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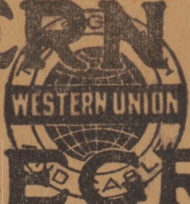
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WESTERN UNION



TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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March 2, 1925

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

My colleague told me positively this morning he had recommended nobody for surveyor of port STOP I suspect without having any real ground for suspicion he is for Carroll or possibly Stephens STOP I have had no word from Cosgriff and know nothing of his desire except your note STOP If you wish him instead of Stewart or Mitchell I advise as per my letter he let my colleague believe suggestion comes from him and have colleague make it to me STOP Even without this if Harry could get endorsements I mean real requests from those for whom he works and others they can reach and you want it done it might be accomplished STOP Immediate activity however is absolutely essential

HIRAM W JOHNSON

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STRAIGHT FAST WIRE

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1. The company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any message received for transmission at the unrepeatable-message rate beyond the sum of five hundred dollars; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any message received for transmission at the repeated-message rate beyond the sum of five thousand dollars, *unless specially valued*; nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines; nor for errors in cipher or obscure messages.

2. In any event the company shall not be liable for damages for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for the non-delivery, of any message, whether caused by the negligence of its servants or otherwise, beyond the sum of five thousand dollars, at which amount each message is deemed to be valued, unless a greater value is stated in writing by the sender thereof at the time the message is tendered for transmission, and unless the repeated-message rate is paid or agreed to be paid, and an additional charge equal to one-tenth of one per cent of the amount by which such valuation shall exceed five thousand dollars.

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4. Messages will be delivered free within one-half mile of the company's office in towns of 5,000 population or less, and within one mile of such office in other cities or towns. Beyond these limits the company does not undertake to make delivery, but will, without liability, at the sender's request, as his agent and at his expense, endeavor to contract for him for such delivery at a reasonable price.

5. No responsibility attaches to this company concerning messages until the same are accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of the company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

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A full-rate expedited service.

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DAY LETTERS

A deferred day service at rates lower than the standard telegram rates as follows: One and one-half times the standard Night Letter rate for the transmission of 50 words or less and one-fifth of the initial rates for each additional 10 words or less.

SPECIAL TERMS APPLYING TO DAY LETTERS:

In further consideration of the reduced rate for this special Day Letter service, the following special terms in addition to those enumerated above are hereby agreed to:

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B. Day Letters shall be written in plain English. Code language is not permissible.

C. This Day Letter is received subject to the express understand-

ing and agreement that the Company does not undertake that a Day Letter shall be delivered on the day of its date absolutely, and at all events; but that the Company's obligation in this respect is subject to the condition that there shall remain sufficient time for the transmission and delivery of such Day Letter on the day of its date during regular office hours, subject to the priority of the transmission of regular telegrams under the conditions named above.

No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

NIGHT LETTERS

Accepted up to 2:00 A.M. for delivery on the morning of the ensuing business day, at rates still lower than standard night message rates, as follows: The standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for the transmission of 50 words or less, and one-fifth of such standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for each additional 10 words or less.

SPECIAL TERMS APPLYING TO NIGHT LETTERS:

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

March 4, 1925.

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

My dear Boys:

The President is delivering his inaugural address outside. I am sitting in this inner room of the Capitol sending you just a brief word. I have just come down from the proceedings in the Senate, where the vice-president was inaugurated and made his speech. He gave a disgusting and unworthy exhibition. I do not speak so much of the words that he uttered, although they were in sufficiently bad taste, as the gestures and gyrations, movements and manner. These were loutish and clownish, and made every American shrink. In front of the vice-president was the President, the Supreme Court, and the representatives of every nation on earth, and Dawes was just a disgrace. There are so many Senators now and so many people who lick the hand that beats them that I am unable to say what the effect upon the Senate Dawes address will be, but I feel very certain that the men of worth and courage will resent this individual. You may look for the press taking his end of it, for there is a marvelous propaganda on to discredit congress and destroy any semblance of popular rule in the Nation. After listening to Dawes, I marched out with

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colleagues, then turned aside and came into my own office. I had no desire to go out and listen to the inaugural. Tomorrow, we begin a special session of the senate. It may be we'll get through in a few days, but as I have written you before it is impossible to determine just what may be done. At the last moment yesterday, the House of Representatives passed resolutions in favor of our Nation joining the World Court. The House of Representatives has not anything to do with the matter, but nevertheless, the leaders were prevailed upon by the Administration and the propagandists to take this action, and it was taken overwhelmingly. The amazing part of the action is that the House of Representatives approved the so-called portocol, which no self-respecting nation such as ours could for an instant entertain. This protocol is repudiated by every self-governing colony of Great Britain, and England, herself, will not subscribe to it. It represents militarism in its most ugly form. I venture the assertion that not one member in fifty in the House knew what he was doing in subscribing to this portocol. A Congressman could be forgiven for resolving that we join the World Court, because it has been made a Party policy and the Administration insists on it, but the portocol is a different thing. If this subject should be injected into the special session, the Lord only knows when we'll get out of it.

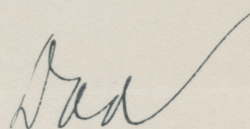
We've had a hectic time during the last week, and with day sessions and night sessions, no opportunity for writing you.

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I probably would not have written you today, but with the country in front of the Capitol and an inaugural address being delivered, I turned naturally to those with whom I most desire to talk to express my thoughts, perhaps in diversion, for a brief moment.

With love to all,

Affectionately,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'H. W. Johnson', written in a cursive style.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

March 6, 1925.

Major Archibald M. Johnson,
Attorney at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, California

My dear Arch:

We began our extra session yesterday. The end of next week should see the end of it, but as I have repeatedly said to you, no one can foretell what may happen. As you doubtless know, Jack is negotiating for a boat in Florida, and if he purchases it and it is fit for the trip, Mother and I have agreed to come home through the Canal upon it. I am hoping it may give the both of us a much needed rest, and the surcease from the worries that have troubled us during this short session.

I have been wondering about your horse "Spread Eagle". In some way, either from one of your letters or otherwise, I got the information he was sick. I have been hoping for his recovery and to read of him again in action. I remember you were looking forward to a great race with a big purse, and I've been speculating as to the particular day. Write me, please.

Gus has been here the last few days in attendance on the Supreme Court. He argued his case yesterday, and much to his surprise he told me the comments of the justices indicated that what he thought was a certainty was now very doubtful. What

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impressed me, however, in seeing Gus, and it made me feel sad, was that he is really a very old man, with all of the characteristics of the aged. He made me feel like throwing a protecting arm around him, and saying "Poor old fellow", and yet, I am his senior by a year or two.

There is nothing of news to write you. We're in the honeymoon period of the new Administration, which, with the American people will be a period of bliss for at least a year. Possibly then may come differences and disillusionment.

With love to Martha and yourself,

Affectionately,

Ada.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

March 9, 1925.

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

My dear Jack:

Yesterday I received your letter that rough weather had prevented dry docking of the Kemah and that you had obtained an extension for a complete survey of the boat. I wired you this morning not to worry about the delay, that if falls in with our plans. Your Mother is busy with dressmakers and as always when we contemplate any trip, she is rushed to death with a marvelous lot of detail which I am unable to comprehend. While most of us are endeavoring to arrange this session so that we'll finish this week, there are elements of disagreement which may precipitate matters that will keep us much longer. It is just as well therefore to have some leeway in the matter of our departure, and I am very glad to have it.

I wired you as I did on Saturday about Harry putting it upon the ground that if you desired his appointment to suggest to him to do certain things, because I have not had one word from him in the matter. So far as his candidacy for the position is concerned, my information has been derived solely from you. Of course, in any event, if Harry desires the appointment, I would like to see him successful in what he undertakes. Mitchell I understand is quite wealthy and does not need the particular job

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at all. Fred Stewart perhaps does need it, but his attitude has been rather truculent and the Labor people are a unit against him. Indeed, they filed with me a protest signed by:

Paul Scharrenberg, Sec. State Federation of Labor

E. Waters, Chairman, State Legislative Board,

B. L. of E.

Harry See, State Representative, B. of R.T.

John A. O'Connell, Sec. San Francisco Labor Council,

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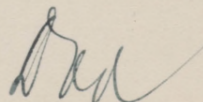
B. of L.F. and E.

J. H. Wassenberger State Representative, O.H.C.

This, I assume, arises out of the last campaign where Stewart went counter to his organization and did valiant service for the President. This valiant service, of course, ought to gain in his favor at the present time, but the fact that he was the hired employe and received coin for his work may militate against him. I tried to put Stewart over for United States Marshal but Burns jobbed me at the time and put Fred Esola in the job. Because I have not personally heard a single word from Harry, I have been wondering whether like some political rats, and there are many of them indeed, he thinks his chances might be hurt by being seen in my company. I am wondering, too, what Shortridge has responded to him.

Love to the kiddies and yourself,

Affectionately,



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March 13, 1925

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Attorney at law,
Mills Bldg.,
San Francisco, California

Have explanatory wire from Cosgriff this morning which was unnecessary He did not advise as to colleague's attitude STOP
Fleishhacker has been here last few days and could have attended to matter I did not see him Cameron as publisher by wire
could aid STOP Am applying Bureau of Navigation for commission and in next few days will secure all information

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

March 18, 1925.

Major Archibald M. Johnson,
Attorney at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, California.

My dear Arch:

It looks as if we are going to leave Sunday or Monday for Key West, and from there on Jack's boat, making the trip through the Canal home. I confess to you I have been considerably upset concerning this trip. And I write to you now in the fashion that I do because your Mother, while making preparations, has never yet definitely said she was anxious to go. I have repeatedly asked her to permit me to take the burden of it and to say that it was impossible for us to take the sea voyage, but this she declined to do, and I am in just the state that I am in when we contemplate any action, of having an utter uncertainty surrounding me. I feel, however, that there is no doubt that with the arrival of Jack on Saturday, Mother will definitely decide, and that we'll be on our way when this reaches you. The reason I have been doubtful about the trip is because Captain Ward, whom Jack sent ahead to take charge of the boat, wired me that the boat rolls badly, and suggested that we go as far as Havana or Panama and then take a big ship into San Francisco. He evidently feared the trip for your Mother just as I fear it for her. And he evidently thinks,

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just as I do, that we'll be sea sick a great part of the time. However, the die is almost cast, and I will go ahead with the thing philosophically, just as your Mother may desire. The one thing about the trip from my standpoint is that it will take Mother to California, and, without it, I do not believe I would have been able to get her to come out this year at all. This is an awful sore spot with me, and a delicate subject with both of us, and is becoming with me a most embarrassing circumstance.

Since I received Ward's telegram I have been getting all the information I could about the boat and trying to learn everything that could be learned. I have seen Colver, who was one of Scripps' right hand men and who has been on the boat frequently, and I telephoned New York to Roy Howard, who is a part of the Scripps-Howard string of newspapers. Both of them said the boat was most comfortable, and that Scripps had lavished a great deal of effort and expense upon it for ventilation, heating, ice boxes, and the like, and that it was a charming little craft. Colver, who is really a good sailor, said he never had been sick upon the boat, and while, because it was not of great length it pitched fore and aft, that he had always enjoyed himself on its cruises. Roy said, on the other hand, the only boat he had ever been sick on was the Kemah, but that nevertheless, he had enjoyed himself upon it. From what I get from them, I imagine it is not as long as was advertised, and that it does not have the great speed ad-

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vertised. I have an appointment today with a couple of sea captains from the Shipping Board who are going to talk to me about the trip. I think we're in for it and we might just as well take it as best we can. There is one thing about it both Colver and Howard said it was a mighty sea-worthy boat with every convenience.

I watched SPREAD EAGLE'S two recent performances, but I could not tell whether you felt he was rounding into form. I do hope he has and that he will be inside the money in the big event.

Late yesterday afternoon the Senate adjourned its special session. Like you, I had a tremendous kick out of the failure of Warren, in the first confirmation, because that failure resulted from the absence of Dawes. I got a kick out of the second vote because of the test that had been made between the White House and the Senate. I was perfectly mad to get into the debate, but your Mother put it to me in a fashion that made me pause. She asked me what I would think if Wheeler or LaFollette arose, and if I would not ascribe to their candidacies their utterances, and any remarks I might indulge in would be ascribed to pique and spite after I had been a candidate in the primaries, and an unsuccessful one. Now, that it is all over, I regret that I did not go to the bat in the matter, but the fact is, if you've noticed it, that it was the South Dakota Senators and myself whose votes prevented confirmation, in the first instance, and who held the op-

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position together in the second. We never were more justified in any action we have taken. Warren was not a lawyer. He was negotiator, connubiator, manipulator, fixer. His whole career has been making a necessary of life a little dearer to the great mass of people so that a very few over rich might have a little more money. To have put him at the head of the law enforcement of the Nation would have been a travesty and little less than a crime.

Good-bye. Give my love to Martha and much to yourself. I can not give you any itinerary because I have none. I expect we'll first go to Havana, from Havana to Colon, and thence through the Canal. I confess I have not the slightest idea what stops are contemplated.

Affectionately,

Dad

P:S: Before I left California the last time I wrote another brief will with an accompanying statement, and these I sealed and gave to Jack. I tell you of this merely because we are going upon this journey, and if anything of course, should happen, you can get the documents from Jack's safe.

Kingston, Jamaica,
Apr. 5, 1925.

My dear Arch:

We arrived here last night and I found your cable of Mch. 31 awaiting us. Immediately I sent you brief word so that you might know we have come through the first long lap of our journey.

I won't attempt to describe to you our hesitation about undertaking what to us is a great adventure, nor our increased misgivings when Captain Ward worded me from Key West that the Kemak rolled badly. Ultimately as I advised you we decided on a tentative program, first to Havana, then Kingston and then

Colon, determined to end the voyage
at either place and either return
to Washington or take a big ship
home, if we found the thing too
arduous. The hundred miles of
channel from Key West to
Havana were hell to me. From
start to finish I had my
first real dose of sea sickness.
Mother, Jack and I all
stood it like veterans and none
of them has at any time been
out of commission. At Havana
with two days rest, we felt
we could continue, and left there
last Monday night bound here.
Between Havana and Kingston are
Cuba's islands, the Grand Cayman,
Little Cayman etc. Well, out
of Havana the second day we
were in the trough of the sea,

And again I caught it. My waist
 measure has greatly increased, and
 if I continue my devotions to
 Neptune, I'll return with a
 sylph like figure. It was
 really so rough that all felt
 it, and as we were in the
 middle of the Caribbean with
 an island on the chart apparently
 containing a town, Georgetown,
 Jace commanded we make
 for it. Accordingly we did so,
 and ~~Wednesday~~ night dropped
 anchor in the "Roadstead" of
 Georgetown. C. J. I wish my
 pen could describe the following
 day Thursday. The island
 has a few English and a
 few thousand natives, the town
 six hundred souls scattered about

With the few English living there,
there's no port, indeed, there's
nothing but one of the queer
English outposts of civilization,
upon which Britain maintains
tenaciously her hold through a
commissioner, answerable to the
governor of Jamaica. The
place is off the beaten path,
ships seldom stop there and
our coming was an event. The
simple unaffected kindly hospitality
of the few people touched us.
all. Thursday we visited the
commissioner, and he and his
family and the resident doctor
returned the call in the afternoon.
Then all of us went down the
beach to their bathing resort.
Here the men retired behind one
clump of bushes and donned

their bathing suits while the
 women sought another screen
 of foliage and did likewise.
 After the swim a picnic for
 which these people had doubtless
 robbed the little settlement of all
 its treasuredainties. The
 English were fine and superior, but
 so weary of their post. Their
 tale of isolation was a tragedy;
 and their unfeigned delight at
 just seeing somebody pathetic.
 We stop at Georgetown, C. I.
 enabled me to recover my
 equilibrium and Friday morning
 at dawn we up anchor (how's that)
 and started for Kingston. These
 two days Friday and Saturday
 were fine, and I'm here in good

shape this Sunday. It's hot as
topher today and while we are
waiting for the breeze, I'm
writing. Kingston last night
was a scream. Imagine a
first class hotel on the water
where most of the whites
congregate, and then huts and
hovels and deserted streets, except
at one place, the market, where
all the stinks of the Orient
congregate and aside and thousands
of "Smokes" bawls and chatter,
interspersing their bargaining with
revival meetings. Aside from
the peculiarity of the sights, Kingston
didn't impress us as interesting. We
are to take on gasoline in the
morning and then away. That's
the great problem of the boat-gasoline.
We are loaded up on deck and must

Keep thoroughly supplied.

The "Kiman" is really a very fine little boat. Her quarters are comfortable and she is much more of a yacht than any thing we have been familiar with. She does roll, and roll like hell, but this they say is the natural thing in a small boat. The sea is a pretty big institution and a ninety four foot local shell is mighty insignificant when the sea beats herself.

She has done every thing possible for the comfort of the trip. We have Captain Ward and three sailors, a Chief Engineer and Paul who is Assistant Engineer, a steward and cabin boy. Then of course, all the

four passengers. The steward or cook,
deserves more than passing notice.
He's an old navy man, I imagine
from his color, with some mixture
of blood, but a bully good cook
who has administered thus far
splendidly to our wants.

We've travelled 100 miles Key West
to Havana, 750 miles more here.
We have about 550 miles from
here to Colon through the middle
and worst of the Caribbean Sea.
Confidently I tread this next lap
of the voyage. If the wind is
abast instead of abeam (so these sailors
say) I may not get tossed again
into oblivion; but if conditions are
not right, I fear, rather I should
say dread, the next few days.

We may be pretty weary when we reach the Canal, although Mother says she is going through with the whole journey. From Panama to San Francisco is 3200 miles, so we in a long pull ahead. The views given us of the other side vary. Some say it will be delightful, but the Captain, who, I am sure is preparing an alibi, claims we will be badly shaken up.

Every body is keeping a diary save myself. These will give in detail the little incidents which have interested us. We're in another world, with another kind of people. We're doing something so revolutionary in

Our lives that description would fail me. The one great thing is that we have been wrenched from our old known ~~and~~ habits and transpired to little understood new spheres of action. Worry is useless, so we don't worry about what is far away and we don't know.

We run about nine knots an hour, pretty steadily too. Against adverse seas this may be reduced by half the Captain says; but the seas which I have been sick have seemed to me savagely adverse, and yet we've kept our speed.

The Westweld is an ideal travelling companion - equable, kindly, obliging, quiet, and

we have all grown to like him
immensely. In addition, he is
a good sailor, and once yesterday
when something for a brief time
went amiss with the engines,
he was prepared to hoist sail.

Jack sends love. Mother, of
course, is full of tender expressions.
Jack has just said he was sorry
you weren't with us, and we all
are. All join in love to Martha.

Affectionately,
Dad.



Tuesday, Apr 14, 1925.

My dear Arch:

We've crossed the Caribbean 550 miles from Kingston to Colon, and we feel somewhat as Cesar did after crossing the famed Rubicon.

A part of the trip in the language of the English Doctor at Kingston was a "bit bumpy" and he usual laid me out.

The last day was comfortable. The boat is so small that with a beam sea, and we've unfortunately had that kind now

of the time she rolls in a fashion that unsettles me and leaves the rest of them, though they won't admit it, 'fairly' uncomfortable. We arrived here Sunday morning early and have had a delightful time. Everybody here has been kindness itself and the different officials have vied with one another in attention and consideration. The climate is infinitely better than either Havana or Kingston, and the hotel is excellent.

It is now Tuesday afternoon. The *Hemad* is on the dry dock, having new propellers put in - this was arranged for before we left Key West. Early Thursday morning it has been our intention to go through the canal to Balboa and Panama on the other side, to remain there a day and then begin the trip of 3200 miles up the Coast. We are however at the moment having serious difficulties. The Captain and Chief Engineer (our only engineer really because Paul is the assistant) have been at loggerheads ever since we started. Indeed,

at Key West the day we were
to start the Engineer had
Jack up for an additional
\$100. which we all thought
better to agree to pay than to
wait indefinitely for another.
Since then, it has been our
quarrel with another, until
now the Engineer insists he's
sick, and will not continue.
It is no small task to
train an Engineer to be under-
stands the complicated Minton of
the boat. The authorities
here and Balboa are looking
on for us, and what we do
is dependent upon their success.
We've come as far as



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Mother and I intended as the
trial trip. I have asked her
to return now on the long
leg of the journey in one of
the big boats. She says she
will not. We may have
to because of ^{our} troubles.
We'll write you from Balboa
what we do.

If we stay on the Kemah
the ports we may touch
in the Pacific Ocean are
as follows:

Point Arenas,	460 miles from Balboa;		
San Juan del Sur	550	"	"
Carinto,	683	"	" { pretty certain to stop here for gas
Amapalla	745	"	"
La Union	765	"	"
San Jose Guatemala			
Salina Cruz	1170	"	" { pretty certain to stop here
Tapulco	1426	"	" { fairly certain to stop here
Manzanilla	1572	"	"
Mazatlan	2006	"	" { Certain to stop here if we ever get there

I have given these mileages so that you may calculate at the rate of 180 to 200 miles a day about when we'll arrive. The day of departure I'll give you by table from Balboa.

Gasoline has been another big problem in the West Coast. We can carry with some margin about 1100 miles. We imagine

Every arrangement had been
made on the Pacific side, but
upon arrival here found a
note to the Captain that it was
all off. Jack has been
disturbing himself these days to
tables etc endeavoring to arrange
for gas in various ports.
This again may delay us.

Altogether you'll observe we're
in a state of uncertainty.
The sky may clear any
moment or we may get
another 'Knock'. In the meantime,
I'm rapidly acquiring the sea
or gulfia grounds. I feed the
fishes and enjoying myself
immensely in this pleasant part.



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I'm not hankering for
further shaking up, but if
Mother persists in her desire,
I'll try to be a good fellow,
although I really think 20 or
30 days on the little boat will
affect her much more than
it will me. Thus far we've
sailed only eight continuous
days and these have been
broken at Havana, Georgetown,^{and}
Kingston. We probably cannot
spend a single night ashore

At any Pacific port; indeed, the very
contrary is told me.

I'm so lazy, I have any exertion.
It's even difficult to write. I wanted
you to know our situation and
be able to be advised as well as
we could advise you in case we
continue the trip.

Give our love to Martha.

You always have that of your old
Dad.

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

December 4, 1925

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

My dear Jack:

I received your various telegrams about taxes. The last one from you made it plain, I think, that everything was all right. In your last one, too, you spoke of the Duboce Tunnel assessment. I would appreciate it if you would pay this, and deduct it from the next rent that may be paid by the tenants to Mother.

The taxes we pay are now really upon four pieces of realty in San Francisco: One, 857 Green Street owned by the Tillman Estate, which we are obligated to pay under the lease; two, Mother's lot on Vallejo street, just back of 857 Green; three, the twenty-five foot lot where Kate lives on 48th Street, mortgaged to the San Francisco Bank; and four, the lot adjacent to the one upon which Kate lives, twenty-five feet in width, which you remember was purchased by Mikulich from Mother.

In addition to these, I was assessed last year arbitrarily, on personalty, amounting in taxes to \$48.00 or thereabouts, and I assume substantially the same thing will be done next year.

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I think the insurance policies are all paid up for a long period in advance, with the exception of a policy Mother intended to put upon some valuable furniture she stored. I shall have to inquire of her tonight about this, because I fear that in the haste of departure, she and Bill did not conclude it. The other policies are in my safe deposit box at the American Bank. The two leases, one to me by the Tillman Estate, and the one from me to the Renners you have; and you have, too, I think, the evidences of title to the two lots on 48th Street. While I am on the subject of property and taxes, I may say to you, for your information in the future, if ever it should be required, that before my departure I paid to young Louis Lissner of Los Angeles \$750.00 as my share of interest and taxes upon what is termed "The Redonda acreage" belonging to your Mother in Los Angeles County. The papers respecting this, as well as the lease of the property, are in my safe deposit box.

I thank you very much indeed for your goodness in attending to these things. We're in for a rather strenuous session, and in many matters I shall be deeply engrossed. It is a great relief for me to be able to dismiss these matters from my mind, although I recognize I am putting something of a burden upon you. I shall, however, forget all about them henceforth.

The clans are gathering here for Monday next. I have just been reading the message of the President, which will be released

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when delivered next week, and to say I am disgusted with it, but mildly expresses my opinion. He tries very hard to destroy our Colorado River Bill, and I fear succeeds. Of course, he adopts the old method of stating the necessity for action, and then suggests means by which action may be delayed interminably.

With love to the kiddies and yourself, in which Mother of course joins,

Affectionately your Father,

Hiram W. Johnson

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December 12, 1925

Major Archibald M. Johnson,
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Mills Building,
San Francisco, California

My dear Arch:

We had your letter this week, and it was mighty good to hear from you. Both Mother and I were dreadfully shocked to learn of the sudden illness of Martha, and overjoyed to read that everything had turned out well, and that she had recovered. Tell her, please, how much we sympathize with her, and how greatly we rejoice that she is herself again.

The little doggie you gave Mother is the dearest thing that can possibly be conceived of. He was not a bit of trouble across the continent, but of course ate little, and had no opportunity to run about. He was a little strange at first at home with Spartan and the other Peke, but has now fitted in to his niche and I think is very happy. Indeed, he runs the household. He sleeps in a beautiful basket at the foot of Mother's bed, and when he wakes in the morning, he leaps over to where I am, and insists that I shall amuse him. He is not as yet quite as active as little Sue. She runs him to death and annoys him often with her attentions. As he grows to manhood, however, this situation will be changed, and he will be the persistent suitor. Spartan is the dearest old fellow with both of them. He will run with them, or he will lie down on the floor

and let them jump over him, or he will nose them about the room, continuing all the while talking in the most affectionate fashion. These two little Pokes have the faculty of getting under one's skin as no other animals do. When the two are compared side by side the aristocracy of Chops is obvious. He is much better built, and a much more beautiful dog from every aspect.

Now I want to talk to you frankly about Christmas. I am in no condition to indulge in expensive gifts, but you who know your Mother quite as well as I do, realize that if there is expectation of elaborate presents from others, nothing will deter her from reciprocating. I had a nasty jolt this week, and I write you as I do, first, on my own account, and secondly too, on yours. Pickford, our landlord, suddenly notified me by mail that he had sold the house we live in and requested us immediately to get out. I have the renewal of an original lease which does not expire until March 4, 1929, with the expiration of my term. But of course the lease contains the usual provisions of default in payment of rent, etc. We have always dealt with Pickford upon his verbal assurances and as a friend; for the past seven years I have sent him occasional checks, he repeatedly saying that we need not trouble about rental during the time we were absent, etc. I was inexcusably delinquent of course and owed him a very large sum of rent upon the lease. Immediately upon receiving his notice I gathered together every penny that I had here and every cent on deposit in The Donohoe-Kelly Banking

Company in order that I might tender the amount due before action on his part. I saw an attorney here who had appeared before a committee of which I was a member at one time, and at once began an investigation of the laws of Maryland and my rights under the lease, and we both agreed (of this there would have been no doubt under the California law, but I was uncertain about the Maryland law) upon the necessity of tender at once in order to preserve my right to occupancy. We saw Pickford yesterday and I paid him \$2750.00. He accepted it and gave me receipt for rent under the lease. The matter, therefore, is at an end, so far as our remaining at Riverdale. It is a dirty trick he undertook, which he attempted to excuse and palliate upon every other ground except that of desiring the amount due. But every penny of ready cash I have has been expended and until my salary warrant I am without funds even to pay current expenses. I say this to you, so that you may agree with me that we will not do more this Christmas than indulge in the simplest of remembrances.

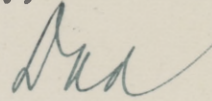
I have been extremely busy since my arrival here on the Boulder Dam project. We are having daily hearings of the Committee. We have made out an excellent case which would convince any jury. Unfortunately the jury in this case is subject to influences of far greater power than the cry for help of sixty thousand Americans in southern California. Even the necessity for domestic water power for Los Angeles faded into insignificance beside the stupendous importance of power companies,

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electric trusts, and Mr. Chandler's 850,000 acres of land in Mexico. We'll continue to plug along on the matter with the result wholly problematical.

Mother joins me in love to Martha and yourself.

Affectionately,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be 'Dad', written in dark ink.

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December 12, 1925

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

My dear Jack:

I sent you recently the invitations that had come to us for you and Arch for the President's reception. I don't know exactly why these invitations to the general function had been extended but I presume it is upon the theory that in the big ~~route~~ not only are the Senators invited but those relatives who might be with them are invited too. I suggested to your Mother that we ought to begin by going to the first of the formal gatherings, and we did so. They are the most ghastly things you can conceive of. In one room in the White House securely confined were the diplomats; in another, roped in by cables with silken coverings guarded by Marines were the Senators, and crowded like sheep at the shambles in another room, securely guarded, were the Members of the House of Representatives. Finally the various rooms were formed in procession, and two by two we marched past where the President and Mrs. Coolidge stood, murmuring how glad we were to see them, and passed on. Thereafter we milled around exactly as you see cattle milling in over-crowded corrals. There was nothing to eat, nothing to drink, and nothing to do. There was no such thing as ease for in order to accommodate those present, it was

absolutely essential for everyone to stand, and very few more could have been crowded in. After trampling on everybody's toes and butting into them in various disagreeable ways, and after being trampled on and butted into in like fashion, we finally found our way to an exit and escaped. We were all uncomfortable in common. Everybody, except the most vacuous, to whom the sight of a foreign uniform is a peculiar kind of exaltation, wondered what to do, and why anybody should attempt to do anything at all. The whole thing was the most ghastly and unenjoyable, stupid and ridiculous performance. However, it was well for us to go.

I started last week with the beginning of our little gatherings, and although they are not like what they were in poor Harding's time, perhaps we can get some little comraderie again among a little group of Senators. We dined at Senator Edge's house. Next week, if it is possible, I hope to have them out with us.

Pickford, our landlord, served notice on us to get out this week, and it was a terrible jolt. I have leased the premises until the expiration of my term, March 4, 1929, but I was far behind in my rent, and although I have talked to Pickford on the subject many times, he had waved me aside and told me not to trouble about payment. Yet, I should not have permitted myself to get into the situation I did. Yesterday we met him and I delivered to him full payment of rent due him under the lease. The matter, therefore, is at an end. I had a mighty bad twenty-four

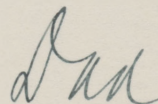
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hours over it, but singularly enough, although Mother worries over little things, in this, she scarcely worried at all. I think it is all right now.

Since my arrival here our committee has been meeting daily on the Colorado River problem, and we have made a mighty good case. We have made so good a case that those upon the other side will adopt the ~~outworn~~ tactics of beating us by indirection. The upshot of the matter will be in this session, in my opinion, that some kind of a commission or other will be appointed to stall us, delay us, and finally prevent our legislation. The President's message upon the subject clearly outlines this. It was ^a hypocritical thing, but just exactly what, under the circumstances we could expect.

Mother joins with me in love to the kiddies and yourself.

Affectionately,



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December 16, 1925

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

My dear Jack:

Would you do me the kindness, please, at your convenience, to go into my Safe Deposit Box and send me my Sacramento Bank Book, which you will find there, and the checks upon that Bank, which I think are in the book. I want particularly the checks with the book, so that I may draw upon the account.

I am sending you this note very hastily just before going to our Committee which daily is wrestling with the Colorado River problem and totally engrossing my time.

Mother joins me in love to the kiddies and yourself.

Affectionately,

Dad