THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

9/22/37
MEMO FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Frank G. Walker 'phoned this up.

Said he didn't want to bother you but sent it up for you — it came from two important sources this morning to him.

MHH
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

9/22 - F C Walker:
Restricted accounts 70% to 80% and percentage increasing.
U S Steel orders on books only for six weeks.
Inland Steel orders confined to one month.
Steel deliveries 50% higher than orders coming in.
Banking crowd not buying.
Capital Market gone stale.
January 16, 1936.

Dear Frank:-

Your letter of Christmas Eve touched me so deeply that I have read it several times and always put aside writing you until I could really tell you how much I appreciated it.

You know as instinctively what the problems of this modern era are as that all I can say is that I wish there were millions and millions like you. If you and I and others who think as we do could only cut through the tinsel and chaff which floats about and make people see that fine things lie beneath, the increasing difficulties you speak of would more quickly disappear.

The point of it all is that we are honestly trying to make a particular form of government, in which we believe, accomplish the ends of social justice in the widest and deepest sense of the words.

In any event, you and I know that even if we slip backward a step or two, we regain the loss and move a little further ahead before we take the next slide.

I do not need to tell you how happy I am not only in your friendship and understanding but in your splendid loyalty.
My love to Hallie and the children.

Affectionately,

H. M. Frank C. Walker,
1036 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.
Mr. President:

Often in these days when many have become bitter and hostile and others have learned and shifted, I have wanted to say to you some of the things that are in my heart. I just couldn't bring myself to do it in your presence or if it comes to you in this forma.
personal note for you and you alone.

With your wise guidance, and leadership, discouraged and unhappy people have become courageous and hopeful and you have laid a groundwork for still finer things for the generation to come.

I am quite convinced that a vast majority of our citizens and surely the record of history shall say of you "No President did more for his people."

And I am certain will have increasing difficulty in crowding out your well conceived program. Thank it will have the support of the great majority — not all of your early associates, but many more.
May I say it was genuine and sincere interest in the principles for which you stood that brought me close to you some years since.

I began with you. I propose to carry on under your leadership to the end. An unyielding, willing but with deep seated conviction. Would I were much to follow on in the right way. I trust you will accept this in the vein in which I write it.
and prayers of all of the
Walkers and from me the message
I give each weight to Holly and
the children—God love you.

Affectionately

Frank Dexter

Christmas in nineteen thirty-seven
In my library and on
Haller stationery.

You have always been
generous and kind to me
and made the duty of caring
on this made the more pleasant
Do know that I shall always
feel a deep sense of obligation
to you.

At this season of the
Year you have the love
September 18, 1935.

To: Miss Marguerite A. Le Hand.
From: Frank C. Walker.

In conformity with the wish of the President, I sent my promissory note for $3,024, payable to The Leader Company, Kingston, New York, to Mr. Ira V. D. Warren on August 25.

I called Mr. Warren on the telephone today concerning the telegram he sent to Steve Early. He told me to disregard it, but asked me to write a letter to Mr. Russell P. Clayton, State of New York National Bank, advising him of the facts. This I did. For the second time I consider this a closed matter and I do hope that they will not bother you with it again.

Frank C. Walker.
Dear Mr. President:

I hope you do not feel that I have been neglecting the Hyde Park matter. I have been in consultation almost continuously during the past month with twelve or fifteen of our friends, and without exception they all seem to have reached the conclusion that it will be the part of wisdom to postpone this matter until the fall. In view of the present business conditions I cannot well argue with them.

Hallie, the children and I leave for Bermuda today, to spend the Easter holidays. If it is agreeable with you I will get in touch with you upon my return.

Hallie joins me in sending best wishes for a happy Easter to you and yours.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

The President,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

P.S. I sincerely feel that the action on the Reorganization Bill is but a temporary set-back. I was much pleased with the tone of your note to Dan Rayburn, for, as you well know, I have always felt that you are at your best when you issue your ultimatum in firm and kindly tone. I am still with you. Most earnestly do I pray and hope that this will be your attitude on Thursday. In any event, I am with you.
List of prospective contributors to Hyde Park Library was sent to Frank Walker on Aug-6, 1939—Carbon copy of this list in Library folder—drawer 2-1939
November 3, 1939

Dear Mr. Ironsides:

In regard to the lists, the President suggests that the introducers of the Bill in each House and Senator Norris be included. Also, the Chairman of the two Committees; the Chairman of the Sub-Committees that will handle the funds; the Chairman of the Committee for the Park Service funds.

I am also sending you an additional list of local people to whom invitations and cards should be sent by the Committee. The New York State Librarian should be included.

Sincerely yours,

H. A. LeHAND
Private Secretary

Frederick Ironsides, Esq.,
c/o Frank C. Walker,
1800 Broadway,
New York, New York.

Enclosure
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
January 25, 1940

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Frank Walker phoned me at length this afternoon. He has just been out to Montana, then went to Minnesota, North Dakota, Illinois, Michigan, and ended up in Pennsylvania. He says everybody out here is for Franklin D. Roosevelt and nobody else. In Pennsylvania no name is mentioned in Democratic circles but F. D. R. and there is the strongest kind of opposition to Guffey -- the President might pull him thru but no one else could.

They wanted Frank Walker to run for National Committeeman but he will not run because he has only been a resident of Pa. for one year and thinks it would be bad taste for him to do so.

Reading between the lines in Jim Farley's speech, he thinks he was announcing that he, Farley, was not in favor of a third term and was for Farley himself.
The President of the United States
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I have your letter with reference to Clarence Dillon's contribution. I don't feel quite so enthusiastic about it. I had hoped he would do much better.

I am happy to learn that you are feeling better.

With affectionate good wishes,

Sincerely,

FRANK O. WALKER
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
August 29, 1935.

My dear Mr. Warren:

I am returning herewith promissory note as signed by Frank Walker.

Mr. Walker's status is such that the note will not require the endorsement of the President.

Sincerely yours,

STEPHEN B.
Assistant Secretary to the President

Mr. Ira Warren,
Kingston Daily Leader,
Kingston, New York.

Enclosure
Aug. 26, 33.

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt,
President of the United States,
Summer White House,
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dear President Roosevelt:

The enclosed note from Mr. Walker is OK with the bank, but needs your endorsement along with ours.

Always yours,

Secretary-Treasurer,
The Leader Company,
Kingston, N. Y.
August 25, 1933

Mr. Stephen Early
Assistant Secretary to the President
Poughkeepsie, New York

Dear Steve:

I got in touch with Mr. Ira V. D. Warren this morning, and in conformity with his suggestion, I personally executed the promissory note for three thousand twenty-four dollars ($3,024.00). I shall take this matter up with the President later and ascertain how it is to be handled. I hope this complies with the President's instructions.

Sincerely,

FRANK O. WALKER
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.,
August 22, 1933.

Memo. for Frank Walker:

Ira V. D. Warren called today at Hyde Park. At the request of the guard at the gate he called to see me at Poughkeepsie. He wanted to ask the President to renew a note which he gave during the campaign. He brought in two forms of notes, one on demand and one payable three months after date. Either one of these notes, Warren advises, will be acceptable to the bank which now holds the original note.

Warren says that he has been paying interest on the original note and has included the interest payments he has made in the principal of the renewal notes, $5,034.

The President asks me to send you these notes and have them negotiated as you deem best. The President is familiar with the transaction.

If you need further information regarding the history of this account, please communicate with Mr. Warren.

Your early attention will be appreciated, as Warren tells me the bank is pressing hard for the renewal.

Stephen Early,
Assistant Secretary to the President.

Hon. Frank Walker,
Treasury Dept.,
Washington, D. C.
Kansas:

You gave me this letter Sat., telling me to hold it until the note came in.

"I am returning herewith promissory note as signed by Frank Walker.

"The financial status of Mr. Walker is such that the notes do not require the endorsement of the President."

Would I write it that way now?"