Knapp-

Thank you very much for your letter. If I should need service (of any kind) I shall keep your offer in mind. At the moment we have what we need.
I'm glad to hear you are coming out to my college or a hotel or a inn. You can make your own arrangements and visit the library, the home, the grounds, and then come over here for a picnic. I need you.
Provide the food but perhaps give each family... bring their own. I need heat not coffee, but I can't endure coffee---
Landing, he could write.
He could write again.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.
Fallkill.
Hyde Park, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Yesterday, while I was visiting the Roosevelt Estate in Hyde Park, I had the extreme pleasure of meeting you once again and talking to you.

In our conversation I mentioned that I was in business here in Poughkeepsie and you wanted me to write you explaining the type merchandise we handle.

We are the exclusive representatives for the Frederick Post Co. of Chicago, and handle a complete line of drafting and surveying supplies. Our territory includes the seven surrounding counties from Poughkeepsie in New York State, and our New Jersey office located in Lyndhurst, N.J. of whom my father Mr. Robert S. Knapp, Sr., operates, covering all of New Jersey from New Brunswick to the New York State line.

We also handle a complete line of rebuilt dictating machines and supplies and a complete line of office equipment. If at any time we can be of service to you with any of these supplies we would be more than glad to explain thoroughly what our complete line consists.

Also I mentioned that there were around seventy five of the boys living here in Poughkeepsie who guarded Mr. Roosevelt during war time, and you mentioned a get-together for them. We who are in business here in Poughkeepsie have had close contact with the majority of these fellows, and each and every one that has visited us has mentioned they would really enjoy getting together once more at Hyde Park for a tour of the Estate and not have to be under military regulations.

I am sure there was never any greater love for one man than that of the boys at Hyde Park had for Mr. Roosevelt, and there are pleasant memories that the boys could talk about in a get-together once more. If at any time you would care for the names...
and addresses of the boys that are living here in Poughkeepsie and surrounding territories, we would be glad to supply you with a list.

Again, my partner Glen Williams who was also one of the honor guards, and myself want to thank you for the kindness you have shown us and sincerely hope to hear from you in the near future. Until then, we remain,

Very truly yours,

R.S. KNAPP CO.

Robert S. Knapp, Jr.

Glen T. Williams

RSK/tg
Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

We are delighted that you will speak at the Members' Luncheon on February 21st.

At your convenience, would...
you send me a letter for your talk. Also will you send me a list of seven of your friends whom you would like to have sit at the table with you and some one whom you would like to have introduce you.

I am looking forward eagerly.
to seeing you and hearing you on February 21st.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth M. Knapp

[Mrs. Whitman Knapp]

December 10th.
My dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

When I was in N.Y. this summer I tried to see you but it was just after your, "crossing over the line" and I was happy to hear from the concierge at your home that, "Mrs. Roosevelt was quite all right, the second day after the accident." I saw Mrs. Catt and among other things she said, "Emily, I only wish I could live long enough to tell the women of the United States they are sound asleep". I came home determined to help wake them up.

The SoKoright meeting and the one at the Waldorf sound good and one of our local women, Miss Elizabeth Wallace will be at So.K. She is a Staasen advocate but a good thinker and a woman of vision. I hope you meet her. At the Waldorf there will be a N.Y. Democrat, not too well known but a real person, Mrs. Harriett
Osborne—an amateur photographer—she no doubt will have her camera and be on the look out for women subjects. If she gets near you do let her take a shot or two as I know you will be pleased with the results. No strings attached—just a sincere wholesome soul.

As to Minn. politics, we may have to suffer defeat again—nothing unusual out here—but the left taking over the party last convention, after condemning the old order, do exactly the same things they found so wrong. They secured control, and then had no candidates and now those that were secured by one method or another are the victims. On Senator; a child could see and know that Prof. Jorgenson is qualified as compared to our Gov. Thye(nice personally)—by the way we have a woman running for Senate, a socialist-worker, who is capable, but no one knows she is running. I ran across a notice of her—speaking at a negro settlement house. (Erice Carlson) We have a young Attorney, on D.F.L. ticket for Congress, facing Judd as his opponent. He is trying to secure a debate with Dr. Judd but so far the Rep. seem to believe "Silence is golden" in this election,—many women were for Dr. Judd in the campaign 4 years ago.

I do hope nationally, the leaders can reconcile differences and
that we do not have a third party. If history repeats itself the Democrats should be in power for another generation. Today's paper, bringing the news of Hutchins, and the very fine pictures of you in action, reminds me of Hearnshawe, in his "Democracy at the Crossroads", that what we need is more schoolteachers and fewer lawyers in our public life-legislative halls— as he says , lawyers are inclined to do what is expedient and school teachers more given to do what is morally right.

This is getting to be a long letter but I am so interested in developing thru small groups leadership on all fronts. Women are very willing to work and it is time we helped them to think for themselves and no longer act as "Ladies Aide Societies", even in political parties.

Ever since, I attended the White House Conference on the Appt. of qualified women, we have had a Continuation Committee at
work and on Tuesday we will meet to consider the next problem to view. In 1944 we had a miniature White House Conference, in 1945 we had 150 leaders, so-called, view teacher shortage and Human Relations. The results are satisfactory, in that they have resulted in action. If on a local level we can do something along these lines it will be worth while.

I believe the C.I.O. representing a powerful vested interest did what women might have done, created P.A.C. We owe them a great debt of gratitude but even tho labor is powerful I am sure women are a more powerful group, especially if leaders can help them to see and know that their only interest, vested or otherwise can be their children and children's children in a world of peace.

I wish I could be in two places at once, but as we haven't yet found out how to do that I will stay here and do a job as best I can. Henriette Noyes, now a Staasen advocate was A League of Nations devotee, Sha and Josephine Schain are Minn. women of whom we are proud. Henriette, a bit right of center and Cha Willi Ames, a bit left of center are two of the most effective women leaders I know well.

I wish for you, the strength, stability and power of Mind.