PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL FILE

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To
MACEDO SOARES, Dr. Jose Carlos de
Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil
9-1-39

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The President wrote to Dr. Macedo Soares thanking him for his book, Fronteiras do Brazil no Regime Colonial. The President said, in part "The very beautiful topography and the reproduction of maps and vignettes are a source of delight and have given me many enjoyable moments. It is truly a work of art. I am happy indeed to add this noteworthy account of the history of your great country to my collection." --- The President's reply is as per draft supplied by Chief of Protocol, Dept. of State, Sept. 1, in response to Miss Le Hand's note of Aug. 30. With this note, Miss Le Hand returned a draft that had been supplied by the Secretary of State in response to her request of Aug. 23, and asked that it be redrafted.

SEE P.P.F. 6192

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BRUNINI, Mr. John Gilland, Exec. Director,
Temple of Religion, Inc.,
New York World's Fair,
New York, N.Y.
Sept. 9, 1939.

Sent to the President a copy of their brochure entitled "For All Who Worship

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P.P.F. 9-B

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 24, 1939.

P.P.F. 9-B

MISS LE HAND:

These snapshots were made by a friend (his friend) of Felix Belair's. Felix says he is an amateur photographer -- and that he was most anxious for the President to have these pictures of his home at Hyde Park. So-- I'm passing them along.

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Miss Shannon
Tell Belair to
thank his friend
and say the President is
delighted to have the
pictures.

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File the drawing.

September 11, 1939

P.P.F. 9-B

My dear Mr. Belton:

It was nice of you to send your drawing to the President. He has asked me to thank you for your courtesy and to convey his good wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Richard Belton, Esq.,
65 Elmwood Street,
Springfield,
Massachusetts.

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Aug 21 1939

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WADDEY, Richard P., Esq.,
Sec'y., Potomac Lodge No. 5, F.A.A.M.,
Washington, D. C.

O'BRIEN, Mrs. W.E.,
Ramona, Calif.
Aug. 29, 1939.

(President)
Wants copy of speech of Sept. 17, 1937. Also asks if he will sign it.
Offers to make the President a leather book-jacket. (copy of speech sent unsigned).

See O'Brien, Mrs. W.E.

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WADDEY, Richard P., Esq.,
Sec'y., Potomac Lodge No. 5, F.A.A.M.,
Washington, D. C.
September 13, 1939 (Date Acknowledged)

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On above date Miss LeHand wrote to Mr. Waddey, on behalf of the President, thanking him for sending the book, "A Century and a Half of Freemasonry in Georgetown."

See 251

The second chapter, "From Bale to Bolt," takes the layman through

Press Study

September 15, 1939

My dear Miss Barnwell:

Your letter of September twelfth, the enclosure, and the book "Faces We See", which you sent under separate cover to the President, have been received.

I know he will appreciate your courtesy in sending him the copy of your book and would want me to thank you sincerely for your kind thought.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Miss Mildred G. Barnwell,
Executive Secretary,
Southern Combed Yarn Spinners
Association,
601-2 Bank of Commerce Building,
Gastonia, North Carolina.

The second chapter, "From Bale to Bolt," takes the layman through

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SOUTHERN COMBED YARN SPINNERS ASSOCIATION

601-602 BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING
GASTONIA, N. C.

September 12, 1939

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

Dear Mr. President:

I am sending you today under separate cover an advance copy of our recent publication, FACES WE SEE.

This book gives an accurate description of present day life in Southern cotton mill villages and we feel it furnishes a complete answer to many distorted stories about this section.

I know that you are the busiest man in the world today, but when you have time to glance through this book I think you will be gratified at some of the findings shown through the combination of photographs and the written word.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred G. Barnwell

Mildred G. Barnwell
Executive Secretary

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Book Tells Real Story
Of Cotton Mill Life

FACES WE SEE, by Mildred G. Barnwell;
published by Southern Combed Yarn Spinners Association,
Gastonia, N. C. Price $3.00

The real story of life in a southern cotton mill village has now been told. In "Faces We See," Mrs. Barnwell presents a series of remarkable photographs, all taken from real life, showing just how the employees spend their leisure time; just what community facilities are provided for them by the mill companies; and just what the jobs of these people inside the mill are. The text which accompanies the photographs is brief, interestingly written, and factual.

The combination of the text and pictures represents a complete answer to the many distorted stories of living and working conditions in southern mills which have appeared in national publications in recent years. It is a story which will be of absorbing interest not only to the employers and employees in the southern textile industry itself, but to all other southerners, and to those engaged in similar work throughout the country, as well as to all interested in the social-economic problem.

Mrs. Barnwell's book consists of three main chapters, each containing a series of superb photographs. Chapter I -- "Southern Mill Folks" -- tells the story of the background of the southern mill workers, of that thrilling social transformation which followed the trek of so many thousands from mountain to mill. Then the pictures in this section show just how these people live today--what they do with their leisure time, and what facilities for living the mills provide for them.

The second chapter, *"From Bale to Bolt,"* takes the layman through a cotton mill, show him every step in this intricate series of processes, and explains them all simply and clearly.

The third chapter, "Meet the Reeses," completes this pictorial journey by going behind the scenes with one actual mill family, and portraying the events of a day in the life of that family.

Finally, a fourth section, "Combed Yarn Mill Facts," gives the reader additional information on the industry itself: where its

money goes. how its wage rates stand, the background of labor legislation in North Carolina, etc.

The book is being widely distributed among key members of the public, editors and reviewers, libraries, and other agencies whereby public opinion is moulded. It is available at the office of the Southern Combed Yarn Spinners Association, Gastonia, N.C., of which Mrs. Barnwell is executive secretary.

The photographs were taken by Bill Baker, of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development, under the direction of Mrs. Barnwell. The negatives are on file with the News Bureau of that Department, at Raleigh, N.C., and copies may be had upon request.

Souvenir of the Late War.
Respectfully offered to
our greatly loved President.
His acceptance is gratefully
appreciated by a devoted
admirer.
Georgina H. Bernstein

41-13-3

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

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E. M. W.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 18, 1939

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French Embassy
(signature unreadable)
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Sent the President a book and block of stamps. (Stamps did not come to file.)

Referred to Mr. Summerlin, Dept. of State, for appropriate acknowledgment, 9-18-39.

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Belair, Felix
Washington, D.C.
Oct. 2, 1939

On above date, Miss LeHand expressed the President's thanks to Mr. Belair and his friend for the snapshots and the enlargement of the house at Hyde Park which they sent him.

See P.P.F. 1-G

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P.P.F. 9-B

September 27, 1939

Dear Mrs. Bernstein:

Thank you ever so much for your interesting letter of September nineteenth. The President was greatly pleased to have the bomb fragment for his collection, and he has asked me to assure you of his deep appreciation of your kind thought in letting him have it.

Your remarks concerning Mr. De Waard have been brought to his attention, as it is thought he would enjoy knowing the nice compliments you pay him.

With every good wish to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN M. WATSON
Secretary to the President

Mrs. Georgina N. Bernstein,
1544 East 49th Street,
Brooklyn,
New York.

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Miss Tully:

Do you think the President would wish to have this little old lady thanked over his signature - or General Watson's? The fragment was given to Mrs. Larrabee several days ago when Mr. DeWaard brought it in.

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44 East 49th Street,
Brooklyn, New York,
September 19, 1939.

Edwin M. Watson,
Secretary to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Pray accept my sincere thanks for your kind lines of the ninth instant and present my deep gratitude to our dearly loved President for condescending to accept "L'Eclat d'un Obus" Allemand. It is but a small detached fragment from the bomb whose last shot was fired against Paris by the barbarous Germans in the late war - the shot that destroyed our Lord's House of Worship, killing Americans, women and children who sought refuge within its portals, the church described by Edwin C. Hill, the commentator, so clearly in the article I enclosed in my letter to Miss LeHand regarding the "obus" article I am certain our President should find interesting.

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I would appreciate beyond words, dear Sir, could I learn that the little souvenir and its history were acceptable and of any interest toward the collection in the museum.

Thanking you again for your late communication,

Yours very respectfully,

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Lillian M. Dennison
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Enclosure.

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words. Dear Sir, I am, dear Sir, your obedient servant, Edwin G. Hill, Director. Here are - the inclosures - Admiral Byrd's interview - Admiral Byrd's message - museum!

Thanking you again for your kindness in communicating with me, I remain, Very respectfully, Yours, Ladies' Home Journal, Edward W. Bok, Editor. (Mrs.) Josephine Dr. Bernstein

Very sincerely,

Lillian M. Dennison
Secretary to General Watson

Mr. Leo De Waard,
c/o Inspector's Office,
Post Office Department,
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure.

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September 26, 1939

My dear Mr. De Waard:

General Watson has asked me to send you a copy of Mrs. Bernstein's letter with reference to the fragment of the bomb which she presented to the President. She speaks very highly of you in her letter and I thought you might like to have a copy. We all appreciate so much your going to New York to pick up this bomb fragment which the lady hesitated to send through the mail.

Very sincerely,

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c/o Inspector's Office,
Post Office Department,
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure.

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81 yr old writer greatly admires the Pres. Has in her possession a "fragment" of the "Big Bertha" - last shot directed upon Paris in the World War. In form of a small automatic pistol. Came to her from her late bro. who transacted all negotiations for ammunition between the French and U. S. Govts. States source from which secured by bro. and quotes inscription on card attached to said pistol. If President willing to accept this pistol as gift, asks how it best be sent as fears damage in mails.

PPF 9-B

ptember 9, 1939

The President has asked me to tell you that he would be delighted to have for his collection the shell fragment about which you wrote. He wants you to know that he deeply appreciates your gracious generosity in offering it to him.

I am making arrangements to have a representative call at your home for it in order that you may be relieved of all concern as to its safe arrival here.

Please let me assure you again that the President is most happy to have this memento and he is very grateful for your thoughtfulness in presenting it to him.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Post Office Inspector.

PPF 9-B

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Post Office Inspector.

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September 8, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR: Post Office Inspector in charge of
the Washington District.

Attention Post Office Inspector A. L. De Waard.

My dear Mr. De Waard:

The correspondence attached is forwarded to you in connection with telephone conversation this morning. I would appreciate it if you will return the papers when they have served their purpose.

With many thanks, I am

Very sincerely yours,

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

Letter from Mrs. Georgina N. Bernstein, 1544 East 49th St., Brooklyn, N. Y., August 26, 1939 to Miss M. A. LeHand.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

COPY August 31, 1939.

CASE No.

MEMORANDUM FOR

GENERAL WATSON

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I would like to have it for my collection?

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Respectfully yours,

W. G. de Haard

Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Department

L. A. deWaard
Inspector
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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR
Washington, D. C.,
September 18, 1939.

CASE No.

Subject:

Hon. Edwin M. Watson,
Secretary to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On September 15, 1939, at Brooklyn, New York, interview was had with Mrs. Georgina N. Bernstein who, in correspondence herewith, offers for the collection of the President, fragment of a shell, said to be the last fired on Paris, France, from the "Big Bertha", during the late World War, and said to have caused the death of a number of American women seeking refuge in the Church of Saint Garrais, in Paris.

During interview with Mrs. Bernstein she stated that the shell fragment was given her by her brother, the late Monsieur Bagor Naphegyi, one time representative of the French Government at Washington, D. C., and that he received it from the French Minister of War as a souvenir.

Attached to the shell fragment with a wax seal is a tag bearing rubber stamped impression reading, "Laboratoire Municipal De Chimie,
Municipal Laboratory of Chemistry

a Quai du Marche Neuf, 2 Section Des Etudes, Chimiques De Guerre.",
at The Quay of the New March, Second Section of Chemical War Studies.

and on the reverse side, printed with ink, the inscription, "Eclat d'un
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obus Allemand lance sur Paris par piece longue partee
of a German howitzer shell hurled upon Paris by a long distance gun

Le Juillet 1918."
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cc to Miss Eben - Sent to President's study
M.E.

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no de adelante tiene la imperiosa obligacion de combatir á aquellos, pues su bandera no lleva ya credo politico, sino pretestos para el robo y la matanza. Mis deberes de soberano me obligan á proteger al pueblo con brazo de hierro, y para corresponder á los deseos altamente espresados por todas partes, declaramos, como jefe de la nacion, con pleno conocimiento de nuestra sagrada mision y del deber que nos hemos impuesto, que todas las gavillas armadas que recorren todavía algunos puntos de nuestra bella patria asolándola, turbando y amenazando al laborioso ciudadano en su trabajo y en su libertad, deben ser consideradas como cuadrillas de bandidos y caer, en consecuencia bajo la inflexible é inexorable severidad de la ley. Mandamos por lo mismo á todos los funcionarios, majistrados y jefes militares de la nacion, las persigan y las aniquilen con todas sus fuerzas. Si nuestro gobierno respeta toda opinion política, no puede tolerar á criminales que quebrantan la primera de las libertades que está llamado á garantizar; la de la vida y la propiedad.

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Very sincerely yours,

Edwin M. Watson

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

THE HUMAN SIDE OF THE NEWS

—By Edwin C. Hill

IN HIS birthday parade Adolph Hitler flashed some new ten-inch guns which no doubt were supposed to throw a scare into any foreign onlookers. But they would be just pop-guns compared to the "Big Berthas" with which the Germans bombarded Paris.

And if you'll just stop to think about it, or run back through the files, the actual military damage inflicted on the Allies by these guns amounted to little. They did not break the French morale. They did not, as far as I recall, kill a single soldier. They did not affect the movements of troops or supplies and, in the end, so far as winning the war was concerned, they were merely a monstrous gesture.

It cost $7,000 to fire one shot from a "Big Bertha." Therefore, the 367 shells which landed in Paris, in the four months starting March 2, 1918, cost Germany just $2,569,000. Falling on the Church of St. Gervais et St. Protias, when it was crowded with worshippers, a shell caused 125 casualties, killing five American women. Another shell nicked off the cornice of the Madeleine.

These occurrences served to arouse the Parisians to fighting pitch, rather than to terrorize them. It probably brought less returns for more money than any big-time gunnery ever attempted.

FIRING the shells, at a cost of $7,000 a shot, was just a burnt match compared with the total cost of building and manning the seven "Big Berthas." These huge war machines of costly and complicated steel carriage plates and steel carriages weighed many hundreds of tons. The gun barrel itself, with the muzzle straight up, reached as high as a ten-story building and weighed 200 tons.

The life of a gun was about 50 shots. Four wore out in the early stages of the bombardment and one exploded. Casting, setting up and operating one of these guns in the Forest of St. Gobain was equivalent to establishing and maintaining a great industrial enterprise.

Dr. Fritz Rausenberger, professor of ballistics, developed the guns at the huge Krupp plant, and they were named after Bertha Krupp, heiress to the great armament fortune. Back of this quite futile effort there was an amazing mobilization of brains and technics.

It was an alluring adventure in *Schrechlichkeit*, but it paid no dividends. The guns carried 73 miles, the projectile rising to a height of 25 miles. Aiming and sighting devices were extraordinarily complex and accurate. It was a marvelous victory for modern technology but not for the German arms. And how much less important it would be today, since the development of the 5,000-mile range cannon—the bombing plane!

BUT, of course, it's good strategy to flourish your most horrendous weapons when a potential enemy is standing by, as no doubt Herr Hitler knows well. Both of the axis powers have a marvelous histrionic sense, and up to a certain point they are good psychologists.

They want the world to believe that they are a shade tougher than any other gun-toting outfit. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't. In his rhyme about the three sealers — poachers, incidentally — Kipling tells about a gun-scare that almost came off but failed in the end.

Down on the British poaching vessel bore a ferocious man o' war, bristling with guns and cleared for action. The sealer ran like a rabbit, and then the sealer's captain had a second thought. Something had reminded him of a rival poacher, the Stralsund:

Faith, he has rigged her and trigged her with paint and spar,
And, faith, he has faked her well;
But I'd know the Stralsund's deckhouse yet

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OFICIAL.

ESTERMINIO DE LAS GAVILLAS.

Mi querido ministro de Estado Velazquez de Leon.—De vuelta de mi penoso viaje á los departamentos del interior, durante el cual he recibido en cada ciudad, pueblo y aldea, las mas sinceras pruebas de simpatia y del mas cordial entusiasmo, he podido deducir dos verdades irrefragables. La primera: que el imperio es un hecho firmemente basado sobre la libre voluntad de la inmensa mayoría de la nacion y que en él se cifra la forma de un gobierno de verdadero progreso y es el que mejor corresponde á las necesidades de los pueblos. La segunda es, que esta misma inmensa mayoría, está deseosa de paz, de tranquilidad y de justicia, bienes que espera y pide con ansia á mi gobierno y que yo, teniendo presentes mis sagrados deberes ante Dios y el pueblo que me ha elejido, estoy resuelto á darle.

La justicia hallará su base en las instituciones adecuadas á la época y en las cuales se trabaja con incesante celo. Para el restablecimiento de la paz y de la tranquilidad en todo este hermoso y estenso pais y para el pronto desarrollo de sus prodijiosas riquezas, mi gobierno está *determinado á emplear todo su empeño y enerjía. Si hasta hoy ha usado de indulgencia con sus adversarios políticos*

[illegible] de adelante tiene la imperiosa obligacion de combatir á aquellos, pues su bandera no lleva ya credo politico, sino pretestos para el robo y la matanza. Mis deberes de soberano me obligan á proteger al pueblo con brazo de hierro, y para corresponder á los deseos altamente espresados por todas partes, declaramos, como jefe de la nacion, con pleno conocimiento de nuestra sagrada mision y del deber que nos hemos impuesto, que todas las gavillas armadas que recorren todavia algunos puntos de nuestra bella patria asolándola, turbando y amenazando al laborioso ciudadano en su trabajo y en su libertad, deben ser consideradas como cuadrillas de bandidos y caer, en consecuencia bajo la inflexible é inexorable severidad de la ley. Mandamos por lo mismo á todos los funcionarios, majistrados y jefes militares de la nacion, las persigan y las aniquilen con todas sus fuerzas. Si nuestro gobierno respeta toda opinion política, no puede tolerar á criminales que quebrantan la primera de las libertades que está llamado á garantizar; la de la vida y la propiedad.

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September 8, 1939

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Very sincerely yours,

Edwin M. Watson

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

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fessor of ballistics, developed the guns at the huge Krupp plant, and they were named after Bertha Krupp, heiress to the great armament fortune. Back of this quite futile effort there was an amazing mobilization of brains and technics.

It was an alluring adventure in *Schrechlichkeit*, but it paid no dividends. The guns carried 73 miles, the projectile rising to a height of 25 miles. Aiming and sighting devices were extraordinarily complex and accurate. It was a marvelous victory for modern technology but not for the German arms. And how much less important it would be today, since the development of the 5,000-mile range cannon—the bombing plane!

BUT, of course, it's good strategy to flourish your most horrendous weapons when a potential enemy is standing by, as no doubt Herr Hitler knows well. Both of the axis powers have a marvelous histrionic sense, and up to a certain point they are good psychologists.

They want the world to believe that they are a shade tougher than any other gun-toting outfit. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't. In his rhyme about the three sealers — poachers, incidentally — Kipling tells about a gun-scare that almost came off but failed in the end.

Down on the British poaching vessel bore a ferocious man o' war, bristling with guns and cleared for action. The sealer ran like a rabbit, and then the sealer's captain had a second thought. Something had reminded him of a rival poacher, the Stralsund:

Faith, he has rigged her and trigged her with paint and spar,
And, faith, he has faked her well;
But I'd know the Stralsund's deckhouse yet
From here to the booms of hell.

So the sealers turned back and knocked the daylights out of the fake warship with its wooden guns.

In times of war and rumors of war, good fakers score heavily. We ourselves did pretty well at it in the War of the Revolution. Don't forget those phony wooden cannon with which our boys kept the British at bay at Fort Nonsense in Morristown. And don't be surprised if you hear that Herr Hitler has a cannon taller than the Empire State Building with which he will shoot across the Atlantic.

No doubt those cannon in Hitler's parade aren't made of wood. But taking fighting tools as they are, they may represent more showmanship than crushing power.

FIRING the shells, at a cost of $7,000 a shot, was just a burnt match compared with the total cost of building and manning the seven "Big Berthas." These huge war machines of costly and complicated steel carriage plates and steel carriages weighed many hundreds of tons. The gun barrel itself, with the muzzle straight up, reached as high as a ten-story building and weighed 200 tons.

The life of a gun was about 50 shots. Four wore out in the early stages of the bombardment and one exploded. Casting, setting up and operating one of these guns in the Forest of St. Gobain was equivalent to establishing and maintaining a great industrial enterprise.

Éclat d'un Obus Allemand
Lancé sur Paris par Pièce
à Longue Portée -
15 Juillet 1918

Laboratoire Municipal
de Chimie
7 Quai du Marché Neuf 2 -
Section des Études
Chimiques de Guerre -

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EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 8, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR: Post Office Inspector in charge of
the Washington District.

Attention Post Office Inspector A. L. De Waard.

My dear Mr. De Waard:

The correspondence attached is forwarded to you in connection with telephone conversation this morning. I would appreciate it if you will return the papers when they have served their purpose.

With many thanks, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Edwin M. Watson

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

1544 East 49th Street
[illegible] New York.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 31, 1939.

MEMORANDUM FOR

GENERAL WATSON

Will you handle this in some way and I would like to have it for my collection?

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sought refuge within its portals -

1544 East 41st Street
Brooklyn, New York.
Aug: 26th 1939.

Miss M. A. LeHand
Private Secretary
The White House
Washington D. C.

Dear Miss LeHand,-

May I introduce myself as a very old little lady - 81 years of age, who on March 3rd 1939 was honored by your kind lines, answering my letter addressed to our greatly loved & respected - President Franklin D. Roosevelt - dated Feb: 9th, in which I enclosed a letter from the State Department, Washington D.C. directed to General Santa Ana - together with newspaper "clippings" regarding Maximilian & his short reign in Mexico? You mentioned our President's gracious acceptance of my offering.

A short time ago, I came across the enclosed article by Edwin C. Hill - which reminded me, I've possessed a "fragment" of the "Obus", from the "Big Bertha" - Last shot directed upon Paris in the late war - & which struck the church St. Gervais & St. Protias - causing the death of American women & worshippers who sought refuge within its portals -

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Strange to note, the fragment has the form of a small automatic pistol!

I should like to offer this "souvenir de la guerre" to our President - considering his acceptance of great honor to me. It was given to me by my late brother - Monsieur A. Rapheggi, well known in Washington at the time, as Representative of la Compagnie des Phônes in Paris - who transacted all negotiations for ammunitions &c. &c. for the French Government - during his residence in the States - until the fin de la guerre.

In turn, it was my brother who received it from the Ministre de Guerre, as a souvenir. There is a card attached to the "obus" / proving its authenticity / with a seal. The words inscribed are, "Eclat d'un obus Allemand - Lancé sur Paris par pièce à longue portée
Le 15 Juillet 1918

Laboratoire Municipal de Chimie
2 Quai du Marché Neuf 2
Section des Etudes Chimiques
de Guerre.

Should our President consent, may I ask dear Miss Le Hand how I may send it? I should be sorry to have it spoiled at Post-Office, as I have been told all heavy articles are suspicious & have to be placed in water? This of course would erase writing on card. Please ask our Friends how best I had best do?

III

Mrs. Carlos Bernstein, Special Investigator U.S. Treasury Department, many years in the Government Service, is away on his vacation. I have no one to whom I could ask to advise me in this matter.

I enclose also the "souvenir-book" representing a Booke salesmen, also from my brother, it may interest our President-if he does not possess one) & the "clipping" signed Maximilian - 3 November 1864 - is an addition to the Last Will & Test. It denotes the Emperors true, noble character - in this phrase - "& I, kneeling ever before my sacred duty to God & the peoples who have chosen me, I am resolved to comply with"

Before closing - Miss Ledlands, may I express to our greatly loved President - our gratitude for his efforts - so greatly exerted for our country's & the worlds salvation? Morning & Night - our prayers call for our Heavenly Father to bless him & grant him health & life & to carry through successfully his noble & faithful duty to our country amidst the exacting events of this present time - He alone stands as the noblest standard of a man - he alone, with Gods help - may bring Peace - so necessary to the welfare & prosperity of the world.

God bless our President!

Pardon lengthy letter, Miss Ledlands, it is just an outburst - of an old Lady's heart!

Hoping for a line of advice asked -

Yours sincerely

(Mrs.) Georgina N. Bernstein

Copy

1544 East 49th Street,
Brooklyn, New York,
September 19, 1939.

Edwin M. Watson,
Secretary to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Pray accept my sincere thanks for your kind lines of the ninth instant and present my deep gratitude to our dearly loved President for condescending to accept "L'Eclat d'un Obus" Allemand. It is but a small detached fragment from the bomb whose last shot was fired against Paris by the barbarous Germans in the late war - the shot that destroyed our Lord's House of Worship, killing Americans, women and children who sought refuge within its portals, the church described by Edwin C. Hill, the commentator, so clearly in the article I enclosed in my letter to Miss LeHand regarding the "obus" article I am certain our President should find interesting.

The visit of your esteemed Mr. Leo De Waard was indeed a source of great pleasure for the lonely, retired life my daughter and I lead in our very modest little "chaumière". We appreciated the ray of sunshine his presence occasioned by the possibility of meeting (if but for a moment) one who is in the constant entourage of our President.

I would appreciate beyond words, dear Sir, could I learn that the little souvenir and its history were acceptable and of any interest toward the collection in the museum.

Thanking you again for your late communication,

Yours very respectfully,

(Mrs.) Georgina N. Bernstein.

BERNSTEIN, Mrs. Georgina N.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Aug. 26, 1939.

81 year old writer greatly admires the President. Has in her possession a "fragment" of the "Big Bertha" - last shot directed upon Paris in the World War. In form of a small automatic pistol. Came to her from her late brother who transacted all negotiations for ammunition between the French and U.S. Govts. States source from which secured by brother, and quotes inscription on card attached to said pistol. If President is willing to accept this pistol as gift, asks how it best be sent, as she fears damage in the mails.

Memo from F.D.R. to Gen. Watson 8-31-39, "Will you handle this in some way, and I would like to have it for my collection."

On 9-8-39 Gen. Watson sent correspondence to Post Office Inspector in Charge of the Washington District in connection with their telephone conversation.

Also on 9-9-39 Gen. Watson wrote to Mrs. Bernstein that President would be glad to have this item for his collection, and is making arrangements to have a representative call at her home to pick it up.

See P.P.F.9-B

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Under date of 9-19-39, Mrs. Bernstein wrote to Gen. Watson, expressing her sincere thanks to the President for accepting her gift of the fragment of the bomb used in the last world war. Also states that the visit of Mr. Leo DeWaard of the Post Office Dept., Wash.,D.C. was a source of great pleasure to her. Copy of letter was sent to Mr. DeWaard.

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Cerf, Bennett A.
New York, N. Y.
9/25/39

Writes Mrs. Roosevelt that he has sent the Modern Library volumes she chose directly to Val-Kill Cottage, at Hyde Park. Asks if the President ever received the set of Modern Library Giants which he sent to him at Hyde Park. - On 10/4/39, the President wrote Mr. Cerf that he had received the books.

P.P.F. 9-B

See P.P.F. 5158

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Baker, Mrs. J. W.
St. Louis, Mo.

10/1/39

Sends President a block of 6 16¢ air mail stamps and asks him to sign it, also sends him a book, "The Poetical Works of Edgar A. Poe", a first edition, for the White House Library.

Typed note on reply: 1 block of 6 16¢ Air Mail Special Delivery stamps returned as enclosure to letter.
Book "The Poetical Works of Edgar A. Poe", returned under separate cover by Registered Mail.

See 13-B

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P.P.F. 9-B

October 3, 1939

My dear Miss Branson:

The President has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of September twenty-fourth and to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending him the flower seeds which you enclosed. He wants you to know, too, that he is deeply appreciative of your good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Miss Leuese Branson,
Wallowa,
Oregon.

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Miss Leuese Branson.
Wallowa Oregon.

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Kalloua, Oregon
Sept 24 1939.

Dear President Roosevelt

I am sending these spring flower seeds for your garden at Hyde Parke.

Plant them in a moist place where the sun shines on it just part of the day.

These flower seeds are just a starter, I am sorry I cant send more, but that all I could find. They will multiply though and make more. I hope they grow and that the other flower seeds I sent grew too.

With lots of good luck to you

I am.

Your booster always.
Lenese Branson.

Miss Lenese Branson.
Kalloua Oregon.

UNION LABEL TRADES DEPARTMENT
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

Pa Watts
Miss LeHand

P.P.F.
9-B

October 5, 1939

Dear Mr. Baer:

The President was delighted to receive the originals of those two cartoons which you left with me yesterday and would, of course, be very glad to receive others if you feel that you would like to give them to him.

As I promised you that I would do I laid before Miss LeHand your request for the President to sign the photograph which you left with me. My own instructions, as I explained to you, for more than two years, have been not to forward requests for autographed photographs. The number of these requests became so great that the President had no recourse except to cease granting them. However, as a matter of accommodation to you I forwarded your request to Miss LeHand. She told me that the situation remains as I had explained it to you and regrets very much that it will not be possible to comply with your request.

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I am, therefore, returning the photograph to you. I do hope you will appreciate the tremendous pressure under which the President is working these days.

Very sincerely yours,

JOHN M. BAER

WILLIAM D. HASSETT

Hon.
Mr. John M. Baer,
Room 202, A. F. of L. Building,
9th and Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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JOHN BAER, PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

TELEPHONE - - - - - - NATIONAL 3870

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October 4, 1939

Miss Marguerite A. LeHand
Personal Secretary to the President
The White House

Dear Miss LeHand:

I hope that I rate the autograph of the President on this photo.

I take pride in being the one cartoonist who has supported the President in every New Deal fight.

Sincerely yours,

John Baer

JMB:KR

Cummings, Hon. Homer
Washington, D.C.
October 10, 1939

Letter to Mr. Early saying that he would be very honored if the President would like to receive the volume, "Selected Addresses of Homer Cummings, Attorney General of the United States, 1933-1939". States that there are only eight copies in existence, one in the Congressional Library, one in the Library of the Dept. of Justice, one in the State Library at Hartford, Conn. and one in the Ferguson Library at Stamford, Conn. Mr. Cummings has retained one for his own library and has one volume left. - On Oct. 11th, the President wrote to Mr. Cummings saying that the volume he gives him will go into the library at Hyde Park where his own papers, addresses and various collections will be permanently housed. The President asks why send this book to him, when he would prefer that Mr. Cummings bring it so they can have a little visit.

See P.P.F. 270

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P.P.F.
9-B

Louise Morris

Butler, Nicholas Murray
New York, N. Y.
10/13/39 (Filed)

Sent President a book, "Across the Busy Years". - Acknowledged by President.

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See P.P.F. 445

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+ Louise Morris

COPY

October 14, 1939.

Dear George:

Alas, I did not get your letter until after you had "been and gone". I should have liked much to get a glimpse of you.

And I do like the book -- it is beside my bed and I have read the first hundred pages. It is a good thing for Groton and the future that you wrote that chapter.

As ever yours,

George Biddle, Esq.,
Mount Air Road,
Groton-on-Hudson,
New York.

fdr/tmb

The book - An American Artist's Story - sent to the President's study. Mr. Biddle's letter 10/3/39 together with copy of the President's letter placed in the book.

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SEE P.P.F. 458-for first carbon.

/ + Louise Morris

Ridley, Hon. C.S.
Governor of the Panama Canal,
Balboa Heights, Canal Zone
Oct. 5, 1939

Sent the President a booklet issued in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Panama Canal to the commerce of the world.

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to House

Morris

Mr Norris — 7

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October 18, 1939

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My dear Mr. Brown:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October sixteenth. While the President appreciates your courtesy in sending him the pecans, he asks me to say that he is not interested in placing an order as you suggest.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Otis D. Brown, Esq.,
Garfield,
Georgia.

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10/18/39

Thanks-ans
M.A.L.

Garfield, Georgia

Oct. 16, 1939

PERSONAL

Franklin D. Roosevelt, President U. S. A.

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

Under separate cover I am sending you a sample of an improved variety of pecans which are very nice. I have about three or four hundred pounds of these nuts and I thought you might be interested in getting some or all of these unusual fine pecans. The price will be fifty cents per pound for all amounts under one hundree pounds and forty five cents per pound for one hundred pound lots and above f. o. b. Garfield, Georgia.

I feel sure that you would be well pleased with these nuts should you favor me with an order.

Thanking you for a prompt reply, I am,

Yours very truly,

Otis D. Brown

October 26, 1939

Poucher, Dr. J. Wilson
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Oct. 21, 1939

On above date, the President wrote to Dr. Poucher thanking him for the little book, which he sent him. The President said that it is a real contribution to the life of our generation.

See P.P.F. 2861

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October 26, 1939

DREISER, Theodore,
Hollywood, Calif.
Oct. 16, 1939.

Sends President three of his latest books, entitled, "Thorneau", "Moods Cadenced and Declaimed", and "Twelve Men".
Gift personally acknowledged by President, 10-25-39.

See P.P.F.5482

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sent to house

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October 26, 1939

Mr Nevis

My dear Mr. Barbee:

The President thanks you very much indeed for the terrapin and asks me to tell you they were delicious. He would be glad to have you tell Mrs. Nesbitt, the housekeeper, some of the Southern recipes you mention.

Thank you also in Mrs. Roosevelt's behalf for the flower pot. She has asked me to express her appreciation of your friendly thought in sending this souvenir to her.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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W. M. Barbee, Esq.,
Isle of Hope,
Savannah,
Georgia.

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cc to Mrs. Nesbitt with copy of Mr. Barbee's letter.
cc to Mrs. Roosevelt's files.

Grace:

Note paragraph 3---When you thank, will you also thank for the Flower Pot which was sent to Mrs. R.

P.T.L.

Prepare nice note of thank - they were delicious - glad to have him tell Mrs Nesbitt how the shoes be prepared Nesbitt

the World W. M. Barbee, President

SON

Copy of letter + acknmt sent to Mrs. Nesbitt. -ES.

d Oysters

nd Meats

, GA.,

th, 1939

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The Terrapin were not taken to Hyde Park, and, are at the house.

The gift to Mrs. Roosevelt was a Flower Pot, set in a hanging container made of three turtle backs.

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days before the shipment, for I presume that packages to you are investigated, and I will ask that you let the proper authorities know that the shipment is leaving here on Monday, October 16th.

With my kindest personal regards and best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. M. Barbee

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WASHINGTON

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 20, 1939

Mrs. Larrabee:

The Terrapin were not taken to Hyde Park, and, are at the house.

The gift to Mrs. Roosevelt was a Flower Pot, set in a hanging container made of three turtle backs.

C.A.N.

...the World W. M. Barbee, President

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...th, 1939

Copy of letter + ackgmt sent to Mrs. Nesbitt. -ES.

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With my kindest personal regards and best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. M. Barbee

...hone 4871 Operating the Only Diamond Back Terrapin Farm in the World W. M. Barbee, President

A. M. BARBEE'S SON

DEALER IN

Diamond Back Terrapin, Shrimp and Oysters
Fancy Packed Crab Meat

Canners of Diamond Back Terrapin Soups and Meats

ISLE OF HOPE
SAVANNAH, GA.,

Copy of letter & ackgmt sent to Mrs. Roosevelt. -ES.

asked 10/26/39 ES

October 14th, 1939

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

My dear Mr. President:

I am sending to you a box of my very best Terrapin from my Diamond Back Terrapin Farm in Savannah, Georgia, and ask that you kindly accept same with my compliments. I am also taking the liberty of sending to Mrs. Roosevelt a souvenir from the Farm, and I hope she will enjoy using it.

I have been raising and handling Diamond Back Terrapin my entire life. While you were Governor of New York State, I had the pleasure of shipping Diamond Backs to you on several occasions through Mr. Albert Howell of Atlanta, Georgia, he being a good friend of yours.

There are a good many ways to fix these Diamond Backs, and as I know that you are very fond of the dish, you probably have many recipes in this line. I may be in Washington in the very near future, and I wondered if it would be asking too much for you to permit me to call upon your chef so that I may tell him some of the Southern recipes we have on this favorite dish.

This letter will reach you two or three days before the shipment, for I presume that packages to you are investigated, and I will ask that you let the proper authorities know that the shipment is leaving here on Monday, October 16th.

With my kindest personal regards and best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. M. Barbee

LEGRAM

The White House

Washington

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Savannah, Ga., Oct. 16, 1939

THE PRESIDENT:

Please read letter mailed to you yesterday. It is important.

A. M. Barbee,
son Will M. Barbee,

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MacLEISH, Hon. Archibald
Librarian of Congress.

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CARNEGIE FOUNDATION,
For the Advancement of Teaching,
New York, N.Y.
Oct. 26, 1939. (Ack.)

Sent a bulletin to the President.

See P.P.F.2548

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MacLEISH, Hon. Archibald
Librarian of Congress,
Library of Congress,
Washington, D. C.

PPF 9-B

HACKETT, Francis,
New York, N.Y.
Nov. 2, 1939. (Ack.)

Sent to the President copy of the book, "Queen Anne Boleyn".
(Personally acknowledged by President 11-2-39.)

See P.P.F.3437

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MacLEISH, Hon. Archibald
Librarian of Congress,
Library of Congress,
Washington, D. C.
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PPF 9-B

Sent to Miss Le Hand, for the President, a copy of Associate Justice Frankfurter's papers which "Prichard" and he edited and for which he has written a "most inadequate foreword". Said he is sending it to the President as an expression of very deep emotions of the editor and the author. --- The President wrote to Mr. MacLeish, Nov. 2, 1939 thanking him for copy of the book and saying he hopes to see him and Mrs. MacLeish very soon. --- In accordance with the President's instructions, Miss Le Hand wrote to Mr. Justice Frankfurter, Nov. 2 saying she is sending over this copy of "Law & Politics" which Mr. MacLeish sent to the President and which the President wants Mr. Frankfurter to inscribe for him. Miss Le Hand also said she would like to have a copy of the book if Mr. Frankfurter has an extra one, also inscribed.

SEE P.P.F. 6295

O'CONNOR, Hon. Basil
President, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis
New York City
November 6, 1939

Transmitted to the President, under separate cover, a de luxe copy of book entitled "The International Bulletin -- Infantile Paralysis", and he suggested that the President wrote Dr. W. L. Colze, Editor-in-Chief of the book. -- The President wrote Dr. Colze on Nov. 9th that he just received the book and has only had a chance to scan its contents, but believes it a valuable contribution in the fight against this disease. He added that Dr. Colze, in compiling this series of articles, has done a splendid piece of work.

P. P. F.

SEE - PPF 6309

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BORGLUM, Gutzon,
Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission,
Keystone, S.Dak.
Oct. 30, 1939.

COOPER, Rt. Hon. Alfred Duff
British Embassy
Nov. 4, 1939

Transmitted to the President a copy of his new book recently published in England, and stated he will be in Washington on Nov. 14, 18 and 19, should the President care to see him. -- The President wrote him Nov. 10th, thanking him for the book and stating he would be pleased to have him lunch with him informally in his office at 1 o'clock Nov. 14th.
On Nov. 10th, the Chief of Protocol of the State Department transmitted to Gen. Watson draft of the above reply, as requested in Gen. Watson's memo of Nov. 10th.

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SEE - PPF 6320

BORGLUM, Gutzon,
Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission,
Keystone, S.Dak.
Oct. 30, 1939.

Writes to the President he is sending by mail a small head of Lincoln, cast by the Corning Company of New York. (Lincoln replica). Gift personally acknowledged by President 11-14-39.

See P.P.F.3723

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To study

November 24, 1939

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Mr. Nave

November 22, 1939

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My dear Governor:

The President has asked me to thank you very much indeed for the inscribed copy of your book "A Synoptic History of the Granite State". He is glad to have the volume and appreciates your sending it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Honorable John H. Bartlett,
Wardman Park Hotel,
Washington, D. C.

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To Study

Mr Roos

November 24, 1939

P.P.F. 9-B

My dear Mr. Bell:

Permit me, in the absence of the President, to thank you for the copy of the book to which you refer in your letter of November seventeenth. You may be assured that your courtesy is appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Charley A. Bell, Esq.,
Bedford,
Kentucky.

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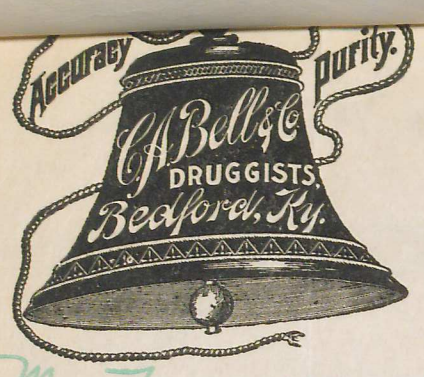
"Roosevelts Thanksgiving" When you attend the unveiling of Jefferson Davis Memorial in your official Capacity. Move Thanksgiving day up another week—the expression on "their" faces would be a sight worth seeing

Your friend
Charley A. Bell



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Bedford, Ky. Nov 17 1939

Mr Franklin D. Roosvelt-
Washington D.C.
Dear Mr Roosvelt-
Mr Grover Cleveland said that the proper way to address a gentleman was Mister So that is the way I am addressing You

I am instructing the postmaster to deliver "Why Grow Old" attached to your home— if delivered at your office it would be just another book- However at your home it can just be kept laying around and be read at "your spare moments"

Of course you are not growing old— a giant oak tree begins to grow old at the top and the way you are "annoying" the "all steel boys and the Liberty Leaguers about "that" third term shows that you are not growing old at the top.

I am sending this in time so that it will arrive for "Roosvelts Thanksgiving" When you attend the dedication of Jefferson Davis Memorial in your official Capacity. Move Thanksgiving day up another week— the expression on "their" faces would be a sight worth seeing

Your friend
Charley A. Bell

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P.P.F. 9-B

November 20, 1939

My dear Miss Blymyer:

In the President's behalf, I wish to thank you for the copy of the book which you sent to him recently. You may be sure that he will appreciate your thoughtful courtesy.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Mary E. Blymyer,
Box 806,
Southern Pines,
North Carolina.

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Norris Pres Study 7

HARRIMAN, Hon. Florence Jeffray,
Minister of the United States,
Oslo, Norway
Oct. 23, 1939.

On the above date the President personally acknowledged the book of photographs of the trip of the Crown Prince and Princess of Norway. Asks that she convey his thanks to Mr. Knutsen. (Initials unknown.)

See P.P.F.1082

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Mr Nolls

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P.P.F. 9-B

December 4, 1939

Gentlemen:

Permit me, please, to thank you in the President's behalf for the copy of the book "Cuentos Populares" which you sent to him. You may be assured that your courtesy is very much appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Biblioteca de Autores Puertorriquenos,
Apartado de Corroos 522,
San Juan,
Puerto Rico.

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P.P.F.
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Daniels, Jonathan
Raleigh, N. C.
11/9/39

Writes Mr. Early that his father, Josephus Daniels, inscribed a copy of his book, TAR HEEL EDITOR, to the President, and through some error he received this book. Sent it on to the President, but would like to know if his copy came to the White House by mistake.

See P.P.F. 1020

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Huszar, Gaston Geza
New York, N. Y.
11/22/40

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December 5, 1939

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Bennett:

The President asks me to thank you very much indeed for the quail which you sent to him at Warm Springs. He wants you to know that he greatly appreciates your friendly thought of him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Bennett,
Pine Mountain Valley,
Georgia.

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WASHINGTON

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New York, N. Y.
11/22/39

(enclosing picture of bas-relief)
Writes Mrs. Roosevelt/saying he would like to present her personally with a bronze bas-relief he made of the President. If a personal interview is not possible, will send it wherever she likes. - In acknowledging letter, bas-relief was treated as a gift to the President.

P.P.F. 9-B

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On 12-4-39, Mr. Huszar wrote that he is sending by parcel post the bronze portrait to the President. On 12-6-39 Miss LeHand acknowledged and thanked him for gift to President.

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November 21, 1939

P.P.F. 4B

Sandburg, Carl
Harbert, Michigan
12/8/39

President wrote to Mr. Sandburg thanking him for his book, "Abraham Lincoln: The War Years". Also wrote Mr. Hendrik Willem Van Loon, thanking him for his part in sending the books. Also Mr. Alfred Harcourt, Harcourt, Bface and Col, Inc., for his part in sending the gift.

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See P.P.F. 4509

November 21, 1939

My dear Captain Bunkley:

Your letter of November seventeenth has been received and the President has asked me to thank you for your good wishes and for your kind thought in presenting him with one of the pictures which you enclosed.

In accordance with your request, the President has been glad to sign the other picture for you and I am returning it herewith.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Captain J. W. Bunkley,
United States Naval Ammunition
Depot,
Iona Island,
New York.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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17 November 1939

My dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing, herewith, two copies of a picture taken of you when, as Assistant Secretary of the Navy, you inspected our Naval Railway Batteries at St. Nazaire, France, in 1918.

I will appreciate it very much if you will autograph one copy and return it to me. It will, I assure you, become one of my most cherished possessions.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. W. BUNKLEY,
Captain, U.S. Navy.

The President of the United States,
Hyde Park, New York.

Bureau of Publication,
Market Street at 10th,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Book: "Laws of Pennsylvania.- 1939".

Sent to Justice
12/14/39

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Bailey, Hon. Josiah W.
Washington, D. C.
12/18/39

Writes President that he has sent him a rocking chair, sent to Hyde Park. Chair was made by Mr. S. C. Mace. Says he wants to talk with the President after the holidays.

See P.P.F. 2518

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P.P.F.
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December 19, 1939

My dear Mr. Belles:

Your letter of December seventeenth to Mr. Early has come to my attention.

Your cordiality in offering to present some blackberry wine to the President is much appreciated. However, the President's time is so completely taken up with preparations for the forthcoming session of the Congress that it is impossible to arrange for a personal presentation as you request.

If you care to send the wine to the President, addressing it in my care, I shall be very glad to give it to him with an appropriate word of explanation.

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN M. WATSON
Secretary to the President

John L. Belles, Esq.,
1247 Blair Avenue,
Scranton,
Pennsylvania.

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Scranton Pa
Dec. 17 1939

Henry Kamm

Steven J. Earley
Secretary to the President
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have some very delicious home made Black Berry wine, that is three years old. I would be very glad to present to our President, Franklin D. Roosevelt some on his next Birthday, if he would personally accept it from me, Trusting to hear an early and favorable reply. I remain

Yours Truly

John L Belles

Miss Lekford

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December 21, 1939

My dear Mr. Bonynge:

The President thanks you ever so much for your season's greetings and wants you to know that he appreciates your friendly thought in sending him the notebook. He asks me to convey his best wishes to you for Christmas and the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Clarence Bonynge, Esq.,
Equitable Building,
120 Broadway,
New York, N.Y.

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Thank and give book to Mr. L.

December 22, 1939

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Let 12/18/ 1939 from James E. Bundy,
Burning Springs, Ky.

Little boy 12 yrs of age sends Pres. mistletoe. says he lives with grandmother and it will be a sad Xmas as they have no money.

Mr. Bonynge

extends to you the season's greetings

December 22, 1939

Respectfully referred to the Federal Works Administrator (Works Projects Administration) for your information.

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December 22, 1939

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M. A. Lelland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

James E. Bundy,
Burning Springs,
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Staircase 7

December 22, 1939

My dear James:

Your letter of December eighteenth has been received by the President. He thanks you ever so much for the mistletoe and asks me to tell you how glad he is to have it.

The President sends his sincere good wishes to you and to your grandmother for your health and happiness throughout the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Lelland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

James E. Bundy,
Burning Springs,
Kentucky.

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December 27, 1939

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My dear Mr. Bartley:

The President thanks you ever so much for the cane which you were good enough to send him. He wants you to know that he more than appreciates your friendly thought and asks me to convey his hearty greetings to you for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

James I. Bartley, Esq.,
Lowgap,
North Carolina.

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December 27, 1939

P.P.F
9-B

My dear Mr. Bufford:

It was nice indeed of you to send that cane to the President. It has asked me to thank you ever so much for your friendly thought of him and to convey his sincere good wishes to you for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

P.P.F
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G. R. Bufford, Esq.,
Union City,
Tennessee.

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PPF 9-B

Sent to Lowe

Mr Nowls

December 22, 1939

Dear Mr. Baker:

The President has directed me to write you and convey his thanks and those of Mrs. Roosevelt for the Christmas fruit cake which you so kindly sent them. The handiwork on it is exquisite and this really beautiful cake has been admired by everyone who has seen it.

With every good wish for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Secretary to the President

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W. C. Baker, Esq.,
Ojai,
California.

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December 22, 1939

My dear Miss Cook:

General Watson has asked me to thank you for your note of December twentieth. He has written to Mr. Baker in behalf of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, thanking him for the fruit cake.

With best wishes for a merry Christmas,

I am

Very sincerely yours,

Lillian Dennison,
Secretary to General Watson

Miss Mildred H. Cook,
Secretary to Honorable A. J. Elliott,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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December 20, 1939

Col. Edward Watson
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My dear Col. Watson:

The cake presented yesterday was the gift of Mr. W. C. Baker, of Ojai, Ventura, County, California.

I am informed that this was the seventeenth year that Mr. Baker has prepared a Christmas cake for the President.

May I take this opportunity to extend to you my very best wishes for a happy and delightful Christmas.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred H. Cook

(Miss)MILDRED H. COOK
Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

12/18/39

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL WATSON

Miss Cook, secretary to Congressman Elliott of California, phoned this morning about a fruit cake -- 100 pounds -- being sent to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt from a Mr. Bill Baker of California. Mr. Baker sends a fruit cake of these huge dimensions each year and in the past has presented it personally to one of the Secretaries. He cannot be here this year and has asked that Miss Cook present it and that pictures be made of the presentation so that he may have a record of same.

Do you want to receive it from her and have a picture made? Miss Shannon says she will arrange for the photographer if OK by you.

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Charlotte, N.C.
Dec. 15, 1939

Mr. Roosevelt,

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Dear Sir:

I am writting to you and telling you I am sending you and your wife a Christmas present. Something of my own make. Made by hand with a pocket knife. I wanted you to see what I am doing, trying to help myself out as to living conditions. Me and my wife both of us are afflicted - can't do any kind of work - only this kind. I am sixty nine years old and have been afflicted eight years. I get a little old age assistance but can't hardly live on it. Of course I thank you for giving it to me.

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The present I am sending you is a walking cane made by G. L. Bolton, in Markburg (?) County, North Carolina, eight miles from Charlotte, Route 4, Box #400. The present I am sending your wife it named a Chinese Weeney set. It is more for a souvenir to have from North Carolina State.

When you receive these things I want you to write to me and tell me what you think of them. Your walking cane is made out of White Hickory, your Wife's present is made out of White Maple. You have made us such a good President I felt like it was my duty to send you something.

Yours truly from

G. L. Bolton,
R. 4, Box #400,
Charlotte, N. C.

old scrap book and it is with the idea of having it either in the library as part of its own history or in the Smithsonian as an old record, that I am letting it rest with you as to it's disposal.

With an Americanss highest regard for the head of his country and the wish that the 120,000,000 of us could all be 100% American, I am

William R. Boyd.

Mr. Woo's Storeroom 7

January 4, 1940

My dear Mr. Bolton:

Please accept the President's thanks for the cane which you state is made of White Hickory. He wants you to know that he is deeply grateful for the friendly thought which prompted you to send him this product of your own handi-work and asks me to convey his very best wishes to you and Mrs. Bolton for your health and happi-ness for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Lelland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Route 4, Box 400,
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Charlotte NOE
Dec 14 1939

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Hinsdale, Ill., December 14, 1939.

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It is a homely old hard back book that is at most worth a few cents, BUT it's contents can not be duplicated at any price and while so closely connected with one of the greatest libraries in all the world, our own Library of Congress, as to seem to be part of it, it is one manuscript that the library does not possess.

It is sort of a "snatchy" diary of my father that he always kept handy in his desk while he was carrying on the work at the library, into which he would jot down from time to time those things that he thought interesting at such times.

My father's name was William Boyd, born in New York city, educated at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, and considered, during his life as one of the best architectural sculptors in the United States.

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Mrs. Somerville:
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Hinsdale, Ill., December 14, 1939.

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the work at the library, into which he would jot down from
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and considered, during his life as one of the best architect-
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that his government's finest building of it's day would be
without flaw in its architectural scupture- at least.
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three windows, which key blocks represent the different races,
are all listed in particular. To him the perfection of these
types was almost an obcession and I distinctly remember him
spending many hours during the night in study.
I possibly attach a great deal of sentiment to this
old scrap book and it is with the idea of having it either
in the library as part of its own history or in the Smith-
sonian as an old record, that I am letting it rest with you
as to it's disposal.
With an Americans highest regard for the head of
his country and the wish that the 120,000,000 of us could
all be 100% American, I am

William R. Boyd. X

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P.P. 7
9, B

Hinsdale, Ill., December 14, 1939.

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Hyde Park,
N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In liquidating certain valued possessions due to an untimely stopage of revenue, I have decided that there is one item among same that just should not be sold.

This is being mailed to you at the above address to be placed where ever your judgement indicates.

book never received

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Where is
where you have
these work this up

6 x 18

No record in
file room
12/18

id Avenue -
Worthing - Sussex - England -

(From Miss Battiscombe)

P.T.O.

6/1/18

last I sent to you - by regis-
rt fine needlework - consisting
broidered frock - a two pieces
d embroidery - intended for
- also for reproduction in
"publishing trade) With these
) myself - so that it might be
ind of person I was - The photo-
te" Amalgamated Press" here
in connection with my work - & the patronage -
private) given me for it - by the backers of Rent -
It was found after the package was posted - that
it had been addressed to "The White House - New
York" - instead of "The White House Washington" -
for this an apology is sent - for much stupidity
I have a great fear in my heart that my appeal to
you - has been looked upon as very great presumption

P.S. I do apologise for such an
1/3 - to send it by "air mail" £

unknown
ised not
made.

Embroidered
pillow-top. thrown away.

£

26 Westland Avenue -
Worthing - Sussex - England -

(From Miss Battiscombe)

To.
President Roosevelt
Dear Sir
On the 8nd of November last I sent to you - by regis-
tered post - some expert fine needlework - consisting
of a child's white embroidered frock - & two pieces
of superfine coloured embroidery - intended for
placing under glass (& also for reproduction in
print - in the colour publishing trade) With these
I sent a photograph of myself - so that it might be
understood what kind of person I was - This photo-
graph was taken by the "Amalgamated Press" here
in connection with my work & the patronage -
private) given me for it - by the backers of Kent -
It was found after the package was posted - that
it had been addressed to "The White House - New
York" - instead of "The White House Washington" -
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I have a great fear in my heart that my appeal to
you - has been looked upon as very great presumption

P.S. I do apologise for such an ill written letter - I am partly
ill & tired & my "air Raid" Could I hear it also. I sent it
1/9 - to send it by "air Mail"

unknown
owed not
made.

Embroidered
pillow top, thrown away.

but I never meant it to be so. I sent it only in the desparate Hope that some one in your entourage might like my work & find themselves able to entrust me with an order. or would care to buy one or more of the samples of it. I send. I did not dare to hope that I might receive an order direct from you. or Mrs Roosevelt. much as I should have appreciated the great honour done to me. May I beg that. if this work of mine has been put aside & forgotten. that I may hear about it as soon as it is possible. I am in such bitter hopeless distress & unable to afford even the small necessities of life & unless I can get help of some kind. the little that I have must go & I am done for. I do not want to appear as just a common begger for charity. but no words of mine are needed to tell you. how every penny that can be spared here goes to those upon whose bravery & endurance our country depends & to those who have lost even their countries! little as one realises this naturally. it makes for such a sorry look out for a lonely old woman in bitter distress. from overwhelming "blows" Please please I so beg

If you forgive me for myself & send me some help I will humbly & gratefully bless you.

Yours sincerely
Beatrix Tower

Pillow top. Thrown away.

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Mrs. Henry Ford
Dearborn
Michigan

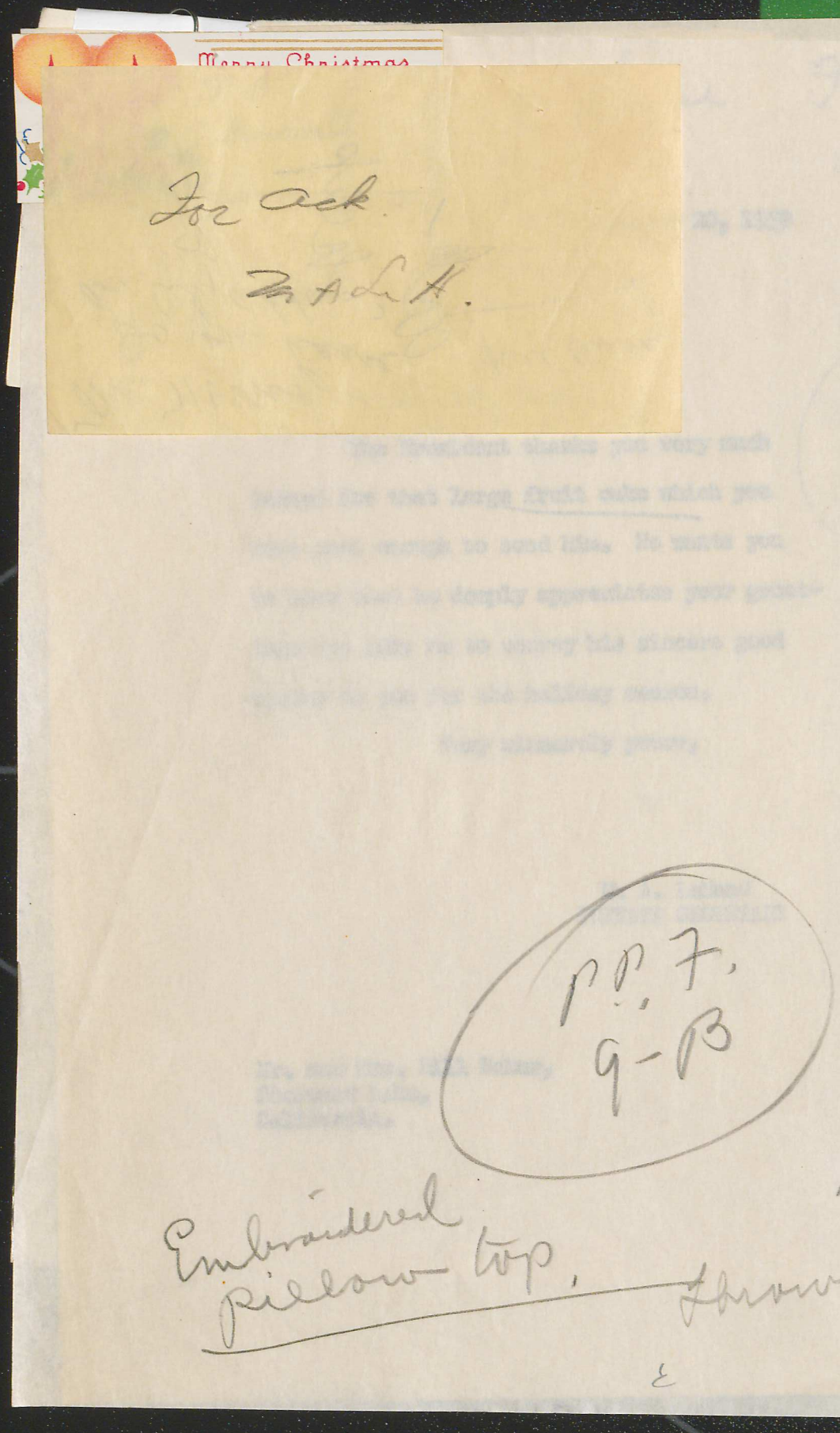
Dear Mrs. Ford:

Please accept my sincere thanks for the beautiful Embroidered Pillow-top, which I have received.

Yours truly,

P.P. 7.
9-B

City unknown so ask! could not be made.


Merry Christmas

For Jack.

From Jack.

P.P.7.
9-B

City unknown
so Jack could not
be made.

Embroidered
pillow-top. Thrown away.

P.P.F.
9-B

City unknown
so ask! could not
be made.

Embroidered
pillow-top.

Thrown away.

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P.P. 7.
9-B

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be made.

Embroidered
pillow top. Thrown away.

Sent to house F

M. Norris

December 20, 1939

P.P.F.
9-B

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Baker:

The President thanks you very much indeed for that large fruit cake which you were good enough to send him. He wants you to know that he deeply appreciates your greetings and asks me to convey his sincere good wishes to you for the holiday season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Lelland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker,
Sherwood Lake,
California.

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Missy:

This is the gentleman who sent in the large fruit cake I have just sent over to Mrs. Nesbit.

PTL

Hank Nesbitt

Bakery

Letter Readdressed as above & Sent 1-4-40 SB

California

UTILITIES

E. L.

Please try
c/o Lima + Soya Bean Bakery
Ojai
California.

Letter Readdressed
as above & Sent
1-4-40 EL

GREETINGS

Reproduction of a Scroll of Merit presented to the Ojai Bakery by the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1939

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Mr. & Mrs. Bill Baker

Sherwood Lake, Calif.