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June 17, 1947

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
29 Washington Square, West
New York City 11, New York.

Dear Eleanor:

From your letter to me on August 12, 1946
I imagine that you would wish me to remind you again this year
of the unrestricted fund now being raised to meet essential
needs of Harvard College not covered in their general budget.

As I wrote you last year, Franklin was always
one of the first to send in his check to this Fund. Last year
you very kindly sent \$10 so that his name would appear on his
Class Roster and I am bringing the matter to your attention now
in case you would care to do so again. I know his Classmates
would appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

James Jackson

JJ.B

Let's be there for you

W. J. Hadley

GOD'S LAST CATHEDRAL LIGHT

*This is the hour of high adventurous choice
Upon the cross-roads of eternity,
The very stars fling back that best-loved voice,
"We have a rendezvous with destiny."
We fight a war declared by more than man,
A war that rages through all time and space,
Where world by world, and star by star, the plan
Relentless moves to glory or disgrace.*

*And yet we stand on Freedom's last-held ledge,
Embattled by the circling hounds of hate,
Complacent as we tread the razor-edge,
Unknowing that one hour may be too late.
Open our blinded eyes that we may see
God's last cathedral light . . . Democracy!*

Selith Surrain ("Different")

A DOG-FRIEND DIES

I canot think that Death can blot out all
The soul of deep devotion in your eyes.
"No soul" some say. From whence did it arise, —
The love that never wavered, free from guile?
I dream that when I pass the last long mile
That you again will answer to my call,
Who often, when the hearth was snug and warm,
Would choose to follow me through cold and storm.
Ours was a friendship Heaven must restore,
Since all that loves has life forevermore.
Unless I leave my nobler nature here,
I never can forget the faithful heart
That beat for me . . . A heaven must appear
For all the loving dogs that were a part
Of happy childhood, — some celestial range
For dogs like little Fala. Is it strange
To think that some day he will rush to greet
His master? . . . Oh what joy to watch them meet!
"Without are dogs", we read . . . Yes, dogs of prey,
Seducers, liars, robbers of the poor;
Not you, my dog, if love holds any worth.
Surely there must be immortality
For patient horses, songful birds of earth . . .
My dog, my friend, somewhere you wait for me!
—Maud Frazer Jackson.

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The snowing of the frozen stripped branch,
I have the rain diamonds of cracking ice,
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With my single eye I have discerned
With my single eye I have discerned
The path for the Day of roots below,
The path for the Day of roots below,
The faith much greater than of snow,
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And through it all I have discerned
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The path for the Day of roots below,
The path for the Day of roots below,

DISCERNMENT
—Joan Hanson W. Graham

Maud Jackson

MAUD FRAZER JACKSON
BOX 182
LAUREL SPRINGS, N. J.

April 14, 1947

Dear Mrs Roosevelt;

Your "MY Day" column has made many of us know and love you. I have long been devoted to little Pala and refer to him in my recent poem published in "Different". (Copy enclosed). This poem was written for my Sandy a Scotty who was my friend and guardian for many years, faithful unto death. I now have Bobby, the image of Pala. Bobby loves everybody, as they sing in "The Old-Time Religion". The other poem was written by Lilith Lorraine, editor of "Different". She wrote what I consider the finest poem about your great husband, -- "His Mantle Falls".. It was copied in many papers and magazines. In the poem enclosed she refers to a famous saying of the late President.

What do you think of Henry Wallace? I honor him and approve of him. The Truman Doctrine is Hitler-like in aggression and heading us straight for war. . There are voices crying in the wilderness, the voices of Wallace, Pepper Glen Taylor and Senator Johnson .

I am just an ordinary women, crippled with arthritis for many years but I think a lot and pray a lot for my country in this most crucial hour.

I have never taken F D R's picture down from the wall of my room. I know that as time goes on his name will be more and more glorious as one of our greatest Presidents and one of the greatest lovers of humanity.

Yours respectfully,

(Mrs) Maud F. Jackson

Jackson W
Christopher

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Thank

890 Mitchell Street, S.W.,
Atlanta, Georgia,
April 17, 1947.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
Hyde Park, New York.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

"How far that little candle throws his beams!
So shines a good deed in a naughty world."

Friends never realize the full course of their friendly deeds--however trite and transient the deed may appear. The influence of friendship is as infinite as the supreme Friend Himself.

As one among countless unknown admirers of your daily crusade in the interest of human freedom, and your courageous example in the practice of the common brotherhood of man, I have long felt constrained to join those grateful ranks that deluge your desk, and cheer your heart, with expressions of appreciations. Please accept my apology for the accompanying "venture"--a spontaneous reaction on reading, in the March, 1946 issue of Ebony magazine, a vivid sketch of your activity among the "common people". After summoning courage to submit these amateur verses to Ebony (returned, months later, with the publication's "interest and appreciation", and the advice, "we do not publish poetry...under our present policy"), it is with conflicting urge and restraint that I thus intrude upon your precious moments--hoping, all the while, that my "venture" may not prove, altogether, "a waste of time" to you.

In the great privilege and responsibility of rebuilding a wrecked brotherhood, "may your tribe increase!"

Most respectfully and sincerely,

J. W. Jackson
C. W. Jackson

DEBORAH TODAY
(To Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt)

Her earlier sister challenged men
Thus: "Up, the foe without repell!"
But she inspires men thus: "Excel
Yourself, and crush the foe within!"

From castled king to cabined slave
She wends her man-befriending way.
Her life adventure: To portray
The king-slave One Who came to save.

Too big for narrow racial bounds,
Her inf'nite range, humanity!
Too busy loving folk to be
Detained by hate, that stalks her rounds!

To her, one race, the human throng--
What matter accident of birth?
One standard hers of human worth,
E'en Truth, that severs right from wrong.

Her honor brooks no compromise
With shame, howe'er venerated its name;
True worth, howe'er remote from fame,
Her heart delights to eulogize.

Such faith, such courage cannot fail!
Though losing seem the cause, or lost,
God still reserves an unsung host,
That ne'er has bowed the knee to Baal!

--Christopher Edward Jackson

March 20, 1946,
Atlanta, Georgia.

William Jackson

BOY SCOUTS



OF AMERICA

Sea Scout Ship NO. 5048
April 10 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt;

You are probably aware of the Sea Scout Units. This unit is for the interest of the older boys from fifteen to eighteen years of age of the Boy Scouts of America. Therefore each ship must procure a name of another ship of the Navy or Coast Guards, or city.

Recently the ship crews suggested that the yeoman procure your permission before they submit the Late President's name for there ship. The boys have great respect for you and the Late President. They themself think the Negro has procure a much greater progress in recent years because of the assistant rendered by you and the Late President.

We would greatly appreciate any consideration shown in the near future to come, I thank you.

Respectfully yours.

Wm Reeves
William Reeves Yeoman

William Jackson Jr
William Jackson Jr Skipper

Essential, to agreeable to me + appreciate this tribute to my husband's memory

DO A GOOD TURN DAILY

Jackson

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ON
MAY 25, 1947
ON HER
VISIT TO JACKSONVILLE

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Jacksonville, the County seat of Morgan County, is often referred to as the "most beautiful city in the midwest" because of its many stately homes and gorgeous old trees. It is located in West Central Illinois, about 85 miles northeast of St. Louis and 210 miles southwest of Chicago. The city was laid out in 1825 on a tract of land covering 40 acres and named after General Andrew Jackson. The original site was chosen probably because of its convenience to all parts of the County as County seat.

Morgan County was established in 1823 and has an area of 565 square miles. Jacksonville, although laid out in 1826 was first incorporated as a city on February 3, 1840. The present area within Jacksonville city limits is about 5 square miles. The 1940 population of Morgan County was 36,378 and of Jacksonville 19,844. Present estimated population of Jacksonville is 21,500.

Very early in the history of the city, Jacksonville began to develop as a great educational and institutional center. Illinois College, the oldest college in Illinois, was founded here in 1829 by a party of Yale students. Illinois Female Academy, now MacMurray College for Women, was founded in 1846. In 1843, the Illinois State School for the Deaf and in 1847 the Illinois School for the Blind were located here. J. Capps & Sons, Ltd., now a large clothing manufacturer, established their first woolen mill here in 1839.

Jacksonville is the home of many famous personages. Among them are three Illinois Governors. Joseph Duncan, Governor in 1834, Richard Yates Sr. in 1861 and Richard Yates Jr. in 1901. Stephen A. Douglas was States Attorney here from 1834 until 1836.

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Abraham Lincoln practiced law here in Jacksonville on several occasions and it is here that he met Stephen A. Douglas. William Jennings Bryan is a former student of Illinois College and his home site is located on West College. Edward Beecher, brother of Harriet Beecher Stowe and Henry Ward Beecher, was a President of Illinois College.

The first railroad in Illinois was located in Morgan County, Illinois.

Jacksonville was one of the stations for the famous slave routes during the Civil War.

Jacksonville is known throughout the world as the only city in the world where a street intersection has four churches on its corners. The four churches are: First Baptist, Grace Methodist, State Street Presbyterian, and Trinity Episcopal.

Jacksonville boasts of the only Ferris wheel factory in the world. The Ferris wheel is made by the Eli Bridge company. It was founded in 1900. It has since manufactured 781 wheels. At the present time it is estimated that the company manufactures 52 wheels a year, or an average of one every week.

The Jacksonville State Hospital is the oldest mental institution west of the Allegheny Mountains and one of the largest of its kind. Dortha Dix was one of the founders of this institution and on its grounds is one of the oldest and the longest three story building on earth. In 1948 the institution will celebrate its 100th anniversary.

Both the Jacksonville School for the Blind and the School for the Deaf have celebrated their centennial. The School for the Deaf is the worlds largest.

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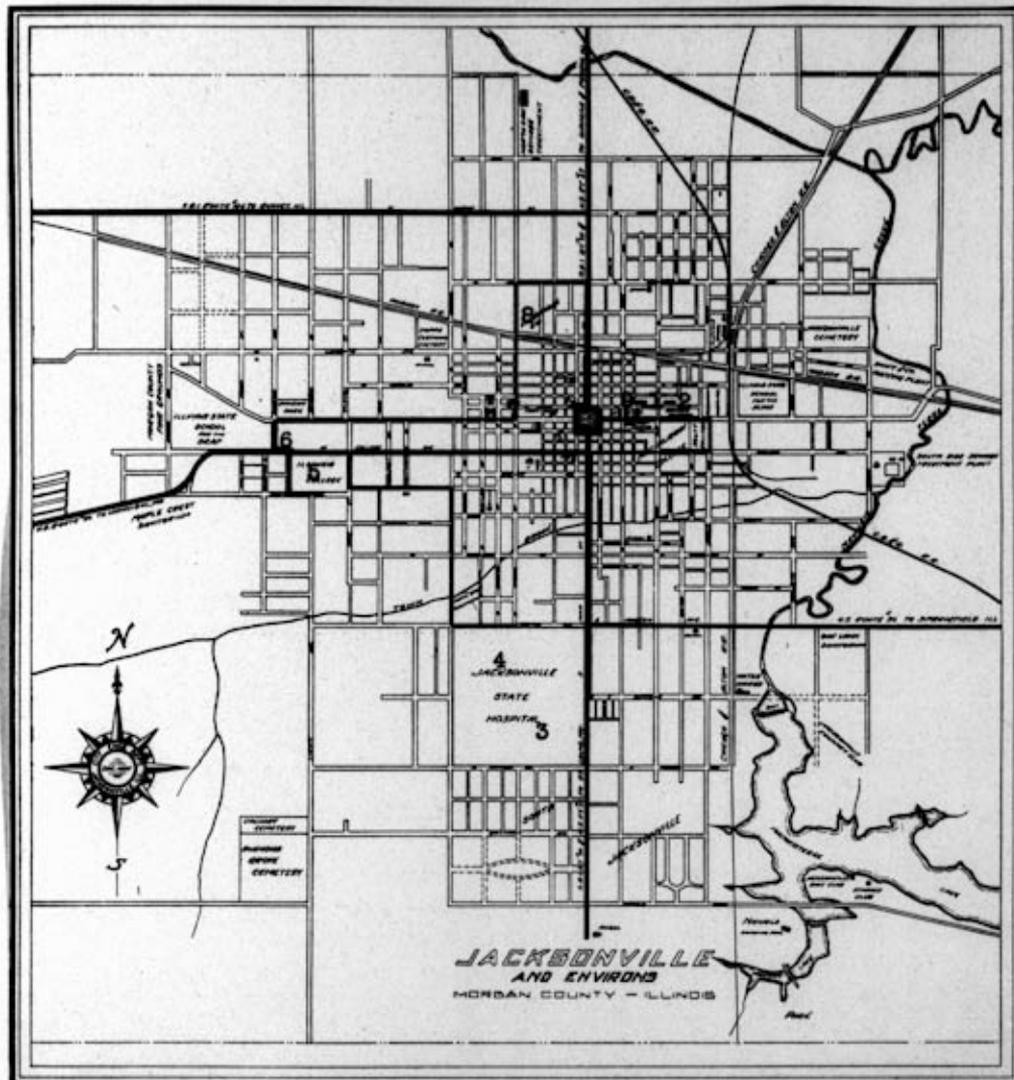
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Jacksonville has one of the oldest Y. M. C. A. organizations in the United States. The 'Y' in Jacksonville was founded in 1870.

On February 28, the Jacksonville Bus Lines celebrated their 25th anniversary. It is now a part of the National Trailways System and they still maintain their home offices here.

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POINTS OF INTEREST

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| 1 - McClelland Dining Hall | 2 - Governor Yates Home |
| 3 - Main Building at State Hospital | 4 - Veterans Unit |
| 5 - Illinois College | 6 - William Jennings Bryan Home |
| 7 - Four Churches Corner | 8 - Eli Bridge Company |
| 9 - MacMurray College | |