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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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WASHINGTON

JAMES A. FARLEY
CHAIRMAN

May 28, 1935.

Miss Grace G. Tully,
2701 Connecticut Ave., Apt. 302,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Tully:

If you want to read a real
chain letter, here's one.

Sincerely,



JAF:SJM

There are so many people around today who can't spare a dime and who still would like to take an active part in the chain letter movement that i am suggesting a commodity chain letter so that all may participate.

All you need to start a commodity chain is a pound of something. Suppose you have a pound of limburger cheese in the house. You have been keeping it there trying to break your lease. You suddenly decide that you like your apartment and after all you will stay there. You have no use for the cheese. So start a commodity chain letter!

Write the names of five people you don't like on a piece of paper. Send your pound of limburger to the enemy heading the list. This person is instructed to send out five pounds of cheese to the others. In this way, for the cost of one pound of limburger, you are able to get even with all of your friends and incur the dislike of several postmen, at one fell swoop. As people keep adding the names of their enemies to your original chain, in a few weeks - providing the cheese is potent enough - everyone in the country will be even with everyone else and you, Mr. Farley, will think your whole establishment has turned out to be the dead letter office.

Here is a chain letter that will end chain letters in no time. Instead of a dime you are getting the same kick out of a scent.

It is a good ~~idea~~ ^{idea} to sign someone else's name to your original letter. Otherwise, when your signature moves up into the list of names and gets to the top, you will wake up some morning to find that you are now owner of 15,625 pounds of limburger cheese.

The only five people in the world today who can start a chain letter involving money and come out even are the Dionne quintuplets. The girls can write their five names and circulate one dime among themselves until the cows come home. As soon as the quintuplets see the cows they will cry for milk and the entire chain letter business will be forgotten, which it should have been in the first place.



Miss Grace G. Tully,
 2701 Connecticut Ave., Apt. 302,
 Washington, D. C.

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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING

WASHINGTON

JAMES A. FARLEY
CHAIRMAN

December 11, 1935.

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

Dear Grace:

I attach a copy of a letter received from a very distinguished American. Knowing of your great interest in this young man's success and your desire to see him reach a high station in American life, I am sure you will be glad to take the matter up with Mr. Landis and render any service you can to the applicant.

Will you please keep me advised of the results of your efforts in his behalf?

Sincerely yours,

JAF:DW

Worth Hotel
Seventh and Taylor
Fort Worth, Texas.

December 5, 1935.

Dear Jim:

As you perhaps remember, my appointment here as P. W. A. Finance Examiner expires December 31, 1935. I believe my work here has been considered satisfactory and I have enjoyed my association with the Public Works Administration.

For some months past I have been endeavoring to go with the S.E.C. and recent correspondence with Mr. Landis indicates that I would be favorably considered for a position with the Utility Section when that work materialized. I believe such is now the case. Won't you please personally contact Mr. Landis in my behalf? I am sure that all that is necessary for my appointment is a real push by my friends. I know that if you will do this for me it will supply the needed impetus, and I will shortly be appointed to a position with the Commission.

You know how valuable my services can be in the East during the coming year, and all my experience and constant efforts will be at the disposal of the Administration. Needless to say I will deeply appreciate whatever you do and will hope to show that appreciation by my endeavors for the President and for you.

Awaiting good tidings from you,

Sincerely,

(Sgd) Russell

J. Russell Carney.

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JAMES A. FARLEY
NEW YORK

April 17, 1936.

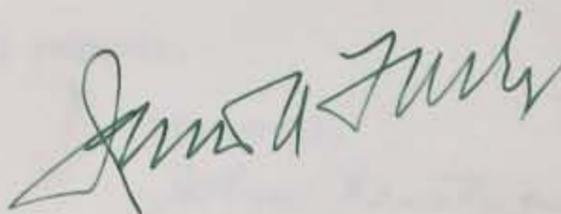
Miss Grace Tully,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss ~~Tully~~:

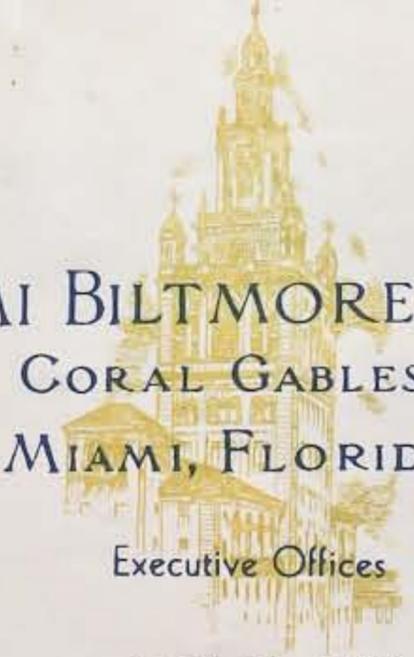
I am enclosing herewith a picture which
I thought you might like to have. If you desire
any additional copies of this photograph to send to
Turner Battle and our friend from Fort Worth, just
let me know and I will be glad to secure them for
you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



JAF:j



MIAMI BILTMORE HOTEL
CORAL GABLES
MIAMI, FLORIDA

Executive Offices

April 16, 1936.

Miss Grace Tully,
Secretary to the President,
White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Tully:

I am sending herewith a couple photographs
that were taken while you were at the Biltmore.

I hope you had a nice time and that we will see
you back here many times.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

John Montgomery
John Montgomery.

MIAMI DAILY NEWS, WE
SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT



Miss Grace Tully, who has been personal secretary to President Franklin D. Roosevelt for eight years, admitted she was anxious to get back to her work following a brief holiday ending today at the Miami Biltmore, temporary White House while the president fished in Southern waters.—Florida Year-Round photo.



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HOTEL BILTMORE

NEW YORK CITY

June 9, 1936.

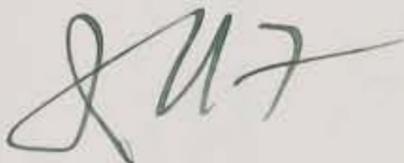
Miss Grace Tully

The White House.

Dear Grace:

If there is any doubt in your mind as to where
I stand with Russell, this card should remove it
henceforth and forever after.

Sincerely yours,



JAF:DW

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMM
HOTEL BILTMORE

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Remembering
your Birthday
Is most pleasant to do
And I'm happy to send
Kindest wishes to you
With all good wishes for you
Yours, in this year and
many years to come. May
God bless you with every
Happiness sincerely
Russell
May 30, 1936

J. Russell Carney
Dupont Circle Apts
Washington D.C.



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Sincerely yours,

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

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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

HOTEL BILTMORE

NEW YORK CITY



A • HAPPY • BIRTHDAY

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

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Miss Grace Tully
The White House.

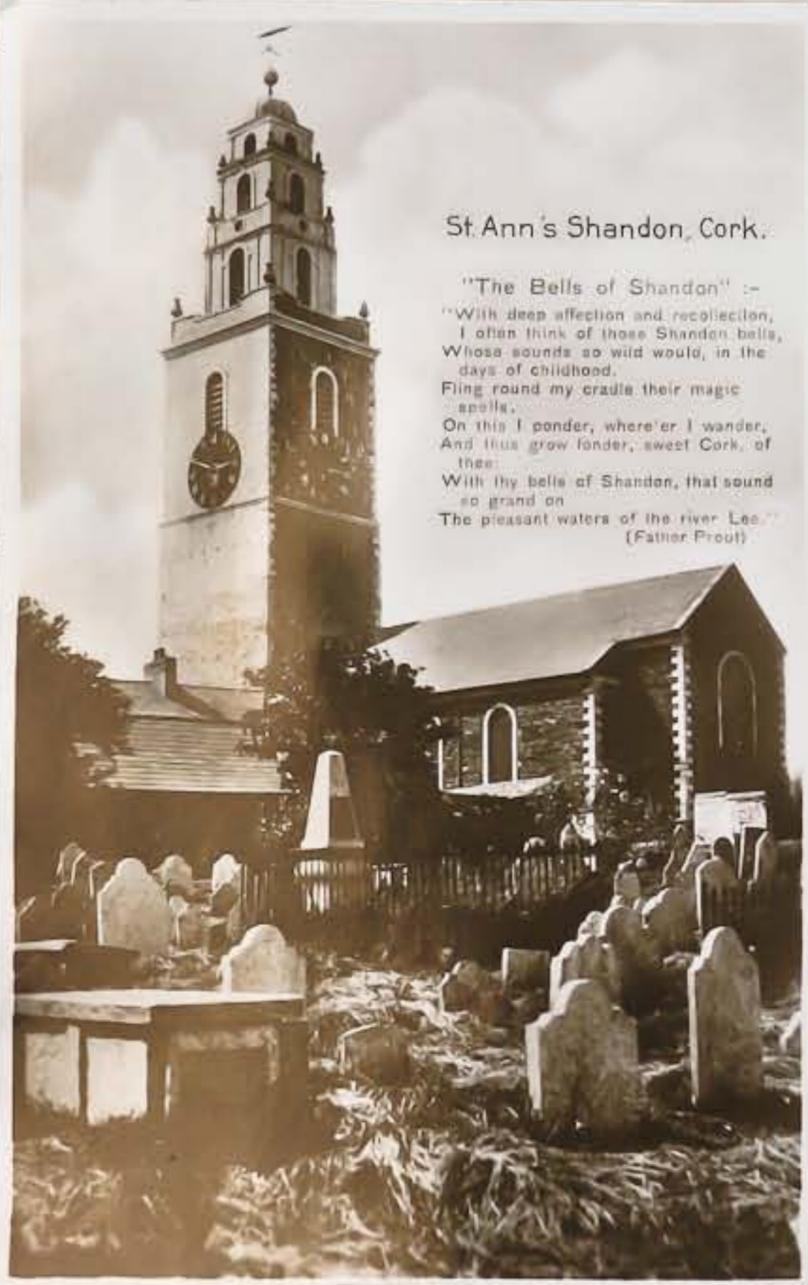
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appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

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

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St. Ann's Shandon, Cork.

"The Bells of Shandon" :-
"With deep affection and recollection,
I often think of those Shandon bells,
Whose sounds so wild would, in the
days of childhood,
Fling round my cradle their magic
spells.
On this I ponder, where'er I wander,
And thus grow fonder, sweet Cork, of
thee:
With thy bells of Shandon, that sound
so grand on
The pleasant waters of the river Lee."
(Father Prout)

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BILTMORE
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December 14, 1936

I thank you most sincerely
for your very thoughtful message which you
sent me when I left for Europe.

I had a great trip but am
mighty happy to be back again.

Assuring you of my grateful
appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

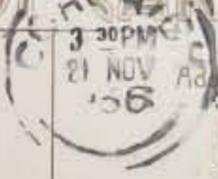
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Dear Grace - I
am having a tough
time with my
is after all the
pills give me
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This is a real photograph

Miss Grace Tully
The White House
Washington D C
USA

December 14, 1936

Dear Miss ~~Tully~~ *Tully*:

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for your very thoughtful message which you
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Assuring you of my grateful
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Sincerely yours,

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

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December 14, 1936

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Assuring you of my grateful
appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,



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

*P.S. Missy will, I am sure
support you in any move
for Russell Jr.*

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
HOTEL BILTMORE

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON
D. C.



MAIL
EARLY
FOR
CHRISTMAS



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

Sincerely yours,

Jim

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*P.S. Missy will, I am sure
support you in any move
for Russell, Jr.*

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

HOTEL BILTMORE

NEW YORK CITY

JAMES A. FARLEY
CHAIRMAN

April 11, 1938

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

Dear Grace:

On many occasions I have discussed with you the very splendid service rendered by Mr. Russell Carney, distinguished New Yorker.

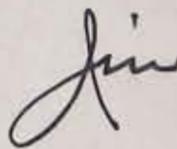
During the campaign he was very helpful and contributed in no small degree to the campaign. No other individual rendered greater service.

I know that you know him quite well and that you feel the same as I do about him. He has never been given due credit for the service he so generously and unselfishly gave.

As further evidence of the part he played, I am enclosing some correspondence I ran across which I should very much like you to keep in your possession if you should desire to do so, knowing the affection and regard you have for the gentleman referred to.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,



JAF
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P.S. Missy will, I am sure
support you in any move
for Russell, Jr.

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September 18, 1935.

Mr. Russell Carney,
The Marine Midland Trust Company of New York,
120 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Russell:

Please accept my sincere thanks
for your very kind letter of the 12th instant.

The information which you gave me
is similar to that which we are receiving from
all sources and we feel confident that the Gov-
ernor will sweep the country in November. They
just cannot stop him.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

JAF:AC

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Please put this in red basket on your desk
for abstract whether answered or not.

THE MARINE MIDLAND TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY BROADWAY

NEW YORK

September 12, 1932

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Hon. James A. Farley,
Hotel Biltmore,
New York City.

Dear Jim:

I have just returned from a weeks trip through the New England states and I thought you would be interested in hearing some of the views that I got up there. I came into Maine from Canada very much encouraged by the people I spoke to. I found the average voter about two to one for Roosevelt with all feeling strongly that a change of administration is needed, and even those who profess to be Republicans are open-minded at the present time.

In New Hampshire I found the sentiment strongly pro-Roosevelt. I spent considerable time in Worcester^{Mass} and the feeling there seems to be that the State will go back in the Republican column unless a very strong statement is forthcoming from Smith. The religious question is being raised on all sides there and I believe the strongest kind of measures are needed to offset the damage that has already been done.

Briefly, that tells the story. If you have time to hear more I will gladly give you my views.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Russell Carney

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July 13, 1932.

Mr. J. Russell Carney,
The Marine Midland Trust Co. of New York,
120 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Russell:

This will acknowledge yours of the 7th.

Would suggest that you get me on the
telephone and I think I will be able to answer
most of the questions put in your letter.

Sincerely yours,

JAF/D

THE MARINE MIDLAND TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY BROADWAY

NEW YORK

July 7, 1932

Mr. James A. Farley, Chairman,
Democratic National Committee,
331 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Jim:

As I imagine it will be rather impossible to get hold of you in person these days I am taking this means of bringing several matters to your attention which I want you to know about and use to your advantage.

First, as regards myself, I stand ready and waiting to do anything and everything, at any time or any place that you want me. Being convenient to you up-town I want you to feel entirely free to send for me at home or at the office.

Secondly, you remember me talking to you about my Greek friends. They are ready now to organize and set in motion throughout the country, "Roosevelt for President Clubs", among the foreign born citizens. This will be done entirely on their own initiative and expense and I feel that they can be tremendously helpful to us not only here but in the middle west and in the southwest. The man who is actively suggesting this to me is Mr. T. Mitrou, 25 Beaver Street, New York City.

Third, you remember the idea of the garden party for the veterans over at the Naval Hospital. If this can be used I think it still can be arranged. Father Edward A. Duff, the Chaplain there is the man who suggested it to me.

Fourth, one of my friends who is very anxious to work and can give all of his time is John C. Walsh, a member of Tammany Club, Tammany Speakers Bureau, and Ex-Counsel of Judge Seabury. He is an excellent speaker and attended the convention and is very anxious to start right in to be of help. His address is 217 Broadway.

Fifth, you may remember my talking to you about my widowed sister, Mrs. J. Bayard Smith, who lives with me. She is the widow of a Commander in the Navy and at the present time is suffering very much from the depression. She is very anxious to work for the campaign and can give all of her time in some capacity as information clerk, or file clerk, or what not, and would be satisfied with a nominal salary. If you can do anything in this particular case it will be a tremendous help to me because of the fact that she actually needs to do something of this nature.

James A. Farley
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July 7, 1932

Any other thoughts or suggestions that come to me I will send them along to you and please do not hesitate to call upon me.

With my kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Russell Caney.

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JAMES A. FARLEY
NEW YORK

January 14, 1939

Dear *Grace*:

In going through some pictures
I came across the attached and I thought you
might like to have it.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,



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



Ray Summer - Grace Tully
Transcript - James A. Farley

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Size
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Democratic National Committee
HOTEL BILTMORE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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

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September 16, 1939

Dear Jim:

Thank you so much for your note with the enclosure from "our old friend".

I am beginning to think that this is one way for you to keep your files from being cluttered up but I, too, am running short of space! I am delighted to know that he, too, was in Poland and now I understand why you were so anxious to visit there. Perhaps you and he will get together and compare notes on your European trips.

It was grand to see you the other day and when you are not so terribly busy, come in and tell me something of your trip.

My best wishes to you,

Always sincerely,

The Honorable,
The Postmaster General,
Washington, D. C.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

September 13, 1939.

Dear Grace:

I know how happy you will be to read
the enclosed card which I received from an
old friend of yours prior to my trip abroad.
I was wondering if he told you anything about
his visit to Poland.

I was glad to see you the other day and
to know that your mother is feeling so well.

Sincerely yours,

JAF

Miss Grace Tully,
The White House.



Best Wishes
for
A Grand Good Time



Dear Jim,
I know you will enjoy Poland
as I have spent some time there myself.
Enjoy a good rest. With all good wishes
J. Russell Caney

7/26/39

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

p.s. Happy New Year

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Miss Grace Tully,
The White House.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

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December 29, 1939

Dear Grace:

I want you to know that I heard from
our old friend, Russell, for Christmas. He never
fails.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

James Farley

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

p.s. Happy New Year

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL
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Miss Grace Tully
The White House
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JAMES A. FARLEY
NEW YORK

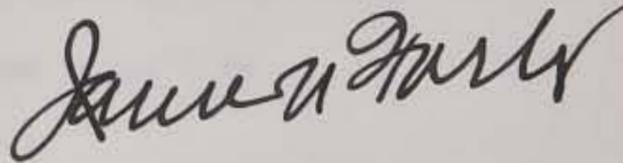
May 16, 1940.

Dear Grace:

Concerning John J. Barnes, Jr., Hugo
Johnson's brother-in-law, I'll be happy indeed to
talk to Herbert Swope about him - and I know he will
help if it is possible to do so; if he can't help he'll
explain fully just why.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



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

JAMES A. FARLEY
NEW YORK

July 12, 1941

My dear Grace:

Thank you for your nice note of July 8th. I am certainly glad to know that Miss Le Hand is getting along so well.

I was delighted that you heard from Russell. He apparently does not love me any more and I do not hear from him. I presume you see him as frequently as you did in other days.

I do hope you are getting along all right, and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours



Miss Grace G. Tully
The White House
Washington, D. C

JAMES A. FARLEY
NEW YORK

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September 18, 1970.

Dear Grace:

It was with deep regret that I learned of your brother's passing and I offer you and your sisters my heartfelt sympathy in your loss and sorrow.

I well recall how proud you were of him and I remember so well the esteem and admiration he received from all who came within the range of his influence. He was indeed an inspiring priest and his ministry will be long remembered.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Farley

Miss Grace Tully,
Washington,
D. C.