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August 1, 1923.

Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
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Attorneys at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, California

My dear Boys:

I am back again at the office with desk piled high with letters and telegrams, mostly relating to recent events. It is difficult to get to work again, of course, but I want to clean up this mass, and then come out to California.

The last ten days we spent in Europe were made unpleasant by the weather. Up to that time, you'll recall rain followed us practically everywhere, and at no time did we have any excessively warm days. During the end of our stay, though, we encountered weather exactly like that we are familiar with in Washington in summer, and it was difficult to move about. The trip over on the Leviathan was delightful, although nothing could be better than our original crossing on the George Washington. The Leviathan is such an immense ship that there is practically no vibration. It was not, however, as cosy, nor do I think the service was as good as the George Washington. Every effort is made for the entertainment of passengers and making its service the best in the world, and with one or two more trips, doubtless this will be accomplished.

Last week in New York quite moved me. The committee in order to meet us had to get up about five o'clock in the morning and

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lay around the Leviathan until I could get off at nearly eleven o'clock. When we reached the wharf, there were some thousands of people, who were kindly in their greeting. This was the extent of the welcome of our entry. I declined to talk to newspaper men, and so kept things in a mysterious sort of fashion until Wednesday night. The banquet, undoubtedly, was the most unique ever held in New York. It embraced every conceivable sort of individual and all kinds of politics. The Democratic Mayor sat side by side with Koenig, the Republican leader of New York; Surrogate O'Brien, an honest Tammany judge, was close by Jake Livingston, the Brooklyn leader, and nearby was Senator Calder, the rival of Livingston, and a Republican ex-United States Senator; Kirkwood of the Kansas City Star, old Roosevelt Progressive, was near Arthur Brisbane of the Hearst papers; Jimmie Williams, the editor of the Boston Transcript, blue-blooded journal of New England, spoke with George Henry Payne, old Roosevelt follower. Frank Hitchcock, the mysterious man of national politics, Thomas W. Miller, regular Republican, Alien Property Custodian, occupied prominent places, while Charles M. Schwab, reactionary big business man, and Irving K. Taylor, Progressive, wealthy business man, sat with the Republican leaders of the Bronx, Lawrence and Schwarzlar, and the Democratic Police Commissioner Enright. I was received most cordially, and throughout the speech, the audience was extremely sympathetic and kindly. There were many representatives of the press who were most anxious to minimize what happened, and some of them tried, but the success of the banquet can not be gainsaid. There

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was a singular coincidence. While I was writing my speech I received a letter from Jim Johnston, who said he had just talked with Jack, and they had agreed to pass along to me a sort of epigram of Roosevelt's - if you don't take Progressivism, Radicalism will take you; and then came a telegram from Jack suggesting the same thought. I seized with avidity this suggestion, and one of the things in the speech that has caught on is that particular statement. The speech went over as no speech I have ever delivered has gone over. I started to write an infinity of detail concerning the European situation, and then I destroyed it, and expressed merely conclusions. The conclusions summed up my opinion of what is happening abroad, and it proved far better to present the matter in this fashion, than to argue different policies of different nations. I am intensely gratified by what happened, and I write you that you may share in my gratification. The thing that touches me is that after all, I am the only man who has come back from Europe, and as certain papers remark, the only man probably who'll ever come back from Europe, who has been accorded such a welcome, and whose words have been so listened to. If nothing else ever happens to me, I think that I may, without egotism or vanity, derive my little pleasure from this.

I will be out the latter part of August. I know what I am coming to, but if I am to remain in this game, I have got to face the situation, and do the best that I can with it. There is more bitterness in California from the string of papers existing there, the Journal, Bulletin, Sacramento Union, the democratic press of the

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two valleys, the Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles Express, and Spreckels's papers in San Diego, than in all the rest of the United States about me, and the Lord knows there is bitterness enough from the interest press of the East. Mr. Harding has chosen to put his political fortunes in California in the hands of Harry Chandler and Hoover, and all the lesser fry controlled by them. This is his right. It is my right, however, to insist that California shall remain Progressive, and if Mr. Harding shall start a conflagration, which will go far beyond the limits of our State by his perfectly obvious alliances intended to destroy me, I feel the fault rests with him, and not with me. I am not in a position to accomplish any great results for myself, but I am in a position to raise Cain with others. I have at present no thought of any candidacy on my part next year, but I do not propose to yield to the solicitations of those who do not care for me, and indulge in flat-footed declarations of my intentions. I shall, therefore, maintain the attitude the next few weeks I have maintained thus far, not discussing politics or candidacies.

You don't know what pleasure it was for me to get back. I am probably getting old, and perhaps childish. I took more delight in seeing the dog, and the cat, the furniture of the old house, the yard, and the little things that have been matters of every day association with me for the last six years, than I can possibly describe. I had a real thrill when I came into New York, and a greater one when I reached the old home at Riverdale. It seems now, with two days here, that I have scarcely been away. Your Mother finally

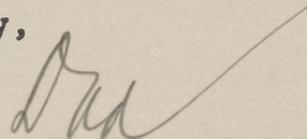
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agrees with me that after four and a half months' vacation, we need a rest, and she is taking a rest, I think, at our home. There are few people here in Washington, although I am kept busy in the office, and the mail comes pouring in.

It was fine to hear from you both as we landed, and my thoughts, of course, have turned to San Francisco and California. I am longing to be out again.

This morning the publication of the President's speech he intended to deliver last night in San Francisco simply demonstrates anew that Hoover is in full charge of the government and its policies. I learned this thing in Paris and Berlin before I left. The French told me that Hoover had said they were entirely right in invading the Ruhr, that Germany was well able to pay, and that they were following the proper course, and that he approved it. In Berlin, however, I was distinctly told by those who said that they had heard him say it, that he stated emphatically that the invasion of the Ruhr was a greater crime than the invasion of Belgium. He is a man of the most astounding contradictions, and yet, he is so sacrosanct nobody dare take him to task. I "cracked" him and Hughes in my speech, purposely taking the line that I did. I intend to follow this up, and at least, make him say whether he wants us to go into the league. Probably I will fail in this, and all the press will protect him, but I am going to make the effort anyway.

Affectionately,



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ATTORNEY AT LAW MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF

I AM VERY GLAD YOU WERE A PART OF THE SANFRANCISCO CEREMONIES IT WAS THE APPROPRIATE THING WE ARE WAITING NOW FOR THE CEREMONIES IN WASHINGTON WHICH OF COURSE WE WILL ATTEND THE PRESIDENTS DEATH WAS A REAL SHOCK TO US ALL LOVE TO THE KIDDIES AND YOURSELF

DAD.

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August 10, 1923

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Attorney at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, California

My dear Jack:

I am this morning in receipt of your fine letter of August 4. I have read it with the utmost interest of course. I am hastening to respond to one or two things in it.

First, you are quite right - that if I am going to get into a political fight I ought not to be required to come to California, and yet everybody there insists that unless I do, the whole situation is gone. It is a pitiful thing that the next three months, which will be the most important months in reality must be devoted by me to my own State. I speak now, of course, tentatively, because I have announced no candidacy, and possibly the situation, within a very brief period, will develop so I will not. I ought, however, to be right on the ground here, or between New York and Chicago, so that instant decisions may be made, and, in any event, the ground work laid, so that an intensive campaign could be made, if desired. The only person with whom I have written with any plainness is C.K. McClatchy. I am going to send him copy of this note to you, and I am going to write Arch, in substance, what I am writing to you. The entire political situation is in the air. Certain

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including some Senators,
of the politicians have decided to let the matter ride for the
present as if they were going along with Coolidge, and see how
he will develop. Certain others, however, ^{not Senators} and no inconsiderable
number, embracing people in New York State, Illinois, Iowa, Miss-
ouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and some few scattered in the South, are
most anxious immediately to go to the bat. They argue that delay
means people being tied up to the power that is actually and ac-
tively in the fight, and that an avowed candidate like the incum-
bent of the presidency of necessity will get adherents when there
is nobody in the open in opposition. The people from the West
want to pit the West against the East, that is the West against
New England, and in response to the cry that New England should be
solidly behind a New England man, make the comparisons now between
the importance of the West and New England in population, resour-
ces, wealth. Those who are interested in me want me to stay right
here quietly, and get together my friends in New York City, in
Chicago, in St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, not necessarily in public
gatherings, but let them understand, that they may proceed intelli-
gently and may not be left, during the early days of a strenuous
fight on the part of the Administration to tie up everything, in
doubt as to what my intentions may be. Indeed, in South Dakota,
they have served notice on me that they will pay no attention to
what I intend to do, that my name will go on the ballot, and in the
first direct primary, they will carry the State. I don't know
whether this is over-enthusiasm, or whether there can be accomplished
what these gentlemen think can be accomplished.

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I am obsessed with the fear that in the midst of the whole thing, unless I come to California, California is going awry. Nobody here knows yet what Hoover is going to do. The consensus of opinion is, however, that he is going to stick in the Cabinet, that Coolidge is going to utilize him, and that Hoover will be the residuary legatee of Coolidge as he had expected to be of Harding. Lowden is already in the field. At a gathering here on Wednesday before the ceremonies even in the Capitol, and on Thursday morning, at breakfast with certain people from Illinois he whined like a child, and said he was entitled to the Illinois delegation as a favorite son. Wadsworth wants to sneak the New York delegation in the same fashion. Watson is scheming to do likewise in Indiana. The politicians who are here from New England and some of the Senators have adopted the course indicated above, and ostensibly are for Coolidge temporarily. Coolidge may dramatize himself in the coal strike, over some relief to farmers, or in some other fashion, so that he will be impregnable before the people, and if he does, they want to be able to say, they always expected it of him. On the other hand, he may render himself unpopular by some supposedly popular move, or he may remain negative in character, and somebody else may capture the imagination of our people. And so these politicians and senators want to keep things in a tentative sort of mood, where they can jump as they see fit.

There is a Providence that watches over me, perhaps, as was demonstrated in the Moses incident today. For eight months

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Moses has been after me to declare myself a candidate. He has used every art of persuasion. He has been pledging people for me, apparently, and making a great pretense of what he was going to do. He was to be a part of the banquet in New York, claimed he was sick, and sent a telegram. He wrote the article on me published by George Henry Payne in Payne's "Forum". There was always just a note about him that was unreal. A man of ability, with a real head on his shoulders, he is as irresponsible morally as George D. Collins. I never acquiesced in his arrangements, and never consented to go forward with him as a candidate. Only Wednesday night he dined at our house. Only Wednesday he pledged his fealty anew. Without a word this morning he announced himself for Coolidge. I had a narrow escape and was saved only by the sixth sense that has enabled me to deal with human beings since I have been in political life. What he has done, however, rather makes me sick to my stomach, just as if I were observing something decaying, and rotten, and stinking. I have had several telephonic messages this morning from outside of town, from people to whom he has talked in the last few months. All of them are perfectly aghast. All I can do is to laugh and say - that is Moses' way. He never came near me yesterday, and it was simply the tone of his voice on Wednesday, when he visited in my office, that gave me an inkling of what might be contemplated by him. His sudden conversion was yesterday afternoon when he had had a secret confab with Coolidge. I have nothing

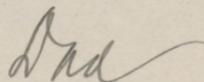
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to give, and Coolidge now has much. In that, with a man as unmoral as Moses lies the answer.

But what I started to write you, and I have drifted far away, was concerning coming to California. I don't want to come, and the coming would most seriously interfere with a hair-trigger situation, which I can not direct three thousand miles away, and which in the brief period now of two weeks, I can not get in shape. The next three months, which all my friends say, will be absolutely necessary to get California into shape, will possibly remove any hope nationally, and all hope will be removed if California is in bad shape. So, there you are, and I am putting the matter up to you. I would appreciate it if one of you boys would have an intimate talk with Mr. C.K. McClatchy, McCabe, Boynton, and perhaps one or two others (not too many or the whole thing will leak out) and then write me very fully.

I had a very fine letter from Theodore Roche in which he spoke of some sort of demonstration on my arrival. Under the circumstances I think there ought to be nothing of this sort at all. If I do come out, I ought to come quietly without any great todo. It would be, in my opinion, inappropriate to reach California in three weeks with a great blare of trumpets, and a reception which could be taken but one way, a candidacy for the presidency.

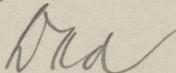
Affectionately,



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P:S: I have written this on your birthday, but my thoughts were with you, and I am thinking much more, though this may seem very strange to you, of your age, and this particular day, than I am of the politics about which I have written you in the preceding pages. Perhaps it is age with me, perhaps a thousand different things that one can not adequately express, but I am not so fierce and so keen in the pursuit of my ambitions as I have been in the days gone by. I am much more interested, my feelings much more touched by the little lovable things of life, the joys and the pleasures of those I care for, and the health and happiness of those who are dear to me. I wired you last night from mother and myself, and I would not repeat what I said in that wire, but we both do send you though a wealth of love.

Affectionately,



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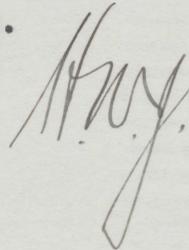
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August 11, 1923.

I supplement my letter of late last evening with this quotation from letter just received from Frank P. Doherty of Los Angeles:

"The President's death, of course, has changed the local situation in this only - that your opponents will seek another person around whom they can rally and embarrass and annoy you * * * In California do not let any one disillusion you. You have the same old fight against the same crowd as in the past. They are more bold and confident than ever before. The President's death has only temporarily embarrassed them. He was merely being used as a club to down you. They will find another weapon at the earliest possible moment. "

If Doherty sizes the situation accurately, and I fear he does, I can hardly see any escape from coming to California, as I contemplated, and let things drift here until I am able to return in November or December.



To Mr. H.W.J., Jr.,
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PROGRESS CLUB OF WHICH I UNDERSTAND GRAUPNER IS HEAD AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WIRED ME BEFORE PRESIDENTS DEATH ASKING ME TO ADDRESS THEM ON ARRIVAL IN SANFRANCISCO I HAVE GIVEN NO DEFINITE ANSWER BUT STATED I WOULD ADVISE THEM SUBSEQUENTLY STOP YESTERDAY I WIRED GRAUPNER THAT WITH CHANGED SITUATION IT MIGHT BE WISE TO DEFER MEETING AND ADDRESS UNTIL LATER STOP CONFIDENTIALLY IT IS MY EXPECTATION TO LEAVE NEXT MONDAY FOR

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CALIFORNIA AND TO DELIVER LABOR DAY ADDRESS IN SANFRANCISCO SEPTEMBER
THIRD THIS WILL GIVE ME MEDIUM OF EXPRESSION OF WHICH I HOPE TO TAKE
ADVANTAGE I DOUBT ADVISABILITY OF HOLDING OTHER GATHERING AT ONCE IT
MAY BE WISE TO DO IN THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER AFTER OUR VIEWS
HAVE CRYSTALLIZED STOP I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM GRAUPNER WOULD BE GLAD
IF HE IS APPROPRIATE PERSON IF YOU WOULD TAKE THIS UP WITH HIM
AND WIRE ME

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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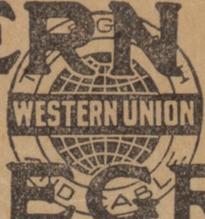
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ATTORNEY AT LAW MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF

SINCE DEATH OF PRESIDENT I HAVE REFRAINED FROM TALKING

POLITICS AND MY INTENTION IS TO ENTER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DECLINING TO DISCUSS POLITICS EITHER OF STATE OR NATION UNTIL AFTER

OPPORTUNITY FOR FULL CONFERENCE LEAVE HERE MONDAY FOUR OCLOCK

WILL BE BLACKSTONE CHICAGO TUESDAY WIRE ME THERE ANY SUGGESTIONS

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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TO COME IN QUIETLY BUT THIS MAY BE SIEZED UPON BY ROTTEN PRESS
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IN ANY PLANS

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ATTY AT LAW MILLS BLDG SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

SEE MCABE AND HAVE HIM DO EVERYTHING NECESSARY FOR MCATEE I
 HAVE WIRED HIM DWYER AND LISSNER PLEASANT TRIP LOVE MARTH AND YOU
 FROM BOTH

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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THE DEED IS DONE UNDER GOOD AUSPICES WE ENTER BIG CONTEST
 FRIENDS HERE ARE ENTHUSIASTIC AND OPTIMISTIC LOVE ALL

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San Francisco, California.

My dear Boys:

We returned here Sunday and I am hard at work answering the responses that have come to me on the announcement made in Chicago. I was more than gratified at the reception given me in the State of Illinois. Indeed, nothing could have been more auspicious. Here, there is a different atmosphere. This city, as you know, has ever been in livery and responds to power. I have created the devil's own mess, however, among the politicians. They are getting their second wind and through their newspapers are beginning the usual campaign. The New York Times and New York World are leading in it, and the interest press, generally, have adopted the plan of proving I am not a progressive. It is a funny and a paradoxical situation. Standpat papers, speaking to standpat audiences, are demonstrating I am a standpatter, no longer progressive, and therefore, not entitled to any support. I feel that I am much stronger in some places, perhaps weaker in others. If the primary were held tomorrow in Illinois I would carry it overwhelmingly, and I think this is so of Indiana. What will happen in the next few months, of course, nobody can tell. The administration and the politic-

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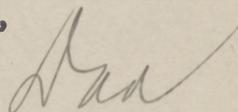
ians here are banking upon the Coolidge message of the fourth of December. If they could have succeeded in having me wait until that time I could not have had any candidacy at all, and of course, after the delivery of the message, they will insist that I have no issue.

At any rate, I am in the thing now and I will go through to the end. I recognize the difficulties in the way, of course, but I am philosophical about them, and if I can keep myself from not being affected by the amount of abuse I will have to endure from the crooked politicians and more crooked newspapers, I will get through the next six months with a fair degree of philosophy.

I will have little time for letters hereafter. My greetings to you probably will be hereafter by wire.

Mother joins me in love to both our boys, to Martha, and the dear kiddies.

Affectionately,



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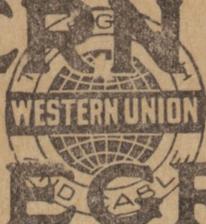
BIG RECEPTION LAST NIGHT SPEECH WENT OVER BIG RADIO EVERYWHERE
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WITH YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS YOU MADE JOURNEY DELIGHTFUL BOTH THANK YOU
MOTHER WORRYING ABOUT BEACH HOUSE BUT YOUR WIRE RECEIVED HERE
REASSURES LOVE TO KIDDIES MUCH YOURSELF FROM BOTH

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MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF

WHEN MOTHER PASSED THROUGH CHICAGO SHE WAS TOLD CUNNINGHAM CAR
 DELICATE AND DIFFICULT TO REPLACE PARTS THIS MAKES HER DOUBTFUL
 SHE NOW ASKS WHAT PRICE LOCO YOU MENTIONED WITH NEW BODY LIKE
 YOURS PLEASE WIRE HER SHE CAUGHT TERRIBLE COLD IN JOURNEY AND
 IS FAR FROM WELL LOVE ALL

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON PATENTS.

December 10, 1923.

Major Archibald M. Johnson,
Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
Attorneys at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco.

My dear Boys:

Returned Saturday from New York, where I had a couple of extremely busy days. Here, I have no time to myself. As I have written you before, forgive me for not sending letters in the future. I will have to content myself with wires whenever anything particularly occurs.

Coolidge is at his zenith now. Exactly what I prophesied would be done, has been done. The message delivered, every newspaper correspondent, all the politicians, and the interest press of the country, have tried to carry the nation off its feet. How well they have succeeded, it is impossible to determine. They are doing it on the basis of reduced taxation, which, in my opinion, is a futile gesture, and a rank piece of hypocrisy upon which it is expected to the exclusion of other issues, a campaign may be made in behalf of Coolidge.

Of course, the other side made the most of what happened in South Dakota. Explanations of it are vain now. Nothing was done in our behalf, while an intensive and careful effort was made for Coolidge. The announcement of my campaign was so late

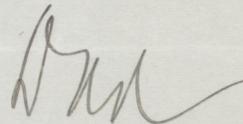
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there was left no time for an active fight, and the few delegates who attended the proposal convention had substantially been selected then. The effect of what was done was in the prestige that it gave. I now have to take the laboring oar and go upon the ticket otherwise, when, if I had received the endorsement of the proposal convention, Coolidge never would have been upon the ticket at all.

I am impatient at the delays that are occurring. My distinguished manager moves with care and caution. Perhaps for this very reason, he will move with certainty and success.

Love to all.

Affectionately,



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ATTORNEY AT LAW MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF

THANKS FOR YOUR WIRE I AM DELIGHTED WITH THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE YESTERDAY IT ARGUES WELL FOR WHAT CALIFORNIA WILL DO STOP OF COURSE WE ARE NOW AT THE PEAK OF THE FIGHT OF THE OTHER SIDE BUT WE ARE FULL OF HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT COMES FROM EVERYWHERE MOTHER SAYS UNLESS TREES HAVE WHITE FLOWERS DO NOT GET THEM LOVE MARTHA AND YOURSELF

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW MILLS BLDG SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

I WAS ASTOUNDED TODAY TO LEARN BURR INTENDS TO RUN FOR CONGRESS
 IN KAHNS PLACE HE REACHED HIS DECISION WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH ME
 AND WITHOUT EVEN ASKING MY CONSENT AND WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST
 KNOWLEDGE ON MY PART THAT HE HAD ANY SUCH THOUGHT STOP I DO NOT WANT
 HIS ACTION MISINTERPRETED AND ASCRIBED TO ME STOP I WOULD APPRECIATE
 IT THEREFORE IF OCCASION ARISES THAT YOU MAKE PLAIN TO ANY

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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON
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December 27, 1923.

Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
Attorney at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco.

My dear Jack:

What a pleasure it was to hear your voice over the 'phone Christmas night! We put in our call for you at nine o'clock hoping it would reach you just as you were drinking your toast, but there was difficulty over the wire, and we did not get you until practically an hour later. I heard you perfectly. I realize that you could not hear me well. The remarkable thing was that the little children's voices carried more plainly than any of the others. I can't tell you how much it touched your Mother and me to hear you all. We had Mrs. Hager with us at the particular time, and perhaps it was well, because we had to suppress the emotion we felt.

It was fine of you to remember me for Christmas. I need not tell you how much I appreciated it.

Give my love to the kiddies,

Affectionately,

