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December 22, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: GWEN KING
FROM: JOHN DEAN
SUBJECT: Attached correspondence

Attached is a letter from Jack Scammell, a craftsman who repaired much of the furniture which was moved from the President and Mrs. Nixon's New York apartment to their home in San Clemente. Scammell has since retired and would like to know whether Mrs. Nixon approved of his work.

Since Scammell is no longer engaged in this type of work such that he could use a letter of the nature requested for commercial benefit, it is my recommendation that his request be considered. I'm certain that a note of appreciation from Mrs. Nixon would be particularly meaningful to this gentleman.

Attachment

October 19, 1970

Dear Mr. Firestone:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Mr. Robert H. Miranda, Vice President of Pergamon Press, Inc., expressing his interest in the Nixon Foundation Library and his willingness to be of assistance in its development.

This letter has already been acknowledged by the White House, but I thought perhaps you might be interested in contacting Mr. Miranda if you feel he can make a meaningful contribution to the Foundation.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

John W. Dean, III
Counsel to the President

Mr. Leonard Firestone
President
The Richard Nixon Foundation
1950 Crocker Citizens Plaza
611 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, California 90017

October 16, 1970

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is a letter to the President from Mr. James H. Merrill, requesting the opportunity to meet with his attorney "to discuss a very good idea that would provide the ideal means of conserving (the President's) estate values and solving the liquidity problem".

Since this appears to be in your bailiwick, I am requesting that your office reply directly to Mr. Merrill.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

John W. Dean, III
Counsel to the President

Mr. Frank DeMarco, Jr.
Kalmbach, DeMarco, Knapp
and Chillingworth
611 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, California 90017

Enclosure

March 29, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: **CONSTANCE STUART**
FROM: **JOHN DEAN**
SUBJECT: **Gloria Seelye Biography - Mrs. Nixon**

In response to an inquiry prompted by the Prentice-Hall letter to Mrs. Nixon, we were today advised by Clyde Vandenburg that Mrs. Seelye had already entered into a contract with Prentice-Hall to publish the biography of Mrs. Nixon. Vandenburg said he had assumed Mrs. Seelye had cleared this with us, and is sending a copy of the agreement for our review.

As you will recall, the last word we had from Vandenburg-Linkletter was that they were negotiating with Prentice-Hall for "an acceptable contract proposal for submission to" Mrs. Seelye and me, and posed several questions to which you responded on February 23. I had a telephone call from the President of Prentice-Hall, who advised that he was coming to Washington and desired to meet with us, but heard nothing thereafter until the letter to Mrs. Nixon.

As soon as I receive the copy of the agreement and review it, I will be in contact with you to discuss what further action might be necessary.

JWD:FFF:bav

March 10, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN DEAN
FROM: FRED FIELDING
SUBJECT: "Dear Mr. President"

I think the attached letter is all that is necessary in response to Mr. Lests's recent correspondence. I note that they have included the changes we suggested in the revised copy of the Release. I don't see any real problem of exposure to litigation if they follow the steps set forth in Lests's letter.

As I recall, we have never resolved the question of the President's participation in the royalties derived from this book. If such participation is desired, we should formalize our understanding in this regard with the publisher. Please advise.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

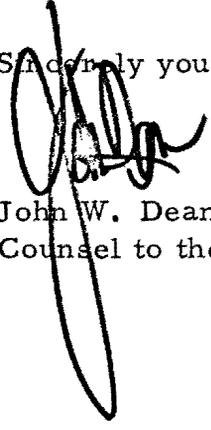
March 10, 1971

Dear Mr. Leetz:

This will acknowledge receipt and thank you for your letter of March 5, 1971, and the enclosures thereto.

We will look forward to receipt of the completed manuscript and your firm's legal opinion regarding its contents.

Sincerely yours,



John W. Dean III
Counsel to the President

Mr. Paul A. Leetz
330 Naperville Road
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

April 19, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: **CONSTANCE STUART**

FROM: **JOHN DEAN**

SUBJECT: **Gloria Seelye Biography -
 Mrs. Nixon**

As you will recall, we agreed to grant Mrs. Seelye authorization to prepare a biographical work about Mrs. Nixon, subject to Mrs. Nixon's right to approval of the contract with the publisher and of the final text and form of the book. I had even suggested that the details of the authorization could be embodied in the contract with the publisher.

Unfortunately, as you will see from the attached, Mrs. Seelye has entered into an agreement with the publisher without our prior approval, and the contract does not reserve any rights of approval by Mrs. Nixon as to the final text and form of the book.

I think that it will now be necessary to have this contract amended, to require that the publisher first obtain Mrs. Nixon's written approval before publishing the book. This is, of course, a touchy situation and I would appreciate your thoughts on the best way to approach Mrs. Seelye to discuss this, before contacting Vandeburg or Prentice-Hall.

JWD:FFF:bav

April 6, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE FILE
FROM: JOHN DEAN
SUBJECT: Key Biscayne (Metropolitan
Dade County) - Proposed
Trash Collection Test

The attached form letters outline a proposed change in the method of trash and garbage collection on Key Biscayne. We have no further information in order to base a judgment as to the value of this project or the politics behind it. Therefore, no response will be made to these letters.

JWD:FFF:bav

METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY • FLORIDA

911 COURTHOUSE
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33130
TEL: 377-5311

OFFICE OF COUNTY MANAGER

March 1, 1971 Refer to: 5-885

To Residents of the Key Biscayne Community

Dear Resident:

Recently you have noticed a great deal of publicity concerning our efforts to establish test programs to improve the garbage and trash collection services provided by Metropolitan Dade County. The Special Task Force created to study this problem has recommended several methods in which new collection techniques will be attempted, hopefully, to both improve the service and to reduce the cost.

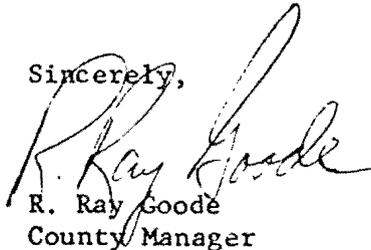
Briefly stated, the test program selected for your area involves the utilization of an 80-gallon mobile container (mounted on two wheels). This is a rather large container which will be utilized in connection with hydraulic lift equipment to be installed on the waste collection vehicle. Although large, it is easily maneuvered, requiring a minimum amount of physical effort on the part of the citizen.

Your Key Biscayne Council, which includes representation of all major civic organizations on Key Biscayne, heartily endorses this concept for your community. Their letter of endorsement is attached and was received by my office after several meetings with various associations on the Key.

In order to demonstrate this method of collection of both trash and garbage on Key Biscayne, an additional charge of \$8.50 per year will be included in your waste fee to pay for the container. This container may be seen at the Cape Florida Shell Servicenter at the corner of Harbor Drive and Crandon Boulevard. If approved by a substantial majority, this container will be purchased on a lease-purchase arrangement entered into by the County. If the demonstration is a success, then the \$8.50 lease cost for the first year may be applied towards the purchase price at a later date.

I urge you to read the attached information and indicate your approval on the enclosed card and mail it today. It is addressed to the Key Council, who will tally the results of the survey in cooperation with representatives of the County. In order to attempt this experiment, we must, again, state that a substantial percentage of return votes in favor of the program must be received.

Sincerely,



R. Ray Goode
County Manager

RRG/p

KEY COUNCIL OF KEY BISCAYNE

KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA 33149

February 23, 1971

Officers

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PAUL MCRAE AVERITTE
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723 FERNWOOD ROAD
361-5664

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Vice Chairman
706 GRANDON BLVD
361-5757

MRS. BARBARA YAGER
Sec'y Treasurer
690 ALLENDALE ROAD
361-2502

Dear Neighbor:

After conferring with Metro representatives several times on the subject of improving present methods of waste and garbage collection, Key Biscayne was offered the opportunity to participate in a test program outlined in the enclosed letter from our County Manager.

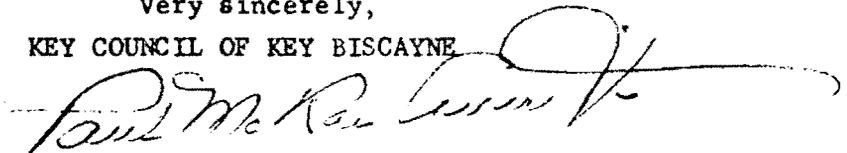
The concept of the program had been endorsed unanimously by members of your Key Council which represents the following local organizations: - - Key Biscayne Lions Club; Key Biscayne Women's Club; Island Garden Club; Seagrape Garden Club; Key Biscayne P.T.A.; Beta Sigma Phi; St. Christophers By The Sea; Key Biscayne Fire Department; Key Biscayne Music & Drama Club; Key Biscayne Beach Club; Key Biscayne Community Church; St. Agnes Catholic Church; St. Agnes Women's Club; Mashta Island Association; The Islander; Key Biscayne Chamber of Commerce; Key Biscayne Beach Club; Key Biscayne Property Taxpayers' Association; Hurricane Harbor Association; Key Biscayne Little League; Cape Florida Association; Cub Scout Pack 322; Calusa Park; and Inter-Church Youth Fellowship.

Because of increased cost of labor, and an acute shortage of competent employees, drastic and revolutionary steps must be taken to insure continuance of adequate service on Key Biscayne and this "test program" is an honest effort on the part of Metro authorities to aid us.

Your Key Council urges each of you to accept and support the program designed for our particular needs. Indicate your approval on the survey card and return immediately.

Help us help you ! ! !

Very sincerely,
KEY COUNCIL OF KEY BISCAYNE



Paul McRae Averitte
Chairman

TEST AREA INFORMATION AND REGULATIONS

Description of Method

One of the most inovative techniques in waste collection of late has been the invention of the mobile toter system. Although 80 gallons in size (capable of handling as much waste as four garbage cans) the container is simple to maneuver and requires a minimum amount of physical exertion on the part of those who handle it. Aesthetically, it is better looking than a garbage can, has no ragged edges, and because of its size could not be toppled or ripped into like a garbage can or plastic bag.

Because of its size, trash as well as garbage can be easily placed in it. With twice a week collection of this container, a great percentage of your garden trash can be placed in the container, eliminating many of the trash piles that exist in your community. If the residents of your community approve this system, the following regulations will be put into effect for the test period which will last for one year.

1. Garbage and trash shall be containerized and placed at curbside before 7:30 a.m. on the day of regular collection in the mobile containers.
2. The mobile containers shall be removed from the curbside on the same day of collection.

Demonstration

If the response from the citizens of your community is favorable, we will then notify you as to when the trash crew will clean up your community prior to the beginning of the demonstration. During the test period the members of the Manager's Task Force and members of your civic organizations will survey the community to determine appearance, receptiveness of homeowners, and any other factors related to this method of collection.

Mobile Toter - Cost

The use of these containers for one year will cost each household \$8.50. This cost will be added to your waste fee. The container can be seen at the Cape Florida Shell Servicenter after March 8. If you have any questions concerning the test program, please call Mrs. Yarnell at 361-5207 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 24, 1971

Dear Frank:

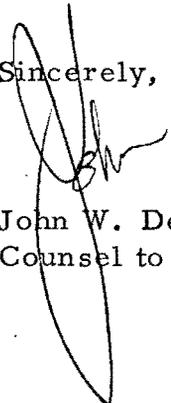
Enclosed for your handling is a letter to the President from William French Smith, Chairman of the Board of Regents of the University of California, suggesting the possibility of establishing a relationship between the Nixon Library and the Irvine Campus of the University of California in the event that the Library is to be located in Orange County, California.

I gather from Mr. French's letter that this proposal is his own, and has not yet been discussed or cleared with the other Regents or with the University Administration.

Please note that this letter has not yet been acknowledged, and I will leave it in your good hands for direct reply to Mr. Smith unless you feel that a White House response would be desirable.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,



John W. Dean, III
Counsel to the President

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THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH
Chairman

634 SOUTH SPRING STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90014

May 19, 1971

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

Some of us are delighted to learn that the Nixon Presidential Library may be located at Irvine in Orange County, California. If this is true, such a location suggests, at least for consideration, the possibility of an association of some kind between the Library and the Irvine Campus of the University of California.

As you know of course, there are several precedents for such a relationship: the Hoover Library at Stanford, the proposed Kennedy Library in Cambridge, and the Johnson Library at the University of Texas to be dedicated shortly. In sampling qualified opinion the conclusion is strong that this type of association works to the advantage of both the University and the Library.

If it meets with your approval to explore the possibility of a relationship between the Library and the University of California, I shall be glad to initiate consideration by the University, recognizing of course that confidentiality and appropriate timing are essential.

I have not discussed this matter with other Regents or with the University administration, and will not do so unless agreeable to you. I therefore can advance this suggestion only as my own. However, I am sure that it would receive wide support.

Very respectfully yours,

Bill

William French Smith

WFS:MLT

July 12, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN DEAN

FROM: FRED FIELDING

**SUBJECT: Fictionalized book on
 President's early life**

Mrs. Mildred Ferguson Poole and Laverne Morris are apparently collaborating on a book covering the President's life up to the time he was elected to Congress.

The book, called "Thursday's Child", proposes to present a fictionalized account of the President's boyhood and early manhood years. The most recent letter from Mrs. Poole indicates that they have approached Vanderberg-Linkletter Associates regarding publication, and have been advised that V-LA would handle it only with the President's authorization. Mrs. Poole requests such authority, and expresses a willingness to meet whatever requirements are necessary.

By way of background, Mrs. Poole has indicated in previous letters that she is a Republican and a supporter of the President's Vietnam policy, but the book will be "objective" because Mrs. Morris is a Democrat and an avid dove. Previous correspondence from Mrs. Morris substantiates her position to be as Mrs. Poole advises. We had some earlier question as to the extent of the involvement of Mrs. Morris in this book, but now it appears that the collaboration is confirmed.

I am most reluctant to grant official sanction to this work. For one thing, after reviewing the first two chapters of the manuscript submitted I do not feel that it will be in serious contention for a Pulitzer prize or the book of the month club selection. Further,

having granted sanction to it we would either have to accept without restriction the fictionalized accounts of the events in the President's life, or be thrust into a position of spending many hours reviewing the contents and either rewriting or "censoring." Also, in either event, the White House involvement would add credence to whatever was stated in the book.

The risk of noninvolvement is that the book will be published and will not reflect favorably on the President. However, as noted above we run this risk unless we are willing to become totally involved in it and exercise a right of final review and editing. It would seem preferable to let this book be presented to publishers as a fictionalized account of the President's early life, and let it be accepted or rejected by the publisher and by the public on its merits (or lack thereof).

If you agree, I will prepare a brief letter to Mrs. Poole advising her of the policy against the President's participation in literary commercial ventures except for authorized autobiographies, etc., etc.

Agree _____

Disagree _____

Comment _____

July 7, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN DAVIES
FROM: JOHN DEAN
SUBJECT: Letter from Neale Barner -
National Microfilm Association

I think it would be best if we had the master copy of the microfilm, which can be turned over to the Nixon Library. Attached for your use is a draft letter to Mr. Barner accepting his offer to turn the master over to us.

July 7, 1971

Dear Mr. Barner:

Thank you very much for your recent letter regarding the presentation ceremony at which time I had the privilege of accepting, on behalf of the President the National Microfilm Association's gift of two microfilm copies of his book, "Six Crises."

The President has had the opportunity to view this most unusual and interesting gift, and has asked me to express his personal appreciation to you and the members of the National Microfilm Association for your thoughtful gesture.

In response to your inquiry, we would be most pleased to accept the master copy of this microfilm. If you will send it to my attention, I will be pleased to see that it is presented to the President at the earliest date.

I was also pleased to hear that you enjoyed the tour of the White House. It was my pleasure, and I am very glad we had the opportunity to do it.

With the best regards of the White House,

Sincerely,

John S. Davies
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Neale Barner
Chairman of Public Relations
National Microfilm Association
8728 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

July 6, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: CONSTANCE STUART
FROM: JOHN DEAN
SUBJECT: Pat Nixon Home

In regard to the proposed Pat Nixon Home and Pat Nixon Park, I see no great problems in cooperating with the Chamber of Commerce as they develop this project. I do think, however, that we should discourage the use of the term "Little White House West" and also that we should make sure this is a community project rather than a commercial enterprise.

Attached is a draft response for your use which raises these points.

I would appreciate it if you would keep me advised of further developments in this matter.

Thank you.

JWD:FFF:bav

July 2, 1971

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Thank you very much for your recent letter to me setting forth the tentative outline of your committee's plans for the total development of Mrs. Nixon's childhood home and the Pat Nixon Park. I have conveyed this information to Mrs. Nixon, who was especially pleased that you intended to use the home not only as a museum but also as a functional youth center for the Girl Scouts and Campfire Girls of the area.

We were most gratified to hear of the cooperation of the City Council and the entire community in this project, and it is reassuring to know that Mrs. Nixon's childhood home will be used to benefit the community rather than be commercially exploited. In response to your invitation for suggestions, we would recommend that the home not be termed the "Little White House West", since the significance of that title would diminish the functional aspects of the project and would also be inappropriate in later years.

We will be happy to be of assistance to you in obtaining photographs portraying the activities of our First Lady since the inauguration, and will be forwarding some to you in the near future.

Again, thank you for your letter outlining your committee's preliminary plans on this matter. We will be most interested to hear from you in the future regarding your progress.

Sincerely,

Constance Stuart
Press Secretary to Mrs. Nixon

Mr. John H. Corcoran
Cerritos Chamber of Commerce
20126 S. Placer Boulevard
Cerritos, California 90701

August 30, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROLAND ELLIOTT
FROM: FRED FIELDING
SUBJECT: Request to Quote from Oral
History Project

Attached is a response prepared for your signature that would deny the request to quote from the Dulles Oral History project. Since your letter of June 22, 1973 to Mr. Grimmett indicated that you would bring the matter to the President's attention, the letter has been drafted accordingly.

Attachment

Dear Mr. Grimmatt:

Thank you for your letter of July 24, 1973 in which you described the specific use for which you requested permission to quote from the President's Dulles Oral History interview of March 5, 1965.

Our reading of your intended use of the quotation indicates that the actual interview is not the only available record of the statement to which you refer, since it is characterized as 'off the record', but widely publicized. A citation to any publication containing such a report would seem sufficient for purposes of documentation, and perhaps equally relevant, since the newspaper reports were available to foreign governments at that time, while the President's statement presumably was not.

Maintaining the confidentiality of these interviews would be impaired by a practice of permitting disclosure where no truly significant purpose would be served. Accordingly, the President has regretfully declined the permission which you requested to quote from the Oral History.

Sincerely,

Roland L. Elliott
Deputy Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Richard F. Grimmatt
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Kent, Ohio 44240