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The National Archives
Washington, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE ARCHIVIST

January 12, 1940

Mr. Henry L. Parchen
Union City, New Jersey

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I have read your letter accompanying the volume with considerable interest. I shall be very glad to accept the volume for the library.

Very truly yours,

R. D. W. Connor
Archivist of the United States

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Only this address given
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 5, 1940

My dear Dr. Connor:

By direction of the President, the enclosed letter from Mr. Henry L. Parchen together with the book entitled, "Columbus and Columbia", are sent to you and will explain themselves.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Dr. R. W. D. Connor,
Archivist of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

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Miss LeHand's letter of 1/6/40 sent to

Mr. Parchen at Mr. Connor's request.

It was letter of transmittal.

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Union City, N.J., July 29, 1939.

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Dear Mr. President;

Again it is necessary to write an explanation. A book entitled, "Columbus and Columbia," was given to me by a friend's daughter. You will note that the book had originally been donated "To Millie", on her tenth birthday, January 30, 1894. That was your eleventh birthday and therefore I think it appropriate to pass this historic book of 832 pages along to you, to preserve for posterity, with the other documents and papers, at the 16 acre tract in Hyde Park N.Y., which you donated to the Nation to-day.

The "Millie" mentioned, was Millie Benker of New York City. Her daughter is Ruth Moritz Stein, whose little daughter Eleanor, was named after Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. She

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is now three years of age and with her parents, resides at 1831 Yates Ave. Bronx, N.Y.C. Her Father, Charles F. Stein is employed by the New York Telephone Company.

I consider it a privilege, Mr. Roosevelt, to present this book of the Columbian Exposition of 1893, the year of my birth; to you in this date, the year of the New York World's Fair.

Very respectfully yours,

Henry L. Darchen

To

His Excellency, The President of the United States,
The White House,
Washington,
D.C.

Miss LeHand

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January 12, 1940

My dear Miss Lustig:

Thank you, in the President's behalf, for the Pocket Books, Issues 35 to 40, inclusive. I can assure you that he much appreciates your courtesy in sending the volumes to him.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Lillian Lustig,
Pocket Books, Inc.,
386 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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PocketBOOKS, INC.
386 FOURTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.
MURRAY HILL 6-8958

Thank you
March

January 8, 1940.

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Dear Mr. Early:

It is a pleasure to send one of each of our January publications to the President, under separate cover. You will recall that I promised some time ago to keep his file of Pocket BOOKS complete.

Yours sincerely,

Lillian Lustig

Lillian Lustig
Pocket BOOKS, Inc.

Mr. Stephen Early
Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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January 15, 1940.

Dear Miss LeHand:

I appreciated your letter of January 12th acknowledging the books we have sent to the President.

Your letter brings up a question that has been in my mind for some time. When I first sent some of the Pocket BOOKS to the President, I wrote to Mr. Early that we would continue to send each of the Pocket BOOKS as they are issued. We are more than delighted to do this if you feel that the President sees the books and would like to have them, but if it is just another thing for you to worry about and acknowledge, we don't want to bother you with the books.

I wonder, therefore, if when you get a chance you would let me know whether you would like us to continue to send the books.

Yours sincerely,

Lillian Lustig

Lillian Lustig
Pocket BOOKS, Inc.

Miss M. A. LeHand
Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

ll:mt

January 18, 1940

My dear Miss Lustig:

Many thanks for your letter of January fifteenth. Your thought of the President is deeply appreciated, and he would be pleased to have those little books to which you refer.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Lillian Lustig,
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386 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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Mr Rowes

January 3, 1940

My dear Mrs. Plunk:

Your friendly note has been received and the President wants you to know that he appreciates the friendly thought that prompted you to send him the gourd. He is grateful for your holiday greetings and asks me to convey his best wishes to you for the coming year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Margaret A. Plunk,
Route 2,
Warren,
Arkansas.

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Dec 22: 1939,

Pres F D Roosevelt
Washington D.C.

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Dear Sir please except this
small drinking gourd as a
christmas offering. It will be
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direct out of the warm
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I wish you + Wife a peaseful
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Mrs margaret a Plunk.

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M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Doctor George Parrish,
116 Temple Street,
Los Angeles,
California.

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January 3, 1940

My dear Dr. Parrish:

The President deeply appreciates your courtesy in sending him the copies of your messages, which accompanied your letter of December twenty-eighth. He has asked me to thank you, also, for your good wishes and sends you his very best wishes for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Doctor George Parrish,
116 Temple Street,
Los Angeles,
California.

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GEORGE PARRISH, M.D.
HEALTH OFFICER
116 TEMPLE STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

December 28, 1939

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

Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to enclose herewith my Annual Message to the Mayor, the Health Commission and the citizens of Los Angeles City and trust that it may contain information of interest to you.

With kind personal regards and best wishes for the New Year, I remain

Sincerely yours,

George Parrish, M.D.

GEORGE PARRISH, M. D.,
Health Officer

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January 4, 1940

Mr. Travis

Gentlemen:

Please accept the President's thanks for your New Year greetings and for your courtesy in sending him that "Powhatan" hand-made Indian Pipe. I want to assure you that your friendly thought is indeed appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Lelland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

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Pamplin Smoking Pipe & Mfg. Co., Inc.,
Richmond,
Virginia.

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"Sole Makers of the "Powhatan" Pipe"

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STAFF ROOM

Thank

M.A.L. signature

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Send pipe

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TURING CO., Inc.

-MADE PIPE ALSO
PLASTIC PIPE STEMS

GENERAL AND
SALES OFFICES
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

December 28, 1939.

Year to you!

, with the aid

of this genuine "Powhatan" hand-made Indian Pipe, which we ask that you accept with our compliments!

In return all we ask is that you let us know (after you have smoked your "Powhatan") what you think of it, how you like it, and whether you enjoy smoking it.

Please be certain your letter will NOT be used for advertising purposes. This is our way of finding out what the important people in the U. S. A. really think of the "Powhatan".

Thanks for your co-operation, and with every good wish, we are,

Sincerely,

PAMPLIN SMOKING PIPE & MFG. CO., INC.

"Sole Makers of the "Powhatan" Pipe"

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SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF THE ORIGINAL "POWHATAN" INDIAN, HAND-MADE PIPE ALSO
"OLE VIRGINNY" AND "WIGWAM" STONE AND CLAY PIPES, REED, FIG AND PLASTIC PIPE STEMS

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PAMPLIN
(APPOMATTOX COUNTY), VA.

The Original "POWHATAN" Indian Pipe (Hand-Made)

GENERAL AND
SALES OFFICES
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

December 28, 1939.

Send pipe to Museum

Dear Friend:

A happy, prosperous New Year to you!

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January 3, 1940

Dear Dr. Parma:

I have just received a copy of your book, "The Sermon on the Mount," which you so kindly sent me through the courtesy of my uncle, Mr. Frederic Delano. I am pleased to add this little volume to my book collection and much appreciate your thought of me.

P.P.F. 9-B

Very sincerely yours,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

Dr. V. Valta Parma,
Curator, Rare Book Collection,
Library of Congress,
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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To prepare a little letter to Mr. Parma for my signature

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FREDERIC A. DELANO

220 STATE DEP'T BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

670 LEXINGTON AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

220 State Dept. Bldg.
Washington, D. C.

December 29, 1939.

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

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Dear Eleanor:

As you know, I have been having some conferences with Dr. Valta Parma, and in connection with that he showed me a little volume entitled, "The Sermon on the Mount", which contains the verses from the Bible and interpretations by Dr. and Mrs. Parma. He explained to me that this book was published by the Grabhorn Press in San Francisco four or five years ago, and only 100 copies were printed.

I have read the book with interest, and while I am not ready to endorse the interpretations made, I think it is not only a beautiful piece of printing but an interesting volume. Dr. Parma thought The President might like to keep this book because by reason of its small edition, it is rare, and if The President was interested, he would be very glad to have him accept it. He is moved to do this in part by the quotation of the Beatitudes made by The President at the recent lighting of the Christmas Tree.

Affectionately yours,

Frederick Delano

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SCHAEFER, G. J.
Radio Keith Orpheum Corporation
New York, N. Y.
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Letter to the President enclosing a courtesy pass to all RKO theatres for 1940. -- Ack. by Miss LeHand 1/6/40.

SEE P.P.F. 4153

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January 9, 1940

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ROBBINS, Warren
Buenos Aires,
Argentina
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President wrote Mr. Robbins thanking him for a letter and photographs of the "Graf Spee"; said he was glad Mr. Robbins had seen Norman Armour. Sent New Year's greetings. -- Penciled note: "Photos were returned to Miss LeHand".

SEE P.P.F. 6411

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January 9, 1940

My dear Mr. Palmer:

Please accept the President's thanks for the inscribed copy of your book "Edison - Inspiration to Youth". He is most appreciative of your friendly thought in sending the volume to him.

P.P.F. 9-B

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Arthur J. Palmer, Esq.,
209 Washington Street,
Bloomfield,
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ADVITECHT
209 Washington Street
Bloomfield, New Jersey

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January 5, 1940

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

My dear Mr. President:-

With this letter, I am taking the liberty of presenting to you a personal, autographed copy of my graphic biography of Thomas A. Edison, my former chief, and the father of my good friend, Charles Edison.

Amid your multifarious duties, I hope you will find some small measure of enjoyment in "EDISON - Inspiration to Youth."

Respectfully yours,

Arthur J. Palmer

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SUMMERLIN, G. T.
Chief of Protocol
Department of State
Washington, D. C.
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Letter to Miss LeHand, transmitting a photograph sent to the President by His Royal Highness Prince Felix of Luxemburg, which was brought to the Department of State by Mr. William Hamilton, Honorary Consul General of Luxemburg in New York. Says he will be glad to request the American Minister at Luxemburg to convey an appropriate expression of appreciation to His Royal Highness, or he will draft a personal letter for the President's signature if he prefers. --- 1/10/40, Miss Lehand wrote Mr. Summerlin asking him to prepare a draft of a letter for the President's signature.

SEE 2547

MELCER, Harry I.
Galveston, Texas,
Jan. 2, 1940.

Writes the President tendering him life membership in the Galveston Tarpon Club. Speaks of a pin which is being sent to the President.---Attached is letter from Rep. J. J. Mansfield, dated Jan. 6th, to Mr. Early saying the pin referred to in Mr. Melcer's letter is being sent to the President under separate cover.---Mr. Early, on Jan. 8th, wrote Mr. Melcer saying while the President cannot accept formally the many tenders of membership which come to him from time to time, the President, nevertheless, appreciates the friendly spirit which prompts them and wished to have his thanks conveyed to the members of this organization for their thought of him.

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JOHNSON, Hon. Lyndon B.,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.
January 6, 1940

Writes the President that he is sending some Texas pecans and pralines.--Presidentially acknowledged - 1/15/40

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The Secretary of the Interior,
Olney, Md.
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Sent the President a picture of the Clipper Ship "Mirage". -
The President sent a letter of thanks on Jan. 10, 1940.

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~~Mr. Pardee~~ · To record Filed 11/7/40

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My dear Mr. and Mrs. Pardee:

Many, many thanks for those two old volumes which you were good enough to send me. I am glad indeed to have them for my library.

My every good wish to you both for your health and happiness.

Very sincerely yours,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Day Pardee, ×P.P.F.
Les Tuileries, La Croisette, 4767
Cannes, A. M.
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Books detached before letter was returned to stripping desk.

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January 15, 1940

My dear Dr. Parsonnet:

The President thanks you very much indeed for your friendly note and for the little volume to which you refer. He more than appreciates your kind thought of him and asks me to convey his good wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

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M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Dr. Aaron E. Parsonnet,
3 Madison Avenue,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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LT. COMMANDER AARON E. PARSONNET

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

"Prayers"

My dear Mr. President:

Please accept this little volume as a token of my sincere admiration for you.

With best wishes for your continued good health and happiness, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

AARON E. PARSONNET, M. D.

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NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

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January 6, 1940.

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

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Mr. Tristram - Pres. Study 7

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January 9, 1940

My dear Mr. Pennell:

The President has noted with interest your letter of December twenty-second and is most appreciative of the friendly thought which prompted you to send him a copy of Professor Tristram's (coffin's) book "Captain Abby and Captain John". He asks me to express his cordial thanks to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

J. Fred Pennell, Esq.,
160 Claremont Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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160 Claremont Avenue
New York, N. Y.
December 22, 1939.

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Franklin D. Roosevelt, Esq.
Hyde Park, New York

My dear Mr. President:

I am indebted and deeply grateful to Robert P. Tristram Coffin, Professor of English at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, for making it possible for me to present you with his latest book, CAPTAIN ABBY AND CAPTAIN JOHN, the true story of the lives of my own mother and father. This book, besides being a tribute to my parents, is also a fine tribute to the state of Maine and to the plain Godly living that was emphasized by our ancestors on shipboard and elsewhere during the sailing ship era of the middle of the last century.

With your appreciation of sailing ships and sea narratives, I am sure that you will consider CAPTAIN ABBY AND CAPTAIN JOHN a refreshingly interesting account of a rather unusual family. That is, of course, if you are able to find the time to read it.

With admiration for your wisdom, understanding and courage, and with best wishes for your continued success,

Yours respectfully,

J. Fred Pennell

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January 25, 1940

My dear Mr. Pennell:

I am sending you herewith a letter of appreciation in lieu of my letter of January ninth in which Professor Robert P. Tristram Coffin was inadvertently referred to as Professor Tristram.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

J. Fred Pennell, Esq.,
160 Claremont Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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160 Claremont Ave.
New York City N.Y.
January 20- 1940

My dear Miss LaHand.

I am returning your cardial acknowledgement of the 9th inst for the reason that you have made a mistake in the authors name-

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The author of the leading two da story of the year "Capt Abby and Capt John" is Professor Coffin.

Of course I wish a true acknowledgement from you and I know that the President would want it that way- So will you kindly rewrite it

changing the name
"Fristram" to "Coffin"
as Professor Coffin is
the leading Author any part
in this Country today and
a Pulitzer Prize Winner
I am at loss to understand
how you made this mistake
considering your prominent
position - I hope you will
make it a special point
to read this fine book -

Yours very truly
J. Fred Pennell

M. A. LeHand
Private Secretary to the President
The White House Washington D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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GERDING, Charles

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ROOSEVELT, Mr. & Mrs. Elliott,
Fort Worth, Texas.
Jan. 18, 1940.

On above date the President sent letter thanking them for the photograph they sent him for Christmas.

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GERDING, Charles

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January 18, 1940

My dear Mrs. Peter:

Permit me, please, to thank you in the President's behalf for your letter of January fourteenth which will be brought to his attention. I can assure you that he will be deeply grateful for your birthday greetings as well as your friendly thought in sending him the handkerchief, and that he would want me to convey his very best wishes to you and to your children.

What you say about your son is being brought to the attention of the Attorney General for consideration.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Minnie Peter,
R.R.,
Port Washington,
Wisconsin.

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Attorney General: Her son who has had 4 yrs at the University of Wisconsin Wants to be a G. Man; asks whom she should contact;(excerpt made of her letter).

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Jan. 14th, 1940

Dear President:

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I lost my husband 10 years ago. He got killed in an auto. So I keep an old peoples home and in that way I send two children thru theUniversity. The son is taking up law in Madison Wis. and the daughter is taking up dramatics in the Goodman Theatre in Chicago. A very fine school. The best there is. Somehow she too is grateful for all you have done. She has her birthday on the 30th of Jan. and feels all famous people are born the 30th like our President. She hopes and I hope she will be a movie star she is a very very good acress. She will be 19 years. I always listen to your speeches and enjoy them much and I like Mrs. Roosevelt much. She does so much good.

Good luck to her * * * * * * * * * * * * *. Margie did broadcast over the air for 5 months until shhool started. I must close and wish you good luck and hope you will be our next President.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Minnie Peter.

Port Washington, Wis.

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P. S. My son would like to be a G.M. please tell me who he can write to. He went four years to Wisconsin University.

Oakmont Borough). Sent New
-- Receipt acknowledged by

Jan 14th. 1940

Dear President

For years I always wanted to congraculate you to your birthday but I never had nerve enough, so here I go for sure. I wish you loads of luck. good thoughts & good health & your wife & children & all your grandchildren I wish the best I feel very grateful to you in this way. you gave the

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So I keep an old peoples
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our president. She
hopes & I hope she
will be a movie
star she is very
very good actress
She will be 19 years.
I always listen
to your speeches &
enjoy them much.
& I like Mrs
Roosevelt much she
does so much good
good luck to her.

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Oakmont Borough). Sent New
--- Receipt acknowledged by

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& Keep on doing good.
I hope my 2 kids
can do something for
you to. maybe. bold
speeches or acts they
are both good in
lecturing Margie did
broadcast over the
air for 5 months until
school started. I must
close & wish you good
luck & hope you will
be our next presedent

Yours Truly
Mrs Minnie Peter
PORT WASHINGTON
R R. Wisconsin Town

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P. S.

My son would like to be a G. M. Please tell me who he can write to. He went four years to Wisconsin University

rlv

PPF 9-B

GERDING, Charles
Manager, Borough of Oakmont,
Oakmont, Pa.
1-9-40

Sent to the President a pass to Willows Pool (of Oakmont Borough). Sent New Year greetings. (Oakmont is a suburb of Pittsburgh.)---- Receipt acknowledged by Miss Le Hand, Jan. 18, 1940.

SEE P.P.F. 3895

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DIFFENBACH, Ferd,
Bellevue, Pittsburgh, Pa.
(Filed - January 27, 1940)

Sends Birthday greetings to the President, and also sends pictures of ships.

See P.P.F. 310-D

P.P.F.
9-P

VMB -

Jordal, Erling A.
Duluth, Minn.
1-23-40

Sent the President birthday greetings and an oil painting.

See P.P.F. 310-J

P.P.F. 9-P

VMB -

Van LOON, Hendrik W.
Nieuw Veere, Old Greenwich, Conn.,
Jan. 29, 1940

Writes to Miss Lelland enclosing a letter from Dr. H. Colijn a leading power in Holland, which he thinks may be of interest to the President. Also attaches a picture for the President's birthday gift.- On Feb. 1, the President replied thanking for his lovely birthday picture and says it is going to Hyde Park with him tonight. Also thanks for letting him see attached letter from Dr. H. Colijn, and returns same.

SEE - P.P.F. 2259

P.P.F.
9-P

T.A. 7

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COOK, Miss Nancy,
New York, N.Y.
Feb. 1, 1940. (Ack.)

On the above date the President acknowledged and thanked Miss Cook for her gift of candy. (Peppermint Chocolates)

See P.P.F.1256

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T.A. 7

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VILLENEUVE, His Eminence J. M. Rodrigue Cardinal
Archbishop of Quebec
Quebec, Canada
2/6/40 (filed)

R.P.F.
9-P

Sends President his autographed photograph for Christmas present. --- 1/13/40, President wrote Cardinal Villeneuve thanking him for the photograph saying he regarded it as a token of his personal friendship. Sends him New Year's greetings. --- President's reply as per draft supplied by Mr. G. T. Summerlin, Chief of Protocol, 1/2/40, in response to Miss LeHand's request of 12/20/39.

SEE PPF 6477

T.A. 7

P.P.F. 9-P

jh

GOSSETT, Hon. Ed.
U. S. House of Representatives
2/5/40

Letter to the President presenting him with a 1940 Season Pass to the Gainesville Community Circus. -- 2/8/40 Mr. Early wrote thanking him in President's behalf.

SEE P.P.F. 5143

T.A. 7

CROMWELL, Hon. Frank H., Gen. Chairman,
Jackson County Chapter,
National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis,
Kansas City, Mo.
Feb. 5, 1940.

Writes of his participation in the birthday Celebration, and encloses a photograph. Also encloses clipping re Miss Leona Hrencher, victim of IP who has lost use of left hand; is expert steno and has passed civil service exam for Jr. and Sr. Steno. She is having difficulty obtaining steady employment and feels she is entitled to every consideration.
Excerpt of letter referred to Civil Service Comm. 2-10-40.

See P.P.F.310-Bday Ball folder-"J"

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February 19, 1940

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9-P

My dear Franklin:

The President has asked me to thank you ever so much for your note of birthday greetings and the handkerchief which you were good enough to send him. He appreciates your thought of him, and extends to you his very best wishes for a happy birthday.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Franklin D. Pflueger,
Buchanan,
Tennessee.

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STAFF ROOM

Thank Handkerchief -

M.A.L. signature

P.T.L.

2/19/40
A.B.

enclosing a season pass to the studios



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President Roosevelt,

Hope you will accept this little birthday present from me. I will be six years of age February 25th

Wishing you many more Happy Birthdays.

Your little friend,
Franklin D. Pflueger

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t enclosing a season pass to the studios

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PALEY, William S.
Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc.
New York, N. Y.
1/2/40

Letter to the President enclosing a season pass to the studios of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

See P.P.F. 984

T.A.7

M. Norris

February 17, 1940

P.P.7.
9-P

My dear Miss Pawlowski:

Permit me, in the absence of the President, to thank you ever so much in his behalf for the framed crocheted work which you sent to him. You may be assured that he much appreciates your friendly thought of him.

xP.P.7.
9-C

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Josephine Pawlowski,
4937 South Monroe Street,
Chicago,
Illinois.

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4937 South Honore St.

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February,13th 1940.
91,London rd.,
Redhill,
Surrey.

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To the
president of USA,
Mr.Franklin Roosevelt,
White House,
Washington.

Dear Sir,

Re:Sketch MENE-TEKEL-UPHARSIN

Reffering to my registered letter reg.no.7681 of October 21st 1939 and to my letter of January 14th 1940 I ask you, dear Sir,to express yourself to my idea and if you are not interested in it to send the sketch back to me.

Yours obedient

Perlmutter

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February 19, 1940

My dear Mr. Payne:

In the absence of the President, I wish to acknowledge the receipt of the copy of your book to which you refer in your letter of February tenth. Please be assured that your courtesy in sending it is appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Roger Payne, Esq.,
215 West Twenty-third Street,
New York, N. Y.

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Author of
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and
"Why Work? or the Coming
Age of Leisure and Plenty."

February 10, 1940

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

Dear Mr. President:

Upon the suggestion of several readers I am mailing you under separate cover a copy of my recently published book entitled: "Why Work ? or the Coming Age of Leisure and Plenty".

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Sincerely yours

Roger Payne

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New York World Telegram.

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—Alice Frost Lord, The Lewiston Evening Journal.

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Further and more important he suggests that with our modern industrial machinery we could produce, not only necessities, but also reasonable comforts and luxuries for all, with very little human labor, if we would use the same intelligence in managing our productive mechanism as has been used in its development.

He summarizes his philosophy by saying:

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He also says:

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In Part II, it is first shown that the existing industrial mechanism can produce goods, services and housing to provide every American family with a comfortable standard of living. A critical examination of our methods of agriculture, manu-

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facture, distribution and consumption is then made to show why we spend so much of our time working when we have machinery capable of doing most of our work for us. The conclusion drawn is that if our methods of production, distribution and consumption were organized efficiently and intelligently, and all did their share of productive work, our needs could be supplied by everyone working about one day a week or fifty days in the year.

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February 21, 1940

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
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The Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I think that the February Pocket BOOKS titles are about as good a collection as any we've ever issued. I am sending them to you separately, and I hope you agree.

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THE CONSTANT NYMPH by Margaret Kennedy you will, of course, know by reputation.

The Symond's translation of the CELLINI AUTOBIOGRAPHY needs no comment from me.

THE LODGER is one of the best thrillers that was ever published; everyone who has read it is enthusiastic about it.

MOTHER, which you may remember, is being published as something of an experiment; it's the first book on the Pocket BOOKS list by a "popular author" like Kathleen Norris, and it will be interesting to see what the public response is.

Yours sincerely,

Lillian Lustig

Lillian Lustig
Pocket BOOKS, Inc.

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Pres Study 7
Mr Morris

February 15, 1940

My dear Miss Lustig:

In thanking you in the President's behalf for the Pocket Books which you forwarded recently, my letter of February fourteenth should have stated four books were received instead of three.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Lillian Lustig,
386 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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all do. Thank you for your help.
Sincerely
Thelma Curley

February 14, 1940

My dear Miss Lustig:

Many thanks for the three Pocket Books which you mention in your letter of February ninth. I can assure you that your friendly thought in sending them is indeed appreciated by the President.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Lillian Lustig,
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New York, N.Y.

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I wanted to be all do. Thank you for your help.
Sincerely
Thelma Curley

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February 19, 1940

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My dear Mrs. Curley:

I had much pleasure in laying before the President your letters as well as the greeting from the children of Percy Hughes School. He noted with interest all that you say and was delighted to receive that piece of birthday cake. He wants everyone to know how grateful he is for their friendly thoughtfulness and asked me to convey his very best wishes to all.

XP.P.7.
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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. Thelma B. Curley,
Percy M. Hughes School,
345 Jamesville Avenue,
Syracuse,
New York.

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Thanks all we all do. Thank you for your help.
Sincerely
Thelma Curley

509 Seeley Road
Syracuse, New York
January 29, 1940

FOREST LA VOY
PRINCIPAL

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Thank you

My dear Miss LeHand:

Will you please give the enclosed to the President? Ed Mrs Roosevelt? I am sending - under separate cover a piece of the birthday cake we had at school today. Every one in Syracuse has been most cooperative in helping to celebrate the President's birthday.

I heard about Miss Mahoney the other day - she's still in Los Angeles - doing physiatherapy.

The youngster who wrote the enclosed note is 10 years old, an arthritis, spastic and dislocated hip case. She wears two long braces and is in a wheel chair most of the time. She loves the President as we all do.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely
Thelma Curley

Percy M. Hughes School
345 JAMESVILLE AVENUE
SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

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SUPERINTENDENT

DE FOREST LA VOY
PRINCIPAL

Jan. 29, 1940

My dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find a note from the youngsters at Percy Hughes School. Under separate cover you will receive some of your Birthday cake which they enjoyed very much. We had a perfectly splendid Birthday Party for you. The March of Dimes, donations and the Ball was a huge success.

Jack and the youngsters join me in wishing you health and happiness in the years to come.

Will you please convey our most sincere regards to Mrs. Roosevelt and your Mother?

Respectfully yours,

Thelma B. Curley

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SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

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DE FOREST LA VOY
PRINCIPAL

Dear Mrs. President,

The children of Percy Hughes School like the cake. We hope you and Mrs Roosevelt enjoy it too.

Happy birthday to you.

From the children of

Percy Hughes School

(Francis Rosenberg)

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P.P.F. 3

TUTTLE, W.C., Pres.,
Pacific Coast Baseball League,
Los Angeles, Calif.
Filed 3-6-40.

Sends President a courtesy card for the Pacific Coast Baseball League for the coming season.

See P.P.F.227

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CARHART, Merrit T.
Watervliet, N.Y.,
Feb. 28, 1940.

Writes Representative William T. Byrne re an old picture - scene taken on the Hudson River at Hyde Park, which he would like to give to the President if the President would care to have it.--Rep. Byrne, on March 4th, wrote the President re this.--The President, on March 6th, wrote Rep. Byrne saying hd would be delighted to have this picture for the New Library. Said if Mr. Merrit Carhart could deliver it via one of the Troopers some weekend when the President was at Hyde Park that he (the President) would appreciate it.

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SEE P.P.F. 5720

March 7, 1940

P.P.F. 9-P

My dear Mr. Peterson:

The President thanks you very much indeed for those live bait fish hooks. He wants you to know that he deeply appreciates the friendly interest and good will which prompted you to send them to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Walter S. Peterson, Esq.,
1343 Santa Fe Drive,
Denver,
Colorado.

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Walter S. Peterson.

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M.A.L. signature

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S. PETERSON

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SANTA FE DRIVE

ER, COLORADO

Mar.-4-1940

osevelt,

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Would like very much to have you try them sometime.

Yours Very Truly

Walter S. Peterson.

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Hooks given to
Mr. Dunlevy for
The President
March 6-1940

# WALTER S. PETERSON

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DENVER, COLORADO

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Yours Very Truly
Walter S. Peterson.

From a "young lady seventy seven years old, who is a great admirer of yours, And hopes you wont get "Cold Feet." 3/7/40

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Mrs. C.A. Pain
52 W. Smith St.
Corry PA

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My dear Mrs. Pain:

The President thanks you very much indeed for those socks and wants you to know that he deeply appreciates the friendly thought which prompted you to send them to him. He has asked me to convey his most cordial good wishes to you for your health and happiness.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mrs. C. A. Pain,
52 West Smith Street,
Corry,
Pennsylvania.

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President, Purdue Agricultural
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My dear Mr. Partton:

The President has read with interest your friendly letter of March second and wants you to know that he is glad indeed to have the token. Your kind expressions of good will are deeply appreciated and he asks me to convey his best wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leiland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Charles H. Partton, Esq.,
41 West Chester Street,
Kingston,
New York.

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V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
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Thank

M.A.L. signature

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good luck in all your future
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Be for the Benifit of the many
as it has ben in the past I
had the Honor of meeting you

Indiana.

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Yours very truly,

V. C. Freeman

V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
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Recipient to Museum at W. H.

Kingston N.Y.
March 2nd/40

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Answ'd 3/7/40 sl

Decr. President and Sir

I. am sending you under seperate cover by mail a good luck token in the form of a Horse shoe Ring being a Horse lover I have a Hobby of Making minature Horse shoes. for tie pins and watch Charms so I thought I would make one in a Ring and send it to you I Hope you will have good Luck in all your future undertakings as I know it will Be for the Benifit of the many as it has been in the past I. had the honor of meeting you

Alumni Association,
Lafayette,
Indiana.

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V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
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Some years ago when I went
Down from Kingston with a Delegation
to (Hyde Park) to attend the official
notification of your nomination for
Vice President of the United States
the Horse shoe is not valable,
it is made from the material
the shoes for Race Horses are made
from on the account of its lightness
Hoping you will like it and
wishing you the best of Health
and success in the future

I Remain
Respectfully Yours
Charles H. Partlan
41 - W. Chester St
Kingston
N. Y.

Alumni Association,
Lafayette,
Indiana.

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Yours very truly,

V. C. Freeman

V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
Alumni Association

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February 20, 1940

My dear Mr. Freeman:

The President was delighted to receive that fine bacon from the Grand Prize Barrow of the recent International Livestock Exposition at Chicago. He noted with a great deal of interest all that you say in your letter of February third and wants you, Roger Amsler and the members of the Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association of West Lafayette to know that you have his hearty thanks for giving him an opportunity to share in this prize meat.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

V. C. Freeman, Esq.,
President, Purdue Agricultural
Alumni Association,
Lafayette,
Indiana.

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Yours very truly,

V. C. Freeman

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President, Purdue Agricultural
Alumni Association

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March 7, 1940.

MEMORANDUM FOR MISS LE HAND:

The Bacon from the attached people is in the White House icebox. What to do with it?

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Yours very truly,

V. C. Freeman

V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
Alumni Association

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STAFF ROOM

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M.A.L. signature

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President of the United States
Washington, D.C.

My dear President Roosevelt:

The Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association of West Lafayette, Indiana, a state-wide association of several thousand graduates, ex-students, and short course graduates from the School of Agriculture at Purdue University, has authorized me to send you by special delivery a piece of bacon from the Grand Champion Barrow at the 1939 International Livestock Exposition at Chicago. I trust that you may enjoy the flavor and Hoosier cure of this portion of bacon from an Indiana hog.

The Kroger Grocery and Baking Company bought the Grand Champion Barrow from Mr. Roger Amsler, an Indiana farm 4-H Club boy, paying $1.55 a pound and then donated the barrow to the Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association. A part of the meat was served at the Annual Dinner of the Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association at Purdue University on January 11, 1940.

We have been especially interested in Roger Amsler, because he is a 4-H Club member with eight years of that training and because he has had four years of vocational agricultural training. With the cooperation and guidance of agricultural graduates from Purdue University as his vocational agriculture teacher and county agent, Roger bred, fed, and fitted the Grand Champion pen of barrows at the 1938 International Livestock Exposition, and this year returned to the International Show at Chicago to win the highly coveted honor - that of the Grand Champion Fat Barrow - with his Hampshire heavy-weight hog named "Bacon".

It is a real pleasure on my part to be able to send you a portion of the bacon prepared from this Grand Champion Barrow, for we wish to share with you the interest we have had in encouraging this Indiana farm boy to continue his work in livestock breeding.

Yours very truly,

V. C. Freeman

V. C. Freeman
President, Purdue Agricultural
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March 13, 1940

My dear Mr. Pound:

Many thanks in the President's behalf for the inscribed copy of your book "Detroit: Dynamic City". He wants you to know that he much appreciates your friendly thought in sending the volume to him.

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Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Arthur Pound, Esq.,
270 Park Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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New York, New York
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Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
President of the United States
White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Roosevelt:

Under another cover I am sending to you at Hyde Park an autographed copy of my new book, "Detroit: Dynamic City," which has been handsomely published by Appleton-Century. I hope it will commend itself to you, both in text and in illustrations. At least, I can vouch for the quality of the latter, as they were done by E. H. Suydam.

Most cordially yours,

Arthur Pound

ARTHUR POUND
Associate Editor

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January 30, 1940

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My dear Miss Potocky:

The President is delighted to have that lovely crocheted American flag, and thanks you very much indeed for the framed crocheted pieces which you left at this office yesterday for himself and Mrs. Roosevelt. He wants you to know that he is deeply grateful for your friendly thought and has asked me to convey his cordial good wishes to you.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. Leland
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Miss Martha Potocky,
73-20 Austin Street,
Forest Hills, Long Island,
New York.

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CC for Mrs. Sommerville.
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Framed crochet work for Mrs R. given to Mrs Somerville - Feb 16, 1940.

Phone BOulevard 8-0055

MARTHA POTOSKY

73 - 20 Austin St. Forest Hills, L. I, New York.

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FOR

STAFF ROOM

January 30, 1940.

STAFF ROOM

1 Lovely crocheted American Flag
2 Framed pieces of crochet work (one for Mrs. R)

Thank

Martha Potosky

M.A.L. signature

P.T.L.

For your information:

General Watson rec'd and thanked Martha Potosky, personally, yesterday -29th for her gifts but he thinks a letter of thanks should go to her as well.

cc ack'd to Mrs. Somerville

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RIPPEY, T.L.,
Dallas, Texas.
March 18, 1940. (Ack.)

Sends copy of his verses, as well as a framed copy of his prayer.

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March 18, 1940

Mr Prettyman

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My dear Mr. Prettyman:

This will acknowledge and thank you for your letter of recent date and for your courtesy in forwarding a copy of the April issue of The Florida Teacher.

I regret that I must send you an unfavorable reply. The simple truth is, because of the many, many requests for individual messages in connection with celebrations of Pan American Day, it has been necessary for the President to limit his participation in these celebrations to the address which he makes annually before the Governing Board of the Pan American Union. I am sure, upon reflection, you will understand why the President finds it necessary to adhere to this policy and will excuse him from sending the message you request. x480-A

Very sincerely yours,

STEPHEN EARLY
Secretary to the President

Mr. Harry E. Prettyman,
The Florida Teacher,
Post Office Box 2648,
Miami, Florida.

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Hon. Stephen Early, Secretary
The President of the United States,
The White House,
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr.Early,

Under separate cover we are sending you the cover of the April Issue of The Florida Teacher. It will be as large as the November issue, and will contain important data regarding the work of the PAN AMERICAN UNION, and the events leading up to the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary.

We have the support of all the organizations who are helping in this work,and will distribute thousands of copies throughout the America's, as well as the regular circulation. Copies will also be sent throughout the United States, to Newspapers, Chambers of Commerce, Colleges, Educators,Libraries, and others interested in this work.

We have a glossy print of the President,which you sent to us about a year ago. It would be exceedingly helpful to us if we might have a letter of greeting from the President, to all the Americas, so that we might have a cut made of the letter, to run on a page in this issue.

We trust that such a request is not asking too much. It would mean more than anything else we can think of, in making this issue outstanding. May we indulge the hope we may have a favorable reply.

Sincerely Yours,

Harry E. Prettyman

Harry E. Prettyman.

H.E.P./J.A.R.

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KERR, Thomas M.
Lee, Massachusetts
3/26/40

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March 27, 1940

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My dear Mr. Polonczek:

Thank you very much indeed, in the President's behalf, for the picture which you were good enough to send to him. Your kind thought is deeply appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

William Polonczek, Esq.,
Saint Maries,
Idaho.

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Pocket Books, Incorporated,
386 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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KERR, Thomas M.
Lee, Massachusetts
3/26/40

March 19, 1940

Gentlemen:

Many thanks in the President's behalf for those five Pocket Books. I want to assure you that he appreciates your sending the volumes to him.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHand
PRIVATE SECRETARY

Pocket Books, Incorporated,
386 Fourth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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POCKET BOOKS

Presents 5 books

its five March titles, which are now ready for release:

THE LIGHT THAT FAILED by Rudyard Kipling
THE BOWSTRING MURDERS by Carter Dickson
BRING 'EM BACK ALIVE by Frank Buck with
Edward Anthony
SCARLET SISTER MARY by Julia Peterkin
DR. EHRLICH'S MAGIC BULLET AND THE DISCOVERIES
OF ELEVEN OTHER MICROBE HUNTERS ("Microbe
Hunters" Complete) by Paul de Kruif

We would appreciate a clipping of your review.

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KERR, Thomas M.
Lee, Massachusetts
3/26/40

Writes President that on occasion of the eighty-fifth anniversary banquet of the Lee Savings Bank in 1937, Congressman Allen T. Treadway read a letter which he had received from the President, making mention of his father, when a boy, having attended the former Hyde School there. At that time he had in his shop for repairs and refinishing all that remained of the old class room furnishings; took pictures of what he had in his shop, also picture of the old school building, which now serves as the summer home of Mr. George A. Hyde, a grandson of the late Dr. Hyde. Encloses the pictures for the President.

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BRAMHAM, W. G.
President, National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues,
Durham, N. C.,
March 30, 1940.

Writes the President enclosing 1940 pass of the above named Leagues.---
Miss LeHand, on April 2nd, wrote expressing the President appreciation.

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