

August 8, 1941

Honorable John N. Garner,  
Uvalde, Texas.

Dear Mr. Garner:

I am glad the cigars arrived and hope you liked them. I was not "raised" up on good cigars so you are an outlet to the generosity of my friends from time to time.

You will recall that I wrote you some time ago regarding your portrait that is hanging in the Museum at Austin. As I understand, it is the picture that was removed from the House of Representatives in Washington. Now, what I would like to do is to find out how we can extinguish this picture from circulation entirely. I had one painted for the House of Representatives and I have just made a deal with Seymour Stone to paint another one to substitute for the portrait now hanging in the Museum at Austin. I want to get hold of the other picture and destroy it. I think it does you a rank injustice as it looks nothing like you at all.

Incidentally, I had Mr. Stone paint a new picture for the banner we carried in Chicago during the 1932 Convention and he did a fine job. It will be located at Shady Oak Farm, photograph of which I will send you at an early date.

I am not sure just when Mr. Stone will get to the matter of painting your portrait as I am having him make duplicates of the portraits he painted of Ruth and Amon Jr., so that Mrs. Carter will have pictures of the children. In any event, he will contact you and I hope you will extend him your usual patient courtesy as he is a grand ol' guy and very fond of both you and Mrs. Garner.

You will note from today's Star-Telegram that our Junior Senator, at least, waited a day after his induction into office before he made a speech.

I am leaving here Sunday night for New

York and returning to Fort Worth Tuesday. Then I am going to take a two weeks trip and visit the Bartlett Ranch in New Mexico as guest of the owner, Harry Chandler, Publisher of the Los Angeles Times. It is a grand fishing place and I wish it were possible for you to be with me. In any event, every time we pull out a nice big speckled trout, I will think of you and strike a blow for liberty.

I am With much love to both you and Mrs. Garner,

Sincerely,

AGC.KD