Thank you very much for your recent letter for sending the letter you wrote at the time of my husband's death. I am very grateful to have once borne both.
My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

The enclosed letter, as you can see, was written a number of years ago. It expressed our feeling at that time and it still expresses our feeling. To us our dear President is just over the Hill waiting. I did not send the letter at the time it was written because I realized the great loss of the American people had caused a sort of hysteria, but I made up my mind that someday you should read it and know the feeling we had for him then is still...
Linwood T. Root
7544 E. Third St.
Downey, Calif.

with us.

Today I read of Tala's burial and I can sympathize with you. I have 3 kids, one 14 years old and his two sons, 13 years old, and I know I have been lucky to have them this long.

My son is now past seven years old and to him President Roosevelt is very close, as I have pictures, clippings and everything I can get to teach him of his greatness. He is, also, a great admirer of yours, as I have always told him I prayed, had he been a girl.
that he would be as gracious a lady as you are.
Our best to you always.

Sincerely

Marie A. Root

Mrs. L. T. Root

Downey Calif.
April 7-1952
My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

May I, a member of one of the little families of America, tell you how deeply I grieve with you. You have lost a husband but my husband and I feel we have lost a very dear friend.

When my baby was born last November, he was without sisters, brothers, Aunts, Uncles or "Grandparents" but to us, his "Great Father," as we thought of President Roosevelt, more than compensated, and I have the feeling that even tho' the Great Father is gone he will still keep a watchful eye on all the little "tabbies" of the world. The things he worked so hard to obtain for the American people will
My mother always said never cry for the ones who are gone—your sorrow should be for the ones who are left. We really are the ones to be pitied, for our great Father is at rest.

Please pardon me for writing but the Roosevelt family, to a lot of people, was a little closer than the family of other Presidents.

Again, my sympathy.

Mercy C. Root

Downey Calif
Apr. 24-1945