Hon Edwin M. Watson

Secretary to the President

The White House

Washington, D. C.

My Dear General: I realize fully that in these perplexing times it is quite an imposition upon the President to take from his busy schedule even the few minutes necess ry to greet the "typical American family" and I requested it only because of the belief that the President would want to see them and his doing so might serve a useful purposeperiod. The Leathers family of Clarendon was chosen the typical family of Texas at the annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of formerce with a membership of 6,000 last May. They Exampxizedwon.over

families from all parts of West Texas and against contestants from all other states have been selected as the Typical American family in the World's Fair contest. They represent the finest type of our American citizenship and it occured to me that the brief greeting by the President mightafford an opportunity to point out to the people of the nation that the future of democracy in this country rests with the families of **their states** which they are so representative and the news reels showing this might have a wholesome effect on the campaign the President is no so ably and courageously conducting. Naturally I am sorry that such can not be arranged Best regards. Amon G. Carter