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Write her then ~~[illegible]~~ list
of her mother's letters & cash
if there is anything the
latter me to do

Antwerp. 7th Sept. Brugelmans

I called the hospital & they could not give me any info. about her other than she had an operation & is going home to her aunt's today. The address is:—

Mrs Ban de Velde
3009 Carldoon Rd
Bklyn, N.Y.

Dear Ed, Yr telephone [illegible] about her condition & [illegible]

Antwerp 7th September 1945

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To Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt
Department of State
Washington D.C.

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I will relate to you the whole story: My daughter was a young girl 19 years old, when shortly after the liberation of Antwerp she met an American soldier. A few months after the boy asked her hand, and only after long deliberations, my husband and I gave our permission. After another five months, on February 23rd. 1946 they married. Two months after my child started for her new home in Columbus Ohio.

At the end of July I had to undergo a serious surgical operation so that, in fact, the doctors feared for my life. My husband sent a telegram to Columbus and my child was able through her husband to board a plane and to arrive in Belgium. Slowly my health returned and my daughter wished to return to her husband. They sent her $200 and in February of this year she returned to the States. What had

happened during her absence? We did not know but when she arrived in Columbus they told her that in her absence her husband had divorced her and had remarried.

You will easily understand Dear Lady, the state of mind my poor child was in receiving such news all alone, far away from her relatives in a foreign country and without money or any means. But full of courage, she had sought and found work.

Than in July the divorce has been pronounced in her favour. She received $375 for damages, of which $100 went to the lawyer representing her, and the $200 sent to her by the grand-mother of her husband she had to repay. With the remaining $75 she has gone to Brooklyn, to get away from Columbus where she had suffered such desillusions, and hoping to find work easily there.

But throughout all this her health too had suffered so that she arrived in New York in a complete state of collapse, so that she had to be taken to a hospital in New-Jersey, where she is now all alone, without money, without a person to consolate her.

It is therefor, Noble Lady, that I adress my humble please for help for my poor child. To whom can a mother go, if not to an other mother, of whose goodness even so far away, here in Belgium people speak with praise and respect.

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My dear Lady, hear a mother beseeching You to help her poor child and never we will forget that the Mother of America is as well the benefactress of all the poor and miserable all over the world.

Hoping fervently my Lady that You will be able to do something for my child, I offer you

My most sincere greetings
Yours reverently

Mrs Breugelmans

My daughter's address is:
Miss Mary BREUGELMANS
Medical Center Hospital
Jersey City M. E. D 3rd floor
New Jersey

Bergen
3 1005

My own address is:
Mrs. J. BREUGELMANS
VAN NOTENSTR. 96
ANTWERP
BELGIUM.

Mrs Ban de Velde
3009 Carldoon
Rd
Bklyn, N.Y.

7-16-47

Mrs: Eleanor Roosevelt.

Dear Mrs: Roosevelt.

Here is a Picture of you and your family and the best man God give Breathe to, my Mother I thought he was the best man in this world, she is gone to, she Passed away August 4-th-1944- she had this Picture for years, tho, there is no one at the old home Place at Lawrenceville- ill. any more, I was down July. 15- and Brought this Back, a man wanted to Give me $25- Dollars for it, But I needed the Brush money and all of that and

But though you would
like to have it.

Yours truly
Lige Brush
1836-E-Decatur St
Decatur-39-
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ident-elect and his family... Mrs. Roosevelt holds their granddaughter, Anna Eleanor Dall. Also seated daughter, Mrs. Dall, holding Curtis Roosevelt Dall, and Mrs. James Roosevelt, the mother of the President. The young men standing are, left to right, three of his sons, Franklin D., Jr., James, and John Roosevelt, and his son-in-law, Curtis Dall.

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