

Stettinius, Edward R.
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May 1, 1947

Dear Mr. Stettinius:

The New York Times of April 27th, quotes you as stating that my husband "agreed with you that Miss Gildersleeve was the only woman in the United States worthy of consideration for appointment to the U.S. delegation"

I feel sure you must have been misquoted as I can not imagine my husband saying such a thing. It has hurt so many women that Franklin used and trusted and I should like to deny it.

Very sincerely yours,

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NEW YORK 11, N. Y.

April 28, 1947

Eleanor what does Stettinius mean by saying Franklin said to him at Yalta, or rather "agreed with him that Miss Gilderose was the only woman in the U. S. worthy of consideration for appointment to the U. S. delegation." Quote from N. Y. Times at Gilderose's party, April 27?

Geosaphat (sp.?) FOR.
never said anything so tasteless and anyway he never believed

back to M. S. & say I can't imagine it. I don't think
a thing & I don't think I can be any good. I
don't think I can be any good. I don't think I can be any good.

it either.

Bilderleaves would
have been 25th on my

do you going to let that
slide? No defend Franklin even
tho' no one would believe it.
Bah!

It was so very good to see
you the other day even if you
felt wretched with that cold.
Mrs. Lamb is a bright woman
isn't she?

We are off Wed p.m. for
six months.

My love
P. S. U.

Stettinius

**THE HORSESHOE
RAPIDAN, VIRGINIA**

May 7, 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

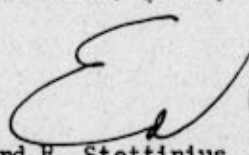
I am grateful to you for your note of May 1st, as I had not seen the report to which you refer.

The facts of the case are that the President had given much thought over a period of many weeks to the selection of a woman to be a member of the United States Delegation to the San Francisco Conference, and that he had many under consideration. When a list of recommendations was submitted to him he indicated that, while there were a number of women in the United States who were eminently qualified to discharge this responsibility, Miss Gildersleeve was the only name on the list that had been submitted to him who was worthy of consideration.

The formal text of my remarks at the Gildersleeve luncheon makes no reference whatsoever to this. What was said on this point was extemporaneous, and obviously it was intended to convey the above meaning. If you have any suggestion as to what I might do to correct the impression, please let me know.

With my very best wishes,

Cordially yours,



Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Val-Kill Cottage
Hyde Park, Dutchess County
New York

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*Some time ago
I had been told of your
plan to name a woman in the
to follow before you
to fill out the team
for the
of 1947*

Mary thanks for your letter ~~about~~ ^{Stettinius}

I think perhaps sometime ¹⁹⁴¹ ~~when~~
the opportunity presents itself you
can explain that there were, of
course, other women in the
country, but no names ^{of women} were
before you + my husband at
that ~~of women~~ who were so
well qualified -

Send copy Miss Mary Pearson
171 W 12 Ave

Dear Mells - I thought you would
like to see Mr S's answer

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Beatrix H.