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If you read my letter
to Mr. Bellis which was
published in full in
the papers here, you would
know I asked for no action
except a review of Mr
Eisler's case. The other
people interested were Mrs
Bro Thompson - Mr Raymond

Grace Irving, & alone
Johnson + a Mr Stephen
whom I knew slightly
during my years in
the N. H. I passed along
to Prof. Dept's many
letters that came to me and
I expected was any
attention that could be
given to any communication

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Oct. 2, 1947

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Washington, D. C.

Re: Hanns Eisler

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

It is with much regret on the part of many of us to find you as the pressure that caused the above party to enter these United States. We are disappointed that you should have used your high place in a matter of this kind.

You must realize such acts cause many of us to lose faith in Government Officials.

The two editorials are some appearing in newspapers here and are not a nice picture before the public.

Sincerely,



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EDITORIALS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1947

Hollywood
CITIZEN-NEWS

Mrs. Roosevelt's Mistake

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is disclosed to have interceded in behalf of Hanns Eisler when the State Department sought to bar him from entering the United States.

Mrs. Roosevelt said she had been assured from a reliable source that Eisler was not a communist. But the State Department files contained information of Eisler's activities in behalf of the Communist Party in Germany.

It is easy to believe that the appeal of a "friend" to Mrs. Roosevelt in Eisler's behalf originated with the communists who have managed to get many of their friends into this country despite immigration laws. But it is unquestionably true that Mrs. Roosevelt did not investigate the plea on Eisler's behalf that was made to her, nor did she investigate the background of Eisler.

Many loyal Americans have been induced to sponsor people or organizations on the assurance of some friend that these people or organizations were reputable.

Many communists and communist-front organizations have the support of people who do not favor communism. By hiding their true character, communists and communist-front organizations easily deceive people like Mrs. Roosevelt.

Recently several people have complained to the Citizen-News that their names have been misused by local organizations. They claim they had granted permission for the use of their names as sponsors for charity affairs but that these affairs have also included the promotion of pro-communist elements in this community.

Those who complain demand that some means be found to remedy this situation. The best remedy is for everyone to examine closely any activity which he is asked to sponsor. Another remedy is to demand an accounting of funds allegedly contributed for charitable purposes.

Had Mrs. Roosevelt taken reasonable precautions, she would have been spared the humiliation which she must, or at least should feel, due to the disclosure of the misuse of her good name by Eisler's communist friends.

As an American delegate to the United Nations Assembly, Mrs. Roosevelt is slowly being awakened to the communist menace to the world. In the future the communists will not find her an easy mark as they found both her and her husband to be during the latter's political career.



VICE-PRESIDENT BOWLS TELEGRAPHIC SERIES

Barry, American vice-president and yesterday "scored" in the telegraphic series shot in New York for the league's

opening. In the picture above, from left, are J. Donald Wilson, West Coast ABC program director, who refereed; Susan Miller, songstress and scorekeeper, and Barry. He banged out a (for him) anemic 424 total.

(Citizen-News photo.)

... Needs Will Be

Samuel B. Morris, Chief Engineer and General Manager

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Promise of Improvement

A helicopter operating company, Los Angeles Airways Inc., has announced its schedule of flights for picking up airmail destined for dispatch from the Los Angeles Municipal Airport at Inglewood. This service is based upon arrangement with the Post Office and is aimed at improving the collection and delivery of airmail to Valley points. Landing spots have been selected in Glendale, Burbank, North Hollywood and Van Nuys. The program has all the appearance of a step on the part of the Postal administration to improve its service for citizens in the Valley area.

There will be a devout wish that such expectations be fulfilled. During the last six months the performance of the post office has left much to be desired. There have been failures and shortcomings which simply cannot be justified in any efficiently conducted federal department. There have been delays of from one to 24 hours in delivery of airmail, a delay which robs the airmail service of its right to that title. The sale of airmail postage has been a fraud and a violated contract in every case of such delay.

If a sincere effort to improve the situation is observed no one should be reluctant to praise and applaud. The shoddy political maneuvering that brought about the deterioration of service will be passed over, but not forgotten.

The Record Speaks

Admirable and distinguished as she is for political acumen and service toward humanity, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is woefully deficient in memory. She stated Wednesday that she did not remember a note she had sent to the Under Secretary of State in behalf of Hans Eisler, alleged Communist, and that it was merely routine reference of an impersonal subject anyway.

For the benefit of the record Mrs. Roosevelt's note was introduced as evidence before a House committee investigating un-American activities. The text of the letter shows that it was not a routine matter. It was a suggestion to the Under Secretary of State that he reopen a case once disposed of by the Department of Labor. "Why not do it all over again and bring it out in the open and let the Eislers defend themselves?" That is not in keeping with the character of routine and impersonal matters. It is commonly described as "meddling."

It is regrettable that Mrs. Roosevelt has been brought into the unsavory cases of the Eislers at this late date. But her acts made such a step unavoidable. The significant thing, and the point that counts most, is that in the national administration at the time she was an industrious note writer the Communist conspirators found no difficulty in obtaining sponsorship and protection. The high quarter in which they found protection amazes one.

Hans Eisler testified that he joined the Communist party, but that "he did not take active part in any of its proceedings, that he just let it drop." His brother is Gearhart Eisler, convicted of obtaining passports by false statements and charged with being the main link between the Moscow commintern and the American Communist party.

It is naive to believe that dealings with or about the Eislers could be impersonal. And Mrs. Roosevelt is not naive. She is a well informed citizen, now as she was at the time she pleaded for Hans Eisler.



Director Leo Carrillo entertains several thousand spectators at the fair which began last night and will end Sunday. Radio, television and musical entertainment is being held. Sixty exhibition booths, displaying a wide variety of goods. (Valley Times photo.)

One Won Allberger

Tomorrow night a special "Valley De" square dance will be held at the Ralph Maxhimer, of the Los Angeles Department of Recreation, and the famed team of the Starkey and Mamie Paxton playing music.

Prizes are being awarded spectators nightly and community singing is being held.

Parking space for several thousand cars has been provided and municipal officials say accommodations for 50,000 spectators have been made.

Boxer Club To Hold Puppy Show Oct. 15

With Jack Wintermeyer of Northridge as bench show chairman, the Southern California Boxer club will present an A.K.C.-sanctioned puppy match Oct. 15 at Griffith park. The competition will be staged in the gymnasium at the Recreation center, Los Feliz and Riverside, starting at 7 p.m.

Puppies from two to twelve months of age are eligible. Registration number is not required.

Entries should be mailed to Mrs. Kenneth Ruedy, 5926 Calvin st., Tarzana. Further information may be obtained by calling RUGBY 5-3648.

Grass Fire Hits Tent, Auto, Shed

A grass fire said to have been started by children playing with matches spread to a shed, automobile and a tent dwelling in Canoga Park yesterday afternoon.

The fire did \$30 damage to a frame shed of Mrs. Viola Roberts, corner of Gault and Independence, slightly damaged an automobile belonging to Edna B. Oleson, 30945 Gault st., and sparks touched off a tent occupied by Thomas Lapworth, 20935 Gault st., doing \$30 damage.

Careless burning was blamed for damage of more than \$100 to the garage of Edmond Hase, 18807 Chase st., Reseda, yesterday afternoon.

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In reply refer to
VD 811.111 Bolshaw, Philip H.

April 9, 1947

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 25, 1947 enclosing letters from Mr. Philip H. Bolshaw, Ellern Mede Nursing Home, Totteridge Lane, N. 20, England, and Mr. Carmine Bellacicco, Via Roma 67, Ginosa (Taranto), Italy, addressed to Miss Dorothy Thompson, concerning their desire to come to the United States.

As the facilities of the Department do not permit it to communicate direct with aliens in foreign countries the letter from Mr. Bolshaw has been forwarded to the American consular officer at London for appropriate reply. As Mr. Bellacicco appears to have been born in the United States his communication has been referred to the Passport Division which will communicate with you in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

G. J. Haering
G. J. Haering
Chief, Visa Division

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Apartment 6-A,
29 Washington Square West,
New York 11, New York.

ORIGINAL RETIRED FOR PRESERVATION

March 25, 1947

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am enclosing two letters which were sent to me by Miss Dorothy Thompson.

She asked me if there was something I could do to help these people and since there is nothing I can do, I am referring their letters to you.

With many thanks for your consideration.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Philip H. Bolshaw
Ellern Mede Nursing Home
Tetteridge Lane, N. 20. England

Mr. Carmine Bellacicco
Via Roma 67
Ginosa (Taranto) Italy

DOROTHY THOMPSON

237 EAST FORTY-EIGHTH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 18, 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

I enclose two letters; One a very touching communication from a British war invalid with whom I have had correspondence in the past. As you can see from it, he wishes to visit relatives in America; the letter speaks for itself. Are we refusing visitors visas? And do you know what I can reply to him or what advice I can give him? I know you are a miracle worker so perhaps you can do something for him,

The second letter is from an American citizen in Italy, which tells its own story.

Affectionately,

Dorothy Thompson

enclosures

DT:W

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
29 Washington Square West
New York, N.Y.

*OK at 11:00 AM
Hall*

*ask state Dept -
also write him -
saying letter sent to State Dept.*

DOROTHY THOMPSON
237 EAST FORTY-EIGHTH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Dear Philip Bolshaw:

I hear you've had a
bad time and I'm sorry. I'm
very sorry. I hope you'll get
well, and we shan't forget
what you've done for us.

Sincerely

Dorothy Thompson.

Nov. 16
1944.