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Miss M. C. Thompson
Val-Kill Cottages
Hyde Park, Dutchess County
New York

Dear Miss Thompson:

In Mr. Zwirner's absence I am taking the liberty
of answering your letter of June 15.

Inasmuch as you have no record of our previous
correspondence I have made a copy of our May 9
letter as well as a copy of Mr. Walton's letter
to Mrs. Roosevelt

We would appreciate it if you would give this
matter your early attention.

Sincerely

Mary Redmond

Mary Redmond
Sec'y. to Mr. Zwirner

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June 19, 1945
Enclosures

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

We are about to publish a book by Frank L. Walton, former Chief of the Clothing, Leather and Textile Division of the War Production Board in which he quotes a letter addressed to you under date of July 1, 1943. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Although Mr. Walton can see no objection to quoting this letter he requested us to do you the courtesy of asking your formal permission to use it.

Sincerely

Handwritten initials, possibly "MR".

Henry Zwirmer
Circulation Manager

HZ:mr
May 9, 1945
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"My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

"This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 25.

"The present stockpile of wool in the United States as of June 15, 1943, is about 1,200 million pounds including the stockpiles owned by this Government and foreign governments and by industry.

"We will use this year over 1,100,000,000 pounds which will in part come from the domestic clip of about 450,000,000 pounds and from imports.

"Two years ago our problem was raw wool but in the meantime we have been working to build up the government owned stockpile for an emergency. At that time we were conserving raw wool by curtailing consumption and blending with other fibers.

"At the present time our bottleneck is machinery. We have more demands from the military and essential civilian and for foreign deliveries than the machinery can produce. We are trying to increase production through extra hours and extra shifts but with the manpower problem as it is we find it very difficult.

"Military and some foreign demands are deemed important and we must take care of all essential civilian needs. Accordingly, all the savings in yardage that we can accomplish will in turn make available that yardage for more garments.

"In other words, instead of rationing clothes which would be a very difficult problem to handle in this country, we are first taking all measures we can to produce all the yardage possible; then conserve all the yardage possible, thus making available the largest number of garments for the consumers.

"In doing this, however, we have tried to be very careful to write up conservation orders that will not interfere with the wearability or the comfort of the garments and which were true conservation orders for a very definite purpose.

"As far as we know these conservation orders have met with the approval of the public and the industry. The public as a matter of fact is affected very little by these orders.

"We feel that there is true conservation in making a good product and one that would give the consumer good service."

Thank

FALK
This was said before



Sincere Sympathy





May you find some comfort
in this expression
of sympathy

"In My House are Many Mansions,"
The Blessed Master said,
And to prepare this blessed place
He travelled on ahead!
Your Loved One, too, has journeyed on
And now is resting there
Within God's Many Mansions,
Where there is no pain or care!

Rose Gardner Falk