerning the mill turned school and questioned Mr. LeMar, who will celebrate his 89th birthday May 7. Mr. LeMar was born in a log cabin northeast of New Burlington, Ohio and moved to his present farm at the age of 9 and (1892) lived there in an early pioneer log cabin which is still standing there today. During our conversation, it was established and confirmed that it was Buck Run school that I was looking for and that it was still in existence having been moved from its site on Buck Run Road to the Amos DeHaven farm on Buck Run Road and used as a storage building. Mr. LeMar was able to tell me that the Buck Run School was located on the Jay farm. He graduated with the class of 1898 and readily recites: "A pocket full of rocks and a head full of knowledge, I'd rather go to Buck Run than any other college", a verse he wrote while attending the school.
I was taken to the DeHaven farm where I examined the construction of the former Buck Run School which was the original Millhouse carding and fulling mill and found it somewhat altered but in excellent condition. Some of the framework is hand hewn but most of the construction is sawed having been sawed at the Robert Millhouse saw-mill which preceeded the carding and fulling mill. The structure is mortised and pegged together with wooden pins. It still has a little of its original clapboard siding under the plank siding now protecting it. I was able to get a piece of the original siding and bring it home. Mrs. Bellman took photos of the building and I am enclosing one in order that the President may see the existant structure built from the mill that was removed by the Millhouses in 1828.

The DeHaven farm is now abandoned due to the death of Mr. DeHaven and Mrs. DeHaven has moved to Dayton, Ohio I believe. I am currently checking to find her in order that I may contact her and acquire the Buck Run School in order that it be preserved as a national historic landmark. It is thought that Millhouses attended the Buck Run School during its early history.

I am also checking a story that the Wilmington News Journal at Wilmington, Ohio carried last week. It seems that Buck Run was being dredged near where the Robert Millhouse mills once stood and workmen dug up a Millhouse tombstone. I hear that the site will be fenced and preserved as an historic site. When I have confirmed this story I will send you the details.

Please forward this letter and photo to the President if you will be so kind.

Most Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dennis Dalton
Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.

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March 8, 1972

Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. King:

Thank you for your kind reply of March 1 and your kind help.

I need your help again and sincerely hope you will be able to assist. I do hope my requests of you haven't been inconvenient or an imposition but I do not have the name and address of Mr. Nixon's personal secretary so I must channel my inquiries through you.

You may or may not know by this writing that we were able to confirm that the President's relatives are buried here at Caesar's Creek Friends Cemetery. My friend, Martha Edmiston, who is a member of the Action Line staff of the Journal Herald at Dayton, Ohio phoned Dr. Raymond Martin Bell and received a verification that the Henry Millhouse, Sr. buried here and President Richard Milhouse Nixon are fifth cousins. Dr. Bell said that he had lost the family (Millhouse) after they left Union County, South Carolina in 1805. Our branch of the Nixon family tree here seems to be the important missing link.

H. Thomas Sweet, Jr., Resource Planner, Environmental Resources Branch, Louisville District, Corps of Engineers, Louisville, Kentucky, brought it to my attention and that of Warren County Park District Administrator, Richard Workman, that a relative of President Nixon's was supposedly buried in Caesar's Creek Cemetery. I immediately began drawing upon my storehouse of historical data and phone Waynesville Friends whom I knew had Nixons listed in their family genealogies. I also phoned Dr. Willis Hall, Librarian, at Wilmington College, Wilmington, Ohio. Dr. Hall has charge of all the early Quaker records of this area. I set up an appointment for Mr. Sweet but he wasn't able to make connection and I did not meet Dr. Bell and examine his records until recently since we at first didn't realize that it was Millhouse we were looking for and not Nixon. Then one day I discovered in Wayne Township marriage records that "Henry Millhouse married Sarah Horner in Wayne Township in 1817" and I knew then that Millhouse was the name I was looking for, the name having been spelled later without the l or e. Then in the Clinton County History of 1882 (Clinton County Ohio) Workman and I found that Henry Millhouse, Sr. and son, Robert and wife and family and the other Millhouse children and families had settled on Caesar's Creek near Waynesville around 1805 and that Henry and Robert had helped organize the Caesar's Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends and had assisted in raising the first log meeting house in 1805.
From there the search for the Nixon relatives gained momentum and excitement. Dr. Bell was consulted by Mrs. Edmiston and I and Workman poured over Quaker Records at Wilmington College and were able to obtain vital information from Henshaw's Quaker Encyclopedia and record books brought from Cane Creek Friends Meeting, Union County, South Carolina in 1805.

We had the Henshaw history copied at the college and later had extra copies made at the Mary L. Cook Public Library at Waynesville where all the Millhouse research had been done with exception of Dr. Bell and Dr. Hall's information. Mrs. Regina Wolfe, assistant librarian, made the copies and noticed the Millhouse name. Later, on her own, she dug out Civil War and Revolutionary War Rosters and books on President Nixon and made an interesting discovery that until that time remained unknown. She found that President Nixon is a direct descendant to General Anthony Wayne. Anthony Wayne's soldiers camped at Waynesville in 1793 and the creek along which they camped is still known here as "Camby Creek". Waynesville, which celebrates its 175th birthday this year, was named for Anthony Wayne who visited this area frequently. Wayne Township is also named for him.

The early Millhouses married into several old Quaker families around here. The Spray, Compton, Mendenhall, Owen, Mille, Scott, Hawkins and Furnas families were married into by Henry, Mrs. Hillhouse's children and grandchildren. Robert, a grandson, married Dinah Furnas, daughter of Robert and Hannah Furnas of Waynesville. There are still Furnases who wake up Waynesville's population and attend Friends Meeting in the 1811 vintage brick Hicksite Meeting House (oldest Friends Meeting House West of the Alleghenies) where Henry Hillhouse, Sr.'s grandson, Henry Hillhouse was married in 1817. All the family names previously mentioned would be distant cousins of President Nixon as would be their descendants. Consequently it is most interesting to note that half or more of Waynesville's 1,700 population can claim kinship to the President of The United States.

One of the persons who can claim Mr. Nixon as a cousin is Mrs. Sarah Furnas Cook, a descendant of Robert and Hannah and a cousin of Dinah Furnas Hillhouse. Mrs. Cook is currently serving on the Board of Trustees of the Mary L. Cook Public Library which is named for Dr. Mary L. Cook, Waynesville's noted horse and buggy physician, who founded the library in April, 1917, and was its board president for many years and guided its growth until her death several years ago at age 95. Dr. Mary, one of few female physicians for her time, was born at Harveyburg near here and lived all her life in Waynesville. I believe that her family was in some way connected with the Millhouses and I'm working on research now to prove it.

April is National Library Week and the Mary L. Cook Public Library is planning a special celebration since it has been newly repainted, air conditioned and will announced Wednesday hours making it available to the public six days a week. The Mary L. Cook Library has one of the finest historical research and reference departments in Warren County and since that is where the biggest part of the missing Millhouse research was done, since one of its Board Members and possibly its founder is a distant cousin of the President and since April is National Library Month I feel that it deserves a letter of recognition (a personal letter) from U.S. President Richard Nixon. It would mean a lot to us here on our 175th birthday year and even more to Mrs. George Current, Mary L. Cook Librarian.

Can you help me achieve this by seeing that this letter is delivered into the hands of President Nixon? I will certainly appreciate any personal attention you can give it.
A little country village like Waynesville seldom becomes known for anything and receives little public notice. Waynesville has made no great gifts to the nation other than Millhouses and that's the greatest in my estimation.

I am a Democrat who loves history, his heritage and his country. I also voted for Mr. Nixon and most probably will again.

Most Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dennis Dalton
Waynesville's physical beginnings originated in 1796 in Shropshire, England, where its founder, Samuel Heighway and associate, Dr. Evan Banes, platted it to include parks and squares similar to an English village. Heighway, Banes and five other English pioneers settled Waynesville on the banks of the scenic Little Miami River March 8, 1797. Heighway's original intent was a plantation. With him, this giant among pioneers (Heighway weighed over 300 pounds and stood over 6 feet tall) brought over 30 tons of goods, lauded in legend as the largest store inventory in the Northwest Territory. The site of Heighway's log store and his second home (built in 1818 but torn down in 1905) can be visited at Sciota Square. The restored
March 1, 1972

Dear Mr. Dalton,

Thank you for your most interesting letter and your inquiry about certain details of the President's genealogy. I have forwarded your letter on to the individual on the President's staff who will not only be pleased to have the information you have provided but will also be in a better position to respond to your specific questions.

With appreciation and all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon

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Mr. Dennis Dalton
Post Office Box 194
Waynesville, Ohio 45068

cc: Diane Humes
Room 17, BOB

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Mrs. Gwen King
Director of Correspondence
for Mrs. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. King:

I am in need of some genealogical information from the President and thought perhaps you might be able to direct this inquiry to the proper sources.

I am presently engaged in doing historical research as a part of my volunteer service to the new Warren County Park District here. The biggest project currently assumed by Park Board and Park Administrator, Richard Workman and myself has been the preservation of historical buildings slated for destruction by the Caesar's Creek Reservoir Project, a Federal flood control program. We have been successful in saving two log houses, the Levi Lukens house, built in 1807 and a grist mill, built prior to 1815, to date. Log structures are mushrooming throughout the reservoir project area and we are trying to save all of them.

A second two story log house here may have national historical significance if historical records can be confirmed. The house, the remaining half of a "saddlebag" log house (two identical two story log houses connected by a central fireplace and chimney) which is extremely rare in Ohio, is believed to have been built around 1813 by Amos Hawkins who married Ann Millhouse in 1796 in Union County, South Carolina. Ann Millhouse was the daughter of Henry and Rebecca Millhouse who settled in 1806 along Caesar's Creek in Clinton County now in Warren County. Her father, Henry Millhouse, was born "in the parish of Timahoe, County of Kildare, Ireland, 1st of 5th month, 1736, O.S." according to the 1882 edition of Beer's History of Clinton County Ohio.

Beer's further states that "As early as 1807, the settlers along Caesar's Creek erected the 'old log house', yet standing on their grounds, and on which the Caesar's
Creek Monthly Meeting House (Society of Friends) now stands, in Warren County. The meetings held in those days were 'indulged', and among those known to its earliest organization were Henry Millhouse, Sr. and Robert Millhouse, Sr. (his son)." "Among the first mills in Chester Township, Clinton County was a saw-mill built at the mouth of Buck Run by Robert Millhouse and operated by the waters of Caesar Creek. In after years, a corn stone was placed there-in, and corn grists were ground there. Lower down on Buck Run, the Millhouses erected a carding and fulling mill which remained there until 1828, when it was torn down and removed to the lands of David Jay, Sr., where it was made into a schoolhouse, under the supervision of the Caesar Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends".

Henry Millhouse, Sr. died May 22, 1821 and Ann Millhouse Hawkins died February 4, 1855. Both are buried in the Caesar Creek Friends cemetery which with its 1849 frame meeting house are in the Caesar's Creek Project area. The meeting house and its cemetery might be moved by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

I realize that the resident is Richard Milhouse Nixon but that it possibly might have originally been Millhouse. Is there any way to prove or disprove that our Henry Millhouse was an ancestor or relative of President Nixon? Henry Millhouse settled in Union County, South Carolina after emigrating to the United States.

I have enclosed a newspaper clipping which relates the story of our latest log acquisition. The Levi Lukens log house is the ancestral homestead of Ohio Senator and former Congressman Donald E. "Buz" Lukens, Levi's great-great-great grandson.

I do hope that the Richard Nixon genealogy will give us the needed information.

Most Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dennis Dalton
P.O. Box 194
Waynesville, Ohio 45068
May 11, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Dr. Joan Spencer

SUBJECT: John Nixon

Carol Bronson in the Vice President's office has asked me to send you this note. Not having seen the letter in question, I am going by what Carol told me over the phone.

In the President's background, according to our very limited information, there are two John Nixons who could have been living in the year 1863 (see attached sheets under #32 and #16). The John Nixon, who is the son of William Wilson Nixon, does have among his brothers and sisters a Mary and a Samantha. But this is the extent of the information which at all seems to fit and is very little on which to establish the identity of the letter writer.

Attachments: Genealogy information

Dianne Humes
John F. Nixon

Sister Mary who married F.C. Garrison

Brother Sam

Uncle William or Williams

Cousin Maggie

2 children Ida and Bishop mentioned

Carrie and Laura Gibson mentioned
January 19, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR
Rose Mary Woods

Subject: Well-known Presidential Relaties

If you think it is 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 great-grandmother with him - the Reverend Stephen Hamilton who came to Massachusetts in 1630.

2. John Greenleaf Whittier. His mother, Abigail, was a sister of the President's 5 great-grandmother, John Hussey.

3. The late Robert Taylor, the actor. He and the President are about 8th cousins through the Trihamer family.

4. The Rockefeller brothers. They are related to the President through the Trihamers. Their common ancestor was Johannes Trihamer, who came to America in 1721.

5. John Hackett, the famous 19th century botanist. He married a Mansfith and is the President's 7th great uncle. Dr. Bell's latest estimate is that the President has 2 million identifiable cousins.

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

Noble Meeker
Jane Milhouse

Daughter of William
b. June 10, 1790
m. Greenbury Plummer

sister of William P's son &

Jane R. Milhouse
b. Sep 9, 1860
died Oct 14, 1860

Jane B. Milhous

Dec 29, 1889
m. Harald Beason
April 27, 1970

From Noble -- for your thoughts and recommendation

He is going to dig out of files, archives, etc. all of the pictures they can find of the President's ancestors.

Then, if you concur, have Ollie make up 10 sets for:

1  President
1  Julie
1  Tricia
1  RMW
1  Don Nixon
1  Ed Nixon
1  Celia Bellinger
1  Archives
1  Files
1  Extra

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April 25, 1969

Dear Dr. Bell:

This is just a note to thank you for your letter of April 16, giving us further information on George Nixon I and on the Milhous family.

As you can imagine, we receive numerous inquiries concerning the President's ancestry, and we would be happy to have all the information you are able to send pertaining to the Nixon and Milhous family trees.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Rose Mary Woods
Personal Secretary
to the President

Dr. Raymond M. Bell
Department of Physics
Washington and Jefferson College
Washington, Pennsylvania 15301

cc: Noble Melencamp
To:    NOBLE MELENCHAMP
From: ROSE MARY WOODS

I thought you might like to have the
attached note from Dr. Raymond Bell
for inclusion in the Nixon genealogy files.
Dear Miss Woods,

You may be interested to know that George Nixon I, Revolutionary soldier, died 5 August 1842 in Rock Island Co., Ill.

I also have data which traces the Milhous family back to about 1640 at Carrickfergus, County Antrim, Ireland.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond M. Bell