Griffin, Katherine and Hancock
Katy told me the story about "debutante Mary". I wonder if I shall regard her in the future with different eyes. Poor Lang!

Don't let Congress get you down. The country is behind you, not Congress. So keep up the good work.

Sincerely yours,

Hancock Griffin

Hancock Griffin

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Dear Mr. President,

It was a pleasure indeed to have the glimpse of you last Friday night and Saturday morning and see you looking so well.

Katy and I enjoyed our visit with you and Eleanor as we always do, and I only wish I could be working for and with you in Washington. If I continue to improve in health as I have in the last two years this may be realized before your term expires.

Albany, NY, June 17th, 1937

[Signature]
Dear Grandpa:

Your fine picture has just been sent over from Albany and I am delighted to have it. As soon as it is properly framed, it will look down from the stone masterpiece upon any Republicans who dare come to see us and show them that is a real Democratic Stronghold!! Beside, it will be one of Eleanor so you see we are well fixed! It is heavenly here and
I only wish you had some of the cool breezes in Washington that we have. We came up the 9th, the day after Sally (our youngest) graduated "cum laude" from St. Agnes School and divided all the prizes with the youngest Taup نقلا. I never knew before we had so many hairs.

Hancock is still chuckling over the story you told me which I related to him. He sends his best and says he hopes you beat up Congress soon.

Thank you many
Many, many triés for sending me the photograph; it means a lot to me to have it.
Best luck and I do hope I'll see you before too long - much love as always.

Katharine H. W. Griffin

R.7. D2
Ellsworth Maine
June 17th 1937
The Griffis be so sunk.
We loved our visit in the
White House - and going to
your Press Conference was
something I shall never forget.
It was most impressive the
way you handled everything.
Of course as I've told you -
before we are so thankful that
you are the one to care for
this country - and you know
we are all behind pushing
and wishing we were if much
use.

It's always an inspiration
and joy to see you - "old crowd."
Best for as always
Kate - Maurie Griffin

Dear Grandfather -

You certainly gave
this granddaughter a most
wonderful and delightful
time seeing you in the
White House. Dr. I do want
you to know how great.
It was enjoyed and appreciated

Thank you very much
and also for your photograph
which I am proud to have.

Hancock says next time you
have one taken he thinks
he should have one -

not let the female side of
October 29, 1943

Dear Kate—

It is mighty good to get your letter. I sure am surprised that anybody should spend the Winter in Bar Harbor. I thought that it just wasn't done, you know!

It being "off season," I think that among my old society friends I could find several people who would rent you their palaces for a very low figure — possibly as low as $1,000 a month.

Years ago there were two Democrats in Bar Harbor — Dave Washen Morris and Uncle Henry Morgenthal. When they go to Heaven they will sit next to St. Anthony, for both have resisted temptation. The only thing I know to do with Bar Harbor is to burn it down. That is the only way to cleanse it.

Your children are amazing. It is only three or four months ago that you only had one grandchild and now you have four. Is it all legal?

I do wish we could see you all. Be sure to let me know ahead of time if there is any chance of your coming to this den of vice and iniquity!
I am still at it but I am beginning to show definite homicidal tendencies!

Affectionately,

Mrs. Hancock Griffin,
2 Oliver Street,
Bar Harbor,
Maine.
Dear Grandfather,

It seems as though it would be some time before I have the pleasure of seeing you dear self, as we are spending the winter in Bar Harbor—and that is not so near Washington as it might be. I had hoped to write [Blank] and ask if we could stop for a night to see you two dear people on our way to [Blank].
North Carolina, where we had planned to spend a month with Betsy as her husband, now a Major, is training at Fort Bragg. But after much discussion we decided to stay in Maine and have a very comfortable little house in Pemaquid not far from the baseball field. Sally is going to Fayetteville by train for a month with Betsy upon her return here has a job at the naval base - I think will enjoy life between work as there are a number of attractive naval officers here and more out
at the new airport where K's husband, Dick Henrick is stationed. They live in
Ray Harbor which makes it nice for us to have even one grandchild within
reach.

The night we moved in Langdon came from Hallowell where he had been
wearing several days. It was fine
to see him.

Enclosed a picture you might be amused
by - I suppose by now Dale must be a
baby smooth puff - & have four "War days"
with us - they belong to the children in
the Service, who can't have them, so
Hank Jr. I keep them for the duration.

Did I tell you we have four grandchildren?
Hank Jr. who is training at Delaware has
two daughters! Great life, isn't it?

Reason trip was thrilling and when we saw
the news reel of it you should have heard
the applause. I do wish I could see you
two d расс and listen to so much!

Take care of your very dear self
Best love always
Your devoted grandchild

2 Alice Street
San Harbo

October 24, 1943

Dearest Kate:

It is grand to get your note and to know (a) that you are expecting a complete flock of grandchildren and (b) that the Democratic Party in Bar Harbor is increasing. As someone remarked to me the other day "if you keep on running often enough, you will carry Maine and Vermont". There are, however, limits to continuance in this somewhat hectic job.

I do hope that you and Hank will get down to New York or Washington this Fall. If it is only the former, do run up to Hyde Park some day for luncheon.

Take care of yourself.

Always affectionately,

Mrs. Hancock Griffin,
R.P.D. 2,
Ellsworth, Maine.
Dear Grandfather —

Having wasted time listening to the Boy wonder why his speech of acceptance in Chicago, I feel compelled to write and beg you to please get busy and squash that inimical little puff — just think of him as a Jap or a German and exterminate. You know the song “I have done it before — and I can do it again.” So do save the country from him this kind and move him early.
in way and I beg to report that when we left Bar Harbor we had rounded up twenty-eight pro Roosevelt Democrats as against fourteen last October. So you see if we return to Bar Harbor for next Winter we can continue. If Harold Dubord were eliminated as Democratic State Chairman we would have more chance as he is no good.

It seems much too long a time since we have seen you. I loans and I look back upon our delightful
visits at the White House with the greatest pleasure - If we should get to New York in the fall perhaps we could see you - but somehow I expect the chances are we shall stay in Maine. Betty G. her two year old son are in this house near us - Bill is overseas. Betty expects another baby in November. It is to have one in September. Fran'sek's wife one in August so you see things are trying hard to catch up with you and Eleanor. Hank Jr. is personnel officer also training at the Army school in Hollywood Beach, Florida, and is now a full lieutenant. The war news is certainly wonderful. How I should love to have an evening listening to you tell about all the things we don't hear about.

Take care of yourself very dear self. As you know you are pronounced in Chief at will go well with the Country. Hank sends his best. Best to you always.

Your devoted grandchild!

Kate Griffin

P. S.
Ellsworth, Maine
June 295 1944
Dear Miss Tully—

After listening to that wonderful little symphony last night I thought it time to write the BOSS. So here goes: will you please give him the shoveling—Henry will do it.

Cordially yours,

Katharine D.T. Saffren

P.S. D2

Edmond Hanin

June 29th, 1944
Dear Grandfather,

I was glad to get your letter. I agree with you about Bar Harbor but want you to know that still living in this place of sun, its mild influence of quiet and ruggedness suits us just fine!

We are still thoroughly behind you in your battle with the fumes of 20th.

And to get down to brass tacks we send our best love and many happy returns of the 30's, and may this coming
Dear Mrs. Tully,

Sally greatly enjoyed seeing you when she was at the White House; you were a charm to show her about. She had never before seen the office and the working part of the President's life.

Will you please give Mr. Taft the enclosed? Mr. Taft and I are still really enjoying being in Maine and its surroundings. It seems very far away from the interesting things that are taking place.

Sincerely,

Katharine McSuffin

2 Oliver Street
San Francisco
Jan. 29, 1944

Some time one feels as though one were watching a play too far off to take a part. It is lovely after a heavy snow storm, and so far we have only had two bad ones—

Thank you for all your many kindnesses. I do hope before very long we shall again have the pleasure of seeing you.

Most cordially,

Katharine McSuffin
October 24, 1944.

Dearest Kate:

That is a grand letter and it has given me lots of fun.

I know of worse winter resorts than Bar Harbor -- so let me know how things go from time to time.

When this dirty campaign is over I am going to be fumigated myself. Tell that to the garage man. A very long experience leads me to believe that Democrats are naturally clean.

Affectionately,

Mrs. Hancock Griffin,
R.F.D. #2,
Ellsworth,
Maine.
Dearest Grandpa -

We are so thankful for your fine victory. You are as always magnificent. You know to some people you are the "Commander-in-Chief" to others "the Champ" but to me you are not only both of these and my dear "Grandpa" also. But you represent to me the "United States of America" - all that is quiet and decent. And with you in the White House nothing can go wrong with it.
country.

I'd so love to see you again and give you a hug when all about everyone and tell you how wonderful it was to hear you speak over the radio. But as I am still firing outside the lines, I send heartiest congratulations. Take care of yourself, dear self — best luck and keep dear! Love always.

Kate.

116 West Street
Bar Harbor, Maine
November 8th, 1944.
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Dear Mrs. Tully,

Is it wonderful? But I did so hope Marine would get back in this election once more. Anyway in the little town we both are there now. There have been only Griffin votes in the Democratic side — this time for the President there were twenty right beside the Griffin vote. So you see we have worked hard — will you please give the endorsement to the President. Thank you a lot. Cordially yours,

R. upright Mrs. Katherine H. H. Griffin
Dear Grandfather:

It's a long time since I have written you and since my last letter I believe I have gained two new granddaughters. I thought it better to let you know that they were legitimate! Thanks to my wife had a third daughter and Katharine, her second child, a daughter to be called another Katharine Langdon. In November just about the time you are throwing the election, Betsy is to have another baby. And speaking of elections—remember the Harvard football team is always certain they will.
It's Yale -- but sometimes Yale pulls a dirty trick -- n' wins! Nothing would be like that for us. Republican said to me:
'NATO is our tool, the President can lose the war, and the Peace, and certainly no one can imagine Churchill or Stalin discussing anything with Dewey. One of our Democratic friends, he thinks, Truman will resume the union, go for you in a big way -- if it does the Shipping will take full credit!
I do hate firing outside the U.S. and Hank, Sally n' I are working hard to get back.
I hate to think another winter will pass without seeing you, but
unless Hank has to see his heart specialist in Albany—while the war lasts we stay put, so we shall return to Bar Harbor and share a very nice comfortable house overlooking Frenchman Bay with Betty and her two children—as Bill is nears. Bar Harbor while a lovely place in summer with the shallows idle rich is a fine writers resort with enough nice people quite a few of whom are Democrats. The man who owns the garage where we keep our car—he is also a member of the state legislature—told me a funny story—a very rich summer visitor asked him what he and the other states did to kill twin all writers until the summer season came around again. He smiled and said "Madame, we fumigate!"

His always wonderful to hear your voice on the radio, to see you looking like a million in the warm weather—but it would be far nicer to be with you for a while down here and have a good talk.

Sally goes to New York soon (after voting) for a month's vacation from taking care of Bette's children—chopping wood and being the fried man. She will stay part of the time with Tony.

We are just back from a call on Fiorello.
conductor of the San Francisco Symphony orchestra. He conducted the Boston orchestra, the last one. He is a great admirer of yours and he told us in this amusing story. He runs Weekly in the summer and has a school for conductors. This year all his pupils were voting for you except one, so one evening there was a political discussion. This man after listening for some time greedily admitted, "He might vote for the President after all—but would he let me give him an extra lesson yesterday? I did not arrive, but wrote on a slip of paper—"I will vote for the President," and handed it to the man saying, 'When you sign it, this we will discuss your lesson.'"
Needless to say the paper was Ergined. 
Recently in the movies in Ben Harbor when Studly's picture was shown the people 
looked at whom he Started to give his Oklahoma 
Speech the audience shouted "Go tell them to 
the Movies."
This is a very long letter please forgive it. 
Remember it takes all good writing and 
much love. May you win in November with the greatest

R. H. D
Ellenwood, Kansas
October 15th, 1944.
Dear Miss Trout,

Will you please give it enclosed to the President? Thank you ever so much. I hope you've had a nice summer and a bit of rest somewhere. These months have been such busy ones, they fly by too quickly. It looks as though we shall be able to get to Washington this winter—unless to our regret—so back to Bar Harbor we won't until very late. However, we shall hope sometime soon after the Fourth term is going to
get down r see you once again.

Cordially yours,

Katherine H. Tufts.

R. f. D.

Edward, Maine.

October 15th, 1944.