PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL FILE

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September 19, 1934.

My dear Mr. Navarro:

The painting which you were good enough to make for the President has been received and he has asked me to thank you very much for your kindness in sending it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

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C. Navarro, Esq.,
U. S. S. Indianapolis,
Hampton Roads,
Virginia.

September 19, 1934.

My dear Captain Smeallie:

I have received your letter and shall be glad to present the painting by C. Navarro to the President when he returns to Washington. He will, I am sure, be most appreciative of the friendly interest which prompted the boy to make the picture for him.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

Captain John Smeallie,
U. S. S. Indianapolis,
Hampton Roads,
Virginia.

Oil painting of Prest.
Sent to Prest by artist.
C. Navarro. a mess boy
on U.S.S. Indianapolis.

Letter re above from Capt.
J. M. Smeallie of the Indian-
apolis put in Mr. Hoover's
mail.
Letter and painting sent from
Hampton Roads, Va.

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asked me whether he might present it
to him.

I told him that the best way was
he to express it to you at the White
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ask you to please let me know about it and
to mention it to the President when an
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U. S. S. INDIANAPOLIS

Hampton Roads Virginia

THE WHITE HOUSE
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My dear Colonel Horn -

One of the Filipino mess attendants attached to this ship has painted an oil portrait of President Roosevelt and has asked me whether he might present it to him.

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I thank you for anything you may be able to do for this Filipino - C. Navarro by name.

I am sorry it has not work out that you visit us this summer.

Very sincerely yours

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Very sincerely yours

John Smeallie,
Captain, U.S.S. Indianapolis

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Captain, U.S.S. Indianapolis

THE WHITE HOUSE
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U. S. S. Oglala,
Pearl Harbor, T.H.,
23 October, 1935.

Dear Sir:-

I have in my possession your letter of 19 September, 1934, in which you convey the thanks of the President for my painting of him.

I am very grateful for the President's kindness in acknowledging receipt of the painting, and would like permission to frame and hang your letter in my studio along with my diploma as bachelor of arts from Sto. Tomas University, Manila, P.I.

Respectfully,

C. Navarro,
Officer's Steward 3c, USN
U.S.S. Oglala

Mr. Louis McH. Howe,
Secretary to the President,
White House, Washington, D.C.

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Hyde Park, N. Y.
September 20, 1934.

Dear Mr. Ne Jame:-

The President has asked me to thank you very much for the delicious melons which you sent to him. He appreciates your kind thought.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Le Hand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

George B. Ne Jame, Esq.,
23 Washington, Street,
Poughkeepsie, New York.

P.P.F. 9-N

October 12, 1934

Gentlemen:

The copy of the 1934 Year Book of the New York County Lawyers Association has been received and I want to thank you most cordially in the President's behalf for your thoughtfulness in sending it to him.

Very sincerely yours,

Louis Howe

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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New York County Lawyers' Association,
14 Vesey Street,
New York, N. Y.

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The Mayflower
Washington, D. C.

October 29, 1934.

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Dear Mr. President:

You told me one time that when my Dominican friends offered me Dominican Rum, I should insist upon having Haitian Rum because, although Dominican Rum is good, Haitian Rum is better. When I went down a year ago last summer I followed your advice and met with this response:

"We are sorry but we cannot give you any Haitian Rum. The reason we cannot give you any Haitian Rum is that there is no more Haitian Rum, and the reason there is no more Haitian Rum is that the Marines drank it all up."

However, I fell in love with Dominican Rum and as a consequence I must dispute your claim that Haitian Rum is better. I am not dogmatic about it,

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Miss Anne S. Noble, X
Selma,
North Carolina.

PMG - sent hand-painted china dish; reviews her financial obligations and says the tried to get position as postmaster but it was given to a candidate less qualified than she; present postmaster has other business and divides his time; if she received it, she would devote entire time.

however, and I herewith submit my evidence - two bottles of Dominican Rum and two bottles of Haitian Rum. If you will sample them side by side I think you may reverse your judgment. I brought these up on my last trip a short time ago, stopping in Port au Prince especially to get the Haitian Rum for you. By the way, we habitually use planes going back and forth and it is a gorgeous trip. I came up in twenty-two hours as against five days by boat.

I want to extend my sincere and enthusiastic congratulations for your magnificent leadership and my sincere wishes for continued success. You are a great joy to your friends.

With kindest personal regards to yourself and Mrs. Roosevelt, I am as ever.

Cordially and faithfully yours,

Oliver P. Newman

The President,
the White House.

P.S. As a result of this Rum experience, I'll bet I am the only man in the world who really knows why the Marines were withdrawn.

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Secretary to the President

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November 6, 1934.

My dear Miss Noble:

Your letter of November first has been received and I want to assure you of the President's appreciation of your good wishes and the kindly thought which prompted you to send him a piece of your handiwork.

What you say regarding the postmastership at Selma is being brought to the attention of the Postmaster General.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

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Selma,
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Tansley,
Shoreham-by-Sea,
Sussex.

TELEPHONE
SHOREHAM-BY-SEA 312.

8. Nov. 34

Dear Mr President.

Forgive me
for so kindly gave me an
audience I have watched
with increasing admiration
the way in which you have
reached your big job.
Whilst you will not think it
an impertinence I/ I ask

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the States during my tour.
Here is one English man
who would be prepared to follow
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a delight to be able

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TELEPHONE
SHOREHAM-BY-SEA 312.

Tansley,
Shoreham-by-Sea,
Sussex.

From public platforms
up and down my country
to tell England precisely
what I think of you.
It is good to be living
in the same world
with you.
Wish you continued

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Strength to carry on
the good work
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November 9, 1934.

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My dear Mr. Nye:

Your letter of November seventh has been received and I want to assure you of the President's appreciation of your thoughtful courtesy in sending a copy of Mr. Greenwood's book, "Who Pays", to him.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

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D. W. Nye, Esq.,
Doubleday, Doran and Company,
Garden City,
New York.

DOUBLEDAY, DORAN AND COMPANY
INCORPORATED
PUBLISHERS
GARDEN CITY, N.Y.

November 7, 1934

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

Dear Mr. President:

Because I am sure it is a subject in which you are vitally interested I am sending under separate cover a copy of "WHO PAYS?", a book on Accidents and Accident Prevention by Ernest Greenwood.

With an economic loss of ten billions of dollars each year, with eighty-nine thousand people being killed, three hundred and thirty thousand permanently disabled and eight million injured, we have a most appalling condition, and because most of it could be eliminated makes it one of our greatest national problems.

We hope the publication of this book may in some small degree constitute a real social service. I believe you will find it of unusual interest.

Very truly yours,
DOUBLEDAY, DORAN & COMPANY, INC.

Daniel W. Nye

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Julius Rosenwald Fund

Southern Office
Cotton States Building
Nashville, Tennessee

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S. L. Smith
Director for Southern Office

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Associate Director

November 17, 1934

Mr. President:

On behalf of the Nashville Civitans, this committee has the honor of presenting to you this Cartoon, drawn by Civitan Joe Parrish, inspired by your classic words "Nature still offers her bounty, and human efforts have multiplied it" and the Tennessee Valley development. It is framed in Hermitage Cedar.

Nashville Civitan Committee

Leader Frank. President.
T. Gaines
Joe Parrish
N. J. Hamilton
S. L. Smith, presenting

November 19, 1934.

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My dear Mr. Nyland:

Your letter of November thirteenth has been received and I want to thank you in the President's behalf for your kindness in sending the little book to him.

I shall be very glad indeed to call it to his attention upon his return to the city.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

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W. A. Nyland, Esq.,
The New Economics Group,
55 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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November 13, 1934 F:
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Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

In commenting yesterday on the recommendations for an intermediate-term credit system, Mr. Arthur Brisbane said:

"Those interested in the money problem, even the President and Secretary Morgenthau, might read the Economic Plan of Major C. H. Douglas. They will find an excellent outline of it in 'The ABC of Social Credit', by E. S. Holter. Business men interested in economic problems and money are advised to get that book and read it."

The economic proposals known as Social Credit aim to provide an effective system of distribution, without regimentation or confiscation, in an age of power production. I am taking the liberty of sending you under separate cover a copy of this brief introductory book, which Mr. Brisbane wished to call to your attention.

Yours respectfully,

THE NEW ECONOMICS GROUP

W. A. Wanyland

Executive Secretary

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November 20, 1934.

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My dear Mr. Neuman:

In the absence of the President permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November thirteenth. I can assure you that the President will be most appreciative of your kindly thought.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

Hugo L. Neuman, Esq.,
Corvallis,
Oregon.

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Corvallis, Oregon, Nov. 13. 1934.

To The
Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt. Pres. U.S.A.
Washington D.C.

acted 11/20 - WJ

Dear Mr-Roosevelt:- I would like to send you and your Sec. bottle a-piece of my Raspberry and Loganberry Wine, made from my own berries. I have a Bonded Winery. The Willamette Valley Winery No. 3. Corvallis Oregon. and I thot if you could by your authority give me the permit to mail you a package containing the wine, I would be very happy indeed, to send it to you.

Wishing you the best of everything

I am,

Sincerely Yours.

God Bless You, - Hugo L. Neuman.

November 22, 1934.

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My dear Mr. Nomden:

The President was much pleased to receive your letter of November first and has requested me to thank you warmly for your thoughtfulness in sending him the wooden shoes to which you refer. He is glad to have this product of your own workmanship and is indeed grateful for the spirit which prompted your act.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

Jacob Nomden, Esq.,
5248 Iowa Street,
Chicago,
Illinois.

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Translated and summarized by:

Translator's summary of communication.

Rec'd
sent to Lowry

Language in which written: Dutch

Date of communication: November 1, 1934.

Addressed to: The President

Name and address of writer: Jacob Nomden
5248 Iowa St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Substance of statements made by the writer: In commemoration of the closing of the World's Fair, he is sending the President the last pair of wooden shoes made by him in the Dutch Village. If they do not fit, he will be glad to make another pair to the President's measure. These shoes are made entirely by hand. In some parts of the Netherlands such shoes are still worn.

Request made in communication:

Remarks: No shoes came to the Translating Bureau.

Translated and summarized by:

Chicago Ill. November 1. 1934

W. E. A. Hier

F. D. Roosevelt 78

White House

Washington D.C.

Hoogeachte President,

Hiermede neemt ondergeteekende de vrijheid bij het sluiten der Worlds-Fair, een aandenken te zenden, Een paar „Nederlandsche Klompen" de laatste paar klompen gemaakt dóór mij in mijn klompenfabriek in het Nederlandsche Dorpje aan het meer Michigan Chicago.

In geval ze U niet passen wil ik deze zeer gaarne ruilen voor de juiste maat Uwer Voet, of alleen als een gedachtenis aan the Dutch Village.

Vertrouwende dat U deze klompen wilt accepteeren van een Nederlandsch-Amerikaan, welke hier met zijn Vrouw en kinderen in 1928 in de U. S. A. is gekomen, en hier lotsverbetering heeft gevonden.

Ik wensch U en Uw huisgezin Gods zegen, en een goede gezondheid toe.

Met Versch. Hoogachting

Uw. dw. dienaar

Jacob. Nomden

P/S. Deze klompen zijn gemaakt zonder Machines geheel handwerk en worden zoals U weet in sommige gedeelten van Nederland dagelijks gedragen, ze zijn nog niet geheel droog doch zullen na eenige dagen weer licht worden.

5248 Iowa St Chicago Ill

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November 24, 1934

My dear Miss Norton:

Your letter of November eighteenth has been received and I want to assure you of the President's appreciation of the friendly interest which prompted you to write.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

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Miss Mary Josephine Norton,
1128 North 26th Street,
Birmingham,
Alabama.

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1128- No. 26 Street
Birmingham, Ala.
November 18, 1934

Dear Mr. President;

Your train passed through our city today and I had the pleasure of presenting you with a basket of flowers - but I did not have the opportunity of saying what I wished. I am a high school student. I have always lived in Birmingham and we are taught to be vitally interested in National and Civic affairs. It is hardly necessary to tell you that we think you are the greatest president we have ever had, that your New Deal has brought untold blessings to

Beeville, Tex
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thousands of people but what
I really want to say is this;—
that we really love you as
we love no other person in the
United States. Mrs Roosevelt,
too, holds a particular place
in our hearts. We love and ad-
-mire you both because of your
bravery, your wholesomeness, and
your <u>real</u> humanness.

I am hoping this letter will
not reach the wastebasket be-
-fore you see it.

I am your sincere friend,

Mary Josephine Norton.

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Warm Springs, Georgia
November 28, 1934

P.P.F. 9-N.

My dear Mr. Nasworthy:

Your thoughtful courtesy in sending the fine cane to the President is very much appreciate and he has asked me to convey to you his hearty appreciation for your thought of him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand,
PRIVATE SECRETARY

G. B. Nasworthy, Esq.,
Route B,
Boston,
Georgia.

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from
Mr G B. Nasworthy
Baston Ga

Boots # 23

Cane

Gentlemen:

The President has asked me to convey his warm thanks to you for your courtesy in sending him the pair of spurs. He appreciates your friendly interest.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Nocona Boot Company, Inc.,
Nocona,
Texas.

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Warm Springs, Georgia
November 28, 1934

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PRES. ROOSEVELT - NOCONA BOOT CO., INC., NOCONA, TEX.

THANK FOR A PAIR OF SPURS SENT TO
THE PRESIDENT.
M. L.

ack'd 11-28-34 WDS

Beeville Tex
Nov. 25, 1933

Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

Received

No doubt it has slipped your remembrance that a month or so ago I sent you two suits of Coker sack, to send what ever comment or reward I deserve to me. I am sorry dear Pres. but I haven't heard from you & I'm very anxious. I remain respectfully

Please Pres. send by return mail after the exhibits.

THANK FOR A PAIR OF SPURS SENT TO

THE PRESIDENT.

M. L.

ack 11-28-34

Recd

Beeville Tex
Nov. 28, 1933

Hon. D. Roosevelt
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

No doubt it has slipped your remembrance that a month or so ago I sent two suits of Coker sack, to send what ever comment or reward I deserve & to please forward the suits to me. I am sorry dear Pres. but I haven't heard from you & I'm very anxious. I remain respectfully

Please Pres. send by return mail after the exhibits.

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Beeville Tex
Nov. 25, 1933

Pres. Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington D.C.

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Please Pres. send
by return mail after the exhibits.

+ awaiting yours reply at
your earliest convenience

Mrs C. Nelson

Box 577

Beeville, Tex.

Please Pres. send the above
by return mail after the exhibits.

Beville Tex.
Oct. 27, 1933

Mr. Pres. D. Roosevelt

Dear Pres.

I am hereby Writing a note + also send a package of a pet of Economicness.

I have a man's suit + a Woman's sport suit that's Made of Croker sacks + the cap also.

I have herby done this through my own mind with my own pattern + no help out side of God's.

And I herby beg of you to please give me whatever kind of Compliments or remarks or what ever you think is appropriate to the work. And I thank you so much.

Please Pres. send the things by return mail after the exhibits.

I am a widow woman of forty (40)

I beg to remain

Resp

Mrs. Clementine Nelson

Box 577

Beeville, Texas

March 6, 1935

My dear Mrs. Nelson:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February twenty-fifth.

In compliance with your request, the suits which you sent to the President for inspection some time ago are being returned to you under separate cover.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Le Hand
Private Secretary

Mrs. Clemontine Nelson,
Box 577,
Beeville,
Texas.

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Bx 577
Beeville, Texas
February 25, 1935.

His Excellency-President Franklin D. Rosevelt
President, U.S.A.
White House, Washington, D.C.

Esteemed Sir:

On October 30, 1933, it was my pleasure to send you for inspection: One man's suit and one ladies' coat suit made of Hemp sacking, just to demonstrate what might be done to aid you in your ECONOMY program. I have written for a return of said goods, but to no avail.

May I hear from you ?

Sincerely,

(Mrs) Clemontine Nelson.

Countersigned: (Mrs) Clemontine Nelson.

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Warm Springs, Georgia
December 4, 1934.

My dear Mrs. Nichols:

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt were much pleased to receive your letter of November twenty-seventh and want you to know how much they appreciate your kind thought in sending them the fine beaten biscuits. They are indeed grateful for this evidence of your friendly interest and good will.

Very sincerely yours,

M.A. LeHand
Private Secretary.

Mrs. George Nichols, Sr.,
Columbia,
Tennessee.

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Columbia Tenn -
Nov. 27-1934.

Pres. & Mrs. Roosevelt -
Warm Springs Ga.

My Dear Friends -

It gives me great
pleasure to send you
some more of my
southern beaten biscuit.
They are accompained
by many good wishes,
loving thoughts, and
prayers. And I
trust you may enjoy
them.

Very Sincerely
Mrs. Geo. Mahrs Sr.

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to Fort Bayard, N.M.

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Most respectfully,
Joseph M Dedman
Postmaster.

United States Post Office _____ CLASS

Columbia,Tenn.,November 27,1934
Joseph M. Dedman.P.M.

President F.D.Roosevelt,

Warm Springs,Ga.

My dear Mr.President;-

Mrs.George Nichols of this city,the well known cateress of this section is sending to you by this mail a package of her famous beaten biscuits and has asked me to write you the contents of the package.

While writing I wish to be permitted to refer to the fact that I had the pleasure of being introduced to you by my boyhood friend,Senator McKellar,at Muscle Shoals shortly before your inauguration and also to the fact that I am a brother of Col.J.E.Dedman,formerly of Castle Point,N.Y. My brother has been recently transferred to Fort Bayard,N.M.

With assurance of my highest esteem and best wishes, I am

Most respectfully,
Joseph M Dedman
Postmaster.

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Warm Springs, Georgia.
December 4, 1934.

My dear Mr. Nightingale:

Your recent letter and the wood carving which you were good enough to send to the President have been received. He has asked me to convey his very sincere thanks to you for this evidence of your good will.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

E. H. Nightingale, Esq.,
108 ~~Dillingham Street~~,
Columbus,
Georgia.

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Columbus Ga. 11/ /—34 aded 12-4-34 for

to our beloved Pnesident of this gneath
U.S.A. Mr Fnanklyn D. Rnoseveldt
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Jesus Crist & the Powner of the habley Gost
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alwais, nows my dear sir, i beg of you
not to put me in to Prison, for me
the king the liberty to to Hnomeby with
to you again, for given you this my last
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in Washington, that on was for Publick &
both this on belongs in to yuns Home, as
it is a home Blessing reneral hundered
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i am by giving you this, with a luving
Harth, for you ar asKting nealey as a
Father of a large Familie, especialey so,
to the Oppressd ones, treting you as a
private Cittenzen, forgive me this
wai of talking, i mean no harm beyond
i want you to Know, that i for on
do understand the Good that is resting

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Warm Springs, Georgia,
December 4, 1934.

My dear Mr. Nasworthy:

Your thoughtful courtesy in sending the fine cane to the President is very much appreciated by him and he has asked me to convey to you his sincere thanks. He wants you to know how grateful he is for your Thanksgiving greetings.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand,
PRIVATE SECRETARY

G. B. Nasworthy, Esq.,
R. F. D. B,
Boston,
Georgia.

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November 23,1934

The President Of The United States
Warm Springs, Georgia

Dear Mr. President:

I am sending you a Thanksgiving walking cane carved from a Eucalyptus tree grown in Thomas County. I hope you will enjoy using it.

We are very glad to have you in Georgia spending Thanksgiving with us and hope you will enjoy the day very much.

Yours faithfully,
G.B. Nasworthy
G.B. Nasworthy

R F D. "B"
Boston, Ga.

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Warm Springs, Georgia
December 4, 1934

My dear Mr. New:

The President has asked me to tell you how deeply he appreciates the friendly motive which prompted you to send him the framed picture. He thanks you ever so much and sends you his very best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

W. D. New, Esq.,
Siluria,
Alabama.

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December 18, 1934

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My dear Joseph:

The President has received your nice letter of December twelfth and has asked me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending the plaque to him and to send you his best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

sent to Storage

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LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

Joseph Neri
936 Kelly Street,
Bronx, New York.

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936 Kelly St.
Bronx, N. Y.
Dec. 12, 1934

Dear Mr. Roosevelt,

Not so long ago I had the pleasure of receiving from you, your picture, showing you seated at your desk, now after six months of hard work I have the great pleasure of returning your picture, only in a more life-like form, that is, a plaque in base-relief. I am, as you know, a boy of fifteen victim of infantile paralysis and my hands are not as they should be, but be as they are, this is

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Bronx,
New York.

what they can do for our humane and ingratiating President.

The foundation at Warm Springs, Georgia, answered me, telling me to be patient and to wait my turn, and I hope to God that my only wish shall be gratified.

This letter is to notify you to expect my little gift before Christmas, and may it be as merry a one for you as ever.

Sincerely yours,
Joseph Neri.

Joseph J. Neri,
936 Kelly Street,
Bronx,
New York.

April 1, 1935.

My dear Joseph:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March twenty-seventh.

I am enclosing for your information copy of a letter which Secretary Howe addressed to you on December eighteenth last, acknowledging the receipt of your letter and extending the President's thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending the plaque to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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Joseph J. Neri,
936 Kelly Street,
Bronx,
New York.

936 Kelly St.
Bronx, N.Y.
Mar. 27, 1935.

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

My dear President:

On the sixteenth of last December I sent you a plaque, sculptured in bas-relief, of your favorite portrait. I worked on it six months and spent nearly all my small weekly allowances. Since the date of shippment I have not received any word and I should greatly be indebted em

Mrs. Sarah J. Newland,
205 Reservation Road,
Hyde Park,
Massachusetts.

hope and appreciation.

Thank you ever so much.

Yours very respectfully,
Joseph J. Nori.

to you if you would be so kind as to inform me whether or not you have received it, for I still have the Express Receipt. If it may have been lost I can take up the case with the company. The package was rather bulky and weighed about 30 pounds.

I am quite sure it must have been lost, for I know you would have been so kind as to tell me how you like it.

I shall await a reply at your convenience with the greatest of

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Mrs. Sarah J. Newland,
205 Reservation Road,
Hyde Park,
Massachusetts.

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December 19, 1934.

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My dear Mrs. Newland:

Your note of December fifteenth has been received and the President has asked me to tell you how much he appreciates your good wishes and your kindness in sending the handkerchief to him.

Very sincerely yours,

sent to House

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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Mrs. Sarah J. Newland,
205 Reservation Road,
Hyde Park,
Massachusetts.

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205. Reservation Road,
Hyde Park,
Massachusetts.
Dec 15-1934.

My dear Mr President. and I am
I am writing to wish
you and yours, a very happy
Christmas, and a New Year filled with
God's best gifts,
I am sending you a handkerchief,
will you please accept it with the
best wishes of one who feels
you are doing everything you
possibly can to make everyone
happy.

Sincerely Yours.
Mrs) - Sarah J. Newland

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Lithgow Osborne, Esq.,
Conservation Commissioner,
Albany,
New York.

December 21, 1934.

My dear Mr. Osborne:

The President has asked me to acknowledge the receipt of the fine Christmas tree which you were good enough to send to him from the Capital District Game Refuge, and to assure you of his appreciation of your thoughtfulness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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Lithgow Osborne, Esq.,
Conservation Commissioner,
Albany,
New York.

TELEGRAM

The White House
Washington

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Albany, N. Y., December 18, 1934

THE PRESIDENT.

A twenty six foot Christmas tree forwarded to you last night, cut on Capital District Game Refuge. It goes with best wishes of this department for a Merry Christmas

Lithgow Osborne, Conservation Commissioner.

415 Memorial Apartments,
Nashville,
Tennessee.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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Mrs. C. B. Newberry,
415 Memorial Apartments,
Nashville,
Tennessee.

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December 22, 1934.

My dear Mrs. Newberry:

Your letter has been received and I want to thank you in the President's behalf for your thoughtfulness in sending the little booklet and the mountain mistletoe to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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Mrs. C. B. Newberry,
415 Memorial Apartments,
Nashville,
Tennessee.

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This little booklet is prepared "mountain fashion" and sent as a Christmas Greeting, with the hope that you may enjoy these quaint sayings and superstitions of the East Tennessee Mountain Folk. My attempt to dress them up in rhyme does not change the original meaning, in the least; and they are all first hand.

The other verse is my own composition and written expressly for this booklet, not in an endeavor to be poetic, but to give a glimpse of real mountain life, in the most concise way.

A native of the East Tennessee Hills, educated in Maryville, "The Mountain College", and having worked for many years, as teacher and social worker among the mountain people, I have their interests close at heart, and join them in thanking you, most sincerely, for originating a program that is benefitting thousands in outlying rural districts, where charity is not sought, and seldom reaches.

Sincerely,

Mary Swanner Newberry.

(Mrs. C.B. Newberry)



Mary Swanner Newberry,
Nashville, Tennessee.
415 Memorial Apartments



A DAY'S WORK.

Cook the breakfast, fetch the water,
Feed the chickens, milk the cow,
Clean the house up, tote in stovewood;
For the men have gone to plow.

Pack the washing to the wash place,
Carry water, fill the tub;
Keep the fire up 'round the kettle,
Boil the linens, rub and rub.

Stop at noon to cook the dinner-
And the churning is to do,
So the milk will cool for supper-
Now, the hour hand stands at two.

Wash is finished, but it's sundown,
And the chickens must be fed;
Eggs be gathered; fetch night water,
Milk old Boss and bake the bread;

Serve the supper, wash the dishes,
Bring dry kindling from the shed-
The day's work is not yet finished,
But it's time to go to bed.

SUPERSTITIONS OF THE HILL FOLK.

We, who have lived among the people of the East Tennessee Mountains, and know their lives of toil and privation, rejoice that new and better things are in store for them, especially for the younger generation. The aged and toilworn grandsires are passing fast to their reward in the beautiful Heaven, which they have visualized, for so long, in the starry sky above them. Soon the typical old mountaineer will be gone; his quaint sayings and superstitions forgotten, and the simple formulas for age old remedies, brewed from the herbs of his beloved hills, will be remembered no more.

Already, those who have had educational advantages have grown away from the superstitions of the old grandmother, who saw to it, that the hearth was swept, and the broom was brushed and stood up in its corner before dark------

"Never sweep the hearth at night,
Whether rich or poor.
In some queer way, you sweep they say,
Five dollars from your door."

The old grandmother takes great pride in planting her old fashioned flowers; and a Privot bush in the yard is treasured, because,from its leaves and twigs she brews a mouth wash that will cure the grand baby's "thrash" but she will allow no Cedar to be planted there ---------

"Plant no Cedar in your yard,
If long to live you crave;
You'll live no longer than its large
Enough to shade your grave."

Every Cabin has its Cricket chirping merrily upon the hearth, without danger, for it is considered an omen of Good Luck----

"Harm not the cricket in the hearth,
That comes at night to sing.
Guard him well, and surely he
Good Luck to you will bring."

In the mountains, a hen stands good chance to be spared the ax, so long as she is content to remain feminine; but woe to her, the moment she decides to crow, for she will end in a pot.

"Never keep a hen that crows,
You'll rue it, if you do.
It is an evil omen,and
Will bring bad luck to you."

If the old mother, dressing before the crack of dawn, in the glimmering light of a coal oil lamp, should chance to put her dress on with the wrong side out, she would not change it----

"When any garment you put on,
And find it's wrong side out,
Wear it that way, throughout the day,
To put bad luck to rout."

It is not unusual to find a much battered and rusty horse shoe hanging above the cabin door, or the stable door for luck----

"Above your door a horse shoe hang,
The corks turned toward the ground;
And it will bring the best of luck
To you the whole year round."

In remote mountain districts, mirrors used to be rare, and much superstition was attached to their possession. A baby was never allowed to look into the mirror until he was one year old, lest he should not live. To break a mirror was about the worst thing that could happen; so the looking glass was hung in a safe place, on a stout nail, around which the cord was wrapped several times as added precaution---

"If a mirror you should break,
Well grounded are your fears;
For you will have the worst of luck
For seven tedious years."

In addition to getting ready for a bride, something new, something blue and something borrowed, the heavens are scanned by the best prophets to determine whether the weather will be fair----------

"If upon your wedding day
The earth is drenched with rain,
You will shed tears throughout the years,
And small will be your gain."

Should the ashes seem too plentiful in some fire places between Christmas and New Year's Day, the house wife has her reasons-----

"If you would have the best of luck
Each day, the year throughout,
From Christmas Eve, till New Year's night,
Don't take the ashes out.

At planting time the Almanac is consulted, for there is a sign for everything and strict attention is given to them---

"When planting your cucumbers,
Be sure to watch the signes,
And unless they are in the feet
Naught will you have but vines."

Except in the most remote districts, the mountain lass of today has learned to care for her hands, but to the old fashioned girl, the manicure meant merely trimming the nails, as short as was possible,with the family scissors, and it was done at the first of the week---------

"Monday for wealth,
Tuesday for health,
Wednesday,the best day of all;
Thursday for losses,
Friday for crosses,
Saturday, no day at all.
Sunday, embarrasment.

Back in the hills beauty shops and cosmetics are unknown, yet the mountain girl uses the simple methods she knows to improve her appearance. Mutton tallow keeps her hands from chapping in winter; butter milk and tansy will bleach them in the summer, and she has a notion that cucumber juice makes the freckles on her nose less noticeable. Pulverized fire coal (char coal) mixed with salt, and a black gum tooth brush keep her teeth in good condition, and plenty of exercise in the pure mountain air furnishes a rouge, that is unsurpassed.

The homely girl often hears this quotation:

"Beauty is skin deep, ugly to the bone,
Beauty fades away, but ugly holds its own."

"Never walk with one shoe off-
Tis ill, the old dames say,
And you will have as much bad luck
As you take steps that way."

"When you come in, remember well
The door, through which you came,
And if you would avoid ill luck,
In exit take the same."

"If a bird, to build its nest,
Should your combings take,
On this one thing you may depend-
'Twill cause your head to ache."

"If you are haunted by nightmares,
And wish the things to rout,
Sleep with your shoes beneath the bed-
The toes both pointed out."

"When an owl hoots near the house
It is ill, they say
But if the tongs are heated red,
The owl will fly away."

"Never cut a garment out
On Friday, unless you
Can finish it,to the last stitch,
Before the day is through."

"Sleep not,your head toward the east-
Why, no one can tell-
Except, they say, to sleep that way,
A person can't keep well."

"If you would keep your dog at home,
Try this, it will not fail;
Neath the doorstep, hide secure
Some hair from off his tail."

"Let no one sweep between your feet,
For if you do, 'tis said,
You may hear your wedding bells,
But never will you wed."

"When choosing gifts for one you love,
Heed this, or you may blunder;
Choose no thing that has a point-
'Twill cut your love assunder."

A HILL MAN'S FIRST VISIT TO NORRIS DAM.

"They's quare sights in th' holler Ma, whur Cove Creek jines th' Clinch;
I stopped a spell es I rid past, an' seen ol' Jerry Lynch.
Pore feller's got his se'f a job, th' best he ever had;
He's workin' in th' Coffey dam, wi' Hutie Melson's dad.

I never seen th' like uv men a workin' in a a place--
They caint nobody holler now, about work bein' scace.
Like bees, they swarmed on both hillsides, an' in th' holler too,
Hit shore is more th'n I kin tell, how they know'd whut t' do.

An' quare contraptions all aroun', they made me sort uv feard;
Ol' Beck, she riz an' pawed th' air, th' critter wuz thet skeer'd.
I seen 'em warshin' off a hill down t' th' solid rock
By spoutin' water frum a thing wi' hands jist like a clock.

Th' pur'test sight I seen tho, Ma, wuz out thar at th' town-
I wisht thet ye c'd hev th' things, I seen es I went roun'.
Th' houses looked so perky like, a settin' in th' grass,
I jist stept up an' peeped right in, fer ever door wuz glass.

They say th' holler sends 'em lights, an' heats th'r house wi' warr;
Th' women cook an' warsh an' arn, wi' nary spark uv farr.
Th' way th' flies air fas'end out beats all I ever seen;
They got fine warr stretched on th' doors- I bleev they call hit screen.

I seen more cur'us lookin' kyrs a whizzin' thoo th' town;
They run so fas' hit pear'd t' me, my head wuz swimmin' roun'
I could'nt nigh git ol' Beck in amongst them kyrs an' horns-
An' ye caint go thar by yerse'f; ye'd git kilt, shore's yer born.

Down at th' store, he had a box no bigger th'n my hat
An' men wuz in hit, talkin' thar, shore es my name is Matt--
Yer snifflin' Ma? Shux, pearten up; We're goin t' do plum well
Th' store man down thar lows t' buy whut truck we hev t' sell."



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December 26, 1934.

Respectfully referred to the Director, United States Employment Service, for consideration and advice to writer.

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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USES - Let. from R. J. NIETO, Onyx, Calif., 12/18/34 - sends in old Indian relic (which returned) - asks for a job now working 10 days a/month for the State but cannot support 5 dependents.

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December 26, 1934.

My dear Mr. Nieto:

Your letter of December eighteenth has been received. While the President appreciates your thoughtfulness in sending the old relic to him, he does not feel that he should deprive you of its possession. I am, therefore, returning it to you under separate cover.

While this office does not know of any position which might be offered to you at this time, I shall be very glad indeed to refer your letter for the consideration of the Director, United States Employment Service, to see if he can make any helpful suggestion.

The President appreciates your friendly holiday message and sends you his best wishes for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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R. J. Nieto, Esq.,
Onyx,
California.

Article returned parcel post
Dec 28-1934 Insured for 15.00

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December 26, 1934.

My dear Mr. Munley:

The President thinks it was very nice of you, Mr. Richard Tate and Mr. Elmer Thompson to send him some Christmas greens and he has asked me to thank you for them.

He sends you his best wishes for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

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J. B. Munley, Esq.,
Route 7, Box 47,
McMinville,
Tennessee.

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MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE.....

A little more cheery a little more glad
Than the Merriest Christmas you ever had!

COPY

December 26,1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE STATE DEPARTMENT

WILL you please prepare, for my signature, a letter of thanks to Minister Sze and also a nice letter to Mr. Soong to thank him for the Tea and the Lichee Nuts?

F. D. R.

Enclosing two letters.

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