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Dear Mr. Roosevelt,

By today's mail, I am sending you a funny little keepsake which my daughter, Frances Ellis, made in 1939. In that a school assignment to make a keepsake on any subject which she might choose, and the subject was "A Week with the President." She followed him-and you-through some that week by carefully reading the news papers, and she never been a little girl more interested in any school work than she was in making a page about Mr. Roosevelt each night. After this, she sent the little book to Washington, being convinced that the President would want to see it, and she was pleased when a gracious note came from the White House. To her surprise, she kept it. 
returned, and during this past six years
it has been put away and other theories
I in "youth" -
and Fannie is nineteen - a junior
at Yale University - and still an ardent
admirer of the beloved "Mr. President"
missing him as many of us do, with
an aching heart for all that he sacrificed.
Mr. Field recently moved, and while Fannie is
at home for Christmas vacation she has been
discarding lots of things which have been
stored and accumulated for a long time.
She is going about her preening in any
more privacy, and when I suggested that
her little - just very little - should be in
the Roosevelt archives she felt that she
should not burden you with so true a
work as this - On the other hand, Mr.
Roosevelt was such a great man that
the least little thing about him was
important, and my child has agreed that I may send her little book to you.
Please don't forget to acknowledge it, but know that you have two people — my daughter and I — who have felt the deepest sympathy for you during these past eight months since Mr. Roosevelt's death. He died on my son's birthday — my son is Marshall J. Ellis, an Episcopal Chaplain in the Navy —

With all good wishes to you, I am

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

(Mrs. J.X.)