Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C.

My dear General:

Through the courtesy of American Airlines, I am taking the liberty of sending you a package of "Christmas tonic" bottled in the barn which is sent from two of your friends in West Texas. Another package is being sent from New York - one is American and the other is English.

At the time I had the pleasure of hunting with you on St. Joe Island, I recall very vividly that we fetched in 38 quail. Of the 38 quail, it was a one horse and one rabbit affair - more than 25 going to you and the remainder to me. I was amazed at the way you handled Sid's little 410 and bearing this in mind I recently acquired a 410 over and under Belgium made gun which, as I understand, has already been delivered to you (also through the courtesy of American Airlines). I hope you continue to have as good luck with this 410 as you did with the other one used on St. Joe Island.

I have been watching with tremendous interest the televising of V-D Day pictures in which we occasionally have an opportunity for a glimpse of you. A lot of water has gone over the dam since that time and I am quite sure if you hold up physically that all of the efforts put forth will bear fruits of victory, not only during the Crusade, but in the Crusade now in action.

I note that you are going to be in Augusta for Christmas. We have sent a few victuals to you at the White House and hope you will have an opportunity to eat them on your return.

Good luck and best of everything to you, Mamie, the grand children and all of your loved ones for the kind of Christmas you are entitled to have - which is tops - in which Minnie, Ruth and Amon Junior join me. By the way Ruth has presented me with another grand daughter, making a total of four grand children.

Amon Junior's wife is on the expectation list any day for another, so we have lots to be thankful for even in these troublesome times.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Most sincerely,

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