

March 25, 1954.

2:30 Call to Nelson Rockefeller. The President asked Mr. Rockefeller to tell John D. Rockefeller, Sr. (Nelson's father) the next time he saw him that, in his opinion, the dam to be build in Echo Park would not damage the Dinosaur National Park but would on the contrary make it more accessible to the public. Last year some 500 people visited the Park; with the money and improvements to be now made, many, many thousands will be able to make the trip. This was in response to a letter months ago from John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Mr. Rockefeller expressed his and his father's appreciation.

45 Called Secy. Humphrey.

Was astonished by talk just had with Homer Capehart, & suggested Humphrey might enjoy talking to him. Humphrey said he just voted against us on Excise Bill, but was beaten. DDE said that didn't come up, but what did was American Trade, & providing help for mining industry through stockpile & not through tariff -- through complete re-study of East-West trade & the kind of operations as Export-Import Bank. It was such a completely anti-isolationist talk, that it truly was astonishing; DDE told him he is "really showing intelligence today." DDE suggested, for his plans, he keep in touch with Arthur Flemming. Flemming would keep in touch with Humphrey, Stassen, Weeks, Wilson, & others involved. Capehart is talking in terms of money; whereas we are talking in terms of safe-level stockpile. He's trying to get all excise off radios, etc. Asked Humphrey to give him lay-out on how far we will go -- Humphrey will do at tomorrow's Cabinet meeting.

Called Ann Whitman

