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My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Under separate cover but attached, is a copy of the May issue of the *Railway Conductor*, in which we express our deep sympathy in the passing of your husband and our friend. We also express our appreciation for the many things he did for people who earn their living by the sweat of the brow.

Mrs. Rives and I and my secretary, Miss Solomon, had the honor of attending a tea at the White House as your guest, and we have fond memories of that occasion. Also, on the day before President Roosevelt was inaugurated for his second term, I, with other railway labor editors, met him in his office, and I enjoyed the hearty reception given us by him.

Since President Roosevelt usually referred to himself as a "tree farmer," I have an idea that literally thousands, and perhaps, millions of Americans would like to plant a tree in his honor. If it is possible to get a tree from the Hyde Park Estate this fall, I would like to order one for my fishing camp on the Steinhatchee river in Florida, and also one for my son, Lt. Al. G. Rives, U.S.N.R., whose home is at Birmingham, Alabama.

I realize you are a very busy person, but I hope you can find time to reply to this communication, and advise if it would be possible to get a young tree from the Hyde Park Estate this fall.

Assuring you that all members of the Conductor's organization extend their deep sympathy to you and your family, I am

Yours sincerely,

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PRESIDENT

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April 9, 1945

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

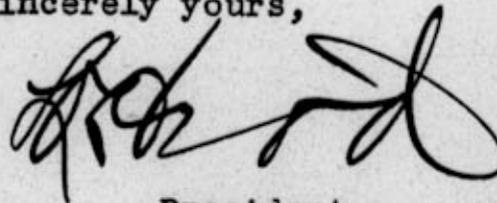
This refers further to your letter of March 19 regarding the theft of a Naval enlisted man's uniform while he was at work in our Sixteenth Street Depot in Oakland.

The situation at this terminal has been given a thorough airing and you will be glad to know that arrangements have been made to provide a checkroom to protect the clothing and personal belongings of servicemen who are in our temporary employ there.

Incidentally, we were successful in identifying the young man and have sent to his overseas address an Express money order for the full value of the lost articles.

This incident is sincerely regretted and I wish to again thank you for bringing it to my attention.

Sincerely yours,



President

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
The White House
Washington, D. C.