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Dear Sam-

This week

You and the

Smith family

Richard.

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Dear Felix:

Greetings to you on the birthday of
your May Day.

Listening last evening to the President's
great speech, it occurred to me how lucky
we are that it should fall to us to be alive
during this brief atom of time to witness this
changing of the scenery on the human stage
between Acto I and II.

Of course there is a lot of noise and dust and
confusion — a great contrast to the smoothly
operating drama. We have just seen witnessing
our comfortable seats in the front row — bleached
white trousers, and we must admit getting
a bit borsome toward the end of the Act.
Now we see behind the scenes, are getting at
the truth of the matter, can understand the
causes of some of these illusions.

We are also looking forward to the next Act
and three gu (we don't think)
too late in getting started, so that we can
see at least the beginning of it before we
have to cease to catch the 11:30 home.

Reporting to the Nazarene, I have an
idea that, if his consciousness still survives
somewhere (which I hope it does), but to say
the evidence to that effect is so far disprove
he must be saying to himself, "Kloey
원, these birds are beginning to act as
though they really understand. What I was
driving at in those remarks I made around
1200 years ago. So to it boys. Peace on
From holdings at the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, it is to work on

good will toward men. You will be surprised to find what
you can accomplish along that line if you really try."

Happy New Year

Faithfully,

March 25, 1943

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P.S. The enclosed is a great improvement. Hope Helen Alford
had a hand in the change.
This is a message of reassurance and clarification to all those who have been disturbed by the report of Breckinridge Long, Assistant Secretary of State, made in a closed session of the House Foreign Affairs Committee which is holding hearings on the Resolution recommending the President to create a special commission to save the surviving Jewish people of Europe. This report has been interpreted as a move to kill or suspend the rescue resolution.

We are dedicated to the task of saving the Jewish people of Europe from annihilation at the hands of Nazi Germany. We do not share the fears that the report released by Representative Sol Bloom (Democrat of the House Foreign Affairs Committee) will have this effect. First, because we refuse to believe that it is the intention of anyone in the State Department to stand in the way of putting an end to the martyrdom of the Jewish people. And what is more important, because we know that an aroused and united American public wants the Resolution passed. We are confident that it will be passed.

JEWISH DISASTER NOT A REFUGE PROBLEM

Mr. Long's report, however, is likely to befog the issue and to cause confusion in the minds of many people. Therefore some clarification is necessary.

Mr. Long's statement contained some interesting statistics on the activities and endeavors of the State Department to alleviate the plight of refugees during the past decade. But this has nothing to do with the Jews who are facing death now in Hitler's Europe.

The Baldwin-Rogers Resolution is not concerned with refugees—those comparatively lucky people who have escaped death. For these refugees there exists the Intergovernmental Committee under the control of the United Nations, such as Turkey, Greece, Palestine, and North Africa, as well as those countries in Europe, which can absorb vast numbers of the people now trapped in the ghastly ghettos and execution camps of Poland.

IRRELEVANT STATISTICS

But Mr. Long's statistics are incorrect. He has included in his figure of 800,000 refugees, admitted to this country since 1933, first, 1,778,465 aliens who were resident in the United States of America and who returned to this country after traveling or visiting abroad; also 112,989 immigrants from "non-quota" countries like Canada, Mexico, and the nations of Central and South America; also other similar categories of "non-quota" immigrants, like professors, ministers, etc.

Mr. Long's statistics are incomplete for they do not show that while in the ten and a half years between January 1, 1933, and June 30, 1943, only 476,930 immigrants out of the acceded quota of 1,600,000, were admitted to this country, and only 243,965 persons permanently left the United States. They do not show that since the war, when the need for refugees became desperate, less than 100,000 refugees were admitted to this country, and of course not all of them were Jews.

But the decisive fact remains that all these statistics are irrelevant to the Baldwin-Rogers Resolution. For the sake of thousands of human lives these arguments must not be raised to belittle the issue, to spread confusion and doubt.

THIS RESOLUTION MUST PASS

Because—this will prove that the slaughter of an entire people is no longer ignored by the United Nations; that at long last the Jewish disaster has received consideration from America, the leader of the United Nations.

Because—it will hearten and strengthen the tortured millions of men, women and children in the ghastly ghettos of Poland and the Balkans; it will offer them the hope of escape to safety.

Because—it will inform the world that the time when the United Nations were weak and humiliated and impotent has passed; that the satellite countries of Europe, fearful of the advance of our American armies, must seek grace from the democratic nations against the day of reckoning, and must therefore cease to participate in Hitler's barbarous program of annihilation.

But what has held up action?

President Roosevelt answered this when he declared that "The heart is in the right place, but it is a question of ways and means."

Now this Congressional resolution seeks to provide the ways and means. Nothing has been done to save the Jews of Europe because the machinery for action did not exist. Nothing will be done so long as this machinery is lacking.

Confusion and distortion must be brushed aside. The people of America demand action.

You must raise your voice. You too must stand up and be counted.

Let Congress know that the American people join us in the fight to save the surviving Jews of Europe—a cause which represents not only human lives but is also a test case of humanity and civilization.