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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

May 4, 1929

My dear Boys:

We have been moving along this week in the senate on the Farm Relief problem. Like all matters of this kind, although generally recognized to be wholly insincere, a sham, and the bunk, yet as the discussion proceeds, it develops more or less into a heated controversy. I do not believe that you have followed at all the matter, but the contest in the senate centres around whether or not the debenture clause, as it is termed, shall be inserted in the bill. It is in the measure, but wholly as an optional proposition, and I can not for the life of me see, why there should be any objection of the administration to accepting the bill, which thus gives it a mere alternative, which may or may not be utilized, as the administration ultimately shall determine. The struggle is the usual one found in the senate; those who call themselves administration men, changing their coats over night, adopting a policy they have always heretofore denounced at the crack of the whip, while the Democrats, caring as little about the policy involved as the conservative Republicans, vote the other way, and the so-called insurgent group voting as they please, and as they think they ought. The senate has become increasingly conservative, and the Republican power has been,

by the last election greatly enhanced. My idea is that the administration will scrape through by a very slender majority. I have taken something of a malicious satisfaction, however, in seeing the very men like Watson and McNary, who, for three years have talked on the other side of their mouths, now abandoning the mode of farm relief which they prated of in the past, with the idea, of course, in their minds that they have before them an overwhelming triumph, but who suddenly as they begin counting noses, find themselves in rather a tight corner. If I have time between now and Monday, and the thing goes over until then, I will try to put together a few ideas simply for the record's sake. The farmer leaves me rather cold. On the question of national origins, recently I made a few remarks in order to point out that the so-called regulars in assaulting the position of those who sought the repeal of the national origins were in reality assaulting the President. Of course, my remarks don't get over particularly, but they maintain the record for me.

We have been having strange weather, one day bright and beautiful, and the next day rain with high winds which finally blew unto a tornado night before last doing really great damage, and causing in nearby Virginia much loss of life. I watch the weather so because it has a tremendous influence upon the work at the house. The exterior of the house is being plastered, and when it rains the work cannot

go on. The interior is still being painted. When it rains, the painters insist that it is too dark for them to put on the delicate shades of color, and they quit. So we're dawdling along in the house as in the past. We're living in one room, eating across the hall from it in what ultimately will be a bed room, awaking each morning to the music of the hammer and the saw, then spending our time generally in sweeping, dusting, etc. I am so used to it now that I won't know what to do when the house is finished, and we're out of the noise, confusion, and dust. Indeed, I do not expect to be out of it before I make my trip home. The painters solemnly promised me they would have the dining room on the first floor finished this week, but last night when I went home, I found the floor was being scraped. It was undoubtedly well done, and undoubtedly an absolute necessity, but it added a new kind of piercing noise to the din that already existed - a noise like the petulant pop-pop of an asthmatic motor cycle. I really think Mother is at about the end of her endurance, and I don't know what to do or what to say to her. She undertook to do too much, and as you know, she is so very thorough in her work of this sort that it is never quite concluded. It is because of this condition that I asked you to write to her.

We had a rather sick doggie in Tubbie the last week. This was his first real illness. I don't believe the doctor knew what was the matter with him, for his diagnosis was of different sorts at different times. He was, however,

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attentive, and the little fellow was improved yesterday, and I thought very greatly improved this morning. He is a terrible nuisance, but a very lovable chap, and I can't tell you how very wretched I felt when the poor little nipper was suffering. He has to be kept on one floor, while the other dogs are on another floor. Perhaps, his illness is due to the lime and the plaster, and the lack of real exercise. The wonder is all the dogs have not died. I am not saying anything about the human beings.

I had a letter yesterday from Lissner in which he said the sump was being built upon our lands preparatory to drilling, that he thought it would take about three months to go down five thousand feet. He sent me various publications which indicate that the wells in the Lawndale district have more or less been disappointments, but that the two or three I have heretofore described to you are producing; The endeavor in our land is a pure chance, the result of which nobody can foresee.

I am looking forward to getting out in a couple of months. I doubt very much if your Mother will be able to come with me, but I feel that it is absolutely essential for me to begin with my activities, and it is this that will be the compelling force, in addition to my desire to see you all.

With love to all

Affectionately,

D. D.

Major A.M. Johnson.

You're a pretty punk ocrrespondent. I was going to wire your office yesterday to see whether there was anything the matter with you, because do you realize it is some weeks since I have had any word at all from you! I concluded, however, to wait until today. This morning early your letter to your Mother was delivered at our house, 122 Maryland Avenue, Northeast, and I have just received yours dated April 29. Thank you very much for writing Mother. Please keep it up. I was, of course, intensely interested in your note to me concerning your talk with Mr. Jones. There is no secret about the boring by the Shell Company, and you can tell him that upon what is described as Meyer Lissner's land, the description of which I have heretofore detailed to you, the Shell Company is boring, and I have no objection to telling him that your Mother has a half interest in that tract. The records will show that anyhow. If I could get any really reliable information on the subject I would be delighted. Lissner endeavors to ascertain what he can, but as you know, he is a very sick man, and I should not be surprised if in his dealings with the representatives of the company, as I related to you in my letter, he may have offended them by insisting upon what he deemed to be his and our rights. Lissner has, however, been so very kind that I would be extremely careful in anything that was said respecting him.

He tells me that the Shell Company geologists have selected a particular point to begin drilling, and that our tract is of sufficient size that it would not be uncommon to have more than one exploratory well.

Love to Martha in which Mother joins.

Dad

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

May 20, 1929

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

My dear Arch:

I am sending you the latest clippings that have come to me of activities in the Lawndale field. Nearly all of those who have spoken to me about the matter, say that the Los Angeles Times has the most accurate oil news, and the clipping that I send you is from the issue of May 14. The few notes in respect to Lawndale are marked. I am enclosing you also two clippings from the local Lawndale papers that are more detailed. I send you these clippings because I know how interested you and Jack are in the operations, and in order, too, that they may give you some idea of the activities in our vicinity. Would you give them to Jack when you have concluded with them?

Affectionately,

Dad

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SENATE VOTES 47 TO 44 IN FAVOR OF DEBENTURE, AGAINST HOOVER'S WISH

Thirteen Republicans, Including Borah, Join With Thirty-four Democrats In Retaining Plan President Condemned

TWO OF MINORITY PARTY STAND WITH EXECUTIVE

Johnson, Of California, Riddles Administration Measure—Garner, In House, To Seek To In- clude Scheme In Pending Tariff

By M. FARMER MURPHY
[Washington Bureau of The Sun]

Washington, May 8—With every member on the roll voting or paired, the Senate this afternoon rejected the advice of President Hoover and decided to retain the debenture feature in the farm relief bill now before the body.

The division was on the motion of Senator Watson, of Indiana, Republican leader, to strike out the debenture plan from the bill. The vote was 47 for the debenture plan and 44 against.

13 REPUBLICANS DESERT HOOVER

In this first test of loyalty to the Administration thirteen Senators of the President's own party deserted him. He was only saved from a still greater rebuff by the votes of two Democrats, Ransdell, of Louisiana, and Wagner, of New York.

It was not to be overlooked that one of the Republicans who turned against the President was Senator Borah, of Idaho, sometimes referred to as the "father of the extra session," who was described the other day by Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, as having suggested the calling of Congress to Mr. Hoover as the only way to get him out of a bad situation during the Presidential campaign.

OUTCOME IS NO SURPRISE

The outcome of the roll call, which was not a surprise, for it had been known to Republican Senatorial leaders for several days that the President was beaten, was received by the crowded galleries without noticeable dissatisfaction and by many of the Republican Senators, who preserved their party regularity by voting for the motion, without obvious signs of dejection. It was even rumored that the opponents of the President's counsel could have had several more votes if they had been necessary.

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The success of the debenture in the Senate encouraged Representative Garner, Democratic leader of the House, to announce that he would press it as an amendment to the tariff bill and would give it support as a part of the farm bill. The hope remaining to the Administration is that the debenture will be beaten in conference by the House conferees, and it was allowed to be understood at the White House that the threat of a veto would be used to the full extent in order to retrieve the President's lost position.

Bingham Puts Hoover Forward

Although it had been agreed to limit debate to twenty-minute speeches after 2 o'clock today, the restriction did not prove to be necessary. The Senate was ready to vote and no one except Senator Bingham, of Connecticut, appeared to have any desire to prolong the agony.

After the chamber had been thronged with Senators and members of the House to hear Senator Hiram Johnson, Republican, California, rip the Administration relief plan to tatters, the other Hiram from Connecticut evidently conceived it to be fitting that he should do something.

Accordingly he arose and with great deliberation read to the Senate the letter of President Hoover, in which the Executive enumerated ten reasons why the debenture feature should not be enacted.

Made Defeat Worse

If he had been a wild insurgent from the Western prairies instead of the most stand-pat of the standpatters he could not have accomplished anything more malign. By reiterating the President's stand on the very eve of a result which was foreknown, he served to make a simple defeat for the Administration appear like a contemptuous humiliation.

In explaining why he favored the debenture as the simplest and most direct method of farm relief at this time, Senator Johnson also went after the Administration part of the bill like an enthusiastic surgeon performing an autopsy. He dismembered it and dissected it and held each severed part up for the inspection of the section of the Republican side to whom the phrases "Government ownership," or "Government in business" gives goose-flesh and shivers. But before entering upon his task he offered some sprightly observations on present-day psychology and the infiltration of buncombe.

"There is a peculiar mutt psychology

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

May 20, 1929

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

My dear Jack:

I sent Arch, because he had been talking to Mr. Jones about your Mother's lands in the Lawndale district, Some newspaper clippings telling something of the situation there. I have asked him, when he concludes with them, to hand them to you. I know how interested both of you will be in the progress of events, and what little news I have I shall forward to you.

Affectionately,

Dad

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

June 1, 1929

My dear Boys:

I have received from both of you requests concerning Mother's birthday. I answer you both thus: This morning, for the first time, I got from your Mother the statement that she will find something here. More than that I have been unable to obtain. I am sorry I can not write you as I would like and as I would wish.

I have begun endeavoring to induce your Mother to come to California this month when congress takes its recess. As in every other instance in the last few years, I have met with an absolute refusal. I will continue my persuasions, and hope that as the time grows near for my departure, Mother will, as in other years, conclude to come with me.

Hastily and affectionately,

Dad

Lawndale Completion

The Peck No. 8 well of the San Clemente Oil Company, at Lawndale, placed on production yesterday, is putting out 650 barrels of 32.5-deg. gravity oil a day from a depth of 5884 feet.

This is the third completion for the Smith interests in that area. It is about 200 feet east of the Peck No. 1 well, now putting out about 550 barrels of oil, with bottom of the hole at 5897 feet. The San Clemente No. 2 well, which is 300 feet south of the Peck No. 1, came in about a month ago, and is making approximately 850 barrels of oil a day.

Location has just been made for the Peck No. 9, which will be situated 300 feet west of the Peck No. 1. Operations on this project will start shortly.

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

June 3, 1929

My dear Boys:

I am sending you herein, to one of you, a clipping from the Los Angeles Express, and to the other, a clipping from the Los Angeles Times, showing a new well that has come in the Lawndale district. This makes five producing wells out of about sixty-five. I am sending you these things because I assume you are interested in developments in that territory, and the possibilities.

Affectionately,



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June 4, 1929

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

My dear Arch:

Pardon me for bothering you about a little matter, but I am curious. Yesterday I received from Wolden, the City Assessor, notice of a personal property tax due from me amounting to \$78.41. Immediately I sent him check, together with the notice forwarded me, and asked him to send me receipt. As I recall his notice, the assessment against me was \$1100.00 for personal property, and the amount of taxes was the amount I forwarded him - \$78.41. Subconsciously, last night, the matter occurred to me, and I realized that apparently the tax rate was something over six per cent. This seemed to me incredible. Would you do me the kindness, sometime in the near future, when Mr. Rabinowitz is in the vicinity of the assessor's office to have him look at the assessment for personal property against me, and then ascertain the rate of taxation. I would very greatly appreciate it if Mr. Rabinowitz would do

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this for me, and let me know what are the facts. It is among the possibilities that I may be mistaken concerning the amount of the assessment, but I think not. I am entirely accurate in the amount of the tax, because I sent my check for that sum yesterday.

Affectionately,

Dad

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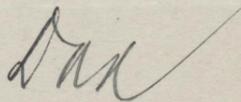
June 17, 1929

My dear Boys:

I enclose you herein an excerpt from letter received this morning from Lissner concerning the boring upon our lands at Redondo Beach. It is anything but encouraging. However, inasmuch as I have never built any hopes upon this matter, it has little or no effect upon me. I will still continue to wish, but I fear the cold, geographical, and geological facts are against us.

We're entering on another contest this morning in relation to the tariff bill, and it is asserted here that vacation plans are all in the air. I have had enough experience to know that these things will iron out, and I have no doubt that within a very short time, arrangements will be made here for a vacation until either the middle of August, or early in September.

Hastily with love,



I believe I wrote you before that I was greatly disappointed in the result of the Shell Peck #1, on which I laid great store and which was drilled about 3000 feet from our well and was reported to have good showings. The bottom of this well was 5925 feet, casing having been set at 5696 feet; corings were taken very regularly from this well and displayed an interesting formation but they were unable to secure a water shut-off, and, since not much oil was shown the Shell people tell us that the prospects for this well are not encouraging and they decided to close it up temporarily, which has been done, and work has been discontinued.

The Shell people have been making good progress on our well; reports a couple of days ago were that it was down 3700 feet and drilling ahead. They have been coring this well religiously from 2500 feet down, but so far have not discovered any encouraging showings.

There was a rumor circulating among the crew on this well that it would not be carried much further, the Shell would discontinue when they reached about 3700 feet, where it was when last heard from, but we are assured from responsible parties in the Shell office that they propose to see it through and this seems to be the more reasonable.

Let us hope that nothing untoward will happen and that we will not run into the curse of water, which

seems to be the most difficult problem in this field.

I have referred to "coring". I don't know whether you understand just what this means, and I don't know whether I understand it well enough to explain, except to say that "coring" is a method by which the drillers can ascertain what sort of formation they are going through, by taking a core of about 20 or 30 feet at the bottom of the hole and by bringing that to the surface for the inspection of the geologists they can tell what formation they are in and what the prospects are for a good well.

This is not a very encouraging letter and I regret to say that things do not look so encouraging in the field as they did. A great many wells have been abandoned and it looks bad to see so many idle derricks, and even the little local real estate men have most of them closed their offices; all of which while not encouraging is the best I can say for the present. Let us hope for the lightning to strike.

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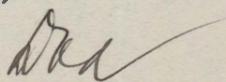
June 19, 1929

My dear Boys:

I am getting my transportation today, leaving here Thursday, June 27. I am advised a new time table has gone into effect, and that we'll leave Chicago Friday, June 28, at 11:50 A.M., arriving in San Francisco, Sunday, June 30, at 7:50 P.M. This change in the Overland Limited has just gone into effect the company advised me, so that the trip from Chicago to San Francisco can be made in fifty-eight hours, and one night on the train saved.

Of course, I have had the devil's own time prevailing upon your Mother to accompany me, but I think this has been accomplished. If there is any change in our plans I will wire you, and of course, I will let you know when we start.

Affectionately,



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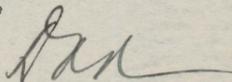
My dear Boys:

Yesterday I wired Lissner, as I wrote you, advising him of our departure next week, and asking any news up to the day of our leaving. This morning I am in receipt of the following telegram:

"Wrote you a long letter a couple of days ago giving bad news regarding our venture Will try to keep you advised until your departure but under the circumstances hardly think there will be any news of interest in the near future Meyer Lissner. "

Goodnight!

Affectionately,



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June 22, 1929

My dear Boys:

I enclose you herein copy of letter from Lissner that came this morning, together with clipping from the Los Angeles Times. I am sending you these because, doubtless, they constitute the last chapter in our oil venture, and I wanted you to be kept informed.

Affectionately,

Dad

C O P Y

DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY

Associated Realty Building

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June 18, 1929.

Hon. Hiram W. Johnson
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Chief:

The enclosed clipping is anything but good news, but was rather anticipated in my last letter. I was rather shocked, however, at their summary abandonment of the well; I thought, and was given to understand, that the well would be drilled considerably deeper. According to the lease, however, a well shall be deemed to be completed when the lessee ceases drilling and it has been drilled to a depth of at least 3500 feet; since our well was drilled to 3600 feet the Shell Company evidently considered that it fulfilled their drilling obligation, and have reasons of their own for abruptly terminating the operation. Before acting thus, however, they sounded us out as to whether we would give them a year's extension for \$2500, but regarding that as utterly inadequate we declined and the next thing we knew they were dismantling the well.

According to the terms of the lease they can, if they wish, put down additional wells but it doesn't look to me as if they had any disposition to do this.

I am to have a talk with one of their head men in the next day or two and will endeavor to ascertain what their real intentions are as to the future. I cannot believe they have decided utterly to abandon our property but this may be their intention. If it is, there is nothing we can do about it, short of a forfeiture, which is declared to be the only remedy of Lessors for breach of drilling operations.

I regret the situation more than I can tell you, but in an oil field there is always possibilities of new developments; we are reminded that the Signal Hill field was practically abandoned before deep drilling tests made it the wonderful producer that it has

turned out to be.

I know you will pardon me if I cut this short just now; I am dictating this at home, not feeling at all well, but of course will keep you advised of anything new.

Affectionate regards to both of you.

Sincerely,

(Signed) MEYER LISSNER.

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JUST RECEIVED YOUR FINE LETTER TWENTY FIRST STOP PLEASE GO
ON WITH YOUR PLANS FOR RIVER CRUISE OF YACHT CLUB WE WOULD
FEEL VERY BADLY IF OUR COMING IN ANY WAY INTERFERED AND WE
UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY THE SITUATION ALL OUR LOVE=
HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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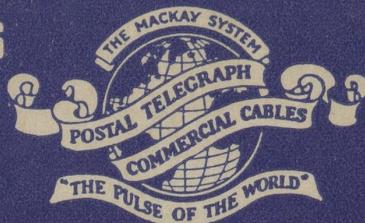
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HIRAM W JOHNSON JR

ATTY AT LAW MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF

MOTHER WORRIED SHE MAY NOT GET OLD APARTMENT MARK HOPKINS STOP I WIRED SMITH
ASKING IF HE COULD TAKE US ON OLD TERMS STOP HE RESPONDED MIGHTY GLAD AND
TO TELEGRAPH DATE ARRIVAL BECAUSE RUNNING TO CAPACITY STOP THIS I HAVE DONE
ASSUMING QUARTERS RESERVED SAME AS BEFORE STOP HESITATE WIRE HIM FURTHER STOP
WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU DIPLOMATICALLY COULD ASCERTAIN IF OLD APARTMENT TO
BE GIVEN US AND WIRE

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MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF=

MANY THANKS FOR WIRE STOP IT HAS CALMED MOTHERS WORRIES STOP

LOOKING FORWARD EAGERLY TO SEEING YOU SUNDAY BUT DO HOPE YOU

WILL NOT INCONVENIENCE YOURSELF AND BOYS FOR WE UNDERSTAND

THE SITUATION PERFECTLY LOVE TO ALL=

HIRAM W JOHNSON.

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September 14, 1929

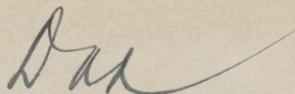
Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
Attorney at law,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, California

My dear Jack:

I would appreciate it immensely if you would have Harry get me a copy of the prescription you gave me that was given to you by Dr. Morrow or Dr. Miller, and which I had filled one time while recently in San Francisco. This was the stuff for the scalp, which you recommended, and which I want to try out thoroughly now I am back here. I am sending this note by airmail, and would be glad if you would return the prescription by airmail.

We got in this morning, as I wired you, both of us with terrible colds. Mine is of no consequence, but I am somewhat worried about Mother, because of her other difficulties.

Hastily and affectionately, with love to the boys and yourself,



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September 21, 1929

My dear Boys:

I wrote you the other day of Mother's illness. It still continues. Her temperature runs during the day from 100 to 102, her pulse stays about the same - a few beats over 100. She coughs incessantly with about as racking a cough as ever I heard. I imagine last night she got a little more sleep than usual, and I am hoping that she soon may reach the turning point in her illness. The continuous racking cough has left her sore, exhausted, and unnerved. The worst part of it all is she imagines she can not take such medicine as the doctor prescribes, because she thinks it nauseates her. She will not stay in bed all the time, but I think with a realization that she is sick, she now lies all day upon the couch, and has resigned herself to the inevitable in the endeavor to get well. The doctor assures me that there is nothing for us to worry about at present, but he naturally is concerned with the condition of her chest, and is watching it very closely. I need not say to you how worried I am.

Hastily and with love,



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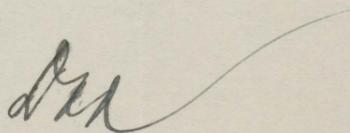
September 23, 1929

My dear Boys:

I know you are as anxious as I am about Mother, so I am sending you this Monday morning a sort of bulletin of her condition. I think last night she had her best night - none too good at that. This morning her pulse runs about 100, and I really believe her temperature to be about normal. The doctor has not arrived as yet, so I cannot tell you definitely. She has got some of her courage back today, which to me is the big thing. The terrible paroxysms of coughing that she has had exhausted her, and as I wrote you the other day, quite unnerved her, and this state of mind added to her distress and mine. The weather here suddenly changed last week, and became quite cool. This probably has had something to do with the sickness, colds, and the like. I don't attempt to write you of anything else for nothing else holds any interest for me at present. I am really feeling encouraged today, and I think Mother is too. I will drop you a line tomorrow after the doctor's report.

Love to all,

Affectionately,



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September 24, 1929

My dear Boys:

I am mighty glad to report that last night Mother had the best night since her illness ten days ago. She is far from well yet and we have some time ahead of us of care and caution. The almost continuous paroxysms of nightly coughing were last night confined to a few instances, which enabled her to get some sleep. The doctor yesterday reported her temperature normal. He accounts for her high pulse because of the exertion and exhaustion of coughing. The weather is getting a little warmer here, and I think that is better for us, too. I will keep sending you daily little messages like this.

With love to all,

Affectionately,

Don

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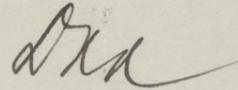
September 25, 1929

My dear Boys:

I think Mother is improving. I will now begin to have my difficulties in having her take care of herself until she regains her strength. We had some complications last night in the sudden illness of Tubby, and it ~~has~~ made Mother forget her own, and take chances that drove me nearly distracted. Mother still has her cough. Her breathing is like the rattling of slats, and she is anything but her self. Her fever is gone however, and I am sure she is much better, and is on the high road to recovery.

My love to all.

Affectionately,



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September 26, 1929.

My dear Boys:

Mother is sitting up today and barring the horrible cough I think that she is progressing. I don't understand why this cough can not be controlled, but apparently, our doctor is unable to do much with it. It is nearly two weeks now since our return, and the entire period has been pretty gloomy and dark. I do feel today better about Mother's condition than I've felt any day since her sickness commenced, and if we can, in any way alleviate her distress because of coughing, I feel that she will very rapidly recover. Because of the cough, our nights are terrible.

Love to all.

Affectionately,



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September 27, 1929

My dear Boys:

I was hoping that I might cease writing you concerning Mother's condition, but I don't like it, and I don't like the existing situation. Last night our Doctor Elliott left on his vacation. He claims there was no need of further attendance on Mother, and that while she was by no means recovered, she was getting along as well as could be expected. Today she is in about the same shape as she was yesterday without fever, I think, but with the coughing and with a head cold as well. She is nervous and unstrung, and the mere suggestion of bringing in another doctor almost causes hysterics. I don't feel right about having her unattended, and tomorrow, unless there is marked improvement, I shall get some other physician and take him over with me, and take the consequences. I dislike more than I can tell you to have her wrought up on the subject, and I fear it is very bad for her, and yet on the other hand, I believe my duty to her in having appropriate medical attendance, outweighs the other possibilities. The worst of this sickness is now the apparent general condition of Mother. It wrings my heart to find her so wretched and so downcast. I have been suggesting to her today that within a couple of days we go either to Florida or Atlantic City, and I think this would be a very wise move. She scouts the idea, however, and she insists she will run out of the house if I bring in another physician. I go over a couple of times a day from the office, and I have just returned

from there now. Her pulse is running between 90 and 100, and I am perfectly certain she has no fever. She does cough a great deal, and unquestionably is exceedingly sore, and there is no doubt about the condition of her nerves.

Love to all.

Affectionately,

Dad

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BECAUSE OF SOME APPARENT COMPLICATIONS GREATLY WORRIED ME
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LAWYER AT LAW MILLS BLDG SANFRANCISCO CALIF=

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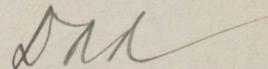
It was good of you to wire Mother last night after my telegrams to you concerning Mother's condition. Your wires reached the house this morning for breakfast, and she enjoyed them and appreciated them immensely. It is very difficult for me to write you about Mother's condition, because I am likely perhaps to magnify it; but I have been more than concerned, and my situation has been rendered doubly difficult because she is so intractable. Naturally she is very nervous and naturally very weak. The suggestion of really competent help either from the nurses' standpoint or the physicians' causes her to become practically hysterical. Our doctor a week ago left on a vacation. He seemed to think that while Mother was in distress and really ill, that he could safely depart. Just afterwards her pulse ran away up, and the doctor, who is in this building assigned by the Navy Department to care for the health of Senators and Congressmen, came to the house. His name is Dr. Calver, and he has got along very famously with Mother. I think him competent, but necessarily, with the disease hanging on, I have wanted to call in various other doctors of greater reputation, though perhaps with no greater attainments. He very sensibly has said that he would do anything I desired, but there was no necessity and nothing for the moment to be done, and nothing to be alarmed at.

What has troubled me is the fact that Mother will have sudden fluctuations of pulse, and her pulse gets so high it scarcely can be counted. This the doctor ascribes to the toxic condition and says it is neither remarkable nor alarming. Her pulse generally is running now between 100 and 110. Her temperature is practically normal. Her paroxysms of coughing, as I have explained to you weaken and distress her. The doctors call her complaint a "sticking bronchitis", and state that in addition to the fact it is fairly prevalent here, and hangs on tenaciously, your mother's depleted vitality, because of the shingles, made the situation more difficult for her. Today. I am thanking God, I think she is better. I believe last night was about the best night she has had. It was my intention today to walk in upon her with some other doctors without her knowledge and take the consequences from her. It would seem this morning that this may not be necessary. I shall decide at noon, and I will send you a wire tomorrow, so that you will have for the week end news of her condition.

Of course, to the exclusion of everything else Mother's sickness has engrossed me. At the end of the very tense fight upstairs on the flexible provision of the tariff bill I felt it incumbent, because of the denunciations of the Hoover people, to make my position clear, so I spoke upon it day before yesterday.

Love to all.

Affectionately,



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October 9, 1929

My dear boys:

I think I'm justified in writing in reference to Mother, with relief and hope today. The last two nights and yesterday and today have seen marked improvement in her condition. She has been relieved of much of her continued coughing and the paroxysms have been infrequent. Her pulse continues high, but less than before. This the doctor says is due to weakness. She slept fairly well each of the two nights. While she was worse she was as I told you intractable. Now as she feels better, she wants to move about. We are trying our best to keep her reclining--only measurably succeeding. At the doctor's orders, I feed her two egg-nogs a day and she's beginning to rebel at them. At any rate, thank God, she is better; and I'm assured if we can only make her take care of herself a short time will see her in good shape again. I say a short time--I mean in reference to the disease. She is quite weak, and it will require time and care to bring back her strength. I'm hastening to write you that you may share in my relief and rejoicing.

Mother appreciated the flowers from both of you and wanted me to thank you for her. This I do for her and

for myself, too. She says notwithstanding she loves them, to send no more, and with all the reiteration of the sick, she asks me each time I return home (and this I've been doing many time each day) if I have so notified you.

Affectionately,

Dad

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October 23, 1929

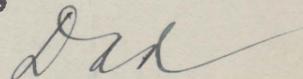
My dear Boys:

I am just sending you a progress bulletin concerning Mother. The doctor has discharged her, and save for her weakness, she is in pretty good shape. I simply can't get her to go away with me now, although I know that it would be of inestimable benefit to her. All of those with whom I have talked agree that not only would Atlantic City be an appropriate place to take her, but that we could have a very good time there as well. It is six hours, or less, automobile drive from here, and she could avoid therefore a long trip upon overheated cars.

With winter approaching, and the temperature changing here, I am watching her just as carefully as I can, but am having the devil's own time getting her to realize the necessity for care. Yesterday, she wandered about the house and tried to do something, but had to give it up and lie down for a couple of hours afterwards. I will keep writing thus until Mother becomes herself again.

With love to all,

Affectionately,



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November 8, 1929

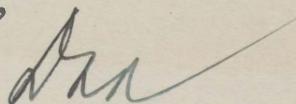
Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
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San Francisco, California

My dear Jack:

I received the enclosed from Madison and Burke showing the first instalment for 1929-30 taxes \$264.82. There is a coupon attached to the one Liberty Bond I yet have in my safe deposit box. I think this coupon is for \$212.00. Would you please get that coupon, and with the check herein sent in your favor for \$60.00, give Madison and Burke the amount, and let them pay the taxes, or have your office pay them, whichever is most convenient. I am awfully sorry to bother you in this way, and sorry that I have to indulge in the makeshifts to send you the funds, but as you probably know, I am in a hell of a fix, and I am trying to keep the one Liberty Bond I still possess, so that in case of my death, there might be a very small thing to tide over a very brief period.

During the day I expect to write to you and Arch generally, I am sending this matter to you now and trespassing upon you because it has been received by me.

Affectionately,



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Saturday Nov. 9, 1929.

My dear Jack:

I wrote you and Jack yesterday in general terms, but I wanted in addition to send you a little love message today.

Monday I received your telegram, and have been hoping during the week to have a letter from you. I can readily understand why none has come. We have the same

disposition in at least one respect - when hurt to take our medicine without whining nor repining, and to take it by ourselves alone.

Now I wish in what I am sure has been a time of great financial stress I could be of some little help to you!

My life of improvidence precludes this.

But I wanted you to know I have been doing little else than think of you, and with an unbounded sympathy and an indescribable affection.

Keep your heart if you can. This is one blessing that generally speaking has been given in abundance to the poor, and perhaps it is the greatest blessing of all

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

I wish you were here. You and I (for I have my worries that seem to me as monumental as yours seem to you) would make a sneak for a short time and forget all else than our sympathy and love for each other.

Don't write me of your bothers unless you wish. I know your courage is high, and nothing save sickness or death should daunt us.

All my love, dear boy.
Dad.

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

November 11, 1929

My dear Boys:

Your Mother and I are quite agreed that there should be no exchange among us for this Christmas in gifts. It is unnecessary with the affection we have for one another that we should testify to it by expensive gifts; and moreover, this year particularly with all of us is one where the exchange of our affectionate greetings on Christmas day not only will suffice, but will be infinitely better for all of us than the searching for presents and the giving of these presents. We are very much in earnest in this, and at your Mother's instance, I am writing you thus far in advance so that we may agree among ourselves. I am sure we'll be happier for it. I know your Mother will, and I know, I will. Won't you for our sakes agree with us in this this year?

With all our love,

Affectionately,

Dad

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November 18, 1929

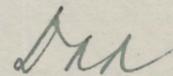
Mr. Hiram W. Johnson, Jr.,
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San Francisco, California

My dear Jack:

I have just this minute opened and read your letter sent by airmail dated November 15. I am so sorry that finally, in a measure, the "bogey man" got you, but, my dear boy, I am more than proud of the way you took it, and if it were possible, I love you all the more for the letter that you wrote. I want to congratulate you upon your good courage and your philosophy, and it was solely for this, and to tell you of my pride in you that I am sending you this very brief note the instant I have read yours. You have the two finest boys in the world, you have your health, and your strength, but above all, you have your high courage and your self - so you need not worry about temporary financial losses.

All my love to you and the kiddies.

Hastily and affectionately,



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

[Archib]

Hanksport, N.Y., 1929.

My dear dear son:

My father used to remark jocularly that on this day we thanked God for his blessings if we were happy and prosperous, and if the reverse, yet thanked God they were no worse. I thank God today that your Mother has recovered that both of us are in fair health and alive and that we have our dear sons and grandsons. I have come to the office merely to send you greeting, as you and Martha sent us today, and to tell you how much you are in our thoughts and never forgotten in our love.

Both Mother and I appreciated immensely your wire. To you and Martha radiated from Washington a boundless affection. While we are together, nothing can long distress and depress us. Thank God, we have our health - we are here.

All Dad's love to you my boy!

Father.

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Thanksgiving Day, 1929.

My dear Jack:

This is just a Thanksgiving Day
greeting from Mother and me to you
our dear son, and to your dear sons, our
grandsons. I'm really in thankful
mood today, while not unminful of
misfortunes. I'm grateful that Mother
is again herself, and that we have one
another. While our sons and our
grandsons remain to us, and we who
are old may still have the capacity for
appreciation and enjoyment of them
I think we may call ourselves blessed.
Our love to you and Abram and
Philip to your household and all
things for which you care! Give the
dear boys a hug for us both - you
know and I could not add to your
knowledge by the written expression of it,
the boundless and immeasurable love
we send to you. Affectionately,
Dad.

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COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

December 7, 1929

My dear Boys:

I won't attempt to write you a real letter today but will simply advise you of the situation concerning our coming home during the holidays. Since Mother received word from both of you, she was agreeable to our coming out for Christmas and New Years. We leave here Friday, Saturday, or Sunday of next week, December 13, 14, or 15. Probably our departure will be on Sunday. As you know, your Mother detests a room in any other place than the observation car, or perhaps if necessity compels it, a compartment car. Out of Chicago, if we leave here either Friday or Saturday, we could not get a drawing room she desires. If we leave here on Sunday, we can on Monday from Chicago get that space. Undoubtedly therefore I think unless something unforeseen shall occur, we'll leave here Sunday, the 15th, arriving, I assume Wednesday evening, the 18th. Of course we'll have to return immediately after New Years. We would have two weeks in San Francisco, and Mother ^{and I are} ~~is~~ looking forward to these two weeks with the keenest anticipations.

With love to all,

Affectionately,

Dad

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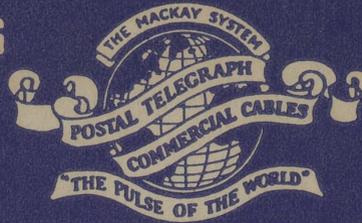
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