

ROSE SCHNEIDERMAN

1933 - 1945

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April 25, 1938

Dear Rose:

I am more than sorry that I can not be Honorary Chairman for your Committee, but, as you know, I have had to refuse to be Honorary Chairman for any new thing as there were so many requests. I know you will understand.

Affectionately yours,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
248 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

Mrs. Roosevelt Aids Anti-Sweatshop Drive



*Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt (center) was a speaker at the recent conference called by the National Women's Trade Union League to discuss the labeling of garments made under wholesome conditions. Samuel Klein (left) executive director of the Industrial Council of Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers, Inc., was another principal speaker at the conference. He urged the uniform elevation of standards prior to the introduction of the label. Rose Schneiderman (right) is the active head of the Women's Trade Union League and a prime mover in the label campaign.*



**NEW YORK WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE**

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April 24, 1933.

*(Handwritten scribbles)*

Dear Eleanor:

May I report on the meeting of the Committee on Standard Label which met last week?

The Committee, organized under the name of the National Committee for the Abolition of the Sweatshop and for the Promotion of an Identification Label on Women's Clothes. Yours truly was elected Chairman for the time being and Miss Marjorie Schuler, of the Federation of Business and Professional Women was elected Secretary. A Label Committee was appointed, of which Mary Dreier is Chairman. You were mentioned at the meeting for Honorary Chairman and I said that I did not know whether you would want to serve but that I would write and ask whether you felt that you could serve. How do you feel about it? Don't do it darling, if you think it will get you into "hot water".

There are a lot of complications that we will have to straighten out in the industry before a label can be introduced. Very likely there may be a very serious strike in the cloak industry this summer. I am hoping, however, that we may prevent that from happening.

Much to my joy we have given up the idea of having a dress shop at the League. I was terribly worried about the possibility of having to take that responsibility. The employers represented on the Committee were opposed to the proposition and so we gave it up.

The rest room continues doing a rushing business.

We know that you are busy entertaining foreign statemen. The President is on the right track - success to him.

With fondest regards, I am

Affectionately yours

*Rose S.*  
Rose Schneiderman

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April 26, 1943.

Dear Rose:

I am awfully sorry that you did not come here when you were in Washington. Please always come to lunch or to see me. I always feel badly when I miss any of my friends.

Sincerely yours,

Miss Rose Schneiderman, President  
New York Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.



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April 17, 1933

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

Dearest Eleanor,

This is the first opportunity I have had to thank you most deeply for the fine speech you made at the conference last Tuesday. You were a dear to come and to express your sentiments on the problem connected with a label which shall stand for decent working conditions. You will be interested to know that we are now working on a suggestion made by the Dressmakers' Union that we undertake to sell clothes made by decent manufacturers. We have appointed a special committee to look into it. It would be, of course, an experiment and it would be good propaganda until such time as a label is put on women's clothes. We would have the committee investigate the conditions of the factories from whom we would buy the merchandise. I will let you know what develops out of this.

At the summons of the Secretary of Labor I was in Washington Thursday. Together with other members of a Labor Advisory Committee we considered the 30-hour week bill and made suggestions for amending the bill so as to give employers some lee-way. We all felt that it is necessary that the bill also carry a provision for industry boards which shall have power to fix minimum wage rates for the specific industry. We also discussed public works program which could be launched right away providing, of course, the appropriation is there. We later went to see the President on both these measures and were much heartened by his understanding and willingness to help. The President is looking wonderfully well. He seems none the worse off for the terrific burden he is carrying. I was anxious to know how you were feeling and the President assured us that your fall did not result in any serious mishap. Had it not been so late I would have called you.

With fondest love, I am

Faithfully yours

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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June 3, 1933

Dear Rose:

I think Mrs. Kahn will be a very excellent chairman. I know nothing about her general views, but if she has helped you to get your musicians she would probably be the best person you could get. I am enclosing a note which you may use if you wish to and think it will do any good.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York

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May 26, 1933

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

Dear Eleanor:

I had to make a train and so was unable to wait for your call. I wanted to ask your advice on the chairmanship of our next concert.

Through Mrs. Kahn we have been able to get Jose Iturbi to give us his first recital Monday evening, November 13th. He gave it to us at the very reasonable rate of \$1200; \$600 less than we paid the artist last year. I naturally asked Mrs. Kahn if she would serve as chairman. As you know, Mrs. Kahn has always been unwilling to take the chairmanship because she is very conscientious and is not sure that she would have the time to do a good job. I do not feel that I can urge her to accept the chairmanship. I wonder if you have any suggestions. Nancy thought that perhaps we could get Mrs. Vincent Astor. Do you think that this would be wise?

I hesitate to impose upon your generosity again, but I wonder if you could help persuade her to do this for the League. We must make a decision within the next few days as letters must be sent to the patronesses in the early part of June.

Many many thanks for all your help.

Affectionately yours  
*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman

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June 13, 1933.

Dear Rose:

Can you have this investigated?  
If the story is true I should hate to see  
the woman continue at work of this type.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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July 1, 1933

Dear Rose:

I am enclosing a letter from  
the Assistant Secretary of the Navy. I  
am glad it has a ray of hope.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York NY

Case of Miss Roth, Naval Supply Deptt, Brooklyn



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Dearest Eleanor,

July 3, 1933

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A thousand blessings upon you for the joy and comfort you have brought to Loretta Roth, her father and brother. I can't begin to tell you the panic the family was in until a telegram, which came Thursday, announced her transfer to the Supply Department. The news was greeted with tears of joy and thanksgiving. You have become the household saint.

I had a most thrilling time at the hearings on the cotton textile code where I sat in as a member of the Labor Advisory Board. The code, though not an ideal one, will go far toward making life and work for the tens of thousands of textile workers more humane and secure. The fact that children under 16 will now be outlawed from the industry will not only help make room for adult men and women but will also set a standard for other industries. General Johnson is a peach and we all know that he had a lot to do with bringing about the increase of the minimum rates and the abolition of child labor in the cotton textile industry.

I deem it a great privilege to serve under his leadership and I hope in my humble way to be of service to the millions of women who will benefit by the National Recovery Act.

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*  
 Rose Schneiderman

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

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August 1, 1933

Dear Rose:

I am sending you this correspondence and have told Mr. Ward you would get in touch with him.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

Marie Dagoret,  
191 Tenth Ave.  
N. Y. C. N. Y.

Friend Lady

Will, no doubt pay for  
two boxes of Kinda Cards  
or return same, as the  
writer has been a "White  
Collar Tramp" since coming  
here on the vain hope of help  
to secure a position, after  
receiving three (3) letters of  
thanks for voluntary campaign  
work.

Thanks a lot  
Marie Dagoret.

We five enjoyed seeing Mrs. St. Dennis and Mr. Dally leave 65 St. James  
St. D. Tell who know how hard I worked to get notes in  
recording Phila. Sum. are subscribed you want buy my personal  
or event box cards. I said perhaps you letters where 1/2 1/2 1/2

J. M. ( )  
Some things were  
received from this  
party addressed to M. D. Oak  
on July 29th, 1933  
Harry

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

Marie Dagord  
191 Tenth Ave  
NEW YORK, N. Y.



To the First Lady  
Washington, D.C.

Friends:-

You all know, to buy from N. D. Q. Condumers. In one out of every five but not half of number - \$4000 to \$5000

For Love of your Mothers,

Our Dear N. D. Q.

" " H. B. Q.

" " Pres. Frankie

And the joy felt by thee

When you help a Lady

Earn a clean living

Check card, mail to

N. D. Q. Condumers,

Marie Dagore,

191 South Ave.

N. J. C. N. J.

I am. do not destroy, my Washington friends will tell me if it is received. Ages ago, I was written:-

"My telegram will be brought to the attention of the President." Still no work - no charity -

for men & women 30 to 60 - If each rich ~~person~~ <sup>person</sup> buys our goods - we need no charity.

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September 13, 1933.

Dear Rose:

What do you know about the  
Unemployed Women's Association? How  
would you suggest I answer this?

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York City

Letter from Marie Dagoret, Acting Sec.  
191 Tenth Avenue, N.Y.C.

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November 9, 1933

Dear Rose:

I have decided that December 21 will be the best date for me to have the Christmas party at the Women's Trade Union, and I think we will limit it to 55. Will you please have the list with the ages sent to me as soon as possible so that I can order the things for them? I spoke to Navy about having enough ice-cream and cake to include the girls who come to the rest rooms, but that we can discuss later.

affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York

February 26, 1934

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Dear Rose:

Confidentially for your own information, I am leaving her on March 5th and get to Puerto Rico on the 7th. I have to be back home again on the 16th.

I am counting on you to tell me what you think I really ought to see. It will be grand to see you.

affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
San Juan  
Puerto Rico

NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

February 20, 1934.

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

Dearest Eleanor:-

I am overjoyed at the news carried here in Saturday's "Imparcial" that you are planning to visit the Island in March. I hope it will be early in March as I so much want to be here during your visit.

I am having a very discouraging time as far as the Codes are concerned. Wages are indescribable low, as low as 5¢ an hour. How to achieve a minimum rate that will reasonably improve the conditions for the great mass of home workers is a problem. As you may already know the cost of living here is quite high due to the fact that Puerto Rico imports most of the food from the United States. Even the rice and beans that the natives live on is imported. Decent housing for the great mass of the people is the immediate problem. During my first week here, I, together with Mr. Long and others was able to see quite a bit of the Island and I came away feeling very despondent. Your coming at this time will be of inestimable value and most oportune. It will do more good than any one of us can do. I look forward to your coming with a great deal of pleasure.

I hope that you are not overdoing things. Every newspaper I pick up reports you busily engaged in any number of activities. You and the President are the country's dearest and most precious possessions and your well being is of the utmost importance.

With much, love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

Rms S.

*Confidential  
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March 24, 1954

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Dear Rose:

It seems to me that one of the basic things which makes the needlework industry in Puerto Rico unprofitable is the fact that you are putting hand work in competition with machine work. Of necessity hand work must be miserably paid or it could not possibly compete with machine work. No hand work should be sold at the price of the cheaper things which come from Puerto Rico, neither should hand work be wasted on the type of material which is furnished for the cheaper goods coming out of Puerto Rico.

The first thing, from my point of view, is to educate buyers to a realization that they want hand work put on good material and sold to people who really appreciate the difference between good hand work and bad. There will be no difficulty in getting good work done in Puerto Rico and it will compete favorably with what is now coming into the country from France and Belgium.

Of course, even the pitiable sums which the people are earning are giving some measure of relief to them, and I do not intend to suggest the taking away of such work as they have until we can be sure that we can provide them with something better; but I believe with proper regulation this can be done and proper interest aroused in aiding the women of Puerto Rico by buying the more expensive things from them and supporting one of our own industries.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Care of NRA  
Washington DC

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NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

March 14, 1934.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
Fortaleza,  
San Juan, P.R.

Dear Eleanor:

Mr. Long has just had word that the hearing on the Needlework Code is to be held at Washington on the 27th, the morning of my return there. I thought I would let you know this in case you should feel inclined to attend the hearing.

Your idea of having the hand work here limited to decent material is a most constructive one. If you could make such a statement either at the hearing or send me the written statement to that effect it will do much in getting a decent Code.

It's been a joy to see you and be with you these last few days. I shall cherish the memory of it most dearly.

I know your visit here will help the Island tremendously.

Blessings upon your head, a safe journey and heart's best love to you.

Affectionately,

*Rm S.*



*Rose Schneiderman*  
NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

*Julia*  
April 13, 1934.

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IN REPLY REFER TO \_\_\_\_\_

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

Dearest Darling:

May I express my wholehearted and profound appreciation of your straight from the shoulder speech Monday night. It was the best of the evening and I know it will do a lot of good. Everybody was delighted with the party. Personally I feel that I fell down on my end of it terribly, but I was so tired that at times my mind just went blank. There were so many things I wanted to tell them -- of the lovely and generous things you are always doing for the League, and of our love and devotion to you. It is being born in on me more and more that I must have a vacation this year.

We have spent days here with Mr. Long and Mrs. Arciley and other contractors from Puerto Rico trying to arrive at a code. Last Saturday we met all day, and at the end of the meeting the representatives of the employers gave Mr. Long carte blanche to decide what he thinks the rate should be. Mr. Long, after meeting that evening with Mr. Miskind of the underwear group and Mr. Storick of the Women's Dresses group, suggested a minimum of \$4.00 for inside hand sewers and \$3.00 for hand sewers outside the shop, and \$6.00 for inside workers other than hand sewers. The rates for hand sewers would include embroidery. These men accepted these rates, but the next day Mrs. Arciley repudiated their acceptance saying that they could not do it without her and that she was opposed to the \$3.00 minimum for hand sewing done in the homes. Mrs. Arciley, as you will remember, is the lady who is in the legislature and also is one of the most successful contractors on the Island. The working people say that in the ten years she has been engaged in this work she has amassed a fortune, that she had nothing when she started, and at this time she is a wealthy woman. Her work is largely handkerchiefs, and of course most of the work done on handkerchiefs is done in the home, so that while she was willing to accept a \$6.00 minimum for work done inside (there being few inside workers in the handkerchief line) she was unwilling



NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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IN REPLY REFER TO \_\_\_\_\_

to stand for a \$3.00 minimum for home workers. At this minute we are no nearer to getting a code than heretofore.

I know you are going to speak on Puerto Rico at a dinner of the Welfare Council, and also that some of the Puerto Rican manufacturers are to be there. Most likely they will try to defend their position. I have been asked to speak also, but I have an important code hearing here on that day and cannot get there in time. However, with you there I am not worried.

With heaps of love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman.

RS:CT

April 30, 1934

Dear rose:

Will you answer this letter  
and explain to them how the food is  
obtained and why there cannot always  
be as wide a variety as this woman  
would like?

affectionately,

S:O

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration

Let. from Kate Rizack  
Secretary, Workers Unemployed Union  
22 East 22d St.  
New York

Letter from Miss Agnes Sailer, Pioneer Youth of America, Inc.  
asking Mrs. R. for a contribution. : 69 Bank St., N.Y., N.Y.

June 30, 1934

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Dear Rose:

Will you tell me what you  
know about these people? I have  
heard some very bad reports and want  
to know what you think of them before  
I answer this letter.

Sincerely,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
Labor Advisory Board  
Washington, D. C.

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July 24, 1934

Dear Miss Schneiderman:

Mrs. Roosevelt would like to know if you think it would be all right for her to do as ~~Miss Bryant~~ <sup>Miss Bryant</sup> suggests in the sixth paragraph of her letter enclosed.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
Washington, D.C.

Copy of letter, Feb. 28, 1934, from Dorothy Bryant  
Charles Equity Association of America

**Telling B'way Film  
House Girls Not to**

**Join Chorus Equity**

*Variety* 2/27/34  
Line girls in the Broadway picture houses are being told not to join Chorus Equity.

Many of the picture house girls receive \$40 weekly, those at the Music Hall getting \$5 or \$10 over that amount.

Should all the girls join Chorus Equity it is believed the deluxers could reduce their wages to the \$35 minimum demanded by the motion picture code.

FRANK GILLMORE,  
President-Treasurer

DOROTHY BRYANT,  
Executive Secretary

PAUL DULLZELL,  
Chairman of Executive  
Committee

PAUL N. TURNER,  
Counsel



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## Chorus Equity Association of America

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SAN FRANCISCO  
Theodore Hale, 309 Pine St.



February 28th, 1934.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
Democratic State Committee,  
351 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

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My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Because of the keen and practical interest you have always shown in the welfare of young women I am writing to ask your help for approximately six thousand chorus girls who are members of the Chorus Equity Association.

These girls work in the Presentation and Vaudeville Houses. For a number of years working conditions in this field have been intolerable. Our report at the open hearing for the Motion Picture Code showed an average working week of from seventy-eight to eighty-three hours seven days a week and an average yearly income of five hundred and fifty dollars.

Thanks to N.R.A. we were able to obtain a code giving them a hundred per cent better working conditions than had been there. We were greatly aided in our efforts by Miss Rose Schneiderman of the Women's Trade Union League with whom I met you at a reception you gave at the White House to the members of the League.

However, this was only the beginning of our battle. While we hold a charter from the American Federation of Labor our problems are different from those of any other Labor Organization. The average age of our membership is from eighteen to twenty-one years, in many cases we are dealing with minors so that we must take upon ourselves the duties of a welfare organization as well as that of a labor union. Our members are young and inexperienced, the conditions under which they work may influence their entire lives. Chorus girls seldom remain in the chorus more than three or four years and so, at first, they are not always aware of the necessity of organization.

Without a hundred per cent organization we find the problem of Code enforcement most difficult as these girls fear dismissal as a result of any complaint. I am enclosing a clipping from Variety, a Trade paper, which gives a picture of the difficulties we encounter.

We took this problem to Mr. Howard Cullman of the Old Roxy Theatre, who has been most cooperative and is anxious to be helpful. Mr. Cullman feels that the best chance these girls have to benefit under the Code is through membership in the Chorus Equity and wishes to call a meeting of the heads of all the major circuits, at which time he will explain to them that for his theatre he is signing an

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt

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February 28th, 1934.

agreement with us to employ our members and endeavour to get them to do the same. Mr. Gullman feels that, if he could get a letter addressed to him from you endorsing his action that the fight would be won.

The letter would not have to be specific - it would only express an appreciation of his disinterested action in attempting to insure adequate protection for the lowest paid, hardest working and youngest employees in this type of theatre.

I think that Miss Mary Dreier mentioned this to you but am not certain.

I expect to be at the Willard Hotel in Washington next week for the Code hearings and am writing Mrs. Scheider in an attempt to get an appointment to see you. I only want five minutes and am sure that I can explain far more convincingly if I saw you.

It is because of the youth and inexperience of these girls, plus the fact that the vast majority of them are living away from their homes, that I feel protection of an organization is most essential to them. I realize that we are asking a great deal but feel that if you knew the whole story, you would feel that the cause was worthy.

Sincerely yours,

*Dorothy Bryant*

Executive Secretary.

DB:RR  
Enc:

FRANK GILLMORE,  
President-Treasurer

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*J. H. C.*

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February 28th, 1934.

Mrs. Malvina Scheider,  
Democratic State Committee,  
351 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Scheider:

Mr. Howard Cullman's office telephoned you this morning relative to an appointment for me to see Mrs. Roosevelt either here or in Washington and you very kindly stated that, if I would write a letter, you would attempt to arrange it.

I am anxious to see Mrs. Roosevelt for about five minutes relative to a problem affecting the six thousand young girls who are members of this Association, a problem in which I think she would be interested. Miss Rose Schneiderman of the Women's Trade Union League has shown a most helpful interest and, I think, may have discussed our case.

I expect to be in Washington from March fifth to the eighth for the Code hearings and would so much appreciate it if you could arrange an appointment for me with Mrs. Roosevelt at that time.

Sincerely yours,

*Dorothy Bryant*

Executive Secretary.

DB:RR



NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

May 11, 1934.

Mrs. Malvina Scheider,  
White House,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Malvina:

I have a letter from Dorothy Bryant once again requesting an appointment with Mrs. Roosevelt. You will remember she is the Secretary of the Chorus Equity Association of America, and wants to see Mrs. Roosevelt on behalf of the young ballet dancers who are employed in the different moving picture houses.

Mrs. Bryant is due here some time next week and if an appointment can be given her I should be most grateful.

Very sincerely yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman.

RS:CT

August 14, 1934

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Dear Rose:

Thank you very much for your kind <sup>Agnes</sup> letter. I will now try to help Miss <sup>Agnes</sup> Sailer.

As you probably know by this time, I have not been as free from newspaper publicity as I had wished, but still my vacation was very pleasant in spots. I am not going to be back in Washington until about the first of October. Is there any chance of seeing you in New York? I will be there once a week during September, on Tuesdays. I would love it if you could come up to the cottage some time during the month that we will be at Hyde Park.

Much love and I hope you have had a holiday.

Affectionately,

S:O

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
NRA  
Washington



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NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

July 3rd, 1934.

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

Dearest Eleanor:

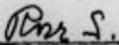
There are a lot of people who confuse the Young Pioneers with the Pioneer Youth of America organization. The former are a communist organization while Pioneer Youth of America is a non-partisan- non-sectarian organization. Both Maud and I were members of the Board of Directors for a number of years and until last Spring I was on their Administrative Board and I can assure you that the Organization is all right and has been doing good work within the ranks of the Trade Union movement. It has also made possible a large number of scholarships every year to children who could not otherwise have had any kind of a vacation. The work they have done in West Virginia and other sections of the South has been splendid and deserves your help. Miss Sailer who is in charge of this work was connected with the City and Country School of New York for many years. She is an excellent person and can be trusted.

May I, at this time, thank you most sincerely for your willingness to serve as Honorary Chairman of our Concert Committee. You are a Saint to stand by us so constantly.

Are you going to have a vacation? I hope you are and that you will have a grand and happy time, and some rest.

Fondest regards, I am,

Devotedly,

  
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Rose Schneiderman

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August 18, 1934

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Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt has asked me to send you the enclosed letter from Mary W. Hillyer, Shirt and Collar Workers Union, 258 Broadway, Troy, New York. She has told Miss Hillyer that she is sorry she could not stop at Troy but that she would give her letter to some one for investigation.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
Labor Advisory Board  
Washington, D. C.

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NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

September 13, 1934.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dearest Eleanor:

A thousand thanks for your gracious invitation to visit the cottage. Alas, I doubt whether I can take advantage of it. Things around here are still quite hectic and when I do get to New York it is on NRA business and I have to return just as soon as possible.

I spent a two weeks vacation with Mary Dreier up in Maine recovering from a tonsil operation. I had a delightfully restful time and wished I could have stayed longer. I understand Marion Dickerman underwent a similar operation. I hope she had an easier recovery period than I did. I was just shot to pieces afterward.

Congratulations on the Maine victory. I saw Molly Dewson and she seemed pessimistic about reelecting the Governor. I had quite an interesting time with my republican friends up there. They certainly expected that Maine would go republican entirely. While both Mr. and Mrs. Robbins were vere critical of the administration they nevertheless expressed their concern about there being a turn to the right. I believe that in their hearts they agree with most of the things the President is doing. One evening when the news about the two billion eight hundred million nest egg that the government has was discussed Mr. Robbins became rather heated on the subject of the government making this profit out of "us" as he said it. When I suggested that the money was going to be used for a worth while purpose Mr. Robbins wanted to know whether I had any gold certificates. I said no that I hadn't any but wasn't it rather an indictment on the social system after working nearly forty years my future was just as insecure as when I started. That promptly ended the discussion. This is all very confidential because both Mr. and Mrs. Robbins are dear friends of mine. It is painful not to have them see the light, of course, but they are my friends nevertheless. I know of one occasion when someone high in the republican party called Mr. Robbins on long distance and asked him to get into the fight and Mr. Robbins declined saying that he wanted to give the President a chance to do the things he set out to do. This man said "If we don't lick him this year we will all be too broke to lick him in 1936."

Everybody is anxious about the reorganization of the NRA. To my mind the discouragment that is in the air is due to lack of compliance rather than any inherent weakness in the law. Yesterday I attended a meeting of the Retail Code Authority. After the meeting the different committees met and I attended

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the Labor Committee meeting where labor has a voice but no vote. There was a report from the Secretary of this Committee who was out on a tour of inspection. He visited Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. You may be interested in some of the things he said. First, he reported that compliance in these sections was fairly good, also that the retail business was much better than expected. In spite of the draught in some areas, the merchants were optimistic and expected to do 20% more business than they did last Autumn. In Iowa, for instance, where the crop was only one fourth of what it was last year the farmers seem to be getting along pretty well because they are getting higher prices for their produce. The mail order houses are also doing better than they did last year.

We have reason to believe that the Cotton Garment Code Authority is seeing the light and that by next Monday they will accept graciously the President's Executive Order.

I cannot begin to tell you how grateful we all were when the President acted so promptly in appointing the Textile Board. How outrageous of the Textile Institute to turn down arbitration and mediation. In all these years they have learned nothing. They are just as arrogant as ever. They depend on grim hunger and bayonets to drive the people back to the mills. I hope the stand of the mill owners will arouse public opinion against them.

Jo Coffin is the happiest woman in the world, thanks to you dearest. I doubt whether there has ever been an Assistant to the Government Printer that understood the work of the Department as well as she does. She evidently gets along with her chief very well, and has nothing but good to say about him. He is leaving a good deal of the personnel end to her and Jo just loves doing things with and for folks. Naturally the first few months will be hard for her as she has to get a line-up on all the different angles of the situation. Nevertheless she just beams with optimism and pride. To be second in command of the largest printing concern in the country with forty seven hundred working force is going some. I know Eleanor dear that you will never regret standing back of Jo so loyally and making this experience possible for her. All of us who love Jo are deeply grateful for what you have done for her.

I am terribly sorry that Mary Hillyer should bother you that way. She certainly has more nerve than a brass monkey. Outrageous of her to think of calling upon you to speak at a mass meeting. Please believe me that I had no share in this at all. I never would have encouraged her to make any such request had she spoken to me about it.

Washington seems dead and uninteresting with you and our beloved chief away. I hope that you do find a little time in which to forget all the pressing problems. Heaps and heaps of love to you and all kinds of blessings and gratitude to our President for his untiring efforts in behalf of the nation.

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman.

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October 15, 1934.

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Dear Rose:

Many, many thanks for your lovely roses and for your sweet message.

It was dear of you to remember my birthday, and I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

Much love.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
~~Office of the Public Printer~~  
National Recovery Administration  
Washington, D. C.

December 6, 1934

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Dear Rose:

I am sorry the concert made so little. It's a perfect shame!

I think wherever possible work rooms should be established, but I do think there will have to be some distinction made between work which is done at home by an individual to sell direct to customers and work which is done for a factory or an agent for a factory. I hope you will let me talk this over with you.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
NRA  
Washington

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NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 26, 1934.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
Warm Springs, Georgia.

Dear Eleanor:

We are all very happy with the plan the Women's Bureau is working out for the arts and crafts in the rural districts. Their plan for community workshops and the elimination of home work, especially, delights my heart.

In the recent information which has come to us in connection with the Knitted Outerwear Industry, where children's jackets, booties and sweaters are made in the homes, we find that rates have gone down rather than increased. The hours have also been desperately long and it is quite certain that we have as yet found no way of really controlling home work, and limiting it in line with the President's Executive Order is the only remedy.

The Ricci Recital went off very nicely. The attendance, however, was not so good. Evidently, Ricci, not having played in New York for three years, worked to the detriment of a large audience. The Committee worked very hard and I know that Bertha Paret did all she could from the office. As a matter of fact, most of the tickets were sold from the office and very few from the box office, showing that the lad had hardly any popular following. Most likely, we will clear about \$1,500.00. We are lucky to clear that much, I think. May I, at this time, dear lady, express to you my profound appreciation for all you did to help. I do not know what we would do without you. I was very happy to be Anna's guest. Anna looked lovely, so much better than when I saw her last spring. Mrs. James Roosevelt was hostess to a number of distinguished women such as Mrs. Sinkowitch, Mrs. Kohut and others.

At this time, may I congratulate you and the President on the marvelous victory brought by the last election. The overwhelming indorsement of the President's program by the voters is most gratifying and very outstanding.

The Conference on Social Insurance called by Frances Perkins was very successful. How marvelous it will be to have unemployment insurance and old age pensions enacted into the law in the coming session of Congress. The President's clear and unequivocal pronouncement on both these measures is a joy to us all.

With heart's best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving for you and the President, and with a great deal of love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*

*Handwritten notes:*  
I hope to see you  
soon. I'll be glad to  
hear from you.  
I'll be glad to see you  
soon. I'll be glad to hear  
from you.

December 6, 1934

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Dear Rose:

Do not make known this woman's  
name, but what do you think I ought to  
answer?

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
NRA  
Washington

S:O

January 8, 1935

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Dear Rose:

Thank you very much for  
your letter. I am writing to  
Maria E. Munoz as you directed.

*See letter to T* Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
45 Broadway  
New York, New York

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

45 Broadway, N. Y. C.

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January 3, 1934.

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

Dearest Eleanor:

First, may I thank you for the box of delicious goodies that came to 1940 Andrews Avenue the day before Christmas. There was great excitement when the elevator boy saw that the package came from the White House. My stock must have gone up a thousand percent in his estimation.

The letter from Maria E. Munoz and Co. is most interesting. She evidently is related to Senator Munoz Marine. Recently, when the approval of the Puerto Rican labor amendment was put through it reduced some of the piece-work rates on embroideries from ten to thirty percent. This was done in the hope that it would induce the main land handkerchief employers to send their work down to Puerto Rico instead of importing handkerchiefs from China. It is pitiful to have the poor Puerto Ricans compete with Chinese labor, but the situation seemed desperate, and while the Labor Advisory Board did not approve the reduction, we did nothing to stop the amendment from going through.

The piece rates set last September have hardly had a chance to go into effect, due to the rushing out of work prior to those piece work rates becoming mandatory. We have no facts to go on other than that the main land employers have withheld their orders. It is true that the two for five handkerchiefs can no longer be manufactured down there. First, because of the raise in the cost of cotton, and second, due to the increase in piece rates. They are now being done by



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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machine, which is no more than right.

Do you remember the plan Mrs. Louise Brown Clark proposed to Mr. Hopkins last summer? The same proposal was made to the Governor. So far nothing has been done to set up these training schools. Mr. Bourne, who is at the head of the Relief in Puerto Rico, is not very sympathetic. His objection is to the salary of six thousand dollars a year which would have gone to Mrs. Clark as director of this project. Together with Mr. Lopaz, the Assistant Commissioner of Labor, in Puerto Rico, and Mr. Boaz Long, we saw Dr. Gruen, and in our presence he radioed Governor Winship asking him to make that project a regular set-up in connection with the Department of Vocational Training. My suggestion is that you write Mrs. Munoz and explain to her that all industries have had to increase the wages of their employees; in some cases a hundred and a hundred and fifty percent, and while there may be hardship at first, the easing of the competitive situation among the contractors by the stabilization of wages and hours would ultimately help the employers as well.

My criticism of the contractors on the Island is that they have never done anything to reduce the cost of supervision and distribution. The sub-contractors still flourish and none of them are giving any thought to some cooperative way of distributing the work to the workers. It would seem to me that there a large saving to the contractors could be made.

With the best of good wishes for a happy New Year, and with a great deal of love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman.

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February 7, 1935

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Dear Rose:

Thank you very much for your letter. I will do anything I can when your convention comes to Washington but, of course, 1936 is a long way off to make any definite promises.

I am sorry that I cannot go to Chicago but I have made up my mind that I will not go there again as an individual because I always have such a difficult time, and, in any case, I have been to Chicago almost more than any of the other cities. However, I will go if ever anything takes the President there.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
45 Broadway  
New York, New York

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NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

45 Broadway, N. Y. C.

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February 5, 1934.

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

Dear Eleanor:

First, may I thank you a thousand times for honoring us with your presence at the Tea last week. Jo and I were the proudest people in the world. We were so puffed up that we had to control our ego from betraying itself.

I want to thank you also for the nice luncheon and for the opportunity to meet Representative Greenway. May I say here that I was a little bit confused when she told of her experience with John Lewis because I had an idea that the copper mines were not under Lewis's jurisdiction. I had in mind that they were a part of the Western Federation of Miners and that this organization should have jurisdiction over iron and steel and copper mines, etc. However, I did not dare say anything about it because I thought that perhaps they had amalgamated with the United Mine Workers. On inquiring, I find that they have not combined and that they do not belong to Lewis's organization. I therefore cannot understand why Lewis should send his organizers into the field where he has no jurisdiction. I expect to see Lewis, however, and will find out all about it. How superbly you handled the trade union question with Mrs. Greenway --- no one could have done better --- you spoke like a veteran trade unionist.

You will be interested to know that we have postponed our convention which was to have taken place in April at Birmingham, Ala. The Birmingham group were unprepared and seemed unable to get themselves together for the task of sponsoring a convention there. Also we find that our Leagues have not yet recovered enough to be able to foot the bills for transportation and hotels for the delegates, so we postponed it until May, 1936, and have decided to hold it in Washington. I know this will relieve you of a burden. We want to warn you, however, that we will be back again next winter and ask you to be our guest speaker.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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I have received an urgent letter from my friend Olive Sullivan who is Secretary to Mr. Bogan, head of the Chicago Board of Education, urging me to intercede for them. There is to be a huge meeting of young people and they want you to speak at one of the meetings. They need the inspiration that you would give them. As you see I am pleading their cause though I know it is an imposition to ask you to do one thing more than you are doing. All my democratic friends feel that the malicious propoganda spread by the Chicago Tribune and other Chicago papers should be counteracted and I know that if you could speak that it would mean a great deal to the Chicago friends of the Administration.

A thousand thanks for your many many kindnesses and with all kinds of blessings, I am,

Faithfully yours,

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Rose Schneiderman.

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February 25, 1935

Dear Miss Schneiderman:

Mrs. Roosevelt would like to know how much money was made on the concert this year. Will you let her know?

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
National Recovery Administration  
Washington  
D.C.

NEW YORK WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE  
247 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
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TEL. CALEDONIA 5-0884-0885-0662

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*So long ago*

*Dear Eleanor: Don you  
information - as you know we are just getting at the  
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February 19, 1935

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

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

We are planning a meeting of the  
Concert Committee on Friday, March 1st,  
at 11 o'clock at 247 Lexington Avenue.

It is of the utmost importance  
that we make plans now for our concert  
next fall. We must select the artist  
and the date and decide on certain de-  
tails. I do hope that you will be able  
to come as we count so much on your help  
and judgment.

Could you let me know on the enclosed  
card? Thank you.

Very sincerely yours

*Mary L. Dreier*

Mary E. Dreier  
Acting President

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February 23, 1935

Mrs. Malvina T. Scheider,  
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt,  
White House,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Scheider:

The League made close to two thousand dollars on the concert held November 14th. I feel that the reason why the concert was not a greater success was that Ricci had not played in New York for three years and that he had no public following of any kind. Most of the tickets sold were sold by the League. The Carnegie box-office did not sell enough tickets to pay for the rent of the Carnegie Hall, which was \$700.00.

We are planning a meeting of the Concert Committee for the 13th of March and we will discuss what to do next autumn.

Please thank our beloved lady for her interest in the matter. With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman.

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May 24, 1935

Dear Rose:

I have tried to get you on the telephone, but they tell me you are not in town. I want to talk to you about a persistent rumor which I think emanates from certain people in the Women's Trade Union League and in the Bureau itself, to the effect that Frances Perkins is going to do away with the Women's Bureau. She has no intention of doing away with it and is heartily in back of Mary Anderson and her work, and the rumor is bad for Mary Anderson and the work.

Elizabeth Chrisman is one of the people who has been spreading this rumor and I wonder if there is some way you can get hold of her and the other people and get some sense into their heads.

Much love.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York

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Eastport, Maine  
August 12, 1935.

Dear Rose: Schneiderman

Much as I appreciate your wanting to present my portrait to the nation, I am very much afraid I can not bear the thought of being painted, so I will have to refuse your kindness.

I am glad I sent you the letter from Miss Sala. I am always wary of endorsing anything about which I know nothing.

I want to have the usual Christmas party again this year at the League and I can have it either the 20th or 21st of December, at three-thirty or four o'clock. Will you let me know as soon as you can which date you prefer and also send me the list of the names of the children as soon as possible. It helps a lot to get as much done in advance as I can.

Much love,

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NEW YORK WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE  
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ELSIE GLÜCK, EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR  
ELEANOR MISHNUN, ORGANIZER

August 8, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

A thousand thanks for the letter from Miss Salm. The American Federation of Labor has been waging a tremendous campaign in Akron for the organization of the rubber workers. The efforts of Miss Salm would be to thwart and divert the attention of the girls in this field from bona-fide trade union organization.

I have written our National office and asked them to get in touch with the organizer in Akron and warned her of this movement. I am amused at the lady's optimism in expecting the movement to spread rapidly throughout the states. However, I suppose if she has the backing of the employers she may be able to make great headway.

It was a joy and a delight to have had the opportunity of seeing you at Mary's. We were all very happy that you looked so well and rested. I am sorry to know that you are back in Washington and hope that it does not mean that your vacation is over. I had a grand vacation, the first in two years - and I feel like a new woman!

With love and affection, I am

Cordially yours

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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306 MACHINISTS BUILDING  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

CABLE ADDRESS: "LIFELABOR"

August 8, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

You will remember that last year Elisabeth Christman and I paid you a visit and asked whether the National could have the honor and privilege of presenting to the Nation a painting of your beloved person. You were to let us know this year and I really meant to speak to you in Maine about it but was so overcome with the excitement of seeing you, Nancy and Marion, that I forgot it!

I wonder whether we can have word from you as soon as possible so that we may make arrangements.

With deepest love,

*Ros.*  
Rose Schneiderman  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

CABLE ADDRESS: "LIFELABOR"

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August 20, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I am terribly grieved and I know my co-workers on the National Executive Board will be also when they hear of your decision not to have your portrait presented to the Nation.

Never before have we had a First Lady who has been so genuinely interested in the public good. Never before has a wife of the President had the social vision and the real desire to help bring about a decent life for the majority of people.

To have no likeness of the most gracious of the nation's hostesses is being unkind to future citizens of the country. Of course, the Roosevelt administration of which you are a telling part will go down in history as the most vital and inspiring since that of Abraham Lincoln. I feel that along with the President's portrait should be that of our beloved First Lady. All I can say, darling, is that I am keenly disappointed at your decision. However, your word is law unto me.

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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September 25, 1935'

Dear Rose:

On October 9th, Mr. Charles  
William Taussig is lending his house,  
30 East 71st Street, for a meeting  
of young people. This is part of the  
group I met with last year, and I am  
wondering if there are any of your girls  
who would be interested to go. Will you  
let me know?

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NY

October 10, 1935

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Dear Rose:

May 4, 1936, is far away,  
but I certainly will do my best to  
be with you. Which session do you  
want me for?

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
New York

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*Handwritten scribbles and notes, possibly including 'Sept 26' and '1935'.*

September 26, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

The League Convention will be held in Washington the week of May 4, 1936. I take the pleasure and the privilege of inviting you most cordially to speak to our delegates any time during that week. We will suit our time to your convenience. I know that the delegates will cherish the memory of having the First Lady of the Land address them.

It was good to get a glimpse of you. While I was not able to attend the luncheon I did come in later and heard your speech - it was excellent! There are so many errands that I have to do when I get to Washington that there is barely time to do the nice things I want to do. I am sorry I was not able to stay over for the second day as I had to get back to the League where all kinds of things are happening.

I hope that you and the President will have a grand trip and that it won't all be work!

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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October 25, 1935

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Dear Rose:

I could come to a meeting  
of the Concert Committee at 11:30  
on November 7. This is practically  
the only time that I can give so I  
hope it will be convenient for the  
others.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
N.Y. Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue, N.Y.C.

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*Admission 1935*

NEW YORK WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE

247 LEXINGTON AVENUE, NEW YORK  
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JASCHA HEIFETZ VIOLIN RECITAL

*Benefit of Educational Department*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1936, 8.30 P. M. - CARNEGIE HALL



October 17, 1935

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Miss Nancy Cook  
Mrs. Allerton Cushman  
Miss Mary E. Dreier  
Mrs. Henry Ittleson  
Mrs. Henry Goddard Leach  
Mrs. Harold M. Lehman  
Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, Sr.  
Mrs. R. Wallach Morgenthau  
Mrs. Arthur Reis  
Mrs. Gerard Swope

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
331 Madison Avenue  
New York

Dearest Eleanor:

Our concert committee met yesterday and decided to have their next meeting the week of November 3rd. They wondered whether you were going to be in town that week inasmuch as it will be election week. If so, would it be possible for you to attend the next meeting of the concert committee? They will, of course, be very glad indeed to set whatever day and time will be most convenient for you. We are very optimistic about this concert and hope to make a grand success of it.

I contacted Elisabeth Christman on setting the definite session at which we would like you to address our convention and I will let you know just as soon as we formulate the program. In the meantime, I know I speak for the entire national executive board when I say that we are more than grateful to you for consenting to address our convention.

You were a darling to give me such a grand send-off over the radio the other night. My hope is to merit the confidence and trust you have in me. It was a very inspiring evening, but when I read of the accident that John and James were in, I know how worried you must have been. I marveled at your courage and realized over and over again what a wonderful person you are and how unselfishly you give yourself to worthwhile causes.

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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October 28, 1935

*Handwritten:* 100  
*Handwritten signature/initials:*

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

Dearest Eleanor:

We are delighted to hear that you can come to the meeting of the Concert Committee on November 7th. We have this morning sent out notices for the meeting.

We shall look forward with a great deal of pleasure to seeing you here on the seventh at 11:30.

With fondest love,

*Handwritten signature:* Rose S.  
Rose Schneiderman  
President

BS&AU  
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November 21, 1935

Dear Rose:

I have written to Mr. Leach and he says he will be very glad to broadcast for the Women's Trade Union League early in January.

I have written to the dean at Vassar and will let you know what I hear. I will be very glad to send a letter to Mrs. Hearst, Mrs Whitney and Mrs. Mortimer if you will have them prepared and sent to me for signature.

Thank you very much for the list of names for the Christmas party.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Ave.  
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November 18, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

In looking over the concert records I have been unable to find notations as to people to whom you have heretofore written asking them to take boxes. I know that there were quite a number, but I cannot identify them. Offhand there is Mrs. William Randolph Hearst, 137 Riverside Drive, who I am sure came in through you, and Mrs. Stanley Mortimer, 4 East 75th Street. I am not sure about Mrs. Benjamin Stern, 250 East 60th Street. Then there is Mrs. Caspar Whitney, 113 East 71st Street. I am enclosing a list of the former box holders, and if there is anyone there who you feel you would like to write to, please let us know so that we can check the name and make sure that no one else approaches her.

In addition to this little job you were good enough to say that you would be willing to write to the Dean at Vassar College, asking if the college could arrange for some girls to sell tickets for us there. In return two free tickets will be given to the student who undertook this job. You were also to write to Dr. Leach asking whether he would be willing to broadcast for us early in January.

We are most grateful to you, darling, for your reservation of a lower and upper tier box. I am worried about the boxes. They do not seem to be doing so well. I am afraid Mrs. Borg is too sanguine about our ability to sell the boxes.

I am glad you changed the date of the Christmas Party to Friday. It seemed too bad to spoil a possible weekend for you. I am enclosing a list of the children who will attend.

I loved your comeback to Mr. Carl's demand that the word communism must be left out of all teaching. What an old reactionary he is! When do we get rid of him anyhow? His time ought to be up by now.

With fondest love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

Nov. 15, 1935

FORMER BOX HOLDERS WHO HAVE MADE NO  
RESERVATIONS FOR HEIFETZ 1936

(Mrs. E. Marshal)

Atterbury, Mrs. John T.  
812 Park Avenue  
Butt. 8-8208  
1933 Lower Tier  
Asked to serve 1936  
no response

Blumenthal, Mrs. Robert G.  
930 Park Avenue  
Butt. 8-5774  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1929 - Lower  
1931 - 2 @ \$5  
1933 - 2 @ \$5  
1934 - 2 @ \$5

Bunzel, Miss Lucille  
1135 Park Avenue

Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1928 - Upper

Cullman, Mrs. Joseph F. Jr.  
46 West 69th Street  
Tra. 7-7089  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1929 - Lower  
1931 - Half Lower  
1933 - Upper  
1934 - 2 @ \$5

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Draper, Mrs. Mary C. (Dreier knows)  
61 Prospect Park West Brooklyn  
South 8-6543  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
Jan. 1931 - Lower  
Dec. 1931 - Upper

Duven, The Lady  
15 East 91st Street  
Atwater 9-1076  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1932 - 3 @ \$5  
Gave \$10 to Roosevelt Appeal 1933  
1933 - 4 @ \$5  
1934 - 4 @ \$5

Ewald, Mrs. N. Coxens  
14 East 60th Street  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1932 - Upper  
1933 Gave \$5 to Roosevelt appeal finance  
1933 - 2 @ \$5

Ewing, Mrs. Thomas  
1 East 88th Street  
Sacramento 2-8799  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1938 - Upper

Harriman, Mrs. E. Roland (Field knows)  
10 East 68th Street  
Rhinelander 4-9867  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1931 - Upper  
1932 - 2 @ \$5

Ingersoll, Mrs. Raymond (Dreier knows)  
380 Clinton Avenue, Brooklyn  
Tri. 5-7100  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1928 - Lower  
1933 - Away  
1934 - Gave \$5 contribution instead tick

Lasker, Miss Florina  
2 East 61st Street  
Regent 4-6900  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1928 - Lower

Mrs. Philip Lehman  
7 West 54th Street  
Virole 7-0286  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1931 - Lower  
1932 - 2 @ \$5

(Borg knows)

Lewisohn, Mrs. Philip (Dreier knows)  
1931 - Lower 270 Park Avenue  
1932 - 2 @ \$5 Asked to serve no response  
1933 - 2 @ \$5 Borg said do not ask again  
1933 - 5 @ \$5 re patroness this year

Liebman, Mrs. Walter Jr.  
1035 Park Avenue  
Sacramento 2-5180  
Asked to serve no response. Mrs. Borg  
knows & said do not ask again this year  
to serve as patroness. Lucile Kohn also  
knows her  
1932 - 2 @ \$1.00 &  $\frac{1}{2}$  Second Tier

Liebman, Mrs. Walter H.  
1155 Park Avenue  
Atwater 9-6227  
Asked to serve no response. Mrs. Borg  
knows & said do not follow up again this  
year re patroness  
1931 - 2 @ \$3.  
1932 - 2 @ \$5.  
1932 - Upper  
1933 - 1 @ \$3.  
1934 - 1 @ \$5.

November 15, 1936 - 2

FORMER BOX HOLDERS WHO HAVE MADE NO  
RESERVATIONS FOR HELPFETZ 1936

Morgan, Miss Anne (Mrs. Kahn knows)  
3 Sutton Place - asked to serve no response  
Plaza 3-6680  
1931 thru 1934 took tickets at \$5  
1931 took 4 at \$8 in Lower Box

Mortimer, Mrs. Stanley ✓  
4 East 75th Street  
Butterfield 8-8593  
Asked to serve - abroad for summer  
Roosevelt sent personal letter 1930 asking  
her to take tickets (refused)  
1932 - Lower

Muir, Mrs. Kenneth J.  
120 East 75th Street  
Butterfield 8-3382  
Asked to serve 1936 no response  
1929 - Upper

Peterson, Mrs. Frederick  
544 East 86th Street  
Butterfield 8-3913  
No Response Patroness 1936  
1928 Upper  
1931 Upper

Roosevelt, Miss Emily  
70 East 77th Street  
No response Patroness 1936  
1933 - Upper

Schafer, Mrs. Edward (Mrs. Edward Friedlander knows)  
25 West 85th Street Mrs. Borg knows  
Tra 7-1056  
No response Patroness 1936  
1929 - Lower  
1931 - Tickets - 2 @ \$5

Smith, Mrs. Frank W. (Mrs. Gerard Swope knows)  
1 Lexington Avenue  
Gramercy 5-6464  
1932 - \$5 orch.  
1933 - Lower

Stern, Mrs. Benjamin (Mrs. Philip Lewisohn &  
250 East 60th Street Mrs. Friedlander know her)  
1929 - Low No response to 1936 Pat invite  
1931 - \$5 tickets  
1932 - Upper

Steuer, Mrs. Max D. (Mrs. Kahn knows)  
730 Park Avenue  
Rhi 4-3077  
No response to 1936 Pat invite  
1933 - tickets & upper box

White, Miss Caroline  
4 East 66th Street  
New York  
Rhielander 4-8184  
No response to Pat invite 1936  
except indefinite stay in Europe  
We wrote again 10-10-36 for answer  
1932 - Lower  
1933 - Lower

White, Miss A. E.  
115 East 55th Street  
Plaza 3-6076  
No response to Pat invite 1936  
1931 - Lower

(Dreier  
Whitehouse, Mrs. Norman De R. knows)  
791 Park Avenue  
Butterfield 8-7891  
1928 - Upper  
1935 in letter to Mary Dreier in  
reply to one of hers, Whitehouse  
replied "not musical - broke"

Williams, Mrs. Harrison (Ittleton  
1130 Fifth Avenue knows)  
Sac. 2-5088  
No response to Pat invite 1936 -  
Mrs. Ittleton sent follow up  
1932 - tickets \$5  
1933 - Lower

Widman, Mrs. Eugene A. (Borg knows)  
~~26 Remsen Street~~ 190 Hicks Street  
Brooklyn, New York  
Cumberland 6-2131  
1929 Upper

Wrightson, Mrs. William G.  
259 Reynolds Terrace  
Orange, N. J.  
1933 - Lower  
1934 - Lower

November 19, 1935

FORMER BOX HOLDERS WHO HAVE MADE NO  
RESERVATIONS FOR HEIFETZ 1936

Anderson, Mrs. George J.  
Beverly Hotel  
New York  
1928 Lower  
1929 Lower

Caplin, Mrs. Harry  
65 Winfield Avenue  
Mt. Vernon, New York  
1928 Lower  
1929 3 @ \$5

Dickerman, Miss Marion  
66 East 80th Street  
New York  
1931 1/3 Upper  
1933 sat in Roosevelt Box

Lasker, Miss Loula D.  
Hotel Pierre  
New York  
1928 Lower Box

Ludington, Miss Katherine  
56 West 10th Street  
New York  
1931 - Upper Elman Recital  
1931 - Upper - Pons  
1932 - Upper

Mitche'l, Mrs. Charles E.  
934 Fifth Avenue  
Upper Tier 1932

Slade, Mrs. F. Louis  
49 East 67th Street  
1928 Lower  
1929 4 @ \$5  
1931 - 4 @ \$5  
1931 (pons) 2 @ \$5  
1932 3 @ \$5  
1933 - 2 @ \$5  
1934 - 2 @ \$5

Smith, Miss Hilda W.  
1729 G Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.  
1928 Upper  
1929 thru 1932 tickets

November 25, 1935

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Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt asks me to tell you she is sorry she cannot be at the meeting on December 4 as she has to be in Washington at that time.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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*See Miss Clara M. Thompson  
Dean of Vassar College.*

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Mrs. R. Wallach Morgenthau  
Mrs. Arthur Reis  
Mrs. Gerard Swope

December 4, 1935

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

Dearest Eleanor:

Blessings on your head for standing up for us so nobly yesterday! It helped tremendously. We had orders for two boxes then and there, and some tickets as well. There was a very interesting audience and I know they were much impressed by what you said.

I wrote Malvina the other day, wondering whether you would like to send us an autographed copy of your book for our sale which starts on Friday. I didn't have the nerve to ask you outright, but here I am begging again. We should, of course, be very proud to have your book.

I was so glad to see Anna. She is looking wonderfully well -- better than I have seen her look for years. Hers is a shining and happy countenance delightful to behold.

Let me know when you come this way and have spare time. I would be more than glad to discuss labor problems with you.

We are so indebted to you for the generous way you have helped us all these years that I find no words in which to convey to you our appreciation for all you have done and are doing. Many, many thanks, dearest.

Affectionately,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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November 29, 1935

Dear Rose:

I think it will be all right for Mrs. Roosevelt to write the three letters which you enclose on her own stationery as they are personal friends. She did not feel that she would want to write to any of the others. I showed her the list and the three were all that she checked.

I am sure Mrs. Roosevelt will be delighted to give you one of her books, autographed, and I think Anna would too. Her address is 2 West 53d Street.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

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December 11, 1935

Dear Rose:

We have sent a box of toys for the children's party all wrapped and marked for the children. We have sent an additional box containing six extra gifts in case more children turn up.

The sweaters have been ordered delivered to you at 247 Lexington Avenue, and in this case again I have ordered extras which Mrs. Roosevelt will take to Hyde Park if they are not used.

The apples and oranges have been ordered, also the cornucopias, the Christmas tree, and the entertainer. This leaves only the ice-cream and cake for you to order, as usual.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

**LABOR CO-OPERATION WITH NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION**

Resolution No. 44—By Delegate Selma Borchardt, Central Labor Union, Washington, D. C.

WHEREAS, The far-reaching social and economic changes which have occurred during the last decade have had a particularly tragic, a devastating effect upon the young people of the nation; and

WHEREAS, The Youth of today must bear the full responsibilities of citizenship tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, Numerous plans have been proposed which would vitally affect the youth of the nation, including plans calling for political upheavals, revolutionary tactics, and some seeking to force youthful labor into a degrading economic enslavement; and

WHEREAS, There has been created a National Youth Administration in which, from the very start, organized labor was

given a definite recognition and functional place; and

WHEREAS, It is the traditional policy of the American Federation of Labor to co-operate with governmental and private agencies which seek to serve the common good; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the American Federation of Labor, in convention assembled, call upon the state federations and city central bodies to co-operate with their respective Youth Administration organizations, both to protect the best interests of the youth of the land, and to preserve and enhance the traditions and standards of the American Federation of Labor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the President of the American Federation of Labor appoint such special committees as he may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the resolution.

The Executive Council amended the report of the committee, directing that the matter be left in the hands of the President to use his best judgment as to what should be done, but in the judgment of the Executive Council there is no need to appoint a special committee.

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
NY

December 14, 1935

Can you tell me what I sent last year for Christmas  
for the rest room?

Eleanor Roosevelt

Concerning the Highland Folk School, Monteagle, Tennessee.

December 16, 1935

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Dear Rose:

I am sending you a letter  
and pamphlet which Mrs. Arthur Morgan  
sent to me. Do you know of any one  
to suggest who might be interested  
in a scholarship to this school?

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Woman's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
N.Y.C.

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MRS. ARTHUR E. MORGAN  
NORRIS  
TENNESSEE

Dec 11-35

Dear Mrs Roosevelt.

While in Warm Springs you expressed an interest in Miles Horton of whom I told you. This letter and leaflet came today and Arthur said I might send it on to you. You might even know some one who would want to apply for a scholarship. This letter of mine does not require a reply.

May I add that the day we spent with you and the President has been a real inspiration to Arthur and me.

and we have tried to convey  
to others our conviction  
that he has a wonderful  
grasp of the problems of the  
country and a deep con-  
cern for the welfare of the  
people.

I shall write unless that I  
send his letter on and I  
think you can trust him to  
make no improper use of  
any interest you may show.

Very truly

Lucy Lyman

Merry Christmas!

December 17, 1935

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Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt will be with you from 3:30 to 4:30 on Thursday to help you dress the tree and arrange the packages. The toys are all wrapped so that will only leave the sweaters to be done.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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December 16, 1935

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

*Thursday*

Dear Malvina:

The packages are arriving. I am so glad that there will be a few extras. We got a very pathetic letter from a little girl, aged eight, asking Santa Claus whether she could attend our party -- the only way she could share in Christmas gaieties. We will order the ice cream and cake as usual.

When is Mrs. Roosevelt going to be here to dress the tree and wrap the presents? Will you also be here?

According to the newspapers, the Saturday night party was a howling success. It must have been a lot of fun.

With warmest regards, I am,

Affectionately yours,

*Rose Schneideman*

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December 19, 1935

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

Dear Eleanor:

Elsie Glück, our educational director, tells us that the Highlander Folk School is a bona fide institution and that they do very good work.

I am going to forward the letter sent to Mr. Morgan to Elisabeth Christman and see whether she can steer some of our southern trade unionists to apply for scholarships in the school. It would be too much of an expense to send northerners down there because the fare would be quite an item. Also, there are so many opportunities for them here. I am sure there are enough possible recruits right there in the south to more than fill the school.

Thank you so much for letting me hear about this.

Affectionately,

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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December 30, 1935.

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Dear Rose:

Many, many thanks for the beautiful white gloves. Malvina tells me you had them made specially for me and that they are strictly union. You are a dear to spend so much thought on me.

Every good wish for the New Year.

Much love,

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Rose Schneiderman

P. S. Be sure to let me know which days you are coming for the Cause and Cure of War. I want you and Maud to stay here.

January 7, 1936

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Dear Rose:

I am perfectly delighted to have you arrive Monday, the 20th. Unfortunately, that day I will be in Arthurdale, but Malvina will look after you and I will be here for breakfast on Tuesday morning with you and Maud. I have written Maud to let me know what time she arrives.

It will be fine to have you here until Thursday and Maud until Friday. I do hope Miss Stea succeeds in selling the rest of the boxes and that you really clear a good sum.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
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*WEE*  
January 17, 1936 *ME*

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I hasten to let you know that we made \$3900 clear on the concert. This is double the amount we made last year. We are all delighted with the results.

May I thank you most profoundly in behalf of the League for the help you gave us in lending your name and in contacting some of the people. All of us, of course, were disappointed that you did not come, but Nancy told me what a heavy week you had and that she counseled your cutting the concert. Mrs. James Roosevelt was there and had her picture taken with Mrs. Borg, Mrs. Heifetz; Mr. Morgenthau and myself. It was a brilliant gathering and everybody was well pleased with Mr. Heifetz's performance.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday morning.

With fondest love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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January 3, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

Maud and I are delighted that you like the gloves. We are always at a loss as to what to give you and I felt that a pair of gloves will always come in handy. Yes, they are union made and made especially for you.

You are a darling to invite both Maud and me to stay at the White House during the Cause and Cure of War Conference. We both accept most gladly and will deem it a great honor and privilege to be your guests. Maud and I feel that our visit will be a fulfillment of all our hopes and aspirations. It will be something to talk about when we are old and decrepit. Can't you see us lording it over all our friends? I expect to arrive on Monday, the 20th of January, early in the afternoon because I have a 4 o'clock meeting of the executive board of the CCW. Maud will not arrive until Tuesday morning. Then I will leave on Thursday afternoon and Maud will leave on Friday afternoon.

May I now thank you most heartily for the lovely piece of pewter. That, too, will be an heirloom to hand down. It is beautiful work and something I will cherish always.

I hope very much that you will attend the concert on the 14th. We still have eight lower tier boxes to sell. We have taken on a Miss Stem who is a member of the Junior League and does finance work for Henry Street. She has a lot of connections and we are hoping that she will sell the remaining boxes. The rest of the house I am not worried about because I am sure they will sell at the box office. We have cleared our expenses, \$4500, already and whatever is sold from now on will be profit.

With deepest love to you, darling, and all kinds of good wishes for a Happy New Year to you and yours,

Affectionately yours,

*Rose S.*  
Rose Schneiderman  
President

March 16, 1936

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Dear Rose:

I am enclosing Mrs. Roosevelt's check for \$100, as her annual contribution to the work of the Women's Trade Union League.

Affectionately,

SO

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
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*MR R*

April 16, 1936

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*MR*  
*SR*

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I am overwhelmed with the news that I received from Elisabeth that you want the New York delegates and three Board members to be the guests of the White House. You are a perfect saint to invite our delegation and they are terribly excited about it. It will be something they will remember all their lives.

I noticed in last night's article that you were pretty tired and I do hope that this will not be taxing on you.

The President's speech Monday night was simply wonderful and most inspiring. I hope that all young people had the sense to read it or to listen in.

Isn't it courageous of Dubinsky to resign from the Socialist Party in order to be free to work for the President's reelection? I know that shortly there will be another resignation, that of Max Zaritsky, the president of my own international union. I am very happy that Labor's Non-Partisan League has been launched and I joined right away. I do hope that we are going to have a meeting of the League and plan our campaign. A lot of work has to be done and this committee can be most helpful.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that you are doing for us. With deepest love and appreciation, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

April 16, 1936

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Letter from Rose Schneiderman concerning possible votes for the President from the various Clothing Unions - sent to Mr. Farley with memorandum from F.D.R. saying he should decide when such announcement should be made.

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May 1, 1936

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Dear Roses

Of course I will serve as honorary chairman for your annual benefit concert and have put down December 9 in my engagement book. I will certainly be with you if it is at all possible.

I think it is grand that you are getting Flagstad, and I shall look forward to hearing her with a great deal of pleasure.

~~xxxxx~~

Affectionately

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Ave.  
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ELEANOR MISHNUN, ORGANIZER

April 28, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

The Committee on Arrangements for our annual concert met last week and voted unanimously to ask if you would again serve as honorary chairman. We all earnestly hope you will do us that honor. It means a good deal to us, as you know. The artist will be Kirsten Flagstad and the date December 9, 1936. I think we are lucky to get her for she is a magnificent artist.

Mrs. Henry Goddard Leach has accepted the chairmanship. Mrs. Kahn, Mrs. Borg and (we hope) Mrs. Howells will be associate chairmen.

Always with deepest appreciation for your generous support of the League, and looking forward to seeing you next week, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

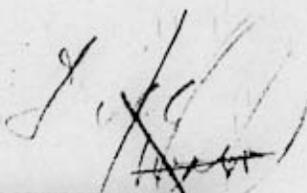
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May 21, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

Thank you many, many times for your acceptance of the honorary chairmanship of the concert committee. You are a dear to stand by us so handsomely at all times. We have already sold five lower tier boxes.

I am just recovering from the strain of the convention. It was a very fine gathering and very profitable intellectually as well as socially. You made a grand speech. We all enjoyed it very, very much. I have had two very disquieting letters because of an Associated Press dispatch quoting part of the resolution passed at the convention pledging our support to the American Federation of Labor should they decide to amend the Constitution so as to give Congress the power to enact labor legislation. One came from a friend who even though very intelligent and liberal-minded was ready to withdraw from the League because the headline in the news item read that we were out to curb the United States Supreme Court. However, I asked to see her and showed her our resolution and she was satisfied that we were not out to do anything of the sort. A very violent letter was sent to Miss Stem from Mrs. Reginald de Koven who was told by Mrs. Preston Davies that we were a "red" organization and were against the United States Constitution, etc. etc. Mrs. de Koven also sent a letter to Mrs. Leach in answer to her request that she again serve as Honorary Chairman of the Patrons Committee.

I had thought of seeing Mrs. Preston Davies but Mrs. Leach thinks it would be a wasted effort because Mrs. Davies is one of the most reactionary types of republicans and believes that no one should touch the old order of things. Due to this happening we are sending a letter to all our contributors and allied members enclosing a copy of the resolution so that they will see for themselves that we are not attacking the Supreme Court or the Constitution. In lieu of the Supreme Court's decision on the Guffey Bill, I am convinced all over again how necessary it is to amend the Constitution. And the sooner the American Federation of Labor makes up its mind about it, the better.

I had lunch with Mrs. Otto Kahn last week and from her I gather that the more thinking republicans are 'up a tree'. She said frankly that she knew there was no doubt about the defeat of the republican party next November because they had no program. However I think that a lot of hard work has to be put in and nothing should be taken for granted. I wish Berry's committee would get on the job. What we need is a good hard organization campaign so far as labor is concerned. The Governor's announcement that he will not run again is very disturbing. The names mentioned in the press as probable

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt - 2.  
May 21, 1936

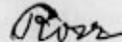
candidates are very weak and unlikely to carry the state. I do hope the Governor can be persuaded to change his mind.

The girls had a glorious time and are full of praise and appreciation for the gracious and beautiful hospitality they enjoyed as your guests during the week of the convention. They were thrilled by the opportunity of seeing the President. They thought him very handsome, and appreciated deeply the time he gave them. It was a 'red letter' day in their lives, something that they will remember for ever and ever.

May I thank you most warmly for the lovely party you gave the delegates and for your frank discussion of the reactions of people you meet to labor's demand for improved conditions. I remember that in the early years when we were asking for the 54-hour law in New York State, the employers were concerned as to what the women would do with their leisure time. In fact they felt that work was keeping them out of mischief and that shorter hours would endanger their morals. Then too the notion that if working people had rooms with baths that they would use the bathtubs in which to keep the coal has been exploded long ago. Our hunger for beauty and good way of life is real and every improvement in the standard of living has been taken advantage of.

Blessings on your head darling. You are a wonder and the salt of the earth. With a great deal of affection, I am,

Devotedly yours,



Rose Schneiderman  
President

Miss L. Faus

For the President. He would  
only read marked papers.

Case Schneiderman's letter

M. T. J. M. Mrs R

June 8, 1936

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Schneiderman, Rose  
New York Women's Trade Union League  
New York, New York

referred to Office

Discussion of Supreme Court decision on the New York Minimum Wage Law. Encloses article by Heywood Broun, also Proceedings of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America--vote.

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July 15, 1936

Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt asked me to tell you that she has given your letter to Mr. Charles West and asked him to take up the question of an appointment for Ethel M. Smith. She will let you know what he can do.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
New York Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

Dear Mr. West: Won't you take this up. It seems to me very unfair now not to take Ethel Smith.

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August 11, 1936

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

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

In Miss Schneiderman's absence on vacation, I took the liberty of opening your note to her regarding the continuance of the Eleanor Roosevelt Club, about which Sarah Schwartz, 1353 Sheridan Avenue, N. Y. wrote you.

I shall hold the letter for Miss Schneiderman's attention upon her return on August 24th.

Sincerely yours,

*Katherine Burke*

Katherine Burke  
Secretary to Miss Schneiderman

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August 17, 1936

Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt asked me to  
send you the enclosed letter from  
~~Y Mrs. Dorothy Parschalk, soliciting~~  
~~her aid in finding a position for~~  
~~Y Mrs. L. H. Rouse. What do you think~~  
Mrs. Roosevelt should try to get for  
Mrs. Rouse?

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

With the passing of Mr. Rouse, the Union printers have  
suffered a great loss and Mrs. Rouse, who has given so much  
of her time and money is in need of work.

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August 18, 1936

*For file*

Mrs. Malvina T. Scheider  
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Scheider:

Your letter addressed to Misc Schneideman on August 17th was opened in her absence on vacation. Just as soon as she returns (about August 24th) I will bring your communication to her attention.

Sincerely yours

*Katherine Burke*

Katherine Burke  
Secretary to  
Rose Schneiderman

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August 29, 1936

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Dear Rose:

Many thanks for your letter.

I hope to see you before too long.

I am so glad that <sup>Leon H</sup> Mrs. Rouse  
has been given a job.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Woman's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Ave., N.Y.C.

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

August 24, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I just got to my desk this morning after two weeks' vacation and hasten to write concerning Mary Rouse. Mary is a very good office worker -- that is, general office work. She types but I don't know how rapidly and if there would be any possibility of employing her during the campaign it would help tremendously.

She is being considered by the Commissioner of Labor of New Jersey, who is a democrat, for a place on the Minimum Wage Board which they are setting up. While the minimum wage law was passed about 1933 it has never been made effective because of lack of appropriation. This last spring an appropriation was made by the legislature and the administrative machinery is now being set up. I wrote to the Commissioner in her behalf and hope that something will happen there. The union is paying Mrs. Rouse \$50. a week until the end of this year but she certainly has to have work -- not only for the money involved but because it would help her to get over the great sorrow she has sustained in the death of Leon Rouse.

If you can help her in any way to find a place, I know she will be everlastingly grateful to you.

Labor's Non-Partisan League is doing a grand job in forwarding the President's cause. The most marvelous thing is to see how the socialists' unions have come to the fore for the President -- not only by their moral support but in putting up large sums of money to carry on the campaign here in New York.

I follow your whereabouts through your column and that makes me feel as though I were in close touch with all you are doing.

Heaps and heaps of love to you -

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

August 26, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I returned from two weeks' vacation on Monday but only today did I have an opportunity to get to my desk to answer my correspondence.

As to Mary Rouse:- I am glad to let you know that she has been appointed by the Commissioner of Labor of New Jersey, who is a democrat, as special investigator on the Minimum Wage Board which they are setting up. While the minimum wage law was passed about 1933 it has never been made effective because of lack of appropriation. This last spring an appropriation was made by the legislature and the administrative machinery is now being set up. The union is paying Mrs. Rouse \$50 a week but only until the end of the year so that she certainly needed work -- not only for the money involved but because it will help her to get over the great sorrow she has sustained in the death of Leon Rouse. I am ever so happy that she has secured this job. I am very grateful to you for the interest you have taken in her behalf.

Labor's Non-Partisan League is doing a grand job in forwarding the President's cause. The most marvelous thing is to see how the socialists' unions have come to the fore for the President -- not only by their moral support but in putting up large sums of money to carry on the campaign here in New York.

I follow your whereabouts through your column and that makes me feel as though I were in close touch with all you are doing.

Heaps and heaps of love to you -

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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September 17, 1936

Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt received your message and she regrets so much that she cannot accept the invitation to speak for Local No. 89 on Columbus Day. She will probably be away with the President at that time.

Affectionately,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

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The White House  
Washington

6PO. RA. 18-D. L. 11:33 a.m.

New York, September 15, 1936

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Urge most earnestly favorable consideration of Antoninis  
invitation to speak on Columbus Day for local eighty nine  
Love.

Rose Schneiderman.

Regret  
will probably  
be away  
with Pres.

September 21, 1936

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Dear Rose:

I am glad that you feel it is not terribly important to reopen the rest rooms this fall and I will leave it entirely to your good judgment.

I am happy to say that I am much better. I have completely routed the nasty little bug which laid me up and expect to be back in my usual stride before very long.

Much love.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
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*Handwritten scribble*  
September 15, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

I discussed with Nan the matter of reopening the restrooms and we both feel that we should try and dispense with the reopening for this autumn and see what the winter brings. After all there are many more opportunities for work now than there were last year and the year before and the girls ought to be able to get jobs. Then too, I cannot bear the thought of you asking Mrs. Hearst to give a benefit for the restrooms at this time. Even though I know that Mrs. Hearst does not share her husband's point of view, a great majority of people do not know that.

The restrooms were a tremendous help to the girls in those dark days and I am sure they will always remember with gratitude your splendid assistance in keeping them going.

I hope that your summer has not been all work and that you have had some rest.

With deepest love,

Faithfully yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

September 29, 1936.

Dear Rose: Schneiderman

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Thank you very much for your letter. I am entirely well again and I feel sure there is no need for any further concern. I am so glad to hear about Ethel Smith and hope that everything will go well with her. Please give her my best wishes.

Affectionately,

247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
September 25, 1936

Dearest darling:

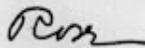
I am so glad you are better. My heart has been with you all through the days that you have been laid up. I know how miserable the grippe is. When I was younger I use to have it every year but I have grown tougher with age and I have been able to escape it. You will feel very weak and depleted in energy for a number of days so do take care and don't do anything until you are really able to. I know it will be difficult for you to resist the many calls that are made upon you but you will simply have to get well before you attempt to get into the swing of things again. Your life is a precious thing to millions of us who love you dearly and feel that the world is brighter and more worthwhile because of your presence.

You will be glad to know that Ethel Smith has finally gotten her appointment with the Social Security Board. She is overjoyed. And I know that it is in no small measure due to your intervention and I am everlastingly grateful to you for helping Ethel.

I know that Ethel is an invaluable  
asset to the work of the Board.

With heart's best love, I am,

Devotedly yours,



Rose Schneiderman

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

October 2, 1936

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Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt wrote to  
Mr. Antonini on September 25, as follows:

"I am glad to have this opportunity  
to send greetings to the members of  
the Italian Dressmakers' Union, Local  
89, at their Columbus Day celebration.  
I am sorry that other engagements pre-  
vent my being with you but I do want  
to send my best wishes to you all for  
a very pleasant and memorable occasion."

I am sure that by now he must have  
received the message, but, if not, we would  
be glad to write him again.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

September 30, 1936

Mrs. Malvina Scheider  
Hyde Park  
New York

Dear Malvina:

Antonini is bothering the life out of me as to whether Mrs. Roosevelt will be good enough to send a message to their Columbus Day meeting. Will you be an angel and let me know what Mrs. Roosevelt's answer is? I hope very much that she will consent to do it.

The President's speech was simply wonderful last night. He was in great fighting mood and it came over the wires beautifully.

With kindest regards to you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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November 9, 1936

Dear Rose:

Many, many thanks for your letter. We are, of course, greatly heartened by the tremendous vote of confidence, and the President is grateful for the support of his loyal friends.

I will see you at the concert.  
Can you give me the date of the Christmas party?

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NYC

247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
November 6, 1936

Dearest Eleanor:

We are all thrilled by the President's overwhelming victory of last Tuesday. It is all the more wonderful because of the mean and horrid campaign that the republicans waged against the President. And to think that even the security scare had no effect, makes one feel proud of the intelligent judgment that the great mass of people used in casting their vote.

You have endeared yourself in the hearts of the great mass of our people and I am sure, Eleanor dear, that millions of people voted with you in their minds also.

I am also proud of the whole-hearted way in which organized labor worked in this campaign.

The people have spoken in unmistakable terms of their belief in the President's program and what he tried to do and will do, we hope, in the next four years to bring about a happier life for the great mass of American citizens.

*Thank you  
to all*

*W. H. H. H.*

You looked so tired at the Progressive tea last Saturday that I didn't dare to go near you. I do hope, darling, that you will take a good rest now that the campaign is over.

With fondest love to you and warmest greetings to the President, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman

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

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November 16, 1936

Dear Rose:

I gave your letter and the one which you enclosed to Mrs. Roosevelt. She appreciates what you say, as well as your loyal support at all times.

Many thanks for sending the letter and for your thought of me. We are as busy as ever!

Affectionately,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
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New York  
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*Thank -*

November 9, 1936

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

Dear Malvina:

I thought Mrs. Roosevelt might like to see this letter.

How perfectly wonderful is the President's reelection! We are all just dazed about it still. A lot of it is due to his touring the country. After hearing him speak and seeing him, how could the people have voted for Landon. Well, it just makes me feel glad that I am an American citizen and that we can look forward more and more to an intelligent understanding of big problems on the part of the great mass of the citizens.

I am sure you must be worn out too, and I hope you will have some sort of a breathing spell because this winter's work will be heavier, most likely, than other years.

Fondest regards.

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman

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243-95th St  
Brooklyn  
Oct. 29 '36.

Chairlady Reception Committee,  
Progressive Nat Committee,

Dear Madam,

Regret very much that  
through unforeseen circum-  
stances I shall be unable  
to attend the Reception and  
Luncheon in honor of  
Mrs Franklin Delano  
Roosevelt.

It has ever been my

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Thanking you for your  
kind invitation and  
hoping to have the pleasure  
of meeting Mrs. Roosevelt  
in the near future, I am

Sincerely and wholeheartedly  
for Franklin D. Roosevelt

Respectfully

Betha C. Chamberlain

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ardent desire to have the  
pleasure of meeting Mrs.  
Roosevelt, not only to meet  
her, but to have the pleasure  
of shaking hands with her.

However, assure Mrs.  
Roosevelt not only of our  
notes, but the six notes in  
my brother's family.

My only regret is that our  
families are not larger, that  
we might be able to cast  
a larger <sup>number of</sup> vote.

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November 24, 1936

Mrs. Malvina Thompson Scheider  
Val-Kill Cottage  
Hyde Park, Dutchess County  
New York

Dear Malvina:

The 18th will be fine for the party. I am sure that the children will prefer to have it on Friday afternoon when they can rest up after it. I have some names already and as soon as I get all of them I will mail them to you.

We shall be glad to make arrangements to buy the ice cream and the cakes. Will you want us to trim the trees? We'll be glad to do that. Or will Nancy want to come and do the trimming?

Affectionately,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

BS&AU 12646

November 30, 1936

Dear Rose:

Many thanks for your kind letter about Franklin. I shall pass on your congratulations and good wishes to him and know he will appreciate your thought of him. Ethel du Pont is a sweet child and they have been devoted to each other for some time.

I hope to be seeing you before very long.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Ave., N:Y.C.

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247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
November 19, 1936

Dearest Eleanor:

*Received  
11-30-36  
The White House*

Congratulations on the engagement of Franklin. He has grown very handsome and the young lady also is very beautiful. I am sure they are going to make a gorgeous couple. It is hard to think of him as grown up. It seems only a short while ago that we were at Campo and Franklin was celebrating his twelfth birthday. I suppose Johnny will feel lost not having the companionship of his big brother.

*I've written* We have set the party for the seventeenth of December because we could not have a party without you being here.

Heart's best love to you, my dear.

Faithfully yours,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman.

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

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November 27, 1936

Dear Rose:

I gave your letter to Mrs. Roosevelt and she was glad to hear about your plans for the Christmas party. She was more than sorry that she couldn't manage to get to the tea at Mrs. Leach's, but these are busy days for her and she could not fit it in.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
New York Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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247 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
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*Called  
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MARY E. DREIER, VICE-PRESIDENT  
MAUD SWARTZ, VICE-PRESIDENT  
MRS. RICHARD S. CHILDS, TREASURER  
ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

November 18, 1936

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

Dear Malvina:

*So sorry if couldn't arrange  
11-21-36  
NYC  
Party was changed*

Thank you a lot for your letter. We of course prefer having the Christmas party on the 17th so that Mrs. Roosevelt can be here. It would not be a party without her and I have already sent out letters to the different groups asking them to send me names, addresses and the ages of the children that are to be invited, and I will forward that information to you just as soon as I get it.

Did Mrs. Roosevelt receive any word from Mrs. Leach who is very anxious to have her come to a tea at Mrs. Leach's house prior to the concert?

I saw Anne Boettiger yesterday at a meeting of the Camp Jane Addams Advisory Committee. I was very glad to see her looking so well. She is coming along magnificently and we can expect big things from her.

The newspapers are full of Franklin's engagement. It is hard to realize that he is grown up and about to get married.

Please give my best love to Mrs. R.

With kindest regards to you, I am,

Affectionately yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

November 13, 1936

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

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Dearest Eleanor:

We have had a number of inquiries as to the Christmas party and I wonder whether you are planning to have one this year as in the past years. If in any way it seems a burden to you, darling, don't hesitate to say so and we will just tell those who inquired that there will not be any this year. You have done so nobly by the children for so many years that I am sure everybody will understand.

You will be glad to know that our concert is going along most successfully. We have all but two lower tier boxes sold, the majority of the orchestra seats are gone, and there are still ten upper tier boxes but I am sure that we will be able to sell most of them. We have no worry about the popular priced seats; we are confident they will go. By the way, you have always taken an upper tier box. Do you feel you want one this year? Don't take one unless you really want to because, as I said above, I am sure we will be able to sell them. We just thought we ought to ask you before they are all gone whether you want one. I hope most fervently that this year your time and duties will permit you to be with us on the evening of the recital, December 9th.

I read your column and was amused at the way your subject had been changed without you knowing anything about it at one of your first lectures. I am sure you will have many amusing incidents during your trip.

Heart's best to you, my dear, and all the luck in the world.

Devotedly yours,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

December 1, 1936

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Dear Rose:

The congratulations and good wishes of the Women's Trade Union League have come to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt and they would appreciate it so much if you would extend their thanks to all who joined in this greeting. They are indeed grateful for the kind thought which prompted this message of good will.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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November 16, 1936

*Thank  
League  
for  
Rose*

President and Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear President and Mrs. Roosevelt:

The members of the Women's Trade Union League, at their monthly meeting on November 9th, unanimously voted to send you their heartiest congratulations on your magnificent victory. It goes without saying that we are happy about that.

We appreciate the task before you and your record of the past three years gives us the assurance that you will be victorious in fulfilling your program of social and labor legislation and will bring further security to the great mass of our people.

We especially send a message of affection and appreciation to our beloved lady for her unselfish service to us and to the people of the country. We are glad and proud to have her a member of our organization.

Respectfully and sincerely yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*  
Rose Schneiderman  
President

*Anya F. Smith*  
Anya F. Smith  
Secretary

Letter and enclosures from Hortense Danaher, 495 West End Avenue, N.Y.C.  
Wants redress from being confined in the Rockland State Hospital.

Bx. 1403

December 3, 1936

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Dear Rose:

I enclose all this correspondence.  
There is very little Mrs. Roosevelt can do  
unless she refers things to proper depart-  
ments and individuals. Can you tell me  
what you thought she could do?

I will write Dr. Parsons to return  
her letter and enclosure.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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December 8, 1936

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

Dear Malvina:

I don't think anybody can do anything, to help Miss Danaher. I have pleaded with her to forget all about this and to try and start all over again, but it has become a mania with her. I am sure, if she wasn't mentally deranged before, that she will get there now if she continues to harp on the wrongs done her. However, I do think that she ought to have her papers returned to her. Sorry that you have been bothered by her.

We are ordering the cakes and the ice cream. Nancy was to the meeting last night and she thought that she could come and dress the tree on Thursday, the day before the party. If she doesn't come, we will be happy to attend to it.

Affectionately,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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December 5, 1936

Dear Rose:

Your letter and the list of children for the Christmas Party have arrived; many thanks.

The tree has been ordered from Bloomingdale's and I will get the tinsel and star. The apples and oranges and entertainer have been ordered. Will you please order the ice cream and cake? Be sure to get plenty!

The toys and sweaters will be sent to you. The toys will all be wrapped, and marked for each child. The sweaters will be sent direct from the manufacturer as it is so late.

Very sincerely yours,

Melvina T. Scheider  
Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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December 3, 1936

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

Dear Malvina:

Enclosed is the list of children for  
the Christmas Party on December 18th.

What about ordering the tree? Are  
you going to do that or shall we do it  
from the corner florist? I think we have  
plenty of trimmings; perhaps we need one  
box of tinsel and a star.

With affectionate regards,



Rose Schneiderman  
President

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ALPHABETICAL LIST OF BOYS & GIRLS  
CHRISTMAS PARTY  
DECEMBER 18, 1936, 3:30 P.M.

- ✓ Photine Antoinitis - girl - 7  
735 East 160th St., N.Y.
- ✓ Sofie Antoinitis - girl - 9  
735 East 160th St., N.Y.
- ✓ Girlie Belanger - girl - 10  
1066 Myrtle Ave., Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Martin Berkowitz - boy - 9  
1765 Park Pl., Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Rhoda Berkowitz - girl - 10½  
1765 Park Pl., Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Isabelle T. Braun - girl - 10  
51 St. Marks Place, New York
- ✓ Henry Craig - boy - 11  
309 Olympic Blvd, Staten Is., LI
- ✓ Robert Craig - boy - 5  
309 Olympic Blvd, Staten Is., LI
- ✓ Mary Frey - girl 12  
383 Onderdonk Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Marvin Goldberg - boy - 9  
3092 Brighton 4th St, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Barbara Graves - girl - 10  
48-02 Broadway, Astoria, L. I.
- ✓ Norma Graves - girl - 11  
48-02 Broadway, Astoria, L. I.
- ✓ Ann Kerr - girl - 10  
1869 Wallace Avenue, New York
- ✓ Lillian Kluber - girl - 6  
425 East 161st Street, N.Y.
- ✓ Mildred Kluber - girl - 9  
1210 Elder Avenue, New York
- ✓ Maureen McGowan - girl - 4  
47-40-192nd St., Flushing, L. I.
- ✓ Kay Murphy - girl - 7  
170 East 122nd Street, New York
- ✓ Raymond Murphy - boy - 7  
1933 New York Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Charles Raymond - boy - 7  
121-22-133rd St, So. Ozone Pk, LI
- ✓ Myrtle Raymond - girl - 6  
121-22-133rd St, So. Ozone Pk, LI
- ✓ Harry Schneller - boy - 12  
1920 Green Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Peggy Seargout - girl-12  
110 South Elliott Pl, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Ralph Sica - boy - 4  
2721 Voorhies Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Harry Smalls - boy - 13  
1865 East 35th St, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Dennis Stein - boy - 3½  
520 Williams Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Florence Troia - girl - 7  
118 Center Street, New York
- ✓ Mildred Troia - girl - 9  
118 Center Street, New York
- ✓ Viola Troia - girl - 10½  
118 Center, New York
- ✓ William Vriesenga - boy - 7  
2711 Voorhies Ave, Bklyn, N.Y.
- ✓ Muriel Walker - girl - 11  
3343 Webster Avenue, N.Y.

*Invitations sent  
Dec 11-1936  
Toys needed  
Mrs Schenckman  
12/11/36*

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT LEAGUE HOUSE  
247 Lexington Avenue, New York

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1936, 3:30 P. M.

BOYS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Age</u>
<i>James</i> Martin Berkowitz	1765 Park Place, Brooklyn, N.Y.	9
" Henry Craig	309 Olympic Blvd., Staten Island, N.Y.	11
<i>Boyd</i> Robert Craig	309 Olympic Blvd., Staten Island, N.Y.	5
<i>James</i> Marvin Goldberg	3092 Brighton 4th Street, Bklyn, N.Y.	9
" Raymond Murphy	1933 New York Avenue, Bklyn, N.Y.	7
<i>Boyd</i> Charles Raymond	121-22-133rd Street, So. Ozone Pk, L.I.	7
<i>James</i> Harry Schneller	1920 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.	12
<i>Talbot</i> Ralph Sica	2721 Voorhies Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.	4
<i>James</i> Harry Smalls	1865 East 35th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.	13
<i>Talbot</i> Dennis Stein	520 Williams Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.	3½
<i>James</i> William Vriesenga	2711 Voorhies Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.	7

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1936, 3:30 P. M.

GIRLS

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Age</u>
<i>Bathing set</i>	Photine Antoinitis	735 East 160th Street, New York	7
<i>Ball set</i>	Sofie Antoinitis	735 East 160th Street, New York	9
<i>Painting set</i>	Girlie Belanger	1066 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.	10
<i>"</i>	Rhoda Berkowitz	1765 Park Place, Brooklyn, N.Y.	10½
<i>"</i>	Isabelle T. Braum	51 St. Marks Place, New York	10
<i>Tumbles</i>	Mary Frey	383 Onderdonk Avenue, Bklyn, N.Y.	12
<i>Drawing set</i>	Barbara Graves	48-02 Broadway, Astoria, L. I.	10
<i>Reading set</i>	Norma Graves	48-02 Broadway, Astoria, L. I.	11
<i>Reading set</i>	Ann Kerr	1869 Wallace Avenue, New York	10
<i>Reading set</i>	Lillian Kluber	425 East 161st Street, New York	6
<i>Reading set</i>	Mildred Kluber	1210 Elder Avenue, New York	9
<i>Washette</i>	Maureen McGowan	47-40-192nd Street, Flushing, L. I.	4
<i>Shute</i>	Kay Murphy	170 East 122nd Street, New York	7
<i>Shute</i>	Myrtle Raymond	121-22-133rd Street, So. Ozone Park, L.I.	6
	<del>Leslie Seargeant</del>	<del>411 S. 2nd St. New York</del>	<del>11</del>
<i>Toddler set</i>	Peggy Seargeant	110 South Elliott Pl, Brooklyn, N.Y.	12
<i>Washette</i>	Florence Troia	118 Center Street, New York	7
<i>Pringle</i>	Mildred Troia	118 Center Street, New York	9
<i>Crayon</i>	Viola Troia	118 Center Street, New York	10½
<i>Gardening set</i>	Muriel Walker	3343 Webster Avenue, Bronx, New York	11
<i>Shoe set</i>			

Schneiderman  
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December 14, 1936

My dear Miss Cooperman:

Your letter adding one more name to the Christmas party list, was received after the package of gifts had gone to Miss Schneiderman. However, there were a dozen extra gifts enclosed, suitable for children of various ages, so that you can select one and mark it for Mary Depala. There were also extra sweaters ordered sent direct to Miss Schneiderman, one of which can be presented to Mary. I am sending her an invitation immediately, and hope she can come.

Very sincerely yours,

Malvina T. Scheider  
Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

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Miss Edythe Cooperman  
c/o New York Women's Trade  
Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

*Mrs  
Scheider*

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247 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
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December 8, 1936

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

Dear Mrs. Scheider:

We are taking the liberty of adding one more name to the list of children for the Christmas party on the 18th. It is a pitiful case. The little girl's father is blind and I know she would have no Christmas otherwise. Her name is Mary Depala, 920 Glenmore Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. She is 8 years old.

We do hope this addition will not inconvenience you. Would you be good enough to let us know if we may have the little girl? Thank you so much.

Sincerely yours,

*Edythe Cooperman*  
Edythe Cooperman  
secretary to  
Rose Schneiderman

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December 16, 1936

Dear Rose:

I am delighted that you feel you will clear \$6000 on the benefit. I think it is grand and I know you must have worked very hard. I enjoyed it very, very much.

There is a new medicine and I think the Presbyterian Hospital knows about it, in case your niece has any more difficulty.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

December 14, 1936

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

Dearest Eleanor:

First may I thank you most warmly and sincerely for honoring us with your presence last Wednesday night. You were a dear to come and we appreciate it most profoundly. You will be glad to know that we are almost sure that we will clear \$6000, the largest profit so far in the history of our yearly benefits. It feels grand to know that we have that money with which to begin the new year.

I do hope that Franklin's operation is not a serious one and that he will feel great relief afterwards. I have a little niece of nine who developed a sinus infection and has been in bed for two weeks with it. I wish our medical men would discover how to prevent sinus trouble. It seems to me most of us have bad sinuses more or less.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday.

With heart's best love to you until then,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

December 29, 1936

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Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

With the country as a whole in better condition, the League will start the New Year with high hopes and the determination to carry on its work for improving conditions of working women.

You and other civic-minded men and women have helped us immeasurably through the past years. We appeal to you to continue your support. When making up your budget for 1937 I hope you will again remember us by renewing your previous contribution of \$100.

*\$100 - 1937 -*

We will need the cooperation and help of all our friends in order to carry through our program of education, legislation and organization for the most depressed wage earning groups. We hope we may continue to enjoy your confidence and support.

With every good wish for the New Year,

Sincerely yours,

Rose Schneiderman  
President

P.S. Contributions to the League are tax-exempt.

December 29, 1936

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Dear Rose:

Many, many thanks for the very lovely stockings. It was sweet of you to think of me.

I hope your New Year will be a very happy one.

With every good wish,

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NYC

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February 1, 1937

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Dear Rose:

I am afraid that I could not ask Mr. Baruch anything more. He has done so much for me at Arthur Dale that I feel it would not be fair to make any more requests of him.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

*Am. in Act. Ind. date*

January 29, 1937

*Mr. B. don't know  
I don't feel I can  
anything else*

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

Dearest Eleanor:

A thousand thanks to you for your gift of \$100 to the League. I don't know what we would do without the help which you give so freely at all times.

We are as busy as can be working on trying to get the Child Labor Amendment ratified this year in New York State. We are co-operating with the New York Joint Committee for the Ratification of the Child Labor Amendment, of which Mary Dreier is Chairman and Dorothy Backer secretary-treasurer. We are also working on the new minimum wage bill and a hearing is to be held in Albany on February 4th, when we expect to have a delegation present.

In the organization field, we are working with the laundry workers again and this time it does seem as though some real progress is being made. We were able to get three different factions in the union together and we are all pulling for the same things right now. Then there are any number of other calls made upon us from day to day.

Our classes this year are very well attended and we are very happy about it. We have a new educational director, Miss Rebecca Jarvis, who is very able and knows her business. Last month we had a Panel Discussion on "Instruments of War and Peace" in which the students took part. They did very well -- I was really very pleasantly surprised on how well the students handled the situation. Next month the students will debate on craft unionism versus industrial unionism. Most of the students of course are for industrial unionism and those who are to handle the craft union subject are not so happy about it.

I am as busy as can be trying to make new finance contacts. Appointments are very difficult to get. I have for two years tried to get an appointment with Mr. Bernard Baruch and have as yet not been successful. Early December (1935) it looked as though I were going to see Mr. Baruch. He called me on the telephone, in response to my letter to him, saying that he was very busy then but I was to get in touch with him again. Since then I have called his secretary innumerable but never

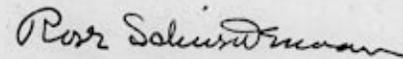
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have had the luck to get in direct contact with him. Have you any suggestions as to what to do about getting to see him? I shall appreciate it very much if you have.

I have just telegraphed Governor Murphy commending him on his splendid stand in refusing to use the troops to evict the sit down strikers and I have asked our affiliated unions to do likewise.

With a great deal of appreciation and all kinds of good wishes to you, I am,

Devotedly yours,



Rose Schneiderman  
President

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February 1, 1937

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Dear Rose:

Many thanks for your letter.  
I am terribly sorry to hear about Maud  
and do hope she will soon be out again.  
I have sent her a few flowers, which may  
cheer her a little.

Much love.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NYC

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Dearest Eleanor:*

247 Lexington Avenue  
New York

January 29, 1937

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It was lovely of you to invite Maud and me to dinner the other night, and both of us are more than grateful to you for including us in the party.

I was so glad to see how well the President looked. He looks much better and younger than any of the photographs make him out to be. It is always a joy of course to be with you. I thought the President's inauguration speech was excellent and I am so glad that I was there to hear him.

I am sorry to tell you that Maud is not well. She was taken to the New York Hospital yesterday morning and cannot see anybody. It is her heart. She has suffered for many years with terrific high blood pressure. Recently she has been able to keep that under control due to some injections that she was getting. Evidently her heart has been affected because of the high blood pressure. I am hoping of course that it isn't serious but at the same time I am just terrified at the idea of what may happen.

With deepest love to you darling,  
I am,

Devotedly yours, .

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman

February 10, 1937

Dear Rose:

A group of six girls, belonging to the Unemployed Union of Retail Store Employees, came to see me the other day. One was employed and the others were not. They want me to speak for them in the hopes of increasing their membership as they are trying very hard to get people and find it difficult to do so. They told me of conditions which are nothing short of disgraceful. However, I told them it was not my policy to speak to small groups unless I had been affiliated with them for a long time. I doubt if it would be wise for me to go to a meeting which they called but they said some of them went to classes at the Women's Trade Union League. It occurred to me if you are sufficiently interested and would care to call a meeting, I might go to it without stirring up too much newspaper comment and it might have exactly the same effect on the membership. I told the girls of this suggestion and said to talk it over with you, but I want you to think of it from the point of view of whether or not it would be good for the situation as a whole. You are so much better acquainted with the question than I am and I do not want to do anything which will be harmful.

I hope Maude is better.

Much love,

Miss Rose Schneiderman

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March 4, 1937

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Dear Rose:

Thank you very much for your letter. I know of the offer from the Commissioner and congratulate you and the Department.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Ave.  
NYC

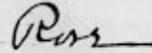


Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt - 2  
March 2, 1937

You were a perfect darling to come to the funeral. I know that if Maud were able to know that she would have been terribly pleased at the honor of having you there. I shall miss Maud terribly. We had been pals for 23 years and while we differed on a good many questions, we never allowed our differences to affect our friendship in any way. Maud was a unique human being -- the like of which will be hard to find. Her realistic outlook helped us many a time from going hay-wire. Her loss is an irreparable one.

With fondest love, I am,

Devotedly yours,



Rose Schneiderman  
President

TELEGRAM

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The White House  
Washington

MF New York, N.Y., 3:48 p.m. March 5, 1937.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
The White House.

After discussion with Department Store Committee have decided for League to sponsor to meeting such as outlined to you by the girls. What night in March preferably before Easter can you make it. Please wire.

Rose Scheiderman.

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March 29, 1937

Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt will be away on May 5 and cannot therefore accept the invitation to attend the Tenth Anniversary luncheon of the Women's American Ort. She asks that you express her regret to the committee.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
N.Y.

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*Left away*  
March 26th, 1937

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

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Several years ago you were kind enough to make an address at a dinner given by the Ort. On that occasion you expressed the sympathy of yourself and your honored husband in the constructive work of this movement.

The turn of events in Europe since then has more than justified the vision of the founders of the Ort 57 years ago. Ort now maintains over 300 training centers, teaching Jews trades and agriculture in the countries of Europe, where their position is so precarious. Through this training they become productive citizens of their country; or, if they emigrate, they go with a skill in hand, a better chance of welcome and a means by which to earn a living.

On May 5th the Women's American Ort is celebrating its Tenth Anniversary with a \$10 luncheon at the Hotel Astor. Lord and Lady Marley will be our guests. Lord Marley is Chairman of the British Parliamentary Council of Ort.

May we hope that you will honor us with your presence on that occasion and say a few words on the Resettlement Administration, which bears interesting resemblance to a phase of Ort work.

Sincerely yours,

*Emily M. Rosenstein*  
*Rebekah Kohut*  
*Rm Schneiderman*

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT REGULAR MEETING

WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE

MARCH 1, 1937

RESOLUTION ON THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL.

WHEREAS:

(1) The President of the United States has proposed that the number of Justices of the Supreme Court be increased by the number of incumbents who have reached the age of 70 years, and have not retired after having served for ten years; and

(2) We believe that the majority of the members of that court has fallen behind the needs of the times, has blocked progress and is now out of harmony with the urgent social and economic demands of the people,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

We heartily endorse the President's proposal and urge its immediate passage by Congress as the only immediately available method to make possible progressive legislation now imperatively needed.

April 20, 1937

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Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt says she will be very glad for you to use her name as Honorary Chairman of the concert to be given January 11, 1938. She has put down the date and hopes that she may be able to attend.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
New York Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

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247 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
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April 14, 1937

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

Dearest Eleanor:

The League Concert Committee met last week and decided to engage Melchior and Lotte Lehmann for the next benefit. Together they will cost \$3,000 -- the amount we paid Madame Flagstad. Mrs. Leach, I am happy to say, has again consented to be Chairman.

We are now turning to you once more with a plea that you again lend your name as Honorary Chairman for the concert. The concert will take place on the eleventh of January, 1938. The artists were not available for an earlier date. Mrs. Henry Morgenthau is very enthusiastic about our choice and believes we will sell out the house as we did for the Flagstad concert. Will you let us know, darling, whether you will accept so that we can go ahead and get the stationery printed?

*Yes  
Put down in  
Jan 21st 1937*

The decision of the Supreme Court was a delight to all our hearts. Nevertheless, one is terrified with the thought that if Mr. Roberts had not voted with the majority the decision might have been against us. We all believe that if it were not for the President's persistence on reforming the Supreme Court the answer would have been different, and so we hope that he will go ahead and make it impossible in the future for one man to hold the destiny of the entire nation in his hands.

Here I am at the State Department of Labor feeling very much at home because of my close relationship with the Department all these years and also because the work of the Department and administration of the labor law which we fought for is so closely related with the work of the League.

I know you are gyping and hope that the weatherman will be good to you and that you will enjoy the trip tremendously. With fondest regards, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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80 CENTRE ST., NEW YORK CITY

May 6th, 1937

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

Dearest Eleanor:-

First may I thank you for the League and for myself for your willingness to lend your name to the benefit concert which will take place in January 1938. We have great hopes of making a huge success of it.

For some time I have wanted to tell you how much I am enjoying your story in The Ladies Home Journal. It is most interesting and I am sure that everybody reading it enjoys it as much as I do.

I am so glad you had this lovely visit with Anna and the children. How happy they must have been to see you after these months of separation. Anna is a swell girl and I know that she is going to be one of our foremost women in time to come.

I am so excited about the broadcast next week. It is a great honor and privilege for me to share your time.

The Supreme Courts decision on the Wagner Law has given us new courage and enthusiasm to go on with the work of organization. The C.I.O. is making wonderful progress and no matter what the outcome is between the A.F. of L. and the C.I.O., terrific strides in trade union organization under either banner would bring more hope and happiness to countless thousands of working men and women.

I hope that you are not too tired and that there will soon be a let up of your many duties so that you can have some rest and quiet.

With deepest love to you, I am

Faithfully yours

*Rose*

RS:AP

*We are awfully pleased that Mrs. Leach was willing to be chairman for this year.*

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
c/o Mr. Henry Fruchter  
Rose Schneiderman Banquet Committee  
175 East Broadway  
New York, New York

May 18, 1937

I am so sorry not to be with you on this occasion and send you my every good wish for your future success and my affectionate greetings.

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Remember to send wire  
saying

I am so sorry not to  
write you on this occasion  
& send you my every good  
wish for <sup>your</sup> future success  
& my affectionate greetings

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May 18, 1937

Dear Rose:

I can speak for you on June 23 after my radio broadcast if you do not expect me to be on the radio and, of course, I would have to know what subject you want me to talk about.

Unfortunately, I will be away from the 20th to the 25th of this month except for Sunday, when I will have some of the Todhunter postgraduates to lunch. I wonder if you would like to join us with anyone you want to bring. It will be a picnic lunch at one o'clock.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Department of Labor  
80 Centre St.  
NYC

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ROSE SCHNEIDERMAN  
SECRETARY

STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
OFFICE OF THE  
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May 17th, 1937

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

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Dearest Eleanor:-

Would you be free some time towards the end of June to speak at a mass meeting of Department store workers which the League will sponsor? They have made fine headway during these last couple of months. Hearn's is entirely organized, as you may have seen in the newspapers, and they have also accomplished a good deal in the five and ten variety chains. Nothing as yet has happened in the Woolworth chain. If you cannot do it in June, can you make a date for early fall?

The League is having a board meeting in Washington beginning the 20th. The primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss our position in connection with the C.I.O. and the A.F. of L. controversy. It looks as though a showdown is almost here and what we should do is a problem. If we decide to stick by the A.F. of L. the New York League would lose its entire constituency. It is a parting of the ways and I hope that we will have enough wisdom amongst us to do what is right and what will help the progress of the League.

It was lovely to see you last week and to take part in your program. Your remarks on salaries for married women certainly stirred up a lot of discussion which I think is very good. A lot of people have told me how much they enjoyed the broadcast.

With fondest love to you and all kinds of good wishes,  
I am devotedly yours

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman

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May 26, 1937

Dear Rose:

I have thought over rather carefully your letter and the question of attending this meeting. I think perhaps it is best for me not to attend any meeting until the labor situation clarifies itself and there ceases to be internal conflict. I know internal conflicts have to come and imagine this was unavoidable but I think that probably it is better for me not to be involved in any of this dispute if I can help it.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Secretary of Labor  
Albany, N. Y.



ROSE SCHNEIDERMAN  
SECRETARY

STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY  
80 CENTRE ST., NEW YORK CITY

*Handwritten:*  
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May 24th, 1937

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

Dearest Eleanor:-

I am terribly sorry that I knew nothing about your letter which was received at my office on the 20th while I was in Washington. I know that I should have enjoyed tremendously having a picnic lunch with you and the Todhunter postgraduate students. I am sure that Pauline Newman and Agnes Nestor would have loved it had I known about it.

As to the meeting of salespeople, I must tell you the latest developments in that connection. The union here has voted to join the C.I.O. I feel you ought to know this before you commit yourself. As far as the League is concerned, due to the action taken last Saturday, we would not mind cooperating with them even though they are C.I.O., but perhaps you would feel you did not want to mix into this brawl. We had a most interesting meeting — C.I.O. taking up most of our time. I am enclosing a confidential copy of the memorandum regarding the action we took which will indicate the path we are taking. This may result in being thrown out on our ear here from central body and state federation of labor, but we cannot help that.

As soon as you let me know whether you want to go on with the arrangement, I am sure that June 23rd will be all right as far as the League and the union is concerned.

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Handwritten signature: Rose*

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National Women's Trade Union League  
Adopted May 22nd 1937

The first plank in The National Women's Trade Union League's platform has always been the organization of women into trade unions. The great majority of women are employed in the low-paid and mass production industries rarely touched by the standards secured for themselves by the established craft unions. For this reason The National Women's Trade Union League has advocated industrial organization as the only method of trade unionism that would really help the majority of women workers.

As early as 1907 our National President, Mrs. Raymond Robins, said, "The new form of association, recognized by nearly all organized workers, of bringing within their union every unskilled member affiliated with the trade, is not only the soundest economic position to maintain, but the only moral position possible."

As our experience with labor problems and the need for organizing women has developed with the years, the League has found no reason for changing its attitude. Wishing to find a constructive answer to difficulties that were arising, our General Secretary, Miss Elisabeth Christman, our delegate, suggested to the Convention of the A.F. of L. in 1933 that some structural change in the present trade union set up must be made. She suggested a functional organization of unions in industries which comprise a great number of occupations, and the establishment in the A.F. of L. of some agency that could map out general plans and policies for strengthening the united action of the regular craft unions and at the same time extending organization into those industries in which the present form of organization has not been successful.

Unfortunately for the unorganized working women this policy was not adopted. The situation that gave rise to this suggestion is now acute and the League is faced with the necessity for restating its position.

After serious consideration it is the decision of the National Executive Board that the League must be true to its purpose and act according to the principles it has always followed. The League will continue its efforts to organize women in all fields and to cooperate with those unions whose objectives are the same, but where the industrial

organization of women becomes impossible within the frame-work of the A.F. of L. (Resolution adopted by the 1936 convention) the Executive Board has decided that because the organization of women is the League's fundamental objective, the local leagues are free to extend their activities and to aid in the organization of women workers wherever opportunity offers.



ROSE SCHNEIDERMAN  
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May 27th, 1937  
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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dearest Eleanor:-

I am so delighted that you made a statement of equal pay for equal work that I just felt I had to write to you and tell you how grateful we all are for your going to the bat for the millions of women who would be affected by the new legislation. I do hope that in forwarding this legislation that we would use some of the experience that we had in the N.R.A. and not have to start formulating principles all over again. Personally, I feel that limiting the application of the law only to those who work in factories of more than twenty is bad because the majority of men and women work for small firms and they would resent terribly not profiting by the law. A lot of us have hoped that Social Security would be amended to take in the workers who are employed in factories where less than eight are employed and in this new wage bill we have raised the exemption rather than lowered it. In doing this, we are helping the most inefficient section of industry and are penalizing a great number of workers employed therein.

When are you likely to be in New York? I should like so much an opportunity of seeing you on a personal matter for about ten minutes.

I read your last night's article and just was amazed at the hardships which you went through on this last trip. Aren't you going to have a vacation now? It seems terrible for you to have no let down and to keep going all the time. If I were your doctor, I would prescribe a complete rest for the summer.

With fondest love, I am

Devotedly yours

*Roosevelt*

RS:AP

June 3, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MCINTYRE:

I am quoting from a letter received from Rose Schneiderman. Please see that the President reads this in case any change is considered in the Social Security Bill.

"I am so delighted that you made a statement of equal pay for equal work that I just felt I had to write to you and tell you how grateful we all are for your going to the bat for the millions of women who would be affected by the new legislation. I do hope that in forwarding this legislation that we would use some of the experience that we had in the N.R.A. and not have to start formulating principles all over again. Personally, I feel that limiting the application of the law only to those who work in factories of more than twenty is bad because the majority of men and women work for small firms and they would resent terribly not profiting by the law. A lot of us have hoped that Social Security would be amended to take in the workers who are employed in factories where less than eight are employed and in this new wage bill we have raised the exemption rather than lowered it. In doing this, we are helping the most inefficient section of industry and are penalizing a great number of workers employed therein."

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August 6th, 1937

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Hyde Park  
New York

Dearest Eleanor:

We are terribly concerned about the action taken at the Convention of the Business and Professional Women, namely, to support the Equal Rights Amendment. Frieda Miller, Dorothy Kenyon, Dorothy Straus have some ideas on how to counteract the influence of their action and I wonder whether I could see you and get your advise on this matter. I should be very glad indeed either to see you here, if you expect to be in town one of these days, or to come up to Hyde Park.

I had a lovely time at the wedding. Franklin and his young bride make a beautiful couple. It was good to see them so happy and joyous.

I read your column and so I know all the things that you are doing. I do hope that you are getting some rest as well.

There is good news about the laundry workers. First, they have affiliated themselves with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union. I had suggested that to them because of my concern of lack of leadership in their group and the desire to link them up with a going international union which has prestige and will give them the stability they need so much. They are signing up an agreement with the coat and apron supply laundries where there are 10,000 men and women involved. The agreement is an astonishing good one. The minimum for the girls is \$15.75 with a 45-hour week and all those receiving more than the minimum will get a 10% increase. In addition, the workers will get a week's vacation with pay, 3 days' sick leave a year (and in the event these three days are not taken advantage of, they are added to the vacation), an eleven months' guarantee of full time work, time and a half for overtime, closed shop, and 8 legal holidays. It seems miraculous, doesn't it, that we are finally on the way to establishing a strong and powerful organization in the laundry field.

With a membership of 15,000 they can now make a drive on the other laundries. They had a mass meeting to ratify the agreement at the Hippodrome the other night and the meeting was packed to the brim with only one day's notice having been given.

Now for some extraordinary good news of the League. Yesterday morning we received a check for \$5000 from the law firm of Root, Clark, Buckner and Ballentine saying that this was an anonymous gift from a client of theirs to the charitable and educational work of the League. What do you think of our good fortune? We were all so flabbergasted here and could hardly believe our eyes. It will be a nice little nest egg for next year in case we are deserted by some of our friends.

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Hoping to hear from you, I am, with fondest love,

Devotedly yours, .

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman,  
President.



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NEW YORK, August 20, 1937

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt  
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dearest Eleanor:

I had no idea that Frances Perkins' Department is in control of the visas. I thought it had to do with the State Department, therefore please don't bother writing Frances, because I will do that myself. I don't see why I should put you to that trouble.

Apropos of the action taken by the Business and Professional Women and our discussion on the Equal Rights Amendment, I am enclosing a speech which Dorothy Straus made early this Spring before the General Council of the National League of Women Voters. You will be interested in the problems raised in her speech.

I read the President's speech this week and it was splendid. I am so glad Congress is going to close finally, so that the President can get some rest.

With best love to you.

Affectionately,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman,  
Secretary.

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National League of Women Voters  
726 Jackson Place  
Washington, D. C.  
May, 1937

"Equal Rights Amendment" - Legal Chaos. Address of Miss Dorothy Straus before the General Council of the National League of Women Voters, May 5, 1937.

"And a boy can annul his marriage for lack of age if he married before eighteen, but a girl cannot unless she married before sixteen." Thus one of the ardent supporters of the Equal Rights Amendment illustrated the still existing inequalities between men and women under our laws which the Amendment has been proposed to correct. She also illustrated, though unintentionally, the confusion of thought which lies back of much of the argument in favor of this proposal, a confusion centering about the use of the term inequality. Every difference is not necessarily an inequality and a recognition in the law of biological and social differences does not necessarily constitute discrimination. As Judge Holmes said in the famous opinion in which he dissented from what was then the prevailing opinion of the United States Supreme Court on the unconstitutionality of a minimum wage law for women in the District of Columbia - "It will need more than the Nineteenth Amendment to convince me that there are no differences between man and women or that legislation cannot take those differences into account." The age of consent, to which the illustration above refers, was fixed in law upon the basis of a presumed biologic fact, that females mature earlier than males. The doctors and scientists have thus far not told us that the facts have changed; why then bedevil the law for not changing in this respect?

Conversely we have ample instances where the legal provisions are identical but the weight of custom and tradition have rendered them practically inoperative. Consider the legal right of women to equal representation in the political parties or to public office and then count the number of women compared with the number of men in both fields.

Though there is no such limitation in the language of the Amendment, the arguments for it have almost wholly confined themselves to the legal, statutory aspects of discrimination. Accepting this challenge I should like to point out that the confusion of thought which failed to differentiate between identity and inequality reappears in the actual wording of the proposal. "Men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction". Our government is a federation and each state a sovereign entity. The relations between individuals, more particularly between men and women, their status, their rights, privileges and duties towards each other and towards the body politic and social are matters which have heretofore been regarded as almost exclusively within the jurisdiction of these forty-eight independent sovereignties. As a result the laws regulating these relations differ from state to state. Nowhere does the amendment tell us whether the equality which is sought would be achieved by proper provisions within the borders of each state or can be attained only if there is absolute uniformity throughout the United States. To return to the age of consent, which differs not only as between the sexes but from state to state. Would a female in New Jersey, where the age of consent for a girl is now, alacki, twelve and for a boy, also alacki, fourteen, be enjoying the equality sought if the age limit for females were raised to fourteen, or would she still be suffering because in neighboring New York the age of consent is eighteen? This is but an illustration of the many problems that the language itself raises. In passing I might mention the differing laws as to residence, domicile, inheritance, dower and curtesy, abolished in some states, still existing in others, and community property.

Whether uniform laws throughout the United States are the objective or whether the states are to be permitted to keep their ancient prerogatives, it is difficult to picture the way in which Congress can exercise the power granted "to enforce this article by appropriate legislation." The rights

under discussion are matters of local and not federal concern. Is it proposed to inject Congress into a new field? A nice constitutional question about states' rights arises at once. Suppose however that were satisfactorily disposed of. Then Congress would be faced with the difficulty of determining a standard of equality. I can foresee that all the other business of the legislative branch of our federal government would come to a standstill while perspiring congressmen and exhausted senators sought a definition of equality that would satisfy the shrewdness of New England, the chivalry of the south, the practicality of our industrial centers, the breezy individuality of our plains and mountains, If, on the other hand, the local jurisdiction were to continue, who would be the policeman to see that the several states made the necessary changes in their laws? Congress cannot coerce the State legislatures, some of which meet only once in four years.

It is obvious from what I have said that the passage of the Amendment would raise quite a number of what we lawyers call "nice" questions. The United States Supreme Court would of course finally have to decide all of them. But just what might happen in the meantime is a little terrifying to contemplate. For example. If the Amendment forthwith abolishes all inequalities, as its language would seem to imply, we should not know whether women would get all the rights of men or men of women. We have what is known as protective legislation that attempts to compensate for the differential in women's earning capacities as they actually and as a matter of practical economics now exist. The Supreme Court has thus far ruled similar provisions for men and unconstitutional so presumably the existing statutes would be abrogated. The Supreme Court has not yet ruled on support laws, for instance. Would all husbands be entitled to support from their wives or all wives be deprived of the support of their husbands? A man is entitled to the services of his wife in the home. Will he be compelled to assist in dishwashing after a hard day at the office? Perhaps he won't have to go to the office; he can make his wife support him. Think too of what might happen to mother's pensions and maternity

and infancy laws while litigation proceeded merrily if not rapidly. It is conceivable that in states where dower and curtesy still exist or community property has been established, no real estate interests could be transferred until the lawyers and title companies had satisfied themselves that women had obtained curtesy and men dower rights or both both or both neither.

Though this has been lightly put, the implications are serious. The mere fact that the proposed Amendment raises all these questions in our minds and that no satisfactory answers to any of them have yet been given by those who seek to have it passed should give us pause. More than that, I think it should lead us actively to oppose it. There are other and better ways to achieve the genuine equality we all want, ways that will not create a whole new set of problems and technical difficulties. They may seem slower; they are really direct because they are based on facts and not on theories, because they are pointed towards a specific wrong and through that to a whole tradition. A tradition cannot be fought with words in print; it must be altered bit by bit by a new orientation to living expressed in the every day dealings of ordinary men and women. You and I can achieve more to do away with discrimination by unconcernedly going about the business of our choice day by day and as a matter of course than all our revered and respected members of Congress with their most solemn language.

Dated, June 7th, 1937.

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Director

August 25, 1937

Dear Rose:

I am enclosing the letter *See*  
which I received from Frances Perkins *←*  
together with the information she wants  
you to have. I hope this will soon be  
worked out satisfactorily.

Affectionately,

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*Asst*  
*8/12/37*

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NEW YORK, August 16, 1937

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt  
Hyde Park, N.Y.

Dearest Eleanor:

A cousin of mine is very anxious to bring her mother here from Poland. For two years now the matter has been up before the Consul General at Warsaw, and finally she received a communication last week that the Consul does not feel that the husband earns enough in order to safeguard her mother from becoming a public charge. Comparitively speaking, her husband is well-off, when we consider that the income of 42% of the families in the United States is less than \$1500. a year. He is a butcher and works steadily all year round and gets \$45. a week, in addition of course, all the meat that the family needs. (They have two children.) They have a very nice apartment in Brooklyn and his wife is a good housekeeper. They get along very nicely and are able to have a little money in the bank.

The plight of the mother in Poland as you may realize is terrifying. She is all alone and the only two children she has are here, this daughter and son. Her son is a veteran of the World War. Unfortunately, he is a shoe worker and hasn't very much work and therefore he has not intergeded himself into the picture. I feel quite certain that the old lady, being close to 70, for the few remaining years of her life, will have a good home with her daughter and would not become a public charge, unless something very serious were to happen and then of course, there are other relatives that would help.

I am turning to you in this situation because I know of nobody in the State Department to whom to go to. Have you any suggestions to make as to whom I should go to in this matter? My cousin is sick with anguish and worry over what is likely to happen to her mother, should she be unable to bring her here. I do so want to help her somehow.

Thank you so much for the statement in your column. It was just swell.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt

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August 16, 1937

Mary Anderson will be here this Thursday, and a group of us are going to lunch with her to discuss plans of action in preparation for Congress when it reconvenes in December.

We are delighted with Senator Black's appointment as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and hope very much that the Senate will O.K. the appointment. I have written to the President, commending him on his action and also wrote to Senator Black.

It was lovely to see you in your new cottage and to get a glimpse of Marian and Nancy. My best love to you dearest. Do forgive me for adding to your already heavy burdens.

Devotedly yours,



Rose Schneiderman,  
Secretary.

RS:AG

September 20, 1937

Dear Rose:

Many thanks for your letter and for  
your thought of John.

I believe they have reached a better  
understanding with Mr. Lewis.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Secretary of Labor  
80 Centre Street  
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NEW YORK OFFICE, 80 CENTRE STREET

NEW YORK, September 14, 1937

*Dear Rose*  
*Thanks*  
*I think they seem*  
*reassured a little*  
*understanding*  
*Ed*

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt  
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dearest Eleanor:

In this morning's Times, I read about John's engagement. May I offer my very sincere congratulations and best wishes. I realize all too well how the years are passing when I think of John being engaged. He was just a little boy in 1925 when Maud and I vacationed with you in Camp Bello. I do hope he will be very happy indeed.

I am so distressed over John Lewis' pre-Labor Day speech, I can not begin to tell you. It is hard for me to understand how he can have it in his heart to go after the President the way he did. I am sure that he in no way represents the feeling of the great mass of the labor movement and the working people at large. Surely, when one has served the interests of Labor the way the President has done throughout his administration, one should overlook a chance remark such as the President made. I am afraid our good brother is too impetuous.

May I thank you a thousand times for forwarding my letter to Frances Perkins, dealing with the immigration case of my cousin. I received immediately a petition applying for preferential treatment which citizens can use in bringing their immediate family to this country. I hope the petition will be granted and that the Consul at Warsaw will be a little more human than he has been these past two years.

With all kinds of love to you,

Devotedly,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman,  
Secretary.

October 11, 1937

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Dear Rose:

Would Saturday December 18, or  
Monday the 20th, be all right for the usual  
Christmas tree party? I could have it at  
four on either day.

Please let me know, and send me  
the names as soon as you can so I can get  
the things ordered.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Ave.  
New York, N. Y.

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October 13, 1937

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Dear Rose:

It was sweet of you to remember my birthday and to send me a telegram, and I did greatly appreciate it.

I had a very happy day although it was a busy one.

Much love to you,

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

TELEGRAM

60WUC 20 6:35pm

The White House  
Washington

PG New York, N.Y., Oct. 11, 1937.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
The White House.

Heartiest congratulations on your birthday. America is a  
wiser and more kindly nation because of you. Much love.

*W* Rose Schneiderman.

*247 Livingston Ave.*

*Thank!*

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*File*  
October 14, 1937

Dear Rose:

Mrs. Roosevelt asked me to thank you for sending her the notice of the concert committee meeting and to tell you that she will try to be with you on October 19.

Affectionately,

Secretary to  
Mrs. Roosevelt

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York  
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NEW YORK WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE  
247 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
NEW YORK

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DOROTHY SCHIFF BACKER, TREASURER  
ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

October 8, 1937

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

*U.K.*

Dearest Eleanor:

Enclosed is a notice of the first concert committee meeting of the Fall. It occurs to me that since you are to be East for the Jersey League's dinner on the nineteenth, and may be planning to be in New York early in the day, perhaps you could spare the time to come to the meeting. We would be glad and proud to have you.

With much love to you always darling --

Devotedly yours,

Rose Schneiderman  
President

Women's Trade Union League, 247 Lexington Avenue, New York

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONCERT COMMITTEE:

Will you come to a meeting of the Concert Committee on

Tuesday, October 19th, 11:30 A.M. at the League House  
247 Lexington Avenue

I would appreciate it very much if you will reserve this  
date for us and so indicate on the attached return postal  
card.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Henry Goddard Leach)  
Chairman, Committee on Arrangements

I will  
I cannot attend the Concert Committee meeting to

be held on Tuesday, October 19th, 11:30 a.m. at the  
Women's Trade Union League, 247 Lexington Avenue.

Name

Address

Telephone

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Women's Trade Union League  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York

October 26, 1937

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Dear Rose:

I am planning as you know, to have the Christmas party on Monday, December 20th, at 4 o'clock and would like the names of the children just as soon as you can get them to me.

Will you order the ice cream and cake and the Christmas tree and any extra ornaments and have them all at 247 Lexington Avenue on Saturday, the 18th, and I will be in at 2 o'clock to dress the tree?

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

Affectionately,

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November 4, 1937

Dear Rose:

If you can get the toys for the Christmas Party at the Women's Trade Union League I will be delighted.

I will see you when I am back in New York.

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NYC

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ANYA F. SMITH, SECRETARY

*If she can get  
top for it. etc. I'll be  
delighted to help.  
will see her  
w/ me*

October 22, 1937

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Hyde Park  
New York

*I bet how  
you were away*

Dearest Eleanor:

I wonder whether it would be possible for you to give me five or ten minutes some time next week.

I am leaving for Washington to attend Frances Perkins' conference on legislation Sunday evening, the 24th, and will be there very likely until the 27th. I will be staying at the Hay-Addams. If you are to be in Washington during Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, I could of course see you there. If not, should you be in New York during the latter part of next week, I will be awfully grateful for an opportunity to discuss a matter of importance with you.

By the way, the Doll and Toy Workers' Union wants to make a contribution of toys to you for the purpose of distributing them to a charitable organization. When I see you, I should like also to discuss this matter with you.

It was lovely seeing you at the dinner the other night. Your appeal for the League should have good results. I am sorry it was so late. I am sure you were terribly tired.

Fondest love to you.

Devotedly yours,

*Rose Schneiderman*

Rose Schneiderman  
President

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December 9, 1937

Dear Rose:

I will have toys sent for the boys as I have enough here.

I am so glad that the concert is going well and I am terribly sorry that I won't be able to be there.

I will be at the Trade Union League Club House between 2:00 and 2:30 on the 18th. I think everything has been ordered and arranged, and the invitations will go out today.

Affectionately,

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Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Secretary of Labor  
80 Centre Street  
NYC



ROSE SCHNEIDERMAN  
SECRETARY

STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY  
80 CENTRE ST., NEW YORK CITY

December 6, 1937

*Have you left the small  
check by the book to  
send it out  
now.*

Dearest Eleanor:

The dolls from the Doll and Toy Workers Union have arrived at the League, but I understand there are no other toys, so that you will have to buy some for the male group of the party.

You will be glad to know that the concert is doing very well so far. We have sold 24 lower tier boxes, and 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  upper tier boxes, 213 tickets at \$7.50 and 195 at \$5.00. These sales are direct from the League, not counting the box office. Since there are 900 seats in the orchestra, we have sold pretty near half. We still have four weeks to go before the concert and I am quite certain that we will be able to sell out completely. If we don't sell the remainder of the boxes, we will sell individual seats.

I hope you have had a chance to rest up from what must have been a very fatiguing trip. In reading your column, it seemed as though you were making one night stands and a lot of traveling, which left very little time for rest. So sorry the President is still suffering from a sore jaw, and has had to curtail his vacation, which I am sure he needed very much.

At 2:30 this afternoon, the Laundry Wage Board will be sworn in. Frieda Miller has prepared a wonderful study on the cost of living in the State of New York. These findings are to guide the Board on setting a rate for the laundry industry.

I will look forward to seeing you Saturday afternoon, the 18th. Would you mind telling me what hour you expect to be at the League. I want to be there with you.

*2:30*

With fondest love, I am,

Devotedly yours,

*Rose*

Rose Schneiderman.

RS:G

December 31, 1937

Dear Rose:

How dear of you to send me such a lovely pair of gloves. I am more than delighted to have them.

Although I was very sorry to leave my family here in Washington, I am glad that I went out to be with Anna. She is getting along splendidly and I am not the least concerned about her, but there were a good many things which I could do to help. We all had a jolly Christmas together.

With many thanks to you, and every good wish, I am

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
247 Lexington Avenue  
NYC

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December 31, 1937

Dear Rose:

I am terribly sorry that I cannot go to the Band School on January 31, but, unfortunately, life in Washington is so busy I am not able to make any more engagements than I already have.

I will write a letter to Mr. Ravitch about the toys.

With every good wish for the New Year,  
I am

Affectionately,

Miss Rose Schneiderman  
Department of Labor  
NYC

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See Mr. A. Kavitch



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NEW YORK CITY

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December 28, 1937

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

Dearest Eleanor:

The Rand School has asked me to write you and urge you to accept their invitation to open their course on "Peace Education: Materials and Methods" beginning Monday evening, January 31, 1938. I told the Rand School how I hated to bother you because I know of the tremendous calls made upon you and I am unwilling to add to the heavy burden that you already carry. However, this course seems very worthwhile and is going to be given by outstanding educators and your appearance in connection with them will, of course, aid the project. It would be very nice indeed if you can see your way of helping them.

I was deeply concerned over the trip you took to Seattle and am glad that you got there safely and that you found Anna on the road to recovery. I can well imagine the joy and delight of the children to see their beloved grandmother and Anna's pleasure in having you there. But Oh! darling, don't take such risks as flying in winter weather. It would be too terrible to lose you.

*Write to her*

The secretary's name of the Doll and Toy Workers Union is Mr. A. Ravitch, 161 Lafayette Street, New York City. I am sure they will be happy to have a word from you.

With hearts best wishes for a happy New Year to you and the President and all your loved ones, I am

Devotedly yours,

*Rose S.*

Rose Schneiderman

RS:KD