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Mr. Frank J. Wilson
Chief
Secret Service Division
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

GEORGE A. VAN NOSDALL, also known as
G. A. Nosedall

There is set out below information which was recently received by this Bureau relative to George A. van Nosedall, also known as G. A. Nosedall, of 126 East 123rd Street, New York, New York, which may be of interest to you. This information is as follows:

"Over a period of time, Van Nosedall, a collector of rare books and an individual who is very anti-Roosevelt, has been endeavoring to obtain the signature of the President. The subject recently sold the President's secretary a book for which Van Nosedall received a personal check signed by President Roosevelt for the sum of \$7.00. Van Nosedall has been offered various sums of money for said check, but has refused to part with it, alleging that he is not going to cash it so that the President will not be able to balance his personal checking account. Van Nosedall intends to use this check against the President in any future political campaigns in which the President participates."

It has not been possible to obtain further information in this regard, nor is the reliability of the original source known.

Through a previous investigation of George van Nosedall, it was determined that he was born in Wappingers Falls, New York, on April 4, 1893, and was a member of the German-American Bund from March until November, 1939. Van Nosedall has admitted such membership, and has stated that he resigned from the Bund after learning that the organization was opposed to the principles of the United States Government. Van Nosedall was also reported as "one of the leaders of the Christian Front or of the Christian Mobilizers," and was believed to be active in agitating for a "Free India" during the fall of 1942.



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June 2-36
~~John C. ...~~
51 Madison Avenue

New York, N.Y.,
June 2nd, 1936.

My dear Mr. President;

Nothing could have pleased me more than the wonderful side view photograph of yourself autographed as one old friend to another. I shall prize it greatly. Many thanks for sending it to me.

You may or may not know that I have gone with the New York Life Insurance Company as a Vice President, the election having taken place on May 13th. My work is partly legal and partly executive. I think I shall like it very much. We are to move to Bronxville in the Fall.

You are responsible for this very great change in my life, for if it had not been for your appointment of me as Superintendent of Insurance and the hectic days which followed, I would probably never have been close to the insurance field.

It was a wonderful experience at the Insurance Department and I have always wanted the opportunity of telling you how glad I was that you prevailed on me to take the appointment when personal considerations seemed to dictate another decision.

As you enter upon the 1936 Campaign things look decidedly favorable. Four years ago the Chicago Convention was still ahead of us. What a lot has happened in four years! How happy your friends have been at your great success and accomplishment.

Again many thanks for the picture.

Yours sincerely,

George F. Van Schaick

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

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May 2, 1945

Dear Roberta:

I am sending you herewith a picture of the President and one of his signatures. I suggest that you take it and the signature to Maurice Michelson, 709 G Street, N. W., who has framed a number of similar pictures. He will put a mat around it and cut out a space for the signature so that it will look as though the signature were affixed to the picture itself. As I say, he has done this for several people and the finished product has been very satisfactory.

I am also enclosing two extra pictures as I told you I would.

I hope that the picture will give you much satisfaction.

With all best wishes,

Affectionately,

GRACE G. TULLY

Mrs. Fred Vinson
The Wardman Park
Washington, D. C.