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HERBERT WINKLER
167 West
New York
April 21st 1947

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EMIL WECHSLER
600 WEST 111TH STREET
NEW YORK 25, N. Y.

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Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

With regard to my previous letter to you concerning the conductor Herbert Winkler I take the liberty of advising you that it was, in fact, the last favour you did him by your kind and heartening letter. I saw Mr. Winkler about two weeks ago in his home, and observed the wonderful effect that your lines had brought to his mind. Soon after, no more visitors were admitted to his bedside, since he was getting weaker and weaker. His life extinguished on Thursday, and we paid him the last tribute of our respect on Sunday.-

I need not tell you how glad I was about your immediate response to my letter. After the passing of our unforgettable Franklin D. Roosevelt I have always felt that Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is still the leading spirit for the cultivation of high ideals and the fulfilment of duties towards human beings. -

Very sincerely yours,

Emil Wechsler.

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[Faint handwritten signature]

Herbert Winkler

167 West 72nd
New York
April 21st 1947.

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My dear Mrs. Roosevelt!

I was so happy to receive your kind letter, that I hardly know how to thank you for it.

Unfortunately my condition has not been improving quite so quickly as I thought it would, but I hope to be able to leave my sickbed soon.

Your generous offer of assistance was very much appreciated. I am glad to say that there exists no immediate emergency. I shall remember your great kindness, if any need for help should arise.

I do have, however, one wish of a quite different kind, which you may be in a position to grant me: When I was in Hyde Park three years ago, I asked for your photograph. If I could have it now, I should be ever so happy.

Yours

very sincerely

Herbert Winkler

EMIL WECHSLER

Winkler
600 West 111 Street
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April 8, 1947

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Washington Square, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Some years ago I read some words of acknowledgement of the fine piano playing at the Hyde Park of the conductor HERBERT WINKLER in your column "MY DAY" in the "World Telegram". He showed me the paper with great pride and joy and was enthusiastic about the reception at the Hyde Park and the charming hostess.

For a long time I did not see Mr. Winkler, because he was with the USO in the Pacific. Some weeks ago I met him again - very sick, very lean, very poor, looking like a moribund. He is tortured with terrible pain, so that he can live only under drugs, I assume he has the cancer. As far as I know he has neither close relatives nor good old friends or any money left. I tried to help him with a small amount within the reach of my modest ability. But I think the best medicine for him would be some nice words from Hyde Park's First Lady so deeply respected and loved by him as by everybody.

I know that you get daily many letters from people in distress, but I also know that you like to help unhappy human beings specially in the last days of their life. - His present address is: Mr. Herbert Winkler, 167 West 72nd Street, New York City.

Very sincerely yours

Emil Wechsler

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looked at. Say that I hear he is ill & would like to know
how he progresses & if I could do any thing for him