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Respectfully referred to the State
Department for such action as may be deemed
appropriate.

Attention Mr. Southgate.

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Letters to the President Jan. 1, 1937, March 5, and March 31 from

Agustin Farfan S.
Av. Juarez No. 16
Huamantla, Tlax.
Mexico

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Translations of 1/1/37 and 3/5/37 retained (carbons) re: carving of bust of
the President which he sent the President.
In his letter of 3/31/37, he asks whether the President has received it.
Wants to have the matter investigated if it has not been received. Has only
postal acknowledgment of receipt.

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January 1, 1937.

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I am very poor and I cannot offer you any wealth; I am humble, but my heart is very large. Liking is the axis of friendship, and that constitutes honest adherence. I should like to open my heart so that you might know the sincerity of my words, but it is not possible, and I merely give you in concrete form a demonstration of liking and regard, in the following form.

Wishing to congratulate you in some way on your administration and not having, because of my circumstances, anything worth while to give you that might serve as a souvenir, in my free time and without sparing any effort, because I am not a sculptor and am without elementary training, I made the work of sculpture, in wood, that I venture to send you as an expression of homage; in making it, I followed the only photograph of Your Excellency that I had when I began the work, which I have the pleasure of sending you with this also. I began the work mentioned in June and completed it late in December of the year just past (1936), and I wish, as I respectfully request, that it be kept as a souvenir of a Mexican who, although humble, was a lover of good and a friend of the honest man.

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Assistant of the United States of America,

Washington, U.S.A.

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Most worthy and honorable Mr. President: My humble words are absolutely lacking in elegance to describe to you my feelings, as well as the motives that led me to request your well known attention, but I have been fully acquainted with the contents of this letter, as I respectfully beg you to do, you will design to grant me your pardon. I am nothing and I do not count on anything before your Excellency, nor do I have any merit that might hinder me with the title of least of your followers and servants, since my nationality is different from yours; this may give room for you to call me intrusive, but, Sir, my nationality does not have much effect, nor can it ever have much

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Request made in communication:

This is Note:

The piece of sealstone or carving has not come to the Translation Bureau.

Remarks:

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Translated and summarized by:

Translator's summary of communication.

Language in which written: Spanish
Date of communication: March 5, 1937
Addressed to: The President
Name and address of writer: Agustín Farfán S.
Av. Juarez No. 16
Huamantla, Tlax, Mexico
Substance of statements made by the writer:

This writer says that he is sending the President, by express of the Mexican Railways, a package containing a piece of sculpture. Inside of the package there is a letter which the correspondent wrote to the President. He has been delayed in sending the sculpture and the letter. For the President's information, he is enclosing a copy of that letter of January 1, 1937.

Request made in communication: TR.'s Note:
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Remarks:

Translated and summarized by:

[TRANSLATION]

Agustín Farfán S.,
Av. Juárez, No. 16,
Huamantla, Tlax.-
Mexico.

May 27, 1937.

Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Worthy President of the United American States,
Washington, United States of America.

Dear Sir and President:

This third letter furnishes me with the high honor of offering to you with all respect my adherence, together with a cordial greeting; it also furnishes me with an opportunity to beg you respectfully to be good enough to favor me with the honor of a letter to inform me whether you have received the sculpture, which as an act of homage I took the liberty of sending to you on the 5th of March of this year. I fear that it may have gone astray because until now I have not had the honor of being favored with a receipt from you.

I do not fail to understand that your multiple cares have prevented your deigning to favor me with your reply; but notwithstanding this and begging you to excuse my urgency, I respectfully urge you not to leave me without the honor of a reply.

The substance of my letter dated January 1 of this year, is intended to arrive at an interesting purpose concerning which I shall be more explicit if I have the good fortune of communicating directly with Your Excellency.

For

FROM: [illegible]
TO: [illegible]
DATE: [illegible]

For the moment I have nothing more to do than to beg
you to do me the favor of excusing me for insisting upon, a
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(Signed) Agustín Farrán S.

*Translator's note: this word might also
mean 'carving'.

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PLOG, William A.
Hyde Park, N. Y.
April 14, 1937

Writes the President of receipt of a banty rooster and two hens from Mr. F. N. Meashan, Glendale, Calif., and of 30 pounds of alfalfa seeds from Mr. Sam H. Bober, Newell, S. D. The seed is called Siberian Cossack Alfalfa Seed. -- The President wrote Mr. Plog April 17 that he thinks the rooster and hens had better stay at the farm as long as they do not get mixed up with the other chickens. Says he is told that the alfalfa seed is excellent, and he hopes it will grow. -- Miss LeHand wrote similar letters to Mr. Meashan and Mr. Bober April 21, thanking them, in behalf of the President, for their gifts.

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April 17, 1937

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My dear Mr. All:

Your letter of April eighth has been received and I want to thank you in the President's behalf for your courtesy in sending him the map. I can assure you that he will appreciate your kind thoughtfulness.

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Very sincerely yours,

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H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Robert E. All, Esq.,
204 East Capitol Street,
Washington, D. C.

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Washington, D. C.,
April 8, 1937.

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Dear Mr. President;

Because of the personal interest you and your family have in and around Boston, I believe you would enjoy looking at the map I am sending under separate cover. A number of people at the Library of Congress have friends in Massachusetts, and they say some of the natives really have such an idea of the United States.

A New Yorker's Idea has been out for some time, but I presume you have seen that. The Bostonian's Idea has been out only a few months.

Please accept this with my compliments.

Respectfully yours,

Robert E. All

204 East Capitol Street

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April 19, 1937

Buckley

My dear Mr. Austin:

It was mighty nice of you to send those hickory nuts to the President. He has asked me to thank you ever so much and to express his appreciation of your kind thought of him.

He sends his best wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

W. House
M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

H. L. Austin, Esq.,
189 N. Parkway,
Memphis,
Tennessee.

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April 27, 1937

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My dear Mr. Abdalla:

This will acknowledge your friendly note of April first. The President has asked me to tell you that he is very glad indeed to have that nice gift you were so kind to send him. He thanks you sincerely for your thoughtful courtesy and sends his best wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Reuben Brooker
to H

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

George Abdalla, Esq.,
60 Oak Street,
New Britain,
Connecticut.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt,
President of the United States:

My dear Mr. President:

It is a great joy and pleasure
to honor you at this time with a
handsome gift of a piece of work
done by me, resembling your true
likeness produced in silhouette
hand painted on glass.

I am a high and trade school
student devoting my leisure time
at this study in particular in our
local W.P.A. Center, and I love this
work, and more so appreciate the op-
portunity made possible through
your prudent administration; I am
16 years of age, and am looking for-
ward to great success.

Kindly accept this little token
of my love and loyalty to you, and
wishing you most cordially every
possible and exceptional success,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

George Abdalla

From
George Abdalla,
60 Oak Street,
New Britain,
Conn.

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May 4, 1937

Buchley

My dear Mr. Nelson:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April twenty-seventh. Permit me in his absence of the President to thank you for your thoughtful courtesy in sending the fine salmon to him.

Very sincerely yours,

W. H. Nelson

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

W. H. Nelson, Esq.,
Astoria Chamber of Commerce,
Astoria,
Oregon.

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ASTORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ASTORIA, OREGON

April 27, 1937

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Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
President of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The 1937 commercial fishing season on the Columbia River opened at noon yesterday, April 26th. This was the 73rd consecutive year of the existence of the canned salmon industry on the Columbia River. It was observed by the City of Astoria with appropriate ceremonies commemorating the importance of the industry to this city, the states of Oregon and Washington and the United States.

In our greetings to you on this occasion which were extended by means of an amateur radio station network, we mentioned that we were forwarding to you the largest salmon caught on the opening date. It gives us a great deal of pleasure to forward you by express today a choice specimen of Royal Chinook Salmon which weighed forty-five pounds. While this is far from being a record size Columbia River Chinook salmon, some of which have been caught weighing over eighty pounds in the latter part of past seasons, we believe that it is a good example of this premier quality food fish.

Please accept it with the compliments of the Columbia River salmon industry and the undersigned organization.

Yours very truly,

ASTORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

W. H. Nelson
W. H. Nelson, Secretary

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large salmon rec'd
at the house 5.2.37

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Santurce,
Puerto Rico.

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FERA: States his father is paralyzed, and his mother earns
\$3.75 a week. There are seven in the family. Would like
help from one of Govt. agencies.

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Bushley

May 5, 1937

My dear Mr. Arana:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your communication of April twenty-seventh. Thank you very much in the President's behalf for your friendly interest in writing and sending the drawing to him. I shall be glad to bring it to his attention upon his return to Washington.

I am, at once, bringing your letter to the attention of the officials of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

Very sincerely yours,

File card

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 15, 1937

My dear Mr. Allen:

The President thanks you very much indeed for those fine hams and for the shelled nuts which you sent to him at Galveston. He more than appreciates your friendly thought of him and has asked me to convey his sincere good wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

John H. Allen, Esq.,
Fort Valley,
Georgia.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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5/14/37

Burchly

John H Allen
Fort Valley

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2 hams & skinned
nuts.

Received at Galveston

P.P. 7
9-a

May 18, 1937

Burchly

My dear Mr. Adams:

It was nice of you to send that box
of candy to the President. He asks me to thank
you for your courtesy and to express his appre-
ciation of the friendly thought which prompted
your act.

Very sincerely yours,

TA

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

M. F. Adams, Esq.,
1023 Indian Street,
St. Paul,
Nebraska.

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Return in 5 days.
To

M. E. Adams.

1023 Indian St.

St. Paul, Nebraska.

acked
5/18/37



Need not conclude.

T.A.

5/7/37

President F.D. Roosevelt
(White House) Wash.
D.C.

Handwritten markings on the left side of the envelope, including the letters 'H', 'P', 'A', 'Q', 'T', and 'T' arranged vertically.

PP 7.

DYER, John Napier,
Vincennes, Ind.
May 23, 1937.

Letter to Mr. McIntyre, that he is sending a few bunches of his "famous"
asparagus. If the President would like to have some, he will be glad to ^{send} them to
him also.

See M.H.McI-Gifts

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M. E. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

Mr. John Napier,
1012 1/2 Street, N.E.,
Washington, D. C.

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June 11, 1937

My dear Dr. Dicus:

The President has asked me to be sure
and drop you a line of thanks for your thought-
fulness in presenting him with the first copy of
"The National Digest," the new magazine of the
American Optometric Association. He is delighted
to have it and greatly appreciates your courtesy.

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9-a

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

TA

M. H. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

Dr. Luther Dicus,
1319 F Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

yes

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Pat McKenna

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

6/8/37

Dr. Dickus will

call on Mr. McIntyre tomorrow

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MCINTYRE: *Shuro. A. M.*

Dr. Luther Dicus, who is Trustee of the American Optometric Association, had his secretary phone to say that the Association is putting out a new magazine. It is educational, and they are trying to inform people about obtaining better vision. It is called "The National Digest." They want the President to have the first copy of the magazine and of course want to present it to him personally.

Shall I tell him the usual thing, that you will be delighted to receive it on his behalf?

R. B.

(National 6705)

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M. H. M. I
Books

RB/mwd

yes

June 28, 1937

P.P. 7.
9-A

My dear Mr. Alfange:

The President has asked me to be sure and drop you a line of thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending him the autographed copy of your book, "The Supreme Court and the National Will." He is delighted to have it and wants you to know of his very real appreciation.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank you in my own behalf for remembering me. I am mighty glad to have a copy of your book, and look forward with a great deal of pleasure to reading it.

M. H. McIntyre
Books

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

M. H. McIntyre

M. H. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

X
Dean Alfange, Esq.,
c/o Doubleday, Doran & Company, Inc.,
Garden City,
New York.

RB/mwd

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June 28, 1937

Dear Chip:

Thanks a lot for passing along the
copies of Dean Alfange's book. I have today
written him a line of thanks for the President
and myself.

As ever,

M. H. McIntyre
M. H. MCINTYRE

Honorable L. W. Robert, Jr., 1300
Suite 778-A,
Mayflower Hotel,
Washington, D. C.

RB/mwd

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LAWRENCE WOOD ROBERT, JR.
SECRETARY

June 18, 1937

Honorable Marvin Mac Intyre
The White House
Washington, D. C.

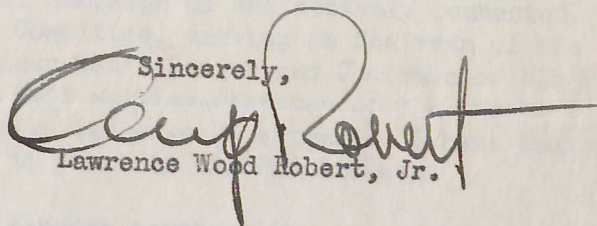
P E R S O N A L

Dear Colonel:

I have sent to you today under separate cover an autographed copy of the book by Dean Alfange, Counselor-at-law of New York City entitled, "The Supreme Court and the National Will", which was selected by a distinguished committee as winner of the First Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Award; also a letter explaining something of the author's background and his desire that I transmit the book to you.

Mr. Alfange would like to present the President with an autographed copy of this book, and I have informed him that I am passing it along to you for transmittal to the President.

Sincerely,


Lawrence Wood Robert, Jr.

L. W. Robert, Jr.
Suite 778-A
Mayflower Hotel

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PERSONAL

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Mr. Alfange is a young practicing attorney in New York City and General Counsel of the Axton Fisher Tobacco Company. During the recent presidential campaign he was actively connected with the Democratic National Committee, serving as Chairman of the Tobacco Division of the Business Men's League and Chairman of the Foreign Language Speakers Bureau, as well as Vice-chairman of the Greek-American Division of the Foreign Language Department. I have been asked by him to transmit this copy to you with his compliments.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Cliff Robert
Lawrence Wood Robert, Jr.

Suite 778-A
Mayflower Hotel

CONTINENTAL PRESS

August 7, 1937

PP. 7.
9-a

My dear Mr. Arena:

The President has received your letter of July thirty-first and the copy of the book which you have been good enough to send him, and I want to assure you in his behalf that your kindness is deeply appreciated. I am indeed sorry that it is not possible to do as you wish, but this office cannot make any comments regarding the merits of the many publications which are constantly being received. I am sure that you will understand.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. E. C. ...

G. F. Arena, Esq.,
307 North Michigan Avenue,
Chicago,
Illinois

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307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
SUITE 803-5
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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8/7/37
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July 31, 1937.

The President of the
United States of American
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Roosevelt;

We take the honor of sending you,
complimentarily, the first copy out-of-press of the
"Directory of Italian-Americans in Commerce and Pro-
fessions".

We have made this book in order to
stimulate business between the Italians in the United
States and, consequently, to stimulate American busi-
ness. We will be very grateful to you if you will
honor us with a word of comment on this first edition
of our publication.

With best regards, we are,

Respectfully yours,

G. F. Arena
G. F. Arena, President.

GFA:gs

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

August 17, 1937

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My dear Mr. Adkins:

I want you to know what a pleasure it is
for me to receive from you, as one of the two living
veterans of Henry County, that very fine cane made of
Henry County hickory, grown in the Blue Ridge foothills.

Many thanks and all good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

Miss Selfand

John F. Adkins, Esq.,
R. D. No. 1,
Martinsville,
Virginia.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

August 17, 1937

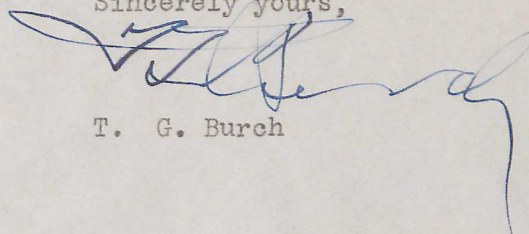
Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
President of the United States
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

Mr. John F. Adkins of RFD No. 1, Martinsville, Virginia, has requested me to present to you a cane which he recently made. Mr. Adkins has resided in Henry County since his birth in 1848 and is one of the two surviving Confederate Veterans in that county. He was a member of the Third Virginia Battalion, C. S. A., having enlisted at the age of sixteen.

The cane is of native Henry County hickory, which grows in profusion in the Blue Ridge foothills. The old gentleman selected the wood, bent and seasoned it, and the finished product is entirely the work of his own hand. Mr. Adkins will be extremely happy to know that you have accepted the cane as a token of his admiration and esteem. I shall be grateful if you will write him a letter of appreciation.

Sincerely yours,



T. G. Burch

September 13, 1937

My dear Mr. Lacy:

In Mr. McIntyre's absence on a brief vacation, I wish to reply to your inquiry of September tenth.

I am enclosing herewith for Congressman Burch's information a copy of a letter which the President addressed to Mr. John F. Adkins under date of August seventeenth, thanking him for the cane which Mr. Adkins made for him.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERTA BARROWS
Secretary to Mr. McIntyre

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Alton G. Lacy, Esq.,
Secretary to Congressman Burch,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

September 10, 1937

Colonel Marvin H. McIntyre
Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Colonel McIntyre:

On August 17, 1937, Congressman Burch left at your office a cane to be presented to the President as a gift from Mr. John F. Adkins of RFD No. 1, Martinsville, Virginia. A letter from Mr. Burch to the President was also delivered to your office. A copy of the letter is herewith enclosed.

Today I am in receipt of the attached note from the Congressman, in which he directs me to inquire of you whether a letter has been addressed to Mr. Adkins acknowledging the receipt of the cane. I am sure Mr. Adkins will greatly appreciate and highly treasure a personal note of thanks from the President.

Sincerely yours,

Alton G. Lacy
Alton G. Lacy Secretary

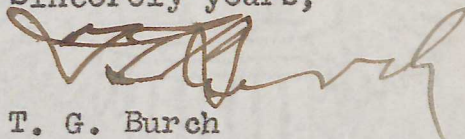
Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Martinsville, Va.
September 9, 1937

Dear Alton:

I would appreciate it if you will call up Mr. McIntyre's office and see if a letter was written to Mr. John Atkins thanking him for the cane.

Sincerely yours,



T. G. Burch

September 3, 1937
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT
MRS. J. F. HAYDEN
400 WASHINGTON ST.

RECORDING SECRETARY
MRS. S. D. HOLT
GRANHAM

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
MISS MARGARET LEE
422 N. WASHINGTON ST.

copy

August 17, 1937

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Cordially yours,
Sincerely yours,

T. G. Burch, M.C.

Mrs. John H. Anderson

President N. C. Division, U. D. C.

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422 N. BLOUNT ST., RALEIGH



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United Daughters of the Confederacy

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION

MRS. JOHN HUSKE ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

617 NORTH BLOUNT STREET

RALEIGH, N. C.

Aug. 21, 1937.

Buchley
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PLYMOUTH

CHAPLAIN
MRS. JOSEPH D. ROSS
ASHEBORO

P.P.T.
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My dear President Roosevelt:

As a little memento of your recent visit to Roanoke Island, N. C., I am sending you this booklet - the Legend of Virginia Dare, which may interest you in a continuation of the story of the LOST COLONY.

I had the pleasure of sitting near you on the official stand, and greatly enjoyed your address.

Representing the North Carolina Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, I had selected the Saturday preceding your visit, as the special day for our program and exercises, so that many of our Daughters might remain over to welcome you.

Please know that you have many warm friends among us in North Carolina, and I join with my cousins, the Josephus Daniels, in praying that every blessing may attend you. I breathe that prayer as I watched you on August the 18th.

Cordially yours,

John H. Anderson
Mrs. John H. Anderson

President N. C. Division, U. D. C.

Buchley

September 8, 1937

My dear Mrs. Anderson:

Your nice letter of August twenty-first has been received in the absence of the President, and I shall be glad to lay it before him upon his return to the city. Meanwhile, I want to thank you in his behalf for your courtesy in sending him the booklet and to assure you that he will deeply appreciate your prayers.

Very sincerely yours,

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M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. John H. Anderson,
617 North Blount Street,
Raleigh,
North Carolina.

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September 1, 1937

My dear Mr. Agrafiotis:

Replying to your letter of August sixteenth, which has been referred to me by Mr. Early, I want you to know how sorry I am for the delay in acknowledging the receipt of the copy of your book "Preserve, Protect and Defend", which you were good enough to present to the President. He is pleased to have the book, and has asked me to convey to you his appreciative thanks for your kind thought of him.

Very sincerely yours,

Noted

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Chris. J. Agrafiotis, Esq.,
470 Spruce Street,
Manchester,
New Hampshire.

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Buckley

RE: Mr. Miller:

Once, in everyone else's absence, this man left his book "Preserve, Protect and Defend" with me for the President. I sent it in to Miss Le Hand, and, if I remember right, noted that it had not been acknowledged. Could you look it up please and have it acknowledged to Mr. Agrafiotis? Thanx.

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Mrs. Larrabee
No record of this
J. C. M.

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9/1/37
A. W.

Mr. Stephen Early, Esq.
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Sometime ago, while visiting Washington, I left one of my recently published book "Preserve, Protect and Defend" with your secretary to be presented to the President.

As yet no acknowledgment has been made, I am wondering if the book has been lost or mislaid and never reached its destination.

I would appreciate and be ever so much obliged if you look the matter up and let me know.

Sincerely

Chris. F. Agrafiotis

Chris. John Agrafiotis
470 Spruce Street
Manchester, N. H.

August 16, 1937

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A.W.

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Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely

Chris. J. Agrafiotis

Wickersham 2-1133

Buchley

September 8, 1937

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My dear Mr. Alms:

Your note has been received in the absence of the President and I shall be glad to bring it to his attention upon his return to the city. I know that he will appreciate your kind thought in sending him the pictures to which you refer.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. L. L. L.

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Oscar F. Alms, Esq.,
2 Oakmont Avenue,
Yonkers,
New York.

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Wickersham 2-1133

Mr. Oscar F. Alms
2. Cadmon Ave.
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Goulders Key.

9/8/37

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Knowing that you are interested
in anything pertaining to the Sea. I
would ask you to kindly accept, from
a descendant of an old, well known,
Naval (British) Officer, the two photos.
Sent under separate cover (1st class mail)

x P.P. 7
9-c

They are enlargements of 2 snap
shots taken on our way (wife & myself)
to K.O. via S. Pac. Steamer on 16th Dec.
1909 - (Kodak 3 1/2 x 3 1/2).

Very Sincerely,
Oscar F. Alms

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2. Oakmont Ave.

yourself & y.

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Very sincerely,
Dear F. Adams

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2. Oakmont Ave.

Yonkers
N.Y. '37.

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Dear Mr. Roosevelt

Some weeks ago I sent you, addressed
to The White House, Washington D.C. two photos.
of the ~~Cape~~ Diamond Shoals Lightship taken
16: Dec. 1909. —

I know you have been, and are,
very busy but I should like to know
that they have not gone astray.

Very Sincerely
Oscar F. Blues

x P.P. 7
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September 29, 1937

My dear Mr. Arden:

Your recent note to Mr. Muir has been referred to me for acknowledgment.

The cane which Mr. Altman gave to Mr. Muir will be presented to the President when he returns from his Western trip. I know he will be delighted to have it and will want to send Mr. Altman a personal note of thanks.

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9-c

With best wishes to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Noted

JAMES ROOSEVELT
Secretary to the President

J. Arden, Esq.,
Secretary to Mr. Alfred Altman,
444 Madison Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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Alfred Altman
444 Madison Avenue
New York, U. S. A.

Correspondents in

Austria	Germany
Czechoslovakia	Holland
England	Hungary
France	Poland

Cable Address "Traffic"

Mr. Muir
Chief Usher
White House
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Muir:

Will you kindly send
me an acknowledgement of the receipt of
a parcel and a letter left yesterday
for His Excellency, President Roosevelt.

Respectfully yours,

J. Arden

J. Arden
Secretary to Mr. Altman
9223-37

Gift of canoe to Pres upon his return.
J.R.
will give his

October 8, 1937.

Dear Mr. Altman:-

I am perfectly delighted with
the cane which you were good enough to send
me and which arrived while I was away. It is
a beautiful one and you were more than kind to
think of me.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. de la Harpe

Alfred Altman, Esq.,
444 Madison Avenue,
New York City,
New York.

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Wickersham 2-1133

Alfred Altman
444 Madison Avenue
New York, U. S. A.

Correspondents in
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His Excellency
President of the United States of America
Franklin Delano Roosevelt
White House
Washington, D.C.

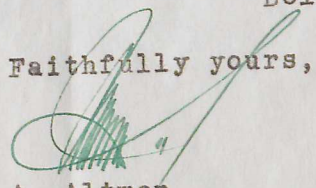
My dear President Roosevelt:

While in London
during the Coronation period, I was
pleased for the opportunity to select this
cane, which I am told was ordered by the
late, King George V, and was never called
for.

It is with
pleasure that I present this to you, with
every added sincere wish for your well being
in every way.

Believe me,

Faithfully yours,


A. Altman
X-n
9-22-37

Wickersham 2-1133

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GABOR, Frank
BOSTON HERALD and Boston Traveler
Boston, Mass.
10-12-37

Wrote to Henry Nesbitt asking for information re the gifts received by the President. Says this newspaper plans to run a feature story on this and asks re the number of gifts, disposition made of gifts, types of gifts, etc. ---This letter was not acknowledged.

SEE P.P.F. 1-A

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October 12, 1937

Buckley

My dear Mr. Andrews:

The President has received your note of October second and thanks you very much for your courtesy in sending him the copy of "The Jericho Road". He asks me to convey his sincere good wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

x 10079-13

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Ann Eben

x
Thomas G. Andrews, Esq.,
Grand Sire, I.O.O.F., 4870
First National Bank Building,
Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma.

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OFFICE OF THE GRAND SIRE
THOMAS G. ANDREWS, GRAND SIRE
FIRST NATIONAL BUILDING,
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA, U. S. A.

October 2, 1937.

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The President,
White House,
Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

It is a happy privilege to me,
as the Grand Sire of the Independent Order
of Odd Fellows, to be able to send to you,
the President of the United States and an
earnest Odd Fellow, a copy of The Jericho
Road, a book which I have just had published
pertaining to the principles of Odd Fellow-
ship.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Andrews

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October 21, 1937

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My dear Friends:

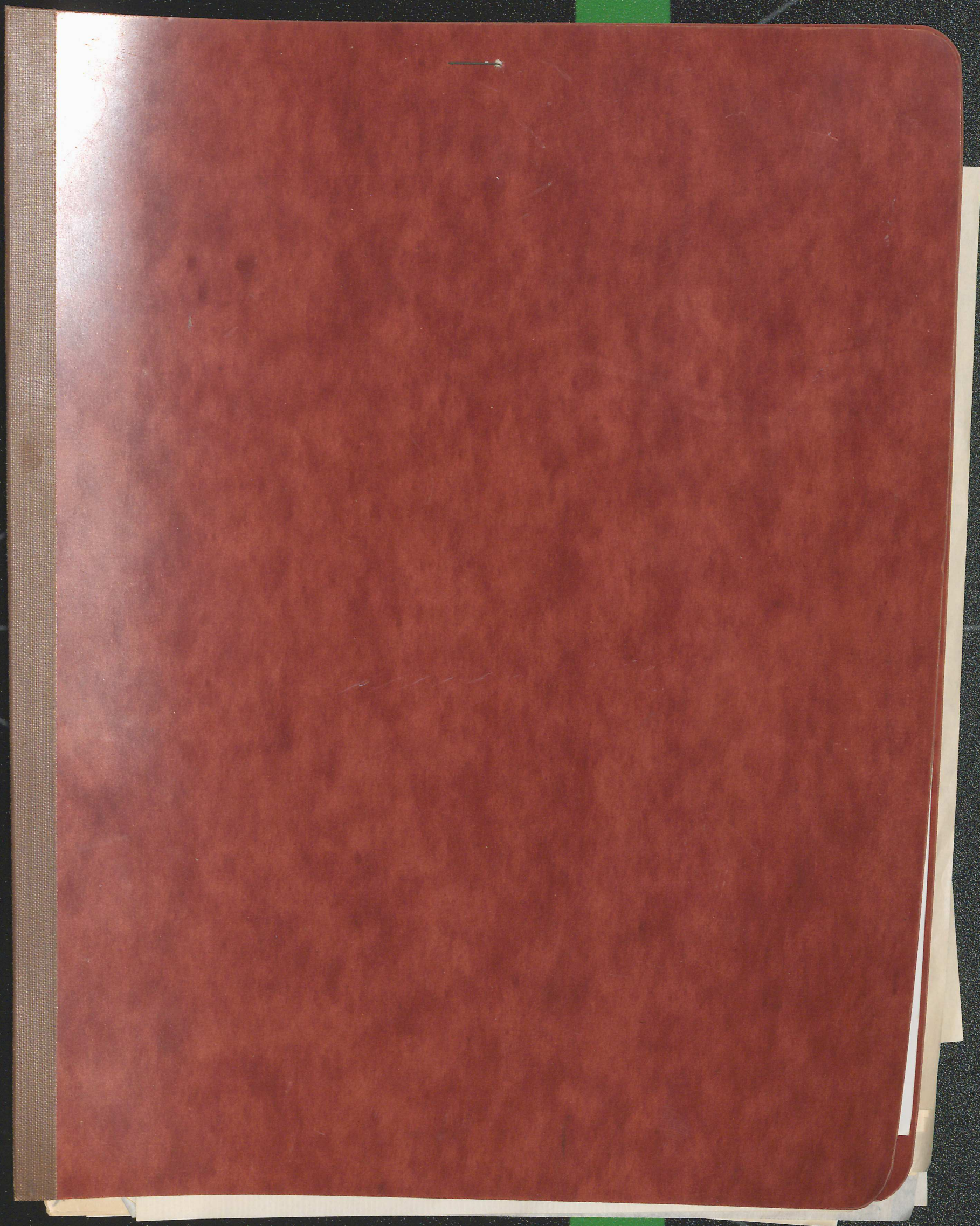
Thank you very much indeed for that fine bust which you presented to me while in Montana. I am glad to have it and have noted with interest the accompanying booklet.

My cordial good wishes go to all of you with this letter.

Very sincerely yours,

X200-SS
Montana

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Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign x84
Wars of Fort Peck Post No. 3107,
Fort Peck, X
Montana.





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on the 15th day of March, 1900, in pursuance
of the resolution of the Board of Trustees
of the Library of Congress, passed on the
15th day of March, 1900.

Thank
P.

Presented to President Roosevelt, with the
carved bust, by the Auxiliary to Veterans of
Foreign Wars of Fort Peck Post 3107, Glasgow,
and Fort Peck, Montana, in pleasant remembrance
of the second visit of our good friend to
this locality.



Franklin D. Roosevelt



Frank H. Hovnaier



Frank L. Bourne

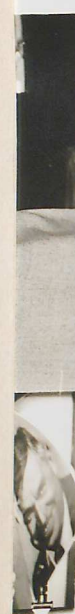
Worker on Fort Peck Project Produces Extraordinary Wood Carvings.

Frank E. LaFournaise, a native of Montana, born near Glasgow, of French-Canadian parentage, has produced many beautiful wood carvings as a hobby while employed on the Fort Peck Dam Project. He has worked as mason, carpenter, and paint finisher and as a single man lives in one of the barracks buildings. The accompanying photograph shows a number of the items which he has produced during the last year and a half. It is believed that the work speaks for itself, showing extraordinary ability to conceive and execute graceful figures from native woods found in the vicinity of the world's largest earth dam project.

From a large piece of partially-seasoned cottonwood has been carved a bust of President Roosevelt. To guide him in his work he had only a quarter-profile photograph of the President. The facial expression and the entire left side of the face were made from his own conception of proportions without ever having seen the President in person.

LaFournaise works without a complete set of carving tools, without callipers, or measuring devices. He had no experience in this type of work prior to coming to Fort Peck. In that time he has produced a remarkable collection of carvings which has been a delight to all visitors to the local museum on display in the Fort Peck Theatre. These figures were carved from odd-shaped pieces of Juniper, the various colors existing in the natural wood. Only clear shellac has been used as surface finish for these pieces.

During the severe earthquake at Helena in 1936, an old residential building was badly damaged. As a result there was discovered in the attic of this dwelling some pieces of wood and unfinished carvings left by a violinmaker who had died many years ago. LaFournaise acquired some of this wood which had been stored under perfect seasoning conditions for 150 years. The violin shown in the photograph was produced from this sycamore wood. No finish has been applied to the



lin since varnish of the quality and age desired by the maker have been un-
tainable. The violin produces excellent tones and with high quality varnish
is expected to be completely aperiodic. Musicians who have played the instru-
nt have pronounced it very desirable.

Picking up odd shaped pieces of wood in the river bottom near the Fort Peck
n, Mr. LaFournaise studies each piece in the rough before starting his carving.
e completed images are conceived when his innately artistic eye gazes upon
hall we say "into") the rough material. The concept made, he starts to work
th confidence and, though possessed of almost limitless patience, actually he
ems to work with remarkable speed. The bust of President Roosevelt required
irty-eight hours of carving. Another figure, a bust of Will Rogers, whom he
d never seen, was executed in twenty-five hours.

The ancestry of this man is very interesting. His father was born February,
861 at Devil's Lake, North Dakota. Leaving North Dakota when six years old, his
ather moved to the vicinity of Glasgow, Montana. The voyage was made in a "Red
iver Cart" which in those days was a two-wheeled affair with a shaft for one
orse. All of their worldly possessions were carried on this vehicle as well as
family of six persons. After living about six years near Glasgow, the family
oved to Spruce Woods in Manitoba, Canada. The sculptor's father stayed with
is family until eighteen years of age at which time he married Mary Theresa
cGelless. He obtained a position under Captain Allens of the Royal Canadian
orthwest Mounted Police, operating a store in connection with his employment.
e received a commission to haul freight from Missouri River steamboats unloading
t such points as Wolf Point, Poplar, and Bufford to Wood Mountain, Saskatchewan.
n 1885 he enlisted with the Mounted Police, served a year as a scout, then
esigned and with his family moved to the vicinity of Glasgow, Montana, where he
started a horse ranch about three miles southeast of town near the Milk River.
It was there that Frank was born, the eighth of a family of nine children. Of
he nine children there were three boys and six girls.

Living on the ranch, LaFournaise had little chance to obtain schooling so by the time the United States entered the World War he had had only four years in school. Enlisting in the Infantry (Regular Army) as Private in July, 1918, Frank LaFournaise served twelve months with the 2nd U. S. Infantry and would have gone to France had it not been for an injury received in training camp.

After his discharge from the Army, LaFournaise returned to Glasgow where he remained until the inception of the Fort Peck Project. His first employment was in the fall of 1933 soon after the project was approved by the President.

During the last three and one-half years LaFournaise has worked at the following trades: axman, clearing brush at the damsite, saw filer, for carpenters building out yard structures, and carpenter helper. This work was interspersed with periods at cement finishing, when small jobs of concrete foundations were put in. Later he set hollow tile, laid bricks, did plastering, finally being employed as a general mason under Civil Service.

During the last year and a half practically all of his spare time has been devoted to his hobby of wood carving, utilizing only the small space available in his dormitory room which he shares with one other man.

Mr. LaFournaise states that he carries Indian blood from both his great-grandmothers. He has French blood from his father and Scotch blood from his mother. Having been raised on a horse ranch he cannot remember when he was not able to ride a horse. For nine years, starting at the age of sixteen, he was a professional rider in all of the rodeos staged in this vicinity. In 1923 and 1924 he performed as exhibition rider on all kinds of horses brought into Glacier National Park for the benefit of eastern visitors desirous of seeing western horsemanship at its best. Performances were so satisfactory that he was able to make a good living from voluntary contributions given by the spectators. This exhibition work was rudely cut short by a severe injury sustained at Columbia Falls, Montana, in 1925, when his horse brushed against a fence where his foot was caught. Since that time he has done practically no riding.

Your correspondent, who has had a personal interview with Mr. LaFournaise, is of his opinion that the success of this man in such a varied list of activities is undoubtedly due to an innate sensitiveness accompanied by genuine artistic intuition. As further evidence of this, reference is made to one occasion at a rodeo where a bronco, right off the range, which had never been ridden, was presented to him to ride. The horse belonged to "Bill" Snow, a well-known rancher who was at Glacier Park as manager of the rodeo exhibition. The horse's name was "Moonshine", although "Sulphuric Acid" or "TNT" might have been more appropriate. This horse had been attempted by many crack bronco busters but had never been ridden for the full eight jumps required in rodeo competition. Mounting the animal unaware of its reputation, LaFournaise succeeded in riding him out the full number of jumps and the full distance not once but twice in succeeding attempts. He says that he seemed to sense an animal after the first one or two jumps and was able to anticipate every movement thereafter. This intuition aided him on any horse he mounted.

Reference is made to recent book written by Dr. Alexis Carrel, Head, Research Department, Rockefeller Foundation, New York City. The book is entitled "Man the Unknown" and in it he emphasizes that the intuitive faculty is a necessary companion of genius.







MR.
PRESIDENT
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In commemoration
of the visit of
President
Roosevelt
to Glasgow and
Fort Peck, Mont.,
Oct. 3, 1937

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October 27, 1937

Respectfully referred to the State
Department.

M. H. MCINTYRE
Secretary to the President

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ALONSO, Manuel Baoureo, President, Bd. of Defense of the National
Spanish Delegation, Trujillo City, Dominican Republic;
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Enclosing a book "For Spain", and/newspaper, writer
asks for a contribution to the cause, which he may transmit
to Salamanca.

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STARK, Lloyd C.
Governor of Mo.
Jefferson City, Mo.
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Sent the President an apple. --Ack. by President.

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COURSIER, Mr. & Mrs. Fulton,
Sandalwood, West Falmouth, Mass.
November 6, 1937

On above date Miss LeHand wrote to Mr. & Mrs. Fulton thanking them for the
Anagrams and the Crime Files which they sent to the President. Attached is a
letter dated Oct. 22nd to Miss LeHand from the Fulton's secretary, re the above.

See P.P.F. 2993

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November 15, 1937

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My dear Mr. Aldrich:

Your letter of recent date has been received and I shall be glad to lay it before the President. You may be sure he will appreciate your friendly thought in sending him the copy of your book.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Leland

H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

H. J. Aldrich, Esq.,
117 West Elm Avenue,
Wollaston,
Massachusetts.

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POSTMASTER
(PERSONAL)

The Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt,
White House,
Washington, D.C. *Aug 11-15-37*

Dear Mr. President:

I am taking the liberty
of sending this book to you
in the hope that it will
serve as an introduction to
one who would like to be
considered as a possible
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training, have always
been a student of economics
and consider myself
fairly well informed on
present day problems in
regard thereto.

I sincerely trust that
you may find the
foregoing worthy of con-
sideration.

Respectfully,

117 W Elm Ave.
Wollaston, Mass.

H. J. Aldrich

small class investors. Hence
it is not offered as evidencing
the scope of the author's
understanding of economics
or finance.

I have no political
support or standing but it
is my hope that may be
as much an asset as a
liability. And I have no
axes to grind.

I am at present holding
an executive position in a
large Casualty Insurance
Company. I am experienced
as a statistician, rate

JOSEPH W. E.

(PERSONAL)

J. S. GRIFFITH
POSTMASTER
HOUSTON, TEXAS

November 18, 1937

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Hon. Marvin H. McIntyre,
Secretary to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. McIntyre:

I am pleased to enclose herewith a copy of Andy's
Official Hunting and Fishing Guide which has been prepared by
Mr. "Andy" Anderson, Sports Editor of the Houston Press. He
thought possibly the President might be interested in some of
the information contained in this booklet, gained through
years of actual experience in fishing along the Gulf Coast,
and he has requested that I send this book to you so that
the President might look it over if he desires.

Yours sincerely,

J. S. Griffith
POSTMASTER
(PERSONAL)

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November 26, 1937

My dear Mr. Griffith:

Thank you very much for your note of November eighteenth, with which you enclosed a copy of Andy's Official Hunting and Fishing Guide.

I passed it along to the President and he asked me to be sure and convey his very real appreciation of your thoughtfulness in sending this to him.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

M. H. McIntyre

M. H. McINTYRE
Secretary to the President

J. S. Griffith, Esq.,
Houston,
Texas.

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November 24, 1937

My dear Mrs. Ader:

Your nice letter of November nineteenth has been received and the President has asked me to thank you for your courtesy in sending him the book to which you refer. He wants you to know that he is indeed most grateful for your prayers.

Very sincerely yours,

Book Case

H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. O. P. Ader, X
Coleridge,
North Carolina.

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Nov. 19, 1937
Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington D. C.
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My dear President:- Mr. Adler
and I are praying for you as
you face the problems of our
Government.

I am reminded of
Jesus, people cried out praising
Him and in a short time
the same people said crucify
Him; but this man died
praying for his enemies.

I am sending to you, Mr.
President, under separate cover
a little book, "When Man Listens".
While in prayer it came to me
to send this book to you.

I am not a fanatic, but
just a Methodist preacher's wife

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in a little North Carolina
town that it would be
hard for you to find on
the maps.

Please Mr. President take
time to read this little book.

Without question it points
the way to victory in
this trying hour.

We continue daily in
special prayer for you.

Very Respectfully,

Wm. D. P. Ader.

Coleridge

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December 17, 1937

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My dear Mr. Alsberg:

The President is delighted to have that beautifully bound copy of "Philadelphia, A Guide to the Nation's Birthplace" and has asked me to express his appreciation of your courtesy in sending it to him.

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Very sincerely yours,

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H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Henry G. Alsberg, Esq.,
Director, Federal Writers' Project,
Works Progress Administration,
Washington, D. C.

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WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

MEMORANDUM



TO: The President

December 14, 1937

FROM: Henry G. Alsberg *H.G.A.*

SUBJECT: "Philadelphia, A Guide to the Nation's Birthplace."

This is the latest book put out by the Federal Writers' Project.

We hope you will like it.

Signature _____

Date _____

MEMORANDUM

December 14th 1937

I have today received for President Roosevelt
1 copies of the Federal Writers' Project publication entitled
Philadelphia "A Guide to the Nations Birthplace".

Signature _____

Date _____

Very sincerely yours,

H. L. Brown
Director

H. L. Brown
Director

(Gene To Joe)

A. V. T. CHEMICAL CORPORATION

81 EAST FRONT STREET
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY

TELEPHONE 700

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December 18, 1937

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My dear Miss Adams:

The President thanks you very much indeed for your friendly thought in sending him the box of cookies and candy. He wants you to know that he deeply appreciates this evidence of your good will and has asked me to convey his very best wishes to you for the holiday season.

Very sincerely yours,

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M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Mae E. Adams,
St. Paul,
Nebraska.

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A. V. T. CHEMICAL CORPORATION

81 EAST FRONT STREET
RED BANK, NEW JERSEY

TELEPHONE 700

December 23rd, 1937.

Franklin D. Roosevelt,
United States,

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Knowing that you are the
1 philatellists, may I take
iling you under separate
our stamp remover, Stampoff?

I should like you to try
this in removing stamps and I would appreciate
any comments which you desire to make on it.

Wishing you the very best
for the New Year, Mr. President, I beg to
remain,

Very truly yours,

A.V.T. Chemical Corp.,

Archie G. Anderson
President.

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December 23rd, 1937.

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The Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt,
President of the United States,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:-

Knowing that you are the
most famous of all philatellists, may I take
the liberty of mailing you under separate
cover a bottle of our stamp remover, Stampoff?

I should like you to try
this in removing stamps and I would appreciate
any comments which you desire to make on it.

Wishing you the very best
for the New Year, Mr. President, I beg to
remain,

Very truly yours,

A.V.T. Chemical Corp.,

Archie G. Anderson
President.

AGA:HN

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December 30, 1937

My dear Mr. Anderson:

Your letter of December twenty-third to the President has been received and I want to thank you in his behalf for your courtesy in sending him the gift to which you refer. You may be sure your holiday greetings are deeply appreciated.

I am sorry, but the President cannot while holding his present office, make any comments concerning the merits of the many articles that are constantly being received. I am sure you will understand.

Very sincerely yours,

Joe Sheahan
M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Archie G. Anderson, Esq.,
President, A.V.T. Chemical Corporation,
81 East Front Street,
Red Bank,
New Jersey.

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December 27, 1937

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Aronson:

I am delighted with that attractive
cigarette cabinet and lighter which you were so
good as to send me. Thank you very much indeed
for your kind thought.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Foster

Louis V. Aronson, Esq.,
Art Metal Works, Inc.,
Aronson Square,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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Hon. Rudolph Forster
White House
Washington - D. C.

Dear Mr. Forster:

I think of you very often during these strenuous times.

At this period of the year, it is my practice, as you know, to remember you specially. I have taken pleasure in sending you by parcels post, special delivery, this day an item of our manufacture, - the use of which I trust you will enjoy on your desk or in your home.

And, because I think so much of it, I am also sending you one for the President, who, I know, is a cigarette smoker. I think you will like it. Won't you be good enough to present it to him with our compliments and every good wish?

With the warmest greetings of this Season for you and your dear ones and for all that is good throughout 1938, I am

Most cordially and sincerely yours,

Louis V. Aronson
Louis V. Aronson

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December 27, 1937

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With the Warmest Greetings
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With the Warmest Greetings
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PRESIDENT
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A. M. Andrews, Esq.,
1 East 43rd Street,
New York, N.Y.

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A. M. Andrews, Esq.,
1 East 43rd Street,
New York, N.Y.



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My dear Mr. Andrews:

The President thanks you very much indeed for the beautiful lighter and he wants you to know that he more than appreciates the friendly spirit which prompted you to present it to him.

He asks me to convey his best wishes to you for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

A. M. Andrews, Esq.,
1 East 43rd Street,
New York, N.Y.

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PROGRESS CORPORATION
1 EAST 43RD STREET - NEW YORK, N. Y.
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OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT

December 9, 1937

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
20 East 11th Street,
New York, New York.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

It was a great honor to take care of
you at the office the other day and
it was certainly a pleasure to witness
your enthusiasm for the little lighters
we produce.

May I ask you to do me the favor of
presenting to the President in my behalf
the enclosed tortoise shell lighter on
which his name has been inlaid in silver.

Yours sincerely,

A. M. Andrews
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Enclosure

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December 28, 1937

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My dear Mr. Haugan:

The President has asked me to thank you very much for your thoughtfulness in again forwarding to him a copy of "Christmas," which you sent to him on December twentieth. He greatly appreciates your kindness in remembering him again this year.

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Sincerely yours,

Mr. M. H. McIntyre

M. H. McINTYRE
Secretary to the President

R. E. Haugan, Esq.,
c/o Augsburg Publishing House,
425 South Fourth Street,
Minneapolis,
Minnesota.

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Book sent to Miss LeHand.

Augsburg Publishing House

+ + + R. E. HAUGAN · GENERAL MANAGER + + +
425 SOUTH FOURTH STREET · MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

December 20, 1937

Mr. Marvin Mc Intyre
Washington, D. C.

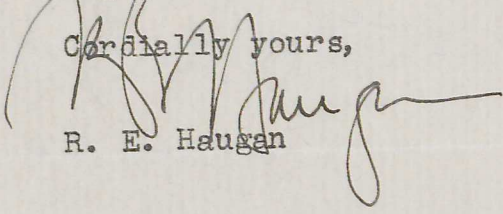
Dear Mr. McIntyre:

In previous years you have been kind enough to present to the President with our compliments a copy of "Christmas" which we have forwarded to you.

We are forwarding to you the seventh annual volume of "Christmas", An American Annual of Christmas Literature and Art, and we will greatly appreciate your presenting this to him with our compliments.

If at all possible we will appreciate a personal acknowledgement.

Cordially yours,


R. E. Haugan

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December 29, 1937

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MORSETHAU, H., Jr.
Secretary of Treas.
Washington, D. C.
12-29-37

Sent the President an album of Franklin Booth pictures prepared in connection with the Savings Bonds campaign. These bear the signature of the artist. -- Ack. by the President.

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December 29, 1937

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My dear Mr. Amos:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December twenty-first, with the enclosed clipping. The President is glad to have the miniature log cabin and a note of thanks is being sent to Mr. Abner direct.

Please let me assure you that your courtesy in the matter is appreciated by the President.

Very sincerely yours,

Gene A. ...

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Earl B. Amos, Esq.,
Washington County Democratic Committee,
Eighty Four,
Pennsylvania.

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(William Abner
344 W. Maiden St., Wash. Pa.)



WASHINGTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA

December 29, 1937

My dear Mr. Abner:

The President thanks you ever so much for that miniature log cabin which you were good enough to present to him through the courtesy of Mr. Earl B. Amos.

He wants you to know that he deeply appreciates your friendly greetings and sends his sincere good wishes to you for your health and happiness for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

William Abner, Esq.,
344 West Maiden Street,
Washington,
Pennsylvania.

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To the President

William Abner, 59-year-old Spanish American War veteran, whose birthday is the same as that of President Roosevelt, has made by hand a miniature log cabin which he is sending as a Christmas present to the President.

The cabin is a work of painstaking art. Each log has been whittled out and polished. The building is complete, with chimney and a real door hung on real hinges, with chinking between the logs. County Commissioner Earl B. Amos is helping Mr. Abner to pack it for shipment.

Mr. Abner enlisted from Kentucky in the Ninth United States Infantry and served in the Philippine Islands, being discharged at San Francisco from the Thirteenth Infantry, into which he had been transferred while in the Islands. He has been in Washington for some years and resides in West Maiden street.

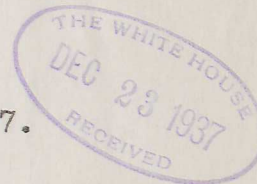
WASHINGTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

EARL B. AMOS, CHAIRMAN
EIGHTY FOUR, PA.

WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA

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December 21, 1937.



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

My dear Mr. President:

The enclosed newspaper clipping is at least partially self-explanatory, but for your further information, Mr. William Abner, a local disabled Spanish American War veteran, has constructed this miniature log cabin of ash wood from a battlefield in Virginia, in accordance with the theory expressed in the story of the "Seven Sticks", as told in the original McGuffey Reader, which theory Mr. Abner believes to be applicable to our nation today.

Inasmuch as Mr. Abner's birthday falls on the same day as your own, he has asked me to forward this cabin to you, with his best wishes for a "Happy Birthday" as well as a "Merry Christmas".

Respectfully yours,

Earl B. Amos

EARL B. AMOS, County Chairman,
WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

For William Abner,
344 West Maiden Street,
Washington, Pennsylvania.

Encl.
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WASHINGTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE
EARL B. AMOS, CHAIRMAN
EIGHTY FOUR, PA.
WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA
Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
White House
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. Lippman, one of the foremost
plete freedom of expression in the
We are presenting them to our res
writer at

TROTZKY

The unofficial commission, head-
d by Mr. John Dewey, which has
een studying the case of Trotsky
s. the Soviet government, has sub-
mitted its report. It finds that the
ussian trials have been "frame-
ups." This is the verdict of a group
f men and women, some of whom
re communists, all of whom have
een the consistent friends of the
ussian revolution. They declare,
s Mr. Dewey puts it, that the Rus-
ian trials signify "the repudiation
y a disciplined political organiza-
ion, world-wide in scope and in-
luence, of the principles of truth
nd justice upon which the founda-
ions of civilization are laid. It
ignifies an extraordinary corrup-
ion of the idealistic heritage of
he Russian revolution."

I wonder about that word "cor-
ruption." It seems to imply that
he regime founded by Lenin and

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12/29/37

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The enclosed newspaper clipping is at least partially self-explanatory, but for your further information, Mr. William Abner, a local disabled Spanish American War veteran, has constructed this miniature log cabin of ash wood from a battlefield in Virginia, in accordance with the theory expressed in the story of the "Seven Sticks", as told in the original McGuffey Reader, which theory Mr. Abner believes to be applicable to our nation today.

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Washington, Penna.
December 21, 1937.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Washington, D. C.

My dear President Roosevelt:

I must say that I am glad for this opportunity
of extending to you my very best wishes for a Merry
Christmas and a Happy Birthday.

I am presenting you with a gift that I am con-
fident the President will appreciate. I sincerely hope
this will be accepted.

With best wishes to you.

Very respectfully yours,

William Abner
PWA

William Abner,
Disabled Spanish War Veteran,
344 West Maiden Street,
Washington, Penna.

ROGERS, Edmund P.,
New York, N.Y.
Dec. 30, 1937. (Ackn.)

On the above date the President wrote and thanked Mr. Rogers for his
gift of a photograph album.

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H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mr. Margaret G. G. G.
222 Water Street,
New York,
N.Y.

To the Censors of
President Roosevelt's
Mail

Please permit the
Miss Margaret Armstrong
President to receive
this. Thank you.

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December 31, 1937

P.P. 7.
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My dear Miss Armstrong:

The Christmas number of "The Manual
of Prayer" which you were good enough to send
to the President has been received and I want
to thank you in his behalf for your courtesy.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Margaret Armstrong,
618½ Water Street,
Port Huron,
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December 31, 1937

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My dear Mr. Augustin:

Your thoughtful courtesy in sending the
1938 diary to the President is greatly appreciated
by him and he asks me to express his sincere thanks
to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lanahan

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

J. J. Augustin, Esq.,
30 Irving Place,
New York, N. Y.

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