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Dear Hugh Gaffney:-

I have your letter of January sixteenth and I suggest you try to visualize for yourself what life is like for business men and farmers and workers in Germany and Italy today. Their actual breathing and sleeping is by permission. Add to that the fact that they are pushing their form of government all over the world and you have the answer that if the United States does not encourage other democracies to work for democracy, it is possible to visualize our being completely surrounded by non-democracies.

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If the above seems far-fetched, who would have guessed in January, 1933, that Germany could make itself practically the economic and military master of the whole of Europe in less than six years? That type of government is, as you know, anti-religious, and when they get through with the Jews — worth four or five billion dollars to them — they will start next on the property of the Catholics and Protestants.

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With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

[Grace B. Tully]

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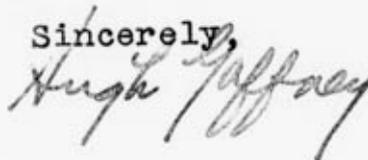
Greetings Alice Tully:

You are a very busy lady so we will make this a very brief note.

I followed along on Mr. Roosevelt's various programs ever since he entered office and felt that I understood his basic reasons. I am now one of the many who are wondering why he is so busy attacking the Germans. As I would like to continue to be sympathetic with his objectives, perhaps you can tell me of some article which justifies his aggressiveness. It might interest you to know that I eat lunch with a group of about twenty five men at the Advertising Club. Like most clubs, the majority of the members are anti-New Dealers, but there were five gentlemen who held their ground up to the last few weeks. All but yours truly have now deserted the ranks as a result of the President's extraordinary discourses on Germany and Italy, along with the carry-over reaction to his talks against Japan.

Perhaps I can keep the faith myself and also get the others back into the fold if you can tell me where the President is headed, and why.

Sincerely,



Miss Alice Tully  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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January 23, 1939

Dear Grace Tully:

I greatly appreciate your detailed reply of the 20th to my query of the 16th.

I more or less memorized the text of your letter and tried it on my luncheon group today. I would like to report success, but there was an immediate chorus to the effect that once before we tried saving the world for "Democracy", and that the pay-off was not very encouraging.

I think you will understand that in reporting to you in this vein my mood is not one of criticism, but rather that of a rooter for the Administration who wants to understand and promote the objectives of the White House.

And here's a less ponderous note, although it does contain a word of warning. I expect to be driving through Washington on the way to Florida about February 6. I hope to avail myself of the long-standing invitation to phone you and bring myself up to date on the Tully family, including your Brother in the Cloth, and your charming mama.

Sincerely,  
*Hugh Gaffney*

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