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My dear Mr. Fook:

Mrs. Roosevelt has your letter and the scrap book for which she thanks you.

Mrs. Roosevelt has asked me to say that she can not positively lend you any money, and she can not let you use her name in any business or in any way whatsoever.

She hopes you will find some other way of starting a business, but she can not take part in any way.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary
Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

How are you madam?

I just came back in Detroit from visiting you at the door of your beautiful home. I am very proud that I shaking hands with you and speaking to you. I was very surprised, I will never could forget it as long as I live. I am positively extremely, appreciated that you come out from your house to meet me.

Mrs. Roosevelt, you told me that you are not going into business. But please madam, I guaranteed going to be good business when your name appeared due at the restaurant, due to the fact you are the first lady of U.S. A. everybody know you and respectfully. Furthermore, that you had a such high education + knowledge, therefore there is no possibility to lose our money in our possibility business, so please do it at once, the money will come to us just like stream continuously, will be a great fortune, so please do not miss that great opportunity, then
I don't know how to describe my appreciation.

Business is hopefully, when a person working on the salary, his income is the same amount everyday. But on the business, you have a great hope if you have a good business, makes many times more than working on the salary, for instance at the university. A person who take up a subject, as a teacher, some day when he graduated from the school, he is going to be a teacher. But when a person who take up the subject on the business, he can make more money then the teacher does.

So business is alive, with great hopefulness.

Mrs. Roosevelt, before I have not been Hyde Park, I didn't know what the population was, now I know it is too small to start a large
City restaurant, have to be in New York City. My idea is that when our restaurant is ready to open for business, we invite the New York City mayor, and all newspaper presidents, and theater presidents to dinner. Then you make a speech, to hope them, to advertise about our restaurant. I believe they will be glad to do that. Then, Mrs. A: we need more seats in our restaurant, because everybody come, no place to sit. Mrs. A: When I meet you, you said, you can't go in business; I said, why? you don't have to work; you said: if you go, you have to do it yourself, it is not necessary, madam, you can stay home in Hyde Park all the time if you wish, I will be at the restaurant all the time, all we have to do is hire a bookkeeper, cooks, waitress. I can take care of everything. I know how to handle
I hope you will not forget me. I am so very much in the habit of writing to you, but I am not so sure that you will write to me soon. Please write and let me know how you are. I have been thinking of you so much. I hope you are well and that you are happy. Please say hello to everybody for me. I will be glad to hear from you again. I am very much looking forward to your visit. I am very much anticipating your arrival. I hope to see you soon.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
or in case you think it is too much trouble to invite everybody, then we can omit that. We advertise our restaurant on the paper, we still can do a good business; it is all entirely up to you, it is not important at all. The main thing is that we have the capital to start it with; if you are willing to do it, you can do it; we loan money, in case you don't have enough cash, every body will trust you, no question about that. Do it immediately, madam, so we never will be sorry for losing this gold mine mine.

I am sending you a photographic book containing Mr. R.'s picture, I think you will
Like to read it, please accept it, as the gift from me. I want you to keep it for souvenir. Goodbye, madam.

Sincerely yours,

Lee Took

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