

PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL FILE

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DANIELS, Hon. and Mrs. Josephus
American Embassy
Mexico City, Mexico
1-6-39 (ack.)

Sent the President and Mrs. Roosevelt a Mexican box.
Ack. by President.

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deLASHMUTT, William R.,
Frederick, Md.
Jan. 2, 1939.

Writes regarding an old oil painting of a scene on the Hudson River. Wonders if President would be interested in obtaining it .

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DALL, Master Curtis R.
Seattle, Wash.
1-6-39 (ack.)

Sent the President a model of the caravel which he made. Ack. by Pres.

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MICHELSON, Chas.,
Democratic National Committee,
Wash., D.C.
Jan. 9, 1939 (Ack.)

On above date President personally acknowledged and thanked Mr. Michelson
for the gift of ducks.

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COOK, Miss Nancy
DICKERMAN, Miss Marion
New York City
1-9-39 (ack.)

Sent the President a pewter pitcher. Ack. by President.

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DELANO, Miss Laura
Rhinebeck, N.Y.
1-9-39 (ack.)

Sent the President a sweater. Ack. by the President.

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CRANE, Charles
New York City
1-13-39 (ack.)

Sent the President some dates.

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51, rue des Gros Grès,
Colombes, Seine.

The writer sends the President a book entitled
"Sylvia Perren" which he has written, and
which has an inscription to the President
in the handwriting of the author.

January 30 1939

Chargé d'Affaires ad interim,
Paris.

January 3, 1939

November 7, 1938,

the President,

René Ducrot,

51, rue des Gros Grés,
Colombes, Seine.

The writer sends the President a book entitled
Sylvine Perron which he has written, and
which has an inscription to the President
in the handwriting of the author.

Very sincerely yours,

H. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mr. Leland, Esq.,
Washington Avenue,
New York,
N.Y.

Original letter from Mr. Ducrot
to the President, November 7, 1938.
Copy of inscription.

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January 3, 1939

My dear Mr. Dombrower:

The President thanks you ever so much
for your friendly thought in sending him the
Powhatan Pipe, and he wants you to know that he
appreciates your Holiday Greetings. He has asked
me to convey his very best wishes to you for the
New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Ralph Dombrower, Esq.,
3235 Kensington Avenue,
Richmond,
Virginia.

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Heartiest Holiday greetings
And the best of good
wishes are here
For a day filled with
pleasant surprises
And a happy and
fortunate year

Ralph Dombrower

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Richmond, Va

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Postville, Ill.

(Enclosed picture of a private
car used by Abraham Lincoln.)

BALDWIN, John W.,

Detroit, Mich.

POWELL, Marilyn,

Warren, Ohio.

SMITH, Mr. & Mrs. J.W.,

Dallas, Texas.

SMITH, Miss Madeline,

Island, Texas.

SWANSON, Mrs. Grace Kloss,

Wash., D.C.

WATSON, Arlene Marion,

Warren, Mich.

WILL, Mrs. Charles W.,

Warren, Texas.

WILLIAMS, Millard, Hon.,

House of Representatives,

Wash., D.C.

(Enclosed birthday greetings to
President from Oscar Odenstrom)

WILLIAMS, W.O.,

Dayton, Ohio.

WYNN, Miss Beatrice,

Lawrence, Kans.

(Enclosed poem)

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SLABY, Charles,

Sergeant Harry P. Bagovin Post

No. 1 Jewish War Veterans of the
United States, Brooklyn, N.Y.

STONACCI, Sam,

Brooklyn, N.Y.

POOLE, Gertrude,

Waterbury, Conn.

THAYER, Miss Audrey,

Bavaria, N.Y.

WATKINS, Frank A.,

United Mine Workers of America,
Local Union No. 5753,

Claridge, Pa.

WATSON, Dot,

Maben, Miss.

WILSON, Mildred,

McCullough, Ala.

LONG, Sallie,

Grand Rapids, Mich.

BOHE, Mary,

Winchester, Wisc.

WATKINS, LeVona,

Oberlin, Kans. (enclosed drawing)

WILSON, Mrs. Laura B.,

New York, N.Y.

GRAY, Mr. and Mrs. John Lee,

Spokane, Ill.

WATKINS, George A.,

New York Mary Ward,

New York, N.Y.

P.P.F.
DICKERMAN, Miss Marion
Principal, The Todhunter School
New York, N. Y.
January 12, 1939

The following sent birthday greetings to the President. (Filed 2-3-39)
Transmitted to Miss LeHand, letter which she has received from Hon.
Hallett Johnson, American Consul General, Stockholm, Sweden, dated
December 29th, 1938, in which stated that he has received no acknow-
ledgment of glass decanter which he sent to the President through Miss
Dickerman. -- The President wrote Mr. Johnson January 13th that he is
afraid he has been remiss in acknowledging the glass decanter with the
sailor and the ship on it, sent him through Miss Dickerman, and he
stated that he appreciates the gift and the generous thought which
prompted Mr. Johnson to send it.

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THOMAS, Mary Ellen,
Cumberland, Md.

(Photo made)

WALKER, Dr. E.

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WALKER, John W.,
Detroit, Mich.

(Enclosed picture of a private
car used by Abraham Lincoln.)

WALKER, John W.,
Detroit, Mich.

WALKER, Marilyn,
Hamilton, Ohio.

WALKER, Mr. & Mrs. E. W.,
Dallas, Texas.

WALKER, Miss Madeline,
Dallas, Texas.

WALKER, Mrs. Grace Eliza,
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(From children of the Orthopedic
Hospital)

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Dallas, Texas.

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HALPRIN, Samuel,
Bronx, N.Y.
TURNER, Noel Audrey,
Alton, Ill.
GILBERT, George,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
(Encloses verses)
CRUISE, Michael J., City Clerk,
New York, N.Y.
CLOUSE, Mary Ellen,
Cumberland, Md.
(Sends music)
KRAUSE, Dr. H.,
Pensacola, Fla.
ARNELLO, Mrs. Clara,
Indianapolis, Ind.
(Encloses picture of a private
car used by Abraham Lincoln.)
BALLMANN, John W.,
Detroit, Mich.
PETERY, Marilyn,
Hamilton, Ohio.
RECTOR, Mr. & Mrs. E.W.,
Dallas, Texas.
BENNETT, Miss Macine,
Ireland, Texas.
SWIGGETT, Mrs. Grace Kiess,
Wash., D.C.
MUSSER, Arlene Marion,
Hanover, Mich.
BUSH, Mrs. Charles W.,
Houston, Texas.
CALDWELL, Millard, Hon.,
House of Representatives,
Wash., D.C.
(Encloses birthday greetings to
President from Oscar Cederstrom)
HAMILTON, W.G.,
Dayton, Ohio.
GOJIN, Miss Beatrice,
Leavenworth, Kans.
(Encloses poem)

See P.P.F.310-(Initial of writer)

GONOS, Frank,
Duquesne, Pa.
McDERMOTT, Terrance,
Redfield, S.Dak.
FRENCH, Ninna Sue,
Austin, Texas
SCHWARTZ, Miss Rose,
Kew Gardens, L.I., N.Y.
SMIGA, Joseph,
Bellevue Hospital,
New York, N.Y.
(From children of the Orthopedic
Ward)
SLOBOTKIN, Charles,
Sergeant Harry G. Ragovin Post
No. 5, Jewish War Veterans of the
United States, Brooklyn, N.Y.
ANTONACCI, Sam,
Brooklyn, N.Y.
POOLE, Gertrude,
Watertown, Mass.
TRACEY, Miss Audrey,
Ravena, N.Y.
KOZAIN, Frank E.,
United Mine Workers of America,
Local Union No. 5753,
Claridge, Pa.
FREEMAN, Dot,
Maben, Miss.
GIBSON, Mildred,
McCullough, Ala.
LONG, Sallie,
Grand Rapids, Mich.
BOHO, Mary,
Winchester, Wisc.
McKNIGHT, LaVona,
Oberlin, Kans. (encloses drawing)
PRISK, Mrs. Laura B.,
New York, N.Y.
GRAY, Mr. and Mrs. John Lee,
Sparland, Ill.
DONAHUE, George A.,
New York Navy Yard,
New York, N.Y.

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February 1, 1939

My dear Mr. Drennen:

The President asks me to thank you and Mr. and Mrs. Groff for your letter of January twenty-seventh, with the enclosed contribution to the Infantile Paralysis Fund and to assure you that he is most appreciative of your interest in this worthy cause.

It is indeed kind of you to want to present a dog to the President, but I am sorry to advise you that we have no more available accommodations for dogs.

Very sincerely yours,

H. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

W. A. Drennen, Esq.,
R. F. D. No. 2,
Quarryville,
Pennsylvania.

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Quarryville, P.D. 2
Lanc. Co., Pa.

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LAWRENCE R. GROFF
SPORTING IRISH SETTERS
QUARRYVILLE, PA.

REGISTERED

BUY YOUR IRISH FROM
A REPUTABLE BREEDER

W. D. Rossett,
D. C.

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2/1/39

Dear Mr. President:

We are enclosing our meagre
contribution to you for the
cause of Infantile Paralysis.

May the Lord richly bless and
guide you in health and in
the leadership of the American
people and may they in turn
stand by you to continue the
great work you have so nobly
and courageously carried on in
the past.

Most sincerely yours,

H. A. Drennen

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Groff,

P. S. If interested in dogs we would be glad
to present you with one.

Quarryville, Pa.
Lanc. Co., Pa.

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How. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Washington, D. C.

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2/1/39

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CABLE ADDRESS:
USDA, NEW YORK



UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT DESPATCH AGENCY
45 BROADWAY, NEW YORK

January 9, 1939.

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I. R. T. Smith, Esquire,
Chief of Mails,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Smith:

A package described as containing a photograph intended for The President arrived here recently through a foreign forwarding firm which transmitted to this Agency shipping documents covering the consignment.

The package, of course, is subject to clearance through U. S. Customs and as it was impossible to ascertain the nature of the contents, we requested permission to open the package while in custody of U.S. Customs.

The sender is indicated as-

"Exp: Teromanak
Michail Dostainsky
Monastery Ste. Joan Krestitel,
Village of Berkovitzza,
Sofia, Bulgaria." *x # - A*

The parcel contains a likeness of The President in the form of a blue tapestry. There is no value indicated on the shipment which would ordinarily be subject to duty.

We could arrange Customs formalities covering shipment IN-BOND to Washington. However, prior to taking any action we would be glad to have your instructions.

Very truly yours,

Howard Fyfe
Howard Fyfe,
U. S. Despatch Agent. *x*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 18, 1939.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FORSTER:

The portrait of the President, blue plush worked with "gold and silver" wire, has been opened and appraised at the Georgetown Customs House, at a valuation of \$25.00, at a rate of ninety per cent, the duty is \$22.50.

If it is not desired to accept the gift, the Customs officials will return it when so instructed.

I. R. T. Smith

I. R. T. Smith

Mr. LeHand

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 11, 1939.

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Mr. Howard Fyfe,
U. S. Despatch Agent,
United States Government Despatch Agency,
45 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Fyfe:

I have your letter of the 9th instant relative
to a portrait of the President on tapestry from a
monastery near Sofia, Bulgaria, received in your care.

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If you will send the article to the Georgetown
Customs House in bond so that it may be appraised,
this office will appreciate your courtesy.

Very sincerely yours,

I. R. T. Smith,
Chief of Mails.

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January 28 1939

Minister,

Sofia.

December 7, 1938,

the President,

Uep. M. Docmóm X

Monastery of "Sveti Evan Krastitel"
near the village of Lopoushna,
County of Berkovitza,
Sofia.

The writer sends the President a portrait
made with gold and silver wire.

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The President desires to thank the sender for
this gift.

Original letter from Uep. M.
Docmóm to the President.

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January 19, 1939

Respectfully referred to the
State Department for appropriate ac-
knowledgegment.

The portrait referred to has been
received and accepted by the President.

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Letter from Ucp. M. Dostainsky, Representative of the Bulgarian
and Slavish Convent "Dostoyno Est" and Abbot of the Monastery
of "Sveti Evan Krastitel" near the village of Lopoushna,
County of Berkovitz, Bulgaria, to the President. States he
is transmitting to the President "through postal package a
portrait of your Excellency made by my order with golden and
silver wire to decorate your White House and to give you an
idea for the Bulgarian art".

L. F. SHIBOLD, INC.

L. F. Shibold, Secretary

Do you think the President will wish to accept this? If so, we can have it sent to Washington in bond & find out what the duty will be. R.F.

L. P. SEIBOLD, Inc.
CUSTOM HOUSE BROKERS
AND FORWARDING AGENTS
1218 Thirty-first Street N. W.
Opposite Custom House
WASHINGTON, D. C.
January 13, 1939

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Miss Marguerite Le Hand
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Le Hand:

One package said to contain a photograph will shortly arrive from France in bond ex SS CHAMPLAIN consigned to Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

If the President desires us to arrange the usual clearance, kindly have the enclosed order signed where checked and return it to us with disposition instructions and information as to the nature of the shipment and the value, as well as any documents in your possession with reference to this shipment.

In the event this shipment represents a gift to the President, it will be possible for us to request appraisement by customs.

Yours very truly,

L. P. SEIBOLD, INC.

L. E. Seibold

L. E. Seibold, Secretary

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Telephones West 0262



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Enclosure

Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Thank

633 Ridge Ave.
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another of my Birthday Club

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The following sent Birthday greetings to the President. Filed 2-3-39.

OLIN, Mrs. Edna Munro Mansfield, Ohio	MERRIAM, Dr. Carroll B. * Washington, D.C.	ROSENFELD, Ann Detroit, Mich.
WAVRA, William - Pres. Aquinas Commercial Class Aquinas High School LaCrosse, Wisconsin	ack. by Pres. BLOCH, Mrs. Maurice * New York City	COLE, Mrs. A. Port Huron, Mich.
EMMONS, Walter L. Englishtown, N.J.	ack. by Pres. FRENCH, Dortha J. New Paris, Ohio	O'NEILL, Sarah M. South Bend, Ind.
FEGAN, Col. Joseph C. Shanghai, China	ROSCHEIT, Donna Mae Peoria, Ill.	sent card through President's Mother
greetings from Fourth Marines. -ack. by Pres.	HACKETT, Arna E. Wilmington, Dela.	LUEBKE, Elmer Walled Lake, Mich.
GORDON, Mrs. F. Charles Fellower London, Eng. -ack. by Pres.	RICCA, Eileen June Peoria, Ill.	sent photos to be autographed. -returned
WILLIAMS, Constance N. Wanblee, S.D.	CARTER, Erma Polo, Mo.	KING, Ila Kathern Barry, Texas
NEILL, Miss Elda Bethany, Mo.	ETTER, Babsie Bakersfield, Calif.	WOODSON, Walter * Washington, D.C.
KIPNESS, Mrs. David LaCanada, Calif.	BRANNON, Jack Charleston, Ill.	ATHEN, Mrs. Paul St. Cloud, Minn.
sent copy of song.	McCRINSKY, Florence Mattapan, Mass.	UNION, Mrs. Carolyn P. Miami, Fla.
GHATTI, Frances Syracuse, N.Y.	KLAUBER, Constance F. Chicago, Ill.	EDWARDS, Miss Madalene New York City
LEE, Mrs. Ida K. Brigham City, Utah	RICKER, Mary E. Jacksonville, Fla.	NATAVICK, Vernon Reuben Ada, Minn.
sent contribution for I.P.	BIENLEIN, Joseph New Brunswick, N.J.	STOGENTINE, Leo E. -asks Pres. send greeting to Patricia Joyce Johns Chicago, Ill. (Cicero)
BLACK, W. A. Seattle, Wash.	BEVILL, Mrs. Jane Guin, Ala.	LOWENTHAL, Jean Philadelphia, Pa. (sent stamp card)
BROWN, Evelyn A. Richmond, Va.	JOHNSON, Louis Ass't. Sec'y. War Washington, D.C.	CHAPMAN, Mrs. C.B. Neligh, Neb.
RAPLEY, Marion Wissinoming, Phila., Pa.	SPRUELL, Walter Wayne Leonard, Texas	EREMITA, Michael Dedham, Mass.
FURMAN, Teresa Montello, Wisconsin	PURDUE, Mrs. Flora Enid, Okla.	COME, Mr. & Mrs. T. Palmer, Mass. -wishes to know value of old money.
HATTEER, Norman Kew Gardens, L.I., N.Y.	DICKSON, Clara Frances Houston, Texas	WEATHERSPOON, Joseph Chicago, Ill. -daugh ter's B'day 30th. (Doris Weatherspoon)
enc. drawing asks for autograph		
McSHANE, Mrs. Mary San Francisco, Calif. - asks Pres. to write daughter, Miss Virginia M. McShane, San Francisco	ENDERLE, Charles Noel Watkins, Minn.	
KRIEDEMAN, Doris Washington, D.C.		
MARTIN, Laura Virginia Garcia Washington, D.C. -wants photo of Miss LeHand.		

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Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Thank

633 Ridge Ave.
M.D. +

another of my Birthday Club

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Mr. Harrison,
New York, N.Y.
Feb. 9, 1939.

Send President gift of mine. Personally acknowledged by President
February 9, 1939

See P.P.F. 2524

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My dear Mrs. Dahl:

The President asks me to send you this little note to thank you ever so much for the hand carved novelties which you were good enough to send him for his birthday. He deeply appreciates the friendly spirit which prompted your thought of him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. George Dahl,
Box 124,
Lignite,
North Dakota.

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Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Thank

633 Ridge Ave.
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another of my Birthday Club

DILLON, Clarence,
New York, N.Y.
Filed 2-16-39.

Sends President gift of wine. (personally acknowledged by President.)

See P.P.F.3824

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Jerry Duckett,
633 Ridge Ave.,
Albany,
New York.

Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Thank

633 Ridge Ave.
Allentown, Pa.

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February 10, 1939

My dear Jerry:

The President asks me to thank you for that nice birthday letter, with the enclosed copy of radio program, as well as for the little gift, which you were good enough to send him. He also wants you to know that your fine interest and co-operation in the Birthday Celebration is much appreciated. The President is sorry to learn of your accident, and sends you his best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Jerry Duckett,
633 Ridge Avenue,
Allentown,
Pennsylvania.

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Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Thank
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633 Ridge Ave.

Allentown, Pa.

Jan. 26, 1939

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Dear Mr. President:

A couple of weeks ago, I finished making this picture of you, and I thought it would be a grand thing to send it to you for your Birthday. I hope you'll do me the honor of accepting it. You see I am particularly interested in your birthday, because every year I entertain at one of the birthday balls for the Infantile Paralysis funds, and I love doing it, because I think it's an honor to do

another of my Birthday Club

30th, throughout the entire

President's Birthday Balls

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of President Roosevelt.. A poem written shortly after the Civil War

speaks our case.

Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Good evening Radio fans and welcome to another of my Birthday Club

something that makes others happy.
I'm entertaining this Saturday night
at one of the lobbies, but I'm sorry
to say, that I won't be able
to do so well, because I broke
my arm yesterday and dancing
and drumming won't be so easy, but
I'll do my best.

Please excuse this penmanship.
With all my heart, I wish you
a very happy birthday, and
heaps and heaps of them too.

Your respectful little friend,
Jerry Duckett.

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Jerry Duckett Program... Friday, January 27th, 1939.

Good evening Radio fans and welcome to another of my Birthday Club programs.

To-morrow night and on Monday, January 30th, throughout the entire land many of you will attend one of our president's Birthday Balls to assist crippled children. We mention this, because you know that this is a Birthday Club, and I want to mark all birthday's with greetings... and so, to-day, I want to dedicate this program to one of the greatest presidents this nation has ever known...

Franklin Delano Roosevelt.. and to the great cause, in which he is so deeply interested in.. The Infantile Paralysis Foundation Fund.

I had the great pleasure of witnessing his inauguration and an impressive sight it was too. With forceful and impressive language he dedicated his term in office to the welfare of the people... so that all might enjoy the fruits of the land which are so bountiful.. The rain seemed to fall from heaven as a blessing to his words. Everywhere, people thrilled to his address and placed him in their hearts as a truly great man.

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God give us men..... The time demands strong minds,
Great hearts, True faith.. and willing hands,
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor;
Men who will not lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue and damn his
treacherous flatteries without winking,
Tall men, Sun crowned, who live above the fog in public duty
and in private thinking.
For while the rabble with their thumb worn creeds...
Their large professions
And their little deeds mingle in selfish pride,
Lo... Freedom weeps,
Wrong rules the land, and waiting Justice Sleeps.
And all I can add, friends, is this....
JUSTICE SLEEPS no more.
Right rules the land
And in... unselfishness we are again a people united.

This is a copy of the program
I did over the radio this week

February 9, 1939

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My dear Violet:

Your very nice letter of February first, to the President pleased him very much and he asks me to thank you for your kind expressions and good wishes.

It was nice of you to send the contribution to the Infantile Paralysis Fund and the scarf to the President and he requests me to tell you how much he appreciates them.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Violet Daniels,
169 Shuttle Meadow Avenue,
New Britain,
Connecticut.

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Thank for

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169 Shuttle Meadow Ave
New Britain, Conn.

Feb. 1, 1939.

Dear honor Pres. Roosevelt,

I am a girl who is eleven
years of age. I am sending
you money for the crippled
children and a gift for
you. Please forgive me for
not sending the money
and gift sooner, for my
mother and I were sick
for a time. Dear Pres. Rose-
velt, as you have read in
the Bible, Christ was preach-
ing to the people. He had
a plate there for the people
to put some money into it.
There was a woman there
who had two children, she
had worked all day and
only made 2 pennys.

she put in the only 2 pennys
she had. I havnt much to
offer you but hope you will
like my gift as Christ liked
the two pennys. Every night
my mother and I pray to
God so that he will bless
you and your family.

God bless your mother for
her raising up such a son
as you. Dear Sir, anytime
you want to ^{do} something and
you are afraid because you
think the people wont like
you for it, dont be afraid
for God is always with you.
God bless you and your
family and keep you for
ever and ever.

Sincerely yours
Violet Daniels.

I quite school my Mother died (At 73d

Asks if the
Pres. received
luncheon cloth
sent for his
birthday?

February 9, 1939

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The President has received your two
ture, and asks me to thank
your friendly thought in
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Luncheon cloth

I am also requested by the President
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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Albert Doran,
312 North Washington,
Wichita,
Kansas.

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to the eighth grade. About two years before
I quite school my Mother died (At 73)

February 9, 1939

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My dear Mrs. Doran:

The President has received your two letters, with the picture, and asks me to thank you ever so much for your friendly thought in sending him the handmade birthday gift. He is also most appreciative of your contribution to the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

Luncheon Club

I am also requested by the President to extend his congratulations and best wishes to you for your birthday which you also celebrated on January thirtieth.

Very sincerely yours,

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Wichita / Kansas

January 26 (1939)
JAN 28 1939

312 N Washington

Dear Mrs Franklin D Roosevelt
Mr and Mrs Albert Doran

is sending you our donation
to you for the infantile Paralysis
and did Mr Roosevelt get his
lunch cloth that I sent
him for his Birthday and
my Birthday is the 30 of
January to and I wish you
would write me and let me
know if you get this letter
Mr Doran said that he sure did
thank you folks for getting on
the WPA and I and Mr Doran
will be married one year
the 21 day of March we are
getting along now better since
we got on the WPA

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home town I started to school here & went
to the eighth grade. About two years before
I quit school my Mother died (At 73)

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and keep our home together
Better now I have one Boy at
home With us and one Boy in
grade Lake in Training camp
at grade Lake I and Mrs Doran
is sure Proud of my children
here is one of my Daughters
Picture so you can see that
my children looks likes
my children sure is smart

Well I will close for now
hoping to hear from you soon

from Mr and Mrs Albert Doran
312 N Washington
Wichita Falls

My Boy Part Every thing in Training camp
and he left on the Dec the 6 and he gets
to come home for 10 days for he got 1 hundred
marks

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Thank you
(put in 3rd Cabinet)
A to
Dear President;

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Mr. Albert Doran
312 N. Washington
Wichita Kansas.

It so happens
that my and your birthday
comes on the same day. I am
sending you a nice lunch
cloth. Which I made with
my own hands I know you
get plenty of presents on your
birthday but I thought I would
like to be one of the hundreds
that sent you a present
on your birthday. I don't think
it is one every day that will
have a birthday on the same
day as the President of the
United States. So I took it

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to the eighth grade. About two years before
I quite school my Mother died (At 73)

upon my self to send you
a present. I and Mr. Doan
have already picked one of
your President balls to attend
hoping you and Mrs. Roosevelt
a happy and most prosperous
New Year and you a happy
birthday. I would like only
one thing Mr. Roosevelt and
that is a answer to see
whether you receive my
letter and present. I thank you.

Sincerely Yours,
Mr. Albert Doan.

Born 1890 January 30th.
will be 49 January 30th 1939.

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February 10, 1939

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Dear Mr. Dillon:

The President asks me to thank you for
your friendly letter of January eighteenth and
the drawing which you were good enough to send
him. He deeply appreciates your friendly thought
of his birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Montie J. Dillon, Esq.,
Stroud,
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Stroud, Okla.

Jan. 18, 1939.

Dear sir:

I'm sending you one of my drawings for your birthday present. The drawing isn't much but it's the best I could do.

I just went to the eighth grade in school. And have went to a art school in my life. Just what I've learned is by drawing every time I get the chance.

I out-lined pictures up till I was about fourteen years old. From than on I've been drawing from photographys such as Abraham Lincoln, (Movie Stars) Jean Harlow, Will Rogers, and any thing I can get to draw. I have one started of Jean Harlow now.

I live with my Dad working when I can. But not a very good head way at it. With a clot-foot I can't get in the army or work on some government jobs.

Here at (Stroud, Okla.) is my home town I started to school here I went to the eighth grade. About two years before I gude school my Mother died (At 73)

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June 19, 1934.) Sense than every thing
has went right backwords for me.

There are nine in the family my
Step-Mother, Half Brother, Step-sister &
brother. My Dad, three sister & myself.
I'm the oldest of the family living.
(Nineteen, last Nov. 17, 1938.)

What money I don't use in helping
my Dad make living. I spend going to
the movies. By me not smoking or
drinking my spending money up like most
boys at my age, I spend it going to
the movies. I learn things from the movies
that help me with my drawing, & things that go
on all over the world.

I thank its about time for me to
stop where I am. When I start writting
sometimes I don't know when to stop.

Happy Birthday
& Good Luck.
(President)
Franklin D. Roosevelt

Yours truly,
Montie James Dillon

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February 9, 1939

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Gentlemen:

The President has received the book,
entitled, "Vinogaroon," which you have been
good enough to send him and he asks me to thank
you very much for your friendly thought of him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Daggett Keen Com. Company,
Fort Worth,
Texas.

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VANDERBILT, Cornelius, Jr.
Washington, D.C.
2-13-39 (ack.)

Sent the President some donkeys for his birthday. Ack. by Pres.

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ROSENMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel I.
New York City
2-13-39 (ack.)

February 24, 1939

Sent the President a dish for his birthday. Ack. by Pres.

SEE P.P.F. 64

Your letter of February sixth has
been received. In reply, I regret to have to
advise you that a search of our records fails
to show the receipt of the ladies to which
you refer.

Very sincerely yours,

H. H. McINTIRE
Secretary to the President

Robert Davis, Esq.,
120 Carter Street, S. W.,
Atlanta,
Georgia.

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P.P. 7
9-B

February 28, 1939

My dear Mr. Davis:

Your letter of February sixth has been received. In reply, I regret to have to advise you that a search of our records fails to show the receipt of the basket to which you refer.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. H. McINTYRE
Secretary to the President

Hubert Davis, Esq.,
758 Carter Street, S. W.,
Atlanta,
Georgia.

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Mr Latta

No record
in Mail Room or
files of having
received articles
mentioned.

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wait till I hear from

Agency receipt shows
mail room.

Date

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Agent
Claim Agent

Atlanta Ga.

Febr. 6 - 39.

ackd 2-24-39
S. K.

Dear President

I write

you concerning a little
Basket was sent you
in December - 38. I
hasen got any word
whether it was recived
or not and I would
like very much to
know Because I
am holding the Ex-
press Company respon-
sible for it I will
wait till I hear from

Agency receipt shows
mail room.

Date

193

Agent
Claim Agent

you I wrote you a letter
in Jan. you ans it
But not any thing
About the Basket
so please send me
your On signature
telling me that you
Has recived it

Very Truly yours
Hubert Davis
758 Carter S.W.
Atlanta Ga.

Date

193

Agent
Claim Agent

March 10, 1939

My dear Mr. Davis:

We have just located the basket which you sent to the President last December. I am writing to thank you on the President's behalf and to tell you how much he appreciates your thoughtfulness in sending it to him.

The President asks me to send you his best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

M. H. McINTYRE
Secretary to the President

Hubert Davis, Esq.,
758 Carter Street, S. W.,
Atlanta,
Georgia.

Basket not located but Railway Express Agency receipt shows delivery of basket to C. A. Norris in mail room.

Date March 10 1939 193

Agent
Claim Agent

RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY
INCORPORATED

INVESTIGATION BLANK

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(Printed in U.S.A.)

TO
District Accountant
At Washington, D. C.
Please furnish records checked:

FROM
Term. Agt. Martin, Dist. Acct.
Agent or
Claim Agent
At Atlanta, Georgia,
Date Jan. 3, 1939.

REPLY DIRECT TO PATRON

Delivery Record

C. O. D. Returns
(If there is not a clear record of shipment reply should be made to the representative of this Company making the inquiry.)

RETURN FORM TO ME
☒ Delivery Record

C. O. D. Returns

Return to Shipper Record

Copy of Out Billing

Certified Copy of Receipt

Copy of Vehicleman's Tally

Amount of Claim _____ File Reference or Claim Number _____
\$ _____
Inquiry made by _____ (or) _____ Claimant _____
JAN 12 1939
ATLANTA, GA.

Nature of Complaint or Claim:

Agent or Claim Agent will fill in available data—District Accountant will complete the Waybill and Delivery Sheet information.

To Destination Office <u>Washington, D. C.</u>		Enter Date Shipped <u>12-7-38</u> 193	
Consignee <u>F. D. Roosevelt</u>		COLLECT PREPAID	
Street Address or Non-Agency Destination <u>President, U. S. A.</u>		Waybill Number <u>5213</u>	Advances
Name of Forwarding Office <u>Atlanta, Ga.</u>		Declared Value	Value Charges
Piece-g	Article	Description	Express Charges
		<u>1 empty basket</u>	<u>42</u>
Shipper <u>Hubert Davis</u>	Receipt or Identification No.	Class	Paid in Part
Shipper's Address <u>758 Carter St. SW</u>		Scale or Rate	Weight by
Received from RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, Inc., shipment described hereon, ☒ CONSIGNEE'S SIGNATURE <u>Mr F D Roosevelt</u>		Date Delivered <u>12/7/38</u>	Delivered by <u>L. J. ...</u>
		Hour <u>77</u> AM PM	

The Delivery Record shows the shipment originated with

Express Company

Delivery was made on (Check One)

☒ Original

☐ Substitute

☐ Over

Delivered by

C. O. D. WAS PAID BY DRAFT No. _____ DATED _____ 193

AMOUNT \$ _____

Date JAN 10 1939 193

Dist. Acct.
Agent
Claim Agent

March 22, 1939

My dear Miss Dougherty:

I have received your note of March twelfth and trust that you will pardon the delay in thanking you for the flag which you sent to the President. He is glad indeed to have this nice gift and wants you to know that he is deeply grateful for your good wishes and for your prayers.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Annie Dougherty, ✕
153 North 2nd Street,
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania.

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3/22/39
March 12th 1938

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To The Secretary
of The President of
Franklin D Roosevelt
I would like to know
if he received the little
with American flag for
his Birth day its all right
I have received it that is
the reason I write to you
because I know you
would know thanking
you In Advance

John de Pool, Esq.,
P. O. Box 15,
Agencia Postal,
Panama.

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Miss Annie Dougherty
153 North 2nd St
Panama

John de Pool,
P. O. Box 15,
Agencia Postal,
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Chila
Feb 4th 1939

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
Dear Sir I am sending
you an American flag of
honor I am sending it
you and your wife have done
such wonderful things
for the poor and all of
us to and I know God
will make a place in
heaven for you and your
wife

Yours

Miss Annie Dougherty
#153 North 2nd St
Chila

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John de Pool, Esq.,
P. O. Box 15,
Agencia Postal,
Panama.

Thank you for your attention and
Most respectfully yours,

John de Pool

P.O. Box 15.

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I hope you and your
Wife live to see
many more
happy birthdays

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SECRETARY

John de Pool, Esq.,
P. O. Box 15,
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Panama.

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March 27, 1939

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My dear Mr. de Pool:

Permit me, please, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February first to the President. I want to thank you in his behalf for writing and to assure you of his appreciation of your thoughtfulness in sending the photographic copy of your oil painting to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

John de Pool, Esq.,
P. O. Box 15,
Agencia Postal,
Panama.

Thank you for your attention and regard.
Most respectfully yours,

John de Pool

P.O. Box 15.

COPY

Panama, February 1st, 1939.

Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt
White House
Washington, D.C.
U.S.A.

Mr. Roosevelt:

I have taken the liberty to send you by registered mail, a photographic copy of my 9 x 12 feet oil painting representing the visit of President Colonel Theodore Roosevelt to Culebra Cut in the works of the Panama Canal, in 1906. I also enclose a fac-simile of a letter of Colonel John F. Stevens to me with respect to this painting.

The three principal figures standing on Golden Hill with Colonel Roosevelt in the centre, are besides him on his left, Colonel Shonts, president or chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission and on his right, with arm extended showing some detail of the works Colonel Stevens. The group of three further back next to the railroad train is composed of Dr. Gorgas, with felt hat, Mr. Bishop, Secretary, of Isthmian Canal Commission and Dr. Rixley, Colonel Roosevelt's private physician.

On the platform of the train, in profile are Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Shonts and Mrs. Stevens with Mr. Latta, in gray, behind them. This gentleman was the official stenographer.

Under Colonel Stevens' extended arm is Captain Eraces, U.S.N. Aide to the President and the figure in black, Mr. Sloan of the Secret Service.

I have written to the Roosevelt Memorial Assn. asking them to take charge of the exhibition of this historical painting in the forthcoming New York World's Fair, as I am not able financially to undergo the expense, although I can cover the cost of sending the painting to New York.

I thank you for your attention and I remain

Most respectfully yours,

John de Pool

P.O. BOX 15.

Panama February 1st. 1939

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White House
Washington. D. C.
U. S. of A.

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John de Pool
John de Pool

P. O. Box 15

JOHN F. STEVENS
SOUTHERN PINES
N. C.

March 29-1937

Mr John De Pool,
Panama City.

Dear Mr De Pool:

I am deeply indebted for the privilege of viewing your very interesting symbolic painting of the early days of the construction of the Panama Canal.

Embodying as it does, not only some of the various types of the then modern machinery, the use of which made construction possible, you have given a good representation of some of the high officials in a characteristic scene which well exhibits them in their natural attitudes.

M. Di Biase, Esq.,
c/o Mrs. Saffioti,
North Main Road,
Vineland,
New Jersey.

Enclosure.

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(Signature of addressee)

E. L. Hibernorn

Signature of addressee's agent

Not having heard or received any note of thanks from the President's secretary, or otherwise, he,

ER REFERENCE BUREAU

that of President Theodore Roosevelt
being especially fine

The picture manifests great
imagination, a wealth of coloring,
and it must be the result of
intense study and research, involv-
ing a vast amount of labor.
It is a distinct addition to early
Panama Canal data.

I thank you for the photo copy
which you presented to me, and
expressing my appreciation of
your courtesy.

I am most sincerely

John F. Stevens

March 24, 1939

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My dear Mr. Di Biase:

Please accept our apologies for the long delay in acknowledging the receipt of your letters and the hand-carved articles which you sent the President, due to the pressure of official and other matters requiring immediate attention.

I want to assure you that your friendly and kind thought in wanting the President to have these gifts which you have made with such painstaking care, is more than appreciated. I am very sorry to have to return them to you, however, as the President cannot accept gifts of this kind except from his close personal friends.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

M. Di Biase, Esq.,
c/o Mrs. Saffioti,
North Main Road,
Vineland,
New Jersey.

Enclosure.

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(Signature of addressee)

E. L. Hibernian

Signature of addressee's agent

Not having heard or received any note of thanks from the President's secretary, or otherwise, he,

ER REFERENCE BUREAU

March 24, 1939

My dear Mrs. Zeller:

Replying to your letter of March twentieth, which Mrs. Roosevelt has referred to this office, I wish to advise you that a note of acknowledgment and explanation has been sent to Mr. Di Biase concerning his letters and gifts to the President.

Thanking you for your friendly interest in the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Mrs. M. P. Zeller,
Vineland,
New Jersey.

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(Signature of addressee)

E. L. H. H. H. H.

Signature of addressee's agent

Not having heard or received any note of thanks from the President's secretary, or otherwise, he,

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Office

3/20/1939

Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt

Hyde Park, NY

MAR 23 1939

My dear Mrs Roosevelt,

Last September 3rd a Mr Michael Di Biase of Vineland N.J. sent to your good husband, an insured parcel of hand carvings made from bone, which consisted of the following articles and, on which the dear old man had spent weeks making, as he had told his friends they were "for the good President."

Articles

- 1) American eagle & old flag with 13 stars
- 2) 1 fork & knife
- 3) 1 " "
- 4) "Royal" chair under glass

+ 7.37-D
x13-D
+ 7.9-8

Mr Di Biase opened the parcel in the Vineland post office and, being proud of his skill at carving, showed its contents to several of the employees before he mailed it which should be proof of his claim.

Not having heard from the parcel on Oct 26th 1938 Mr Di Biase sent a registered letter to Mr Roosevelt ^{reg #} was 1704 ^{post} which return receipt came back promptly with this notation.

President

(Signature of addressee)

E. L. Abernethy

Signature of addressee's agent

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ER REFERENCE BUREAU

Mr De Biase, sent through the Postmaster here in Vineland another note of inquiry on January 4th 1939 and on January 13th received the official return receipt card with this notation

The Pres.

(Signature of name of addressee)

J. E. Reedy

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery 9-8-1938
(of parcel)

I trust I have made this clear to you at the risk of being considered prolix.

Now, Mrs Roosevelt, Mr De Biase being a great admirer of our President, I feel that he should receive some acknowledgement that his little gift was received and appreciated.

Mr De Biase being in the twilight of life and residing in a small 2 room cottage, far removed from the main highway, lives a very lonely existence, and I am certain it will give him much happiness to learn that the gift reached the President.

Mr De Biase receives his mail through the Vineland postoffice address care Mrs Saffioti North main Road

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely & admiringly
yours

Mrs M. P. Zeller
Vineland N.J.

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Miss Margaret Lehand
Secretary to the President
White House
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Miss Lehand..

Under separate cover I have sent
Mr Roosevelt a "Stamp-o-scope" which came into my
possession through one of the advertisers in our
monthly house organ, as per the attached..

Knowing Mr Roosevelt to be the
stamp collector, I am passing it along to him and I
hope he will find it's use beneficial while looking
over his collection of stamps during his leisure
moments (????) - I hope..

I will be glad to send along a
few more for intimates who might wish one of these
items in the event the condition arises..

Respectfully,

WJD/Personal

William J. Davitt ✱

P.S: Incidentally, the current issue of our magazine
carries an editorial featuring Mr Roosevelt
and pertaining to the world's fair.

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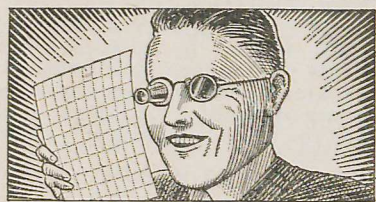
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Director
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Livingston
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From time to time we in Livingston have been requested to express an opinion about some supposedly legal merchandise "Chain Scheme." Despite our opinion to the contrary, some operators have persisted that such a method is "within the law." They will proceed to attempt to carry out their plan irrespective of better judgement and advice.

A letter from an operator of this type of scheme under the name "Lucky Shamrock Club" advises us that the Post Office Department stepped in on his operations and put him out of business.

Along comes more proof that this is the quickest method to adopt as a means of inviting a visit from the local prosecutors detectives and postal inspectors, and bringing down upon you no end of worry and inconvenience. If you haven't taken our advice during the past, perhaps the following will further impress upon you that you just can't operate these "chain schemes." We quote from an article concerning one of these "chain schemes"—

All dolled up in new raiment and sporting a combination pen and pencil in its pocket, Mr. C. L. (Chain Letter) Craze is back in Newark with promises to the citizenry of huge returns on a 50-cent investment. About 4,000 customers already are numbered among the links.

For your 50 cents you get the pen and pencil and three application cards. You distribute the cards among three friends, if there are any friends left in the world since the chain letter fad hit the land.

The friends—or, let's just say acquaintances—put up 50 cents each, receiving pen and pencil and three cards. They, in turn, distribute the cards, and almost before you can say "Chain Letter," you're dragging down 25 cents from two of the three subsequent applicants, and so on, ad infinitum.

The guiding genius in this latest venture into get-riches-quick is the Security Pencil Co., the name of the new benevolent organization, where some 30 women clerks are busily engaged in keeping files of those in the chain.

How the chain started was that a friend of the perpetrator of this "Chain Scheme" remarked a month ago the pencil business was slow. Never one for having business slow, this genius went into a huddle with himself and emerged with the scheme all worked

out. He opened offices February 25, started the applications moving and sat back to await results.

They weren't long in coming. It was no time at all until folks were approaching others with the familiar query: "Want to get in on a new chain?"

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One can visualize that when some stages are reached the original applicant will have a bankroll running into astronomical figures. But the operator isn't for having the members seized with heart attacks at contemplating such enormous wealth, and so little is said—beyond the 11th stage.

In view of the financial possibilities of the system, it may be significant the largest sum yet received by a customer has been \$11.75. Maybe it is too early for him to have realized his full returns. Or maybe the chain was broken. Chains are like that.

Charge for Checks

Customers may go to the offices to receive their returns or receive them by check through the mail. The checks are made out in the sum of \$2 or over. If it appears the chain has broken, whatever the customer has received is sent to him.

The operator says that a portion of that 50 cents carries the office overhead. Then, too, he adds, there is profit for him in the sale of the pen-pencils. As the chain increases, this profit goes up. He says manufacturers tell him he's booming the writing implement business. And there's no gambling to it. Everything's above board. However, local authorities and the P. O. inspectors feel different about it.

Just to show how much faith he has in the chain, the operator says, he's in on 100 applications personally. If the chains don't break, what a break it will be for him.

We repeat. "Don't be induced to enter into a proposition of "Chain Scheme"—merits, unless you are prepared to face the ultimate consequences.

FROM

THE EDITOR



President Roosevelt invited "friends beyond our borders" and citizens of the United States to attend the New York World's Fair 1939 and the Golden Gate International Exposition at San Francisco this year, in a proclamation issued at Washington. The World's Fair will open on April 30th and the International Exposition on February 18th.

The President expressed hope that "the fair and the exposition will be attended by many from this country who will join with the government in greeting with a warm welcome the many from abroad taking advantage of the occasion to visit our shores."

Response to invitations by the United States government to foreign nations to participate in both exhibitions, the President noted, had been "most gratifying."

The World's Fair, Mr. Roosevelt pointed out, will celebrate the 150th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington, the first president, and the establishment of the national government, while the exposition will mark the completion of the San Francisco-Oakland and Golden Gate Bridges and the progress and accomplishments of the Pacific Coast.

You probably wonder just what connection the above invitation has with the mail order business. Wise mail order dealers will take advantage of the opportunity to contact the residents of rural and suburban districts, since the majority of these people are the ones who will be planning on attending either one of these "Fairs." Hundreds of thousands of people east and south of the Mississippi will pour into New York. The same condition will exist west and south of the Mississippi, with equal interest in the Golden Gate Exposition. Therefore, properly prepared campaigns offering merchandise particularly adaptable for "travel" will be timely, and a ready market is available for presentations offering worthwhile merchandise to "America On the March" through the coming months.

THANK YOU!

The reception the initial issue of this new publication received, is most encouraging.

The current issue is larger than the previous one, in that it contains twelve more pages. There will be noted a variety of new feature articles that has been added this month. Are they interesting to you? That's important and your comments written on a penny post card will be welcome.

Your recent letters are appreciated. Our appreciation is best expressed in sending you this "bigger and better" issue. Thanks to you and we do mean—*YOU!*

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Editor.

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“From a Rough Layout To a Finished Job”

April 10, 1939

My dear Mr. Davitt:

I have received your letter of March thirtieth and have had pleasure in handing the "Stamp-o-scope" to the President. He is glad indeed to have it and wants you to know that he much appreciates the friendly thought which prompted you to send it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

William J. Davitt, Esq.,
246 South Livingston Avenue,
Livingston,
New Jersey.

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Thank
M. A. G. H.

House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.
4-21-39

Wrote Mr. McIntyre re a letter he has received from Mr. John E. Dowsing of New York City in which he extends to President Roosevelt an invitation, when he visits the N.Y. World's Fair to view an exhibit of the pottery industry and be presented with a George Washington Water Jug. Mr. Dowsing is Sec'y. of the American Potters Ass'n. - General Watson suggested that since the program with respect to the President's visit is being arranged by the N.Y. World's Fair authorities, Mr. Dowsing communicate with them re his desire.

SEE 200-PPP

Very sincerely yours,

H. A. Tamm
ATTORNEY GENERAL

Forwards Marshall R. Morgan
Second Assistant Secretary
Department of Labor
Washington, D. C.

P. P. F.

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EDMISTON, Andrew
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.
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Samuel R. Hinkle
Second Assistant Secretary
Department of Labor,
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Norris
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April 19, 1939

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My dear Mr. Dimock:

The President has received your letter of April fourteenth and thanks you ever so much for the copy of Leslie Lipson's book entitled "The American Governor". He wants you to know that he appreciates your kind thoughtfulness in sending the volume to him.

Very sincerely yours,

received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. In as much as Lipson was a student of mine and I have written the introduction to his book, I should give you a copy of his first book.

M. A. Lohand

PRIVATE SECRETARY

Honorable Marshall E. Dimock,
Second Assistant Secretary,
Department of Labor,
Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

Marshall E. Dimock
Marshall E. Dimock
Second Assistant Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF THE SECOND ASSISTANT SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

April 14, 1939

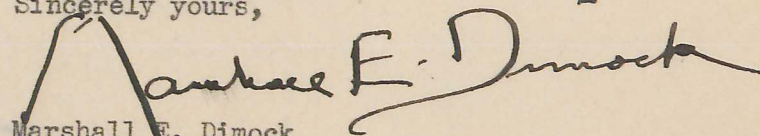
The President
The White House

My dear Mr. President:

I am sending you herewith a study by Leslie Lipson entitled "The American Governor". I feel sure it will interest you.

Lipson is a brilliant young Englishman who received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. In as much as Lipson was a student of mine and I have written the introduction, it seems appropriate that I should give you a copy of his first book.

Sincerely yours,


Marshall E. Dimock
Second Assistant Secretary

May 3, 1939

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Gentlemen:

Thank you, in the President's behalf,
for the copy of the book which you sent to him.
You may be sure that he much appreciates your
kind thoughtfulness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

X De Vorse and Company,
843 South Grand Avenue,
Los Angeles,
California.

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May 6, 1939

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My dear Mr. Dirnfeld:

I am sure you will pardon my delay
in thanking you, in the President's behalf, for
your kindness in sending your etching to him.
He is indeed most appreciative of your friendly
thought of him and heartily reciprocates your
good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Frederick A. Dirnfeld, Esq.,
136 West 16th Street,
New York, N. Y.

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

Dear Mr. President.

Under separate postage, I took
the liberty, to mail you my latest etching -
"AMERICAN APPREHENSION".

Please accept my humble efforts -
with my heartfelt appreciation of your great
humanitarianism.

If, after viewing it, some, pseudo-
patriots - should see the light - and turn real
patriots - I will not have lived in vain.

x P.P.T.
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830 Broad Street,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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"Forgiveness, is like the perfume of the violet,
clinging to the heel that crushed it.

Please forgive me.

with best wishes, for a long and happy life,

I am, yours

Very Sincerely

Frederick H. D. RNFELG

850 Broad Street,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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Do you have a street address
for this man?

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June 3, 1939

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My dear Mr. Daly:

Thank you very much indeed for the
copy of "Fort Ticonderoga in History". I
shall be glad to call it to the President's
attention. Your kind thought in sending the
booklet is appreciated.

x P.P.T.
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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Lolland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

S. P. Daly, Esq.,
830 Broad Street,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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anyhow -

Thank Sincerely,
A.P. Daly.

Adm.
6/2/39
Newark, 5/31/39. S

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Miss Le Hand:-
I have mailed you a
book on "Ticonderoga".

It is not an important
one, but if you don't
have a copy, the
plates are interesting.

General Chas. Lee's
caricature will give
the President a laugh
anyhow.

Sincerely,
Frank A.P. Daly.

6/6/39
Newark, 5/31/39. S

Mr. Smith saying that a dinner set for the President
at Embassy, Paris, presented as a gift by the Union
of Limousin. Asks endorsement for the receipt of
on: "Copy endorsed and returned. I.R.T.S."

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Miss M. C. Le Hand,
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.,
Washington,
D.C.

Fyfe, Howard
U.S. Govt. Despatch Agency,
New York, N.Y.
6-3-39

Letter to Mr. Smith saying that a dinner set for the President has arrived through the American Embassy, Paris, presented as a gift by the Union Federale des Mutilés et Combattants du Limousin. Asks endorsement for the receipt of the two boxes. Penciled notation: "Copy endorsed and returned. I.R.T.S."

See P.P.F. 7618

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DILLON, Clarence
New York, N.Y.,
June 1, 1939

Writes to the President that he has just received a letter from the Chateau Haut Brion which might be of interest as he knew the President was going to serve some of his Haut Brion (wine) when the King and Queen of England are at Hyde Park. - On June 16, the President replied that it was not until he arrived home on Saturday morning last that he saw the very wonderful glass. Says it had all been put on the sideboard and they christened the decanters that night for the first dinner at their house for the King and Queen. Says in the middle of the dinner one of the tables with a lot of china on it tipped over, but, thank the Lord, the decanters are safe. Hopes to see him soon.

SEE - P.P.F. 3824

P. P. F.

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BEARD, Daniel Carter
Suffern, N.Y.,
May 27, 1939

Writes to the President telling him of some "ancient cartoons" he has, that he made some years ago, and would like to send to the President for his collection. Says they would apply very aptly to conditions as they are today. Signs himself "Uncle Dan". -- On June 26, the President replied that he was interested and pleased to receive his recent letter and thanks for the cartoon and original drawings which he sent. Sends good wishes.

P. P. F.

SEE - P.P.F. 1104

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