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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

After having read your article about being "still uncertain what women alone can do to preserve peace" I feel compelled to send you my poem.

This poem was made out of the deep desire to stir up people to realize the danger and to do something to preserve peace. I have no way to publish my "Prayer" or some of my other poetic pleas. I believe that reading and hearing pleas as articles, poems and plays would be an important means to activate people's assistance in preserving the peace. It even would bring the desire for peace again and again to the attention of responsible men.

Respectfully,

Eva Jessel

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PRAYERS

Prayer.

Please, oh God, hear our praying!
Help prevent world's last destruction,
Give enlightening instruction,
Give us strength to further staying!

Free us from the fear we feel
When we hear of peoples talking,
When we see atom-bomb reel
And how war is forward stalking.

Save us from all mankind's greed!
From the fight, from competition
In achieving ammunition!
Smash atom-force! It's no need!

Stop all men from new invention,
Mankind is not wise enough.
Bombs and words! Just playing tough!
Stop this danger's bad intention.

Save, oh God, save us from horror
from incensing devil's rage.
Save us from all ending furor
From the new atomic-age!

Eva Jessel
July 1947



January 13, 1947

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York

Dear, Sweet Mrs. Roosevelt:

Enclosed is rather an odd portrait of me
hanging up a picture of you.

All the best wishes for the new year.

Affectionately yours,

George Jessel

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