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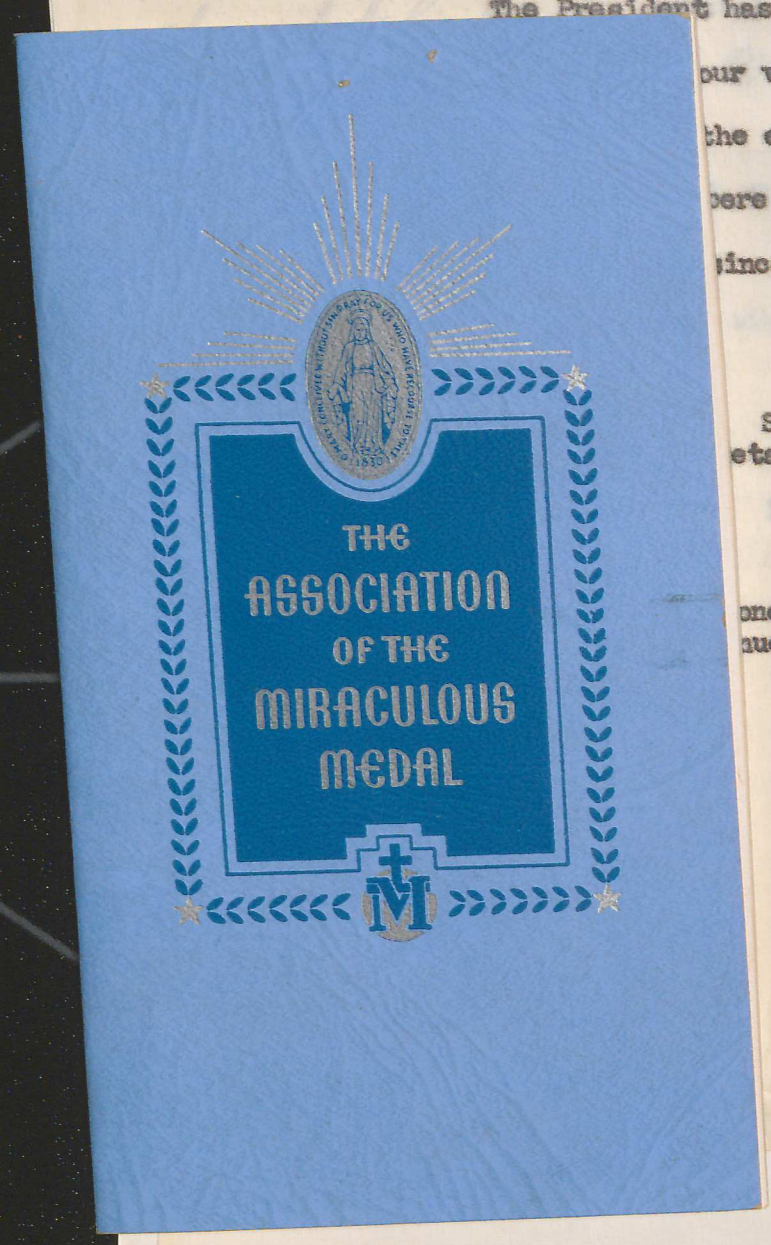

«O MARY, CONCEIVED WITH-

Novena in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal



PRAYER

O Lord Jesus Christ Who hast been pleased to glorify by countless miracles the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary Thy Mother, grant that always imploring her intercession we may attain to everlasting joys. Amen.

O Mary conceived without sin,
Pray for us who have recourse to Thee.

REV. J. A. FINNEY, C. M., Director
St. Mary's Seminary, Perryville, Missouri

«O MARY, CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN, PRAY FOR US WHO HAVE RECOURSE TO THEE»

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Most holy Virgin, who wast chosen to be the Mother of the Incarnate Wisdom and who thus didst become the seat of wisdom and the Mother of good consel, and the faithful dispenser of heavenly gifts to us, thy adopted children, we supplicate thee to enlighten our understanding, to direct our steps, to console us by thy maternal protection, so that, exempt from all error, sheltered from every danger, strengthened against our enemies, we may with ardor and invincible courage walk in the paths traced out for us by thee and thy Divine Son. We do not deserve so great a favor, but we know that thou art our Mother, and dost not measure thy graces to our merits, but according to the extent of thy power and the generosity of thy maternal heart. Filled with this confidence, we are assured that thy protection will never fail us, and we hope to thank thee in heaven singing thy praises forever. Amen.

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Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

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Prayer to Our Lady Immaculate

Most holy Virgin, who was pleasing to the Lord and became His mother, immaculate in body and spirit, in faith and love, look kindly on the wretched who implore thy powerful patronage. The wicked serpent, against whom was hurled the first curse, continues fiercely to attack and ensnare the unhappy children of Eve. Do thou, then, O Blessed Mother, our Queen and advocate, who from the first instant of thy Conception, didst crush the head of the enemy, receive the prayers which, united with thee in one single heart, we implore thee to present at the throne of God, that we may never fall into the snares which are laid out for us, and may all arrive at the port of salvation; and, in so many dangers, may the Church and Christian society sing once again, the hymn of deliverance, of victory, and of peace. Amen. *(300 days, once a day)*

The Memorare

Remember, O Most gracious Virgin Mary! that never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother! To Thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O mother of the word incarnate! despise not my petitions, but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen. *(300 days, each time)*

Prayer of St. Alphonsus M. de Liguori

(To be said before a representation of Our Lady)

Most holy and Immaculate Virgin! O my Mother! thou who art the mother of my Lord, the queen of the world, the advocate, hope and refuge of sinners! I, the most wretched among them, now come to thee. I worship thee, great queen, and give thee thanks for the many favors thou hast bestowed upon me in the past; most of all, do I thank thee for having saved me from hell, which I have so often deserved. I love thee, lady most worthy of all love, and, by the love which I bear thee, I promise ever in the future to serve thee, and do what in me lies to win others to thy love. In thee I put all my trust, all my hope of salvation. Receive me as thy servant, and cover me with the mantle of thy protection, thou who art the Mother of Mercy! And since thou hast so much power with God, deliver me from all temptations, or at least obtain for me the grace to overcome them. From thee I ask a true love of Jesus Christ and the grace of a happy death. O my mother! by thy love for God, I beseech thee be at all times my helper, but, above all at the last moment of my life. Leave me not until you see me safe in heaven, there for endless ages to bless thee, and sing thy praises. Amen. *(300 days, each time)*

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O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. *(300 days, once a day)*

Mother of love, of sorrow, and of mercy, pray for us. *(300 days, each time)*

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us. *(300 days, each time)*

Mary, our hope, have pity on us. *(300 days, each time)*

Blessed be the holy and Immaculate Conception of the most blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. *(300 days, each time)*

Sweet heart of Mary, be my salvation! *(300 days, each time)*

Mary, Virgin Mother of God, pray to Jesus for me. *(100 days, once a day)*

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Prayer

THE NOVENA OF MASSES
OFFERED EACH MONTH AT OUR SHRINE
IS AS FOLLOWS:

January: Espousal of Mary, 15th to 23rd.
February: Our Lady of Lourdes, 3rd to 11th.
March: Annunciation of Mary, 17th to 25th.
April: Mother of Good Counsel, 18th to 26th.
May: Help of Christians, 16th to 24th.
June: Mother of Divine Grace, 12th to 20th.
July: Visitation of Mary, 2nd to 10th.
August: Assumption of Mary, 7th to 15th.
September: Seven Dolors of Mary, 7th to 15th.
October: Rosary of Mary, 7th to 15th.
November: Our Lady of Miraculous Medal, 19th to 27th.
December: Immaculate Conception of Mary, 8th to 16th.

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A BRIEF ACCOUNT
OF ITS HISTORY
AND OF THE
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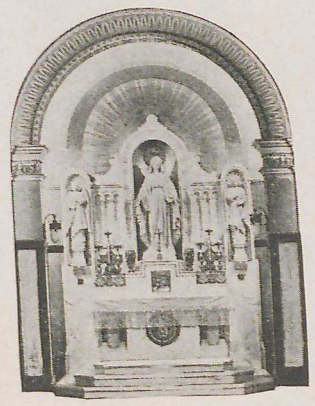

Miraculous Medal

The medal of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, or the Miraculous Medal, is the official medal in honor of the Immaculate Conception. It was manifested by the Blessed Mother in an apparition to Blessed Catherine Laboure, a Daughter of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

Association of the Miraculous Medal The Association of the Miraculous Medal is a pious association which in the words of Pope Pius X "has been established as a living and perpetual memorial of the Apparition of Mary Immaculate."

Object of Association The object of this Association is to render due honor to Mary, first by sanctifying ourselves and second by contributing to the sanctification of our neighbor by means of the Miraculous Medal.

Membership The only condition for becoming a member is that the person wear a Miraculous Medal suspended from the neck after the medal has been blessed and imposed by a priest

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delegated to do so, according to the rite approved by Pope Leo XIII. This faculty is granted gratis to any priest applying to the office of this Association.

Benefits of Membership Those who wear the Medal after it has been properly imposed have frequent opportunities of gaining plenary indulgences as well as many partial indulgences. A list of the indulgences to be gained may be found in this booklet. No new obligations are incurred by one joining this Association.

Prayer "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!" This prayer, seen on the medal, was written in letters of gold around the apparition of the Blessed Mother to Blessed Catherine. Members of the Association should recite this prayer often, particularly in time of need.

Shrine The Priests of the Congregation of the Mission, or the Vincentian Fathers of the Western Province of the United States, have established the Association of the Miraculous Medal with headquarters at Perryville, Missouri. His Grace, the Most Reverend Archbishop of St. Louis, in a letter to the First Director, in 1918 heartily approved of the establishment of the Association of the Miraculous Medal at St. Mary's Seminary, Perryville, Mo. A beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is erected in the Church of the Assumption on the grounds of the Seminary.



Bl. Catherine Laboure

THE STORY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

The story of the Miraculous Medal must begin with a short account of the life of Sister Catherine Laboure, a humble Daughter of Charity, to whom the Blessed Mother manifested this little medal. Save for the apparitions and the actual manifestation of the Medal, the facts of the life of this humble servant of Mary Immaculate are easily and quickly told.

BLESSED CATHERINE LABOURE

Catherine Laboure, or Zoe as her family called her, was born May 2, 1806 in the village of Fainles-Moutiers in the Cote d' Or, France. Her parents were of peasant stock and sincerely pious; they gave her the name Catherine at her baptism. When the girl was nine years old her mother died and from that time forward Catherine chose Mary, Consoler of the Afflicted, for her only mother. At eleven years of age little Zoe was keeping house for her father, her brothers and sisters, snatching moments of prayer when her duties allowed. When she made her First Holy Communion at twelve years of age the pious girl resolved henceforth to lead a life of Christian perfection. She wished to enter some religious community, but when her father objected that she was needed at home she dutifully submitted. At eighteen she had a dream in which a venerable old priest appeared and beck-

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oned to her to approach. He told her that one day she would be glad to come to him and that God had great designs on her. She saw a picture of this old priest some time after and learned that it was St. Vincent de Paul.

After overcoming many trials and obstacles Catherine Laboure finally entered the Seminary, or Novitiate, of the Daughters of Charity, a religious community founded by the old priest of her dream, St. Vincent de Paul. She became a Seminary sister, or novice, in April 1830 and three months later received the first of those three apparitions in which the Blessed Mother manifested to her the Miraculous Medal. Her spiritual guide Father Aladel C. M., Director of the Daughters of Charity, was a prudent, cautious man and it was two years before the world received the little medal. Did Sister Catherine then become the object of universal veneration? Not at all; she was sent to the Hospice of Enghien, a home for aged, poor men in Paris. For forty-six years Sister Catherine labored here but she took such care to be in no way remarkable that it was only after her death they remembered her holy life and began to realize that a saint had been in their midst. Until a few months before her death, at seventy years of age, it was not known that she was the Sister to whom the Manifestation of the Miraculous Medal had been made. It was probably according to the secret instructions of the Blessed Mother that Sister Catherine confided her mission to no one but Father Aladel, her confessor.

Sister Catherine surrendered her soul to God on December 31st, 1876. The fame of her sanctity spread far and wide so that on July 9, 1931 Pope Pius XI pronounced her virtues heroic. On May 28, 1933 the same Pontiff declared this favorite child of Mary Immaculate to be Blessed. Her feast is celebrated November 28th.



First Apparition

FIRST APPARITION

About three months after her arrival at the Mother-house in Paris, Sister Catherine was favored with the first apparition of the Blessed Mother. Toward eleven o'clock on the night of July 18th, the eve of the feast of St. Vincent, she was roused from sleep and saw standing beside her bed a little child surrounded by dazzling light. She was frightened but did not cry out. The child calmed her fears and bade her dress quickly and follow him to the chapel. Disturbing no one the Sister did

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as she was told and arriving at the chapel found it all illuminated as if for some great feast. She knelt near the altar and soon became aware of the rustling of silk near by. There in the chair usually occupied by the Director of the Sisters sat the Blessed Mother.

The Blessed Mother told Sister Catherine how to act in times of trial, recommending to her, and all of us, devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. "My child," she added, "I wish to charge you with a mission. You will have much to suffer in the performance of it but the thought that it will be for the glory of God will enable you to overcome all difficulties."

Mary foretold to the young Sister some evil events that were to fall upon France and that the whole world would be in sorrow. "But come," she added, "to the foot of this altar. There graces will be showered on you and on all those who shall ask for them rich or poor."

SECOND APPARITION

The second apparition was the one in which our Immaculate Mother manifested to Sister Catherine the new medal which was later to be called the Miraculous Medal. The apparition took place in November of the same year. Here is Sister Catherine's own account of the apparition.

"The 27th of November, 1830, which was a Saturday and eve of the first Sunday in Advent, whilst making my meditation in profound silence, at half-past five in the evening, I seemed to hear on the right hand side of the sanctuary something like the rustling of a silk dress, and glancing in that direction, I perceived the Blessed Virgin standing near St. Joseph's picture; her height was medium, and her countenance so beautiful that it would be impossible for me to describe it. She



Second Apparition

was standing, clothed in a robe the color of auroral light, with high neck and plain sleeves. Her head was covered with a white veil, which descended on each side to her feet. Her hair was smooth on the forehead, and above was a coif ornamented with a little lace and fitting close to her head. Her face was only partially covered, and her feet rested upon a globe, or rather a hemisphere (at least, I saw but half a globe). Her hands were raised about as high as her waist, and she held in a graceful attitude another globe (a figure of the universe).

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Her eyes were lifted up to Heaven, and her countenance was radiant as she offered the globe to our Lord."

Then Sister Catherine tells us of the rings of precious stones that covered the fingers of our Blessed Mother. From these stones darted forth the brightest rays — symbols of the graces which Mary Immaculate bestows on all who ask for them. "There now formed around the Blessed Virgin", continues Sister Catherine, "a frame slightly oval, upon which appeared in golden letters these words: 'O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee'."

"Then I heard a voice which said: 'Have a medal struck from this model; persons who wear it blessed will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck; graces will be abundantly bestowed upon those who have confidence.' Suddenly the picture seemed to turn . . ." The reverse of the picture bore the letter M surmounted by a cross, having a bar at its base and beneath the monogram of Mary were the hearts of Jesus and Mary, the first surrounded with a crown of thorns, the other transpierced with a sword.

THIRD APPARITION

Father Aladel, C. M., her director, treated the accounts of the apparitions with coldness and severity, and even forbade Sister Catherine to believe in them. She tried to obey but could not efface the consoling memory of the heavenly visitations. In December she had another apparition similar to the one of November 27th, except that the Blessed Mother passed the picture of St. Joseph and took a position above and to the rear of the Tabernacle. Again she was told to have a medal struck according to the model.



Third Apparition

FIRST MEDALS

Two years passed before Father Aladel began to carry out the commands Sister Catherine had received; he feared to make a mistake in so important a matter. With his penitent's permission he related the apparitions to Father Etienne, C. M., Superior General of the Priests of the Mission and of the Daughters of Charity. The two priests then laid the entire matter before Msgr. de Quelen, Archbishop of Paris. With the Archbishop's approval the first medals were struck on June 30,

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1832. After serious deliberation it was decided to represent the Blessed Mother according to the existing model in which she stood with her hands extended. The Archbishop himself accepted some of the first medals made and immediately put them to use. There was in Paris an erring, disobedient bishop then near death. The good Archbishop after invoking Mary's help went to call on the bishop, carrying with him one of the new medals. The bishop repented of his errors, made his confession, and passed away peacefully in the arms of the Archbishop.

SPREAD OF THE MEDAL

From city to city, from country to country the little medal made its way. The Daughters of Charity distributed it in hospitals, schools, in the homes of the poor; the Priests of the Mission in their missions, retreats and houses of study. Accounts of favors began to pour in — conversions, cures, reconciliations, and spiritual renovations of whole parishes. These favors became so numerous that by popular acclaim the new medal soon received the name — Miraculous Medal.

FEAST

Pope Leo XIII granted to the Priests of the Mission and to the Daughters of Charity a feast with special Mass and Office in honor of Mary Immaculate under the title of the Miraculous Medal. This feast is celebrated yearly on November 27th.

WEARING THE MEDAL

The Miraculous Medal is not a charm or amulet, it possesses no magic; it is simply a sacramental approved by the Church. We wear the medal for the same reason that we say prayers, namely to invoke the help of the Blessed Mother.



Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

It is a prayer in metal form. Mary herself designed this little medal and sanctioned its devout use; the Church blesses it with solemn prayers and imposes it upon the shoulders of the wearer who in accordance with Mary's promise will receive "great graces"

MEANING OF THE MEDAL

On the front of the Miraculous Medal we see Mary Immaculate standing on the earth, crushing beneath her feet a serpent. This is a symbol of the manner in which she defeated Satan by the birth of her Divine Son. The rays of light coming from her outstretched hands symbolize the graces she sheds on all those who ask for them. On the reverse side of the medal we find represented the hearts of Jesus and Mary, and the letter M sur-

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mounted by a bar and a cross. These tell us that Mary is not only our Queen but Mother of Sorrows as we'' The placing of Mary's sword-pierced heart next to the thorn-crowned heart of Jesus teaches us that in sorrow as in glory, Son and Mother are always together. The letter M placed beneath the Cross reminds us that Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on Calvary.

PRAYERS

When the priest blesses the Medal and imposes it on the wearer he says the following prayer:

"O Almighty and Merciful God, Who, through the manifold apparitions of the Immaculate Virgin on earth, has deigned continually to perform wonderful things for the salvation of souls, graciously bestow Thy blessing on this medal that they who piously venerate and devoutly wear it may feel Thy protection and obtain Thy mercy. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen."

To the one receiving the medal the priest says:

"Receive this holy medal, wear it faithfully and keep it with fitting veneraton that the most pious and Immaculate Queen of Heaven may protect and defend you; and repeating the prodigies of her love, may she mercifully obtain for you whatever you suppliantly ask of God, so that in life and in death you may rest happily in her maternal embrace. Amen."

THE ASSOCIATION OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

The center of this Association is established at the Mother-House of the Daughters of Charity, Paris.

In the Acta Apostolicae Sedis the following statutes were approved July 8, 1909, by Pius X.

STATUTES

Article 1

The Association of the Holy Medal in Honor of the Immaculate Conception has been established as a living and perpetual memorial of the apparition of Mary Immaculate, which took place (at the Chapel of the Daughters of Charity, Rue du Bac, Paris) in the year 1830, the feast of which is celebrated on November 27. At this apparition the Blessed Virgin herself clearly indicated the design of the commemorative medal that was to be struck. The medal spread and wrought wonders, and thus received from the faithful the title "Miraculous".



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Article 2

The end or aim of the Association is to render due honor to Mary Immaculate, first by sanctifying ourselves and second by contributing to the sanctification of our neighbor by means of the Miraculous Medal. The medal is an efficacious symbol of this double sanctification, by virtue of the promises attached to it by Mary herself.

Article 3

The Association canonically erected in each diocese is governed according to its own laws and usages, by diocesan directors appointed by their respective bishops, but under the authority of one director general.

Article 4

By virtue of a rescript of His Holiness Pius X (June 3, 1905), the same privileges and indulgences granted to the Association of the Scapular of the Immaculate Conception (blue scapular) have been extended to the Association of the Holy Medal of the Immaculate Conception. (Miraculous Medal).

Article 5

All the faithful of both sexes may become members of this Association and sharers in its privileges. The only condition is that they wear the medal suspended from the neck on the breast, when the medal has been blessed and imposed by a priest delegated to do so according to the rite approved by Leo XIII (April 19, 1895).

Article 6

The principal feast of the Association is November 27, — Feast of the Apparition of the Immaculate Virgin of the Miraculous Medal.

Article 7

The associates incur no new obligation. They are recommended to repeat frequently the invocation inscribed on the medal: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." (300 days, Apr. 15, 1932)

By Papal Decree the Director General of the Association is the Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission and of the Daughters of Charity, also by the same decree is dispensed the need of inscribing the names of those enrolled.

According to article 4 of the Statutes, the Indulgences and Privileges of the Association of the Scapular of the Immaculate Conception (blue scapular) have been extended to the Association of the Miraculous Medal by a Rescript of Our Holy Father, Pius X, June 3, 1905.

The following is a summary of these Indulgences and Privileges.

PLENARY INDULGENCES

1. On the day of reception.

2. A member elevated to the priesthood on the day of his first Mass.

3. At the hour of death.

4. During exercises of retreat; once a year.

5. On the first Sunday of each month.

6. All the Saturdays of Lent.

7. On Passion Sunday and on following Friday.

8. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Holy Week.

9. On the feast of Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost.

10. On feast of Immaculate Conception, Nativity, Purification, Annunciation and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

11. On the principal Theatine feasts: St. Cajetan, August 7; Exaltation of the Holy Cross, September 14; St. Andrew Avelino, November 10; St. Joseph, March 19; Blessed Joseph Mary Thomas, March 24; Finding of the Holy Cross, May 3; Blessed Paul Buralis (Theatine), June 17; St. John the Baptist, June 24; St. Peter and

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St. Paul, June 29; Last Sunday of July; Our Lady of Angels of Portiuncula, August 2; St. Augustine, August 28; St. Michael, the Archangel, September 29; Guardian Angels, October 2; St. Teresa, October 15; All Saints, November 1; and Blessed John Maronius (Theatine), December 13.

12. On several other days of the year, on first and last days of Christmas novena; once a year during the Forty Hours; on April 12, Canonization of St. Cajetan, the day appointed by the Director General.

13. The indulgences of the Roman Stations on days specified in Roman Missal on condition that one visit a church containing an altar of Our Blessed Mother and pray for the ordinary intentions. (If the Theatines have a church in the place, that church is to be visited. — Pius IX, December 3, 1847).

14. The indulgences of the seven Roman Basilicas twice a month (conditions same as just above).

15. Twice a month the indulgences granted those who visit the Holy Land and the Holy Sepulcher (condition as in 13).

16. An indulgence of ten years is now granted as often as six Our Fathers, six Hail Marys and six Glorias are said devoutly and with contrite heart according to the intention of the Holy Father. If these prayers are said for a month a plenary indulgence may be gained on the usual conditions.



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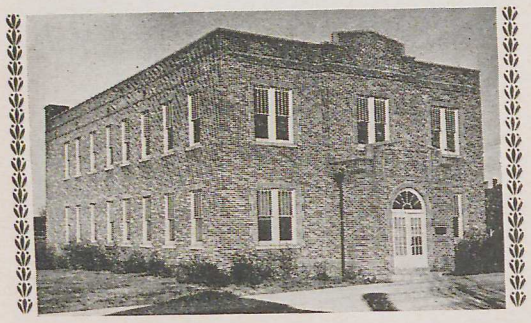
PARTIAL INDULGENCES

1. Sixty years for those who make half an hour's meditation.

2. Twenty years for visiting the sick, aiding them spiritually or corporally, or (if the visit be impossible) for reciting for the intention of the sick five Our Fathers, five Hail Marys and five Glorias.

3. Twenty years may be gained on the Octaves of the feasts of Our Lord, and on the feasts of the Saints of the Augustinian, Dominican, Carmelite, Trinitarian, and Servite Orders.

4. Seven years and seven quarantines on the minor feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary. And when one goes to confession and Communion, when one accompanies the Blessed Sacrament being carried to the sick, when one recites seven Our Fathers, seven Hail Marys and seven Glorias for the sick who received Holy Communion. The same indulgences are gained on all feasts to which a plenary indulgence is attached by a visit to a church containing an altar dedicated to our Blessed Mother. Confession and Communion are not prescribed for this indulgence. The same, for the recitation of the "Hail, Holy Queen," at vespers, when one prays for the needs of the Church. The same, daily from Septuagesima to Palm Sunday on



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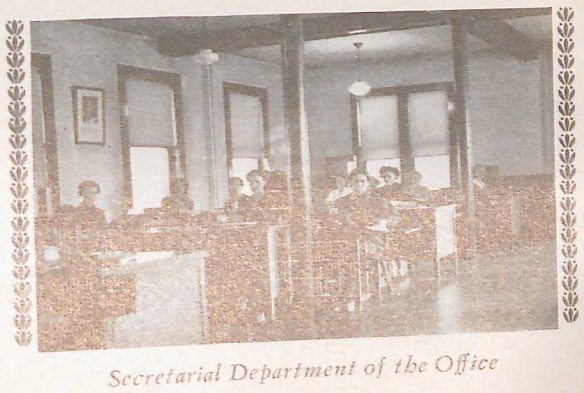
condition that one receive Holy Communion and recite seven Our Fathers, seven Hail Marys and seven Glorias for the needs of the Church. The same on the feasts of the Invention and Exaltation of the Holy Cross, if an alms be given. The same on three Fridays of each month by receiving Holy Communion. The same on seven days of novena before Christmas. The same on every Monday, if one visit the Blessed Sacrament.

5. Five years and five quarantines daily, if a visit be made to any church and five Our Fathers, five Hail Marys and five Glorias be said. An indulgence of three hundred days daily during the Octave of Pentecost, two hundred days each time that one is present at a sermon, sixty days for each pious work, fifty days for piously invoking the holy names of Jesus and Mary, or when one recites an Our Father, a Hail Mary and a Gloria in any church for the living and the dead.

6. Mass said at any altar for a deceased person who had been rightly enrolled in and wore the Miraculous Medal enjoys the spiritual advantage of a Mass said at a privileged altar.

(Vide Rescripta Authentica, S. Cong. Ind., p. 574-579). A. A. S., XXV, p. 254-5.



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UNION OF MASSES

of

The Association of the Miraculous Medal

In connection with the Association we have established a Union of Masses. Three monthly Novenas of Masses are offered for all members belonging to the Union of Masses, one in our Shrine at Perryville, Mo., the second in St. Vincent's Church, Chicago, and the third in the Chapel of the Apparition at Paris. Anyone may join the Union of Masses. The names of deceased relatives and friends may be enrolled as members of this Union. This booklet together with a Miraculous Medal and membership card will be sent to each living member.

How to Join To belong to the Union of Masses it is not necessary to be invested in the medal, but we urge everyone to be invested in order to gain the indulgences of the Association. Membership in the Union of Masses of the Association may be taken out as follows:

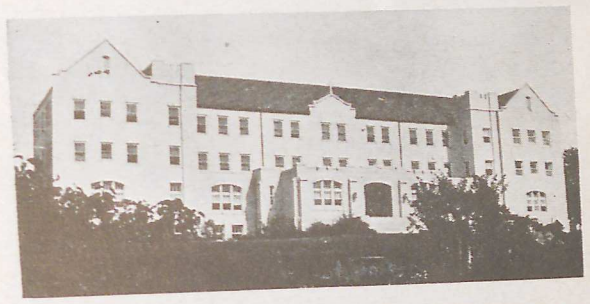
1. Annual Membership for the offering of twenty-five cents.

2. Five Year Membership for the offering of one dollar.

3. Life Membership for the offering of five dollars. Each Life Member receives an engraved membership certificate in a leatherette folder.



General View of Seminary



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4. Perpetual Membership for the offering of ten dollars. Each Perpetual Member receives an engraved membership certificate in a leatherette folder.

5. Family Perpetual Membership for the offering of fifty dollars. This includes husband and wife, their children, their brothers and sisters and their parents. Each Family taking out this membership receives a special Family Perpetual Membership certificate very attractive and suitably engraved.

Life, Perpetual and Family Perpetual Memberships may be acquired by making monthly offerings of one dollar or more. Participation in the spiritual benefits will start at the time of the first offering and when the entire offering has been received the certificate will be sent to the donor.

Life and Perpetual Members A Life Member shares during life, and a Perpetual Member not only during life but also after death in the monthly Novena of Masses said in perpetuity in our Shrine of the Miraculous Medal. They also share in the other Novenas of Masses whenever these Novenas are offered for members of the Union of Masses.

Offerings All offerings received are used to spread devotion to Mary Immaculate and to educate young men for the priesthood.

Novena at Shrine The Novena of Masses offered at Perryville, Mo., each month is as follows:

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January: Espousal of Mary, 15th to 23rd;

February: Our Lady of Lourdes, 3rd to 11th;

March: Annunciation of Mary, 17th to 25th;

April: Mother of Good Counsel, 18th to 26th;

May: Help of Christians, 16th to 24th;

June: Mother of Divine Grace, 12th to 20th;

July: Visitation of Mary, 2nd to 10th;

August: Assumption of Mary, 7th to 15th;

September: Seven Dolors of Mary, 7th to 15th;

October: Rosary of Mary, 7th to 15th;

November: Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, 19th to 27th;

December: Immaculate Conception of Mary, 8th to 16th.



Grotto on Seminary Grounds

PROMOTERS

A Promoter is one who sends in yearly at least twelve Annual Memberships or Memberships amounting to three dollars. Promoters should endeavor to form bands of twelve, symbolic of the twelve stars on the Miraculous Medal. Any member may become a Promoter, and the same Promoter may form many bands of members. If Promoters cannot form a band of twelve at one time, they may send in any number of memberships and we will give them a suitable premium for the number they send in, or we will credit the number on any premium they desire.

Object of Promoters Since the chief aim of the Association is to spread devotion to our Immaculate Mother, we urge all members to strive to spread this devotion among their friends and acquaintances, in others words, to become Promoters of the Association.

Benefits of Promoters 1. They participate in the monthly Novenas of Masses offered for members.

2. Three special Novenas are offered each year for Promoters — one in the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal at Perryville, Mo.; another in the Church of St. Andrea delle Fratte in Rome; and the third in the Chapel of the Apparition in Paris.

3. A Special Novena is offered each month for Promoters, beginning the sixth of the month.

4. Active Promoters at their death become Perpetual Members of the Union of Masses of the Association, and they also share in the other Novenas of Masses offered for Promoters.

5. Promoters are entitled to premiums according to the number of members they secure, as stated

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on our premium list. They also receive a special Promoter Medal and a certificate entitling them to a Papal blessing granted especially to them.

Need of Promoters More Promoters are needed to spread devotion to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. We are anxious to enlarge the number of our Promoters, so we request you to secure your friends and acquaintances as Promoters of the Association. Also please send us the names and addresses of those who you think will be interested in the work of the Association.

We ask the readers of this little booklet to say one Hail Mary every day for the success of our work in spreading devotion to our Blessed Mother.

Shrine The beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal seen on page 15 is situated in the Church of the Assumption on the grounds of St. Mary's Seminary, Perryville, Missouri.

Office The office dedicated to the work of spreading devotion to our Blessed Mother through the Miraculous Medal is located in Perryville, Missouri. From this office priests may obtain, gratis, faculties for blessing and imposing the medal and the faithful may secure medals and literature about the devotion.

Petitions A beautiful white marble urn stands before the altar of the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal and is placed there to receive petitions for favors which the faithful wish the Blessed Mother to obtain for them. Anyone may send in a petition to be placed in this urn.

Silent Sentinel Votive Lights may be burned before the altar of the Shrine for the intentions of those who have special favors they wish to obtain. A Votive Light will burn for

nine days for the offering of one dollar or a month for three dollars and fifty cents.

Publication of Favors The publication in the Vincentian Magazine of Favors received tends greatly to spread devotion to Mary Immaculate and is also a means of testifying one's gratitude to the Blessed Mother for her intercession. All are urged to send in accounts of special favors received. No names will be used in the publication of the favors.

Perpetual Novena Many churches throughout the country have started Perpetual Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. This Novena is a short service lasting one-half hour, in honor of Mary Immaculate made up of prayers, singing, reading of favors received, a short sermon and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Novena services are held one day in the week and every week in the year, so that one may start any week and finish a Novena nine weeks later. Many favors have been received by those who have made these Novenas to Our Blessed Mother. Pastors may obtain information and novena booklets from the Director of the Association of the Miraculous Medal.

Address all communications to:

Rev. Joseph A. Finney, C. M., Director
Association of the Miraculous Medal,
St. Mary's Seminary, Perryville, Missouri

December 2, 1940

DEVOTION TO MARY IMMACULATE

You are urged to have a constant and ever-increasing devotion to our Blessed Mother. Say frequently the invocation inscribed on the medal: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

You are well aware that your great work in life, the one thing necessary is your personal sanctification. The one thing we need in life is greater love for Jesus. Day by day our life moves on towards eternity, and day by day we feel that we must be busy about life's supreme work, its greatest good — the growing like unto Jesus. Who is to assist us in our task, in our daily efforts? Mary, our Mother. She is the "Gate of Heaven", the "Morning Star" of our life. No one has ever called upon her and been left unaided.

In joy and sorrow, in peace and trouble, and life's unceasing struggle, when temptations gather and the burden grows heavy, call upon Mary Immaculate, and you will find peace and rest to your soul. Strive to bring others to know her. Tell them of her beauty and her glory, of the marvelous sanctity wherewith God has clothed her. To know her is to love her; and they that find her shall find life and shall have salvation from the Lord.

She is the protectress and guide of youth, the help and strength of advancing years, and the consolation and sweetness of old age. Through Mary we shall find Jesus, and to find Jesus is life's hope fulfilled — the completion of our joy, the crown and palm of victory.

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My dear Mr. and Mrs. Berzone:

The President has asked me to thank you and your son for your very nice letter of congratulations, with the enclosure. He wants you to know of his sincere appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Berzone,
19 South Martindale Avenue,
Ventnor,
New Jersey.

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198 S. Martindale Ave.
Ventnor N. J.
November 6. 1940

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Dear Mr. President:-

I prayed fervently for God to guide the election that the man most worthy be chosen. You were that man. I pray to God that he send you strength of mind and body to see "Our Country" through this crisis. I am enrolling you in the Miraculous Medal

H. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Eva Morrill,
Fanny Allen Hospital,
Winooski,
Vermont.

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association for Protection. Will you kindly wear this medal around your neck for complete protection from the enemy. You need not be a Catholic to wear it. Our prayers will be offered daily for your protection. May God Bless you and may the Holy Ghost descend upon you when making important decisions.

Respectfully Yours.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bujone and Son

and happiness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Eva Morrill,
Fanny Allen Hospital,
Winooski,
Vermont.

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eceived your friendly little note and thanks you very much for the handkerchief. He appreciates your kindness in sending it to him and asks me to convey his best wishes for your health and happiness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Eva Morrill,
Fanny Allen Hospital,
Winooski,
Vermont.

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BENEFITS

1. Two Novenas of Masses offered every month; one beginning on the 20th day at Mary's Central Shrine, Germantown, and the other at the Chapel of the Apparitions in Paris.

2. Other Novenas of Masses offered frequently at famous Shrines of Our Lady in Europe.

3. Members mutually help one another by their prayers, and all share in the spiritual good accomplished by our Association in its three-fold work of propagating devotion to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, educating young men for the priesthood and spreading the Faith in Mary's Kanchow Vicariate, China.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Eva Morrill,
Fanny Allen Hospital,
Winooski,
Vermont.

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December 4, 1940

My dear Mrs. Morrill:

The President has received your friendly little note and thanks you very much for the handkerchief. He appreciates your kindness in sending it to him and asks me to convey his best wishes for your health and happiness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Eva Morrill,
Fanny Allen Hospital,
Winooski,
Vermont.

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Rutland Vt.
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Dear Mr. President, (Handmade)
Here is a little gift that I made a couple weeks before you were elected as a remmberence. I hope you like it. If you hadn't got the third term I would keep it my self. or perhaps I would have sent it to you any how just to let you know that I am all for you I am staying at the Fanny allen Hospital for my health an make hankies to past the time away I'm so very glad that you are going to be our president for the next four years an may God bless an watch over you. Mrs. Eva Morrill

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My dear Miss O'Connor:

The President has asked me to thank you for your message of congratulations and the medal which you enclosed. He wants you to know of his sincere appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Miss Margaret O'Connor,
P. O. Box 692,
Pasadena,
California.

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Nov 10 - 40

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Roosevelt

Hotel

Pasadena

Once more I extend my
congratulations on your
success. My prayer again
is that God will help
and direct you for the
time to come

Sincerely
Margaret Pound
P. O. Box 692
Pasadena Calif

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Mrs. B. Gudgeon,
3767 Hudson Boulevard,
North Bergen,
New Jersey.

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Franklin D. Roosevelt

Mr President

Once more I extend my congratulations on your success. My prayer again is that God will help and direct you for the time to come

Sincerely

Margaret Pound

P. O. Box 692

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M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. B. Gudgeon,
3767 Hudson Boulevard,
North Bergen,
New Jersey.

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December 4, 1940

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My dear Mrs. Gudgeon:

Your letter to the President of November thirteenth has been received, and he asks me to convey to you his sincere appreciation for your kind thought in sending the medals to him and Mrs. Roosevelt. He is indeed grateful for your friendly interest and your good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. B. Gudgeon,
3767 Hudson Boulevard,
North Bergen,
New Jersey.

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Have been making a
Novena for your re-election

Pennsylvania.

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The reason for my writing you
is, I want to place you under the
guidance of Our Blessed Mother Our
Miraculous Medal





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Have been making a
Novena for your re-election

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3767 Hudson Blvd.
North Bergen,
N. J.

My dear President:-

Enclosed you will find two (2) blessed medals of St. Paul and St. Gabriel of St. Michael's Monastary, Union City, N.J. (one for you and one for Mrs Roosevelt.)

Have been making a Novena for your re-election

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and after casting my
vote for your support, I
have been praying to these
two Saints for you to win.

After my ninth (9) week of
Novena my favor has been
granted. I am so thankful
to these great Saints and
hope that you will be
able to run as Gods permit.

Wishing you lots of
luck & health.

Will ~~be~~ always be

Elaine H. Burr,
123 Rinne Street (10),
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania.

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The reason for my writing you
is, I want to place you under the
guidance of Our Blessed Mother for
Enclosing a Miraculous Medal

a support for you.

Mrs B. Gudgeon.

123 Rinne Street (10).
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania.

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December 3, 1940

My dear Elaine:

The President was delighted to receive your very nice letter, and he has asked me to thank you for your kind thought in sending him the Miraculous Medal and your prayers. He requests me to send you his best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Elaine H. Burr,
123 Rinne Street (10),
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania.

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Pittsburgh, Pa. - Rec'd.
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Franklin D. Roosevelt. President
U. S. of America.
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. President:

This will introduce to you
Elaine H. Burr, aged seven years.
I wish to congratulate you on a
third term.
The reason for my writing you
is, I want to place you under the
guidance of: "Our Blessed Mother". I'm
inclosing a Miraculous Medal, which

was given to me by my teacher,
Sister M. Cleta.

I'm passing it on to you with the
hope that you will wear it or place it
in your vest pocket.

Mary, God, bless you and keep you safe,
and that you will be spared to us for
many more years to come.

Very truly yours,
Elaine H. Burr

P. S. Save America for the "Little Americans."
(1 = Inclosure)
November 10, 1940

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~~Mr. Morris~~
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December 3, 1940

My dear Mr. Mullinax:

The President is pleased to have the cane to which you refer in your letter of November fourteenth. He has noted with interest what you say and asks me to express his sincere appreciation of the friendly thought which prompted you to send it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

R. G. Mullinax, Esq.,
Route 4,
Gaffney,
South Carolina.

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Gaffney, S. C.
November 14, 1940.

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

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover I am mailing you a walking stick.

I wish to present this stick to you, a stick that I have carved from a Sourwood tree grown here in Cherokee County, S. C.

Yours truly,

R. G. Mullinax
Route 4, Gaffney, S. C.

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December 4, 1940

My dear Bernadette:

The President has asked me to acknowledge your letter of November eighth, with the enclosed medal, and to thank you very much for the nice things you say. He deeply appreciates the contribution which you were good enough to send for the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

I have much pleasure in conveying the President's best wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Bernadette Ludtke,
2322 West Belden Avenue,
Chicago,
Illinois.

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Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
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Dear Beloved President
I am a school girl 11 years old
and I just want to let You
know how happy I am that
God answered my prayers
when I begged Him to give
back to us our Dear President
whom we all love so very
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Believe me not only I
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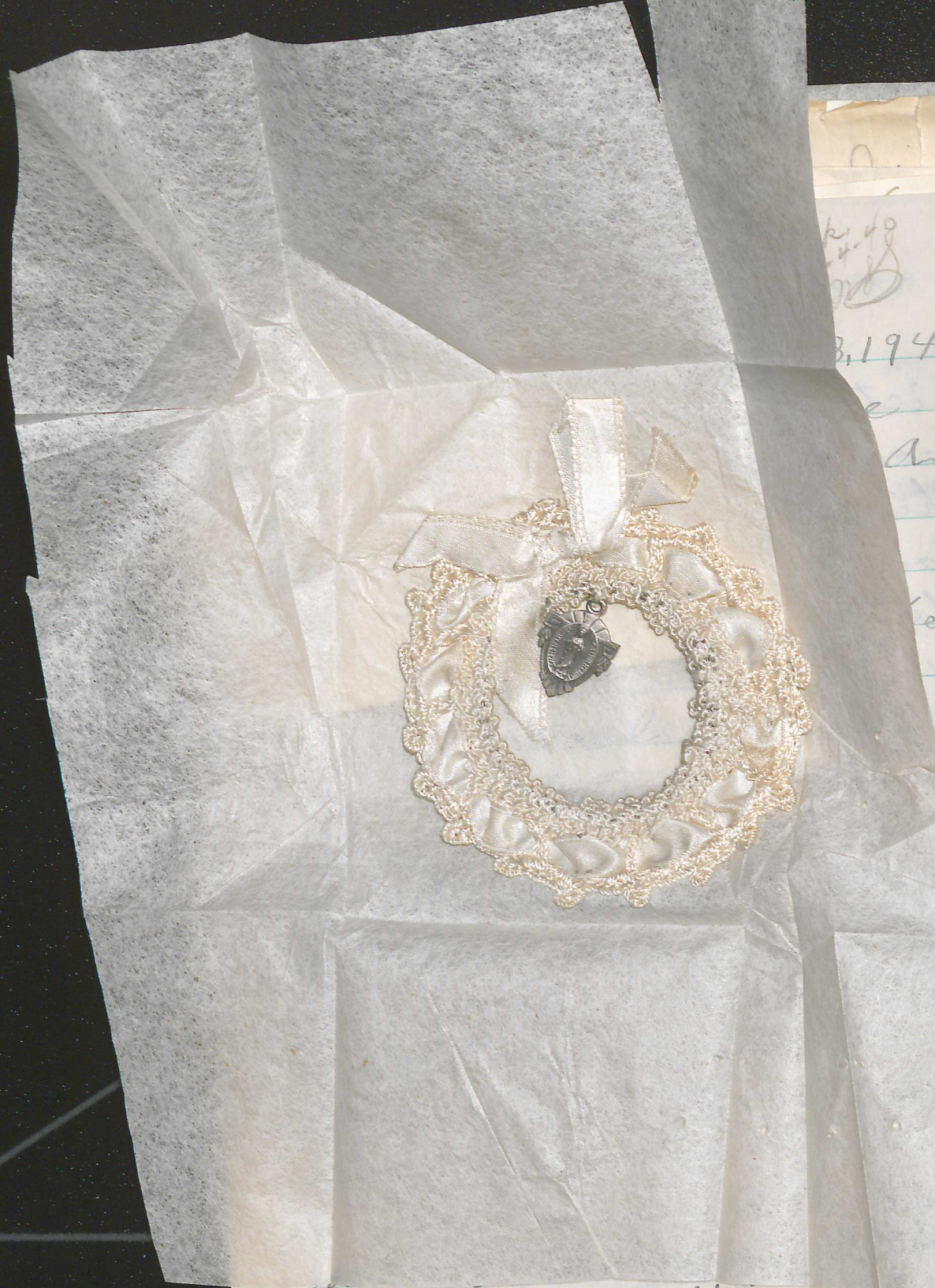

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Chicago Ill. Nov. 8, 1940
Bernadette Ludtke
2322 W. Belden Ave.

Washington D. C.
To the President of the U.S.

Dear Beloved President
I am a school girl 10 years old
and I just want to let You
know how happy I am that
God answered my prayer's
when I begged Him to give
back to us our Dear President
whom we all love so very
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Believe me not only I
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victory. And now please accept this tiny gift, may this Madonnd protect You and guard You as She did her son Infant Jesus in his flight to Egypt. Also kindly accept my small token as a remembrance for Your birthday towards the fight of Infantile para- lllysis.

With my most deepest and sincere respect to You and the new deal.

I remain

Bernadette Ludtke

P. S. Please Dear Sir send me Your autograph for remembrance

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
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Mr. Harris

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December 5, 1940

My dear Mr. Carpentier:

Your letter of recent date to the President has been received, and he wants you to know that he sincerely appreciates your friendly interest in writing. He has asked me to thank you for your kind thought in sending him the medals.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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M. Carpentier, Esq.,
62 South Second Avenue,
Mt. Vernon,
New York.

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

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62 South 2nd Ave,
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.,
Oct. 30, 1940.

M. Carpenter

To The President of United States,
White House + attd,
Washington, D. C. + 12/5 d

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Feed the Hungry
Clothe the Naked
Harbor the Homeless
Ransom the Captive
Visit the Sick
Bury the Dead

My dear Mr. President:

To feed the hungary. To give drink to the thirsty. To clothe the naked. To ransom the captive. To harbor the homeless. To visit the sick. To bury the dead.

These are Corporal Works of mercy.

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

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In the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ Son of God:- I hereby convey to you a message from God which is most vital to you and all its people in our great nation.

Hear Ye, Men of God, men who fear God, and believe in God, and men who serve God and work for their salvation and suffer to save all souls to Christ Our King. As president of the great

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United States of America, you have done what it was to your knowledge the best a human being could do for its Country, altho many people are not always understanding and don't seem to be in accord with all your principles- Remember, my dear, Mr. President- you are to please God and God alone, helping your neighbor the way you are guided there God, and not man.

Election is very near,

Mrs. A. M. Marlin,
Route #2,
Cave City,
Arkansas.

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

the people are for you and against you- It is God's Holy will before you go out for voting; ~~please~~ pray in your chambers for one hour, and ask God if it is His holy will that you be re-elected- You promise to be guided thru prayer and God's enlightenment as to how to settle and handle all affairs of the States- but not to be guided by any man's or woman's opinion.

May God bless you, keep you in His care and protect you from your visible and invisible enemies. Your spiritual advocate in Jesus' Mary
Mary +++

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Mrs. A. M. Marlin,
Route #2,
Cave City,
Arkansas.

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

Present
Flower
Thrown away.

December 5, 1940

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My dear Mrs. Marlin:

The President has asked me to tell you that he is very grateful for your generous letter. He is indeed appreciative of your kind thought in sending the flower to him.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Mrs. A. M. Marlin,
Route #2,
Cave City,
Arkansas.

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MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

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May God Bless you Nov. 7. 1940
family from Mrs A.M. Marlin
Cave City ~~Ark~~ town
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Dear President
as i am getting old and He Never Had many to Buy a Pole
Poll tax Recit to vote for you But i
fasted and Prayd Nov 5th on Election
Morning i ask God to Bless Harts and His
will to Be Done i Trust God i will
You a Letter if He Hear my Prayer and
answer it By Helping you to Be
our President a gain i Just Lifted
my Hands Clost thrue Said Praise
God Plans well may God Bless
and Strengths you Give you Wisdom
from a Bare is my Humbell Prayer
Help us meet in Heaven is my Prayer
we May Have no Home of our own
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Country Please Exept my thanks
and Letter and Litter Flavors
yours in Jesus Lord

MRS. A. M. MARLIN
CAVE. CITY. ARK R 2

GOD IS LOVE

Thanksgiving

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for eevr.

William Meyers.

Pres. Study 1

December 6, 1940

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My dear Miss Keenan:

The President has asked me to tell you that he is very grateful for your generous letter and badge. He is indeed appreciative.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Miss Marie Keenan,
8812 Tinicum Avenue,
West Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania.

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William Meyers.

Pres. Study 1

Nov. 8/1940.
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to the Dearest President we ever had. and may God keep you and Mother and family well and take good care of yourself. I am sending you a little badge to keep inside your pocket when you go on a tour or a fishing trip it will keep you from harm. The Catholic people have great faith in it is called the League of Sacred Heart of Christ.

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so of threats on her life.
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Dear President. I was a little
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always had good. Mark and
badges. the first time your
became our great leader
my Aunt asked me to send
you a emblem it read where
ever my image shall be hung.
nothing will fear you and
it has proven so. I hope
you will pardon me for
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this letter but I am doing
this for my Aunt, she has.

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a opration she told the
Dr she wanted to live to see
President. Roosvelt elected and
he laughed at her but now she
can laugh at him Thank
God this is my second vote since
I left school.

So good. Bye Mr President
and. Good Luck and.
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My name is Marie Keenan
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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Harriet Haddad,
244 East 74th Street,
New York, N. Y.

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Sincerely yours,
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244 E. 74th Street
New York City
November 8, 1940

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F.D. Roosevelt
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Roosevelt,

With the rest of the nation I am rejoicing in your reelection. Certainly God has blessed us in giving you & us as a leader.

As on the two previous occasions of your election, I am enclosing a Sacred Heart Badge for your protection. Wear it and I am sure God will bless you always in all you do and say. The Badge is blessed and has been touched by St Anne's Relic.

My sincere wishes for your continued fine work.

Sincerely yours,
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THE GREAT RELIC OF ST. ANN

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On October 7th, 1892, Mgr. Bernard O'Reilly, apostolic protonotary, wrote from New York to l'Univers, a newspaper published in France, as follows:

"A great Catholic movement, begun here in the month of May last, grows every day and is gaining all the States of the Union. . . . It owes its origin to the arrival in our midst of a great relic of St. Ann, sent by the Sovereign Pontiff, to St. Ann de Beaupré, near Quebec.

"Mgr. Calixte Marquis, apostolic protonotary, arrived in New York on the 1st of May last and stayed with Abbé Tétreau, pastor of the Canadian church of St. Jean Baptiste. He brought with him, from Rome, a great relic of St. Ann which he himself had detached from the saint's arm kept in the Benedictine monastery of St. Paul outside the walls in Rome. As he had to leave for Quebec on the day after his arrival, he was begged to expose the holy relic at vespers on that day. The news spread at once, the little church was full, everybody wanted to venerate the relic. A young man, twenty years old, a confirmed epileptic, came to the altar with his brother and fell into dreadful convulsions on the sanctuary steps. But, as soon as the priest touched his chest with the relic, the convulsions and cries ceased. The scene was such as one reads of in the gospels.

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"The crowd went away in silence, after venerating with lively faith that part of the arm which had so often held and caressed the Mother of the World Incarnate.

"At dawn on the morrow, the doors of the church were beseiged by a compact crowd which grew hourly until about eleven at night. Mgr. Marquis was compelled to postpone his departure. A great many miraculous cures were spoken of and people came from the suburbs of the great city and from the surrounding towns. During the three weeks ending on the 21st of May, it is calculated that not less than from 250,000 to 300,000 persons venerated the precious relic.

"It would take too long to describe all that happened in those three weeks. It vividly reminded the spectators of what occurred in Galilee, on the shores of lake Genesareth, when Our Lord could not escape the holy importunities of the multitudes, by day and by night. Night and day, in fact, the little church was beseiged by thousands of persons most of whom had to remain in the street while the priests inside the building strove to satisfy the pious eagerness of the faithful who filled the church and went away praying.

"During the night of the 19th and 20th of May, I watched those masses of men, women and children—infirm, sick, cripples—patiently, waiting in the rain falling in torrents in the street. I was sure that God blessed with signal favors that lively devotion such as the New World had never yet witnessed. I was not mistaken. At present, the little French-Canadian church has become the national Shrine of Good St. Ann and, from all parts of the country, come accounts of miraculous cures worked during those days of trial, expectation and fervent prayer. . . .

"Inside the church, priests succeeded one another from day-break, solely occupied in having the relic venerated. People prayed with their eyes fixed on the relic held by the priest. All their faces shone with supernatural brilliancy. The Protestant reporters of the leading newspapers remained there for hours, touched to the depths of their souls at seeing the inward and outward flow of sick and cripples. Protestants of high standing asked permission to remain in the pews in order to study that phenomenon of a Catholic people moved by the faith of olden days. . . . One afternoon, on my arrival, I noticed that everybody was in a great emotion caused by a lame young man who had gone away cured, leaving his crutches at the foot of St. Ann's statue. He cried out and wept with joy and the crowd cried out and wept with him.

"Such scenes were repeated daily until Mgr. Marquis left on the 20th of May. So great was the crowd that Abbé Tétreau put off the hour of departure to the last moment. At last, the relic had to be taken away; all knelt and the good pastor, weeping himself amidst the sobs of his audience, lifted the relic above his head and blessed all present and families. "Adieu, Adieu, St. Ann," they cried, "Come back soon, Good St. Ann."

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On July 15, 1892, His Eminence, Cardinal Taschereau, graciously donated part of the Relic to the Church of St. Jean Baptiste, Lexington Ave. and 76th St., New York.

According to what Mgr. O'Reilly wrote, we might say of the relic what the crowds said of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It passed from Rome to St. Ann de Beaupré doing good. For three weeks, in the United States, St. Ann, in a manner, applied herself to multiplying miracles to show the power of her arm, of her intercession for those who invoke her.

There is no doubt that St. Ann's powerful intercession is as efficacious today as it was in the past. Meanwhile, let the faithful devotees of the great Saint prepare themselves by prayer. We advise them to make a novena in private. We advise them also to take part, if possible, in the perpetual novena every Tuesday of the year, and in the yearly preparatory novena before the feast, on the 26th of July, and then to crown the pious exercises by making a good confession and a fervent communion. Such are the best means for obtaining signal favors from the powerful Thaumaturga.

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General Delivery, Orlando, Florida.
November 20th, 1940.

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

My dear Mr. Roosevelt:-

November 5th, 1940, I was Enroute, alone, driving my Ford car from New York to Orlando, Florida. All that day I prayed ceaselessly for your re-election; knowing God answers sincere prayer.

23 years ago, you were Assistant Secretary of the Navy; our mutual friend, Mr. Langdon P. Marvin, wrote, asking your advice about my transfer from the Navy to the Army, so that I might join a contingent, Dr. Benjamin T. Tilton was taking to France in June,1917, to open Base Hospital 116. Your very kind reply to me was recently mislaid, and I feel its' loss most keenly.

I was Private Secretary to Mr. Evert Jansen Wendell for 15 years prior to his death in France in 1917.....When he passed to his Great Reward, I dropped my first name, Joe, because I wanted to remember Joe as he alone said it...

I wish I could convey to you my keen appreciation and enjoyment as I hear your " Fireside Chats " They are far too few... Your voice rings with truth and clarity, and your eloquence is unsurpassed.

34 years ago, Mr. Evert Wendell autographed and gave me the enclosed book, " Fair Harvard ". I'll deeply appreciate it if you will kindly add it to your personal Library in memory of two Harvard and Roosevelt enthusiasts, Mr. Wendell and my humble self... It, and my Masonic Bible are my two most valued treasures, but Sir, I gladly give it to you because you are such an inspiration.

I'm traveling alone, working my way through these magnificient United States.

May I take the liberty of asking you for your autographed Photograph? I want to place it on my dresser each night with Mr. Wendell's and Dr. Tilton's to inspire me to greater service to my fellow man.

I thank Almighty God for the privilege of knowing such gentlemen as you.

With sincere thanks.

Faithfully yours,

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December 9, 1940

My dear Miss McFetridge:

The President has asked me to thank you ever so much for your very nice letter, including the dedicatory verse. He is indeed grateful for your remembrance of him in your prayers, and he also appreciates your kindness in sending him the booklet and the picture to which you refer.

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Miss Rose McFetridge,
4883 Countryside Lane,
S. Euclid,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

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Stand beside him and guide Him. Give him Nerve,
Give him Light, Give him Strength, Give him Nerve,
for the Conflicts all around us, for the turmoil
across the Sea, God Bless our President
And keep us free. Yours truly
(Miss) Rose McFetridge

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4883 Countryside Lane
S. Euclid, Cleveland Ohio
Nov 12 - 1940

Franklin D Roosevelt
President of The United States.
Washington D. C.

To "Our President"

I was very happy when you were Re-elected President of the United States". Congratulations!

I was among the thousands of Clevelanders who were to see you, hear you and cheer you when you were in Cleveland. Sat. eve Nov 2nd.

I am also grateful that we will have the same "First Lady" for the next four yrs.

I enjoy reading her articles in the Cleveland Press

I was listening to you over the Radio Election eve, and repeated with you, that perfectly beautiful prayer - you read.

I started making a "Rosary Novena" for you before Election Day, a Rosary for fifty-four days - twenty-seven in petition and twenty-seven in Thanksgiving. I hope and pray that God May Bless you, protect you and all those who are near and dear to you.

I am enclosing a little booklet "Rosary Novenas" also a picture of St. Therese Little Flower of Jesus" taken when she made her first Communion, I hope she may obtain a shower of roses - graces and Blessings for you - to help and enlighten you to be "Our Finest President".

With apologies to Irving Berlin
I would like to dedicate these lines to you.
"God Bless Our President, Long may he serve
Stand beside him and guide Him, Give him Nerve,
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Yours truly
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The writer sends the President and Mrs. Roosevelt a religious relic.

Miss Kobch,
5 Nina Avenue,
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The Consular Officer in charge is requested to return the relic to the writer with the expression of appreciation for his courtesy

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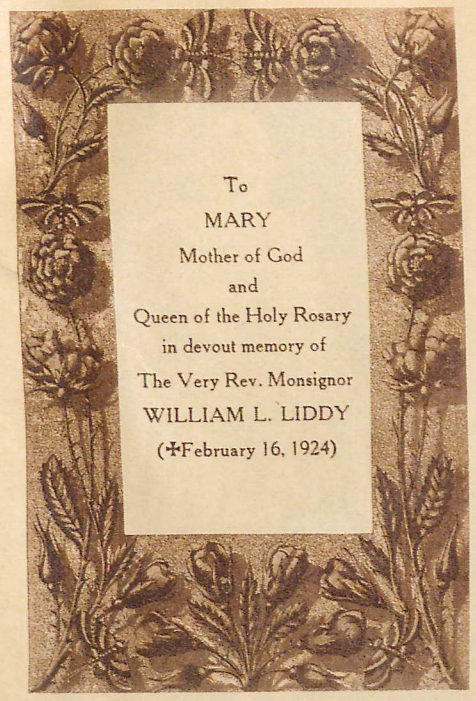

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Mother of God
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in devout memory of
The Very Rev. Monsignor
WILLIAM L. LIDDY
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Rosary Novenas to Our Lady

By CHARLES V. LACEY

With Preface by
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PREFACE

MONSIGNOR BENSON, in one of his early novels, gave us a beautiful explanation of the Rosary. An old nun is trying to make the devotion clear to a young Protestant girl. The enquirer asks:

"How can prayers said over and over again like that be any good?"

Mistress Margaret was silent for a moment.

"I saw young Mrs. Martin last week," she said, "with her little girl in her lap. She had her arms around her mother's neck, and was being rocked to and fro; and every time she rocked she said 'Oh, mother.' "

"But, then," said Isabel, after a moment's silence, "she was only a child." " 'Except ye become as little children—' " quoted Mistress Margaret softly—"you see, my Isabel, we are nothing more than children with God and His Blessed Mother. To say, 'Hail Mary, Hail Mary,' is the best way of telling her how much we love her. And, then, this string of beads is like Our Lady's girdle, and her children love to finger it, and whisper to her. And then we say our Our Fathers too; and all the while we are talking, she is showing us pictures of her dear Child, and we look at all the great things He did for us, one by one; and then we turn the page and begin again."

Those who have profited most from the Rosary are the ones who have thus understood

it. With hearts full of love they have rested close by the side of our heavenly Mother; and, whispering words of endearment to her, they have gazed the while at those wonderful pictures which the changing mysteries recall, seeing always something new and beautiful. And when they have come to the end of the picture-book, with the insatiable interest of a child, they have gone back to the beginning and turned every page over again.

In the devotions which are offered in this little book, the prayers to be said at the beginning of each decade set before the mind those wonderful pictures in a simple and striking way. It is as if someone stood at our side to point out the beautiful and interesting things which by ourselves we might have missed. And then, in order that our seeing may not be profitless, we are led on at the end to ask for that grace which the mystery suggests. Surely, even apart from the making of the novenas, we must feel that this is the best method of reciting the rosary.

The devotion which this little brochure explains, should do much to spread this practice. It combines three things which are dear to God in a very remarkable scheme: frequent Communion, the practice of the virtues, and devotion to Mary in the Rosary. One who will carry it out faithfully will have besieged Heaven in a way that must make him heard.

REV. RAYMOND P. LAWRENCE

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ORIGIN AND METHOD

THIS devotion, which the author has called the "Rosary Novenas to Our Lady," is of comparatively recent origin.

"In an apparition of Our Lady of Pompeii which occurred in 1884 at Naples, in the house of Commander Agrelli, the heavenly Mother deigned to make known the manner in which she desires to be invoked.

"For thirteen months Fortuna Agrelli, the daughter of the Commander, had endured dreadful sufferings and torturous cramps; she had been given up by the most celebrated physicians. On February 16, 1884, the afflicted girl and her relatives commenced a novena of Rosaries. The Queen of the Holy Rosary favored her with an apparition on March 3rd. Mary, sitting upon a high throne, surrounded by luminous figures, held the divine Child on her lap, and in her hand a Rosary. The Virgin Mother and the holy Infant were clad in gold-embroidered garments. They were accompanied by St. Dominic and St. Catherine of Siena. The throne was profusely decorated with flowers; the beauty of Our Lady was marvelous.

"Mary looked upon the sufferer with maternal tenderness, and the patient saluted her with the words: 'Queen of the Holy Rosary, be gracious to me; restore me to health! I have already prayed to thee in a novena, O Mary, but have not yet experienced thy aid. I am so anxious to be cured!'

"'Child,' responded the Blessed Virgin, 'thou hast invoked me by various titles and



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For "President"
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hast always obtained favors from me. Now, since thou hast called me by that title so pleasing to me, 'Queen of the Holy Rosary,' I can no longer refuse the favor thou dost petition; for this name is most precious and dear to me. Make three novenas, and thou shalt obtain all.'

"Once more the Queen of the Holy Rosary appeared to her and said, 'Whoever desires to obtain favors from me should make three novenas of the prayers of the Rosary, and three novenas in thanksgiving.'

"This miracle of the Rosary made a very deep impression on Pope Leo XIII, and greatly contributed to the fact that in so many circular letters he urged all Christians to love the Rosary and say it fervently."—*The Rosary, My Treasure*, Benedictine Convent, Clyde, Mo.

The Novena consists of five decades of the Rosary each day for twenty-seven days *in petition*; then immediately five decades each day for twenty-seven days *in thanksgiving, whether or not the request has been granted*.

The meditations vary from day to day. On the first day meditate on the Joyful Mysteries; on the second day the Sorrowful Mysteries; on the third day the Glorious Mysteries; on the fourth day meditate again on the Joyful Mysteries; and so on throughout the fifty-four days.

A laborious Novena, but a *Novena of Love*. You who are sincere will not find it too difficult, if you *really wish* to obtain your request.

Should you not obtain the favor you seek, be assured that the Rosary Queen, who knows what each one stands most in need of, has heard your prayer. You will not have prayed

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No prayer ever went unheard. And Our Blessed Lady has *never been known to fail.* *Look upon each Hail Mary as a rare and beautiful* rose which you lay at *Mary's feet.*

Fifty spiritual roses, bound in a wreath with Spiritual Communions, will be a most pleasing and acceptable gift to her, and will bring down upon you special graces.

If you could reach the innermost recesses of her heart, lavishly bedeck your wreath with spiritual diamonds—*holy communions.* Then her joy will be unbounded, and she will open wide the chest of her choicest graces to you.

NOTE

In obedience to the decree of Pope Urban VIII and of other Supreme Pontiffs, the author begs to state that, in regard to what is herein narrated, no higher authority is claimed than that which is due to all authentic human testimony.

PROMISES

Made by the Blessed Virgin to St. Dominic and Blessed Alanus.

1. To all those who will recite my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and very great graces.

2. Those who will persevere in the recitation of my Rosary shall receive some signal grace.

3. The Rosary shall be a very powerful armor against hell; it shall destroy vice, deliver from sin, and shall dispel heresy.

4. The Rosary shall make virtue and good

works flourish, and shall obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies; it shall substitute in hearts love of God for love of the world, elevate them to desire heavenly and eternal goods. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means!

5. Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary, shall not perish.

6. Those who will recite my Rosary piously, considering its Mysteries, shall not be overwhelmed by misfortune nor die a bad death. The sinner shall be converted; the just shall grow in grace and become worthy of eternal life.

7. Those truly devoted to my Rosary shall not die without the consolations of the Church, or without grace.

8. Those who will recite my Rosary shall find during their life and at their death the light of God, the fulness of His grace, and shall share in the merits of the blessed.

9. I will deliver very promptly from purgatory the souls devoted to my Rosary.

10. The true children of my Rosary shall enjoy great glory in heaven.

11. *What you ask through my Rosary, you shall obtain.*

12. Those who propagate my Rosary shall obtain through me aid in all their necessities.

13. I have obtained from my Son that all the confrères of the Rosary shall have for their brethren in life and death the saints of heaven.

14. Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are all my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.

15. Devotion to my Rosary is a special sign of predestination.

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Prayer before the recitation:

Sign of the cross. *Hail Mary.*

In petition

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O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my petition; from thy bounty thou wilt give me the favor I so earnestly and trustingly seek.

I despair of nothing that I ask of thee. Show thyself my Mother!

In thanksgiving

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I gratefully kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses—snow-white buds to remind thee of thy joys—each bud recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace.

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I despaired not of what I asked of thee, and thou hast truly shown thyself my Mother.

Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father.

I

THE ANNUNCIATION

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel appeared to thee with the tidings that thou wert to become the Mother of God; greeting thee with that sublime salutation, "Hail, full of grace! the Lord is with thee!" and thou didst humbly submit thyself to the will of the Father, responding: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word,"

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father.

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

Humility

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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II

THE VISITATION

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Visitation, when, upon thy visit to thy holy cousin, Elizabeth, she greeted thee with the prophetic utterance, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb!" and thou didst answer with that canticle of canticles, the Magnificat,

I humbly pray:

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THE NATIVITY

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Nativity of Our Lord, when, thy time being completed, thou didst bring forth, O holy Virgin, the Redeemer of the world in a stable at Bethlehem; whereupon choirs of angels filled the heavens with their exultant song of praise—"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will,"

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father.*

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

Detachment from the world

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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THE PRESENTATION

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Presentation, when, in obedience to the Law of Moses, thou didst present thy Child in the Temple, where the holy prophet Simeon, taking the Child in his arms offered thanks to God for sparing Him to look upon his Saviour.

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father.*

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

Purity

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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THE FINDING OF THE CHILD JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

Sweet Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple, when, having sought Him for three days, sorrowing, thy heart was gladdened upon finding Him in the Temple speaking to the doctors; and when, upon thy request, He obediently returned home with thee,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

Obedience to the will of God

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THE AGONY

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Agony of Our Lord in the Garden, when, in the grotto of the Garden of Olives, Jesus saw the sins of the world unfolded before Him by Satan, who sought to dissuade Him from the sacrifice He was about to make; when, His soul shrinking from the sight, and His precious blood flowing from every pore at the vision of the torture and death He was to undergo, thy own sufferings, dear Mother, the future sufferings of His Church, and His own sufferings in the Blessed Sacrament, He cried in anguish, "Abba! Father! if it be possible, let this chalice pass from Me!"; but, immediately resigning Himself to His Father's will, He prayed, "Not as I will, but as Thou wilt!"

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father.

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the virtue of

Resignation to the will of God

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II

THE SCOURGING

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Scourging of Our Lord, when, at Pilate's command, thy divine Son, stripped of His garments and bound to a pillar, was lacerated from head to foot with cruel scourges and His flesh torn away until His mortified body could bear no more,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the virtue of

Mortification

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THE CROWNING WITH THORNS

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Crowning of Our Lord with thorns, when, the soldiers, binding about His head a crown of sharp thorns, showered blows upon it, driving the thorns deeply into His head; then, in mock adoration, knelt before Him, crying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the virtue of

Humility

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IV

THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Carrying of the Cross, when, with the heavy wood of the cross upon His shoulders, thy divine Son was dragged, weak and suffering, yet patient, through the streets, amidst the revilements of the people, to Calvary; falling often, but urged along by the cruel blows of His executioners,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the virtue of

Patience in Adversity

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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THE CRUCIFIXION

O most sorrowful Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Crucifixion, when, having been stripped of His garments, thy divine Son was nailed to the cross, upon which He died after three hours of indescribable agony, during which time He begged from His Father forgiveness for His enemies,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these blood-red roses with a petition for the virtue of

Love of our enemies

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father.

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THE RESURRECTION

O glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Resurrection of Our Lord from the Dead, when, on the morning of the third day after His death and burial. He arose from the dead and appeared to thee, dear Mother, and filled thy heart with unspeakable joy; then appeared to the holy women, and to His disciples, who adored Him as their risen God,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father.

I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of

Faith

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II

THE ASCENSION

O glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Ascension, when thy divine Son, after forty days on earth, went to Mount Olivet accompanied by His disciples and thee, where all adored Him for the last time, after which He promised to remain with them until the end of the world; then, extending His pierced hands over all in a last blessing, He ascended before their eyes into heaven,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of

Hope

and humbly lay this bouquet at thy feet.

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III

THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY GHOST

O glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of the Descent of the Holy Ghost, when, the apostles being assembled with thee in a house in Jerusalem, the Holy Spirit descended upon them in the form of fiery tongues, inflaming the hearts of the apostles with the fire of divine love, teaching them all truths, giving to them the gift of tongues, and, filling thee with the plenitude of His grace, inspired thee to pray for the apostles and the first Christians,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of

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IV

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER INTO HEAVEN

O glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of Thy Assumption into Heaven, when, consumed with the desire to be united with thy divine Son in heaven, thy soul departed from thy body and united itself to Him, Who, out of the excessive love He bore for thee, His Mother, whose virginal body was His first tabernacle, took that body into heaven and there, amidst the acclaims of the angels and saints, reinfused into it thy soul,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of

Union with Christ

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V

THE CORONATION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER IN HEAVEN AS ITS QUEEN

O glorious Mother Mary, meditating on the Mystery of Thy Coronation in Heaven, when, upon being taken up to heaven after thy death, thou wert triply crowned as the august Queen of Heaven by God the Father as His beloved Daughter, by God the Son as His dearest Mother, and by God the Holy Ghost as His chosen Spouse; the most perfect adorer of the Blessed Trinity, pleading our cause as our most powerful and merciful Mother, through thee,

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 *Hail Marys*, *Glory be to the Father*.

I bind these full-blown roses with a petition for the virtue of

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SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

MY JESUS, really present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar, since I cannot now receive Thee under the sacramental veil, I beseech Thee, with a heart full of love and longing, to come spiritually into my soul through the immaculate heart of Thy most holy Mother, and abide with me forever;

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Thou in me,
And I in Thee,
In Time and in
Eternity,
In Mary.

In petition

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow.

O my Mother! look with favor upon my gift, and in thy love obtain for me (*specify request*) Hail, Mary, etc.

In thanksgiving

Sweet Mother Mary, I offer thee this Spiritual Communion to bind my bouquets in a wreath to place upon thy brow in thanksgiving for (*specify request*) which thou in thy love hast obtained for me.

Hail, Mary, etc.

O God! Whose only-begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the reward of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that, meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the divine assistance remain always with us. Amen.

And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Holy Virgin, with thy loving Child, thy blessing give to us this day (*night*).

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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In Petition

1 J	2 S	3 G	4 J	5 S	6 G	7 J	8 S	9 G
10 J	11 S	12 G	13 J	14 S	15 G	16 J	17 S	18 G
19 J	20 S	21 G	22 J	23 S	24 G	25 J	26 S	27 G

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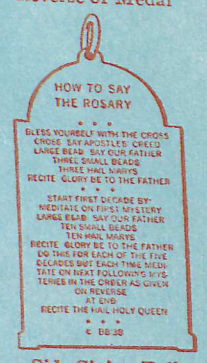

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Original communications from Mr. Plantier to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, November 6, 1940, with enclosures.

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My dear Rita:

Your recent letter to the President has been received and I want to assure you that your kind thought in writing and sending him the enclosed medal is much appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Rita Kotch,
5 Pine Avenue,
Nanticoke,
Pennsylvania.

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Dear President.
We are very glad to have you back as our President again. We had a novena to the Blessed Mother for you to be re-elected again. Our town was almost all for you but some people. I am a little girl eight years of age and my dad works in the coal mines but he does'nt work very good thats why some people say my Dad will never good if you be re-elected is that right.
Dear President wear this medal because its what helped you get in and please ask Santa to bring me a wetting doll but don't say my name to anyone because I would get a hard whipping. God-bye Dear President and may God-Bless you.

Rita Kitch. 5-Pine Ave Nanticoke Pa

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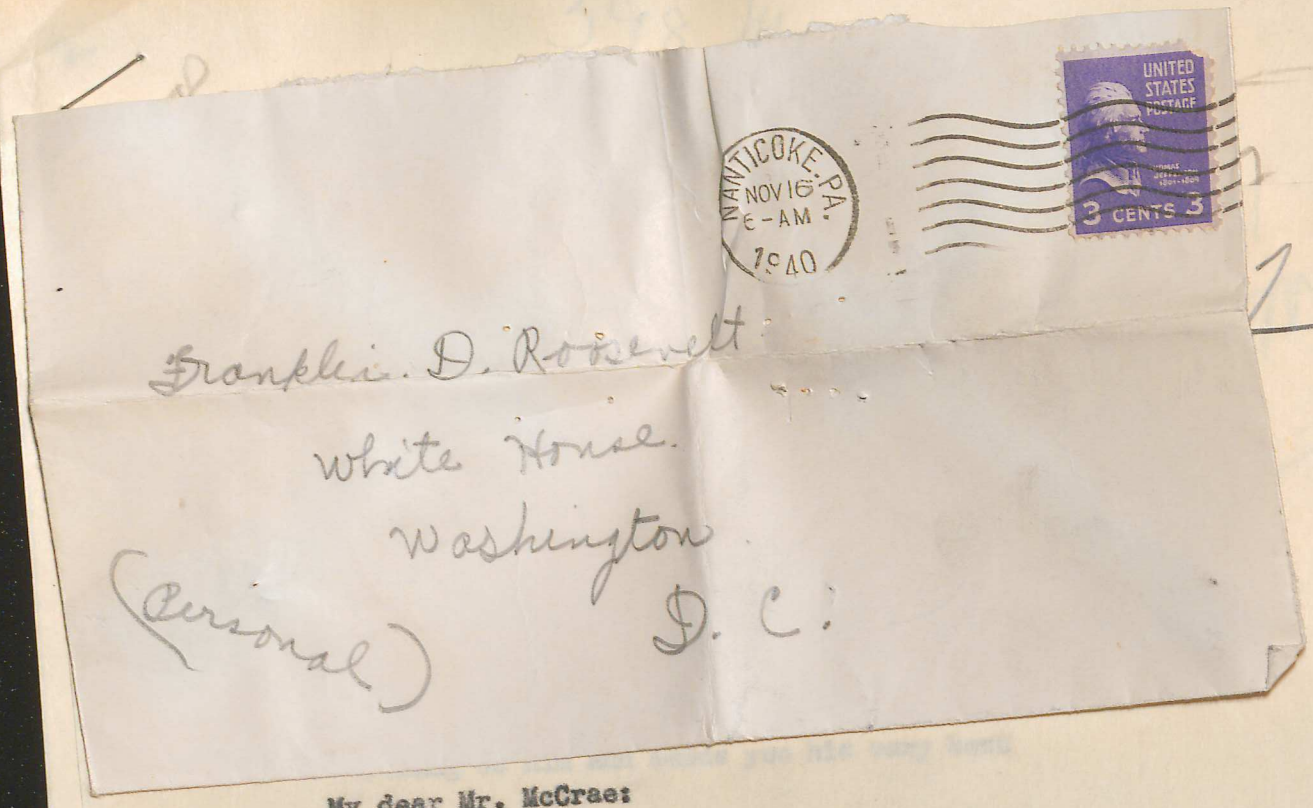

My dear Mr. McCrae:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for sending him your sketch. I want to assure you that he is grateful indeed for this evidence of your friendliness and your good will.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Pine Ave
Nanticoke
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Very sincerely yours,

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PRIVATE SECRETARY

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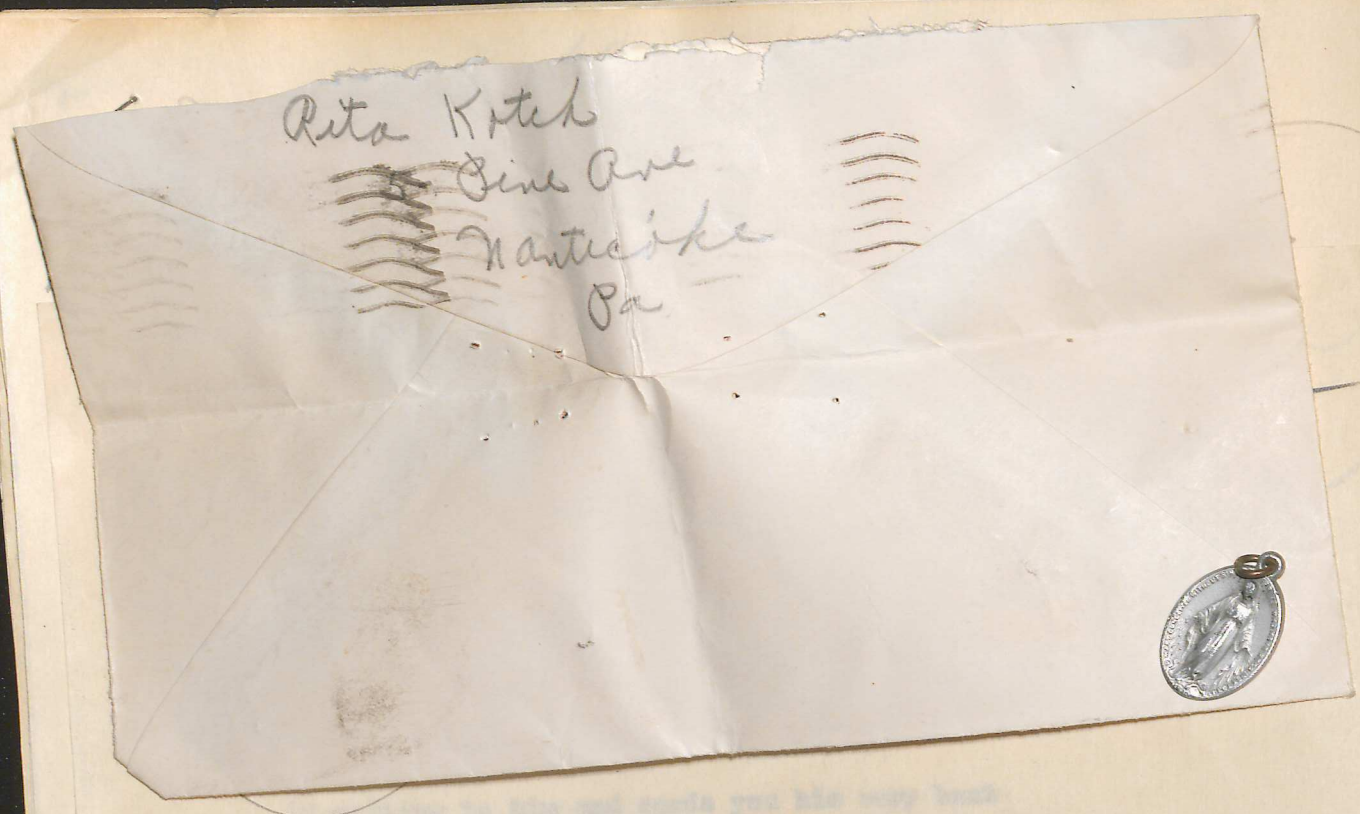

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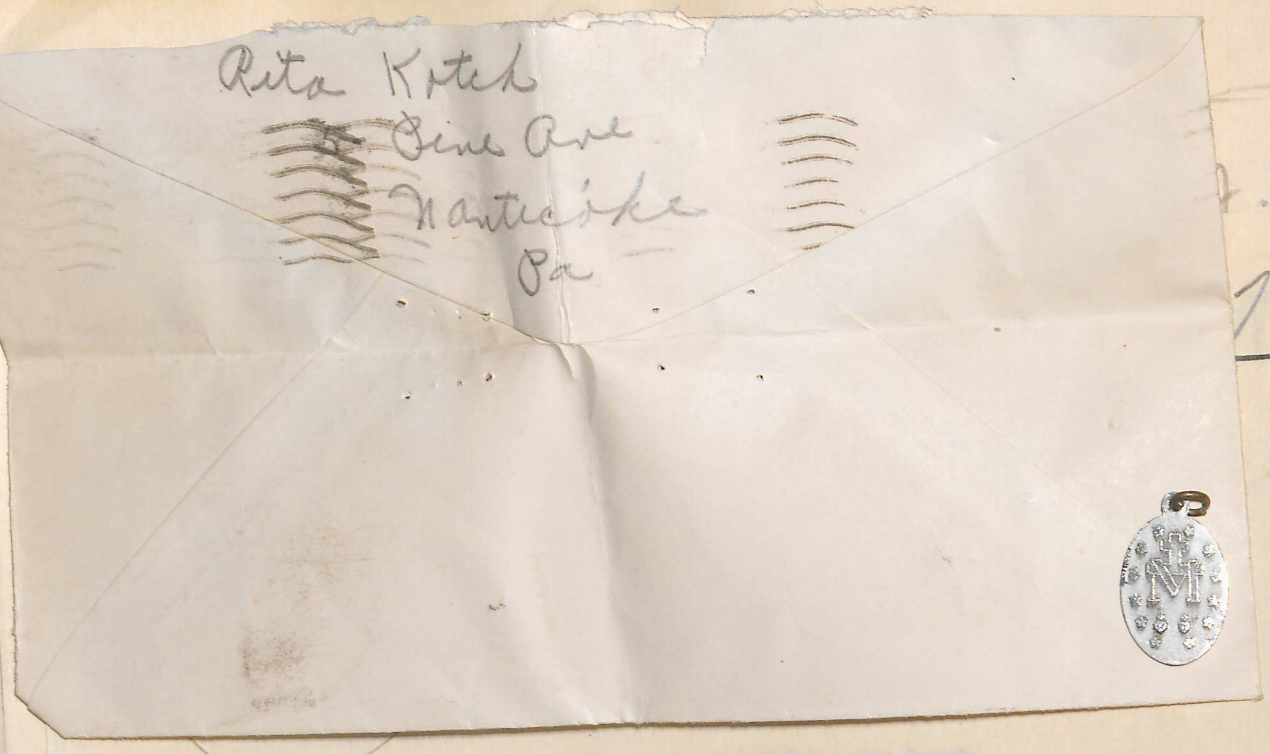

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My dear William:

The President has asked me to thank you for your recent letter with the enclosed sketches. He appreciates your friendliness in writing to him and sends you his very best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

William Moore,
598 Madison Street,
Brooklyn,
New York.

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398 Madison St
Brooklyn NY

To President Roosevelt

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Congradulation
I am very glad you are
President for a third term
I Cherished all of your Campanes
as I was to young to Vote But
but Sent up My pertision
to the Great Maker of all.
So I tryed to Sdheted this photo
of you doing your Campaigning
I Earnestly hope you will Remember
the Widows & Orphans in Brooklyn NY
as we Live the best we Can which
is Petty hard

Billie Moore



Jan. 15,
BORN - 1926
14 years old

BY

William Moore

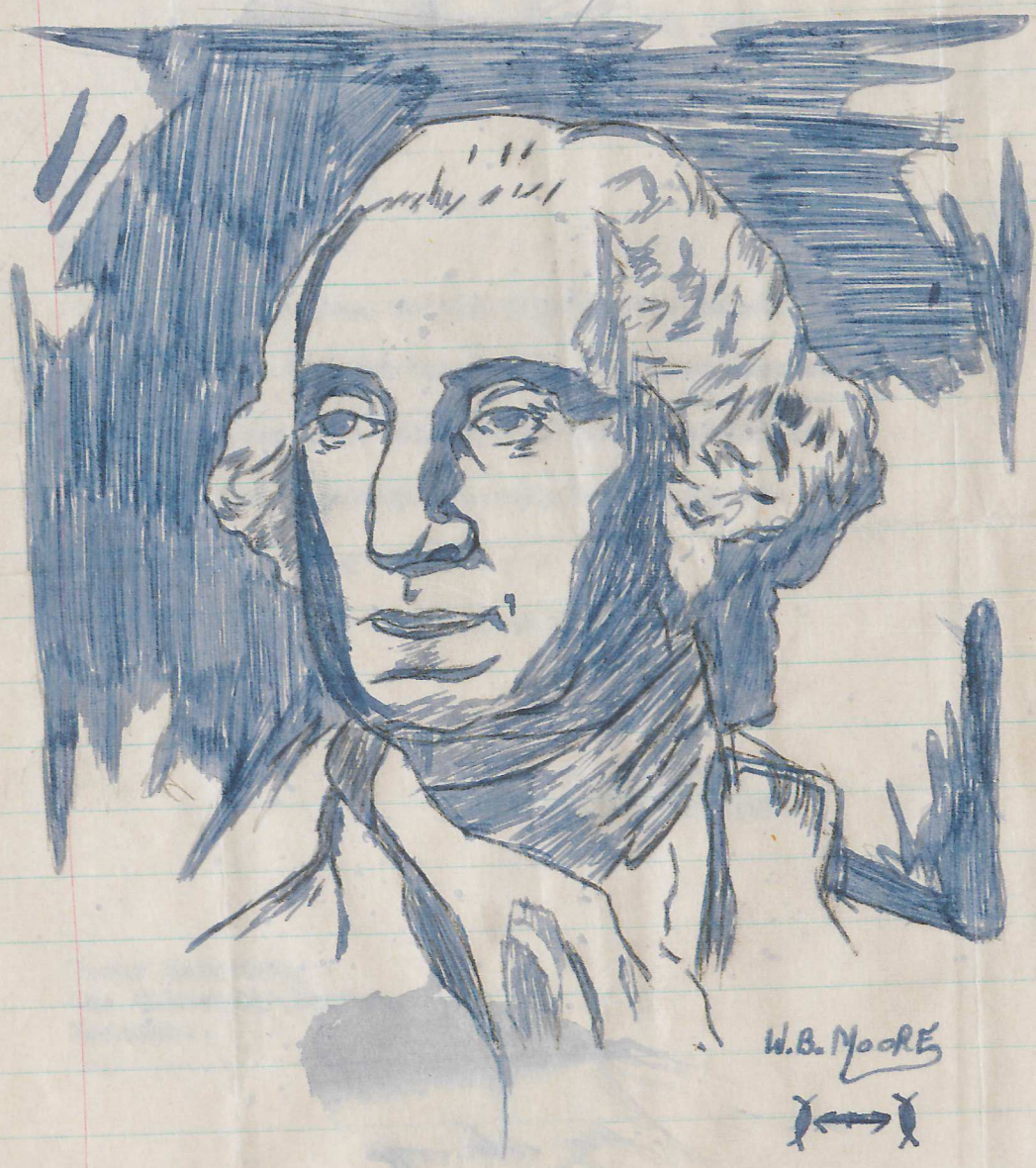
president Roosevelt

by Wm. Swore



Bil Williams

George Washington



W.B. Moore

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December 16, 1940

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My dear Irene:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for your kind thought in sending him your sketch. He appreciates this evidence of your friendliness and wants me to convey his very best wishes to you for the holiday season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Irene Marcotte,
St. Johnsbury Center,
Vermont.

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December 6, 1940

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My dear Mrs. Morrow:

In the absence of the President, I want to thank you in his behalf for the beautifully crocheted pillow and doily which you sent to him recently. I can assure you that he will be deeply grateful for this evidence of your friendliness and your good will.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Lena Morrow,
382 Coates Street,
Coatesville,
Pennsylvania.

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December 16, 1940

My dear Mr. Mayo:

The President has asked me to thank you very much for that cedar cane, a product of your own workmanship. He wants you to know that he is grateful for the friendly spirit which prompted you to send it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

B. H. Mayo, Esq.,
Carthage,
Mississippi.

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Hon Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington D C

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Kind friend I am Making you
a Nice Cedar Walking Cane, I made
Made, & made it especially for you
I am just an old Carpenter and I
Wanted to Make you a present of a
a Nice Walking Cane

Your Friend
R.F. Mayo
Curtis Jr. Miss

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December 19, 1940

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Respectfully referred to the Department of State for appropriate acknowledgment.

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Pencil portrait of the Pres from Mr. and Mrs. Maw, Chambly Fort Inn, Chambly Basin Quebec. (no letter) X

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December 19, 1940

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My dear Gladys:

The President thanks you very much indeed for your kind letter and appreciates the friendly thought which prompted you to send him the campaign hat. He asks me to convey his cordial good wishes to you for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Gladys McComber,
1419 West Ramesy Street,
Stillwater,
Minnesota.

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Read 12/10/40

1419 W. Ramsey St.
Stillwater, Minn.
Nov. 23, 1940

Dear Mr. Roosevelt,

I'm sending you a hat which helped you win in the election of 1940. I went with my daddy on Saturday to campaign for you. I am ten years old now but on Feb. 20, I will be eleven. This is the first campaign I remember but, we won. You say my friends so I am.

Your friend,
Gladys Mc. Combet

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December 19, 1940

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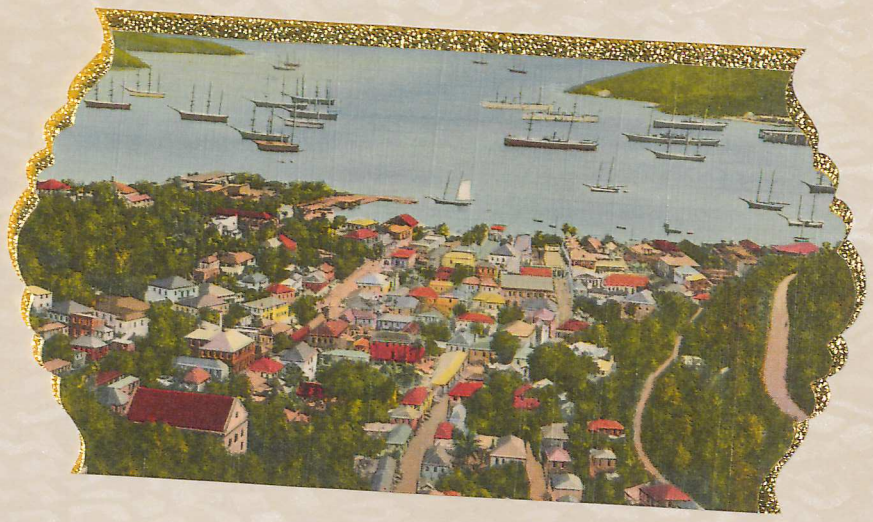
My dear Judge Moore:

The President thanks you very much indeed for the hooked rug to which you refer in your letter of December third. He appreciates your friendly good wishes and has asked me to convey his most cordial holiday greetings to you and to Mrs. Moore.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Honorable Herman E. Moore,
Judge, United States District Court,
of the Virgin Islands, U.S.A.,
St. Thomas,
Virgin Islands.



Greetings from the Virgin Islands

I am, therefore, sending by [illegible]
small hand made Xmas remembrance from the Virgin Islands,
with our best personal wishes for a fine Xmas season, and
much happiness for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Herman E. Moore

Herman E. Moore
Judge.

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

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

and all good wishes

for the

NEW YEAR

Judge & Mrs Herman E. Moore
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

I am, therefore, sending by separate parcel post a small hand made Xmas remembrance from the Virgin Islands, with our best personal wishes for a fine Xmas season, and much happiness for many years to come.

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Washington, D. C.

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(Hooked Rug)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS, U. S. A.
HERMAN E. MOORE, JUDGE
IN CHAMBERS

December 3, 1940

answ'd 12/19/40

Dear Mr. President:

Because of the high regard for you on the part of the people of the Virgin Islands for your fine humanitarian administration, and because of the high esteem for both yourself and Mrs. Roosevelt, for the broad social interest and liberal viewpoint, which you both have shown toward all people, which both Mrs. Moore and myself are proud of, and share so heartily, we want you to have at the coming Xmas season a small token of that esteem from the Virgin Islands.

I am, therefore, sending by separate parcel post a small hand made Xmas remembrance from the Virgin Islands, with our best personal wishes for a fine Xmas season, and much happiness for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Herman E. Moore

Herman E. Moore
Judge.

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

~~Mr. Morris~~

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December 26, 1940

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My dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you in the President's behalf for your kind letter with the enclosed clippings, and for your friendly thought in sending him the handkerchief. He asks me to convey his cordial good wishes to you for a Happy Holiday Season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

John Lincoln Mitchell, Esq.,
9219 East Fourteenth Street,
Elmhurst, Oakland,
California.

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would be over-done—so. I hope your dear wife will be spared to you for many years to come.

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Oakland Calif.
Dec-13th 1940

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

Handwritten
Rec'd 12/16/40

My dear Mr President

Just a few lines to Congratulate you on your splendid Victory I now have the honor of voting for you three times in succession and to me you are the greatest man whoever sat in the Presidents Chair I am also glad to know that you are and always was for the poor man which is again kind to me in my age I am 75 yrs the age pension in which the government thanks to you allows me 20 — my state of Cal 10 — and also Co — 10 — making a total of $40 as I wish the Government would handle the pension I am always afraid that the State may cut it down in which I hope will not happen but of Course you are the best judge of that I am sending a few clippings in which I know will interest you in my State I pray for you very often that you would be rewarded well and carry on and you have done so. I hope your dear wife and family will be spared to you for many years to come.

You probally have a faint recolection of me
when I had visited to you when You were
Gov. of New York about ten Years ago.
I also wish You a Merry X mas. &
a happy New Year and would be pleased
to hear from You at any time

May God Bless You

Mr President

Very Sincerely

John Lincoln Mitchell.

#9219 E. 14th St.

Elmhurst

Oakland.

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State Vote on President

By the Associated Press

Total Prcts.	County—	Prcts. Reprtg.	1940 VOTE Roosevelt	Willkie	1936 VOTE Roosevelt	Landon
1,287	Alameda	1,287	115,048	88,330	149,323	82,352
5	Alpine	5	57	107	85	74
25	Amador	25	2,644	1,297	2,506	777
127	Butte	54	6,774	3,854	10,490	5,103
34	Calaveras	34	2,323	1,572	2,520	960
28	Colusa	18	1,016	734	2,965	1,186
214	Contra Costa	48	5,150	2,792	26,007	9,604
23	Del Norte	17	728	848	1,292	853
44	El Dorado	12	737	323	4,019	1,228
256	Fresno	207	40,563	17,096	42,859	11,545
34	Glenn	26	2,120	1,583	3,288	1,620
118	Humboldt	53	5,249	4,223	11,909	6,808
83	Imperial	82	7,416	6,506	7,560	4,771
33	Inyo	26	1,515	1,170	1,560	912
307	Kern	76	3,472	2,249	25,726	8,345
66	Kings	65	7,819	3,761	7,062	2,226
32	Lake	27	4,201	1,393	1,837	1,797
50	Lassen	22	3,122	1,304	4,193	1,035
4,995	Los Angeles	4,596	568,715	394,630	757,351	357,401
41	Madera	41	4,623	2,160	4,646	1,387
120	Marin	110	10,171	9,479	12,152	6,211
22	Mariposa	22	1,311	628	1,907	621
88	Mendocino	74	6,339	4,660	6,432	3,670
77	Merced	74	9,983	5,739	9,208	3,230
25	Modoc	5	690	230	1,828	968
8	Mono	1	51	93	458	241
122	Monterey	95	9,395	8,117	12,267	7,565
55	Napa	55	6,444	5,568	6,270	3,973
43	Nevada	33	3,541	1,819	5,128	1,913
263	Orange	72	7,176	9,319	29,836	23,494
65	Placer	31	1,757	1,177	7,959	2,321
33	Plumas	23	2,353	836	2,707	680
176	Riverside	140	14,352	15,640	17,011	16,674
444	Sacramento	313	41,973	19,674	47,265	12,119
29	San Benito	29	2,374	2,313	2,565	1,515
394	San Bernardino	358	33,687	27,776	33,955	22,219
596	San Diego	507	61,314	44,525	64,628	35,686
1,103	San Francisco	1,103	181,620	119,109	196,197	65,436
244	San Joaquin	236	24,970	22,017	29,078	10,172
82	San Luis Obispo	37	5,320	4,510	7,889	4,812
254	San Mateo	254	29,444	25,746	27,087	13,650
130	Santa Barbara	118	12,473	10,253	15,923	9,728
320	Santa Clara	218	34,370	32,255	38,346	26,498
109	Santa Cruz	104	7,737	7,976	9,326	8,260
65	Shasta	51	2,788	1,432	5,236	2,158
16	Sierra	3	243	142	1,152	340
76	Siskiyou	22	2,229	1,893	6,865	2,919
84	Solano	51	10,212	2,852	13,459	3,603
175	Sonoma	84	6,186	6,552	17,273	11,185
133	Stanislaus	132	15,830	14,224	15,341	8,613
39	Sutter	35	3,416	2,491	4,019	1,613
54	Tehama	35	2,228	1,665	3,687	2,376
25	Trinity	23	982	524	1,424	655
154	Tulare	126	16,804	12,906	18,956	8,624
48	Tuolumne	45	2,722	1,481	3,303	1,199
135	Ventura	123	13,778	9,839	13,384	7,579
47	Yolo	40	5,410	3,728	5,992	2,594
37	Yuba	30	4,082	2,105	4,125	1,332
13,692	Totals	11,533	1,379,047	977,225	1,766,836	836,431



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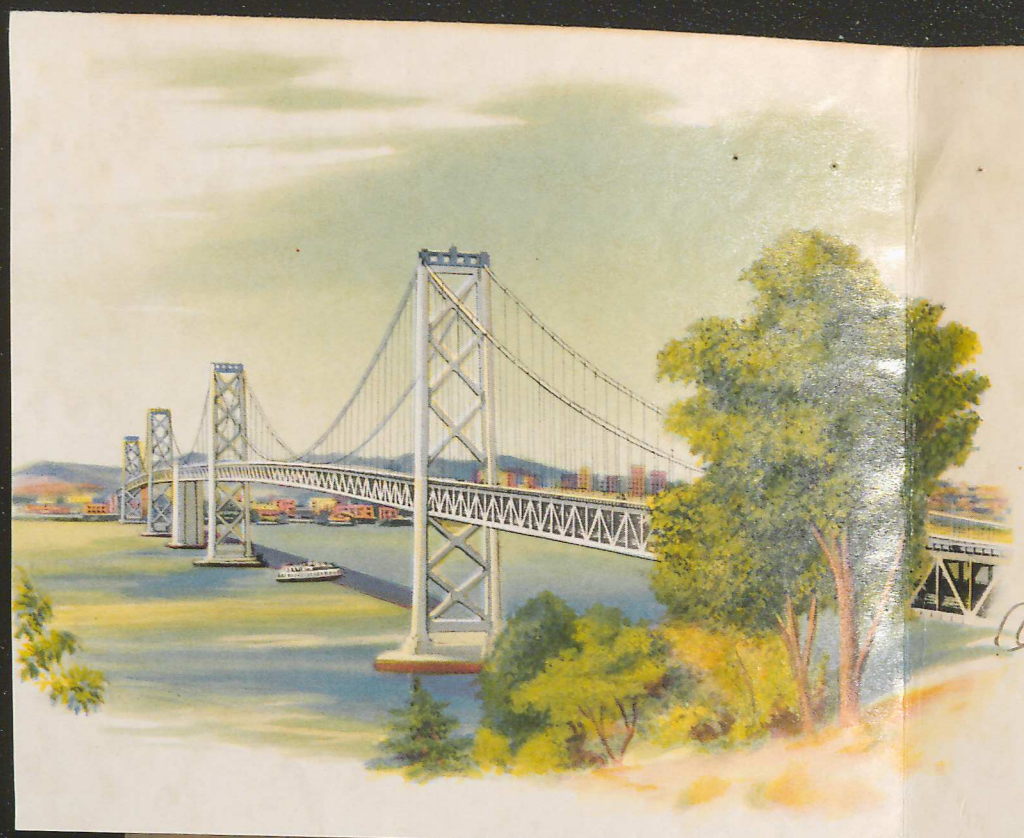

With all good Wishes
for A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and HAPPY NEW YEAR
From John L. Mitchell
Oak Cal. Dec 25-1940.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Edward J. Medlin, Esq.,
Millersville Post Office,
Baltimore,
Maryland.

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McENTEE, J. J., Dire
Civilian Conservatio
Washington, D. C.

San Francisco Girl U. S. Youngest Voter

The youngest voter in the United States to cast a ballot at yesterday's presidential election is a proud, dark-haired lass of San Francisco.

This is true, no matter what scores of other cities say to establish claim to this honor.

She is Miss Lillian Di Vita, native of South San Francisco, who lives at 769 Athens street.

Born on November 5, 1919, Miss Di Vita, an insurance company clerk, was permitted to vote yesterday because of a provision in the voting law which says that a citizen may vote if he is 21 not later than the day of the election.

Realizing that she would be able to cast a ballot despite the fact that she wouldn't be of age until election day, Miss Di Vita registered at the City Hall two months ago.

For this youngest voter of the 60,576,979 registered citizens under the American flag, the election was **"just all right."**

"Everything was going along smoothly until I heard other cities and states claiming the youngest voter. I couldn't stand that, for the honor really goes to my San Francisco.

"I was born on November 5, and the others claimed to be the youngest voter because they were born on November 4, 1919. I guess they just didn't know that one born on November 5 could vote," she said.

As to how she, her brother, Michael Di Vita Jr., a marine at Quantico, Va., or her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Di Vita, with whom she lives, voted, she **"just couldn't say."**

Youngest Voter



Lillian Di Vita, who celebrated her birthday by casting her ballot as the youngest voter in the nation, listens to see if the election went the way she voted.
—Call-Bulletin Photograph.

State Propositions

1—ABOLISHES LIEN LAW FOR PENSIONERS.
Precincts, 7,955
Yes, 831,828 No, 520,539

2—FREES PENSIONERS FROM LIENS.
Precincts, 7,922
Yes, 836,451 No, 483,706

3—GIVES LEGISLATURE PENAL CONTROL.
Precincts, 7,688
Yes, 552,123 No, 528,627

4—ALTERS SUPERVISION OF VOTES.
Precincts, 7,918
Yes, 668,227 No, 398,311

5—ESTABLISHES DAYLIGHT SAVING.
Precincts, 7,714
Yes, 444,282 No, 960,686

6—ALLOWS COURT REVIEW OF BOARD ACTS.
Precincts, 7,609
Yes, 499,038 No, 469,323

7—APPELLATE COURTS.
Precincts, 7,691
Yes, 399,036 No, 580,811

8—GIVES NEW POWER TO STATE FISH, GAME BOARD.
Precincts, 7,913
Yes, 715,158 No, 406,524

9—ADDS TAX EXEMPTIONS TO FISH CRAFT.
Precincts, 7,636
Yes, 292,003 No, 777,962

10—CONTROLS CITY IMPROVEMENT UNITS.
Precincts, 7,576
Yes, 617,944 No, 361,936

11—LETS STATE SUPPLY WATER IT USES.
Precincts, 7,579
Yes, 616,372 No, 431,091

12—EXPANDS INTERIM COMMITTEE POWER.
Precincts, 7,602
Yes, 500,370 No, 462,949

13—ALLOWS OIL LEASES IN STATE PARKS.
Precincts, 7,653
Yes, 181,615 No, 966,618

14—GIVES CITIES NEW STATE TAX MONEY.
Precincts, 7,507
Yes, 414,253 No, 603,811

15—RESTRICTS USE OF CITY BOND FUNDS.
Precincts, 7,497
Yes, 386,251 No, 604,755

16—PROVIDES ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE MEETS.
Precincts, 7,759
Yes, 300,843 No, 676,800

17—ALLOWS INSURING PUBLIC OFFICIALS.
Precincts, 7,732
Yes, 430,898 No, 596,418

CALIFORNIA F. R. EDGE 401,842

Ballot Sweep Gives President 1,379,047; Willkie 977,225

By C. LYN FOX

California remained a Roosevelt state today, joining with thirty-eight of her sister states to smash the third term tradition and keep the new deal administration in power for the next four years.

Rolling up a 401,842 lead over the fighting Hoosier, who did not concede defeat until this morning, the President carried all but seven of the Golden State's fifty-eight counties, and some of them were right on the border line.

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McENTEE, J. J., Director
Civilian Conservation Corps
Washington, D. C.

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December 23, 1940

My dear Mr. Medlin:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for your kind thought in sending him a copy of "We, the People" and for your card of Christmas greeting. He wants me to convey his very best wishes to you for the Holiday Season.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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May happiness abide with you
this Christmas-tide,
and remain with you through
the coming year

Edward J. Medina

McENTEE, J. J., Director
Civilian Conservation Corps
Washington, D. C.
Dec. 16, 1940

Writes President that he is sending a booklet on the CCC which has just been published. Hopes Presiden had opportunity to glance over the CCC article and pictures which appeared in Dec. 17th issue of Look magazine.

Presidential acknowledgment Dec. 18th.

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~~Mr. Norris~~

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December 26, 1940

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My dear Mr. Macrae:

The President is much pleased to have your kind note of congratulations and is deeply grateful for your friendly good wishes. He has asked me to express his thanks for your courtesy in sending him the copy of AN AIRMAN'S LETTER TO HIS MOTHER, and to convey his best wishes to you for a Happy Holiday Season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

John Macrae, Esq.,
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November 28, 1940

My dear President Roosevelt,

We are publishing December 2 AN AIRMAN'S LETTER TO HIS MOTHER, and I am taking the liberty of sending you a copy for your personal reading.

I have been intending to write you a few lines of congratulation over your superb victory in the recent elections.

I am one of those men who has been a staunch supporter of you and your work.

With my warm personal regards, and my faith in you as a man and a statesman peculiarly fitted to bear the burden which this nation imposes upon you at this time, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Macrae.

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

/ Mr. Davis Miss LeHand

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Mr. Davis

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December 23, 1940

Gentlemen:

Many thanks in the President's behalf for the copy of the "Best Broadcasts of 1939-40. I can assure you that he will be glad to have the volume.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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McGraw-Hill Building,
330 West 42nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

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Mr. Harris

Miss LeHand

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December 26, 1940

My dear Judge McCulloch:

You were kind indeed to send me that box of delicious pears. I do appreciate your thought of me and send you my greetings and best wish for the Holiday Season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Honorable Claude McCulloch,
Judge, United States District Court,
Portland,
Oregon.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

PORTLAND, OREGON

CLAUDE McCOLLOCH
JUDGE

December 17, 1940

MISS MARGARET LeHAND,
Private Secretary to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss LeHand:

About Christmas time you will receive a small box of fancy pears. These are grown and packed in Southern Oregon, and I do hope that they reach you in good condition. They convey my best wishes.

With all good wishes for a pleasant holiday season.

Sincerely yours,

Claude McColloch

Greetings
and Best Wishes
from
Judge Claude McColloch
Crystal Springs - Oregon

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December 26, 1940

My dear Mr. Macrae:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for the copy of "An Airman's Letter To His Mother", to which you refer in your letter of December fourth. It was indeed kind of you to send the booklet to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

John Macrae, Jr., Esq.,
Vice President,
E. P. Dutton and Company, Inc.,
286-302 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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John Macrae Jr.
Vice President

JM Jr:W

P.S. I forgot to mention that the book will be available in an attractive gift envelope for mailing purposes.

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December 4, 1940

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

My dear Mr. President:

I am sending you today a complimentary copy of "An Airman's Letter To His Mother," which we are publishing on December 2, (Price 50¢). It will only take you a few minutes to read it and I hope you will because I am sure you will be as deeply moved as we were. In fact I know of no other book we have ever published in over 88 years of publishing, in which there has been so much advance interest.

The letter was found among the possessions of a young R. A. F. pilot who was killed in action late in September. It was addressed to the pilot's mother, but his commander, reading it first, was so impressed by his statement of faith in the cause he had died for that he obtained permission from the boy's mother to have it published in the London Times.

Through its publication in the London Times it created extraordinary interest throughout the English-speaking world. According to the London Times, "During the entire history of this paper we have never published a letter which has caused so much comment." The unfailing spirit, strength, and shining courage of all youth is reflected in this last testament of a young pilot who laid down his life for his country. And we believe it will live on amongst the great utterances of recorded time in its nobility, its courage, and its clarity of thought.

In our belief that this expression of courage would be inspiring to all Americans, we arranged to publish it in book form and have tried to give it an attractive binding and format to enhance its gift appeal.

Confronted with the difficulties of last minute publication without advance publicity we would appreciate any comment you would care to make. Most of all we want your reaction. If your comment can be used for advertising purposes, may we have your permission to use it?

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/ Mr. Norris

P.P.F. 9-M

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December 26, 1940

My dear Miss Mitchell:

The President wants you to know that he appreciates that card of Christmas greetings and the handkerchief you sent him. He asks me to thank you for your kind thought and to send you his best wishes for a Bright New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

P.P.F. 9-H

M. A. LeHand
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Miss Annie G. Mitchell,
1503 Edmondson Avenue,
Baltimore,
Maryland.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. James McClellan,
Route 1, Box 69,
Freesoil,
Michigan.

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A Christmas Prayer
That God may keep
Watching o'er you
When you sleep,
Guiding you
Throughout each day
And blessing always
All your way +·+·+

From A.G. MITCHELL

To F.D.R. PRES. U.S.A.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. James McClellan,
Route 1, Box 69,
Freesoil,
Michigan.

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Basket & rug sent to Mrs Somerville

P.P.7
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December 30, 1940

My dear Mrs. McClellan:

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have asked me to thank you ever so much for the gifts which you were good enough to send them. They appreciate your kindness and want me to convey their cordial good wishes to you and yours for a Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. James McClellan,
Route 1, Box 69,
Freesoil,
Michigan.

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Fremont Mich.
Dec. 18, 1940

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It is for the
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from
Mrs. James McClellan
Fremont
Mich.
R.1 Box 69
let me know if
you like them

House 1

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Pckd.
12-30
TB

Freeoil Mich.
Dec. 18, 1940

Dear Friends

I am sending you this package for Christmas. The basket is for the Mrs. and the rag is for you. I made the rag and also the Indiana basket. Let me know when you get the package.

From
Mrs. James McClellan
Freeoil
Mich.
R.1 Box 69

let me know if you like them

Sent to house

PPF 9.M

December 30, 1940

My dear Mr. Malbon:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for your kindness in sending him those cigars. He is deeply grateful for your Christmas greetings and wants me to extend his best wishes to you for a Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Frank Malbon, Esq.,
110½ West Milwaukee Street,
Janesville,
Wisconsin.

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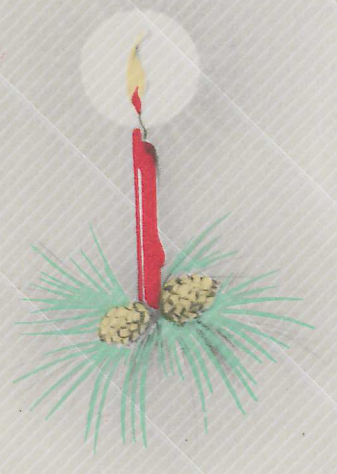

Wishing you a
Christmas Day,
That's glad and bright
in every way,
And pleasure that's
as lasting, too,
As my happy thoughts
of you!

From.
Frank. Malbon.
Janesville Wis
Leading Cigar Mfg.

Mr. and Mrs. Mikavuk,
8118 So. Main Street,
Los Angeles,
California.

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Towel and Wash Cloth Nov 25
sent to 3rd floor cabinet

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December 30, 1940

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My dear Mr. and Mrs. Mikavuk:

It was kind indeed of you to send the President that beautiful Christmas gift. He wants you to know that he appreciates your friendly Greetings and has asked me to extend his cordial good wishes to you and yours for a Bright and Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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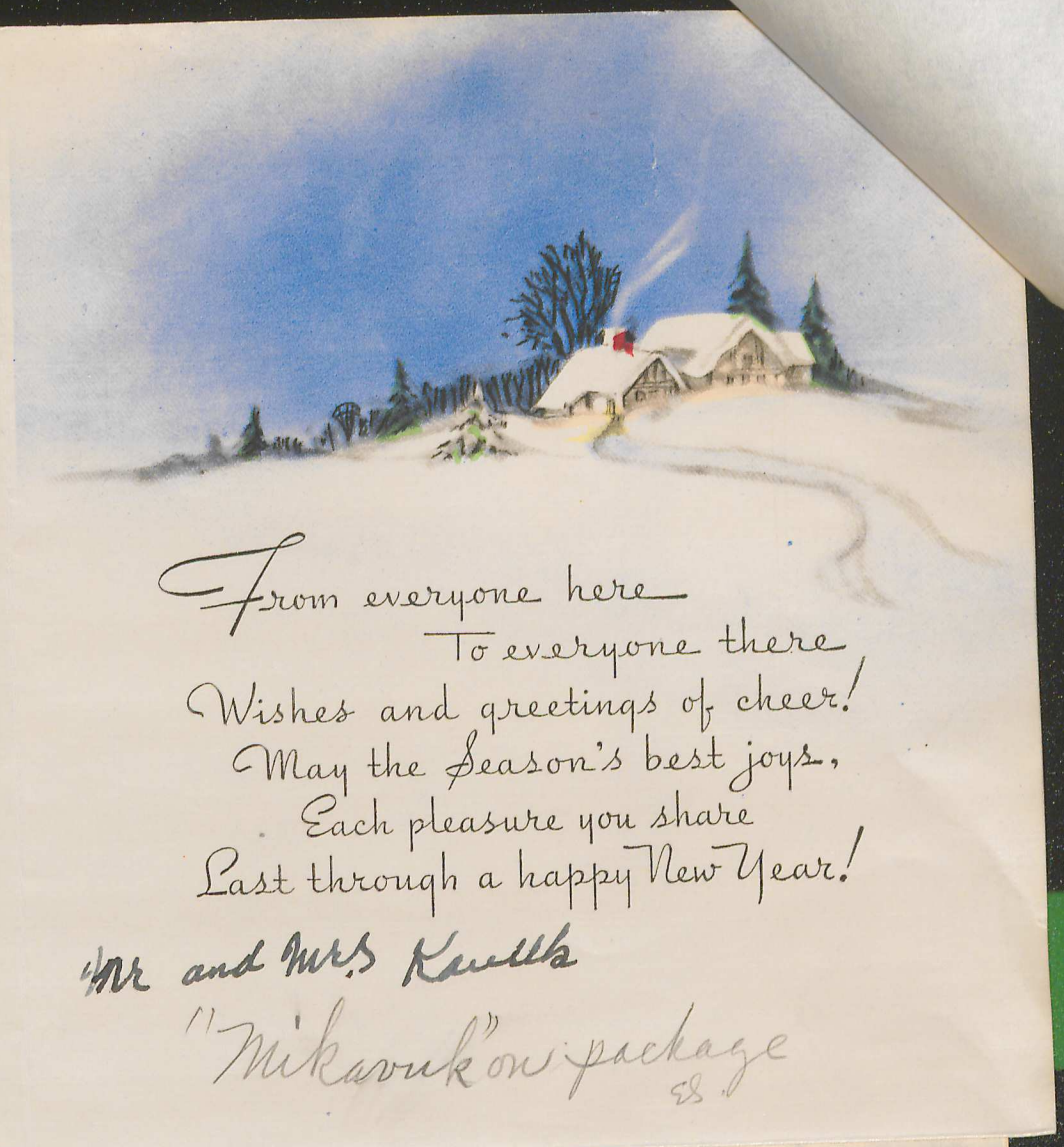
From everyone here
To everyone there
Wishes and greetings of cheer!
May the Season's best joys,
Each pleasure you share
Last through a happy New Year!
Mr and Mrs Kavlik
"Mikavuk" on package

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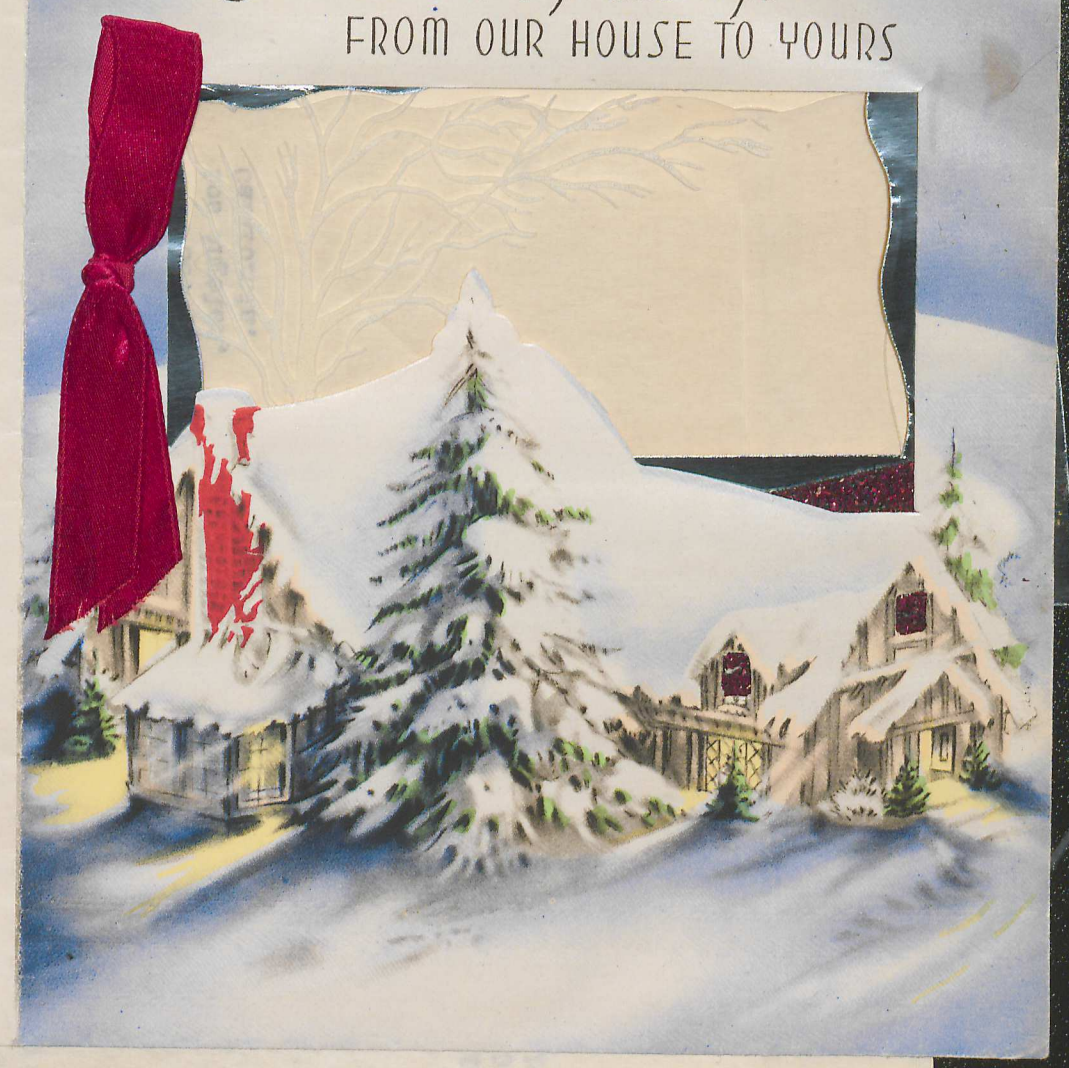
Christmas Greetings
FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOURS



1. To Mr President - 1. Hard

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3rd floor cabinet

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December 31, 1940

PPF 9-M

My dear Herbert:

It was kind indeed of you to send the President that scrapbook. He thanks you ever so much and wants me to convey his cordial good wishes to you for your health and happiness throughout the coming year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Herbert V. McMahon,
3354 Baltimore Avenue,
Kansas City,
Missouri.

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Miss LeHand

December 31, 1940

My dear Mr. Mehler:

Your letter of recent date has been received by the President. He thanks you ever so much for the little horseshoe pin and has noted with interest that this token was made by your own hands.

The President wants me to extend his hearty good wishes to you for your health and happiness throughout the coming year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

E. M. Mehler, Esq.,
317 Temple Avenue,
Long Beach,
California.

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(no record of gifts)

July 18- 1920

Dear Mr President- (Rec'd. 9 a.m. July 21 1920 TIB)
Please accept this little horse-shoe as a symbol of good luck & a token of my appreciation of your efforts to raise the standard of living for the laboring class.
I am a track shoer by trade & am now in my seventy sixth year & have made this little pin, a fac-simile of the shoe worn by Maud S. when she made the world record of 2.08 1/4.
It is called the Maud S. invisible bar, a very hard shoe to make & fit-
Hoping it may bring you equally good luck. I remain
Your true friend
E M Mehler
317 Temple Ave. Long Beach Cal.
P. S. Most of the undesirables have left our party & gone to the Republicans where they belong (a few more ought to go). I think you will have clear sailing for the next four years.

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Dear President Russell—

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JUSTICE, R. P.
Job, Kentucky
Dec. 15, 1940

Advising of namesake. Namesake, Franklin Delano Justice, sends President gift of mistletoe and holly.

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PPF 9-M

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KRAFT, Mrs. O. P.,
St. Louis, Mo.
December 20, 1940

Sends the President a card of Christmas greetings and also enclosing a medal for the President to wear.

See P.P.F. 1000-K

Brashen Falls. 18- 1940 (no record of gift)

Bear President Rusavelt—

Merry Christ-mass to you and Mrs Rusavelt- also to
your dear. Old. mother
you will recive a Christ mass gift from me to you and
Mrs Rusavelt a scarf for you a pen for Mrs Rusavelt
I. haven't got over Election was so overjoyed- to think
you drove they Rep. so far back you discouraged them
so much. ode against you was a merical. I firmly
believe you was they one. God wanted to lede our Coundry
to fede they poor. youre Kindness to everybody
no one man. Could stand such business only God. is his
guide they sensable men desided not to let you fo- at-
any Cost few if any has youre Responsability
I have they laugh on they Rep I tell them this
is to be only one party that is they Democrats
Washington frede this Coundry
Linkon frede they slaves
Rusavelt comes next greatest President in
history He Kept they poor from starving Kept they
labor man at work greatest of all. Kept peace
all Europe is fighting we are at peace
It apeare to so many God is youre Guide
I plan you are to be home Christ mass. so
I unite to Hyde Park. You have some time to
rest

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I Considerd think of a present for Mrs Rusavelt
so I sent a pen. I have no sister living I 70
old bachelor Cannot work no more Bro 84
we live no housekeper on a farm three
miles from Brasher Falls we must soon get out as
they want that onde this farm gav us until
spring to stay
to relave my mind I was so overjoyed I send this
neck scarf as a Christmass offering to you
tell Mrs. Rusavelt she dident forgot me I Considert
get a U.S. male to Come by my residence and other faild
I wrote him she got after they third assistant P.M. then
Joseph C.O. Mohoney in notime we had male servis
also a good rode that was in somecher around 19.33
I was so mad at Al Smith I sent an old derby
to you at Washington to see what I sent him for your
staff to adress to him they Will an to turn traitor on
they Democrats May God sped you in all
youre undertaking
Wish you and Mrs Rusavelt
Merry Christmass Happy New year

From
Charles B. Murray
Brasher Falls N.Y
R.F.D.1