

October 12, 1952  
10:30 PM

General Dwight D. Eisenhower  
Care Special Train  
Fort Worth, Texas.

My dear General:

It is extremely regretted that I will be unable to be here to help welcome you upon your arrival in Fort Worth, due to the fact that I have a definite appointment in New York on something of vital importance in connection with the completion of our new airport. So, I am having to leave here tonight at 1:45 and will not return to Fort Worth for about ten days.

Meanwhile, I am quite sure that every preparation has been made for your welcome. Amon Junior is in Colorado hunting - a trip that was planned six months ago. However, Minnie will hand this note to you and greet you and Mamie if she has an opportunity to do so.

The campaign seems to be going along nicely and we are doing everything possible to help elect a great American to save America. So, keep the good work up.

A copy of the Thomas Jefferson cartoon which appeared in the Star-Telegram may be officially presented to you if an opportunity presents itself. The advertisement in the Wednesday morning Star-Telegram uses this cartoon headed Thomas Jefferson, Father of the Democratic Party said in 1816:

"I place economy among the first and most important virtues - and public debt as the greatest of dangers to be feared. To preserve our independence, we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. We must make our choice between economy and liberty - or profusion and servitude."

Underneath the above the following will appear:



"The present Democratic Party has sadly neglected this wise doctrine of Mr. Jefferson. On the contrary, the Administration in Washington is doing just the opposite to what President Jefferson advocated as a safe guard for the freedom of America. Meanwhile, General Eisenhower is preaching with all his might the same doctrine and philosophy as advocated above by Mr. Jefferson.

"This distressing situation should cause every American who stands for a free unshackled America to Stop, Look and Listen! Vote for a great American - Dwight D. Eisenhower - to reestablish America's standing with the free Nations of the World before it is too late."

Sid left this morning for Washington and I am sure regrets his inability to be present on your arrival. However, he is with you in spirit, the same as I am.

Attached is a clarified suggestion which I hope you will emphatically emphasize during your stay in Texas in connection with the Tidelands, as you have been misquoted in this respect by Speaker Rayburn, Senator Tom Connally and others to the effect that you are uncertain regarding your stand on the Tidelands and have made three different conflicting statements. I think it is a fine time to definitely settle in reality what you finally said, namely: that you are in favor of Texas and other coastal states retaining their tidelands. This statement is reiterated in the Republican platform. Still, some of your opponents who are careless with facts keep misquoting you. The statement attached should clarify this situation and should shut them up (if anything will).

Keep your composure, sense of humor and relax sufficiently to enable you to vigorously complete your successful campaign. I realize this is a difficult assignment but I do want to congratulate you on standing up under almost a Herculean task in which you have done a beautiful job.

Best wishes from Minnie, Amon Junior, the writer and all your many friends who I know will not have an opportunity to express to you personally



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their hopes for your election and to tell you how  
happy they are to lend a hand in the great battle  
you are fighting for the freedom of America.

With affectionate regards, I am

Sincerely,

AGC:kd



## T I D E L A N D S

Emphatic statement to the effect you stand for Texas  
and other coastal tidal states retaining the ownership  
of their tidelands, referring to the fact that this  
definite statement is in the Republican platform.