

NAN HONEYMAN

1934 - 1945

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Portland, Oregon,  
May 14th. 1934.

Dear Eleanor: *How* 100 *Re*

Enclosed is a report from the Family Relief Unit of the County Relief Committee about the case you wrote of from the Woman's Home Companion.

I was somewhat at a loss as to the part about just what she had said about relief workers, no quotation or statement being included in your letter.

Therefore I asked Mrs. Aaron to check on whether there had been any trouble with the investigator and if so to send some one else.

Today I am giving a friend of mine a note of introduction to you--Mrs. Sidney Peters. She is the president of the Portland Junior League and on her way to their conference. She wants to spend a day or two in Washington just out of a patriotic interest and a wish to meet you, and Franklin if possible, is both patriotic and personal.

By this I mean she is not an emissary bearing a request for an endorsement and such. So if you will ask her for a personal mement I shall be appreciative.

Unfortunately I had to give up running for congress because our son, David, is to be married in June. With Judith going to college, Nancy to go with me, I expected the two men of the family to look after each other.

However I am running for representative to the state legislature, hoping to be of some service to the party there and to General Martin as governor.

*in 12th Street  
May 21 1934*

If elected perhaps it will serve as a stepping stone and give me the experience I feel I need.

I was shocked about Teddy's death and as yet do not know the cause, having just the telegram from Helen and no letter as yet.

Call on me whenever you think there is anything I can do.

I have told Edgar Freed, Oregon Director of the National Emergency Council, that I would serve as a member of the County Consumer's Council.

Love to you both.

Affectionately,

*Nae*,

# MULTNOMAH COUNTY RELIEF COMMITTEE

## FAMILY RELIEF UNIT

545 COURTHOUSE  
TELEPHONE ATWATER 0108  
PORTLAND, OREGON

May 10th, 1934.

Mrs. Nancy Wood Honeyman,  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive,  
Portland, Oregon.

Re: BATES, Mrs. Edna,  
7638 S. E. Yamhill St.

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My dear Mrs. Honeyman:

Confirming our telephone conversation of May 8th, we are submitting to you the following resume of our contact with Mrs. Edna Bates:

Mrs. Bates telephoned Miss DuBruille, our Executive Director, on December 29, 1933, saying she was in need of relief and unable to come to the office. A visit was promised and made that same day. The visitor found Mrs. Bates living with a friend. She stated she was unable to live with her family or relatives longer, and that she had recently lost a son. Since the friends with whom she was living at that time were unable to care for her and it was not possible to interview her people at once, a temporary plan was suggested to Mrs. Bates that she accept care at the Y.W.C.A., which organization was caring for single women at the time. Mrs. Bates did not wish to make the move at once, stating that she could probably make her own plans.

On January 10th Mrs. Bates telephoned the office and stated she wished her name removed from the Family Relief Unit list, if she could not have the aid as requested. The visitor again explained to her that if she were in need of further assistance she should again communicate with the visitor and further plans would be discussed.

Mrs. Bates did not again come to the office until April 14th, at which time she asked for further assistance. She was given a grocery order at the date of her re-registration and was promised a visit. A few days later a visit was made and no one was home. A note was left for Mrs. Bates asking her to get in touch with the visitor if in further need. Mrs. Bates came to the office again on April 28th and stated her friends were willing to have her live with them at the present time and could afford shelter but not food. These resources were verified and, as a result, Mrs. Bates received a grocery order, and is at present under care until other plans can be made in which Mrs. Bates will be enabled to help herself. Until such time, the arrangement outlined will be continued.

The present visitor advises that there has been no difficulty or disagreement over the plan with Mrs. Bates, and there is some hope that she will be able to find the work for which she is looking within a short time.

Trusting this is the information you desire, we remain

Very truly yours,

*Azile Aaron*

(Mrs.) Azile Aaron,  
Supervisor, District Offices.

AA:O

Mrs. David Honeyman  
The Cats  
Los Gatos  
Calif.

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...tionally,

I am sending the letter on to  
Professor Dore in the hope that it  
is in opening he will consider this  
but I do not know anything about conditions  
in the hospital.

I am perfectly delighted to hear  
that you are in the hospital so  
regrettably. It was nice to hear  
from you. I am thinking to meet  
you within the hospital, so I am looking  
forward to seeing you then.

Dear Madam:

July 17, 1954

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June 28<sup>th</sup> 1954-

Dear Eleanor

Enclosed is a letter to me from  
an old friend, Pauline Brown, who has  
spent her married life in Germany - a  
woman who is both intelligent and in-  
tellectual - Her daughter Lucinda has  
spent some time here with the  
grandmother.

I think it simpler to send the  
letter direct to you with the request  
contained as it states the qualifica-  
tion, leaving me quotation. If  
you can secure or give a letter of intro-  
duction for her I would appreciate it -  
and the landing of a job would be her  
own responsibility. - She speaks well  
equipped and raising the embassy  
would be glad of recommendation  
in a foreign land. Her name is  
Lucinda Wehrlich. Kaiser Wilhelm Allee  
Wuppertal - Eberfeld, Germany

Mostly before writing you I - in case a  
letter from them with details of today's  
illness & death & all enthusiastic account  
of their last day together - I was so glad  
to hear a happy time for her - she tells  
me she is refusing to enter politics and  
plans to become the centric of  
Henderson.

In the primaries I got one ticket  
I got the next candidate by 3000 votes.  
Of course I am pleased... But we were  
who might be in the next morning for Congress  
but maybe, I see so the party, I suppose the  
present case good in the republican way is  
better, & having general interest in the next  
time but in fact it is far from a masterpiece.

You have very good to - with every Louis  
Peters to tea - and to come home very  
enthusiastic. So it was ever of  
you to send my children a wedding  
present. Naturally it will always be a  
prized possession.

Of course we are charmed in the state  
and want every day each day I think.  
I think Franklin apartments here in the  
artistic board, we very good and we  
gladly he holds the view in having the house  
up to be in - when he comes & though we  
the Bonwell place in the air - can't you  
plan to meet him in Portland instead of  
waiting until Seattle. Please, so it would be

Mrs. Scheider

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Day Letter

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland  
Oregon

July 27, 1934

Will not arrive till late night before F arrives  
Glad to see you alone next morning and will phone if  
possible

Eleanor Roosevelt

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have her with.  
substance till late.  
might be for of almost.  
to see her about it.  
if possible will phone her  
and, Oregon  
July 16  
Mrs W  
Honora  
to Glendale

to this is hoping  
to discuss in order to as-  
ertain your plans and wishes  
in regard to your Portland  
visit. Can you tell me them  
from both the personal and  
official angle? I had best  
leave out a questionnaire. He  
often is calling me constantly  
in my capacity of Vice Chairman  
of the State Central Committee,  
and Chairman of the League for  
General Club (Admin Division)  
asking what I know of  
1- Do you expect to be here  
any time ahead of Franklin's  
arrivals?

- 2 - If so, do you wish to be  
"Private" until his arrival?
- 3 - Do you prefer to stay with  
me, at a hotel or put up  
at the Town Club? Of course  
I would love having you my-  
self & Wrosser in with you.  
None is plenty of room!
- 4 - Will you hold a reception  
giving within the apartment &  
leave you?  
They are writing every day &  
this will be possible, counting  
on your interest in them. It  
would be of great help in the  
way of publicity for General  
Leathin's campaign to have  
an event for you put on by  
his campaign committee.
- As the plans stand now  
Franklin will go almost  
immediately from his trip to  
the Brumville case. I imagine

you will go New West line - So we can  
go the 2 day or so ahead, then we'll  
be the time for reception etc.

I do hope you will elect to come to me - it  
would be fine - if you want to just

come & make the public appearance alright -  
but I really hope you will make the  
effort to come in time to meet at least  
some of the Democrats.

Some of the Democrats  
already have applied to the administration as  
organizing to defeat General Martin, using the  
slogan "a vote for Martin is a vote for Roosevelt"  
which is splendid as it is so very true we  
are campaigning to elect him! But  
Oregon's registration is still a Republican

majority & we must gather  
some \$10,000 of these tickets to  
win. We are in the midst of the  
strike as you know - so far  
the gasoline tie up is the big  
item & we are awaiting Wagner's  
arrival today & the decision  
as to a general strike at 5 P.M.  
tomorrow. For the last few  
days few private cars have  
been in operation - but we have  
all walked beyond and, then  
see many of us it with  
luck -  
Feel in the questionnaire as soon  
as possible - and return  
of Beatrix  
Nan -

1728 - S. W. Prospect Drive

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February 6, 1935

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Dear Man:

I am enclosing a letter to you which has come to me, and I wonder if there is any way in which you could try to help this man get a better job, and if there is any organization in the state which could help him save his farm. Evidently it is not anything which the Farm Credit Administration can handle.

affectionately yours,

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Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland  
Oregon

Letter from R. G. Rasmussen, Route 1, Hubbard, Oregon

Hubbard, Ore. May 14, 1935

Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt,  
Washington. D. C.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Perhaps you will remember that I wrote you a few weeks ago, regarding my case, stating that my wife is ill and my ten year old daughter is in a serious state; and also that I had lost practically all of my property due to illness in family, fire and depression, having left only a small twenty five acre farm and on which the mortgage will be foreclosed very shortly. I asked for relief both in regard to the foreclosure and for sufficient food.

The letter or its contents was sent to the relief committee of Oregon and they took up the problem with me only in a critical way and cut my allowance to such an extent that it is impossible for my family to exist. There was nothing what ever done to help, only the opposite. I do not wish to criticize, I only wish to state facts. I wish to save the life

and am an expert on dairy cows, having ~~owned~~  
and sold hundreds of them. I know different  
kinds of soil and how to work it to make it  
produce the best. I have always worked  
for my self and been independent, I like  
it the best.

I believe that you wrote a friend of yours  
who lives in Portland, Oregon, asking her  
to take my case up with the Rehabilitation  
Department of Oregon. I believe that this  
lady's name is Mrs. Honeyman.

She had an interview with Mr. J. P. Hobart  
Salem, Oregon; who has charge of this department  
of Marion Co. of Oregon. Wish to state that  
as he is a young man with no practical  
experience, he informed Mrs. Honeyman  
that nothing could be done for me due to  
the fact that I have only a few hundred  
dollars equity and also a sick wife.

I suppose by that he means for me to go  
around with folded hands and ask and beg  
and plead for existence for my family and  
my self. yesterday, I asked the case worker  
for a pair of shoes for the little girl as her feet

are on the ground when she walks, the soles are off the shoes. I was flatly turned down. - Care worker said that she can not do any thing. I know that others are getting clothing. we are not use to this kind of life. Our standard of living has been higher. we ~~are~~ will not ask, beg or plead for help again. we are going off the relief.

In desperation, I have made this last appeal to you, knowing that you are in a position and have the influence to secure this loan of three thousand (\$3000) for me at a low rate of interest. I will not fail you. If you care for references, I can secure them from bankers, merchants, attorneys, doctors, college professors, college president etc. Money is being loaned to others and my need is just as much.

If this Mrs. Honeyman is a friend of yours, I would be very glad to make an appointment with her and have her meet my wife and daughter, and we could explain more fully.

If relief or this loan of three thousand is to do us any good we must have it very shortly. Will absolutely do no good to take it up with the Relief or Rehabilitation Dept. of Oregon, will only do harm.

25<sup>th</sup>  
Mrs. Roosevelt; am I asking too much of  
you? But if you care to save and make a  
family happy please give this your attention.  
It is a very serious matter for us.

Will state that one thousand dollars (\$1000<sup>(2)</sup>)  
will save the home but not take us off  
the relief. I will take the \$3000<sup>2</sup> to  
make a sure go of it.

The case has been presented to the farm  
administrator but I received word that  
it could do nothing, so it is useless to  
try that dept. There is no way out for me  
except for you to use your influence in  
securing the three thousand. I will get the  
kind of farm that I want and make  
good. I want to choose the farm.  
I appeal to you for this help, and save the  
family.

Yours truly

F. G. Rusmussen

Address (Hubbard, Oregon)  
R.F.D. 1.

May 2, 1935

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Dear Nanny:

I am more than sorry that I will not be able to attend the National Housing Show in Portland on May 25. I would surely like to see this, but unfortunately I have so many engagements I cannot possibly go so far from Washington at that time.

With many regrets, I am

Affectionately,

~~Miss~~ *Mrs. David*  
Nenny Wood Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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NANNY WOOD HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Dr.  
Portland, Oregon

*Atty. Gen.  
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STATE OF OREGON  
THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SALEM

Portland, Oregon,  
April 26th, 1935.

*W. J. ...*

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

The National Housing Show, Inc. of Portland, Oregon is promoting and will hold a housing exposition in Portland, beginning May 25th, 1935, under the auspices of the Federal Housing Administration.

This organization is attempting to make this event a noteworthy example of individual cooperation with the FHA in order to assist in promoting the purposes of that Administration.

The time is propitious, the advertising and publicity effective and we expect the exposition to be an outstanding success.

Our organization feels that your personal attendance at the opening on May 25th, would add much to the undertaking and, I am sure, would be far reaching in its benefits, not only to Oregon, but to the Northwest.

Therefore, I am authorized to extend to you a most cordial invitation to be our guest of honor on the occasion of the opening of Housing Exposition on May 25th.

We are not unmindful of the great distance we are from Washington but knowing you often travel by air we hope very much you can find it possible to give the necessary time to attend this event.

I, personally, urge your acceptance, not only because of the deep interest your presence will hold for both the organization and the public, but for many reasons I am sure will understand.

Sincerely yours,

*Nanny Wood Honeyman*

May 7, 1935

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Dear Nanny:

We have searched our files and find no record of a letter from Mrs. Hines about Raymond McCarthy. Will you suggest to her that she write to Mr. Arthur Carpenter at the Warm Springs Foundation about the boy? However, I am very much afraid that the patient's aid fund is pretty well used up for this year. Also there are very few jobs available down there.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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NANNY WOOD HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Dr.  
PORTLAND, OREGON

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*Shirley*

STATE OF OREGON  
THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALEM

Portland, Oregon  
April 23rd. 1935.

Dear Eleanor:

There are two or three things I want to talk with about so please lend me thine ear.

Miss Elliott has come and gone and now we are about to organize the Reporter Plan throughout the state. I am thankful to you and Miss Dewson for sending Miss Elliott as she is a wonderful help and inspiration. She will be reporting the conference so I won't take your time in duplication.

Two weeks ago I spoke on the National program at a meeting of the Woman's Club of the town of Forest Grove, Oregon. During the reading of reports of their committees one was read in regard to the following matter.

A boy by the name of Raymond McCarthy, R. F. D. Forest Grove, Oregon, is a victim of infantile paralysis. He is 19 years old, on crutches, mentally alert. The report was that Mrs. Charles Hines, 130 Main St. Forest Grove had written to you for help and advice as to procuring funds for him and no answer had been received though the letter had been sent some months ago.

I asked to be allowed to say something and did state that I knew from personal experience in having cases referred to me by you that, in spite of your volumn of mail, you do not fail to acknowledge the appeals that come to you. Not that you could always grant the request but no answer whatever was an indication to me that the letter had miscarried some way. And this seemed to be the disturbing point. If you have any instructions for me let me know.

Enclosed is a copy of a wire my father sent Franklin and I thought the footnote to me would interest you. Probably Franklin did not see the original, undoubtedly classed as a communication from a radical---which it was.

There is a bill before Congress to create a third position on the U.S. Federal Court bench, in Oregon, and I am most anxious to give Franklin some data on the matter. Very reasonably, anything I send to him is turned over to the proper department and I am notified to that effect but I do want this to go directly to him as I feel the appointment would do much for our cause.

So I enclose my letter to him and ask that you see that he gets it direct. He told me, when you were here, that that was the best avenue for such an approach. Please read the letter yourself.

Affectionately,

*Nan*

*Wish he had record of a letter about by U.S. would have to write that. Carpenter of the Patient and Fund Society well as us for that year. If a job, what could we do?*

*Look this up - no record*

May 15, 1935

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Dear Nan:

Would you have someone investigate this man and see if he is all right? It may be possible for us to start something like this on a very small scale at Hyde Park.

Affectionately,

S O

Mrs. David Honeyman  
Portland Oregon

+ Mr. Marius Anderson  
+ Woolgora Yarn Co.  
+ Eugene, Oregon - Angora Wool Rabbits



Come to Portland next  
fall - September, October or  
November - to attend a  
state meeting they will  
hold at such time as  
I need sent you, apparently  
the affair would be built  
around your presence and  
the hope is that you will  
be coming out to the  
San Diego fair & would  
either come or return this  
way. Hence this date is to  
be determined on your con-  
venience. I am glad that  
Governor Leavitt and Mayor  
Casson have extended  
their invitation to you and  
today was shown the PM.  
the Club itself, all done in  
water color on parchment,  
with Mt. Hood, Crater  
Lake & the City of Pass.

you are hereby requested to withhold  
your official answer until the water  
color arrives, I do not have to  
point out to you any fundamental interest  
in your organization - purely political. This  
club is, of course, like perhaps the president  
a Republican. Your coming here next fall  
would be a tremendous boost to us and  
I am anxious to take advantage of  
all possible propaganda and don't want  
it to come any later than necessary before  
1936 - So think I see & fit it in  
if possible case.

I enclose the report on the Augra coal  
Mr. Anderson - I asked Mr. Giffith, the  
State F.H.A. director to have the 7 his field  
been back been up. It does not sound too

...imagining the Reports plan  
are busy in the morning  
& tomorrow go to a meeting  
in a neighborhood apartment to meet  
the one organizing it. Wish to  
God he asked for something in  
this relief administration prob-  
lem here - The complaints  
protests against it, are most  
disseminated; just today a man  
called me - a low average citizen -  
said in relief, he has been  
doing a job - but says  
"there's these long honest people  
here to get something done. The  
complaint is the treatment of cases  
& the injustice of retro benefits.  
Of course I cannot handle with that  
to remedy of them so that object  
is not. He said that Franklin  
has particularly asked that Gandy  
(the State director) be retained. And  
there is no talk - I wish to  
beard talk to this Harriet  
Elliott - I need to give her the  
picture here - I do want question  
Gandy's integrity - but feel he can not  
be admitted to the paper work with so  
much distrust. All investigation in  
the leads may recommendations  
why they keep eye is on New  
York efficient as picture - but one, New.

Hyde Park, N.Y.  
June 19, 1933.

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Dear Hans:

I will send my official answer when I get the official invitation but I want to tell you that I can not possibly come to the state meeting in Oregon. If I did that, I should have to go to the state meeting in every state and that of course, is out of the question.

I do go with Franklin if he wants me to go and occasionally go to national meetings in places where I happen to be or where Franklin wants me to go. Otherwise I do not go. Of course, I feel a little differently about New York State.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Hans:

I will give your letter about relief  
to Harry Hopkins.

Thank you very much for your report  
on the angers question, I will not try to  
have any raised and sent the gentleman.

Affectionately,

June 29, 1935

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Dear Nan:

I am enclosing a memorandum  
which I got from Harry Hopkins about the  
relief. I know you will be glad to see  
the report.

Affectionately,

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Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 Prospect Drive  
Portland  
Oregon

THOMAS  
NANNY WOOD HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Dr.  
PORTLAND, OREGON

Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly  
Representative: Multnomah County



STATE OF OREGON  
HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Chairman: Unemployment  
Member: Judiciary  
Alcoholic Control  
Banking and  
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Dear Eleanor

This is to introduce  
Mr. John Cooter, the  
Speaker of the House at  
the session of the State  
Legislature just adjourned.  
at the last session he  
was Chairman of the  
Unemployment Relief Com-  
mittee and takes a great  
interest in the relief  
problems of Oregon. We  
have discussed the matter  
and I feel that he can  
present a great deal of  
what I am disturbed  
about, more clearly than

JOHN E. COOTER

SPEAKER OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SALEM, OREGON  
See House 70

I can write it so I  
hope you will take the  
time to give him a  
real interview.

Nancy is home again  
and we both appreciate  
your invitation to her -  
I plan to be in San  
Francisco on Sunday  
& Sunday next in re-  
sponse to a call sent  
you by Madame Secretary  
Peters and certainly  
wonder if you are going to the  
New York

affectionately  
Nancy

HOME ADDRESS  
NANNY WOOD HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Dr.  
PORTLAND, OREGON

Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly  
Representative: Multnomah County



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January 16th, 1936

Dear Eleanor:

First of all a very Happy New Year to you and yours. I had a telegram from Miss Dewson a few days ago setting the date for her visit to Portland for February 3rd. The poor lamb was somewhat discouraged because I had failed to answer her previous letter--and I don't blame her but the holiday activities seemed to accentuate my natural inclination towards procrastination.

However I had gone ahead with arrangements for her conferences and hope all will go according to her wishes. If you have any suggestions or ideas you would like to have carried out I hope you will send them on to me as soon as possible.

I enclose a letter from my father which I think you and Franklin will be interested to read. Please return it to me at your convenience as I intend to use some of it campaign doings.

Also is enclosed a letter I would like very much to reach Franklin direct. It is, as you see, in regard to a WPA road project in Oregon about which there is great interest and feeling among both civic interests and labor rolls. There are two things about it that I do not want to emphasize in my letter to Franklin so include them here. One is that there seems to be a feeling here that, whereas the project has had the tentative approval of Mr. Hopkins, it has been held up by some one or others in his department who are opposed. That is why an in-

investigation of the matter is being asked in  
a communication and petition to the President  
and Mr. Hopkins.

My other interest is frankly the political  
advantage to be gained here in the state. But  
that is only for your ears. The leaders in  
this petition have always been definitely re-  
publican. I hope Franklin will send me his own  
acknowledgement of my letter and I would love  
to hear what he thinks of Father's comments.

Be sure to notify me about Miss Dawson's  
meetings if there is anything that is of es-  
pecial value I should be attending to. I wish  
you were coming along. What is Alice's big  
idea now?

Affectionately,

Nan -

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January 22, 1936

Dear Nanny:

I cannot thank you enough for letting us see your father's letter. I had parts of it typed dealing with Franklin, and the part about *girls* I thought entirely delightful.

I am afraid I have no suggestions for your meetings beyond the fact that if the women are as thrilled in your state as in some about the exhibit of the National Emergency Council, they will make sure that it is at their meeting, and if your N.E.C. has not made one, for heaven's sake, get them to do so! The charts are the most enlightening things I have ever seen and should go into every schoolhouse and public place where the people, whether Republicans or Democrats, can see them. I feel that at your meeting a showing of this exhibit, which is purely factual, and therefore most important, should be stressed.

I think Alice is having a grand time. She certainly writes well. I wish I were as free as she, though I do not wish ever to be as bitter.

I hope all goes well.

Affectionately,

*David*  
Mrs. Nanny Wood Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland  
Oregon

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back of page 1. there is  
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Read it from Dan. Honeyman  
word's factor

File original  
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President - from  
Karnie words Honeyman  
factor from

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Copy given Mrs. F. H. H. H.  
THE CATS  
LOS GATOS, CALIF.  
VISITS ONLY BY APPOINTMENT

Friday, Jan 4 - 1936 -

My dear daughter

Well. Last night we heard your friend the President and I enclose a clipping from the S. F. Chronicle which is the more decent and temperate of the two S. F. Dailies, and I fancy its utterances will be about the same as other pastoran Republican Dailies the country <sup>over</sup>. - What Public Enemy No. 1 will say over his own signature I can guess but do not want to know - We never look at a Hearst publication - It lowers ones self respect to do so - You cannot touch pitch without being defiled - and the melancholy reflection is he does help make public opinion - and does lessen ones hope for democracy - I could not help thinking of Hearst when the President made his quietly eloquent <sup>idea</sup> "Good-neighborship" - Hearst by his press and with the help of the ignorance and lack of a fair order of intelligence in the American people <sup>bulled</sup> McKinley and Congress into the cowardly Spanish American War - He tried to be pro German in the world war - but found it would not pay and switched with a great flourish of trumpets and flags and did his best to provoke a Mexican War simply to protect from taxation and to enlarge his enormous Mexican holdings - - But this is too

beautiful a day to talk of ~~Heard~~ ~~Presidential~~  
are spires and billows of gold - the earth is  
stared and the air perfumed with Chinese  
narcissus - daffodils - and snow drops -  
violets and wall flowers load the breeze -  
wild gooseberry bushes are pink in the hills  
and the crab season is open - Better come  
down - I cannot leave the President's  
speech without some comment - Both  
Sara and I thought it magnificent - in  
bravery - clarity - simple but eloquent  
phrasing and covering the great questions  
abroad and at home - His text of  
good neighbors was developed in a masterful  
way - our relations to Canada - Mexico  
and South America - the great basic  
principle that only by and through peace do  
nations progress and peoples flourish -

War as feudalism and for the self interest  
of a dictatorial few - It must ~~not~~ have  
pleased England and displeased Mussolini  
and Japan - I am very impatient with  
criticism of England <sup>backing the League</sup> as influenced by  
self interest - Well is the world never to  
move on to better things - Shall past errors  
or greed be the excuse and stimulus for  
more? I guess you know I never had  
faith in the League of Nations for the reason  
that it had no power of enforcement unless  
the countries of the League stood whole heartedly

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together for the enforcement of its decrees -  
and I felt that great basic power, self interest  
indirect - would never permit such  
substantial unanimity - Now therefore  
if ~~both~~ England is willing to be the League's  
Sheriff and policeman - to muzzle a mad  
dog - imperiling the world with a rabies,  
ought we not to be thankful and helpful  
and not weaken the minister of Peace  
by questions of past conduct or present  
self interest - Of course England has  
self interests at stake - but so have we  
and the whole world - Unbroken Peace -  
and I don't give a damn for her  
past history or present reasons if she  
makes this League tribunal effective.

If the League fails once more in  
this trial - it is as weak as wet tissue  
paper - and will be cast aside -

How few realize that a true self  
interest lies in the Golden Rule - and a  
true self interest is in Peace - Peace is  
the constructive era - war destructive  
and whoever wins a war never the less loses,  
except those few who like the feudal  
barons - slung their ~~and~~ their spears in combat  
for the overlords benefit - I hope to god  
the Congress will strengthen the President's  
hands so the Judas Iscariots of Big Business

cannot betray their country for a few  
pieces of silver - Sara and I said during  
the President's address - "O what a Republican  
howl their wall be of - A stump speech for  
the Campaign - Politics! etc" - And so  
judging by the Chronicle it is - Well:  
how dare a president talk to Congress  
on the State of the Union - without talking politics?  
and how defend the party's acts and forecasts  
the future, if that party be returned to power,  
without talking party politics - The speech  
from the throne to the House of Commons  
is exactly that. The defence of the Cabinet -  
calling for a vote of confidence - in the French  
Assembly is exactly that.  
If it be appropriate to Congress as representatives  
of the people to hear of the State of the Union and  
the probable future - why in God's name  
shouldn't the people at large hear it?  
It will have to be an address on political  
issues or a lot of meaningless platitudes.

These opposition papers are either not honest  
or densely ignorant - There never was a  
greater "politician" than Lincoln - how cautiously  
he felt his way - How he rebuked Fremont  
for his military order in effect an  
Emancipation proclamation, when Fremont  
was in command at St. Louis - and  
Lincoln patiently showed him he rather  
usurped the executive prerogative and  
was premature - and the egotistic ass and

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Congenital liar - wrote back; if Lincoln  
wanted the order revoked he revoke it  
himself - which Lincoln patiently  
did - Fremont wrote him he had issued  
the order as military Commander of the  
Department without consulting any one  
and had meditated it alone one night  
and issued it next morning - In fact  
for three days and nights he had  
thrashed it out with three advisers one  
of whom was his wife Jessie Benton -  
and one of these advisers told him while  
it might please the German abolition  
element around St. Louis - it would  
greatly displease Mr Seward and the  
President - <sup>But Jessie urged it</sup> Fremont simply could not  
tell the truth - || <sup>He</sup> alienated the  
Californians by his <sup>unapproved</sup> guerrilla attacks  
before he or they knew war with Mexico  
had begun - and every letter to his  
father in law Benton (in the senate)  
was lie upon lie - His career as  
a liar would make an interesting book.

Sara and I wished the president  
had attacked his critics more specifically  
and in detail on the charges of  
extravagant wasteful spending - <sup>mismanaging</sup> and  
a tax that was beyond the national

Someone - we, here - a few miles from  
Pala Alto - hear that a body of Stanford  
Economic professors aided by a board  
of hired Statisticians and Researchers,  
are drafting Hoover's speeches for him  
and every one knows the club he relies  
on to please Big Business and alarm  
the people that is that debt already  
incurred exceed the ability of the  
national income to pay unless taxes  
are pushed to a degree that will  
not ~~so much~~ <sup>only</sup> rob the plutocrats but  
~~will~~ <sup>will</sup> paralyze the small business man  
and manufacturer - ruin the farmer  
and even rob the day laborer -

I suppose his cabinet officers and  
other spokesmen will explain to the  
people all this in simple terms - but  
the president has the ear and confidence  
of the people more than anyone.

You know I think he has the  
impossible task of patching a sinking  
ship - with rotten lumber and half  
the crew mutinous - It is wonderful  
what he has done - How many rocks

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he has steered around - how many  
patent sand-flats he has bumped over.

The people would like to eat their  
cake and keep it too - would like  
to relieve starvation, remove  
unemployment - restore industry  
and all without confiscating the  
planetary and social monopolies  
owned by a few forestallers their  
heirs and assigns forever - who  
from their elevation complacently  
view the hopeless struggles of those  
born into a completely pre-empted  
world - and society.

Taxation will not do it. For eventually  
the taxed Privileged ones will resume  
their power and dictate the policies.  
He has opened the door - He has given  
a lesson and educated the people -  
He has encouraged an effort of  
change by evolution - But  
I think it needs revolution - for  
complete accomplishment - Every  
evolution in ~~trans~~<sup>human</sup> progress finally

reaches a point where the old  
dead, confining bark has to crack  
to make way for the expanding sap.

The President puzzles me -  
I wonder how clearly he knows  
that the old - old feudal system  
has reached its last stage, is  
really dying and the bark will  
pretty soon have to crack.

I mean "soon" as the growth of  
nations is - it may be a hundred  
years or more - and the sap will  
be blood - for always the privileged  
begin the blood-letting, they call  
in the machine guns against  
the rebels and open the prison doors <sup>to bury them.</sup>  
"bloody revolutions" are never made  
by the oppressed - ~~they will not get off the Peoples backs till pulled down.~~  
~~only forced off.~~ <sup>only forced off.</sup>  
~~they will not get off the Peoples backs till pulled off.~~  
the oppressors - For the President

to succeed in anything, <sup>like</sup> a complete  
and radical whole he would  
have to be aided by a complete  
change in our instruments of  
government and our ideas

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He would have to be free of the Supreme  
Court, a block on Legislative and  
Executive functions that exists nowhere  
else in the world. — The States would  
have to be limited to local self governments  
in those things that in their very essence  
are really local — not common to  
the whole people — The falsity of  
"Sovereign" States would have to  
~~be~~ disappear as an idea and as a political  
fact. — The Legislature would  
have to be truly representative <sup>body</sup>, yet  
so small it could be a body of real  
deliberation <sup>with responsibility and no chance of gun-shots</sup> — one chamber or two <sup>no voting</sup>  
Chambers is not so important as  
that it should be a small body —  
<sup>Each</sup> ~~The~~ members not answerable <sup>only</sup> to a  
small district, — Sure of a long tenure  
and a very sufficient competency —  
but no outside involvements —  
and the fundamental economics  
of the country so established — no  
group of private individuals would

have a private interest and control;  
with the inevitable result - of lobbies  
and special legislation for private profit,

This or something like this I fear  
the President needs for any realization  
of what seem to me - at times - to be  
his goal - - And this cannot be  
done without revolution. Just take  
the one question of a new Constitutional  
Convention, <sup>or even one amendment</sup> <sup>to remove a stumbling block</sup>  
<sup>to legislation which I suspect no where else</sup>  
polyglot country really able to  
have <sup>such a convention</sup> ~~one~~ - and to produce any  
visionary results? -

Well I guess this enough of politics,  
but blame your friend the President  
His address - and my sympathy for  
him in the job he has undertaken got  
me started. - How Sara and I  
want to thank you for the really  
beautiful bowl. If it were only  
well soaked with seal oil and  
porpoise blubber grease - I might  
think it was a bowl from the Alaskan

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archipelago - It has that instinctive  
sensitivity of form and line - I  
think all art worth while is of the emotions  
the instinct - not from instruction and  
and theory - To reason out why it is  
art and give the rule and formula is  
the office of another style of mind - the  
intellectual - the critical - and that  
is why a good critic is always a bad  
creator - You know I am rather  
bigoted in my idea that the American  
people are not artistic - have no true  
spontaneous art - - The country is too  
large - too many heredities - too many  
practical interests - It naturally turns  
to the practical - particularly to make money -  
Perhaps an Atlantic art may develop - a  
Southern art - a Middle West - a Pacific  
or perhaps never - As the practical Romans  
never developed an original art - they did  
devise the full centre arch - but that was  
a practical structural thing - and their  
greatest work in Architecture - The Coliseum  
is a very plain practical collection of arches  
for the housing of gladiators - not gods -  
In Art - and poetry and philosophy the Great  
Roman Empire was an imitator - So we may

<sup>repeat</sup>  
We are delighted with <sup>the</sup> bowl - I have no  
objection to the holes in the handles of fork and  
spoon - and after it has soaked many  
many times to saturation in fine olive  
oil from the salad it will hold -  
(In default of seal oil) I shall let it  
fully dry and rub the outside with beeswax  
and polish it as a religious duty -  
when I am inclined to be sentimental  
about you - Also it joins me in my  
pet theory that as Christmas and New Year  
are both ancient festivals celebrating  
the return <sup>of the Sun</sup>, and were celebrated very  
simply - with wine, - cakes - small unimportant  
gifts - or a green twig - evergreen - to  
symbolize the coming of Earth's verdure - So  
we ought to discard the department stores  
and the dealers in pearl necklaces - - But  
I see there really is something in a gift of  
love - thought out long ahead of time - and  
an old fisherman by the Sea - The ever Sounding  
Sea Commissioned to cut it from a solid  
block with his own instrument - for form and  
beauty. That is all very different and the  
loving thought making ready for the day to <sup>come</sup>  
is really the soul of it all - So darling  
daughter I thank you & Sara who is joyful  
in its unique quality thank you all  
gods and Powers that be bless - you and  
yours forever - Father -

P.S. I have <sup>7</sup> started on an idea -  
of giving from my portfolio of drawings  
and water colors - one of these to each  
grandchild - I don't mean to do this  
regularly - there are not enough - but  
this year - I don't believe in framing  
every last thing you have and putting it  
on the wall - but everyone ought to  
have some sort of a portfolio to place  
such things in - But my present  
difficulty is - I have one for Nancy  
which I wish to send her unframed  
What is her address? She deserves  
nothing. ~~At~~ Not a line from her since she left.  
I shall frame Judy's to hang in her room  
at College - but I want to consult her  
when does she return? - I shall send  
Davy one - unframed - So he might  
be looking around for a packing case  
at the store - I don't want to nag you  
I saw how really busy you are but if  
when you really have time

Nancy's address -

Bug's domestic affairs - Love them - dear boy.  
Is the carrier season now  
on... - what price?

Much love to -

And to Dave - And to Grace. Father -

I feel I have not been just to the  
Romans and would not like to hurt  
Munro's feelings -  
The great body of law the world over  
by land or sea. has its origin with  
Rome - so also - Corporations - Trusts -  
Guardianship Banking - Bills of exchange  
letters of credit - Bills of lading -  
Charter Parties . and all the machinery  
of commerce and law civil and  
Criminal - They were a practical  
people - Happy New Year  
Father -

I enclose the Christmas bulletin one  
of Jim's Colleagues in the English Dept  
gets out every year - He is delightfully  
humorous chap -

April 18, 1936

Dear Nan:

Molly Dewson tell me that you want a telegram from me to use. I am glad to send one, but as I do nothing in any campaign, I am sorry that you cannot use it as an official thing, but, of course, you may say that you have long been a personal friend of mine and that, while we take no part in campaigns, you have a wire from me wishing you good luck in any undertaking.

Affectionately,

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Mrs. Nanny Wood Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland  
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April 21, 1936

My best wishes to you in whatever you undertake

Eleanor Roosevelt

Letter from Hall Roosevelt transmitting the qualifications of Lincoln  
MacVeagh for a position as Federal Judge.

February 10, 1937

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Dear Nan:

I thought Hall knew you and  
I think he does. In any case, Franklin  
has told him to ask you about this. Will  
you let him know what you think?

Affectionately,

Honorable Nan W. Honeyman  
House of Representatives

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August 13, 1937

Dear Nan:

I received your message and there is just a possibility that I might be able to attend the dedication of Timber Line Lodge. I suggest that you consult the President too, as he might go if asked.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
House of Representatives  
Washington  
D.C.

August 11

Memo to Mrs. Scheider-:

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman 'phoned to ask if Mrs. Roosevelt had any plans that would bring her to Oregon, or nearby, in September or early October. The dedication of the WPA project, Timber Line Lodge, Mt. Hood, is to be held about that time, and they would like very much to have Mrs. Roosevelt attend.

*Mollie*

*wish just a possibility  
but consult with them  
it be right for them*

NAN WOOD HONEYMAN  
THIRD DISTRICT OREGON

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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

August 18, 1937

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Hyde Park, New York

Dear Eleanor:

Thanks very much for your note, in which you say there is a possibility that you may be able to attend the Dedication of Timberline Lodge. I am sure Mr. Griffith and the WPA Officials will be equally pleased. Of course, I am all excited about your suggestion that the President might also accept such an invitation, and I will not only send him mine, but see that he gets one from the higher-ups.

We had a late session yesterday, and Mrs. O'Day and I went down to dinner together, at which time she said she was planning to spend a week at Hyde Park in the near future. I am simply thrilled about the appointment of Molly Dewson to the Social Security Board, and know that she will do a great work there.

We expect to adjourn Saturday, and I am sure the Administration will not be any gladder to get rid of us, than I will be to get back to Oregon.

I will write Mr. Griffith and tell him to follow his own suggestion that the Dedication be left of uncertain date, until you have an opportunity to get your Fall schedule lined up. Of course, I know you want them to set the date, and then come if you can, but it would be too bad to set it for September the 20th, and find you could have come if it had been the 21st instead. So, you might have Mrs. Scheider let me know after ~~you~~ have consulted the President.]

Sincerely yours,

*Nan*

Nan Wood Honeyman, M. C.  
Third District, Oregon

August 28, 1937

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8/28/37

Dear Nan:

I hope I will surely be with the President but it depends on the exact date that he chooses to come, and I do think it more important that he should be there than that I should have anything to do with it. I know it will be a grand success.

Affectionately,

ms

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
438 Pacific Bldg.  
Portland, Oregon

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Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> 1937

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table invitation, etc. Now, this is  
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on to be present. So don't fail us  
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of the project - affectionately  
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December 7, 1937

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Dear Nans:

I have passed word along about Mr. Gerson. I don't know what will happen.

The Portland engagement was called off after I spoke to Mr. Leigh.

Affectionately,

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Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
House of Representatives

+  
re Dr. T. Perceval Gerson and the Directorship of the Western Regional district under Wagner Housing Act.

December 8, 1937

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Dear Nan:

I will be glad to autograph two copies of my book for Mr. Edgar Freed if he will send them to me. However, I hope there won't be any publicity about this as I am not doing it for every one. I have been almost swamped with such requests.

Affectionately,

Honorable Nan Wood Honeyman  
House of Representatives

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LETTER from Edgar  
Freed, Portland,  
Oregon, addressed to  
Mrs. Honeyman, re-  
turned.

NAN WOOD HONEYMAN  
THIRD DISTRICT OREGON

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1728 S. W. PROSPECT DRIVE  
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*Called  
12-7-37*

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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D. C.**

December 7, 1937

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

Dear Eleanor:

Enclosed is a letter from Edgar Freed  
of Portland which is self-explanatory. Mr.  
Freed was the NRA Director for Oregon, and is  
now the National Coordinator for our District,  
and a very splendid person. He is entirely  
sincere in not wanting to make an unethical re-  
quest of either you or me. However, I hope  
that, because of his deep interest in the Ad-  
ministration, the President, and yourself, you  
will be able to grant his request.

Affectionately,

*Nan.*

Nan Wood Honeyman, M. C.

*Yes  
but am not  
doubt it for  
everyone  
as I am  
directed  
with Regis. to  
E.P.*

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December 15, 1937

Dear Nan:

I think it would be better for you  
or Dr. Perceval Gerson to write directly to  
Mr. Nathan Straus, the new head of the Housing  
Authority. I am sorry that there is nothing  
I can do.

Affectionately,

Hon. Nan W. Honeyman



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 7, 1937

Mr. James Roosevelt

Dear Jimmy:

I do not want to butt in on  
this. If he is all right I hope you  
will do what you can.

E.R.

NAN WOOD HONEYMAN  
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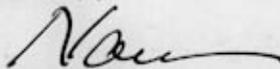
Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Eleanor:

Dr. T. Perceval Gerson of Los Angeles is being prominently mentioned as the choice for the Western Regional Directorship in the administration of the Wagner Housing Act. A complete record of Dr. Gerson's history and qualifications is in the files at the White House, as I believe he had many endorsements for the position to which Mr. Straus was appointed. If it is possible for you to say something in his behalf to Mr. Straus, I would appreciate it very much.

I am very anxious to hear about your trip and the outcome of the Portland engagement arrangements.

Affectionately,



Nan Wood Honeyman

December 27, 1937

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Dear Nan:

I received your message and  
thank you so much for thinking about me.  
I wish I could have seen you but did not  
even have time to call you by phone as I  
took the train at once.

Affectionately,

Honorable Nan W. Honeyman  
Portland  
Oregon

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Message for:

*Called 2-27-37*

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt!

Mrs. Nancy Honeyman requested me to advise you that she had planned to be at the field to greet you; however since we had made arrangements for holding the train for you and since you would only be at the field a few minutes she would not come down.

She will be waiting at her home for you in case you should like to call, or in case she could help you in anyway.

Her phone number is Beacon 7917.

*Frank Ison  
at 10:30 PM  
at 10:30 PM  
at 10:30 PM  
at 10:30 PM*

THIS MESSAGE DELIVERED BY Frank Ison *F. Ison*

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

MAY WE BE OF FURTHER SERVICE?

DATE AND TIME THIS MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED 10:30 PM Dec, 23.

HW  
June 10, 1938

Dear Nan:

I gave your letter of May 28, about  
the Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin,  
to the President. That is the best that I can do.

Affectionately,

Hon. Nan Wood Honeyman  
House of Representatives  
Washington DC

RETURN TO

MRS. ROOSEVELT

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

NAN WOOD HONEYMAN  
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May 26, 1938

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

Dear Eleanor:

You undoubtedly recall your visit to the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin, last fall. I understand that Mr. Frederic Delano, as Chairman of the Central Housing Committee, has recommended to the Bureau of the Budget an immediate special appropriation of \$200,000 so that the work of the laboratory can adequately meet the needs of the various Federal agencies concerned with housing and construction programs. Mr. Delano's recommendation is supported by seven or eight other Government agencies, including the United States Housing Authority, the Federal Housing Administration, the Home Owners Loan Corporation, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, and the Procurement Division of the Department of the Treasury.

Added to my general interest is the fact that the work being done at the laboratory is of great benefit to the Pacific Northwest. I think that all that is needed to obtain the agreement of the Bureau of the Budget is a word of approval from the President, and as long as you can report on it from personal knowledge, I hope that you will call it to his attention if it would not be inappropriate for you to do so.

Affectionately,

*Nan*

Nan Wood Honeyman.

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February 14, 1939

Dear Nan:

The truth of the matter is that most of the work being done for refugees is being done through the Quakers and the Jewish Refugee Committee.

I think <sup>Robert B.</sup> Mr. Auxier would have a better chance if he would write direct to

Mr. Clarence Pickett  
American Friends Service Committee  
20 South 12th Street  
Philadelphia  
Pennsylvania

He can explain his qualifications to Mr. Pickett and tell him the kind of job he is capable of doing. Mr. Pickett is familiar with the work of both of these groups.

I shall look forward to seeing you when I do go out to Anna. I will get there by the 26th of March.

I wish you were here. We miss you very much.

Affectionately,

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Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

February 11th.  
1939

Dear Eleanor:

Before going into the real purpose of this letter I must tell you of an amusing incident. Do you remember that on the day you stopped at the Portland airport and while we were talking a man asked to present a book to you--"The Valor of Ignorance" by Homer Lea and, as I recall, a somewhat sabre rattling treatise?

You accepted it and whispered to me you could just leave it on the plane. This you evidently did and the all too conscientious United Air Lines returned it to HIM. The poor lamb has called me periodically ever since to know if you have inquired about it because he would like to send it on to you if you are distressed about losing it, etc. I assure him that you probably read it on the way down but he says you couldn't have in four hours. He is now talking about another one--- something about a Saxon so prepare for the worst.

Well to business. Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Secretary of State to Robert B. Auxier, 2176 N.W. Glisan St., Portland, Oregon who is interested in having a part in the Jewish refugee problem. Knowing of your interest he asked me to write you for advice and help and it was at my suggestion he wrote to Secretary Hull. But, at the same time, I promised that I would write you also and as Secretary Hull refers him to his congressman and he seems to feel I am still "it" I appeal to you.

The experience that qualifies Mr. Auxier for a position in work of this kind is briefly as follows. For ten years he was with the Canadian Pacific Railway Co's Colonization Division for that work in Western Canada, handling settlers from all parts of the world. He was personally in charge of 300 White Russians who came through Harbin, China to Canada. These people, obviously, were accomplished in everything but the ability to make a living off of the land but are now among the successful farmers of Canada.

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

This is just an example of his work and he can furnish references from officials of the Canadian Pacific. Otherwise Mr. Auxier has spent the greater part of his life in countries being opened up and settled where he gained wide experience in colonization work.

If any plan is adopted by the United States whereby the Jewish people from Austria and Germany can be relocated he is interested in having a part in the work, having followed with sympathetic interest the proposals of our Government and that of others in the attempt to find a solution of the Jewish refugee problem.

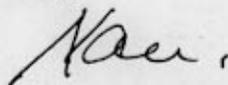
Of course I know you do not take part in political recommendations but I do not think this should be considered in that category. In fact I was puzzled about why Mr. Auxier was referred to his congressman. But, knowing you are always interested in matters of this kind I hope you can advise me the best means of bringing this to the attention of the proper persons.

Everytime I read of opposition in Congress to the Administration or its program I feel newly grieved that I am not there to lend the support of at least one vote. And to be sitting idly by when the President needs support makes me resentful. Every time my successor casts his negative vote I scurm again. And wasn't the WPA appropriation vote appalling, to say nothing of the one for the Dies Committee and the persecution of Secretary Perkins.

I do wish we could get our local situation straightened out but after my attempt in Washington in December have been so completely misconstrued I do not feel like putting my head in the line of fire again.

John Boettiger called me not long ago for a recommendation of a newspaper man for the Legislature so I had a few minutes talk with him. It isn't so long now until you will be coming out to Anna's birthday party and I shall hope to see you then.

Affectionately,



DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Lima, December 8, 1938.

My dear Mr. Auxier;

I have received your letter of December first and, naturally, I shall be very happy to be of assistance to you in every feasible way. Here in Lima I am, of course, somewhat out of touch with the general refugee situation and especially with all those matters relating to the employment of additional personnel.

In these circumstances, I would suggest that the most practical plan would be for you to take the matter up with your congressman, who, I am sure, will be able to obtain for you the very latest and most up-to-date information on the subject. In this connection, I shall be very happy indeed to have you give my name as a reference if you make application for a position of the nature you have in mind.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Signad(Cordell Hull)

Mr. Robert B. Auxier,  
2176 North West Glisan Street,  
Portland Oregon.

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Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

March 30th.  
1930

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My dear Eleanor:

Had I known your plane would be considerate enough to get in here at something of a civilized hour I might have foregone a week-end at the seashore to see you. But perhaps you didn't miss me among the Portland roses.

I was delighted to hear that you had been to "The Cats" to lunch with my father and am anxious to know about any others present because John Steinbeck and Ben Lehman (University of California Faculty member) were there one day last month and expressing enthusiastic approval of you. So I hope they had an opportunity to talk to you first hand.

Last week when I was in Seattle for Mr. Ross' funeral I asked Anna to ask you if there was any time during your stay there that I could have a little time with you. There are two or three matters that I would like very much to discuss with you. The principal one is a low cost housing proposition to tie in with the FHA that seems to me to be pretty much what the President has been looking for. Mr. Strauss made a statement that between the \$1100 and the \$2000 a year income group was a No Man's Land and this would take care of it, in my opinion. I believe it has the approval of both the local and National FHA officials. If it will provide houses with modern plumbing and "build-ins" for kitchens etc. for \$17.50 per month rent and also start a building construction program along the line the President has hoped for it is worthy of interest. Anyway I do want to see you so will you let me know when it would be possible for you and I can take the plane up at any time.

Please tell Anna that I had a letter from the President telling me (in confidence) his ideas about Bonneville and am not going to take any further action in this community.

The local presidents of the Portland and State League of Women Voters asked me last week to communicate with you about coming here to make an address during the time you are in Seattle. I suggested they send a letter to you at the airport which was done. They are anxious to know so that if you can do so they can make arrangements and start publicity. Did you get the letter? I hope you can come as you have never spoken here.

Affectionately,

*Nan*

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**NATURAL PROCESSES, LTD.**

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

301, 313 Oregon Building

Portland, Oregon

February 2, 1939.

Hon. Nan Wood Honeyman,  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Honeyman:

Confirming with my promise to you over the telephone today I herewith present for your consideration extracts from affidavits and reports, etc.

Major James De K. Brown, Joshua Green Building, Seattle, Washington, graduate U. W. writes in part as follows: "In the Riis Process we have found something which is so big it is beyond the average human mind to grasp." "He can show the greatest minds in the world how to crack down elements, and can prove that the electron is the basis of all elements, and that the electron is in fact only a mite ready to be of tremendous service to mankind, if harnessed and Riis can and does harness it."

So writes Major Brown and if true the statements made by one expert should be as effective as if made by any other additional number of experts.

Roy A. Marken (graduated structural engineer) writes in part as follows:

"I am firmly convinced of the exceptional merits and great value of the Riis Process, that even in the case of one element being produced in such a manner as is manifested by this process, that it is only a question of proper tuning in order to be able to produce any of the desired elements."

Dr. F. E. Pegg (chemist and metallurgist with more than twenty-five years experience in all branches of the above fields) writes the last paragraph in his affidavit as follows:

"Mr. Riis's retort plant is unique in the art and most practical and flexible in operation. I may add that I firmly believe that he can accomplish and demonstrate the truth of any statement he may make pertaining to this art.- I consider him a very capable chemist and physicist".

The above individuals with many others have expressed their conclusions from operating results only. The greatest difficulty encountered was the fact that the equipment used was very crude, incomplete, and very small.

The outstanding accomplishment is the fact that now for the first time is it not only possible but practical to manufacture all the elements of matter using the same process as that of what Nature uses, at the sametime all elements of matter can be manufactured so cheaply that as a comparison it is theoretical possible to produce the element of pure gold at an operating cost of less than \$100.00 per ton.

Respectfully,

MPPR/B

*M. P. P. Riis*

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Mrs. H. H. H. H. H.  
Mrs. H. H. H. H. H.  
Mrs. H. H. H. H. H.*

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Telephone Beacon 7917

Portland, Oregon

April 14th.  
1939

Dear Eleanor:

It is ridiculous for me to be specifying a time for you to see me, particularly when your days in Seattle are few. But I find myself involved in numerous meetings where I am asked to talk and am taking the opportunity to do so on the New Deal because I think it is necessary to do so in Oregon at this time.

I do want to see you very much on two or three matters that I think are of interest--one is the housing plan I mentioned to you and the other is in connection with a children's story program based on history and, in my opinion, charmingly done so as to be of real value.

According to press notices you are to be in Seattle by Sunday, the 16th. and Buzzie's birthday is on the 19th. I can come up on the 17th. or 18th. or early on the 20th. so as to be back for a dinner meeting. The 21st. is out as that meeting is at noon. Tomorrow I go to Longview, Washington to the Conference of the Woman's Division of the State Central Committee which is pro-Governor Martin who is not pro-administration. So there is another chance!

I hate like the dickens to bother you but if you can give me a little time on one of the above dates I would appreciate it very much.

Affectionately,

*Nan.*

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Oct. 11th.  
1939

Mrs. Malvina Thompson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Miss Thompson?

Frankly I am hazy about your last name but trust to locate you by the first if I am incorrect. Also ask your forgiveness and to be put straight.

Mrs. Philip Jackson, wife of the publisher of the Oregon Journal, telephoned to ask me for a list of women in some of the towns in Oregon who would take the leadership in the sale of jewelry for the Chinese relief fund.

Mrs. Jackson is not familiar with the women outside of Portland so I have given her a list that she said she would telegraph Mrs. Roosevelt today. I am supplementing it as I thought it might be helpful to give you the addresses.

Although it is none of my business I do want to warn you that none of the towns in Oregon aside from Portland are of any size. If you decide to select only two or three of them I would suggest Salem and Medford as the ones where such a sale might have more chances of success. Also Bend.

Mrs. Louis Lachmund	567 S. High St. Salem
" Sprague Riegel	Box 1073 Medford
" Byron Stover	Rocklyn Road, Bend
" W.S. Nicholson	796 South 7th. St. Marshfield
" Henry Barbey	726 Jerome Ave. Astoria
" Nelson Reed	1503 Canby St. Klamath Falls
" Sanford Adler	Baker
" T.B. Salmon	1210 O. Ave. LaGrande
" F.L. Chambers	1059 Hilyard St. Eugene
" Randolph Pooley	Miramonte Ranch, Hood River
" Francis Galloway	315 Fulton St. The Dalles
Miss Eva Nelson	Pendleton

Astoria might be a fair prospect and is in a distant part of the state from the other most hopeful towns. In fact Salem, Bend, Medford and Astoria are widely separated from each other. I hope this will help you.

With my personal regards to yourself  
I am sincerely yours,

*Nan Wood Honeyman*

July 10, 1940

Dear Nan:

It seems to me that I have talked a lot about what I really do believe in in regard to conscription. I do not believe in conscription for compulsory military service by itself, because I think it is a waste of time to take young men and give them a year's military service and nothing else.

I do most emphatically believe in compulsory military service which would include men and women, boys and girls. For young people I think compulsory training for a year would be of great benefit. They could be trained in skills for which they had aptitudes and this would fit them to find work after the period of training was over. During this period of universal service training, the boys could be given some military training, but all through the year they would be receiving something which is the most important part of military training, namely, the discipline and character which is necessary to make a good soldier.

I can think of many things which girls and women could be trained to do which would be of great benefit to the community when they go back. Naturally, I have not worked this out in detail because that is something which would have to be done by Congress.

I believe in this form of service, because I think all of us have taken democracy, with its privileges, freedoms and protection far too much for granted, for it is only through giving something that we human beings appreciate what we get in return.

I believe it should be compulsory because, taking myself for an example, I know that I should be inclined to put off any period of volunteer service from time to time, because I would feel the right time had not yet arrived. I am sorry that it has taken a period of fear like this to awaken us to the necessity for living democracy.

I am hoping that we can keep this spirit alive, because there is so much that each and everyone of us could do to help in our communities at all times. A simple example would be a hot lunch program in every public school, run by the women and girls of the community. This would give them experience in handling food in quantity, planning meals, balancing diets, etc., for any emergency where large numbers of people had to be moved or taken care of temporarily. I am sure that you can think of many more things which could be done.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Nan Honeyman  
Portland  
Oregon

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Chicago address  
Care Phillips Cornell  
70 - East Scott St.

July 12<sup>th</sup>

IN FLIGHT WITH NORTHWEST AIRLINES



Dear Eleanor -

I am en route to the Convention & was disappointed to see an item in the Portland paper that you do not plan to be there.

There is a young man at home who is in charge of the Federal Food Stamp Plan office. He came to see me to talk about the Administration's Foreign Policy & particularly about Conscription. He is exceedingly interested & frankly doesn't understand the President's advocacy and your even judgement and wants your position explained. He very seriously says "But why?" So he asked me to talk to you about it & bring back something to him & other young men of like opinion - so when you can I would much appreciate a statement on it from you -

The plans in Illinois mostly with people from N. Dakota, Minnesota & these states. Rumors still fly thick & fast. No one that bothers me least in the Mountain will decline the nomination & recommend Mr. Hall, as I see it this would be fatal. His two sources of support are the South & Mountain Republicans who have agreed with the Foreign Policy. (Nothing else) we can elect anyone in the South except a Jew, a Catholic or a Negro & we can be sure the Republicans are not going to vote for any Democrat. Of course I can't see anything but Franklin to accept & don't believe we can elect anyone else. The Navy nomination hurts in the Western Section & probably pushes me into the dog house - I still hope to see you but even if you come there wouldn't be time for any discussion, I must so will you write me when you can - spec. Friday  
Wm H. Heyman

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August 27, 1940

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Dear Nan:

I am enclosing a copy of a  
letter from Mrs. Zelma Gosney. Will you  
please have a good doctor see Mrs. Gosney's  
child and find out if there is anything  
that can be done. I will pay the doctor's  
fee.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Nan Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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child + find out if any-  
thing can be done. Will  
pay doctor's fee

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8116 S. Gayton Ct.  
Portland, Oregon.  
Zelma Cheney  
Dear Mrs. Roosevelt

I am writing in regard of my little daughter. I was requested by my friends and neighbors to write my problem to you, because we have much faith in you and the wonderful work you are doing for the people of our country.

I will try to explain my case to you and if, in any way, you may be able to help me, I will be grateful from the bottom of my heart.

My first child, which was a girl, is now eleven years old and unable to talk. She was an instrument baby and had her skull crushed, therefore she had

a very bad start in life.  
Her trouble now is  
microcephaly - "little brain."  
Her skull wont permit her  
brain to grow normal.  
She is a smart child,  
understands well and  
has developed normally  
in all other ways. She is  
also very sweet and loving.  
She tries hard to make  
herself understood, but is  
unable to talk. She is  
growing sensitive to her  
condition and it is very  
heart-breaking.

I have other children, a girl  
eight an a half and a boy  
two years, both are normal.  
The girl's father and I have  
ben seperated since they  
were very small and he  
has no care or support of  
them. I have remarried but  
my husband hasn't steady  
employment, therefore we  
are unable to pay for the

doctors and care I feel she  
needs and has a right to.  
I have never had any one  
to help me that was  
interested in my child, so it  
has been up to me and  
I don't know which way to  
turn because of lack of  
money and not knowing  
to whom to turn to get help.  
Now my neighbors have  
suggested you and insisted  
that I write at once. Perhaps  
you knew of a similar case.  
I have a clipping from a  
1938 paper that I am  
sending to you. I would  
like to have the clipping  
returned if possible. I never  
knew how this case turned  
out; but would like to  
know. I am trusting  
you will be able to help  
me if any one can. I  
am sincere in my belief  
that my daughter could

be helped if she had the  
right care and doctors.

My heart has been heavy  
for several years, as she is  
very dear to me. I would  
devote the rest of my life  
to pay in any way I can  
for whatever care she  
could receive. I hope I have  
made my case clear and  
I want to thank you for  
your time and what ever  
you can do. Trusting that  
I may hear from you.

Sincerely  
Your friend  
Mrs. Zelma  
Stoney.

New York, N.Y.  
Sept. 19, 1940

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Dear Nan: *Honeyman*

I tried to meet Mr. Kelly Foster at the Fullan Porters' Convention and I may have done so, but the crowd was so great and the number of people I met so many, I have no idea who they were. Will you tell him I looked for him?

I am going to fly around to see my children in October, and I expect to be with Anna in Seattle from Tuesday night, October 15th, to Friday night the 18th. If you would like me to fly to Portland during that time, and you think it would be any help, you can get in touch with me in Seattle. I can not make any political speeches, but I can appear at a meeting or a tea or a lunch.

Affectionately,

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Bldg

Portland, Oregon

Sept. 11th.  
1940

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

My dear Eleanor:

I have arranged to have a doctor see the daughter of Mrs. Gosney and will report to you when I get the opinion from him. I have talked to Mrs. Gosney and she is very appreciative of your interest and I think you are a marvel.

On Sept. 15th., next Sunday, there is to be a convention of the Brotherhood of Pullman Car Porters in New York and the delegate from here understands you are to speak at one of their sessions. His name is Kelly Foster. He came to see me and asks that I write to request that he be given an opportunity for a word with you. I think he wants to hand you a letter to the President. If you are able to speak with him I would appreciate it if you will remember the name and that I did write you. It would be helpful here.

I met Judge and Mrs. Rosenman when they were here and gave Judge Rosenman some notes on what I think would be of help in the campaign in Oregon. If you can will you look them over. We are desperately in need of the ordinary run of campaign equipment such as the humble button. There is hourly complaint of the numerous Wilkie buttons seen everywhere and the very few Roosevelt ones in evidence. It is because we can't get them. I also want to have a supply of literature pertaining to the West, if possible - Power, Conservation, etc. It seems important because of the McNary element that there be a Roosevelt campaign headquarters. Thousands will vote for the President who will not support the entire Democratic ticket. Particularly the state ticket. The only headquarters we have is a general one and only Democrats will come in there. Mr. Flynn has been written to but we have had no answer. I also wrote Mrs. McAllister about it. If the National Committee does establish a Roosevelt headquarters I would be there as the only candidate for a national office from this district. Otherwise I am going to open one of my own in addition to the general headquarters. So I have to know. If you can do anything on it I would appreciate it.

*Jim Lee Rosenman*

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*Frank*  
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Nan Wood Honeyman

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1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

The cost to the National Committee would not be great and the separate office is only of importance because of the McNary angle just as Oregon is only of importance in this election.

I have a letter from Anna this morning asking me to send Franklin, Jr. names of leaders in the student bodies at the Oregon colleges so will attend to it at once. (the "once" looks like the page in "Alice in Wonderland").

Affectionately,

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Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Sept. 27th.  
1940

Dear Eleanor:

There is nothing that would be of more help to me than having you come to Portland and I appreciate your willingness to do so very much indeed.

It so happened that Anna and John were here to consult Dr. Benson so I talked over the plan with them. Of course it should be arranged so that it is the least hard on you and we worked it out this way.

If you are arriving in Seattle by the Northern route we think it would be best to have you leave there on Friday the 18th. on the noon plane, be here for an open house affair and take the evening plane to San Francisco. Anna said they might come over with you.

Then, if you are coming to Seattle from the South we think it would be best to take the morning plane from San Francisco, be here in the afternoon, and go on to Seattle on one of the several trips during the late afternoon or evening. Either of these plans would relieve you of the trouble of cutting into one of the few days you will have up there and also of having to come down and go back again.

So you would be here on either the 15th. or the 18th. in the afternoon. We thought an affair of this kind would be far better than a lunch. Anna and John spent an hour at the headquarters yesterday and afternoon and we had a very successful impromptu gathering. It was nice of them to do it between "shots" at the doctor's.

Mrs. Gosney, mother of the micro-cephalic child, called me to say she had received the letter from Dr. Schoenfeld about some cases upon which he had operated. I told her to take it to Dr. Livingston which she did. He has written a report of the case to Dr. Schoenfeld, copy of which is enclosed.

Many, many thanks for your offer of real help. Please let me know your choice of above dates or if you would rather come down on one of the days you are in Seattle.

Affectionately,

Nan

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September 27, 1940

Dear Nan:

Thank you many, many times for your  
interest in and report on the Gosney child.  
I am enclosing a note of thanks to Dr.  
Livingston.

I think it is fine that Mrs. Wolfe  
can be with you and hope the school is a  
great success.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
Portland, Oregon

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September 27, 1940

Dear Dr. Livingston:

Mrs. Honeyman has told me of your kindness in examining the Gooney child and calling in a specialist, and I want you to know how much I appreciate what you have done, as well as your willingness to make arrangements for institutionalizing the child if the mother should decide upon this course.

With many thanks, I am

Very sincerely yours

October 23, 1940

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Honeyman for Congress Committee  
409 Studio Building  
Portland, Oregon

It was very kind of you to give me  
the orchid and I was so pleased to have it.  
Many thanks, and good wishes to you all.

Very sincerely yours,

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Oralid, <sup>10/20/41</sup>  
Honeyman for  
Congress Committee  
409 Studio Bldg  
Portland Ore.

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February 25, 1941

Dear Man:

I have your letter and we will  
do what we can for Mrs. <sup>H.T.</sup> Howell when she  
gets in touch with us.

I hope that you saw Anna when you  
were in Seattle.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David T. Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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MRS. DAVID T. HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

February 21st.  
1941

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

My dear Eleanor:

Two months or so ago I gave a letter introducing Mrs. H. T. Howell of Portland to Miss Thompson asking that anything possible be done for her towards getting a hearing before the authorities of the Naval, Walter Reed and Veterans Hospitals.

Mrs. Howell is a former nurse who has invented a rubber sheet to be inflated in a shape to fit and support a body on the operating table or in an ambulance. The section to be filled with air can also be used for warm water to keep the patient warm when on the table or in the ambulance for a prolonged period of time.

This invention is being used in the Portland hospitals but Mrs. Howell is anxious to have it adopted by the government institutions and to accomplish this it is necessary to be given a hearing in order to present her idea. And this is often difficult as we know.

She intended going to Washington before Christmas but was unable to do so and is to be there next week. So I am sending this reminder as so much time has elapsed since I wrote the letter to Miss Thompson which Mrs. Howell will present on her arrival.

At the moment I am in Seattle having driven up yesterday afternoon and hope to find that Anna is in town and has a few free moments. Perhaps she can explain the extraordinary attitude of the press in the captions of Mr. Wilkie's activities. One would think he was the Republican candidate for the presidency right this minute--it never says "ex" or "former". I suppose those items are reserved for defeated Democrats.

Affectionately,

*N. De.*

AIR MAIL

April 18<sup>th</sup> -

Bill

My dear Eleanor -

Whenever I may get back to Portland  
for you & stop New it is rather doubtful  
and I am very sorry indeed to miss  
seeing you both here & there. Anna under-  
stands your Party difficulties & may have a  
minute to discuss New with you. I have  
talked to Mr. Chapman & very much hope  
he can be sent to the "Western" & talk to  
with full authority to organize the party on  
liberal lines. Without a free hand he would  
be useless - I think unwilling to undertake  
the task.

I enclose a pamphlet about a Portland  
American a comparison whose work deserves  
recognition. He does no favors but an appor-  
tion to be heard, his latest work "Sons of  
the Unknown Soldier" is really a noble thing.  
We hear so much of encouraging American  
Cooperation but don't do so much. Let's begin  
in San Francisco (conducts of the Symphony)  
won't do anything but speak Cooperation.  
Some of New is temporary but some of them  
very good.

I was going to ask you to see him in  
Portland if you could spare a minute -  
and I'd like you will do so. He will  
not have his score as through Mr. Cullett

it has you on the low. Stopomaki. But  
if you can talk to him, later find it  
possible to say a helping word, it would  
of course be of great value. If time  
is not sufficient time in Portland  
to see him he would be glad to  
go to Seattle if you are stopping there  
a day or two. The address & telephone  
are S.W. Douglas Place - Beacon 0108

Another item is that a certain  
hairdresser (mine) is almost violently  
anxious to see you. If you have it  
done before your lecture I learned  
her you probably wouldn't have time,  
but she hopes a brushing only would  
rest you! If so you would be doing your  
girl (I can't recall name - Violet) at  
No. 1000 House - S.W. Burnside - She is the  
proprietor of the establishment & would  
gladly go out just to your hotel but to  
the top of West Head, if you will have her  
called I do so.

Helen came down today so I am  
to see her which is nice as I probably  
can't go to New York - again I hope to see  
you in Portland. If you will take the  
accompanying monetary data with you to  
look over the same I shall appreciate it.  
A. J. Simons, Van.

May 6, 1941

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Dear Nan:

I was so sorry to miss seeing you in Portland. I did see your daughter and the composer and your husband was kind enough to send me a lovely corsage. Perhaps next time we will be able to get together.

affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

DD



Wed 5:06 April 30  
Miss Long  
Chicago

Dear Eleanor  
I am disappointed to  
miss your Portland appearance  
and the possibility of seeing  
you - I just couldn't quite  
make it as I had to see  
some radio people in New York  
on Tuesday so missed the  
Sheaen Lines out of Chicago,  
and my luggage made  
finding some help of a  
problem.

An independent radio  
station in Portland has  
just been given increased  
power and there is an  
opportunity to develop an  
outlet for New Deal programs.  
Now we are completely  
shut out by the newspapers  
Union Pacific Railroad · Chicago & North Western Ry.

Controlled Station in  
Portland - So I saw  
Mr. Lullitt, Mr. Berger,  
Morley Howell at Dept of  
Trusts, Mr. Allen at  
Interior + Miss Howell went  
over to the New York people.  
So I hope we shall get  
a break from now on -  
But it is feared we and  
I am sorry -

I told Brent Murray about  
when I wrote you to  
call & ask if you can  
see him either in Portland  
& Seattle & hope it isn't  
too much of an imposition.  
I am sure his work is  
worth while & I would  
rather you -  
affectionately  
Nan.

Dear Kate (Honeyman)  
I was so sorry to  
miss you in Portland &  
that your daughter &  
the company. Your  
husband was so kind  
enough to send me a  
lovely message.

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ER

Dear Madam (Honeyman)

I was so sorry to  
miss your Postcard &  
then your daughter &  
the composer. Your  
husband was so kind  
enough to send me a  
long message.

Yours  
ER

August 26, 1941.

Dear Man:

X H.C.  
I have written Mr. Byrd, and  
will speak to Mr. Stokowski, when I see  
him, about <sup>Dr. C. H.</sup> Mr. Howrey.

I will not be in California  
for the Western Conference, so will  
not have a chance to see you there.

Affectionately,

X WELBY WOOD

Mrs. David T. Honeyman,  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive,  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

MRS. DAVID T. HONEYMAN  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

August 18th.  
1941

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

My dear Eleanor:

I hope you know how I hate to ask another favor of you to add to the thousands you are bothered with and that I shall quite understand any reason for refusal to grant this one.

There is a young cousin of mine in Baltimore who is very anxious to get a scholarship to the University of Maryland. His name is Welby Wood, Falls Road Terrace, Baltimore and his father is Peter B. Wood, Maury, Donnelly and Parr, Commerce and Water Sts., Baltimore.

Welby was graduated from St. Pauls School (Baltimore) last spring and has a summer job at present. His father tells me that the Maryland senators and representatives each have a certain number of appointments to the university but he not only started too late to accomplish anything there but has not been an ardent supporter of some of the members of the Congress.

I understand that Dr. Byrd, President of the University has been able to enlarge the facilities of the university with funds coming partly from the Federal government and that you have been interested in its development. So if it is at all possible for you to speak a word to Dr. Byrd in Welby's behalf I would appreciate it.

I am planning to go to Los Angeles to the Western Conference of the Women's Division and hope very much that you can be there though I with the rest of your friends--and foes!--don't see how you do it. I have been meaning to write you about the sad outcome of our attempt to get an interview for Dent Mowrey with Mr. Stokowski when he was in Portland. In spite of all your kindness and Lowell Mellett's efforts we couldn't get by the secretary. And he still has the musical score sent to him last May. If he will look at it SOMETIME this is alright but I begin to despair.

Needless to say I thrilled with pride, both patriotic and personal, over the dramatic meeting between our President and England's Churchill. It was none the less keen though I am proud of you and Franklin every day of these burdened and stormy times.

Affectionately,

*Nan*

AIR MAIL

September 11, 1941

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Dear Nan:

I am enclosing copy of a letter I have just received from Dr. Byrd regarding Welby Wood. I do hope that his attendance at the University can be satisfactorily arranged.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David T. Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

PLF/HY

October 13, 1941

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Dear Nan:

Many thanks for your letter about Frances Perkins' visit to Portland. I am so glad to have your splendid report and know that the results are gratifying to Frances.

Affectionately,

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Mrs. David T. Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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December 16, 1941

Dear Nan:

I was sorry to miss seeing you in Portland,  
but was told you had not returned. I was glad  
to see your sister-in-law and I hope I was of  
some help.

It was nice seeing you here

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

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My dear Eleanor,  
Thanks you so much for a delightful  
evening last night. It was dear of you to  
ask me and I enjoyed it so much. It  
was so nice to see Ellen again.  
As soon as I can have access to a  
typewriter I will write Mrs. Payne and  
send you a copy of the letter. I do hate  
these complications.

Please let me know if you are  
going through Portland so I can at least  
have a word with you at the station or  
airport.

As soon as I get home I shall  
check on the Civilian Defense, Local &  
State, and let you know the situation.

Again many thanks.

affectionately  
Nan.

AIR MAIL

Mrs. David Honeyman /

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

100  
Nov. 13th.  
1941

My dear Eleanor:

Mr. King, a Portland attorney, has asked me to send you the enclosed letter in which he sets forth a proposal whereby certain funds, specified herein, might be diverted to use in the National Defense program instead of lying dormant as at present.

He would very much appreciate your interest and attention to the possibilities of the proposal.

Last night I received a letter from May Thompson Evans asking me to be in Washington the morning of the 17th. to go to the consumer division training program so I hope to see you. I know how unusually busy you are but maybe you will be in town for Thanksgiving anyway.

Affectionately

Near.

Handwritten notes and scribbles, including the word "Near" and other illegible markings.

AIR MAIL

Williamsport, Pa.

Dec. 9th. 1941

Mr. Edward J. Flynn  
National Democratic Committee  
Mayflower Hotel  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Flynn:

It is a matter of deep regret to me that you have expressed opposition to my appointment to a position with the Federal government.

You know I am sure that both in and out of public office I have consistently supported the program and policies of the President and his Administration and I will always do so.

I want to assure you that it is my sincere wish to work with organization of the Democratic Party in what I hope is a common cause.

With personal regards I am

sincerely yours,

Nan Wood Honeyman.

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March 11, 1942.

Dear Nan:

Thank you so much for your letter. I am so sorry you went to the trouble of going to the airport, as I changed my plans suddenly because planes seemed so uncertain.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. E. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Portland, Oregon.  
March 8th.  
1942

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Dear Eleanor:

You are the most elusive firefly and for the most important woman in the country can make yourself extraordinarily inconspicuous.

I was most disappointed not to see you on your way through Portland either coming or going. On the way to Seattle I did not hear of your coming until you had left and on the return trip I was told you would be in on an evening plane and went out to see you to find you had come in at five-thirty or thereabouts.

Aside from the pleasure it gives me to see you I did want to tell you how sorry I am about the OCD turmoil and the position you were put in. I have my own version and, in brief, it is that you are miles ahead of them on a long range program to cover these activities. It may have been frowned upon now but I firmly believe it will eventually be drawn back and put into operation.

Whenever you come this way and it is possible to do so I wish you would have me notified as I do like to see you.

Affectionately,

*W. H. H. Thanks  
I didn't know  
Please remember  
Sincerely,*

AIR MAIL

September 21, 1942

Mr. David H. ...

Dear Nan:

I do not know whether you read about the International Student Assembly which was held in Washington in early September under the auspices of the United States Committee of the International Student Service. I am a member of the executive committee of the International Student Service and therefore very much interested.

Great Britain, Russia and the exiled government of the Netherlands sent students over here for this Assembly. Most of the students sent over are in the fighting forces. It was decided before they came, that these young people should be sent out through the country to talk to college groups, and any other groups which would be interested to hear them.

These young people have been separated into teams, and one team is going out to the west coast. I am wondering whether you know of any organization or group of organizations which would be interested in sponsoring a rally or a meeting at which these young people would speak. They could be in Portland on October 2nd. It would involve their being paid a few in order to defray their expenses.

I think it very valuable that these young people who come directly from countries where the war has actually been fought, to have a chance to tell the people, young and old, some of their experiences and about what has been done in their countries to meet war conditions. I know I have been deeply interested in having an

having an opportunity to talk to them and to listen to them talk to an audience.

If you can arrange such a meeting, will you be good enough to get in touch with Mrs. Eliot Pratt, general secretary of the International Student Service, 8 West 40th Street, New York City?

I shall be very grateful for anything you can do.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 So. West Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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October 23, 1942

My dear Mrs. Honeyman:

Mrs. Roosevelt was so busy before her departure for England that it was necessary for her to leave some of her personal correspondence to be answered by her office force.

Mrs. Roosevelt asked me to acknowledge your letter about the OREGON and the OLYMPIA and to say that the answer to your question is that the OREGON is 10,000 tons and the OLYMPIA 5,000 tons.

Very sincerely yours,

Administrative Officer  
Social Correspondence

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive, N.W.

Portland, Oregon

Oct. 14th, 1942

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

Dear Eleanor:

Something else has come up about which I have been asked to write the President but not intending to do that I decided to tell you about it so you can use your own always good judgement whether or not to pass it on to him. It is about the scrapping of the old Battleship Oregon.

The people who have asked me to whatever possible about it are among those who have given a great deal of time and interest to the old ship during a good many years. It seems that the "Olympia", Admiral Dewey's Flagship at the Battle of Manila Bay and the "Oregon", famed for her record breaking trip around the Horn in time to participate in the Battle of Santiago are the two memorials and of the two the Olympia has been designated as the one to be kept and the Oregon to be scrapped.

All are agreed that if this is necessary no one would raise the smallest voice of protest but it is hoped that the scrapping would be delayed until the metal salvage drive is completed and it is known that the amount collected is insufficient.

In regard to the two ships it is reported that the Olympia is moored in, I think, Philadelphia, that no interest had been shown in it and no care taken of it. That a few years ago there was grass growing in the dirt collected on the decks and it is going to pieces from neglect. On the other hand, the Oregon has been given the best of care and has from eight to nine thousand visitors per month. Four or five years ago the State Legislature appropriated \$25,000 for a permanent berth for the ship where she was later placed. The school children of Oregon contributed the money for a silver service. The permanent berth cost far more than \$25,000 but the rest was by private subscription. There is a museum on the ship which has been contributed to by former officers and men from every state in the Union. Admiral Nicholson, Navigator on the trip around the Horn, gave me the homeward bound pennant she flew after the Battle of Santiago. This for the museum, of course. I suggested that the Spanish American War Veterans decide which ship should be kept as the memorial in the event one can be kept. Well, there it is.

You remember I asked you the color of Mrs. Roosevelt's eyes and said I would write why I put the question? A woman named Brayton came into my office recently and showed me a wax miniature she had done of Mrs. Roosevelt and wanted to know if I thought it a good likeness. I had never seen this medium used before and she said it had been used in ancient times, been something of a lost art, some woman whose name I forget had revived it, that she, herself, had worked ten years perfecting the quality and hardness of the wax, that there were four such miniatures at The Metropolitan Museum in the Morgan collection. She did the one of Mrs. Roosevelt from pictures and hopes to do one of you. The only other one she had was of a distinguished looking woman whom I don't know. But they are really lovely. It occurred to me later that you might be interested in it as a present for Franklin sometime but she told me she was leaving for Los Angeles after having spent sometime here working in a houseboat studio and I haven't the remotest idea where to find her. She didn't seem to be at all interested in selling them and said something about trying Mrs. Roosevelt again if I thought it wasn't good. As a matter of fact I thought it very good indeed but couldn't be certain about the color of her eyes--though thought them blue. You looked lovely the other day and I was so glad to see you.

Affectionately,

*Near*

AIR MAIL

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Mrs David Honeyman

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Chicago, Ill  
March 27, 1943

Dear Nan:

I have both of your letters and am answering them with this one. I shall be coming from Seattle the morning of the 5th, by plane, arriving shortly after nine.

I told Mr. Kaiser that I would go over the shipyard and I very much want to see the housing. The launching is at twelve noon and Mr. Kaiser assures me I will be through luncheon in plenty of time to get to the Bond Rally by two o'clock. I speak for them, and plan to take a 4:10 p.m. plane for San Francisco.

I could probably stop at the Service Men's center on the way from the Bond Rally to the plane, and the Red Cross has asked me to stop at their chapter house. If there is time enough I would gladly do both, but I must make the 4:10 plane as I have engagements in San Francisco.

It would have been a joy to stay with you and you are sweet to ask me, but I won't be in Portland for a night.

I shall look forward to seeing you.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

March 23rd. 1943

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

Dear Eleanor:

This morning I was called by the director of the George White Service Men's Center and asked what I thought the possibilities of a few minutes visit from you would be when you are in Portland.

The Center is what the name implies and is really a service men's club. It comprises the main lounge room, reading and writing room, recreation room, dormitory, gymnasium, etc. with dancing every evening and sandwiches, cake and pie, coffee and tea served at all times. Everything is free and it is for enlisted men only.

It is supported by individual contributions and by local organizations and is exceedingly well managed. The center has built up quite a reputation throughout the country, appreciation shown by the men and their families.

Captain Roberts, the director, is most anxious that you come in and "cut a cake for the boys". The only reason he would like to know ahead of time is to get the cake in the oven. He asked me to bring you but I told him the details would have to be arranged later. The main thing is to know whether or not your time here will allow for such a visit and if you are willing to make it.

If it is proper, and you so advise me, I can confer with Edgar Kaiser on whether it would fit in with his program for you. I hope you can make it as it would mean much to the men and boys and I think you would rather enjoy the set-up they have.

Affectionately,

*N. C. C.*

*F. D. Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.  
12.6.43  
after lunch meeting*

AIR MAIL

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

March 20th. 1943

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

Dear Eleanor:

A few days ago I was told in the greatest confidence that you are coming to christen the first plane carrier off the ways at the Vancouver Shipyard.

That night the news was in the paper so I feel free to mention it!

The launchings are usually held at noon so it occurs to me that you may be arriving the day before in order to be here in time--which is something to manage these days.

I assume you will leave right after the launching for Seattle but whatever time you are here I hope very much you will stay with us. If Miss Thompson is with you I would be delighted to have her, also.

I am looking forward to seeing you, as always, and only hope there will be a little spare time.

Affectionately,

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*See for yourself*

AIR MAIL

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Oct. 6th, 1948

My dear Eleanor:

Thank you for your note, which came this morning, telling me I had received the information I sent on the Judgeship. It still further, and very important, development has come up and I hasten to apprise you of it.

When it became known that Judge Honey could not receive the first person that I thought of to succeed him was Edger Freed. So before answering Anna's letter I spoke to him but he said at that time that his ambitions did not lie towards the bench as strongly as did those of most attorneys. So very reluctantly I left him out of the calculations. I say, reluctantly as I consider him the top as an attorney and added to that is the fact that he has been a fighting champion of the President and the New Deal always and frequently in the face of opposition from his "big business" clients.

To give you an example or two. He does have a very wide practice and included are some northwest branches of national corporations such as the Western Union Telegraph Co. The local manager protested to the head office that Mr Freed was giving too much time to New Deal activities. It didn't stick with the W.U. chief counsel, of course, but that was the local attitude. Representatives of a group of Pacific Coast paper companies called on Mr. Freed to talk over engaging him as counsel and wanted to know his attitude toward business. He told them if he understood what they were getting at he could only say that he was completely behind the President in the regulation of business. He was not engaged as counsel.

About two weeks ago he came in to see me and said he had thought over the developments in connection with the pending appointment and wanted to say that if he could render a service by advising the President in the kind of court he is trying to establish he would be honored by the opportunity to do so. This, of course, to be if he is considered qualified in his experience and ability in the practice of law and I am sure that is beyond any question.

At the same time he told me this I told him that the name of Dean Morse had been submitted and he gave that his enthusiastic approval and still does. But what I want to bring before you and Franklin is that if he decides that Wayne Morse is necessary to the work of the WLB or there is too much of a protest because of his being a Republican then I can not give too strong a recommendation for Mr. Freed. As I told you I do not think the political officials should have much voice in such an appointment but I am hearing around here such criticism as "Morse has had ten years to become a Democrat by registration" and "By remaining a Republican he supports the candidates of that party and can always say "Well, I never changed my registration"". But this is a straight Executive appointment as I understand it so I don't see why the President can't make it without Party recommendation. I know it is better to have that approval and to that end I will write Mr. Walker for Mr. Freed as I assume it is no use to write him in behalf of Wayne Morse. I forgot to say that, as the name suggests, Mr. Freed is a Jew but I think no other has been appointed to this court. I am strongly in favor of Dean Morse but if that is not to be there could be no better selection than Mr. Freed. I enclose a resume of his history.

Do you know of a cartoonist who could picture Westbrook Pegler with an apron on peering out of a window through a spyglass to see what you are doing?

Affectionately,

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AIR MAIL 32

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 18, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR

MRS. ROOSEVELT

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I have referred Nan Honeyman's  
letters to Francis Biddle and am  
returning them to you herewith.

F.D.R.

*[Handwritten signature]*

EDGAR FREED, member of Simon, Gearin, Humphreys & Freed, Attorneys at Law, 1111 Failing Building, Portland, Oregon.

Born August 16, 1894, in Trenton, Tennessee, where his family has lived since before the Civil War.

Attended public schools of Tennessee; graduated from Academic Department of The University of Pennsylvania in 1914, and from Harvard Law School in 1917.

Served in first World War. Enlisted as a private, and left the service as a lieutenant.

Came to Portland, Oregon, in 1919, after leaving the service, and entered the practice of law in the office of Dolph, Mallory, Simon & Gearin. In 1925 was made a member of the firm, the name of which was then changed to Simon, Gearin, Humphreys & Freed.

Member of Oregon Board of Bar Examiners from 1931 to 1941 by appointment of Oregon Supreme Court; Chairman 1937-1941.

Chairman of the Multnomah County (Portland) Chapter of the American Red Cross, 1933-1934.

Member of Oregon Child Welfare Commission, 1933-1939, through appointment by successive governors of Oregon. Chairman of the Commission, 1935-1939.

At request of citizens' committee, was appointed "General" for Portland and Multnomah County of the N.R.A. in August, 1933, and served until the voluntary organization was disbanded.

Appointed and served for various periods, while the organizations were being perfected, as N.R.A. Director for Oregon, National Emergency Council Director for Oregon, and Federal Housing Administrator for Oregon.

*State Director of Office of Government Reports. Refer to Gov. Knell's letter.*  
Member of advisory committee of State Relief Commission for a number of years.

Numerous other civic activities.

Married October 6, 1919. Three children: a son, age 23, who graduated from Princeton University in 1941 and is now an Ensign in the U. S. Navy attached to a destroyer on sea duty; a daughter, age 20, who graduated from Wellesley College in 1943; and a daughter, age 17, who entered college this year.

Now serving as member of Oregon Board of Legal Examiners appointed by the Solicitor General of the United States to examine applicants for legal positions with the Federal Government.

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Sept. 29th. 1943

Dear Eleanor:

Congratulations on a trip that has proven of such great value and also on your safe return. I confess I breathe a sigh of relief when I know you are home again even if you aren't going to stay there.

I am sorry to bother you with anything further on the Oregon Judgeship but a request has been made of me that I feel I must grant. Elton Watkins, a former member of Congress and now a practicing attorney in Portland, has been an ardent supporter of the President and the entire New Deal since 1932. He is very aggressive, fearless and a fighter--so much so that he is known as something of a stormy petrel.

He aspires to the appointment on the Circuit Court of Appeals and I honestly think the ambition comes as much from a desire to have a live and independent voice on the Court as it does from personal advancement. Of course he admits that such an appointment is the ambition of any lawyer. He has fought vigorously for the President during every campaign and recently, at a meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee he wrote a resolution endorsing the election of the President in 1944. I enclose the original. A copy was sent to Mr. Walker who acknowledged it saying it was the first endorsement of its kind to be presented for this election and he would see that it was placed before the President. Naturally this was gratifying to the author.

As you know, my enthusiastic recommendation is for Dean Morse and if his appointment can not be made for any reason I would like to have Gelia Gavin given favorable consideration. As I have it at hand I enclose a letter from the court reporter at The Dalles, chiefly because it was written rather in the abstract rather than because of the pending appointment. I would like very much to see a woman so recognized in Oregon.

If it is possible I would like very much to know how the wind blows in regard to Dean Morse. It is so hard to know from here what emissaries are being sent to headquarters and I would hate to wake up some morning and find what I would consider a disastrous appointment had been made because we had failed to take some necessary action. This morning's paper says the CIO has endorsed Morse so I suppose the A.F. of L. will go some other way. But the President will understand that and he knows the history of Morse so well, anyway.

If you can make some acknowledgement of Elton Watkins resolution it would be something of a help to me as proof that I submitted it with a word in his behalf.

Affectionately,

*W. H. H.*

AIR MAIL

RICHARD J. CRANE

OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

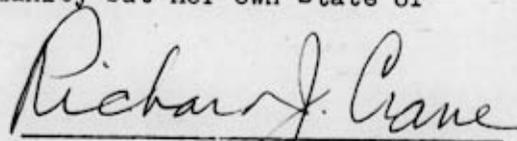
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
STATE OF OREGON

THE DALLES, OREGON

September 15, 1943

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

For the last fifteen or sixteen years I have been the Reporter for this judicial district. During that time I have known Miss Celia Gavin and have watched with interest her development into what is known as a "good lawyer." She has attained this distinction the hard way. As the attorney for the Receiver of the old First National Bank liquidation, commencing in 1932, she gave very efficient service, and I personally reported some very hard-fought cases that she appeared in for the Receiver and which saved the liquidation large sums of money. I am not exaggerating when I say that Miss Gavin has appeared in the toughest cases we have had in this district, some of the cases lasting several weeks in the circuit court and many of them going on up to the Supreme court. She has been City Attorney for Dalles City for many years and has successfully handled several exacting bond issues for the city. And during all this period her professional conduct has been irreproachable. As the only woman lawyer in this district she has stood out as a dependable and an able counsel and has the high regard of not only her own community but her own State of Oregon as well.



Official Court Reporter 7th  
Judicial District

We the Multnomah County Democratic Central Committee send greetings to Franklin D. Roosevelt, the President of the United States, and we hail with patriotic pride the great achievements for our Country, and the World wrought by and under his matchless leadership. We challenge comparison of his record with those of any statesman of any Country of any time. It speaks for itself. It is the best exposition of sound Democratic policy exemplified anywhere in all human history. His record salutes the mighty hosts of mankind, with deathless glory and unconquerable leadership emerging with imperishable honor from the severest tests and most grievous strains of the cruel<sup>est</sup> <sup>and most</sup> tragic war of all history, having justly earned the gratitude of free people everywhere.

To the end that this leadership may be vouchsafed a suffering World, we commend to the people everywhere as our Candidate for the Presidency in 1944 the unbeaten and unbeatable Franklin D. Roosevelt; and we urge upon him to follow through until this war <sup>is won</sup> and the criminal perpetrators of it have been vanquished and peace on earth has been proclaimed and made secure throughout all Christendom.

As in all great movements, wrongs crop out and enemies creep in;

So here without the knowledge of the President, Bureaucrats have moved in under the guise of friendship, and have consistently pursued a course inimical to the President and to his policies by naming their henchmen to positions having to do with the furtherance and the enforcement of the policies of the President; and have, by reason of their antagonism to the President and his policies, obstructed and thwarted his plans and policies, and like every cancerous growth becomes more deadly as time goes on. And to these conditions we as sincere supporters of the President respectfully invite his solicitous attention, in the hope that his enemies may be removed from authority and that he follow the admonition of George Washington and Andrew Jackson by placing men and women on the firing line of the Home front, who sincerely believe in the philosophy of the President's policies and in the furtherance of the principles of the Democratic Party.

Adopted July 22, 1943.

EW.

James E. Paine  
Chairman.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1943

*Mrs. Thompson*  
*Mr. [unclear]*

Miss Thompson:

Mrs. Honeyman called and said she was here with the caviar. I had her leave it and it was put in the icebox for the President. She will be in the city after the 30th and will call again.

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*Had her check in Kings St  
asked - Ask her to come  
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Woman see [unclear] all  
[unclear] women & [unclear]*

Mr. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

April 14th. 1943

Miss Malvina Thompson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Miss Thompson:

*This is the book*

Under separate cover I am sending a book that was intended to be presented to Mrs. Roosevelt on the day she was in Vancouver by the Clark County Democratic Women's Club. It was sent in my care but wasn't delivered until I had left home that morning and I found it when I got back from the airport. Clark Co., Washington is the county in which the Vancouver Shipyard is located.

My plans are now definite about going to Washington and I am leaving on the 19th., arriving on the 23rd. I hope and expect to be with Mrs. Lyndon Johnson on NW 30th. Place and will get in touch with you soon as I am coming caviar in hand.

I am letting you know that I will be in Washington in the hope that I may be saving you some trouble in writing me about the matters I asked you to check on.

Sincerely yours,

*Nan Wood Honeyman*

Nan Wood Honeyman.

AIR MAIL

Portland, Oregon

MAY 17 1943

May 14th. 1943 / 50

My dear Eleanor:

I wanted to write you from the train to thank you for asking me to lunch but writing on that streamliner train is impossible and it is next to criminal to ask anyone to read it.

Of course I was interested and delighted to meet Madame Chiang Kai Shek and you were a dear to give me the opportunity of sitting next to her. You are always thoughtful.

And when I reached home I found the photograph of you which I asked Miss Thompson to ask you to let me have. It seemed to me time that I had one of you for myself. Thank you so much. It is so good of you and a lovely picture.

Another thing I found when I got home is that young Lt. Lash has become part of the Honeyman family. He is with us a great deal and makes himself useful in various ways--escorting Judy about, taking care of Nancy's children and painting the front porch.

Again many thanks and affectionately

*Kau.*

*John*

\*It was thought this mans actions and speeches were "more or less fascist". The F.B.I. report clears him of this but states he is decidedly anti-Administration.

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August 21, 1943.

My dear Mrs. Honeyman:

I am enclosing a report of an investigation of Mr. Ralph Carney, Vice President and Sales Manager of the Coleman Lamp and Stove Company, Wichita, Kansas, who was mentioned in your letter to Mrs. Boettiger.

This report was made by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is confidential.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt.

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Honorable Stephen Early  
Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Steve:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter dated July 31, 1943 and its enclosures, copies of which are attached for ready reference, I had certain inquiries made concerning Mr. Ralph Carney, Vice President and Sales Manager of the Coleman Lamp and Stove Company, Wichita, Kansas.

I am attaching a memorandum summarizing the information developed concerning the background and activities of Mr. Carney.

With assurances of my highest regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 9, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MALVINA THOMPSON:

Dear Malvina:

Immediately upon receipt of your memorandum of July thirtieth with the excerpt from a letter Mrs. Honeyman wrote to Mrs. Boettiger, I took it up with J. Edgar Hoover.

I have received the enclosed report from Mr. Hoover and am sending it to you for Mrs. Roosevelt's information.



STEPHEN EARLY  
Secretary to the President

July 30, 1943

Memorandum for Mr. Early

Dear Steve

The enclosed paragraph is taken from a letter written by Mrs. David Honeyman, 1728 S.W. Prospect Drive, Portland, Oregon, to Mrs. Boettiger.

Mrs. Roosevelt asks if you will have someone listen to the man.

M.C.T.

P.S.

There is enclosed another paragraph from Mrs. Honeyman's letter, with clippings, which Mrs. Roosevelt wishes brought to your attention.

M.C.T.

C O P Y

Copy:

...The name is that of a man who spoke here at a Chamber of Commerce meeting and made what I consider was a speech of practically Fascist sabotage. Apparently he makes talks frequently and is considered a "humdinger" by the Chamber. I forgot to tell your mother that his remarks were greeted by great applause. The point is that is he a constant speaker at meetings I hope he can be checked on—and up. The name is

Ralph Carney  
Vice President and Sales  
Manager  
Coleman Lamp and Stove Co.  
Wichita  
Kansas

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September 28, 1943

Dear Nan:

I received your letter of September 22 on my arrival home. Franklin has been given all this information.

Thank you for your interest.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

*Received  
to file  
in folder*

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Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

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*Sept. 20th 1943*  
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*recommendation it makes*  
*on accepting as a*  
*member of Commission -*  
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Miss Melvina Thompson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Miss Thompson:

I have been intending to write both Mrs. Roosevelt and yourself for the past month but have postponed doing so until I should see notice of the return from Australia as I assumed you had also gone on the trip. But I saw the other day that Mrs. Roosevelt had gone alone. However I am going to enclose a letter for her giving more information on the Federal judgeship about which I spoke to her in Seattle. The vacancy had now created with the death yesterday of Judge Henny. It is gruesome how quickly the ghoul's become active. But as they are I think it important that she have the information as early as possible. If she is not to be home shortly will you see that it goes to the proper place. As a matter of fact this should be to the President. But as I shall give her the picture without reservations it would have to be in real confidence--for easily recognizable reasons.

Thanks ever so much for the letter from Mr. Fly re KML. I think he left the door open when he said that if the legal counsel and the engineers could present any further data the Commission would be very glad to give it consideration. Of course this was done because of your expressed interest in making the inquiry and I appreciate it very much. The application is being prepared and will be accompanied by statements and letters supporting the need for full time on our most powerful station. When it is forwarded to the Commission I will let you know. The purpose in sending these supporting letters, etc. is to give Mr. Fly something to hang his hat on as it were as I think his sympathy lies with breaking up these clear channels which amount to monopolies.

When I saw Mrs. Roosevelt in Seattle I told her about the Wichita, Kansas man who spoke before the Chamber of Commerce here. Subsequently the head of the local FBI office called me and asked about the matter. I told him the tone of the remarks but he kept coming back with the question as to whether the man had specifically said anything that was communistic or advocated the overthrow of the government. Well, that is not the kind of sabotage the C. of C. goes in for. But I think his inquiries to the Chamber here might have a very salutary effect and I am so glad there was that check made. Please thank Mrs. Roosevelt for me.

I am so thrilled about the reaction to her present trip. Isn't it marvellous? I know how delighted you are about it. She is so splendid and I am so gratified to have her appreciated.

It is of the greatest importance that this judgeship be settled right away so I hope it can be brought to the President's attention without delay. We must do everything towards accomplishing the establishment of a liberal judiciary and must complete what has been done to date. As a whole the judiciary is so fundamentally conservative that any slipping behind has to be guarded against.

I will keep in touch with you on the radio application.

Sincerely yours,

Since finishing the letter to Mrs. Roosevelt developments made it advisable to wire the President and in a letter today I will refer him to you if he wants these details.

AIR MAIL

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Sept. 22nd. 1943

Dear Eleanor:

First I want to tell you, with many congratulations, how delighted I am about the success of your trip. You are accomplishing a great deal that no one else could do.

Judge Haney of the Circuit Court of Appeals died a few days ago and I want you to have additional information on the situation to what I gave you in Seattle. I have an outstanding suggestion to make in the name of Wayne Morse, now one of the Public Members of the War Labor Board. I didn't speak of him before as I hadn't thought of him at the time.

The thing of utmost importance is to get a real Roosevelt man on that Court. One that would be vigorous in putting the New Deal philosophy into effect. I know most of the members of the court in this district--9th.--are Democrats but that isn't enough and I don't have to go into the differentiation with you. Some Republican members of the local Bar are trying to push Judge Fee for the appointment (which is unthinkable) and say the Court in question is composed largely of Democrats. It so happens that in spite of his liberalism and support of the Administration I think Wayne Morse is still registered as a Republican. So they shouldn't complain about him. And what of it if they do!!

As you know, this district comprises Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, California, Nevada and Arizona. All but Montana and Nevada have representation on the court. It seems to me that this appointment can be considered on the basis of the district as a whole and made directly by the President without any state's National Committeemen or State Chairman have any voice in the matter. In our situation it would be advisable to follow this procedure for the following reasons.

Claude C. McCulloch is on the Federal Bench here with the above mentioned Judge Fee. McCulloch was appointed on recommendation of Joe Keenan and urged by Willis Mahoney who has been for some years on the payroll of the Portland Electric Power Co. as a Washington lobbyist and has a desk in Keenan's office. McCulloch was the attorney for the Oregon California Power Co. before being appointed to the Federal Bench. Mahoney was a private power company stooge while he was campaigning for the senate on the Roosevelt ticket. McCulloch was a compromise appointee because of the deadlock battle between the Oregon Journal's candidate, Hall Lusk, and the A.F. of L. which was against Lusk.

While this background is bad it is not actually as important as Judge McCulloch's record since his appointment to the Federal District Court. He has consistently ruled against the government on the anti-trust cases--seeming to have a somewhat magnanimous attitude of "I let him off". In my opinion, in which I am far from being alone, he is not a Liberal nor a New Dealer in the final analysis. It is in connection with his appointment to the Circuit Court that I suggest that the National Committeemen's recommendation not be considered. There would be only one reason for his support of McCulloch and that is to create a vacancy on the District Court to be filled by Earl Latourrette, brother of the National Committeemen. There was an attempt made five years ago to have Latourrette appointed but Keenan opposed it though they later became great personal friends. I also recall that McCulloch's private power connections were questioned but the necessary clean bill of health was asked for and given by Mr. J. D. Ross and the President knows how naive Mr. Ross was. He never suspected anyone of doing anything he wouldn't do himself. A wonderful characteristic but I fear a liability in politics.

AIR MAIL

When I talked to you in Seattle and before I thought of Wayne Morse I gave you certain other names for consideration and think I had better briefly give you my conclusions on them. Judge Hall Lusk is now Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court. He is a man of the utmost integrity, is making an even better judge than he was a lawyer and is unquestionably the best jurist in the state at present. He is a Democrat but of the Liberty League class though he would say with all honesty that he is a Liberal.

Mr. Charles Hart, whose name I also gave you, is probably the best attorney in Oregon and is also a man of the highest character. For many years he has been counsel for the Union Pacific Railway Co. (or one of the leading companies) and this is against him. Also he is 63 years old. Judge Lusk is just 60 and I assume the President will stand by his under 60 policy so he can not be faced by disappointed persons in other states who would bring up the fact that they had been turned down during the past few years for this reason.

But the important reason for dismissing the above two men is that I fear that as the years went by and the circle turn they would forget the professed liberalism and slip back to the naturally conservative position. Therefore we must have an appointment that would insure a continuation of the establishment of a liberal judiciary throughout the country.

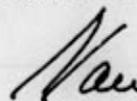
So I come back to Wayne Morse who is now the Public Member of the War Labor Board. He is 42 years old, got his law education at, I think, Michigan and I know Columbia. He is a brilliant lawyer, a man of the highest ideals and integrity with courage and incisiveness that are outstanding. As a mediator in the past and a member of the WLB at present he has the support of both Labor and Industry and the confidence and respect of the Public he represents. The judiciary would benefit greatly by having him on the Circuit Court--or any bench.

I had reached a point when I would prefer the appointment to go away from Oregon rather than have some of the men proposed receive it. I think I told you this in connection with my recommendation of Miss Gavin of The Dalles. I would still like to see a woman appointed but, frankly, there is no comparison between Dean Morse and anyone else who has been proposed from here and I believe he would be equal to if not above anyone who might be named from another state. I am not unaware that Oregon does not deserve much but Montana's support of Senator Wheeler is not any better. Nevada I don't know about but feel confident that neither state can produce anyone equal to Dean Morse. He has really attained national stature in his work.

The President is entirely familiar with his work as is the Department of Justice and I think he has the President's approval. My hope that this appointment will be made soon and directly by the President as a matter that concerns the Circuit Court and not the politics of one state. Certainly it should not be given time to develop into a local Party controversy on the level of the U.S. Marshallship that we have just experienced. Oswald West, former Democratic governor of Oregon will support McCulloch who was his former law partner for the private utility companies.

I hope I have given you complete information and my enthusiastic recommendation of Dean Morse. The President will hear from other supporters immediately. I left this letter last night and since then decided to send Franklin a short telegram just putting Dean Morse's name before him. As you are not there at the moment I will write him a personal letter in which I will tell him of this one to you, to which he can refer for details if he wishes to do so.

Always affectionately,



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 30, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR

MISS THOMPSON:

I am returning Mrs. Roosevelt's  
correspondence from Mrs. Honeyman. The  
President also had a letter from her  
in regard to the same matter and he  
referred it to the Attorney General.  
When we have heard from the latter, we  
will be glad to let you know what he  
says.

G.G.T.

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October 18, 1943

Dear Nan:

I have asked the President  
about the judgeship and he tells me  
there is no news yet on the question.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
Portland, Oregon

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 14, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR

MRS. ROOSEVELT:

No news yet on this.

F.D.R.

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VAL-KILL COTTAGES  
HYDE PARK, DUTCHESS COUNTY  
NEW YORK

MEMO FOR THE PRESIDENT:

I know you have had this  
before, but please tell me what I should  
tell Nan.

E.R.

September 24, 1943

Dear Anna:

The death of Judge Haney last week has brought the candidates who hope to succeed him into the open and I am concerned about the situation so have written your mother copy of which letter is enclosed. I also sent your father a telegram just to put the name of Dean Wayne L. Morse before him and yesterday sent him a letter, copy of which is also enclosed.

From these you will see the picture. However there is one angle that I didn't want to put in a letter to your father nor in the one to your mother if he should refer to it, according to my suggestion that he do so. So I leave it to you to take care of. I am sure I can do so because I remember your remarks regarding your mistrust of Bill Douglas. Incidentally, I have heard two or three things that confirm your suspicions.

The angle I speak of is in connection with the deal to elevate Judge McCulloch from the District Court to the Circuit Court of Appeals. Latourette, National Committeeman, is pushing hard at that in order to make a place for his brother, who was an aspirant for this same position when McCulloch was appointed. For the past three years Latourette and his brother have been very intimate with Douglas and I am sure his assistance will be asked. I think your father should be warned against any such recommendations. You will see some of the reasons why this appointment should not be made but I did not go into all of them. Please pass the necessary word.

You will be interested in the enclosed news item in general but particularly the remarks on Judge Fee. (You remember Mrs. Haney's recommendation of him). Of course, the Republicans are playing him up on his record but it is largely because they want one of their own and think he would be their best bet. Although Dean Morse is a Republican he is not their kind. That is a strong point for him. He would have a real New Dealer and the Republicans couldn't say anything. I hope your father will take that into consideration. Prominent lawyers here, who helped get the appointment for Judge Fee, say they greatly regret it. He throws the law book at the people on trial and takes every occasion to humiliate the attorneys before him. He adheres strictly to the law but hasn't the faintest idea of a liberal interpretation.

The enclosed news item plays up the political recommendation angle but, as I said in my letters, I don't see that this should be a part of making the appointment. There is strong support for Dean Morse being sent on to your father but it has been kept rather quiet here so as not to stir up further activities on the part of the other candidates and also Dean Morse does not want it bruited about and to be put in the usual position of scrambling for an appointment. He is not and is very averse to a judicial position being put on that plane.

Sheldon Sackett, publisher of the Coos Bay Times at Marshfield (the only daily paper here that came out strongly for the President in 1940) is strong for Morse and thought it might be a good idea to get the Washington Congressional delegation to recommend him. So he called Sol Haas!! As usual he was Carey and said he would confer with the delegation. Sackett thought he might be holding out for Bone but as Washing-

ton already has representation on that Court I am sure the selection would not be made from there instead of Montana or Nevada if Oregon loses it. I could easily see Oregon losing it - - and would sympathize - - if Dean Morse had not come up. Now I am confident that there could be no appointment from here or the other states concerned that would be the great asset and credit he would be. So do your stuff - - right away.

While I am talking to you I want to consult you about a matter that is frequently in the papers and much in the public eye at present. This is the question of your mother's championship of the Negroes.

A young Negro who is employed at the U. S. Employment Service came to see me yesterday and is much concerned over what he thinks are almost certain race disturbances to be staged here. He is sure that your father to a certain extent and your mother absolutely is going to be held responsible on the ground that these riots, etc. would not occur if it were not that her support could be counted upon.

He feels that it is all stirred up by the enemies of the President and the Administration and they are using this as one means to try to defeat him in the election. He said that no worse disaster could happen to the Negro cause than to lose the election and that it would be far better to have a quietus put on your mother's activities than have it react against what has been accomplished.

I told him I know she would never retreat on her position because it is her belief. This he said they realize and appreciate and certainly don't want her to do but they do not want her to be made the point of attack in a " smear campaign " and have it have reactions that would be injurious to their cause in the long run -- by the chance of losing the election. Not the defeat of the President but further losses in the South.

With the great influx of people here since the war--largely army people, both officers and the ranks--I have heard a lot about the feeling against your mother because of her position. People from Alabama say that they are outnumbered three to one and abolishment of the poll tax would mean that Alabama would have a legislature comprised entirely of Negroes and also a Negro governor. People from Texas and Oklahoma say that your father is not held especially responsible but there is a fight on whenever your mother's name is mentioned. This makes me sick at heart because I am behind her always but I never give the least sign of it and really do ignore it.

But I was much interested in the point of view as expressed by a Negro himself--one of education--so wanted to discuss it with you and get your point of view on it. Let me know as soon as you can. This man seemed disturbed because he fears these outbreaks are imminent and the responsibility is to be laid at the door of The White House by its enemies who already have a well formulated plan to create animosity.

I don't know when I have been so happy about anything as I am about your mother's trip. Gosh, isn't it marvellous?

Affectionately,

Signed:

Man  
(Mrs. David Honeyman)

Advise your father about Willis Mahoney--with a warning. He has no status here. All this must be very confidential as far as I am concerned--much as I hate to tie any strings to what I say. But the whole thing would be disastrous for me if the various people mentioned should know of the report I have made on all this.

February 24, 1944.

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Dear Nani:

I gave your letter of February 18th to Franklin. I am sorry too that the Vice President did not have a chance to reach a wider audience. He is a fine person and a real liberal.

I read of your father's death and thought of you as Miss Thompson told me you were in Florida. It was wonderful that he remained so vigorous and so interested up to the last and much as I know you hated to lose him, I think you are very wise to accept it so philosophically. Franklin and I both send out sincere sympathy.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 W. Prospect Drive,  
Portland, Oregon.

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Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Feb. 18th. 1944

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My dear Eleanor:

Ever since I left Washington I have been wanting to write you to tell you how nice it was of you to ask me to lunch and what a good time I had. It is always a pleasure to be at The White House and I especially enjoyed the somewhat slight opportunity of talking to Miss Thompson by sitting next to her. I say "slight" because Mrs. Wife of the editor of the Minneapolis Tribune sat on her other side and was therefore around the corner from the next guest so was a little isolated without Miss Thompson.

Whereas the above was my first, and at that time my only purpose in writing you one or two things have come up since then that I do want to speak about. First, the Vice-President's visit here. Unfortunately he was not scheduled for a public address because Mr. Young felt he needed some rest between San Francisco and Seattle. Therefore his only appearance was at the Jackson Day Banquet where he made some "informal remarks". Everyone who met him was favorably impressed and his talk made him new friends. But it went very badly over the radio. And this was the only chance for the general public to hear him--the Jackson Day meeting being only a few hundred Democrats (700 I believe). Too many people have spoken to just me about it and several said they finally turned it off. I am quite upset about it as I feel it is important that Mr. Wallace should be better known where the votes are instead of in South America! I begged Mr. Young to let us make arrangements for a public meeting in the auditorium so that others besides Democrats --those who wouldn't come to a Jackson Day banquet--and the "rank file, could hear him.

I was delayed in getting home because just at the end of my visit with Nancy I received word that my father had died in California. Of course this meant that I stopped there longer than I intended. I shall miss him dreadfully but at the same time I do not grieve about his death because I am glad that his wonderful life came to an end when he was still able to get and give so much from life and to so many people. He was spared a long illness and when the nineties are reached it usually means that either a mental or physical breakdown is not far away. And he would have been 92 this month.

Mr. Oscar Ewing of the National Committee spent three days here but was under what amounted to complete surveillance by the National Committeeman or one of his stooges. Therefore none of the aspirants for the Circuit Court of Appeals judgeship had an opportunity to talk to him privately except Judge Latourette, brother of the National Committeeman. I talked to Mr. Ewing about Party organization but didn't mention the judgeship as I realized he had taken his position. However, as the alleged representative of the National Committee here to look into these matters, he is not in a position to pass on the people he didn't talk to. If it is reported that no endorsements were made of anyone but Latourette it is because there was no opportunity to do so.

Enclosed are two clippings--one editorial which proves pretty conclusively the attitude taken by The Journal. It is not new but it angers me to think the managing editor spent 6 months last year on Donald Nelson's staff. The other is a picture of the head of the office to which I might aspire!! Seriously, I think it most unfitting for him to ridicule the system he is administering, and this article aroused much local criticism. Affectionately,

AIR MAIL  
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When reply come in thank in Mrs. Roosevelt's absence and send to Mrs. Trude Pratt.

February 29, 1944.

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Dear Nan:

I have heard that Portland has a plan all worked out for ~~post-war employ-~~ment and I wonder if you could get me some detailed information on it? Also, could you give me your opinion as to whether it is workable and how far it has gone?

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

Tommy.

I) Could you ask Mrs. Honeyman about the Portland, Oregon plan is organized etc.?

II) Could you (or should I?) write to Lucy K. Mason about the Birmingham plan? (This plan, initiated by the Chamber of Commerce, provides for referral of veterans to the heads of industries, for which the veterans are qualified and eager to work.)

III) There is supposed to be a Syracuse Plan. Have you heard of it?

IV) I would - if possible - like to correspond with the actual group of veterans. Could he have their address?

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

March 24th, 1944

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Dear Eleanor:

I hope you have not been discouraged about not getting the data on Portland's post-war employment plans but I wanted to get it all together to send at the same time. It went day before yesterday but I think this letter will reach you first.

Money was appropriated to bring Robert Moses to Portland to submit a report on plans for improvements that would call for employment of a large number of people. City Commissioner Bowes gave me a copy of the Moses Plan and I also sent a pamphlet published by The Oregon Journal which has the same text but is a little easier to handle.

The Moses Plan calls, for the most part, a public works program. As you will, there are five city departments which took the lead in bringing Mr. Moses here. The city of Portland will have a bond issue on the May Primary ballot for a sewage disposal project and the Portland School District will also have a bond issue on the ballot. The State Highway Commission and Multnomah Co. are working together, I understand, for joint projects. The up to date data on such plans is being prepared for me and I will forward it within two or three days.

I assume your inquiry was about the Moses Report but am also sending you a statement by the Chamber of Commerce. It has plans for development of industries here and as this would also provide a great increase in employment I think you might like to look that over, too. Enclosed is a report made by The City Club on the Moses Report. Altogether these things should give the information in general and the letter that will follow will show what has been done so far. I hope this is what you want and if there is anything further you would like to have sent please let me know.

Though I hate to keep bothering you about our local political problems I must talk about it because the death of Senator McNary has placed Oregon in quite a situation. I really believe that there was an advantage to the President in having him as Majority Leader as he often went as far as he could and still maintain his position. Now that advantage is gone but Oregon has a chance to at least supply a Democratic vote in Senator McNary's place. Unfortunately the announced candidates for the senate race so far are interested only in the defeat of Holman. But there are others giving it consideration so we have a real opportunity to send two Democratic senators which would mean a difference of four votes. But we do need some help and one kind would be on the still pending judgeship.

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AIR MAIL

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Nan.

March 30, 1944

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/s/ Nan

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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April 19, 1944

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Dear Nan:

I have your letter of April 15th and I can not go on a long trip for just one engagement. If I have other engagements I will go, but I do not know of any others, and I do not know where I will be or what I will be doing by autumn.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1726 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon



Send the report  
to P.D.C.

July 1, 1944

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Dear Nan:

Many thanks for sending the plans and studies  
made by the Bonneville Power Administration.  
We are much interested and appreciate your  
thoughtfulness in sending them.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
Portland, Oregon

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

June 21, 1944.

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

Dear Eleanor:

I have just sent off to you some plans and studies made by the Bonneville Power Administration and entitled "Pacific Northwest Opportunities." Knowing of your interest in the post war plans for this community, I am sure you will be particularly interested in this Bonneville Program. Also, I am sure the President would like to see it if he can find even an extra minute in which to do so, and this finding extra time is something you are both pretty good at.

When a copy was sent to me, I inquired whether one had been sent to The White House and was told that there had not, so I have taken it upon myself to forward one to you.

I miss not having Anna in Seattle. Not that I saw her very often, but I at least caught glimpses of you as you went to and fro to visit her.

Affectionately,

*Nan*

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Journalist  
W. Wood*

*Gen. F. B. F.*

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E. J.*

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From Mrs. David Honeyman - October 14, 1944

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**WASHINGTON** Willis Mahoney, democratic nominee for United States senator from Oregon, is shown leaving the White House after a conference with President Roosevelt Monday. He predicted that the president would "sway the Pacific northwest" should he seek a fourth term next November. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Win Visioned By Mahoney

### Northwest Seen For Fourth Term

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—Willis Mahoney, democratic nominee for United States senator in Oregon, emerged from a conference with President Roosevelt Monday predicting that the chief executive would "sway the Pacific northwest" should he seek a fourth term this year.

"Did you tell him that?" a reporter asked, "and what was his reaction?"

"He nodded and smiled," Mahoney said.

The Oregonian explained, however, that he had not discussed the democratic convention with the president. He said he was at the White House primarily to discuss his own race for the senate.

### Fourth Term Avoided

"I did not discuss a fourth term," he said, "but there is no question in my mind but what the president will accept the call that will be made at the Chicago convention as a public duty. I don't believe he will let the people down."

The Oregon delegation is pledged to support Mr. Roosevelt at the convention. Mahoney said he believes the delegation also will feel strongly bound to support Vice-President Wallace for re-nomination because there were about 12,000 Wallace votes in the state primary.

Mahoney said he believes the sentiment for a fourth term in Oregon is stronger than was the Roosevelt sentiment in 1940 because "of the foresight of President Roosevelt in harnessing the Columbia river and because of the Grand Coulee and Bonneville dams, which brought us cheap power and made it possible for the Pacific northwest to come of age from an industrial standpoint."

### Cordon Opponent

Mahoney said there is confidence in the region that in the postwar area President Roosevelt will not permit "industrial monopolies" of the east to strip the northwest of its raw materials, which he said will help serve industrial China and Russia after the war.

Mahoney, former mayor of Klamath Falls, is the democratic nominee to serve out the unexpired senate term of the late Charles McNary, veteran republican minority leader, who died last winter. He is opposing Senator Guy Cordon, republican, Oregon, who came to the senate after the death of McNary.

Prediction by Willis Mahoney, ex-mayor of Klamath Falls and democratic candidate for United States senator from Oregon, that a majority of the Oregon delegation to the democratic national convention will favor the re-nomination of Vice-President Henry A. Wallace drew fire Monday from State Senator Thomas R. Mahoney, Portland lawyer and delegation chairman.

"Neither Willis Mahoney nor any other person has any idea as to how the Oregon delegation will vote on the nomination for vice-president," said Tom Mahoney. "That is a matter which will be up to the entire delegation when it meets at Chicago and since Willis is not a delegate I don't know on what he bases his prediction that Wallace will be Oregon's choice."

### Prediction Held Uncertain

"In fact, Willis hasn't been around Oregon enough during the past four years to make a safe prediction on the weather," Willis Mahoney, who has had an office in Washington, D. C., for several years, was chairman of Oregon's delegation to the 1940 convention. The 1941 delegation, organizing here Saturday, did not discuss the question of the Vice-presidential nomination. Wallace polled a written vote of 12,000, but some members of the delegation contend that they are not in any sense pledged to him.

OREGON OFFICE  
KLAMATH FALLS  
PORTLAND

REPUBLIC 2740

WILLIS MAHONEY  
520 WOODWARD BUILDING  
WASHINGTON 5, D. C.

July 14, 1944

Honorable Nan Wood Honeyman,  
Customs Building  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Nan:

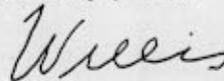
When I was in to see the President the other day he asked about you and how you were getting along and also asked me to convey to you his best wishes. I was pleased to tell him that you are making one of the best Collector of Customs that we have ever had out there. The President was delighted about Nancy's election. He had previously known about it.

I know that you are as pleased as we are here about his decision to seek a fourth term.

I expect to be out home around the first of the month and I am looking forward to seeing you then.

With best personal wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



Willis Mahoney

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October 16, 1944

Dear Mrs. Honeyman:

I gave your letter to Mrs. Roosevelt and she has sent the excerpt on politics to the President and the part about Mrs. Howell to Admiral McIntire.

We have not heard from Harold Lash in a long time.

I feel as though the campaign is going better and after the President makes a few speeches we will be all right. I agree that many people who are for us won't make the effort to vote, and Dewey's hammering on the servicemen's demobilization and the quarreling may fool some people, who won't stop to think that the right to quarrel in public or in private is one of the things we are fighting for.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 Southwest Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

### Eleanor's Inalienable Right

The other day, when Eleanor Roosevelt turned 60, she held a gala news conference—as she thought—and “catty” is the word to describe the journalistic opportunism of the fair scribes. Some of the questions put to the first lady by newspaper women left scratches. She was asked if she thought the activities of Mrs. Dewey, if Tom gains the presidency, would be as great as hers had been. They wanted to know if the wives of future presidents would make speeches, and give radio talks, and go gadding about the country and the world. Then the \$64 question, which was nothing less than a feline meoww! to attend its kitty-claw delivery:

What contribution do you feel that you have made with these various activities?

As a veteran campaigner the president's wife was equal to the occasion. She replied that she didn't know that she had made any contribution at all, but that she had felt she must be herself. A citizen must give according to what a citizen has to contribute. Even housewives are pretty well posted on national and world affairs nowadays. People have more intellectual interests than they used to have. And this was said without least indication of feeling that her questioners had forced her into defensive position. The Lady Eleanor is a real trouper.

You were about to say that from time to time you have seen in this very page sundry criticisms of the indefatigable extracurricular activities of Mrs. Roosevelt. Assuredly you have. And you may again. But freedom of the press and abuse of opportunity are of entirely different aspects. Those Washington newspaper women reacted to the birthday occasion more as women than as journalists. They neglected the cardinal principle. We assert the inalienable right of Eleanor to be Eleanor in the White House—and out. That comes under one of the four freedoms.

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Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

Oct. 14th. 1944

My dear Miss Thompson:

I have been intending to write you for many weeks but am determined to do so today because of the enclosed clipping from yesterday's Oregonian, it was such a pleasant surprise to me that I wanted to pass it on to you. Of course it doesn't mean a thing as far as the campaign is concerned but it gave me a very nice feeling to see such an editorial in our Republican paper.

While I am sending news clippings I include one on Willis Mahoney, candidate for the Senate on the Democratic ticket to take McNary's place. You may remember I spoke to you about him last winter? This is an example of how he plays up intimacy with the President. Also the note to me which was for the same purpose. Well, we know what he is and that he is and has been on the payroll of the Portland Electric Power Co. for years with office space in Joe Keenan's office, etc. but he is the Democratic nominee, swearing to support the President so I am doing all I can for him. This annoys the Bonneville people who, with many others, distrust him as a charlatan. He is a good campaigner but has the strong Governor Snell machine to beat and the consensus of opinion is that this can't be done. Senator Cordon is the governor's appointee.

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Do you remember a Mrs. Howell to whom I gave a letter to Mrs. Roosevelt asking her to speak to Admiral McIntire in regard to presenting for consideration a hospital mattress she had invented? I was interested in this article from the beginning but became even more so since the war and when the casualties began to come in. Briefly it is this. A rubber sheet (since made of fabric if necessary) with a double compartment in the center to hold either air or warm water. To be used on the operating table, in bed and during transportation of a patient in an ambulance all of which places usually require that a patient be kept warm and where it is desirable that a certain comfort be attained.

Mrs. Roosevelt did see that Mrs. Howell had the opportunity to talk with Admiral McIntire at which time she showed him the sheet and he approved it. He then sent her to the Naval Hospital to see Commander Hook who was interested and asked her to leave the sheet for trial but she had only the one with her and needed it to show elsewhere. She then went to the Army and saw a man named Shook, under Surgeon General McGee, in the purchasing department and he ordered 6 or 8. Then to the Doctor's Hospital and they wanted them but said there were no funds available so asked to have a representative of the U.S. Rubber Co. call. Shortly thereafter war was declared and the U.S. Rubber Co. (who are the manufacturers of the sheet) could take no orders. Whoever she saw at Walter Reed was very enthusiastic and asked her how she had thought of anything so simple and yet so practical and ordered 2 of the sheets.

I am not taking just her report on these various approvals but have seen letters from these officers, including Col. Kirk, Chief Surgeon at Walter Reed, Captain Hoyt of the Naval Hospital. The sheet is in use here at our local hospitals, by the ambulance services and recommended by Dr. Dillehunt, a leading orthopaedic surgeon, Dean of the Medical School and of the Shrine Hospital for crippled children.

AIR MAIL

To increase an order she had to see each individual and this she could not afford. If a large order was placed she could then afford to make contracts. The important thing is to have the article stocked by the Supply Depot and the hospitals could draw from there. Admiral McIntire wrote Mrs. Howell saying he was sending her letter to the Supply Depot asking that her request be complied with. She had asked what to do to get an order. Hearing nothing she again wrote and never received an answer. She feels that she got approval everywhere but no results and now asks: "Do they want it or do they not? If not I shall have to drop it."

The reason I have revived my interest in this matter is two fold. I really believe this article would be of great benefit to hundreds of patients at this time. Therefore it is the time to see that there is a supply from which to draw such as at the regular service depots.

Unfortunately there is another reason. Mrs. Howell has developed a very resentful feeling in thinking she has been badly treated. This is largely a result of not being answered and in being what she considers the proverbial brush-off. She thinks that all Admiral McIntire had to do was to see that a large order was placed for the Naval Hospital or the Supply Depot. This wouldn't make any difference except that she has become a critic who can spread quite a lot of resentment and I am constantly trying to quell any and all things on that kind at this time. I am afraid I lost my temper in a word battle over the telephone and we parted on a definitely inimicable note. This was a month or so ago and I haven't heard from her since. Of course she knows nothing about my writing and I wouldn't have her know it for obvious reasons.

I don't care anything about any benefit to Mrs. Howell but I would like to see this hospital sheet in use at this time and I would very much like to shut her up. So if there is any way you can check on this I hope you will find time to do so.

I haven't heard from Harold Lash for several weeks. I believe he is still enamored of his musician girl friend. I haven't had a chance to call him down for using my first name because he doesn't do it in my presence. He spoke of you to me as "Tommy" and I studiously alluded to you as Miss Thompson and without saying anything I think he twigged to it because he finally fell into line. He is a funny one.

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*Wesley H. Ferguson*

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November 11, 1944

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ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Mrs. David Honeyman

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Portland, Oregon

Dec. 21st. 1944

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to Paul / 57*

Dear Eleanor:

It is a shame to be writing to trouble you with still another request to be looked into at this busy time. But in my own interest I think it is the time to do so, though I may be wrong.

Perhaps you remember that I told you the day I went to Seattle to see you at Anna's that the Collector of Internal Revenue was expected to resign and that I would very much like to be his successor. Before I go any further I want to say that I really love the position I now hold and will always be grateful for it. It has been a real Godsend in a practical way and I find the affairs of Customs extremely interesting. The personnel here is small in number and there are few changes so it is a closely knit organization and I know I would never be quite as happy in the other office.

Unfortunately there is a substantial difference in the salary and it is this, and this only, that prompts me to ask for the appointment in the event that Mr. Maloney resigns. I think you know the financial situation of our family at present. This intention to resign has been expressed many times during the past two years but has never materialized. You told me to wire you when the time came. Now there are quite definite rumors that Mr. Maloney will resign in the very near future so he will not have to go through the hectic time of the March filing period.

Now about the endorsements of the Party officials. I believe I wrote or told you that I did not anticipate the opposition encountered when I received this appointment and, with one exception, this is true. I would have the endorsements of the National Committeeman and woman (the latter being Nancy, as you know), the State Vice-Chairman and the Chairman of the Multnomah Co. Central Committee. I include the last named because he did such excellent work in the campaign. It was the Mult. Co. vote that carried the state for the President. Outside this county the state went for Dewey by a small majority (although there were some counties carried by the President. The failure to carry the up state or elect a single candidate outside Mult. Co. is what I hold against the State Chairman.

So I would have the necessary endorsements except that of the State Chairman and whereas he is a different man than the one of two years ago, the opposition comes from the same source. The present chairman was put in by the former chairman and is completely controlled by him. I believe they are long time business friends (formerly Republican) the one a liquor salesman and the incumbent the proprietor of a pool hall (with suspected gambling connections) which he still is. Of course the usual sharpshooters would be out and this I would expect. It has been suggested to me by Mr. Freed that the National Committee Chairman check on those making the endorsements and weighing their qualifications to do so.

If Mr. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue, does resign shortly it is thought his purpose would be to avoid the strenuous filing time, as stated above, and that his successor be appointed soon in order to have someone at the helm there. If I should be the one I would have a clear conscience as far as Customs is concerned as the Assistant Collector here has been here for 25 years and is an able and conscientious officer.

AIR MAIL

Mrs. David Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

I realize all too well that I would go in without experience but believe anyone else here would be under the same disadvantage and I figure the same as I did when I came here and that was that all the other political appointees had to learn and I could do it as well as they had.

I am truly sorry to be bothering you but it does mean a great deal to me and I hope that if poor Franklin ever has a moment for such a relatively small matter that you will mention it to him. Also explain the Party situation to Mr. Hannegan as he is not familiar with the past history and has been here only for half a day or so since he became chairman. I would like him to know about it.

When Anna left Seattle I lost the opportunity for even occasional glimpses of you and I miss them very much. I sent a pine Christmas wreath to you hoping you would have a spot for it where it would remind you and Franklin of the Northwest.

My love, a Merry Christmas and best wishes to you all, including Miss Thompson.

Always affectionately,

*W. C. C.*

AIR MAIL

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 30, 1944

Memorandum for E. R.

A letter from Nan Honeyman starts out with the two following paragraphs, which she asked me to transmit to you immediately:

"There are one or two things I have been wanting to drop you a line about but before I begin on them I wish you would give your mother a message for me. Yesterday I wrote her about the expected resignation of the Oregon Collector of Internal Revenue as I am hopeful that I might be appointed in his place when he does resign. He has threatened to do so many, many times because of ill health and a few days ago I was told by one of his department heads that this time it seemed quite definite. So I wrote your mother, though I hated bothering her, as I had spoken to her about this matter some time ago.

And now this morning I hear from the same man that he had a talk with Mr. Maloney and he has again backed off and says he is feeling better and won't resign. I want your mother to know this right away so she won't trouble about it at present. So will you tell her for me? Don't forget--right away. That's a nice girl."

A.R.B.



Merry Christmas

Merry Christmas

to you all,

John

Navy.

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December 27, 1944

Dear Nan:

Your beautiful large wreath has added much to our holiday spirit here in the house and it was good of you to remember us.

Many, many thanks and all good wishes for the New Year.

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S.W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon

January 23, 1945.

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Dear Nan:

Many thanks for the pheasants  
and the caviar. It was good of you to  
leave them and I know they will be thoroughly  
enjoyed.

Affectionately,

Lrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

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Miss Thompson:

Mrs. Nesbitt says seven pheasants  
went with the President and among them  
were those left by Mrs. Honeyman.

How about the serial?

I went with the President to the  
12th

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Feb. 2.

Miss Thompson:

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*NHN*  
Mrs. Honeyman called to say  
that the ~~man~~ she talked to you about who  
she thought could be helpful to Mrs.  
Roosevelt with her idea of exhibitions  
in connection with war bonds is ~~Albert~~  
Rowe, and he is in Mr. Gamble's office  
at War Finance. He is on leave of  
absence from the Rockefeller Foundation.

*NHN*

*H. A. M.*

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Sent to Mrs. David Honeyman 2-27-45

Mr. O'Connor's letter saying that John Becker is employed and is now in the North African Theater.

February 9, 1945.

Dear Nan:

Many thanks for your letter  
written just before you left Washington.

I will bring the subject of  
the relation of the Red Cross to Negro  
troops to the attention of Mr. O'Conno

Affectionately,

Mrs. David Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

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March 19, 1945.

My dear Mrs. Honeyman:

Many thanks for the Rose conserve  
and syrup. It was good of you to send it  
and we will enjoy it in New York City where  
it will last longer!

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Nan Wood Honeyman  
1728 S. W. Prospect Drive  
Portland, Oregon.

VDS

Nan Wood Honeyman

1728 S. W. Prospect Drive

Portland, Oregon

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3/11/45*

March 6, 1945.

Miss Malvina Thompson,  
The White House,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Thompson:

Thanks ever so much for the letter about Mr. Becker from  
Mr. O'Connor. It was nice of you to check on the case for me.

As a matter of fact, I really believe Mr. O'Connor is  
"mistaken" more than I am. He says that I am mistaken in the im-  
pression that the American Red Cross refused to employ Mr. Becker  
and that he was employed on December 18, 1944, and left for the  
North African theatre on January 22, 1945.

I believe I did not say that he had not been employed, but  
that he had asked for an assignment with the Negro troops and this  
had not been given him. I felt that he had spent a lot of time in  
that work and was best fitted to fill such an assignment. Also,  
that when one asks for this particular work, there is an opportunity  
to get someone who is sympathetic to it, and it seemed too bad to send  
him somewhere else.

I have been intending to drop you a line to say that I sent  
you some of the Rose conserve and syrup about which we talked that  
day at luncheon. Due to the sugar shortage I have not made any for  
two or three years, so am a little bit skimpy. In my opinion, it is  
only good on vanilla icecream just as you would use chocolate sauce,  
although I believe the Southern Russians and Turks put it in tea and  
frequently take a small spoonful alone as they would a piece of candy.  
You can add some syrup to the jar of conserve and make it go a little  
further.

Sincerely yours,

*Nan Wood Honeyman*

*Thank for  
conserve +  
syrup -  
we will  
keep you in  
mind  
at next  
post home!*