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29 July 46

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

This newsclipping appeared in our newspaper, The Dayton Daily News.
I think it is the true feeling expressed by us all, whether we are of any race, creed, or religion.
This is a small comforting note, but it is sincere.

Yours truly,

Mrs. A. Hokey

THE STATURE OF FDR

To the Editor of The News:

The Republicans criticize the New Deal for using the nation's borrowing power to feed us in a time of crisis and get our production going again, but they do not offer any constructive program of their own. When asked what they would have done to relieve our 20,000,000 unemployed and undernourished in 1932, they uphold Hoover's "do-nothing" policy. They usually argue that there was no depression.

As for Franklin Delano Roosevelt, I nominate him as the greatest American of them all, not even excepting Lincoln. History, unencumbered by politics, prejudice, selfishness and crankiness, will give FDR his correct appraisal. I know of no man in history, Christ excepted, who can match the greatness of our late leader. Louis IX of France, St. Francis of Assisi, Lincoln and Jefferson come close, but I will take FDR.

Tafts and Hoovers are always plentiful, but Roosevelts, with their gentle, unselfish interest in those who need help most, are rare indeed.

Let's build FDR a monument in Washington equal to Washington's and make his birthday a national holiday.

Dayton. RAY W. LANUM.

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