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October 25, 1946

Dear Eleanor,

I want to thank you for forwarding to me a copy of the letter which you received from Mr. Isador Lubin and which I have answered with an invitation to him to come to see me at his convenience.

Affectionately yours,

*Henry*

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Apartment 6-A  
29 Washington Square West  
New York 11, New York

Ruben

I am  
grateful to you for  
speaking to Oscar  
Chapman. I was  
worried about the  
situation. I believe  
a new wing is the  
only answer.

~~I am~~

Many thanks

ER

ISADOR LUBIN  
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NEW YORK 20

*Write him if you have had to think this over  
of letters a few days  
to the effect of...*

October 26, 1946

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt;

I merely want to repeat what I told you last night; namely that I was terribly shocked to hear about the physical state of things around the house and the library at Hyde Park. Apparently no one has taken the responsibility of seeing to it that parking space is made available and sanitary facilities furnished to the thousands of people who have been coming up.

When I was in Washington I told Oscar Chapman, and he promised faithfully to have someone up at Hyde Park on Thursday of this week with instructions immediately to build temporary sanitary facilities. He promised anything of a temporary nature that would fit into the general aesthetic requirements covering the area.

If there are any other things concerning the house or the library that ought to be done, I would be very grateful if you would bring them to my attention. There is no excuse for letting things run down even temporarily, pending the completion of the general plans for the entire site.

I wanted also to talk to you about the whole question of the Foundation. Personally I sort of feel that everybody has forgotten that there was a Roosevelt Memorial Foundation. I know that there have been Board meetings but I refuse to permit the memory of Mr. Roosevelt to become the monopoly of a few. In my opinion the Foundation belongs, in a sense, to every American and something ought to be done to make every one of us feel that we are a part of it. Of course, as I have frequently said to Anna there are innumerable ways to bring this about. Personally I feel that the library and its contents are the most effective instruments for this purpose.

I may appear to be impatient, but I honestly do believe that it is very important that some plans be made very quickly relative to getting the President's papers in shape as well as assembling all sorts of information that are today in the minds of hundreds of people throughout the country and have never been put down on paper.

Very cordially

*Isador Lubin*

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt  
29 Washington Square West  
New York City, N.Y.

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*Handwritten note in left margin, partially obscured.*