

October 7, 1943.

Colonel Elliott Roosevelt,
Care The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Elliott:

Tom Ridley of the American Airlines informed me that your plane arrived in Washington about 8:00 A.M. and that you were able to take the package in the cabin. I am glad to know that you arrived O.K. and realize it is quite a burden to lug a package of that size along, at the same time I am sure the recipients will be delighted. So, you are a good Samaritan in doing the job.

I called up Ruth and told her of your safe arrival as soon as the American 'phoned me.

I have one particular "Short Snorter" bill that is quite interesting as it is signed by The President, Winston Churchill, Anthony Eden, Brendan Bracken, Admiral Stark, Sir Dudley Pound and Secretary Frank Knox and although General Spaatz has signed another "Short Snorter" bill for me, I am anxious to have General Eisenhower, who I failed to ask to sign my bill, as well as Jimmie Doolittle, sign for me. So, I am sending you, herewith, a fresh crisp one dollar bill and if it is not too much of a burden I would certainly appreciate your asking Generals, Eisenhower, Spaatz and Doolittle to sign it. If you run into any other particular top dignitaries that you think belong on a bill of this kind, I would be delighted to have them.

I talked with C. R. and asked him if there were any way that I could get about 75 pounds in merchandise over to Generals Eisenhower, Spaatz, Doolittle and Eaker as well as Chief Air Marshall Harris and, possibly, Winston Churchill and Brendan Bracken. We had so much trouble about smoked turkeys last year that I did not mention that this would be smoked turkeys; however, I am sure he surmised as much. He said as soon as he could he would look into it and let me know and, incidentally, let me know that Commodore Sharp had carried an unusual amount of poundage of secret papers over. Of course, he knew that

I had supplied a part of this to the Commodore and I did tell him that I was responsible for only about 25% of the total. Naturally, I realize that C. R. has a tough job in trying to keep everybody from loading the ships down with a lot of unessentials from a strictly military standpoint but rather essential and importance insofar as the particular individuals are concerning. So, I hope he does not taboo the package you have to the generals.

I have asked C. R. to come down here and spend a few days with us. He stated that he might come down to see his mother. Incidentally, he has never been in Fort Worth since he has been on the Army job - at least while I was in town.

Sid had dinner with me last night and I chalked up a few extra points against his Gin Rummy indebtedness and trying to accumulate enough to acquire an interest in St. Jo Island - although it is a rather tedious job.

I hope you have a good trip trip. Please give my best regards to your Father and Colonel Hall as well as Steve, Mac, the General and any of the folks that you run into.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

AGC.KD