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Our Welsh Heritage

(The Red Dragon Shall Lead the Way)

Wales—"Nurse of All the British Race"

"Thou most renowned Wales, thou famous ancient place, which still has been the nurse of all the British race."

(M. Drayton)

St. David's Society of the State of New York
Dr. Raymond Bell  
Washington & Jefferson College  
Washington, Penna. 15301

Dear Dr. Bell:

Subject: OUR WELSH HERITAGE

We have recently published the booklet entitiled OUR WELSH HERITAGE (copy of which you will find enclosed) and unfortunately we had not received replies from the White House regarding President Richard Nixon's Welsh background.

Mrs. James Humes from the White House telephoned me today suggesting I contact you with regards to getting definite information with regards to President Nixon's Welsh background in order that we may incorporate it into the second edition which will be prepared within the next month or so.

Any information you may be able to give on Mr. Nixon's Welsh background would be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Dr. Islwyn Thomas  
President

Enclosure

CC Norman Price

CC Mrs. J. Humes

% The White House

May 23, 1972

Please reply to 286 Kings Road  
Madison, N. J.
MEMORANDUM FOR:

Rose Mary Woods

SUBJECT: The President's Ancestry

The President's ancestors came to this country beginning in about 1634. They were all here before 1775, and on the average arrived about 1695. Among the prominent individuals to whom the President is related are the following:

(1) John Bartram, a prominent 18th century naturalist and botanist

(2) Daniel Webster, to whom the President is related through the Griffiths, Hussey and Bechler families, and who would be 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 Bruston families.

Noble Melescamp

cc: Diane Humes

NMM: blm
The Milhous family were Quakers, and like many others of their faith they left the village of Timahoe in County Kildare in Ireland to seek religious freedom in Penn's colony. On May 29, 1729 the Dublin Quaker Meeting issued a statement of faith to Thomas Milhous, his wife, Sarah, their three small children and to Mrs. Milhous's parents, James and Catharine Miller on the eve of their departure from Ireland. Later in the same year Thomas Milhous settled his family in New Garden, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Thomas Milhous died in the spring of 1770 at the age of seventy-one years, leaving his wife, five sons and a daughter.
Dear Miss Woods,

Thank you for your letter of 6 Feb. It does not seem possible that 16 years have elapsed since we were in communication. Since 20 Jan., my mail and phone calls have increased in respect to the ancestry of President Nixon. I have a file a foot thick and someday I hope to assemble it for some of the libraries.

The earliest NIXON record at present is the purchase in 1731 by James Nixon of a farm 3 miles north of Wilmington, Del. His son served in the Revolution. Thomas MILHOUS settled in New Garden Twp., Chester Co., Pa. in 1729, just 12 miles west of the Nixon farm. He was a son of John Milhous. Thomas came from Timahoe, Co. Kildare, 24 miles west of Dublin (not to be confused with other Timahoes). Strangely enough, George Nixon, son of James, came to Washington, Pa. in 1803 and in 1805 William Milhous, son of Thomas settled at Mt. Pleasant, Ohio just 30 miles to the west.

If you hear from persons who are actively engaged in adding to the ancestral chart that I published in 1954, I should like to have their names, so that I may exchange notes with them. I am still gathering data, which I shall pass on to you from time to time. We'll let the President work on the present and the future. We are very pleased with his leadership. I wish his parents could have lived to see this day.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond M. Bell
Three Chester Grandfathers

The drive for the old Chester Court House was scarcely under way when, on a survey made by the late Chester F. Baker, we noted that the western half of the lot occupied by the Court House was owned by a John Baldwin, Sr., a large landholder who died in 1731. Baldwin was a name in the family line of Richard Milhous Nixon. Sure enough, subsequent research proved that our man in Chester was eight generations earlier than the President, but his direct ancestor. A carpenter, he arrived in Aston Township in the 1680's, later moved on to Chester and prosperity. He was living right next door when the Court House was built. His only son, John Baldwin, Jr., had two sons, the younger named Joshua being the President's ancestor. It was Joshua's daughter, Hannah, who married William Milhous in 1767. He was the son of Thomas Milhous, immigrant, who came to New Garden Township, Chester County, in 1739 from Ireland.

Miss Elmer D. Cox, Director of Recreation for the City of Chester, and a great Court House booster, sent this story to President Nixon. He replied that he was a history buff and that he hoped to come to Chester some day. A good time for his visit could be the day the old Court House is re-dedicated.

Mary S. Patterson
Restoration plans are underway to restore the Old Chester Court House built in 1724 and scheduled for re-dedication May 1, 1972. This Historic Court House, eleven years older than Independence Hall, served Chester County, one of the three original Counties laid out by William Penn. The original Chester County comprised what are now Delaware and Chester Counties being divided in 1789.

The Chester of today is an Industrial City but in 1724 it was the County Seat and center of Colonial activity for Chester County.

The Court House was built next door to the home of John Baldwin, direct ancestor of President Richard M. Nixon.

Also of interest is that two of the early Judges appointed by King of England have relationship.

Nathaniel Newlin served a number of terms up to 1726. His wife was Mary Mendenhall, who with her two brothers, Benjamin and John Mendenhall, direct ancestors of the President, had come to America from Wiltshire, England. Nathaniel Newlin and his father Nicholas were owners of 7000 acres of land in what is now Delaware County. He was the builder of the Newlin Grist Mill in 1704 which today is a restored operating Historic attraction.

Edward Brinton, grandson of William Brinton, direct ancestor of the President, was appointed by the King in 1759 to serve as Judge of Court of Common Pleas for so long as he shall behave himself therein. A case noted before his court in 1767 involved the certifying of signatures to a deed of trust for a property owned by James Clemson, direct ancestor of the President, made out to his daughter fifty one years before. Edward Brinton was an important figure of Colonial Chester County and lived to see the Battle of the Brandywine fought over his property. As the Battle ended and General Washington's Army retreated toward Chester, Sir William Erskine and Companions came to his home and talked of the war. Sir William was Quartermaster General for General Howe's Army.
The Nathaniel Newlin Grist Mill is located about eighteen miles from downtown Philadelphia and about twelve miles north of Wilmington at the intersection of Baltimore Pike and South Cheyney Road. For advance reservations to the picnic grove and for information call GL 9-2359 or write "Nathaniel Newlin Grist Mill, Box 35, R.D. 2, Glen Mills, Pa."

In the year of 1704 Nathaniel Newlin built the grist mill with the few crude tools available—hammers, axes, hand saws, mattocks, augers and a few farm implements. With the help of his scattered neighbors, presumably, he built the dam, dug the mill race, hewed the machinery and built the mill.

The enormous hand-made wooden gears, shafts and pinions, restored to operation as they were in the days of Queen Anne, are again turning the heavy millstone to grind corn.

The Miller's House is a simple old stone house built in 1739. It was placed conveniently near the Mill, for the use of the miller and his family. Recently restored, it is furnished with pieces appropriate to the period and to the position of the miller in those days.
ENJOY FISHING, NATURE TRAILS AND PICNICS

In the picnic grove families and groups may reserve tables and fireplaces for a pleasant, all-day outing. Many will enjoy the nature trails and foot paths that wind through the adjoining woods.

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Delightful Streamside Picnicking

Excellent Trout Fishing

Of special interest to anglers—dry fly, wet fly, or just worms—is the fact that the mill race and ponds have been heavily stocked with rainbow and brook trout for spring and brown trout for summer fishing. There is the assurance of plenty of action. No fishing license is necessary.

Office and Reception Center

The log cabin, which houses our office and reception center, was built as it might have been in 1704, by our own people. The oak logs were cut on the property and hand-hewn at the site.
The Editor
LIFE, Time & Life Building
Rockefeller Center
New York, New York 10020

Dear Sir:

"Nick" Nixon deserves more credit for his service in the South Pacific than published accounts, including LIFE's The Young Nixon, have given him.

I served with him for 15 months during his SCAT (South Pacific Air Transport Command) days, about six of which were as his "officer in charge". (SCAT was a combat "airline" set up to perform logistics support from rear bases in New Caledonia and Espiritu Santos Islands to Guadalcanal and succeeding combat areas in the Solomon Islands.) In SCAT, Lieutenant (jg) Nixon was one of a few Navy officers assigned to that Marine dominated unit, perhaps no small challenge in itself.

Nixon's first assignment, on Espiritu Santos, was as Passenger Officer, his basic responsibility being to supervise and direct the movement of military passengers to and from the forward area. Most of the returnees were wounded who, needless to say, required particular handling and care; and Nixon saw to it that they got the best. Later in his tour he may have found time to play poker; but in the early days, he was voluntarily on duty around the clock. None of us prima donna pilots ever found cause to fault him.

As the Solomon Islands campaign progressed from Guadalcanal through New Georgia, Vella La Vella and Treasury Island to Bougainville, Nixon became more restive in the rear areas.
In the latter part of 1943, about the time that the battle for Bougainville was underway, he asked me to nominate him to head the SCAT contingent for the next advance, one which all of us felt sure would be a bloody invasion of Rabaul, Japan's "Gibraltar" in the South Pacific. I was glad to do so and he was picked for the job. As it turned out, the target was Green Island, the landing was unopposed, and Nixon's desire to serve in an assault was frustrated. In this context, his remark, "I didn't get hit or hit anyone", quoted in LIFE's article, takes on a deeper meaning.

In March of 1944 when I was detached from SCAT it was my pleasant duty to make out a fitness report on Lieutenant Nixon. I remember it particularly because, in addition to giving him "outstanding" marks, I recommended he be cited for his competency, leadership and devotion to duty. He was that kind of an officer.

Carl J. Fleps
Brigadier General, USMC, Ret'd
The attached Milhous History is from the files at the Chester County Historical Society of the Milhous Family.

The son, Thomas Milhous who married Elizabeth Paschall, is the brother of William Milhous direct ancestor of President Richard M. Nixon. The original Marriage Certificate of this wedding on Seventh day of Ninth Month 1751 is in the files at Historical Society and among the signers of the Certificate is William Milhous then age thirteen.

Paschall Milhous, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Paschall Milhous, married Abigail Harry, the niece of John Harry and granddaughter of Hugh and Elizabeth Brinton Harry direct ancestors of President Nixon. This marriage established the line of Milhous in the Brinton Family.

William Milhous is not mentioned in the history but his marriage to Hannah Baldwin is recorded in the records of the Bradford Meeting, Marshalltown, Chester County, Pa. and also of their son William Milhous to Martha Vickers.
Home Milhous History

The Milhous farm at present (1942) is owned by the Leo family and to reach this farm from the road west, turn north at the foot of what is now known as Richard's Hill and the first lane on the left side of the edge of the first woods will take you to the old Milhous home on the side of the hill.

I visited this old home about five years ago and although it was uninhabited then, the Leo family since restored it somewhat and one of the Leo family now occupies it. This old house has excellent fireplaces on the first floor with the original herring bone mantles, and five of the original logs on them. The fireplace in the downstairs east room still had the original crane hanging in its place when I was last there. Another fireplace can be found in the upstairs east bedroom.

A large pine tree planted by Jesse Milhous' son-in-law, William S. Taylor, seventy years ago, still stands, as well as numerous other old trees, notably among these a large sycamore tree that was large when the aforementioned pine tree was planted. The outline of Jesse's old blacksmith shop can still be seen.

Jesse Milhous

Jesse Milhous was born January 1, 1805, and died July 20, 1865, at New Garden, Chester County, Pennsylvania, in the year 1779. Their farm was located on the eastern boundary of the New Garden line and took in the present small farm of Walter Phillips and land west and the northern boundary ran along the present road west of the old Bucktown Meeting House.

Thomas Milhous' wife, Sarah Milhous, was of German extraction and was originally spelled Milhausen. They settled in the English land with William of Orange and on passing over the small creek there, they reached the New Garden Road in Ireland, where Thomas Milhausen or Milhous, as I shall hereafter spell his name, daughter of James and Catherine Linher, was born. He afterwards married William Jackson, a son of Isaac Jackson, the London Cordwainer. Thomas Milhous and his wife's family were of English and Scotch origin and children emigrated to New Garden, Chester county, Pennsylvania, in the year 1779. Their farm was located on the eastern boundary of the New Garden line and took in the present small farm of Walter Phillips and land west and the northern boundary ran along the present road west of the old Bucktown Meeting House.

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Jesse Milhous' brother, Thomas Milhous, married Elizabeth Farson and was in the watch repair business on South Union Street, Kennett Square, for a number of years. He died April 5, 1873, and is buried in the old Friends Burying Ground on East State Street. On his death his daughter, Hannah B. Milhous, was raised by Samuel Martin, the old school teacher, and his good wife, Rachel. Hannah B. Milhous died a number of years ago in Boston.

Jesse Milhous had a son, Chandler C. Milhous, who also became a watchmaker, and for a number of years was located in New Orleans but later returned and died on the home place. Another son named Abigail Milhous was Enoch C. Milhous, who was a butcher and farmer. He at one time butchered on the home place (the present Leo homestead) in the old barn there. Afterwards, later butchering with Jesse Hurford, father of the late Harry Hurford. Their butchering place was where the late John Chalfant's former garage now stands.

Enoch Milhous was the father of Frank, Garfield, Thomas and Jesse Milhous. Garfield Milhous many years ago was very prominent in hometown theatricals in this place and conducted a lumber yard in Mendenhall. Jesse Milhous at one time was a postmaster at Toughkenamon. Thomas Milhous removed to Delaware county and Frank Milhous was a butcher and for many years was in Pierce's Store in this place. The last named, Frank Milhous, married Sarah Chandler and they were the parents of Dorothy, Franklin, Mergis and Grace Milhous, who married J. Leon Merick.
17 November 1970

Dear Mr. Helencamp,

Thank you for the Horse data. I have not gotten up to such high numbers yet. If we count 15th cousins, I will have to raise my estimate of two million. At a recent luncheon a speaker said that one out of every 100 Americans is a Nixon cousin. This made a Democratic candidate for congress jump. He wondered if he was the one.

Here are some new names:

124 John Malmsbury
248 John Malmsbury
249 Mary Bowker
250 John Doane
251 Hannah

I think I have located the unmarked grave of Paul Trimmer, (36) Revolutionary ancestor who died in 1834 at the age of 84. It is in the Raccoon Presbyterian Cemetery at Candor, Washington Co, Pa.

Are you interested in the enclosed cutting from the Belfast Telegraph? I have two copies. Have I sent the enclosed Irish "trees"?

I think I now have a Swedish ancestor. Is the President planning to visit Scandinavia? It may be that the only German line TRUMMER goes back to the DDR, south of Karl-Marx-Stadt.

So far in the many ancestral lines Buchwald has not appeared. I am still stuck on (39). It is unusual to find a man whose ancestors have been in this country for such a long period.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Irish Moore data (paternal) - Quaker

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From Mrs. Goodbody, Dublin

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d 1748
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b 1669 Co. Antrim
d 1710
m 1695 Co. Antrim
near Timahoe
buried Timahoe

385 Elizabeth
wife of Thos., d 1728
buried at Timahoe

386 Robert Mickle
b 1676 Magheragall
1675 Magheragall, Co. Down
d 1726 Co. Antrim

387 Mary

388 Robert Miller
b 1670 Co. Antrim

194 James Miller
b 1669 Co. Antrim
1701 Lounderry
to P., 1729
m 1701 Co. Antrim

389 Elizabeth

390 Thomas Lightfoot
b 1680 Cambridgeshire, Eng.
d 1692 Lounderry, Co. Antrim
1688 Co. Antrim
m 1716

391 Mary

R.M. Bell
11-1-1957