- 1 00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:04,690 [SPEAKING FRENCH]
- 2 00:00:04,690 --> 00:00:07,552 I was made Grand Officer.
- 3 00:00:07,552 --> 00:00:13,800 As the first non-Ivorian to get to Grand Officer.
- 4 00:00:13,800 --> 00:00:17,390 I think the French ambassador got it later.
- 5 00:00:17,390 --> 00:00:20,020 You were the first non-Ivorian to be--
- 6 00:00:20,020 --> 00:00:20,520 No.
- 7 00:00:20,520 --> 00:00:22,060 The Grand Officer.
- 8 00:00:22,060 --> 00:00:24,840 --to be made Grand Officer by [INAUDIBLE]..
- 9 00:00:24,840 --> 00:00:27,980 This was when you were ambassador in the Ivory Coast,
- 10 00:00:27,980 --> 00:00:30,770 Cote d'Ivoire, as I mentioned.
- 11 00:00:30,770 --> 00:00:35,220 What are the-- so was there awards?
- 12 00:00:35,220 --> 00:00:40,470 Those are all credentials as

ambassador to the Ivory Coast,

13 00:00:40,470 --> 00:00:45,530 to Upper Volta, Niger, and Dahomey.

14 00:00:45,530 --> 00:00:46,240 Dahomey?

15 00:00:46,240 --> 00:00:46,740 Yeah.

16 00:00:46,740 --> 00:00:48,440 Which is now Benin.

17 00:00:48,440 --> 00:00:49,380 Benin, yes.

18 00:00:49,380 --> 00:00:52,150 They keep changing their names so fast I don't--

19 00:00:52,150 --> 00:00:53,780 We don't know where they are anymore.

20 00:00:53,780 --> 00:00:55,790 They change very fast, yes.

21 00:00:55,790 --> 00:00:57,420 They change names and presidents.

22 00:00:57,420 --> 00:01:02,640 Before it gets completely-it's a geographical map

23 00:01:02,640 --> 00:01:05,604 of the [INAUDIBLE].

24 00:01:05,604 --> 00:01:11,710 Was this Kennedy, Eisenhower, Kennedy again?

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00:01:11,710 --> 00:01:14,810 I have four from each one of them.

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00:01:14,810 --> 00:01:17,506 But I don't have them all up.

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00:01:17,506 --> 00:01:19,720 What is the meaning of this?

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00:01:19,720 --> 00:01:22,450 Well, those are my credentials as an ambassador.

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00:01:22,450 --> 00:01:25,450

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00:01:25,450 --> 00:01:27,890 These are your credentials in every country

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00:01:27,890 --> 00:01:29,150 you were appointed?

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00:01:29,150 --> 00:01:29,650 Yeah.

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00:01:29,650 --> 00:01:30,340 Mm-hmm.

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00:01:30,340 --> 00:01:33,190 You get something like that.

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00:01:33,190 --> 00:01:34,950 We have a trunk full of them, I think.

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00:01:34,950 --> 00:01:35,960

I don't know.

00:01:35,960 --> 00:01:37,430 I don't know where they are.

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00:01:37,430 --> 00:01:39,130

And what is written?

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 $00:01:39,130 \longrightarrow 00:01:42,640$ 

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00:01:42,640 --> 00:01:44,550 Can you read what is written?

can you read what is written

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00:01:44,550 --> 00:01:46,300

I could if I were sitting where you could.

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00:01:46,300 --> 00:01:47,810

Without glasses, I can.

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00:01:47,810 --> 00:01:49,900

Oh, please, you must

know them by heart.

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00:01:49,900 --> 00:01:51,880

No, I don't.

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 $00:01:51,880 \longrightarrow 00:01:54,560$ 

I never read them

through in my life.

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00:01:54,560 --> 00:01:55,300

I'll try.

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00:01:55,300 --> 00:01:59,890

"John Fitzgerald Kennedy,

President of the United States

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00:01:59,890 --> 00:02:04,230

of America, to

Robert Borden Reams."

00:02:04,230 --> 00:02:06,629 After that, I cannot read anymore.

50 00:02:06,629 --> 00:02:11,680

51 00:02:11,680 --> 00:02:12,710 What is right there?

52 00:02:12,710 --> 00:02:16,030 It's the usual diplomatic language.

53 00:02:16,030 --> 00:02:18,820 I can't read it without glasses.

54 00:02:18,820 --> 00:02:20,442 Maybe you'll get it from me.

55 00:02:20,442 --> 00:02:21,900 Would you like me to go over there?

56 00:02:21,900 --> 00:02:23,710 OK.

57 00:02:23,710 --> 00:02:25,840 All right.

58 00:02:25,840 --> 00:02:29,170 It says, "John F. Kennedy, President of the United States

59 00:02:29,170 --> 00:02:33,010 of America, to R. Borden Reams of Nevada.

60 00:02:33,010 --> 00:02:34,710 Greetings.

61 00:02:34,710 --> 00:02:39,820

## Reposing special trust and confidence

62 00:02:39,820 --> 00:02:50,380 in your integrity, prudence, and ability,

63 00:02:50,380 --> 00:02:56,080 I, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,

64 00:02:56,080 --> 00:02:59,710 do appoint you Ambassador Extraordinary

65 00:02:59,710 --> 00:03:03,910 and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America

66 00:03:03,910 --> 00:03:08,440 to the Republic of Ivory Coast, authorizing

67 00:03:08,440 --> 00:03:15,790 you hereby to do and perform all such matters and things as

68 00:03:15,790 --> 00:03:21,010 to the said place or office appertain,

69 00:03:21,010 --> 00:03:30,490 or as may be duly given you in charge, hereafter.

70 00:03:30,490 --> 00:03:33,270 And the said office to hold and exercise

71 00:03:33,270 --> 00:03:36,990 during the pleasure of the President of the United States 00:03:36,990 --> 00:03:39,070 for the time being."

73 00:03:39,070 --> 00:03:40,826 It is very beautiful.

74 00:03:40,826 --> 00:03:42,290 It's beautiful language, huh?

75 00:03:42,290 --> 00:03:43,530 Very beautiful language.

76 00:03:43,530 --> 00:03:44,910 Diplomatic language is lovely.

77 00:03:44,910 --> 00:03:45,970 It's diplomatic, yes.

78 00:03:45,970 --> 00:03:47,700 It's the normal wording.

79 00:03:47,700 --> 00:03:50,400 And you say that you have a full trunk of this?

80 00:03:50,400 --> 00:03:51,194 Oh, yes.

81 00:03:51,194 --> 00:03:51,990 Not quite.

82 00:03:51,990 --> 00:03:56,120 But we have quite a few of one sort or another.

83 00:03:56,120 --> 00:04:01,230 You see, with every promotion, you get a new commission

84 00:04:01,230 --> 00:04:06,390 from Second Secretary to First Secretary to Counselor 85 00:04:06,390 --> 00:04:08,554 of Embassy to Ambassador.

86 00:04:08,554 --> 00:04:10,665 Ah yes, even when [INAUDIBLE].

87 00:04:10,665 --> 00:04:13,288 It's not only for the ambassadorship.

88 00:04:13,288 --> 00:04:13,830 That's right.

89 00:04:13,830 --> 00:04:17,290

90 00:04:17,290 --> 00:04:22,990 You seem to know a lot about the issue [INAUDIBLE]..

91 00:04:22,990 --> 00:04:25,726 Yes, I lived with it.

92 00:04:25,726 --> 00:04:27,040 You lived with it.

93 00:04:27,040 --> 00:04:27,540 Indeed.

94 00:04:27,540 --> 00:04:29,854 You [INAUDIBLE].

95 00:04:29,854 --> 00:04:33,820 You were in the State Department even longer than your husband.

96 00:04:33,820 --> 00:04:35,620 No, I wasn't there very long.

97 00:04:35,620 --> 00:04:37,866 I was there about seven years.

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00:04:37,866 --> 00:04:40,180

About seven years paid.

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00:04:40,180 --> 00:04:43,690

And then after that, you

know how you work two

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00:04:43,690 --> 00:04:45,240

for the price of one.

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00:04:45,240 --> 00:04:48,420

Because the wife is also the--

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 $00:04:48,420 \longrightarrow 00:04:51,700$ 

[INAUDIBLE] was Mrs. Ambassador?

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00:04:51,700 --> 00:04:53,090

Madam Ambassador.

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00:04:53,090 --> 00:04:54,400

Madam Ambassador.

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00:04:54,400 --> 00:04:55,540

[INAUDIBLE]

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00:04:55,540 --> 00:04:56,040

No.

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00:04:56,040 --> 00:04:56,540

Yes.

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00:04:56,540 --> 00:05:00,360

No, right I guess-- no, Madam

Ambassador is the Ambassador.

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 $00:05:00,360 \longrightarrow 00:05:04,520$ 

L'Ambassadrice, in French, is

the wife of the Ambassador.

00:05:04,520 --> 00:05:05,020 Otherwise--

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00:05:05,020 --> 00:05:07,520 [INAUDIBLE] [? What ?] [? is ?] [? a ?] martini spoken here?

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00:05:07,520 --> 00:05:10,300 What does it mean?

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00:05:10,300 --> 00:05:12,460 I don't really know.

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00:05:12,460 --> 00:05:17,651 Somebody thought that I drank a martini occasionally, I guess.

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00:05:17,651 --> 00:05:19,010 And I do.

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00:05:19,010 --> 00:05:21,620 And the guns?

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00:05:21,620 --> 00:05:26,670 Well, the guns, Dotty bought in auction in Switzerland.

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00:05:26,670 --> 00:05:28,430 Curious part of it--

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00:05:28,430 --> 00:05:31,630 the one at the top is a Spencer carbine,

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00:05:31,630 --> 00:05:35,140 which was developed in America during the Civil War,

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00:05:35,140 --> 00:05:38,010 and used later to pacify Indians.

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00:05:38,010 --> 00:05:41,110 And since it's about a .45 bore, it pacified Indians

123 00:05:41,110 --> 00:05:43,050 fairly completely.

124 00:05:43,050 --> 00:05:45,530 But what it was doing in Switzerland, I don't know.

125 00:05:45,530 --> 00:05:49,240 And it's in good condition.

126 00:05:49,240 --> 00:05:52,270 This is a very, very nice gun.

127 00:05:52,270 --> 00:05:54,580 There's something here that might interest Caroline.

128 00:05:54,580 --> 00:05:57,370 Do you have pierced ears?

129 00:05:57,370 --> 00:06:00,370 Here's an earring for pierced ears.

130 00:06:00,370 --> 00:06:04,010

131 00:06:04,010 --> 00:06:06,100 An Indian pierced ear.

132 00:06:06,100 --> 00:06:11,140 Can you imagine having a hole like that?

133 00:06:11,140 --> 00:06:13,960 From the Naga tribe.

134 00:06:13,960 --> 00:06:16,090 That would interest her, and I think

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00:06:16,090 --> 00:06:22,420 this is a part of a tooth, which is a pendant, also from India.

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00:06:22,420 --> 00:06:27,930 That goes unnoticed.

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00:06:27,930 --> 00:06:28,890 Right there.

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00:06:28,890 --> 00:06:33,690

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00:06:33,690 --> 00:06:35,590 Yes.

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00:06:35,590 --> 00:06:38,560 Well you see, I was very fair.

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00:06:38,560 --> 00:06:43,380 We didn't make any kind of interview.

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00:06:43,380 --> 00:06:45,040 I did as you wished.

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00:06:45,040 --> 00:06:46,300 I tell you, Claude.

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00:06:46,300 --> 00:06:49,630 I told you last night that I was extremely fond of you.

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00:06:49,630 --> 00:06:51,830 I meant it.

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00:06:51,830 --> 00:06:52,900

Yes.

147 00:06:52,900 --> 00:06:55,420 I am too.

148 00:06:55,420 --> 00:06:57,280 I am too, but we didn't talk about what

149 00:06:57,280 --> 00:07:01,490 I wanted to talk about-- the policy of the United States,

150 00:07:01,490 --> 00:07:04,420 about the State Department, about the Bermuda Conference.

151 00:07:04,420 --> 00:07:07,040 We didn't talk about this.

152 00:07:07,040 --> 00:07:07,540 No.

153 00:07:07,540 --> 00:07:08,980 We're not going to, either.

154 00:07:08,980 --> 00:07:09,480 I know.

155 00:07:09,480 --> 00:07:10,540 I know.

156 00:07:10,540 --> 00:07:13,583 But you just should tell me why not.

157 00:07:13,583 --> 00:07:14,250 This, at least--

158 00:07:14,250 --> 00:07:14,780 No.

159 00:07:14,780 --> 00:07:15,280 No.

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 $00:07:15,280 \longrightarrow 00:07:17,110$ No.

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 $00:07:17,110 \longrightarrow 00:07:21,700$ You know why I do not want to do it.

162  $00:07:21,700 \longrightarrow 00:07:27,270$ And if I told you why not, I'd be talking to you.

163 00:07:27,270 --> 00:07:29,120 Yes, I would.

164  $00:07:29,120 \longrightarrow 00:07:29,620$ No.

165  $00:07:29,620 \longrightarrow 00:07:32,320$ You know why I don't want to do it, and that's enough.

166  $00:07:32,320 \longrightarrow 00:07:34,830$ 

167  $00:07:34,830 \longrightarrow 00:07:37,610$ If you do not want to do it, I cannot press you.

168  $00:07:37,610 \longrightarrow 00:07:38,110$ Pardon?

169  $00:07:38,110 \longrightarrow 00:07:42,460$ I say, if you don't want to do it, I cannot press you.

170  $00:07:42,460 \longrightarrow 00:07:44,210$ I will not do this.

171  $00:07:44,210 \longrightarrow 00:07:46,785$ whatsoever.

172 00:07:46,785 --> 00:07:50,530 It's one thing I have to respect.

173 00:07:50,530 --> 00:07:52,510 But I can't say that I did that very well.

174 00:07:52,510 --> 00:07:55,790

175 00:07:55,790 --> 00:07:56,990 That you What?

176 00:07:56,990 --> 00:07:57,900 That I regret it--

177 00:07:57,900 --> 00:08:00,850 Oh, I regret it, too.

178 00:08:00,850 --> 00:08:01,350 Because--

179 00:08:01,350 --> 00:08:02,110 You do, really?

180 00:08:02,110 --> 00:08:02,610 Yes.

181 00:08:02,610 --> 00:08:05,193 I would have liked to have done it, but for reasons of my own,

182 00:08:05,193 --> 00:08:08,160 which I've explained, I feel I shouldn't.

183 00:08:08,160 --> 00:08:09,990 Yes, but what--

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00:08:09,990 --> 00:08:12,600 I mean that your real reasons, as far as I

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00:08:12,600 --> 00:08:17,390 assume what you told me yesterday are inner reasons.

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00:08:17,390 --> 00:08:19,360 To me, they're very real.

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00:08:19,360 --> 00:08:21,100 And that's--

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00:08:21,100 --> 00:08:23,840 Oh yes, I don't say that inner reasons

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00:08:23,840 --> 00:08:29,060 can be very real [INAUDIBLE].

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00:08:29,060 --> 00:08:32,484 The reason why they're to be respected,

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00:08:32,484 --> 00:08:40,360 but nevertheless, I can express my deepest regrets.

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00:08:40,360 --> 00:08:43,530 Well, I told you I regret too, because--

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00:08:43,530 --> 00:08:44,905 Because, as I told you yesterday,

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00:08:44,905 --> 00:08:47,660 you are an historical figure, not only because of--

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00:08:47,660 --> 00:08:48,160 No.

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196 00:08:48,160 --> 00:08:49,030 Not me.

197 00:08:49,030 --> 00:08:51,160 --of what you took part in, but because you

198 00:08:51,160 --> 00:08:54,010 are the only survivor.

199 00:08:54,010 --> 00:08:57,790 The only thing I am is a moderately good golfer.

200 00:08:57,790 --> 00:09:00,410 You are extremely good golfer.

201 00:09:00,410 --> 00:09:01,640 And he makes a good martini.

202 00:09:01,640 --> 00:09:05,170 You told me that you are the king of the martini dry.

203 00:09:05,170 --> 00:09:06,580 Yeah.

204 00:09:06,580 --> 00:09:09,630 I heard that you were a bridge killer, that you [INAUDIBLE]..

205 00:09:09,630 --> 00:09:10,570 I used to be.

206 00:09:10,570 --> 00:09:13,570

207 00:09:13,570 --> 00:09:19,355 That in every contest, drinking contest,

00:09:19,355 --> 00:09:22,340 you were the winner, too.

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00:09:22,340 --> 00:09:24,220

True

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00:09:24,220 --> 00:09:27,520 Well, I guess you should tell me what I [INAUDIBLE]

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00:09:27,520 --> 00:09:29,240 the one you told me yesterday.

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00:09:29,240 --> 00:09:29,740 No.

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00:09:29,740 --> 00:09:31,300 Not about-- no.

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00:09:31,300 --> 00:09:33,080 That would be unfair to him.

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00:09:33,080 --> 00:09:34,240 It is so beautiful.

it is so ocautiful

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00:09:34,240 --> 00:09:35,810

That would be unfair to him

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00:09:35,810 --> 00:09:36,310 Oh, I see.

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00:09:36,310 --> 00:09:37,750 He wouldn't like it very much?

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00:09:37,750 --> 00:09:38,880 I doubt it.

220 00:09:38,880 --> 00:09:39,440

Why?

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00:09:39,440 --> 00:09:41,590 He didn't like it at the time.

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00:09:41,590 --> 00:09:43,700 No, that would be totally unfair.

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00:09:43,700 --> 00:09:44,200

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00:09:44,200 --> 00:09:45,280 You Think so?

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00:09:45,280 --> 00:09:45,880 Yeah.

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00:09:45,880 --> 00:09:49,080 And I would-- because I like the man.

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00:09:49,080 --> 00:09:51,358 Me too.

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00:09:51,358 --> 00:09:52,760 I like him, I saw him.

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00:09:52,760 --> 00:09:54,290 And he took part in this film.

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00:09:54,290 --> 00:09:54,790 Pardon?

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00:09:54,790 --> 00:09:58,860 He took part in this [INAUDIBLE],, too.

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00:09:58,860 --> 00:10:02,182 But I will return to him and I will ask him.

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00:10:02,182 --> 00:10:02,890 Ask him about it.

Ask IIIII abbut It.

00:10:02,890 --> 00:10:04,080 He'll remember.

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00:10:04,080 --> 00:10:04,640 Who is this?

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00:10:04,640 --> 00:10:07,650 I'm sure that maybe we don't need to talk about it.

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00:10:07,650 --> 00:10:08,430 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:10:08,430 --> 00:10:16,540

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00:10:16,540 --> 00:10:18,180 (film logistics)

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00:10:18,180 --> 00:10:25,380

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00:10:25,380 --> 00:10:30,460 But I thought the man [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:10:30,460 --> 00:10:32,420 Yes.

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00:10:32,420 --> 00:10:33,230 Basically.

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00:10:33,230 --> 00:10:37,410 And most of the top people--

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00:10:37,410 --> 00:10:42,710 everyone in French West Africa, very ordinary workers,

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00:10:42,710 --> 00:10:43,970

spoke French.

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00:10:43,970 --> 00:10:45,400 But it wasn't pure French.

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00:10:45,400 --> 00:10:46,460 Oh yeah, this is true.

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00:10:46,460 --> 00:10:49,310 But in Syria, you--

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00:10:49,310 --> 00:10:52,200 French was-- you got along with French.

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00:10:52,200 --> 00:10:53,630 But you were in Syria?

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00:10:53,630 --> 00:10:55,130 You were ambassador in Syria?

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00:10:55,130 --> 00:10:58,760 I was Minister Consul General.

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00:10:58,760 --> 00:11:01,220 Actually, I was the Ambassador.

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00:11:01,220 --> 00:11:04,940 But it was at the time when, theoretically, Syria and Egypt

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00:11:04,940 --> 00:11:07,610 were united, one country.

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00:11:07,610 --> 00:11:10,400 But I was entirely independent.

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00:11:10,400 --> 00:11:13,106 I was a minister there.

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00:11:13,106 --> 00:11:16,910

But because theoretically, it was one country,

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00:11:16,910 --> 00:11:19,740 I couldn't be called Ambassador, but I was the Minister.

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00:11:19,740 --> 00:11:20,400 This was when?

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00:11:20,400 --> 00:11:21,690 In '58, no?

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00:11:21,690 --> 00:11:22,680 Dotty?

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00:11:22,680 --> 00:11:24,110 '57, '58?

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00:11:24,110 --> 00:11:26,150 Something like that.

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00:11:26,150 --> 00:11:28,050 Your buzzer is buzzing, love.

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00:11:28,050 --> 00:11:29,020 Oh, that's all right.

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00:11:29,020 --> 00:11:30,986 I'll just take a note of the time.

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00:11:30,986 --> 00:11:33,180 I have to turn it on for another hour anyway.

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00:11:33,180 --> 00:11:36,370 [INAUDIBLE]

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00:11:36,370 --> 00:11:39,120

00:11:39,120 --> 00:11:42,933 We found Syria very interesting.

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00:11:42,933 --> 00:11:43,600 What's going on?

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00:11:43,600 --> 00:11:45,030 The buzzer is from the kitchen.

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00:11:45,030 --> 00:11:48,410

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00:11:48,410 --> 00:11:51,900 You found Syria interesting?

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00:11:51,900 --> 00:11:56,240 But oddly enough, it's the only country

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00:11:56,240 --> 00:12:01,220 in which we've ever served where we really did not make

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00:12:01,220 --> 00:12:03,230 close and permanent friends.

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00:12:03,230 --> 00:12:06,400

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00:12:06,400 --> 00:12:08,120 Why?

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00:12:08,120 --> 00:12:10,760 I don't really know.

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00:12:10,760 --> 00:12:12,680

It wasn't because we didn't want to.

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00:12:12,680 --> 00:12:15,940

285 00:12:15,940 --> 00:12:19,170 I don't really-- I can't quite tell you.

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00:12:19,170 --> 00:12:21,630 Yes, but they were rather --

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00:12:21,630 --> 00:12:24,130 style to the Americans at this time?

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00:12:24,130 --> 00:12:26,110 They-- like this.

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00:12:26,110 --> 00:12:29,030

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00:12:29,030 --> 00:12:32,500 As the Russian Minister said to me one night

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00:12:32,500 --> 00:12:35,860 at a cocktail party, he said, today they love you.

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00:12:35,860 --> 00:12:38,470 Tomorrow they love me.

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00:12:38,470 --> 00:12:43,847 Well, it was [INAUDIBLE],, as a matter of fact.

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00:12:43,847 --> 00:12:44,680 It was very curious.

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00:12:44,680 --> 00:12:52,250

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00:12:52,250 --> 00:12:55,720

But Damascus is a very interesting city.

00:12:55,720 --> 00:12:58,650

I was never there.

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00:12:58,650 --> 00:13:00,460

I don't know at

all about Damascus.

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00:13:00,460 --> 00:13:03,040

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00:13:03,040 --> 00:13:05,740

Ira Hirschmann visited us there.

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00:13:05,740 --> 00:13:06,915

[INAUDIBLE]

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00:13:06,915 --> 00:13:08,060

He came to--

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00:13:08,060 --> 00:13:08,560

Yeah.

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00:13:08,560 --> 00:13:11,270

And stayed with us.

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00:13:11,270 --> 00:13:14,050

What did he do there?

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00:13:14,050 --> 00:13:15,190

Nothing, really.

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00:13:15,190 --> 00:13:16,820

What did he do, he was--

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00:13:16,820 --> 00:13:19,750

He was working for

Bloomingdale's?

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00:13:19,750 --> 00:13:23,710

No, he'd left Bloomingdale's

by that time, I think.

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00:13:23,710 --> 00:13:28,260

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00:13:28,260 --> 00:13:31,660 Just investigating the situation in the Middle East, I guess.

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00:13:31,660 --> 00:13:35,770 He had, always, a deep interest in what was going on there.

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00:13:35,770 --> 00:13:37,270 I was only was [? always ?] thinking

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00:13:37,270 --> 00:13:41,950 that he was in a commander's mission.

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00:13:41,950 --> 00:13:44,800 He was a self-appointed man.

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00:13:44,800 --> 00:13:46,560 Yeah, that's true.

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00:13:46,560 --> 00:13:48,114 Very [INAUDIBLE].

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00:13:48,114 --> 00:13:51,600

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00:13:51,600 --> 00:13:54,450 The world is full of self-appointed men.

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00:13:54,450 --> 00:13:56,040 Oh, yes.

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00:13:56,040 --> 00:14:00,680 Sometimes a self-appointed

00:14:00,680 --> 00:14:01,220 It happens.

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00:14:01,220 --> 00:14:01,720

Yes.

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00:14:01,720 --> 00:14:07,580

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00:14:07,580 --> 00:14:12,460 On the-- what was the

Long was Assistant--

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00:14:12,460 --> 00:14:15,740 Breckinridge Long, he was Assistant Secretary of State.

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00:14:15,740 --> 00:14:17,150

Yes.

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00:14:17,150 --> 00:14:19,948

But it was always

difficult to understand.

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00:14:19,948 --> 00:14:20,990

There were three people--

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00:14:20,990 --> 00:14:22,050

Cordell Hull, Sumner--

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00:14:22,050 --> 00:14:23,390

What?

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00:14:23,390 --> 00:14:25,060

Cordell Hull.

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00:14:25,060 --> 00:14:27,140

He was the Secretary of State.

00:14:27,140 --> 00:14:29,240 And Sumner Welles was Under Secretary.

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00:14:29,240 --> 00:14:31,850 Under Secretary, along with assistant--

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00:14:31,850 --> 00:14:33,950 Well, they had assistant secretaries

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00:14:33,950 --> 00:14:36,980 for the four geographic areas.

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00:14:36,980 --> 00:14:40,250 And then Long was--

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00:14:40,250 --> 00:14:43,910 he was a sort of a Special Assistant Secretary.

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00:14:43,910 --> 00:14:47,510 He had congressional relations, didn't he, Dotty?

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00:14:47,510 --> 00:14:49,203 And special problems.

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00:14:49,203 --> 00:14:50,120 Special projects, yes.

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00:14:50,120 --> 00:14:54,430 Visas and the sort of things that didn't fit in with--

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00:14:54,430 --> 00:14:56,180 Special programs, the visa--

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00:14:56,180 --> 00:14:57,940 No, he didn't have a geopolitical.

00:14:57,940 --> 00:14:59,480 Special projects, it was called.

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00:14:59,480 --> 00:15:01,580 Special projects.

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00:15:01,580 --> 00:15:04,030 He was in charge of visa renewal.

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00:15:04,030 --> 00:15:04,530

Yes.

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00:15:04,530 --> 00:15:08,390 [INAUDIBLE] he was in charge of international transportation

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00:15:08,390 --> 00:15:09,170 [INAUDIBLE].

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00:15:09,170 --> 00:15:10,820 Transportation, fisheries.

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00:15:10,820 --> 00:15:11,860 Fisheries.

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00:15:11,860 --> 00:15:12,360 What?

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 $00:15:12,360 \longrightarrow 00:15:13,180$ Fisheries.

356 00:15:13,180 --> 00:15:13,880 Fisheries.

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00:15:13,880 --> 00:15:15,980 All sorts of-- anything that didn't fit

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00:15:15,980 --> 00:15:18,330

into the geopolitical--

00:15:18,330 --> 00:15:24,368 But I have heard that he was in charge of at least 17 divisions

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00:15:24,368 --> 00:15:25,660 inside of the State Department.

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00:15:25,660 --> 00:15:27,030 I wouldn't doubt it at all.

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00:15:27,030 --> 00:15:29,630 I don't remember in that detail.

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00:15:29,630 --> 00:15:32,710 I have read this.

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00:15:32,710 --> 00:15:33,840 It could be.

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00:15:33,840 --> 00:15:35,150 I'm sure it's possible.

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00:15:35,150 --> 00:15:36,820 It's probable.

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00:15:36,820 --> 00:15:39,540 But I wouldn't remember what they were.

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00:15:39,540 --> 00:15:41,860 How did you call him?

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00:15:41,860 --> 00:15:46,270 What was his surname?

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00:15:46,270 --> 00:15:47,620

Mr. Long.

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00:15:47,620 --> 00:15:48,450

Long.

00:15:48,450 --> 00:15:51,130 No, but when you talk about him, you said "Becky," no?

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00:15:51,130 --> 00:15:52,528 Breckinridge.

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00:15:52,528 --> 00:15:53,070 Breckinridge.

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00:15:53,070 --> 00:15:55,246 No, Bob said "Breck."

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00:15:55,246 --> 00:15:56,330 Breck, we call him.

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00:15:56,330 --> 00:15:58,190 I didn't call him Breck.

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00:15:58,190 --> 00:16:01,820 You were-- he was a pleasant man?

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00:16:01,820 --> 00:16:03,702 Well, I was a young girl.

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00:16:03,702 --> 00:16:07,480 And I don't call an old man by his first name.

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00:16:07,480 --> 00:16:10,440 No, no, but I asked you if he was a pleasant man.

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00:16:10,440 --> 00:16:10,940 Very.

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00:16:10,940 --> 00:16:13,040 Oh, yes.

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00:16:13,040 --> 00:16:14,510 He was a nice man?

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00:16:14,510 --> 00:16:15,470 Very nice man.

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00:16:15,470 --> 00:16:16,520 Very fine man.

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00:16:16,520 --> 00:16:17,720 Yes.

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00:16:17,720 --> 00:16:18,872 Intelligent?

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00:16:18,872 --> 00:16:24,200 Intelligent, in my estimation, he was.

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00:16:24,200 --> 00:16:29,560 Not an intellectual, but intelligent.

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00:16:29,560 --> 00:16:32,910 But when one reads the personal diary

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00:16:32,910 --> 00:16:37,490 that he published later on, one of the feelings--

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00:16:37,490 --> 00:16:41,900 at the moment, he felt extremely persecuted.

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00:16:41,900 --> 00:16:43,370 I've never read the--

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00:16:43,370 --> 00:16:43,870 I've never--

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00:16:43,870 --> 00:16:44,620

Excuse me, what?

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00:16:44,620 --> 00:16:46,220 Quite persecuted.

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00:16:46,220 --> 00:16:47,450 I have never read the diary.

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00:16:47,450 --> 00:16:51,920 But there's the feeling that there was a cabal against him.

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00:16:51,920 --> 00:16:57,410 Well, any department of state--

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00:16:57,410 --> 00:17:02,480 French, English-- there are divisions within it.

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00:17:02,480 --> 00:17:04,280 You have groups.

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00:17:04,280 --> 00:17:08,369 And during this particular period,

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00:17:08,369 --> 00:17:15,470 you had a lot of unusual and sort of opinionated people.

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00:17:15,470 --> 00:17:19,190 You had, after all, Nelson Rockefeller in there,

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00:17:19,190 --> 00:17:24,770 and Breck Long and Sumner Welles, and--

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00:17:24,770 --> 00:17:26,530 I can't remember all of them.

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00:17:26,530 --> 00:17:28,550

Dean Acheson was one.

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00:17:28,550 --> 00:17:31,130 Dean Acheson was around.

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00:17:31,130 --> 00:17:35,210 And they were quite brilliant, all of them.

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00:17:35,210 --> 00:17:36,710 But they had their own--

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00:17:36,710 --> 00:17:38,940 honey, the buzzer's going off again.

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00:17:38,940 --> 00:17:43,440 They're quite brilliant, but they all had their own ideas.

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00:17:43,440 --> 00:17:51,080 And what happened was that--

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00:17:51,080 --> 00:17:56,110 it's my recollection that Sumner Welles and Breck Long,

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00:17:56,110 --> 00:17:56,800 weren't--

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00:17:56,800 --> 00:18:00,710 although they were from the same background,

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00:18:00,710 --> 00:18:05,450 they didn't always agree on everything.

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00:18:05,450 --> 00:18:09,380 Is it true that Sumner Welles has Jewish wife?

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00:18:09,380 --> 00:18:09,980 No.

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00:18:09,980 --> 00:18:11,840 Cordell Hull had a Jewish wife.

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00:18:11,840 --> 00:18:12,790 Ah, Cordell Hull.

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00:18:12,790 --> 00:18:15,270 Yes.

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00:18:15,270 --> 00:18:16,130 Not Sumner Welles?

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00:18:16,130 --> 00:18:17,210 Hm?

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00:18:17,210 --> 00:18:18,280 Cordell Hull?

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00:18:18,280 --> 00:18:19,270 Yeah.

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00:18:19,270 --> 00:18:22,070 He had-- I don't even--

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 $00:18:22,070 \longrightarrow 00:18:25,190$ 

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00:18:25,190 --> 00:18:28,850 I'm sure I never met Sumner Welles' wife.

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00:18:28,850 --> 00:18:33,320 Matter of fact, I rarely saw Sumner Welles.

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00:18:33,320 --> 00:18:37,700 I can't pretend to really know Sumner Welles.

00:18:37,700 --> 00:18:40,360 Very few people could pretend.

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00:18:40,360 --> 00:18:45,099