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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

To THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT COLLECTORS' ASSOCIATION
16 North Michigan Avenue Chicago 2, Illinois

The undersigned applies to become a member of
THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT COLLECTORS' ASSOCIATION
at annual dues of five dollars a year, and herewith attaches
check for five dollars, in payment of dues for the Year 194____
I reserve the right to terminate my membership upon written notice.

Signed.....

Mailing Address.....

Street..... City.....

GENERAL OFFICES, 409 11th ST. N. W.
PHONE DISTRICT 4700

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

As a Charter member of the new Franklin D. Roosevelt
Collector's Association, I thought you would like to receive the
enclosed circular. I am confident you will place it in the Hyde
Park Collection as you previously did with the other material I
sent you.

There have been articles, to the effect, that you have
not been well. I trust they are not true. Please know that this
letter carries my very best wishes for your health. I may say,
that my wife is particularly distressed about it.

Thanking you for your kind considerations, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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We solicit further suggestions.

If you are interested in this Association, and wish to be
added to our mailing list, please sign and return the enclosed
application form.

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[Signature]
Treasurer

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November 25, 1946.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
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Secretary-Treasurer

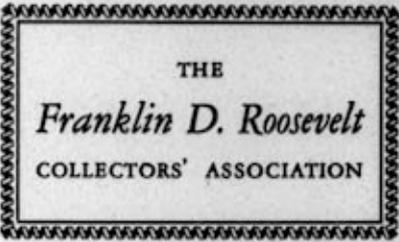
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To Franklin D. Roosevelt Collectors:

Several years ago, several hardy individuals began to take interest in "collecting" Franklin D. Roosevelt, sensing that "here is a MAN". Their ranks were augmented constantly by others who, in the midst of violent discussion and criticism, were willing to "take a chance on the verdict of history" regarding the place of Roosevelt.

That interest has long since passed the uncertain stage. Frankly partisan, of course, we believe that since his death and with the passage of time the position of Roosevelt not only as a great American president but also as a world figure, has been and will continue to be firmly established.

The role of "collectors" in this development, just as in the field of Lincolniana, is worthy and not unimportant. They are the foraging parties and the conservators of material, often considered ephemeral or inconsequential, that contributes to the full story of their subject.

As an appropriate part of this great interest, we believe that THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT COLLECTORS' ASSOCIATION can be of importance. Our objects are the commemoration of the memory of Roosevelt, the exchange of information, and the publication of pertinent material that might otherwise go unrecorded. A journal of the Association, and the printing of a yearly monograph on some phase of F. D. R. and His Times, are among our present objectives. We solicit further suggestions.

If you are interested in this Association, and wish to become a Charter Member, please sign and return the enclosed application.

John Valentine
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Secretary-Treasurer

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ELEANOR ROOSEVELT PAPERS, GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, 1945-1948, WALLRATH

NY Times, Sept Nov 1946

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 14, 1946

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

I am enclosing you copy of a report which I have from the Office of The Chief of Staff, in regard to the court-martial of Private Frank Wallrath, about which you wrote me on September eighth.

The papers evidently have not been through the mill. All these court-martial cases are being reviewed by a Special Commission and by a Board of Review. As soon as I know all the facts in connection with the case I'll let you hear from me again.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry Truman

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Hyde Park
Dutchess County
New York

12 September 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONNELLY:

In the attached letter to the President, Mrs. Roosevelt refers to the case of Private Frank Wallrath, who has been sentenced to death by a general court-martial for desertion.

The record of trial in Private Wallrath's case has not yet been received in the War Department. It is expected that the record will be received in the near future, at which time it will be examined by a Board of Review in the Office of The Judge Advocate General. If the record is found legally sufficient to support a sentence, it will then be transmitted with the opinion and recommendations of The Judge Advocate General to the Secretary of War, and by him to the President, who is the only person authorized to confirm or commute a death sentence by a general court-martial.

J. D. MITCHELL
Major, GSC
Asst. Sec., Gen. Staff.

Attachment

September 8, 1946

Dear Mrs. Wallrath:

I am deeply sorry for you and I have written to The President asking him to grant you an appointment.

I know from past experience how difficult these situations are for everyone, and I hope The President will be able to see you.

With my sincere sympathy, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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4724- 41st Street
Long Island City, L.I.
September 3, 1946

I see her weight the

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
29 Washington Square,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

It is only because I am drastic, that I presume to intrude into the privacy of your home.

Undoubtedly you have read the press accounts of the trial and sentence of Private Frank Wallrath, Paratrooper - who has been condemned to death in Japan, for desertion. Private Wallrath is my son!

As the widow of a Naval Officer, I realize the seriousness of desertion - however, I do not think in this case, "The punishment fits the crime". He is just 21, and in the service three years. At that age, the penalty of death seems unmerciful.

His brother, my elder son, who served with the Navy during the war and holds an Honorable Discharge, thought we may be able to obtain advice or support, or both from you. I am very anxious to present my son's case in person to the President of the United States, feeling that with your long experience and understanding you could best guide me in this matter. Therefore, I am writing asking for your help as to the best and quickest means of obtaining a personal interview with President Truman.

Reiterating my apologies for intrusion, I am,

Sincerely yours
Elysech M. Wallrath
Mrs. E.M. Wallrath.