Reader, Sir

I deeply appreciate your kindness in sending me a copy of your tribute to my husband's memory. I am always grateful by to know how he is regarded.

I shall put this copy in the family library at home. I am sure a list of the people who received it must be grateful if you care to send them a copy.

With my very deep
thanks, sam

James L
623 N. Bedford Pl
Beverly Hills, Calif

Mamie Baer
Bx 412
Route 7
Phoenix, Ariz

Mr. Elliott R
Hyde Park

Mrs. F. F. Jr
Pinecrest 12 NY

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828 Arden St
Pasadena, Calif

Mayor Henry J. Hooker
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Miss Dance Perkins
(adress)
Mr. 
Mr. Daniel Gray 
Sarasota 
Fla.

to Cor.

Mr. Langdon P. Marvin 
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Mr. Arthur Murray 
(Englisht address)
The Jacob Wendell House
Portsmouth
New Hampshire

25 October 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

The enclosed tribute to the President is self-explanatory. I think he saw it, being as he was with many matters of importance, as acknowledge. Macht was made to Henry Murray who was the host of the Fly dinners in Washington during the war. However, he would not have known who wrote it.

At all events, I was urged recently to have it printed and have done so with some difficulty.

My wife (Evelyn Fahnstock)

Wendell House
I am most anxious to place it in the hands of people who really care. I am most anxious to place it in the hands of people who really care.

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I feel a kinship with your lifelong wish for mutual understanding and to heal the rifts between mankind and to live in harmony.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

I am most anxious to place it in the hands of people who really cared for Franklin and I wonder if you would be willing to suggest a few names to whom you think it might be welcome. Your boys naturally occur to me but I don't know where to reach them at the moment and would appreciate their addresses. Miss Frances Perkins is someone I should particularly like to reach.

I hope very much you will like these few words that came
Dear Mrs Roosevelt;

In tonight S.F. News I read your article which you stated therein, that the majority of the masses never read about the published lists in newspapers of subversive organizations. This is not so, for the masses always are looking to find out who the termites are. Usually 8 out of 10 are Jews, most of their names have been corrupted into American names, whereas they are either from Russia or their parents came from there. When you were a member of the newspaper Guild in N.Y. which was made of most of Jews and very communistic, you voted there way---didn't you? Do you want me to get the facts from Pegler? Its being published here in one paper that you are due our here in California to help put your son over for Governor. A useless task, I'll say. Warren will beat 2 to 1, labor is practically for Warren as he took care of labor. They call your son a carpet bagger, trying to get a top office so he can do exactly like your husband did to N.Y. State and to the U.S. Government---broke both of them. As for Helen Cahagen Douglas, a beautiful communist, her husband to was single out not many years ago as a communist. You must know this and speaking for her won't do your son any good. We have her record from Congress how she voted consistently with a eleven others greatly in the minority against everything bankrupt Harry tried to put over with Congress. On Tuesday of this week, when Congress voted 341 to 20 to regulate the communists, she voted a BIG NO, with the 19 other suspected communist sympathizes. Front page article in the S.F. Examiner and the people are all talking about it. The C.I.O. are letting out organizations that are subversive, like the Harry Bridges Long-shore mens union, etc. Don't think for a minute that you can hint in this article of yours that you are going to change the minds of the masses when Gen. MacArthur is held in the very highest esteem, and knows the Asiatic problem much better than the co-neighbor Dean Atkinson and Justice Frankfurter who walk to work every morning When Harry came over to the White House to accept the Presidency, he asked you if he could do anything for you, you answer, can I do anything for you, I never got over that one. The Roosevelt dynasty is falling like the ex-kings of Europe.

Sincerely,

J.W. Wenworth.
January 20, 1947

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Many thanks for your answer to my inquiry about Mr. George Wenzel.

In my first letter I neglected to give you his requisition number which is 1870.

Mr. Wenzel is very hopeful that he may receive his assignment in the very near future.

Very sincerely yours,
George called me this morning to give me this requisition number and said he had word from Germany that someone there heard he was coming shortly, so he is hopeful.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Apartment 15-A
29 Washington Square, West
New York 11, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

With reference to your letter of 6 January 1947, Mr. George Wenzel has been contacted in order to obtain more specific information about his qualifications.

Upon receipt of this information every consideration will be given Mr. Wenzel for possible placement in existing position vacancies with the Military Government in Europe.

Thank you very much for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ROBERT P. PATTERSON
Secretary of War
January 6, 1947

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I have an interest in a young man named George Menzel. He went into the Army as a private in spite of the fact that he and his sister came here from Germany because they could not stand the growing Nazi atmosphere. His sister is married to an American, but he could not obtain his citizenship until after he was in the Army. Shortly after that in spite of the fact that the Army was suspicious of him and he underwent a pretty serious going-over, he was commissioned a lieutenant and went overseas for Intelligence.

His record will stand scrutiny, I am sure, for every kind of good service. He is eminently suited to go back and work in Germany now. He wants to go back and he has offered his services but is deeply discouraged because he was told that it sometimes takes months. Unfortunately Mr. Menzel is not in a position to wait for months, and while he is willing to sacrifice the time to go back and try to help get Germany started on a better foundation, he really is not young enough to continue without working at his own profession which is agricultural chemist. He was an assistant professor in a western college before he went into the Army.

I would not bother you only I think he is the kind of young man who may be of tremendous value in Germany at the present time and is willing to go there for a year. I thought you might be able to expedite matters if the Army is really considering him seriously.

Very cordially yours,
A telegram dispatched on the 3rd of January 1947 from the 7707th Military Intelligence Service Center (MISC), USFET, APO 757 informed me that the Civilian Personnel Office at USFET, Frankfurt, Germany, has sent off a requisition under the number 1870 to the War Department, Washington, DC, requesting my employment with the War Department for assignment in Germany as chief of the Counter Intelligence Section at the Military Intelligence Service Center, a position which was held by me as an officer of the Army of the United States from 1st of November 1945 until 1st of October 1946.

This requisition will arrive at the Overseas Branch of the Office of the Secretary of War, Pentagon Building, Washington, DC, for processing and clearance, and finally to be drawn up into a War Department contract.

The experience of several persons with whom I have been in contact during the past months has shown that it may take many weeks before requisitions from USFET are processed and contracts ready to be signed.

It is this delay which should be overcome in order to expedite my return to Germany.
WASHINGTON OFFICE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES
ROOM 330, 1344 CONNECTICUT AVE., N.W.
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.
DECATUR 7300, EXT. 640

9 April 1947

Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt
29 Washington Square, West
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Mr. George Wenzel has applied to the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees for an administrative position in connection with dealing with reparations property and has given your name as reference.

Will you please send us your frank estimate of his competency, reliability and, particularly, his integrity, which would be a primary factor in considering him for this position.

The position for which Mr. Wenzel has applied is an administrative one overseas under the authority of the Intergovernmental Committee and the direction of our Reparations Officer. The work concerned requires dealing with various objects of extreme value which will become a part of the Reparation Funds, the administration of which is the responsibility of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees. You will understand, we are sure, that persons we are seeking for these positions must have the qualifications of utmost reliability and trustworthiness.

Mr. Wenzel has furnished us with a resume of his education and experience. We shall appreciate your frank estimate of his ability to measure up to the qualifications mentioned above. Your comments will be held in the strictest confidence. As we expect to make appointments within the next week or ten days, an early reply will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia van Delden
(Mrs.) Patricia van Delden
Personnel Officer

FvD: cmc
There known Mr. Zheng
Zheng for several years
and consider him a very
good young man, as to
character, honesty and
integrity and reliability. I am
sure this educational
background, he has
excellent educational
background and I feel
sure, will be a very
helpful addition to
your staff.
George Wenzel
Menemsha, Massachusetts

Both Joe and Trude much better Wednesday afternoon when I saw them. Will see them again Thursday and wire you. Please let Trude know that all arrangements for Mickey going to school have been made as that worries her. Told her I talked to Jonathan. She and Joe send love to all.

Eleanor Roosevelt
ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

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7. It is agreed that in any action by the Company to recover the tolls for any message or messages the prompt and correct transmission and delivery thereof shall be presumed, subject to rebuttal by competent evidence.

8. Special terms governing the transmission of messages according to their classes, as enumerated below, shall apply to messages in each of such respective classes in addition to all the foregoing terms.

9. No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

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A full rate expedited service.

DAY LETTER (DL)
A deferred service at lower than the full rate.

SERIAL (SER)
Messages sent in sections during the same day.

NIGHT LETTER (NL)
Accepted up to 2 A.M. for delivery not earlier than the following morning at rates substantially lower than the full rate telegram or day letter rates.

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FULL RATE (FR)
The standard first service at full rates. May be written in any language that can be expressed in Roman letters, or in cipher.

CODE (CDE)
A last message service consisting of code words not exceeding 5 letters each. Minimum charge for 5 words applies.

DEFERRED (LC)
Plain language messages, subordinated to full rate and code messages. Minimum charge for 5 words applies.

NIGHT LETTER (NLT)
Overnight plain language messages. Minimum charge for 25 words applies.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
29 Washington Square West,
New York 11, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Reference is made to your letter of March 27, 1947 with which you enclosed a communication from Professor Carlton F. Wells regarding the immigration case of Miss Marya Werten.

Miss Werten was admitted to the United States on May 2, 1939 as a temporary visitor, and at her request numerous extensions of stay have been granted her. Recently she indicated her desire to remain in this country permanently and filed an application for preexamination in order to enter Canada for the purpose of applying to an American Consul for an immigration visa. Action on her preexamination application is being held in abeyance pending receipt of essential information from another government agency. When a response is received further consideration will be given to the application, and you and Miss Werten will be informed when a decision is reached.

The letter from Professor Wells and enclosure are returned to you.

Sincerely yours,

T. B. Shoemaker
ACTING COMMISSIONER

Enclosures
February 25, 1947

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
Hyde Park, New York.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

As one American who has been outspokenly on the side of human rights—especially in this war—you will be interested in the case of Miss Marya Wertn, Polish-born artist, illustrator, and educator.

She has been steadfastly and, at times, outspokenly loyal to the coalition Polish government-in-exile. She did her utmost to further the war effort, the American as well as the Polish effort. Her hostility to the communist-dominated, USSR-imposed regime now entrenched in her native Poland is well known to the present American representatives of that regime.

Yet our Immigration Department—a division of our Department of Justice—now informs her that she must leave the United States by March 8.

I won’t burden you with the details (the admirable letter to President Truman by Mr. John Schoepfle, enclosed, covers the essential material). I would only add that I know Miss Wertn’s profound loyalty to Polish culture and Polish freedom—and that if she were forced to return to the Poland of today, prospects for a life other than one of penury, intimidation, or worse, would be faint indeed.

The facts of her case are clear: Seven visa renewals since 1939; then, in 1946, after Miss Wertn became reluctantly convinced that she could not return to present-day Poland, her application for immigration status went in; finally, months later, came the order from Washington that she must leave for Poland not later than March 8, 1947, because the Polish quota applications for admission to the U.S.A. were already a three or four years’ total.

This is but one case, I realize, in a world of tragic cases. But I cannot believe that our Government, committed to a policy of no forcible return of DPs can in fairness and decency force this sterling Polish patriot to go back to the Poland of Bierut, Gomulko, and the secret police.

To do so would be a bitter blow to all Americans who still believe that our country’s pledges—and Britain’s—to the Polish people and to the world through the Atlantic Charter were not
entirely empty words. I believe Miss Werten's case has a symbolic importance, the more so in view of our Government's strong protest against the recent elections and our Government's continuing concern for the welfare of the Polish people.

Sincerely yours,

Carlton F. Wells
Associate Professor of English, and Chairman of the Michigan Committee of Americans for Poland.
Mr. Harry Truman  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.  

Dear Mr. President:  

Since the termination of hostilities in the recent war, the American government and American public have been deeply concerned with the problems growing out of the war. But in our anxiety to right the greater injustices we are apt to overlook the smaller ones. We are apt to forget that there are some problems which, though slight in the view of worldwide affairs, yet remain an inseparable part of the whole, and represent most fundamentally the issues so recently debated in blood.

May I present, briefly, a case:

The name of the person who is the subject of this letter must be withheld from public notice. This she has rightly requested because of possible reprisals against relatives who are still living under a dictatorship as real and relentless as that from which they were supposedly delivered.

This person is an artist. Previously to the war she made five trips to the United States at the invitation of various educational institutions. At the outbreak of the war she was again in this country, lecturing and teaching. The visitor's visa on which she entered for this purpose was renewed without difficulty until the present time. In the last year she has tried to obtain an immigration visa, for she cannot return to her home in Poland. Because of her loyalty to the London Polish Government, which the United States and England first supported and later rejected in favor of the present dictatorship, her return to Poland means for her probable imprisonment or death.

Recently she received notice that the Polish quota for immigration is filled for the next three or four years, that her visitor's visa would not be renewed, and that therefore she must leave the United States on or before the eighth of March, 1947. It is a strange paradox that her constancy to the democratic ideals for which America and Poland fought with equal valor should now prove a threat to her own safety.
Deportation is for her a personal tragedy; for America it is a double tragedy. Not only will we lose a valuable force in that cultural and spiritual growth necessary to the survival of our ideals, but also we will lose our right to speak of freedom and justice.

This artist has been a valued friend and adviser to myself and to countless other students and teachers in American schools. Her interest in the cultural development of all with whom she is associated is great beyond comparison. Her idealism, her loyalty to democratic causes, and her sincere belief in America and in America’s power to make liberal concepts a reality everywhere, are beyond question.

Her desperate situation is similar to that of many others, who have been given refuge here during the war, and who are now to be deported without consideration of their probable fate.

A few months ago the President of the United States acted in behalf of the Estonian political refugees who, in the small ship “Erna”, crossed the Atlantic in order to escape unjust persecution at home. Cannot something be done, before it is too late, to give protection to others who are, figuratively, in that same fragile boat?

I believe sincerely that this case must come to your personal attention, and that I will surely receive a request for the specific information necessary for action by the immigration authorities. However, for your personal information, I have given her file and registration numbers with the U.S. Department of Justice, at the head of this letter. And also for your personal information I give her name and address:

In order to obtain the signatures of other citizens who know this woman and who are united in their desire to see justice realized for her, I enclose identical copies of this letter which were sent to them and returned with their signatures.

I have the honor to remain, sir, most respectfully yours,

John L. Schoepfle (S)