Mama,

I would much rather have a living memorial at a fund for patients at France Home who cannot pay than a living memorial which would have pleased my husband.

The treatment for Poland lasts so long. It is a dream even on the well-to-do family.
August 21, 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Perhaps the discussion concerning a high tower that it is proposed to build on top of the mountain above the Little White House at Warm Springs has come to your knowledge.

Many people feel strongly against a memorial to Mr. Roosevelt of this type, and urge that the money be spent for a "living memorial." I am inclined to agree with this idea.

What is your opinion? Perhaps you prefer not to make any comment, which is readily understood.

As a member of the Commission I would like to know your feeling on this subject. Mr. Ivan Allen, in his address at Warm Springs on the occasion of the dedication ceremony, spoke glowingly of this tower as a "peace tower," and outlined plans for a carillon in the tower. Mr. Allen is chairman of the commission, and has since said that his description of the proposed tower was in the nature of a trial balloon to ascertain public sentiment.

If you can and will comment on the most fitting memorial for Mr. Roosevelt, at Warm Springs, I shall be glad.

Margaret Fisher wore herself out in the past two years and resigned from her work May 1st to take an indefinite rest from work of that type. She is helping her father with his business in Andrews, North Carolina, and gradually getting back her energy. She did a grand job and won the respect of many fine people, of both races, and I hated to see her leave Atlanta.

Andrews is a little town at the edge of the high Smokies, 140 miles from Atlanta, so we keep in touch by exchanging visits. Some day she will be back in liberal politics, or with liberal causes - she has much to give and a warm love for mankind.

Sincerely yours,

Lucy R. Mason