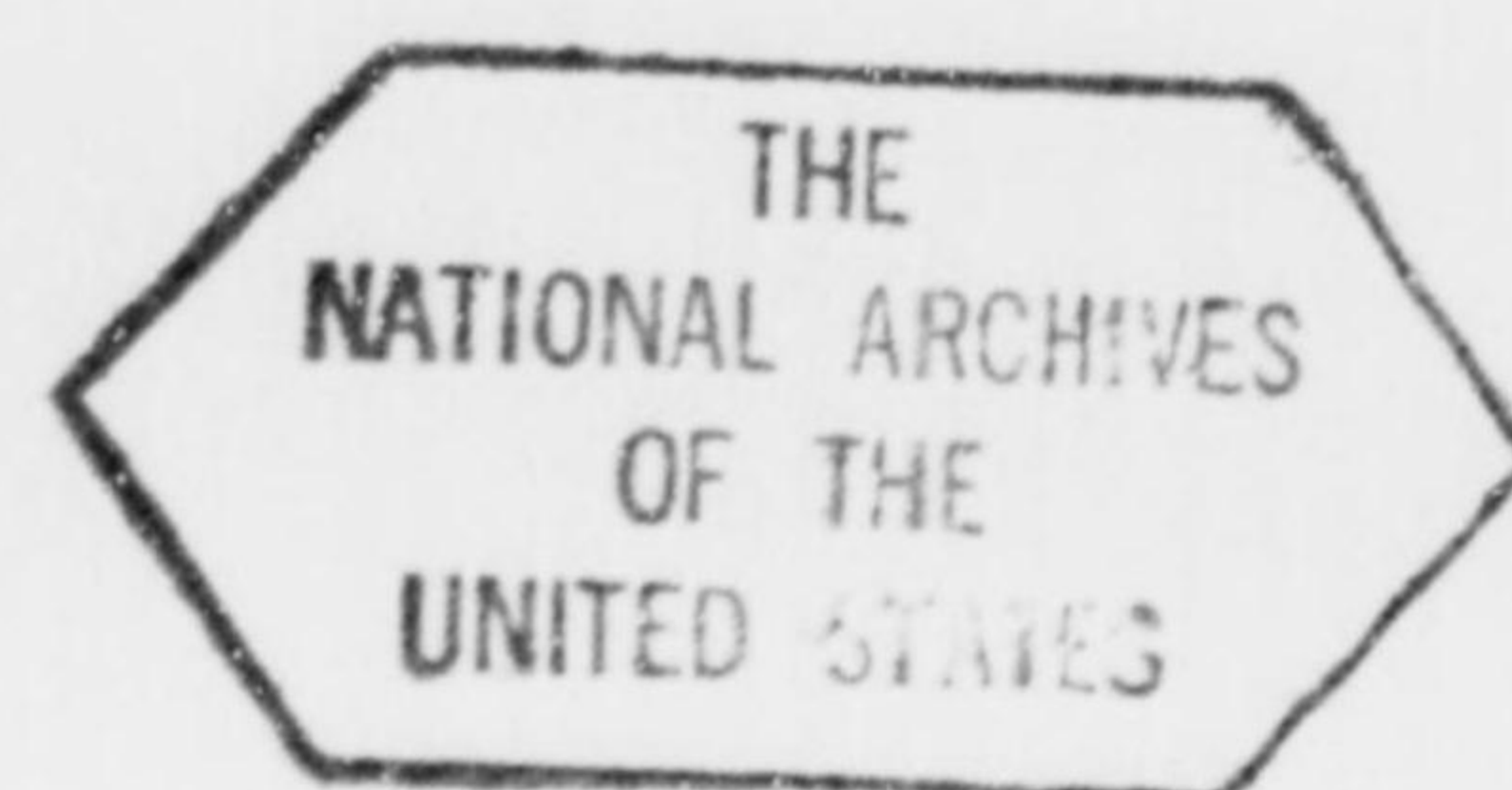


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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
SHERMAN ADAMS  
GOVERNOR

January 21, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Ch.  
Veterans' and Citizens' Committee  
The Hotel Astor  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the Birthday Anniversary Dinner for General Douglas MacArthur on the 26th.

I regret that a previous commitment involving duties of state will prevent my leaving New Hampshire in order to be with you on that date.

However, I do send you my very best wishes for a successful event, honoring a truly great man.

Americans everywhere will long remember the extraordinary military leadership of General MacArthur. Under his brilliant direction, our armed forces, spread over half the globe, won honor after honor on a dozen battlefronts.

On this Birthday Anniversary of a great American soldier, I send the best wishes of the people of New Hampshire and ask that this humble expression of appreciation and gratitude be forwarded to the General.

Sincerely yours,

*Sherman Adams*

HP/kcn



WESTERN UNION  
 NO MISUNDERSTANDINGS  
 ..... WHEN YOU HAVE A  
 RECORD OF IT  
*Telegraph It* AND BE SURE

# WESTERN UNION

JOSEPH L. EGAN  
 PRESIDENT

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LB311 NL PD=LOSANGELES CALIF 24= 1949 JAN 24 PM 8 34  
 GENERAL JOHNATHAN WAINWRIGHT, MACARTHUR DINNER=  
 CARE ROBERT HARRIS ASTOR HOTEL NYK=

I KEENLY REGRET MY INABILITY TO BE PRESENT WITH YOU AT  
 THE DINNER HONORING DOUGLAS MACARTHUR'S BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY  
 NIGHT. HE IS OUR GREATEST AMERICAN AND THE SYMBOL OF  
 RESISTANCE TO THOSE WHO OPPOSE OUR WAY OF LIFE. EVERY  
 PATRIOT SHOULD APPLAUD AND HONOR HIM. YOU GENERAL  
 WAINWRIGHT MY WARMEST REGARDS=  
 LYNN ATKINSON=...

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ATKINSON, LYNN





STATE OF IOWA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
DES MOINES

WM. S. BEARDSLEY  
GOVERNOR

January 20, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Suit 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

The extraordinary demands made upon my time during the legislative session prevent my acceptance of your kind invitation to attend the MacArthur birthday dinner Wednesday evening the twenty-sixth of January, 1949 at Hotel Astor, New York City.

As Governor and representative of the people of Iowa, I wish to extend sincere good wishes to the great General Douglas MacArthur.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm. S. Beardsley".

Wm. S. Beardsley  
Governor

WSB/wh

BEARDSLEY, WM. S.



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1949 JAN 26 PM 4 21

:RICHARD W ONEIL=

CHAIRMAN VETERAN AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO HONOR  
GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MCARTHUR HOTEL ASTOR=

GREETINGS TO GENERAL DOUGLAS MCARTHUR ON HIS 69TH BIRTHDAY  
AND BEST WISHES NOT ALONE TO ONE OF THE GREATEST SOLDIERS  
IN OUR HISTORY BUT TO ONE WHO IN ADDITION HAS PERFORMED THE  
MOST OUTSTANDING JOB OF ADMINISTRATION IN MILITARY ANNALS=

:GLEN R BEDENKAPP CHAIRMAN OF THE NY REPUBLICAN STATE  
COMMITTEE=

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BEDENKAPP, GLEN R.





CHESTER BOWLES  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
HARTFORD

January 21, 1949

Dear Mr. O'Neil:

Your invitation to Governor Bowles for the Birthday Dinner for General Douglas MacArthur next Wednesday evening arrived here while the Governor was in the National Capitol for the inauguration festivities.

We do not expect that the Governor will be back here until tomorrow or the next day. But I do happen to know that he is making a radio broadcast from Hartford that particular evening and will be unable to attend the dinner which you are planning.

Just as soon as the Governor returns to the office, which will probably be sometime Monday, I will pass on to him your request for a message to be read at the banquet. I know that he will be glad to do it if he can squeeze in some time from a very busy schedule.

Right now, he is hard at work getting his budget message ready for the printers, and the deadline is Tuesday of next week. So you can understand the tremendous pressure he is under right at this time.

With all good wishes for a very successful dinner.

Sincerely,

*Marcella C. Eastman*  
Marcella C. Eastman  
Personal Secretary

Mr. Richard W. O'Neil,  
Chairman of the McArthur  
Birthday Dinner

BOWLES, CHESTER



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*RM 240*

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RICHARD W ONEILL,

CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO HONOR  
GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR REPORT DELIVERY

WCL38873 RPT WCL38873 GEN OMAR N BRADLEY SINCERELY REGRET  
THAT MY SCHEDULE WILL NOT PERMIT ME TO JOIN YOU CMA GENERAL  
WAINWRIGHT AND THE OTHERS IN HONORING GENERAL MACARTHUR  
AT THE BIRTHDAY DINNER TOMORROW EVENING PD THANK YOU VERY  
MUCH FOR THE CORDL INVITATION PD  
CF OF STAFF WASHINGTON DC 252128Z

WCL38873 WCL38873 GEN OMAR CMA ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

BRADLEY, OMAR N.



CLARENCE J. BROWN  
7TH DISTRICT, OHIO

HOME ADDRESS:  
BLANCHESTER, OHIO

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

January 19th, 1949

COMMITTEES:  
RULES  
EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE  
DEPARTMENTS  
CHAIRMAN, SELECT COMMITTEE ON  
NEWSPRINT AND PAPER SUPPLY

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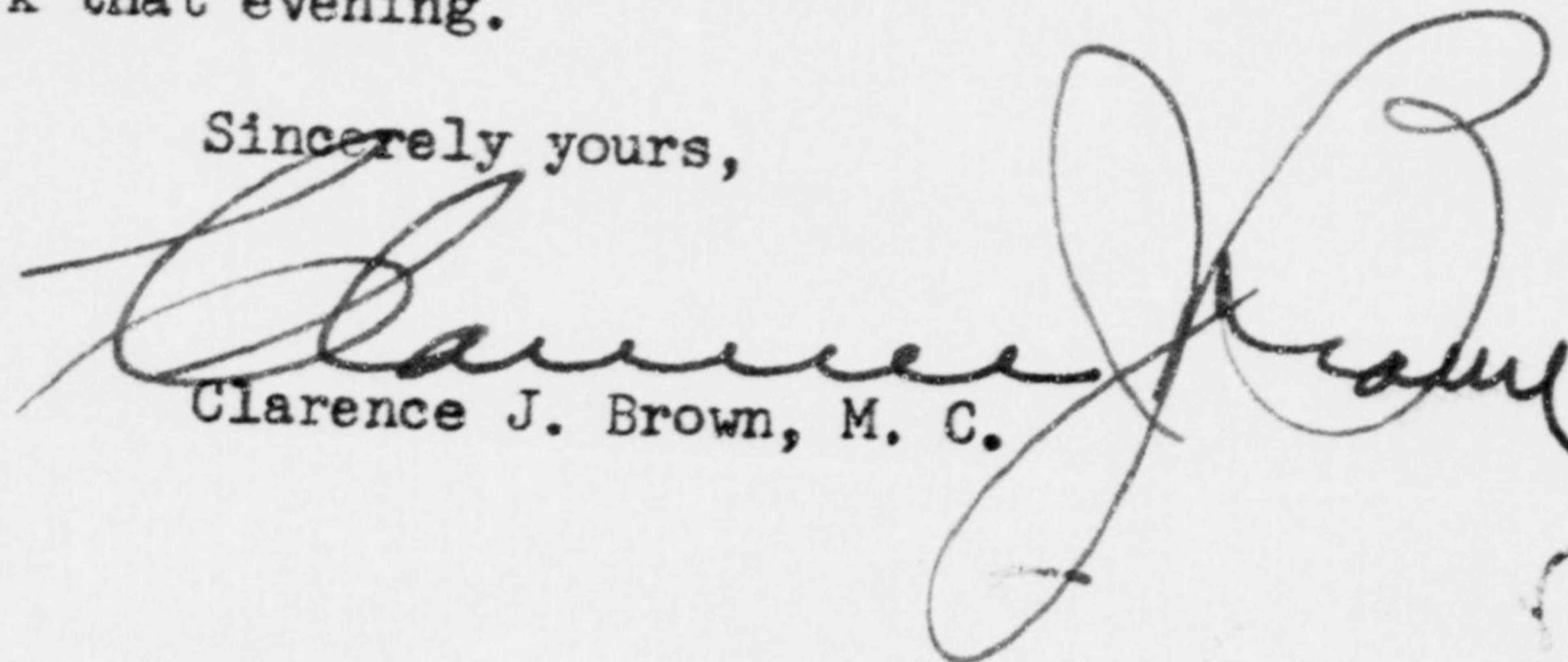
Mr. Richard W. O'Neill,  
Suite 240,  
Hotel Astor,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I want to thank you, and through you the members  
of the committee for the dinner honoring General MacArthur,  
for the invitation to attend.

However, I have a dinner engagement for the  
evening of January 26th in Omaha, Nebraska, and will be  
unable to come to New York that evening.

Sincerely yours,

  
Clarence J. Brown, M. C.



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NA050 DL PD=ALBANY NY 26 238P=

RICHARD W ONEILL VETS AND CITIZENS VETS AND CITIZENS  
COM TO HONOR GEN OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR ASTOR HOTEL=

SINCERELY SORRY I CANNOT BE WITH YOU WHO ARE PAYING TRIBUTE  
TO GENERAL MACARTHUR ON HIS BIRTHDAY I FIRST MET HIM WHEN  
HE WAS FIGHTING A LOSING BATTLE AND I LEARNED TO LOVE AND  
KNOW HIM AS A GREAT SOLDIER A HISTORY MAKING AMERICAN AND A  
FINE FRIEND I AM SORRY I CAN ONLY SAY HE IS A WORLD CITIZEN  
SECOND TO NONE=

JOE E BROWN=

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BROWN, JOE E.



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BROWN, JOE E.



CLARENCE CANNON  
REPRESENTATIVE FROM MISSOURI  
NINTH DISTRICT

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1949

COMMITTEES:  
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

SUBCOMMITTEES:  
AGRICULTURE  
DEFICIENCIES  
LEGISLATIVE

MINORITY STEERING COMMITTEE

JOINT COMMITTEE ON REDUCTION OF  
NONESSENTIAL FEDERAL EXPENDI-  
TURES

JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE  
BUDGET

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN  
ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Hon. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman, Committee to Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Suite 240 Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Am in receipt of your invitation to  
attend the dinner honoring General Douglas MacArthur,  
January 26, 1949, and much regret engagements which  
cannot now be readjusted make it impossible for me to  
attend.

With appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,

*Clarence Cannon*

CC/e

CANNON, CLARENCE





STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

FRANK CARLSON  
GOVERNOR

January 22, 1949.

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill,  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor,  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Previous engagements will make it impossible for me to attend the birthday dinner in honor of General Douglas MacArthur. General MacArthur is one of the outstanding men of the present day, and I want to extend to him my sincerest greetings and best wishes.

General Wainwright, who will accept the Scroll in behalf of General MacArthur, and I were members of the same class, and together we received the K. C. C. H. of the Masonic Order.

Kindly extend to him my regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Carlson".

GOVERNOR

FC/MF

CARLSON, FRANK



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HON RICHARD W O'NEIL, HOTEL ASTOR=

CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO  
 HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR=

REGRET THAT I CANNOT ATTEND THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY OF GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR. PLEASE CONVEY TO HIM THE GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE=

ELBERT N CARVEL GOVERNOR OF DELAWARE=

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 RICHARD W ONEILL=CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS  
 COMMITTEE=SUITE 240 HOTEL ASTOR=

41  
 10ta  
 51

YOUR NIGHT LETTER JAN 20 GOV ELBERT N CARVEL DOVER DEL  
 NOT EXPECTED IN OFFICE UNTIL MONDAY WE FORWARD TELEGRAM  
 TO HIS HOME LAUREL DEL=  
 WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO 1440 BWAY=

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CARVEL, ELBERT N.



MR. RICHARD O'NEIL

I deeply regret my inability to be with you at the Testimonial Birthday Dinner to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur. As his Chief Engineer from the tragic days of Bataan, through the Pacific Campaigns to ultimate victory, I learned to love, respect and admire the outstanding soldier, leader and statesman to whom you do honor tonight. Our country and the world are indeed indebted to him for his great contributions, sacrifices and accomplishments both in war and in peace, in the interest of our people. I know I bespeak the thoughts and wishes of many of his former associates in wishing him good health, the happiness which comes from a task well done, and continued success on his highly difficult mission.

MAJOR-GENERAL HUGH J. CASEY

*Chief Eng. of the Far East  
Command.*

*Copy of Telegram Taken over phone  
AMM*

CASEY, HUGH J.





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO  
AG-142-evg

TO GENERAL DOUGLAS MAC ARTHUR, GENERAL OF THE ARMY,  
U. S. ARMY:

On the occasion of your birthday, I am pleased to extend the cordial greetings and best wishes of all Marines to a most distinguished comrade-in-arms.

May you enjoy continued good health during the many years to come.

C. B. CATES  
General, U.S.M.C.  
Commandant of the Marine Corps

CATES, C. B.





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO  
AG-142-evg

27 JAN 1949

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

In reply to your letter of January 20th, I am pleased to transmit herewith my birthday greeting to General MacArthur.

My personal best wishes for a most successful celebration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. B. Cates", is written below the typed name.

C. B. CATES  
General, U.S.M.C.  
Commandant of the Marine Corps

Encl: (1)

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman,  
Veterans and Citizens Committee,  
Hotel Astor, 1515 Broadway,  
New York 19, New York.



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J. W. FULBRIGHT, ARK.  
FRANCIS O. WILCOX, CHIEF OF STAFF

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

January 19, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO HONOR  
GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MacARTHUR  
Care of THE HOTEL ASTOR  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your kind invitation to attend the reception and dinner honoring General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, to be held at the Hotel Astor, New York City, on Wednesday evening, January twenty-sixth.

It is with deep regret that I must inform you a previous engagement will prevent me from accepting your thoughtful invitation. Were it possible for me to be present on this occasion, you may be sure that I should be very glad to join with you in paying respects to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur and General Jonathan M. Wainwright.

Trusting you will express my regrets to your Committee members and to your honor guests, I am

Sincerely,

*Tom Connally*

TC:3i

CONNALLY, THOMAS



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NAO43 PD=CHEYENNE WYO 26 1138A=

RICHARD W ONEILL=CHAIRMAN SUITE 240

ASTOR HOTEL=

PRESS OF STATE BUSINESS CAUSED BY LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
AND RECENT SEVERE STORM FORBIDS MY ATTENDANCE. THE PEOPLE  
OF WYOMING GREATLY APPRECIATE THE STALWART WORK BEING  
DONE BY GENERAL MCARTHUR IN JAPAN=

A G CRANE GOVERNOR= STALWART=

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CRANE, A. G.



CHURCH OF THE HEAVENLY REST  
CHAPEL OF THE BELOVED DISCIPLE  
TWO EAST NINETIETH STREET  
NEW YORK 28, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE RECTOR

January 18, 1949

Dear Lester:

Thank you for working it out so that I was included in the dinner for General MacArthur.

I am looking forward to the pleasure of being there and will wear full uniform.

With every good wish, I am,

Faithfully yours,

*Henry Darlington*

Mr. Lester D. Stickles  
36 W. 44th St.,  
New York, 17

DARLINGTON, HENRY





25 JAN 1949

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I regret extremely that I am unable to attend the dinner celebrating the birthday of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur. I am sure that my disappointment at not being present is exceeded only by his. I join with all of your committee in wishing him every good fortune and many, many more years of a full and happy life, which will be marked as it has been in the past, by devotion to our country.

Sincerely,

LOUIS DENFELD  
Admiral, U. S. Navy

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, New York

DENFIELD, LOUIS



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RICHARD W ONEIL, CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE  
GENERAL MCARTHUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER HOTEL ASTOR

ONLY THE PRESSURE OF MY DUTIES COULD PREVENT MY ATTENDANCE AT THE GENERAL MCARTHUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER MY ADMIRATION AND RESPECT FOR HIM ARE THE HIGHEST KINDLY EXPRESS TO HIM MY HEARTY FELICITATIONS UPON THIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY AND MY ARDENT WISH THAT HE WILL SHARE ABUNDANTLY IN THE REWARDS WHICH HE HAS SO RICHLY MERITED

PAUL A DEVER GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS

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DEVER, PAUL A.



ET

EGAS1 THIS IS ARL 282 DEPT OF ARMY PUB INFO DIV WAH DC 1503 Z WYY JAN  
AES

JAN 26 3 14 PM '49

TO COMMANDING GNXXX GENERAL  
FIRST ARMY

ACTION: PUB INFO OFF

CM IN A-1-1200 (26 Jan 49) 1514 E/1

ATTENTION PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

MESSAGE URGENT

PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING TO RICHARD W. O'NEILL' SUITE 240.  
ASTOR HOTEL' NEW YORK CITY.

STATEMENT BY GENERAL JACOB L. DEVERS' CHIEF' ARMY FIELD FORCES  
BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER TO HONOR GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR 26 JAN  
R 49' HOTEL ASTOR' NEW YORK CITY CLN

QUOTE ON THIS OCCASION' THE BIRTHDAY OF A GREAT AMERICAN' IT GIVES  
ME GREAT PLEASURE TO OFFER BIRTHDAY FELICITATIONS TO GENERAL OF  
THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR' ONE OF THE GREATEST MILITARY LEADERS'  
DIPLOMATS AND STATESMEN OF THIS OR ANY AGE. UNQUOTE

HEADQUARTERS  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FOR GEN DEVERS THROUGH PID

1/24/49  
PHONED TO P.I.O. (Mrs. Law)  
AT 1525 THIS D. RE. BE

MAJOR MCGUIRE  
CHIEF' PRES S SECTION

END PLS ACK  
DEVERS, JACOB L.



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NA038 LONG PD=C ALBANY 26 1254P Point of origin. Time of receipt is STANDARD TIME at point of destination

GENERAL JONATHAN M WAINWRIGHT, HONORARY CHAIRMAN  
 VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
 DOUGLAS MACARTHUR CARE RICHARD W ONEILL CHAIRMAN HOTEL ASTOR

I AM HAPPY INDEED TO ADD MY VOICE TO THOSE OF THE GREAT CHORUS  
 RAISED IN APPERCIATION TO THE UNFORGETTABLE SERVICES RENDERED  
 TO HIS COUNTRY BY GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

HIS PLACE IN HISTORY IS SECURE AS ONE OF THE GREATEST  
 AMERICAN GENERALS, ONE OF THE GREAT CAPTAINS OF ALL TIME,  
 RECOGNIZED BY HIS PEERS AS A MASTER OF STRATEGY AND TACTICS,  
 THE RESPECT AND AFFECTION OF THE MEN UNDER HIS COMMAND ARE

VIVID TESTIMONY TO HIS SUPREME FACULTY FOR LEADERSHIP.

AS COMMANDING GENERAL OF OUR ARMY OF OCCUPATION IN  
 JAPAN HE HAS COMBINED FIRMNESS WITH WARM-HEARTED HUMANITY  
 UNDER THE MOST DIFFICULT CONDITIONS, THERE HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS  
 PROOFS THAT HIS COUNTRYMEN LOOK UP TO HIM AND LOVE HIM AS WELL  
 THEY MIGHT, FOR TRULY NO MAN HAS DESERVED MORE OF HIS COUNTRY  
 THAN GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

THOMAS E DEWEY

DEWEY, THOS. E.

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SHELL UNION OIL CORPORATION

50 WEST 50TH STREET

NEW YORK 20, N.Y.

January 24, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans & Citizens Committee to Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, N. Y.

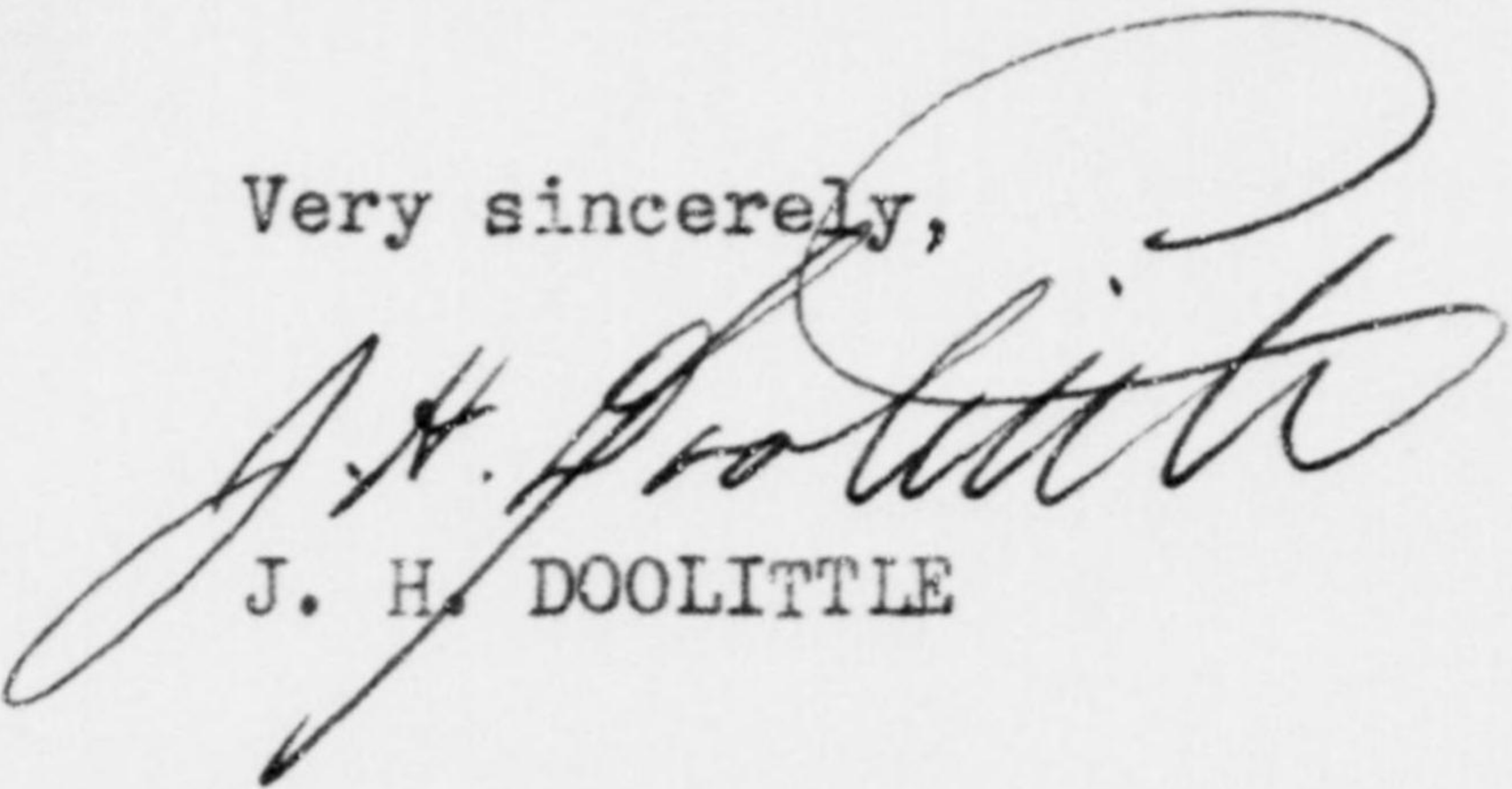
Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Am very sorry to have to advise that a  
business commitment of long standing prevents me  
from being with you on Wednesday night, January 26.

Deeply regret that I shall be denied this  
opportunity to join with you in publicly paying  
tribute to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
who is one of the truly great men and outstanding  
soldiers not only of our time, but of all time.

With every good wish for a most successful  
affair, I am,

Very sincerely,

  
J. H. DOOLITTLE





STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Trenton  
January 26, 1949.

It is a great privilege for me as Governor of the State of New Jersey to join with the members of the Veterans and Citizens Committee honoring General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, a distinguished soldier and statesman, on the occasion of his birthday anniversary.

General MacArthur's career has been an extraordinary one, embracing as it does heroic conduct on the field of battle, distinguished service as Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and as military advisor to the Philippine Commonwealth, and, lastly, as the liberator of the East and conqueror of the armed might of the Japanese Empire.

In the discharge of his postwar responsibilities the great competence of General MacArthur, in his statesmanlike solution of the problems of reconstruction, has won an enduring place in American history.

Sincerely,

*Alfred E. Driscoll*  
Governor.

DRISCOLL, ALFRED E.





STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

January 25,  
1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman, Dinner Committee  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

Pursuant to the request contained in your telegram of January 20, there is enclosed a message from Governor Driscoll for such use as may be deemed appropriate in connection with the dinner honoring General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

The Governor sincerely regrets that prior commitments here in Trenton prevent him from accepting your thoughtful invitation for January 26.

Very truly yours,

*Etta G. Riddell*  
Secretary to the Governor.





COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
HARRISBURG

JAMES H. DUFF  
GOVERNOR

January 20, 1949

General Douglas MacArthur Dinner  
Committee,  
Suite 240,  
Hotel Astor,  
New York, New York.

Gentlemen:

Thank you very much indeed for your kind invitation to attend a dinner in honor of General Douglas MacArthur, in New York City, on Wednesday, January 26th.

It would have been a great pleasure for me to be there, but unfortunately I already have another commitment in Harrisburg on that evening. Under the circumstances, I regret that I will be unable to accept your kind invitation.

Please be assured of my deep appreciation of the invitation and my sincere regret that I cannot be present.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James H. Duff".

James H. Duff



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:RICHARD W ONEILL, CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS  
COMMITTEE=TO HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS  
MACARTHUR HOTEL ASTOR NYK=  
:REGRET EXCEEDINGLY PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT PREVENTS MY ATTENDING  
GENERAL MACARTHUR'S BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER.  
REQUEST YOU EXTEND MY BEST WISHES TO ALL THOSE PRESENT  
AND TO THE GENERAL ON THIS HAPPY OCCASION=  
ADMIRAL J F FARLEY COMMANDANT USCG=..

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FARLEY, J. F.



DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE

HOTEL BILTMORE  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

PAUL E. FITZPATRICK  
CHAIRMAN

January 24, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Suite 240 - Hotel Astor  
46th Street and Broadway  
New York City

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to the Dinner to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, Wednesday evening, Twenty-sixth of January, at the Hotel Astor, New York.

If circumstances permitted, it would give me much pleasure to attend and, although I cannot accept for the reason that I have a previous engagement for that evening, I do want you to know that I appreciate your thought of me.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

*Paul E. Fitzpatrick*

FITZPATRICK, PAUL E.





STATE OF ALABAMA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

MONTGOMERY

January 24, 1949

JAMES E. FOLSOM  
GOVERNOR

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman, Committee to Honor  
General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

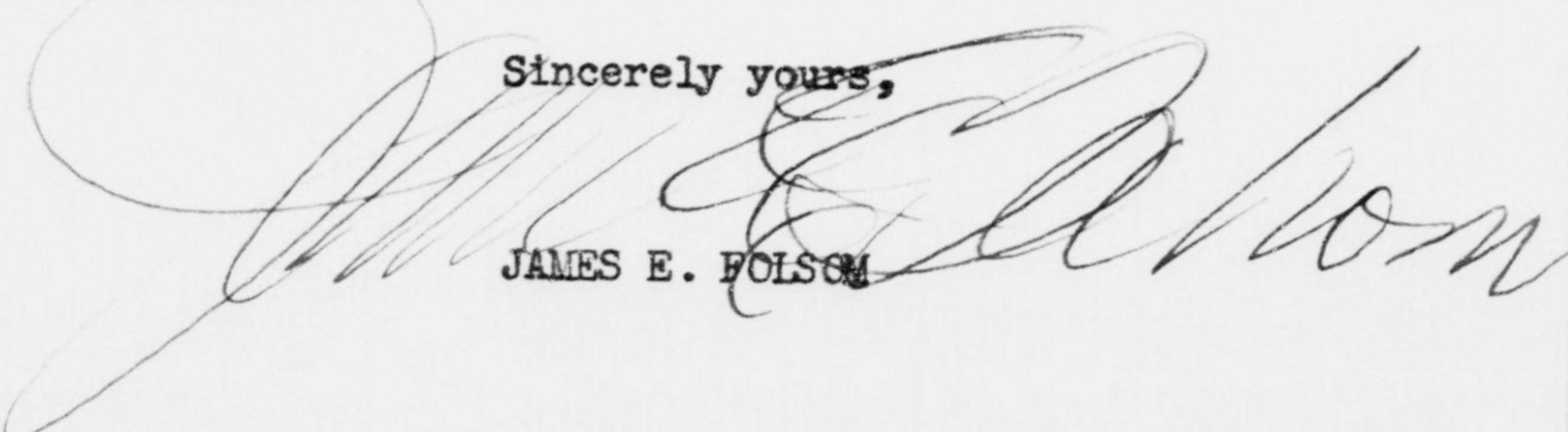
I appreciate very much your invitation to me to attend the dinner to be held at the Hotel Astor, New York City, on January twenty-sixth in celebration of the birthday of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, and regret that my official engagements will not permit me to attend.

General MacArthur has, by his outstanding military and diplomatic services, well earned the respects and plaudits of his Country. This celebration of his birthday affords a splendid opportunity for his fellow-Countrymen to pay their grateful respects to him.

I am sending Colonel Charles S. Saliba, who bears this letter as my personal representative at the dinner. He also bears a letter from me to General MacArthur, which he will deliver to you for transmission to the General.

It is my hope that this birthday celebration will be an outstanding success.

Sincerely yours,

  
JAMES E. FOLSOM

JEF:D

FOLSOM, JAMES E.





STATE OF ALABAMA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

MONTGOMERY

January 24, 1949

JAMES E. FOLSOM  
GOVERNOR

General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Headquarters, Far Eastern Command  
Tokyo, Japan

Dear General MacArthur:

Permit me to extend my congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of your passing another milestone in your long, and eventful career as a soldier and statesman.

It should be a great satisfaction to you, as it is a matter of great pride to all your fellow-Countrymen, that you have had a life and career of success and service equalled by few in history, and one that is certainly unique in the annals of this Nation. As an outstanding military administrator and advocate of preparedness in time of peace, as an indomitable, resourceful, and victorious commander of vast armies, fleets, and air forces in the greatest conflict in history, and as a capable and successful military governor of an entire Nation of many millions, you have aroused the admiration and have the respect not only of your own Nation but of the entire World. Few have been afforded the opportunity and privilege of being of such great public service, and fewer still have so successfully and completely measured up to their opportunity.

It is our sincere hope and wish that you may complete your present task with the same success as attended the other major ventures of your career, and that you may have many more years in which to enjoy the happiness you have so fully earned and to render such other great services as Fate may have in store for you.

Respectfully yours,



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SUITE 240 HOTEL ASTOR=

REGRET INABILITY TO ATTEND PERSONALLY DINNER CELEBRATING  
BIRTHDAY OF GENERAL MACARTHUR. COLONEL CHARLES S SALIBA  
WILL ATTEND THE DINNER AS MY REPRESENTATIVE=

JAMES E FOLSOM GOVERNOR ALABAMA=

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DAN E. GARVEY  
GOVERNOR



HAL MITCHELL  
SECRETARY

**Executive Office**  
State House  
Phoenix, Arizona

January  
Twenty fourth  
1949

Honorable W. O'Neill  
Chairman, MacArthur's Birthday Dinner  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

I deeply regret my inability to be present at the dinner on Wednesday evening, January twenty-sixth, at the Hotel Astor, New York City, celebrating the birthday of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

In my absence, I trust that you will communicate to those in attendance and through General Wainwright to General MacArthur, in expression of my personal esteem and on behalf of the people of Arizona, this message:

No man in all the history of this Nation has ever been vested with so much authority over the lives and well-being of so many people as has Douglas MacArthur, and no individual has exercised such power more sagely.

On the occasion of his birthday anniversary, the people of Arizona and the Inland Southwest, which furnished General MacArthur with valiant elements of his manpower in his march back through the Philippines and his triumphal entry into Tokyo, pay the greatest respect.

He has proven himself to be not only one of our greatest military commanders but one of our foremost administrators, as well. Our heartiest congratulations go out to him on this birthday anniversary.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

*Dan E. Garvey*  
Governor

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ERNEST W. GIBSON  
GOVERNOR

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STATE HOUSE, MONTPELIER

January 18, 1949

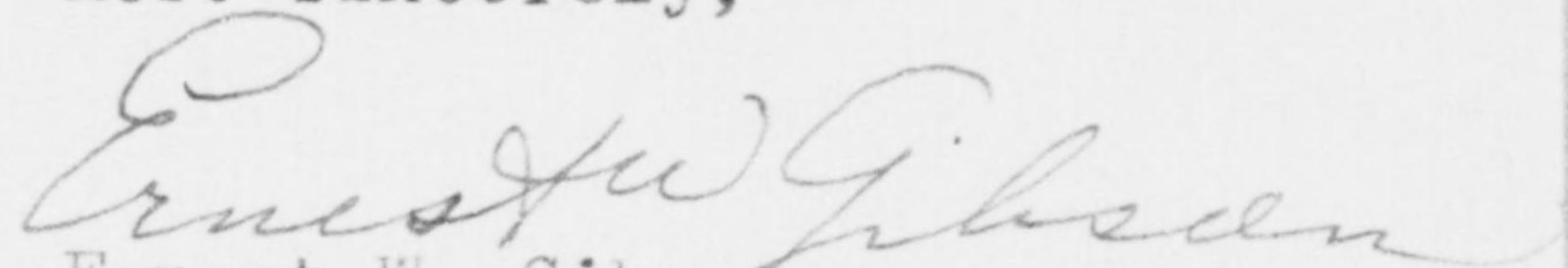
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With many thanks for your thoughtfulness in inviting me, I am

Most sincerely,

  
Ernest W. Gibson  
Governor

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

GIBSON, ERNEST W.





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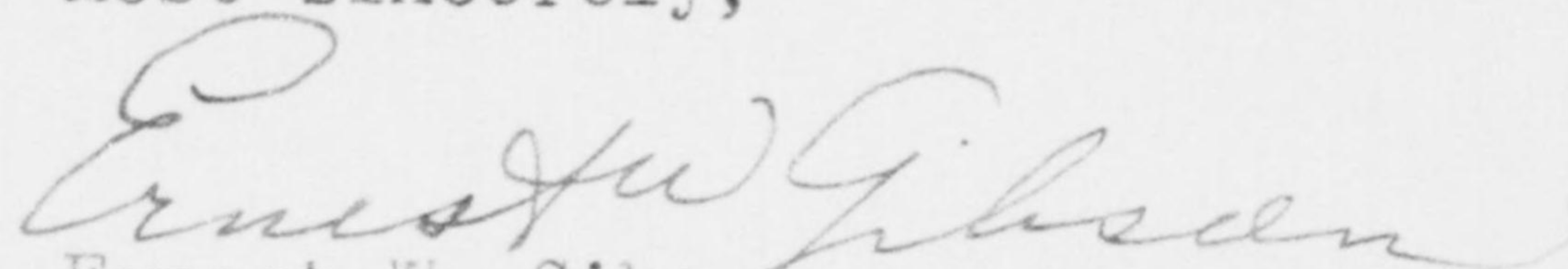
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Governor

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

GIBSON, ERNEST W.



HAROLD C. HAGEN  
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
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January 19, 1949

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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Mr. John B. Sullivan, Secy.  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for your invitation to attend a dinner to celebrate the birthday anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur on Wednesday evening, January 26 at the Hotel Astor.

I believe that I would be very happy to attend. However I am wondering if Mrs. Hagen is also invited. I am also wondering what the charge for tickets would be or if I am to be a special guest.

Appreciating your reply, I am

With kind wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*Harold C. Hagen*

Harold C. Hagen, M.C.

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CHARLES A. HALLECK  
2D DISTRICT INDIANA

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January 24, 1949

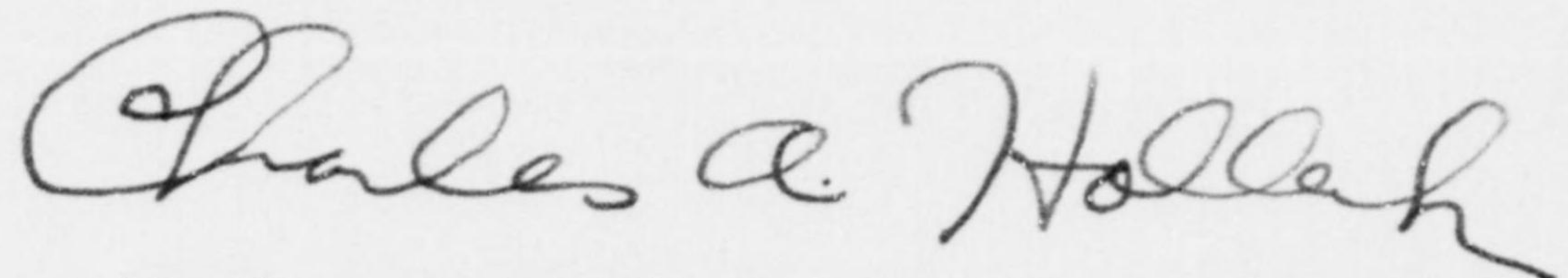
Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Hotel Astor, Suite 240  
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your kind invitation to attend the Dinner to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur to be held Wednesday evening, January 26th, at the Hotel Astor, New York City. I appreciate the invitation very much but regret that a previous commitment makes it impossible for me to be with you.

With all good wishes for a splendid celebration, I am

Sincerely yours



Charles A. Halleck

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HALLECK, CHARLES A.



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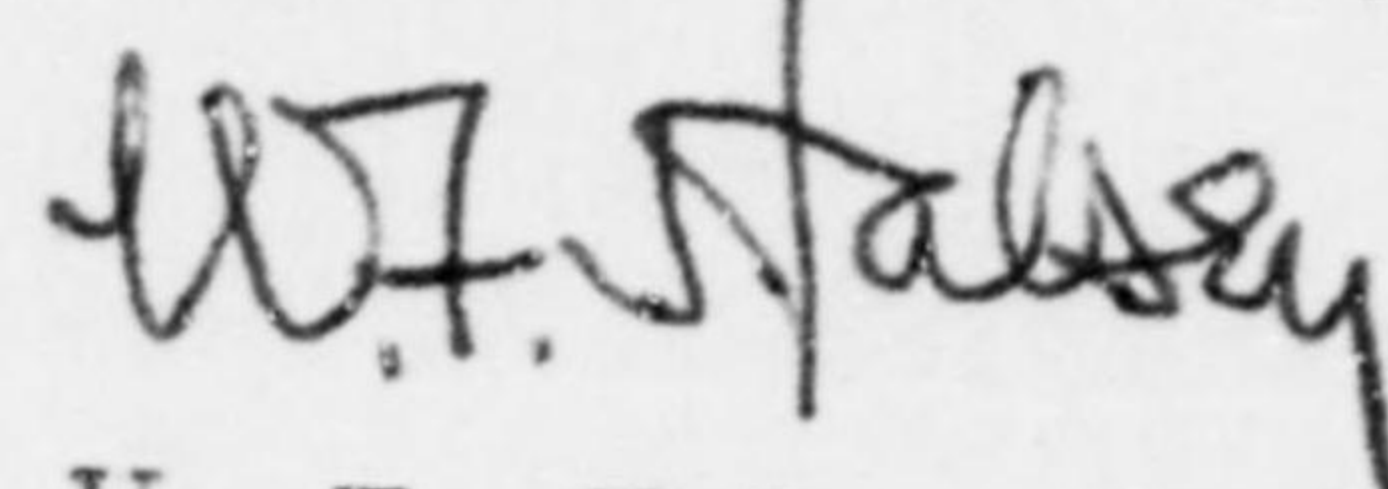
Dear Mr. O'Neill:

On my return to Charlottesville this morning I found your telegram of January 26, 1949. Obviously, it was impossible for me to carry out your request.

I regret that my refusal, because of other commitments, apparently never reached you.

I trust your meeting was very successful.

Sincerely yours,



W. F. Halsey

WFH:p

HALSEY, W. F.





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270 BROADWAY, NEW YORK 7, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE  
COMMANDING GENERAL

25 January 1949.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:-

I sincerely regret that I cannot be with you to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General MacArthur. His renowned deeds as a soldier and his forthright adherence to the principles of democracy and freedom of worship are an inspiration to us all. I hope that he will ultimately see that peace for which he has striven so diligently become a world reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karl F. Hausauer".

KARL F. HAUSAUER,  
Major General, NYNG,  
Commanding.

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Veterans & Citizens Committee  
to honor General of the Army Douglas MacArthur,  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York, 19, N.Y.

HAUSAUER, KARL F.



WILLIAM S. HILL  
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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D. C.**

January 19, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Just a line to acknowledge your kind invitation to attend a dinner to celebrate the birthday anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur on the 26th of January, 1949 at the Hotel Astor, New York City at 7:30 p.m.

I appreciate this invitation very much indeed but regret that it will be impossible for me to be out of Washington at that time. Please accept my best wishes for a most gala celebration.

Very truly yours,

*William S. Hill*

HILL, WILLIAM S.



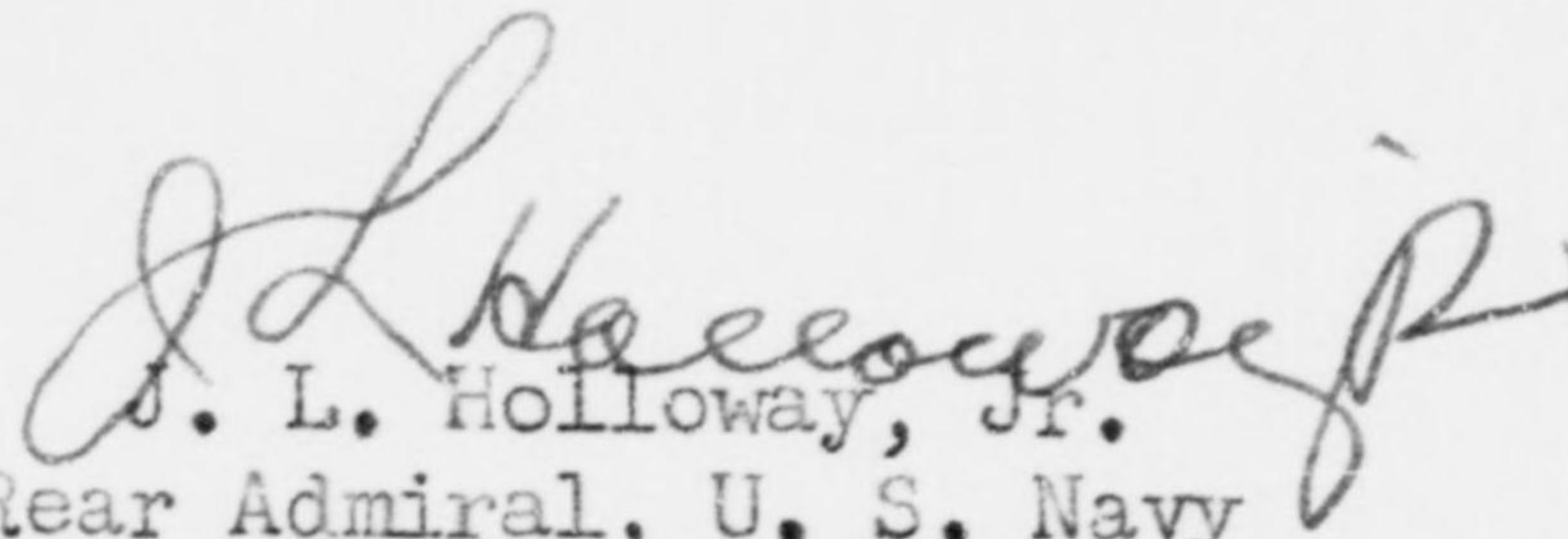
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

25 January 1949

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I will be most appreciative if you will extend to General MacArthur the congratulations of the Superintendent, Staff and Brigade of Midshipmen of the United States Naval Academy for his past services to our country and wish this great American every future success.

Very sincerely,

  
J. L. Holloway, Jr.  
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy  
Superintendent

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
To Honor General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, New York

HOLLOWAY, J. L. Jr.



HERBERT HOOVER

*Special Letter*

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The Waldorf-Astoria Towers  
New York 22, New York  
January 17, 1949

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

I have your most cordial invitation to attend the dinner in celebration of the birthday of General MacArthur.

I greatly regret that my duties as Chairman of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government will demand my presence in Washington on that date. I deeply appreciate your thought of me.

Yours faithfully,

*Herbert Hoover*

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
to honor General of the Army  
Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
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=GEN JONATHAN M WAINWRIGHT,  
, CARE MACARTHUR BIRTHDAY DINNER=

IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT THE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS SHOULD REQUEST YOU AND ADOPTED AND HIGHLY RESPECTED AND HONORED SON OF TEXAS TO EXPRESS TO THE VETERANS AND CITIZEN COMMITTEE AND HONORED GUESTS THE GREETINGS OF THE LONE STAR STATE AND TO SEND ON TO GENERAL MACARTHUR THE HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS AND FELICITATIONS UPON HIS BIRTHDAY. YOUR NAME IS CLOSELY LINKED WITH HIS IN THE HIGHEST RANK OF AMERICAN PATRIOTISM DEVOTION TO DUTY AND MILITARY ACCOMPLISHMENT. YOU WILL HONOR THE

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JESTER, BEAUFORD H.



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GOVERNOR OF TEXAS AND THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS BY EXPRESSING  
TO GENERAL MACARTHUR IN SOME FITTING MANNER OUR WARM  
APPRECIATION FOR HIS SERVICES AND OUR GOOD WISHES FOR HIS  
CONTINUED HEALTH HAPPINESS AND MARCH OF ACHIEVEMENT.

=BEAUFORD H JESTER=

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RICHARD W O'NEILL=CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE  
 TO HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MCARTHUR HOTEL ASTOR=

ON THE OCCASION OF THE TESTIMONIAL DINNER TENDERED GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR IN ABSENTIA UPON HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY I JOIN WITH YOU AND ALL AMERICANS WHO RECOGNIZE IN THE GENERAL ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING AMERICANS IN BOTH CIVIL LIFE AND THE MILITARY IN ALL THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY. HIS MAGNIFICENT DIRECTION OF OUR FORCES IN THE PACIFIC AREA BROUGHT VICTORY OVER JAPAN IN A MINIMUM OF TIME. HIS FUNCTIONING AS THE OCCUPATION COMMANDER IN JAPAN HAS SHOWN HIM TO BE OF A MOST ABLE ADMINISTRATOR IN A MOST DIFFICULT UNDERTAKING. ON THIS HIS BIRTHDAY MY HEARTIEST AND SINCEREST WISHES FOR CONTINUED HEALTH AND SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY=

B W KEARNEY MC 31ST DISTRICT NEW YORK=

*Major General*

KEARNEY, B. W.

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RICHARD W O'NEILL=CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS  
COMMITTEE TO HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR  
HOTEL ASTOR=

HAVE JUST RETURNED TO OFFICE AFTER BEING CONFINED TO APARTMENT FOR ALMOST TWO WEEKS WITH SEVERE COLD. MUCH AS I WOULD LIKE TO BE WITH YOU ON THE 26TH MY DOCTOR HAS ADVISED AGAINST ANY TRIPS UNTIL I HAVE FULLY RECOVERED AND I KNOW YOU WILL APPRECIATE AND REALIZE MY POSITION. CONCURRENTLY WITH THIS TELEGRAM I AM WIRING YOU A MESSAGE WHICH I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR READING AT THE DINNER FOR GENERAL MCARTHUR

REGARDS=

PAT KEARNEY=

26=

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OFFICE OF THE  
COMMANDING GENERAL

24 January 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman,  
Veterans and Citizens Committee,  
Hotel Astor,  
1515 Broadway,  
New York 19, N. Y.

Dear Dick:

This will acknowledge your letter of 20  
January 1949.

I regret exceedingly that, because of a pre-  
vious engagement which I cannot cancel, I am unable  
to attend the dinner in honor of General of the Army  
Douglas MacArthur. As per your request, I am enclos-  
ing a message to the Committee for such use as you  
may desire to make of it.

With kindest regards,

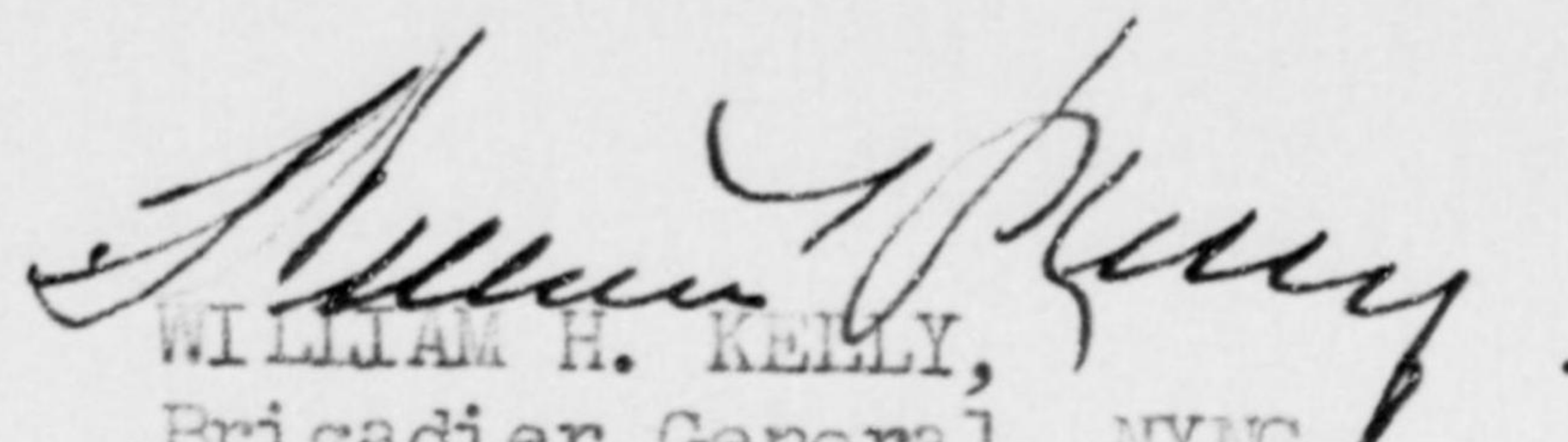
Sincerely yours,

*William H. Kelly*  
WILLIAM H. KELLY,  
Brigadier General, NYNG,  
Chief of Staff.

KELLY, WILLIAM H.



THE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS OF GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS  
MacARTHUR, DURING THE WAR AND IN THE POST-WAR PERIOD IN JAPAN, ARE  
OF SUCH MAGNITUDE AS TO REDOUND TO HIS GREAT CREDIT AND ALSO TO  
REFLECT GLORIOUSLY ON AMERICAN IDEALS OF FAIR PLAY AND GOOD  
GOVERNMENT.

  
WILLIAM H. KELLY,  
Brigadier General, NYNG,  
Chief of Staff.

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RICHARD W ONEILL=

SUITE 240 HOTEL ASTOR=

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REGRET MY INABILITY TO ATTEND DINNER HONORING GENERAL  
 MACARTHUR. IT IS MY HOPE THAT OUT OF THE MANY FINE NAMES  
 LISTED ON THE GENERAL COMMITTEE THERE CAN EMERGE A BI-PARTISAN  
 GROUP DETERMINED TO HALT THE PRESENT TREND TOWARD SOCIALISM  
 IN GOVERNMENT THE TIME IS NOW=

LOU KESSLER=!

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KESSLER, LOU



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:RICHARD W ONEILL CHAIRMAN,

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER OF GENL DOUGLAS

MCARTHUR=THE HOTEL ASTOR=

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:DEAR MR ONEILL REGRET THAT DUE TO PRESSING STATE BUSINESS  
WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE BANQUET TO CELEBRATE THE  
BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY OF GENRRAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR ON 26TH  
OF JANUARY=

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

WM. PRESTON LANE, JR.  
GOVERNOR

January 19, 1949

Committee  
General Douglas MacArthur Birthday Dinner  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York City

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the dinner celebrating the Birthday Anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur, to be held at the Hotel Astor on Wednesday, January 26th, at 6:30 p.m.

I wish that it were possible for me to be with you, however, the General Assembly of Maryland is in session until April 5th, and for that reason I am required to remain in Annapolis.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Governor

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RICHARD W ONEILL CHAIRMAN OF ARRANGEMENTS=GENERAL MACARTHUR

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PLEASE CONVEY TO GENERAL MACARTHUR MY CONGRATULATIONS  
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FRANK J. LAUSCHE  
GOVERNOR

January 25, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Veterans and Citizens Committee to Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I regret exceedingly that I am unable to attend the birthday anniversary dinner given in honor of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, and to express in person my very high esteem for this great soldier and statesman who is today, without a doubt, one of the greatest living Americans. Permit me, therefore, to say through this brief message what I would like to have said in person.

General MacArthur has won the admiration of every loyal American, not only for his matchless military skill and inspiring leadership under fire, but also for his courage, heroism and other personal qualities which will ever be an inspiration to our youth.

As long as America lives, we shall remember General MacArthur's dramatic fulfillment of his prophesy made when he left Bataan. Grimly he had promised, "I shall return," and no American doubted that he would make good this promise. Who can forget that dramatic moment when he announced to the world, "I have returned. By the grace of Almighty God, our forces stand again on Philippine soil."

I am grateful to General MacArthur, that although trained in the art of war and acclaimed as one of the greatest generals in the world, he, nevertheless, hates war. I commend for reading by all this significant sentence from General MacArthur's statement when he recently confirmed the sentence of death imposed by the International Military Tribunal on the seven Japanese war criminals: "I pray that an omnipotent Providence may use this tragic expiation as a symbol to summon all persons of good will to the realization of the utter futility of war - that most malignant scourge and greatest sin of mankind - and eventually its renunciation by all nations."

May God grant General MacArthur many more years for service to America and to mankind.

Sincerely yours

*Frank J. Lausche*  
GOVERNOR

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LAUSCHE, FRANK J.



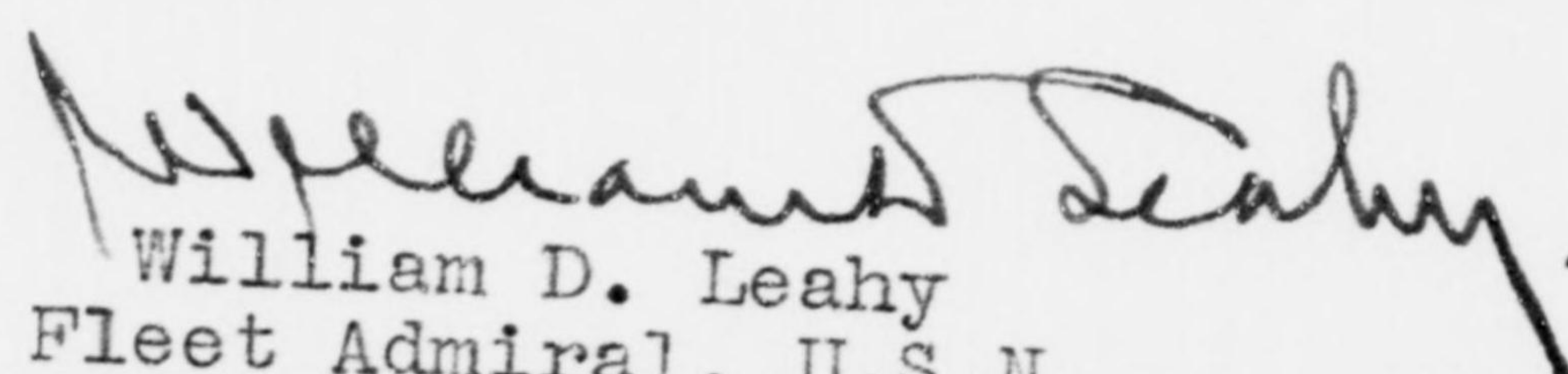
CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF  
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

24 January 1949

Veterans and Citizens Committee  
To Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur

It is indeed unfortunate that I am unable to attend in person your birthday anniversary dinner in honor of an American who has devoted so many years of brilliant service to our country. I salute my friend Douglas MacArthur on his birthday and sincerely hope that his outstanding abilities will be available to us and to our country for many many more years.

Sincerely,

  
William D. Leahy  
Fleet Admiral, U.S.N.

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
To Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
New York 19, New York

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LEMAY, CURTIS E.



WAYNE W. LIGHT COMPANY

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January 19, 1949

Lt. Col. F. A. Sansome  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Col. Sansome:

An invitation is just received to attend a dinner in celebration of the birthday anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur on Wednesday evening January 26th.

I presume that you were good enough to prompt the sending of this invitation to me and I am therefore addressing this acknowledgement to you.

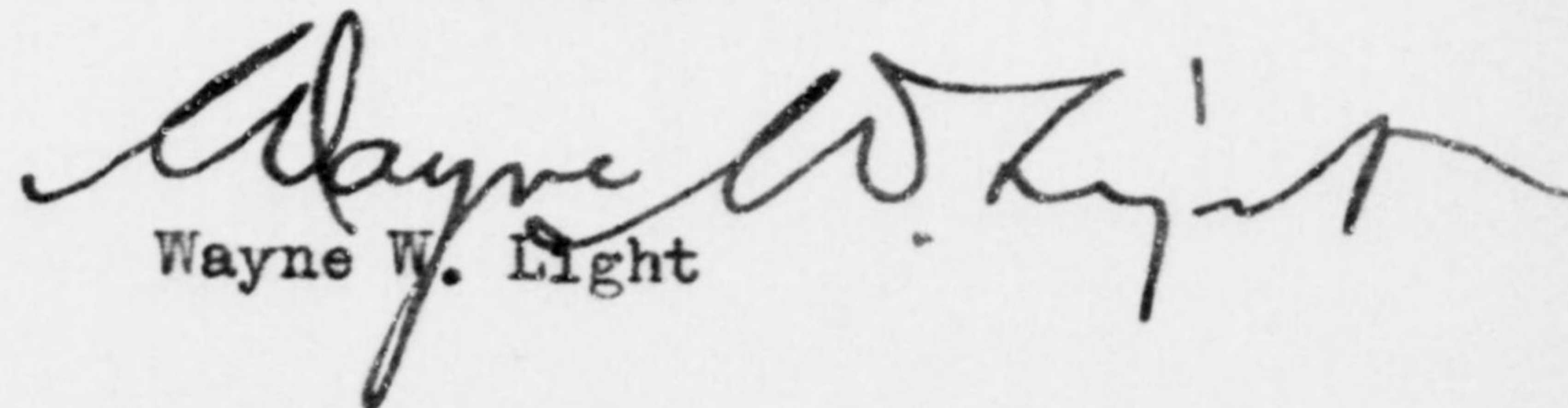
I appreciate your thinking of me and assure you that I would be honored in attending the dinner if it were possible for me to do so. It is impossible for me to make that date, but I shall be with you in spirit.

General MacArthur is the outstanding American of this generation, and it seems to me that the significance of his accomplishments and ability is not appreciated here at home as it should be.

To pay adequate tribute to him is the least that any American can do. I feel that it is a blot on the integrity of our American thinking, and highlights the political greed, that we should be deprived of the even greater service that General MacArthur could render to the welfare of our Country and to the world.

Thank you again, and with highest regards, I am

Respectfully yours,

  
Wayne W. Light

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LIGHT, WAYNE W.





EARL K. LONG  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF LOUISIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

BATON ROUGE

January 22, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
The McArthur Birthday Dinner  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

This will acknowledge receipt of your telegram of January 21, in connection with the celebration in honor of General Douglas McArthur.

I am enclosing herewith a message from the Governor, to be read at the banquet and regret exceedingly that I will be unable to attend on this most memorable occasion.

Very truly yours,

*Earl K. Long*  
Governor of Louisiana

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EARL K. LONG  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
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January 22, 1949

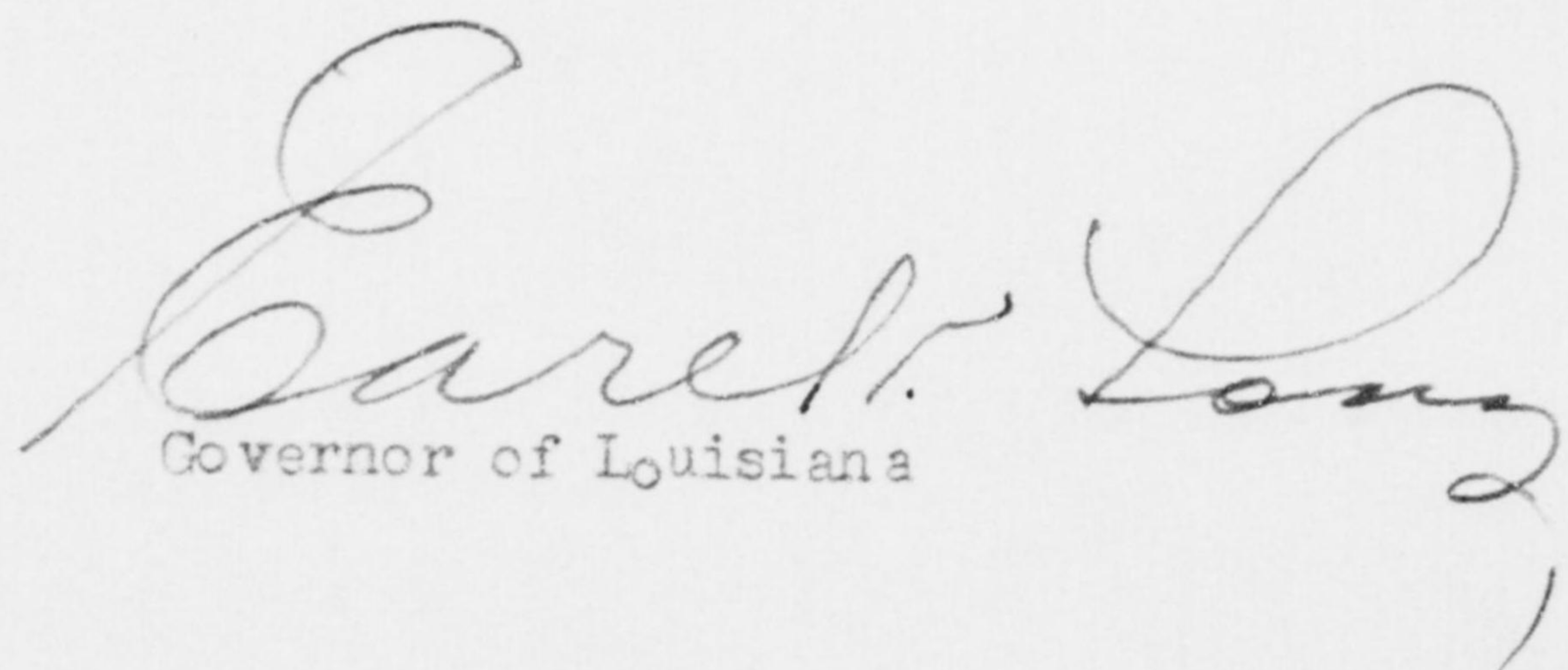
General Douglas McArthur  
General of the Army  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear General McArthur:

As Governor of the State of Louisiana, it is my honor and privilege to extend congratulations to you on your birthday anniversary. Our Louisiana Veterans were proud to serve under so capable a leader as you proved to be and it is indeed an inspiration to our young Americans to know that we have been honored by such a leader. Louisiana extends an invitation to you to visit our beautiful State and enjoy our true Southern hospitality.

I regret exceedingly that matters of State prevent my attendance on this most auspicious occasion.

Very truly yours,

  
Governor of Louisiana



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
BATON ROUGE

January 22, 1949

General Douglas McArthur  
General of the Army  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

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Very truly yours,

Governor of Louisiana





State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Santa Fe

January 21, 1949

THOMAS J. MABRY  
GOVERNOR

Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman  
MacArthur Day Dinner Committee  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I regret very much that it will not be possible for me to be present at the dinner to be held at the Hotel Astor in New York City on January 26, to honor the birthday anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

I want to take this occasion, however, to express appreciation for the splendid service that General MacArthur has rendered his country during the war years and during the time he has headed the American Occupational forces in Japan. General MacArthur is a fine soldier and a splendid American.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

*Thomas J. Mabry*  
GOVERNOR



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1ST DISTRICT NEW YORK

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January 19, 1949

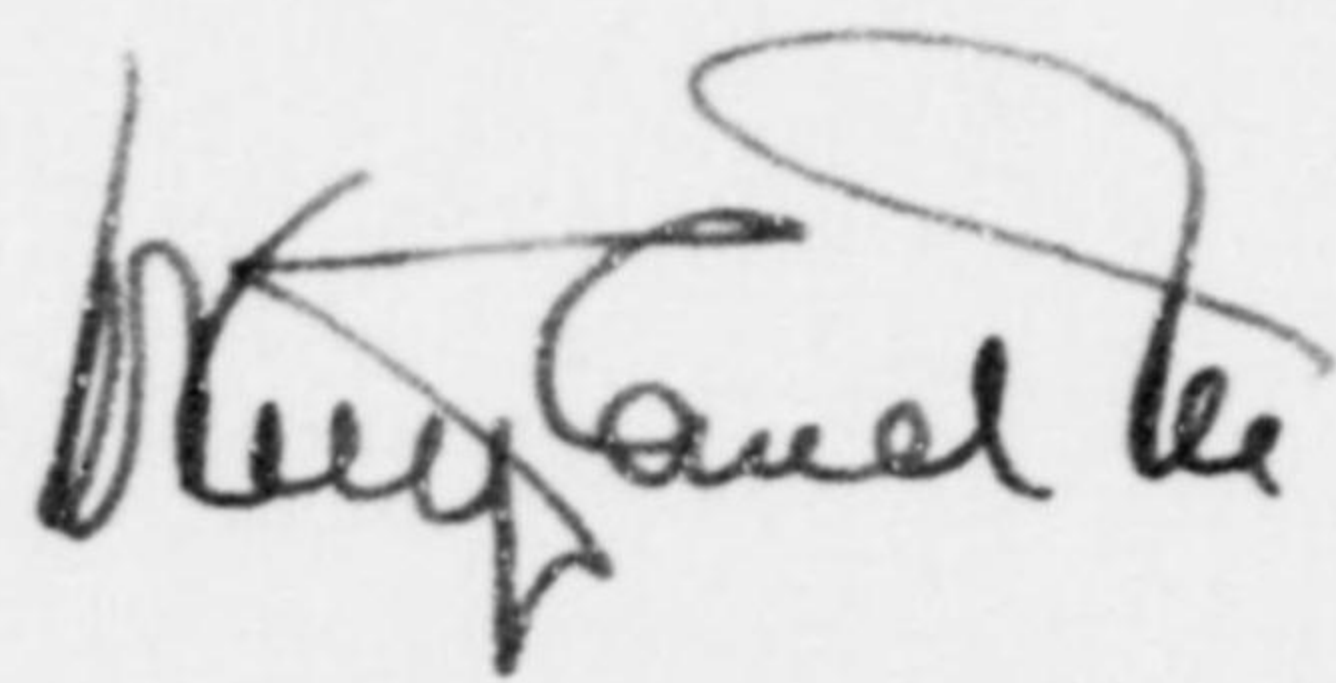
Mr. F. H. Goodwin, Treas.  
General MacArthur Birthday Dinner  
Hotel Astor, Suite 240  
New York 19, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Goodwin:-

Much as I would like to attend the Birthday Anniversary Dinner to General MacArthur I am afraid that on next Wednesday evening I shall be travelling from Washington to Albany, where I have engagements preparatory to a Meeting of the Board of Regents, which will be held up there on Friday morning.

Regretting that I cannot be with you, and extending my best wishes for a most successful occasion, I am

Faithfully yours,



WKM/rc

MACY, W. KINGSLAND



24 Diaz Avenue, Parkmerced,  
San Francisco, 12, Calif.,  
January 23, 1949.

F.H. Goodwin, Treasurer,  
General MacArthur Dinner Committee,  
Hotel Astor, Suite 240,  
New York 19, N.Y.

My dear Goodwin;

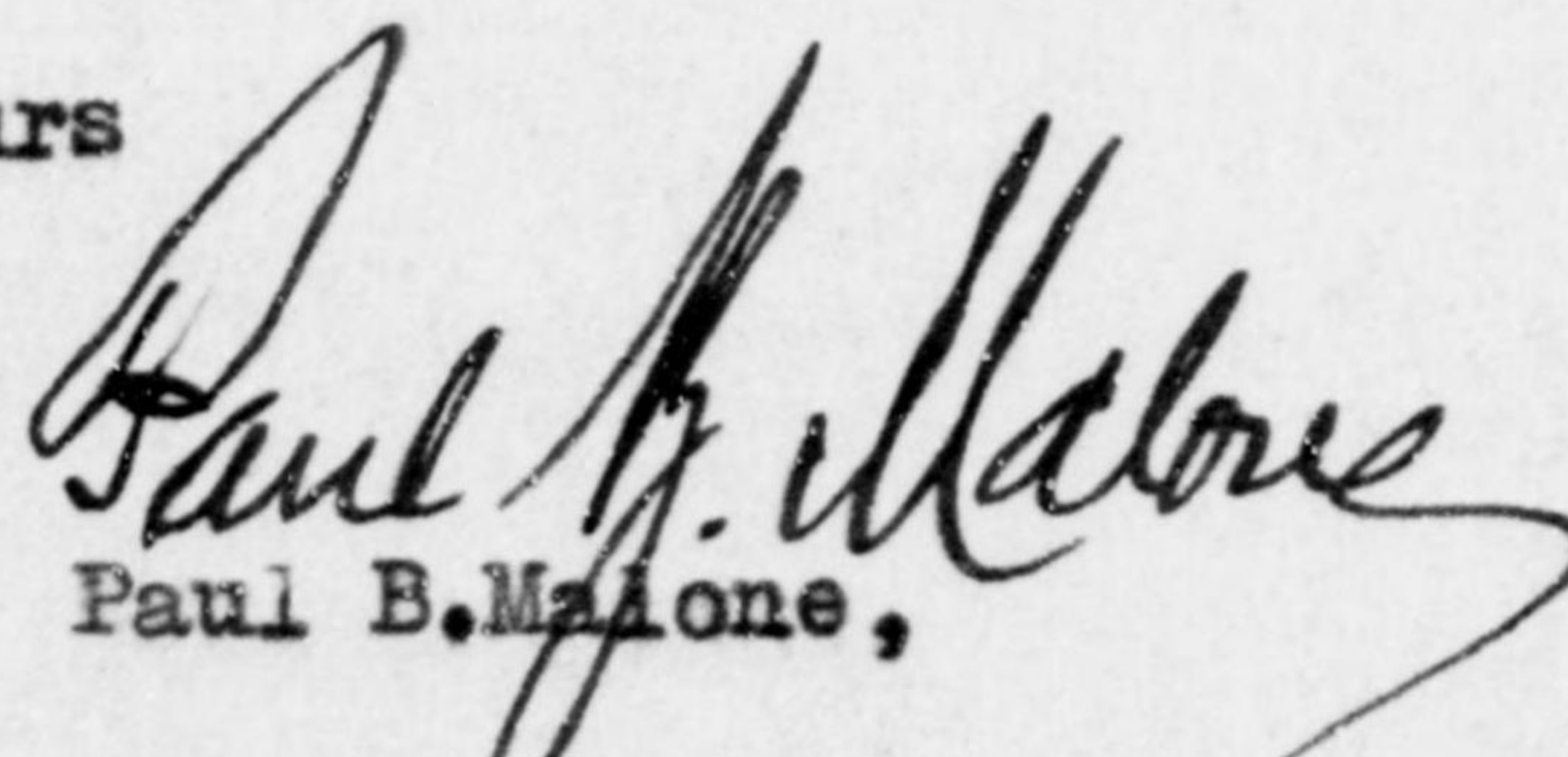
I regret that it will be impossible for me to attend the Dinner to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur at the Hotel Astor January 26th and to meet again with my friend General Jonathan Wainwright, Hero of Bataan, and my other buddies, military and Civilian, with whom we waged the futile battle to nominate our Great Leader for the Presidency.

In that battle we were honored in defeat, as our Chief would have been honored, I believe, in victory had the Convention chosen him as The Standard Bearer.

He is still, for us, The Man of the Hour, the Soldier of Superlative Genius whose motto has been for half a century, Honor, Duty, Country; the ONE who, as President, of the United States, would have been a worthy successor of General George Washington who founded our Nation, and Captain Abraham Lincoln who preserved it.

With best regards to all who honor themselves by honoring General Douglas MacArthur tonight,

I am cordially yours



Paul B. Malone,

Major General U.S. Army Retired



JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR.  
14TH DIST. MASSACHUSETTS

Office of Minority Leader  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240 Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

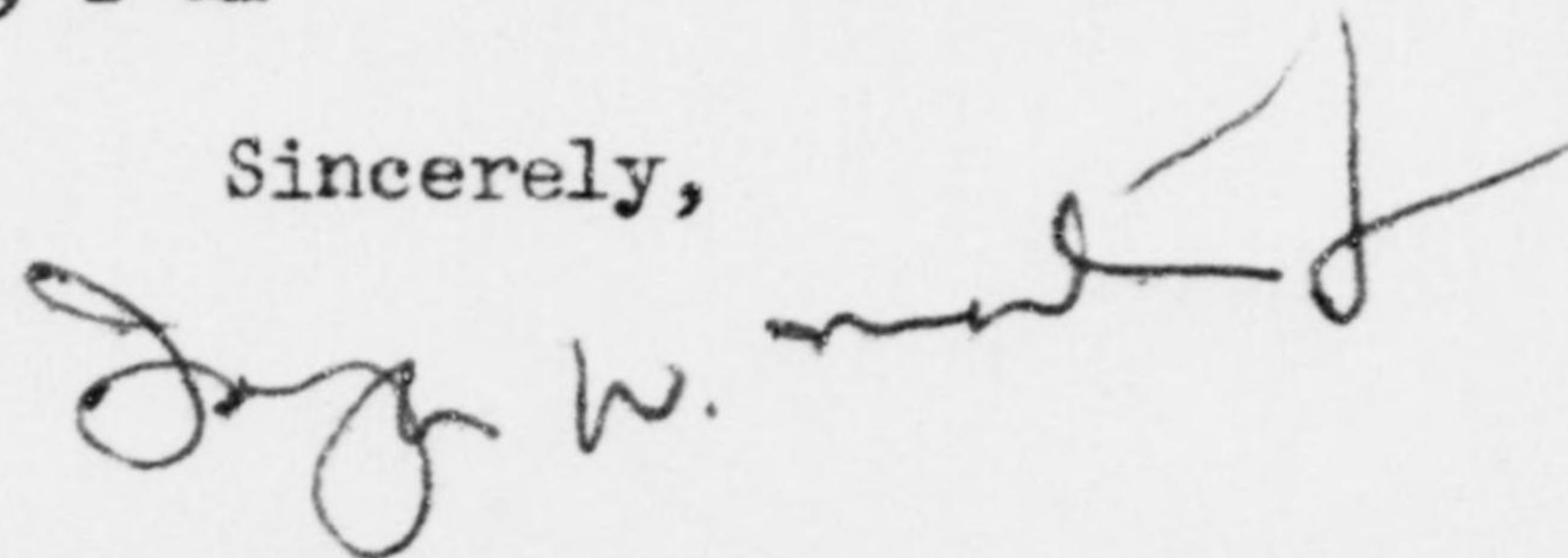
Thank you very much for inviting me to attend the dinner to celebrate the birthday anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

I would like very much to be present that I might join in the demonstration in honor of a great American who has rendered such a distinct service not only to his own country but to the world. Unfortunately I have a previous engagement for January 26th.

While I shall not be with you physically I shall be in spirit.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,



JWM:E

MARTIN, JOSEPH W. Jr.



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L. E. PRATT, CHIEF

January 20, 1949

Mr. F. H. Goodwin  
Hotel Astor, Suite 240  
New York 19, N Y

Dear Mr. Goodwin:

I deeply regret that a deep-seated cold makes it inadvisable for me to attend the dinner to be given in behalf of General Douglas MacArthur on January 26.

At this time of the year and with this cold, I feel that I would be taking a desperate physical risk, perhaps encountering inclement weather in the North.

I am a great admirer of General MacArthur and I still think that it was very unfortunate that last year he was not made the nominee for President of both major political parties. With such nomination and election, we would not only have had the most capable man in the office of President but we would have been assured harmony and unity in establishing world peace and good will to all men.

It is an honor to be a member of this Committee and it gives me regret to be unable to attend.

I am With appreciation and kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. E. McDonald  
Commissioner

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RICHARD W ONEILL CHAIRMAN, GENERAL MCARTHURS DINNER SUITE=  
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GREATLY REGRET THAT I CANNOT BE IN NEWYORK WEDNESDAY EVENING TO JOIN IN HONORING GENERAL MCARTHUR ON OCCASION OF HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY. IT IS APPROPRIATE INDEED THAT HONOR BE ACCORDED THE DISTINGUISHED GENERAL AND I WISH TO CONVEY MY CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO HIM=  
GOVERNOR DOUGLAS MCKAY=••

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DOUGLAS MCKAY  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OREGON  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
SALEM

January 20, 1949

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

The invitation to attend the dinner at the Hotel Astor honoring the birthday anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur is appreciated. I should like to be present and join in honoring the distinguished General, but commitments in connection with the legislative session make it impossible for me to make the trip to New York at this time.

Thank you for the invitation that you have extended to me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Douglas McKay".

Governor

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York City, New York



KENNETH MCKELLAR  
TENNESSEE

COMMITTEES:  
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**United States Senate**

WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 22, 1949

Honorable Richard W. O'Neill,  
Veterans and Citizens Committee to Honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur,  
Hotel Astor, 1515 Broadway,  
New York City, N. Y.

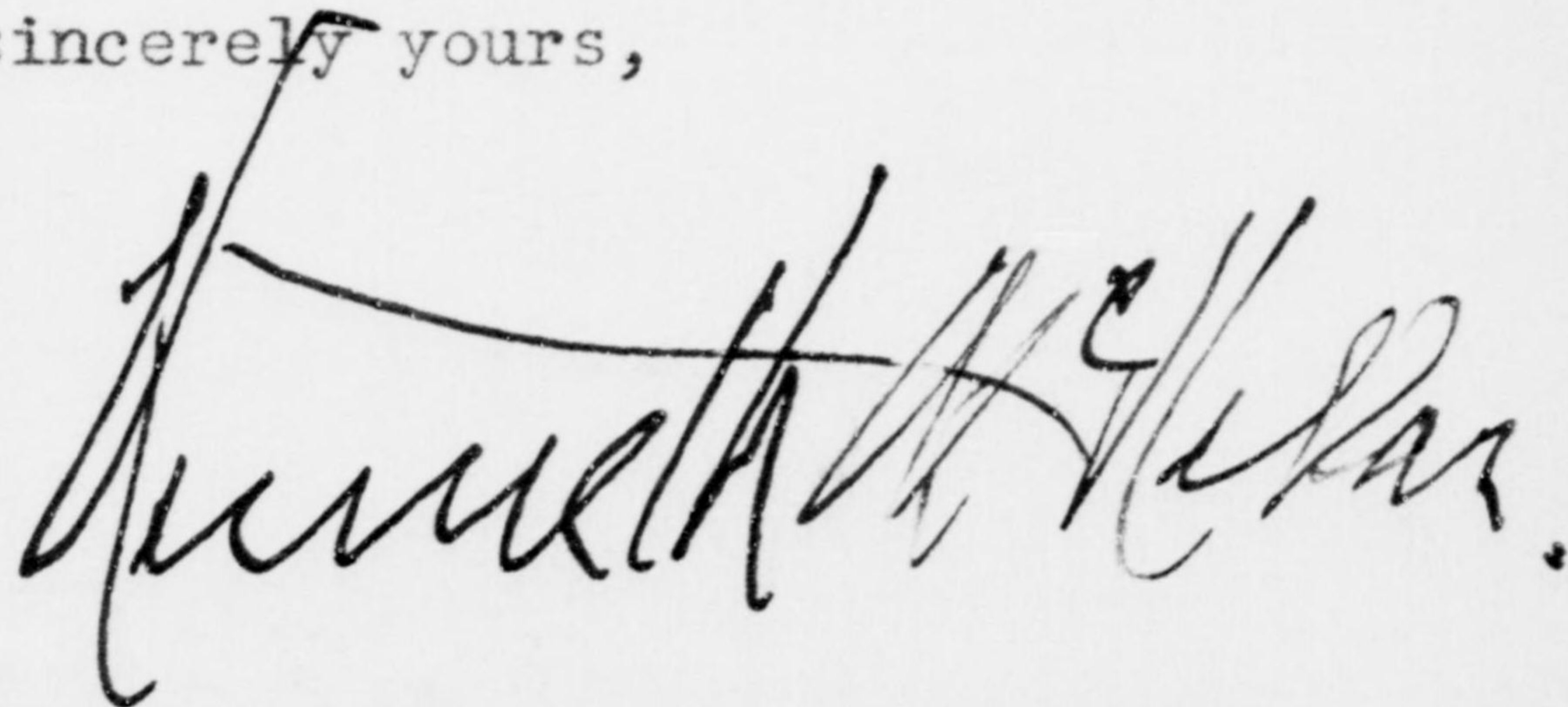
My dear Mr. O'Neill:

I greatly regret that I cannot accept your  
kind invitation to attend General MacArthur's  
Birthday Anniversary dinner.

I regard General MacArthur as one of our best  
military men and one of our best civil administrators.  
I admire him extravagantly. I think he is a great  
man and it would have given me a great deal of  
pleasure to have been present to witness any honor  
conferred upon him.

Again thanking you for your invitation and  
regretting that I cannot come, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kenneth McKellar". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed closing of the letter.



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January 24th, 1949

Veterans and Citizens Committee  
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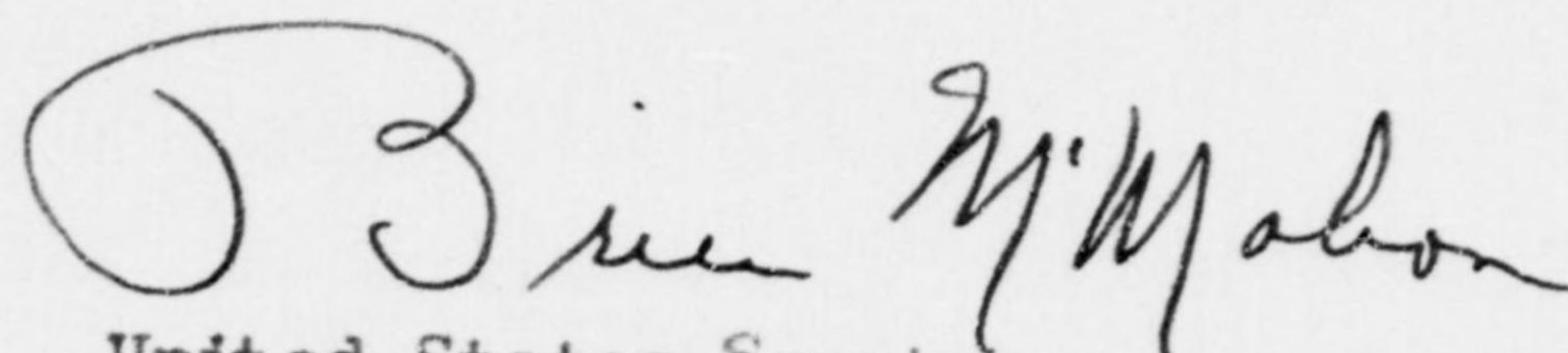
Dear Sir:

I very much appreciate your kind invitation to attend the dinner in honor of General MacArthur, and do wish it were possible to accept.

I regret exceedingly, however, that a previous commitment here on January 26th will make it impossible to be with you to do honor to General MacArthur.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

  
United States Senator

McMAHON, BRIEN





SID McMATH  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF ARKANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
LITTLE ROCK

January 24, 1949

Mr. Richard O'Neill, Chairman  
MacArthur Birthday Dinner Committee  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

May I again express my regrets in not being able to attend the testimonial dinner for one of America's all-time great soldiers.

As a veteran of the Pacific--I was in the Marine Corps--I can fully appreciate General MacArthur's contribution to the successful conduct of the war in bringing it to a victorious conclusion. Naturally, we are all aware of his statesmanship in administering the terms of peace.

I wish you every success in your testimonial dinner honoring the birthday of one of America's foremost soldier-statesmen.

Sincerely yours,

*Sid McMATH*

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 RICHARD W ONEAL, CHAIRMAN MCARTHUR BIRTHDAY DINNER  
 COMMITTEE=ANS NL PD 20TH HOTEL ASTOR=

REGRET TO INFORM YOU I WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE GENERAL  
 MCARTHUR BIRTHDAY DINNER. AS A VETERAN OF THE PACIFIC WAR  
 I AM FULLY AWARE OF THE GENERALS GREAT CONTRIBUTION IN THE  
 WAR AGAINST THE JAPANESE AND HIS PRESENT EFFORTS IN THE  
 CAUSE OF PEACE=

SID MCMATH GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS=

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January 21, 1949

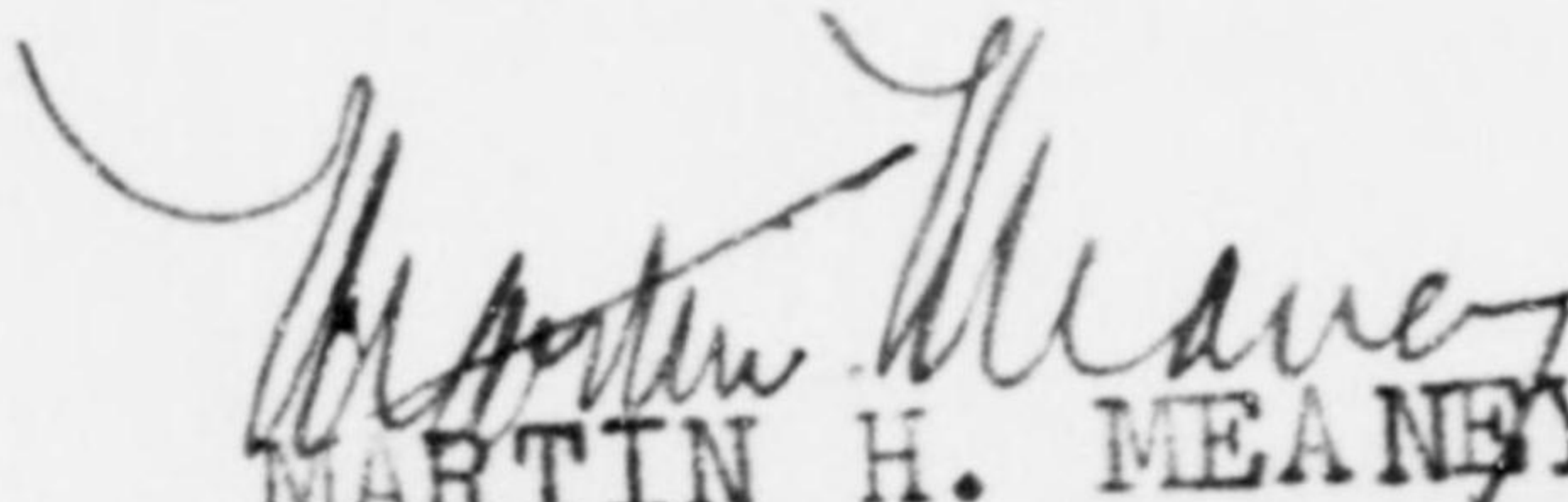
Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, C.M.H.  
Suite #240  
Hotel Astor  
43rd Street and Broadway  
New York City.

Dear Dick:

I anticipate the pleasure of being present at the dinner to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, on Wednesday evening, 26 January, 1949, at the Hotel Astor, and I earnestly hope that nothing will intervene to deprive me of the privilege of attending.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
MARTIN H. MEANEY  
Fifth Deputy Commissioner

MEANEY, MARTIN H.



PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL  
NEW YORK

January 22, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
to honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, N. Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

I join you and your colleagues in the committee in the fond tribute being paid General of the Army Douglas MacArthur on his birthday anniversary.

General MacArthur is identified with the liberation of the Philippines from the clutches of totalitarianism, and the Filipinos feel a deep sense of gratitude to him and to the forces that participated in that difficult task of reconquest. We admire his record as a soldier and as a statesman. America's history is enriched by his service to his country and to the world. He is truly one of your great citizens.

Very sincerely yours,



J. P. MELENCIO  
Minister Plenipotentiary

MELENCIO, J. P.





GEORGE T. MICKELSON  
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

26 January 1949

Dear General MacArthur:

It gives me sincere pleasure to extend to you upon this happy occasion, birthday greetings on behalf of the people of South Dakota. As a soldier in peace and war and as a statesman and administrator, you have earned the deep and lasting gratitude of all our citizens.

May I wish for you success in the great cause to which you have so long dedicated your labors.

Sincerely yours,

*George T. Mickelson*  
Governor

General Douglas MacArthur  
United States Army





GEORGE T. MICKELSON  
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

January 21, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
The Hotel Astor, Suite 240  
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

In accordance with the request made  
in your wire of January 21st, I am pleased to  
enclose herewith a brief message of congratulations  
to the General on the occasion of his birthday.

Sincerely yours,

*George T. Mickelson*  
Governor

Enc.

MICKELSON, GEORGE T.





GEORGE T. MICKELSON  
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

19 January 1949

Colonel Lester D. Stickles  
Chairman Reception Committee  
The Hotel Astor, Suite 240  
New York City, New York

Dear Colonel Stickles:

Due to urgent legislative matters arising at this time, Governor Mickelson regrets that he will not be able to attend the dinner in honor of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur on January 26 at the Hotel Astor.

Sincerely,

*F. N. Cosgrove*

F. N. Cosgrove  
Executive Secretary



A. L. MILLER  
4TH DISTRICT, NEBRASKA

HOME ADDRESS:  
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**Congress of the United States**  
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**Washington, D. C.**

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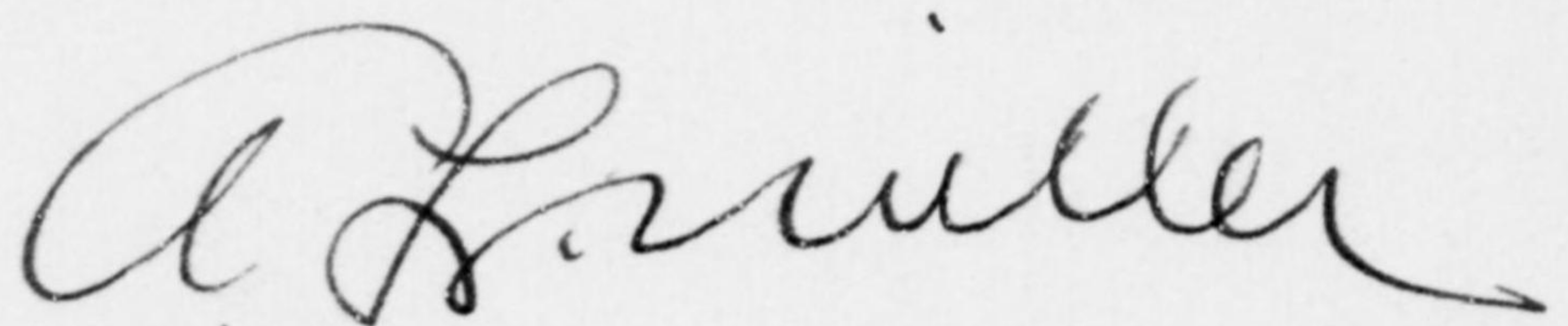
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John B. Sullivan, Secretary  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the dinner honoring General Douglas MacArthur at the Hotel Astor on January 26th. I have marked my calender to be present and will be unless some unforeseen work in the House of Representatives makes this impossible.

Best Regards,



A. L. Miller, M. C.  
Fourth District, Nebraska

MILLER, A. L.





195 CLAREMONT AVENUE  
NEW YORK CITY 27

Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 1949

Dear Mr. Goodwin,

I regret that illness prevents me from accepting the invitation to be present at the dinner on January 26<sup>th</sup>, in honor of General MacArthur. It would have given me much pleasure to be with you to do honor to this great man.

Please thank my good friend Bob Harris for the invitation.

Yours very truly  
C. S. Montgomery



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
~~WAR DEPARTMENT~~  
OFFICE CHIEF OF PUBLIC INFORMATION  
WASHINGTON

20 January 1949

Mr. John B. Sullivan  
Secretary  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you very much for the kind invitation to Mrs. Moore and myself to attend a dinner celebrating the Birthday Anniversary of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur on Wednesday evening, January 26th.

I will take over my new duties as Superintendent of West Point the latter part of January. As I have a great many official matters to handle incident to this change of station, I regret very much indeed that we will be unable to accept your kind invitation.

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. I know the dinner will be a great success.

Sincerely,

*Bryant E. Moore*  
BRYANT E. MOORE  
Major General, GSC  
Chief, Public Information Division

MOORE, BRYANT C.



February 10, 1949

"Bob" Smith  
National Broadcasting Company  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York 20, N.Y.

Dear "Bob";

This letter is to let you know how much I appreciate your kind co-operation and assistance in making possible the success of the Birthday Dinner tendered to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, Wednesday evening January 26th at the Hotel Astor, New York, N.Y.

You will I know, be happy to learn that numerous persons who regularly listen to your broadcasts have called or written to tell me how pleased they were to learn of your interest in the General.

If at any time I can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Very sincerely

Richard W. O'Neill



*Bob Smith*

WNBC.....660 BC  
50 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK 20 N. Y.

January 28, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, N.Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Thanks so much for your letter about the MacArthur  
dinner -- glad to make the announcement. I hope you  
heard the broadcast on Wednesday, the 26th at 6:45.

Please let me know if I may help you in the future.

Cordially,

*Bob Smith*

BS:gw

Bob Smith



NETHERLANDS EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON 9, D. C.

The Netherlands Ambassador  
has the honor to thank the Veterans  
and Citizens Committee to honor  
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur  
for their kind invitation to dinner  
on the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 1949 at the  
Astor Hotel in New York, which he would  
to his great regret he finds himself  
unable to accept owing to his  
presence being required in Washington  
on that day. Washington January 21, 1949

NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR



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RICHARD W ONEILL HOTEL ASTOR SUITE 240

1515 BROADWAY NYK

26001Z I TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN PAYING TRIBUTE TO GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR A TRULY GREAT AMERICAN ON THIS OCCASION OF HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY GENERAL MACARTHUR IS ONE OF THE FOREMOST MILITARY LEADERS OUR COUNTRY OR ANY COUNTRY HAS EVER PRODUCED HIS ILLUSTRIOUS ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE SERVICE OF HIS COUNTRY WILL EVER BE AN INSPIRATION NOT ONLY TO HIS CONTEMPORARIES BUT TO GENERATIONS YET UNBORN I JOIN HIS MILLIONS OF ADMIRERS FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN WISHING FOR HIM A MOST JOYOUS BIRTHDAY AND IN THE HOPE THAT THE FUTURE YEARS WILL BRING TO HIM CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ABUNDANT MEASURE

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CHAIRMAN VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE HONORING  
 GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR THE HOTEL ASTOR=

DEEPLY REGRET THAT DUE TO PRESSURE OF CONGRESSIONAL DUTIES  
 I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND DINNER TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAY  
 ANNIVERSARY OF GENERAL MACARTHUR=  
 MARY T NORTON MC=

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NORTON, MARY T.





CITY OF NEW YORK  
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January 17, 1949 HB

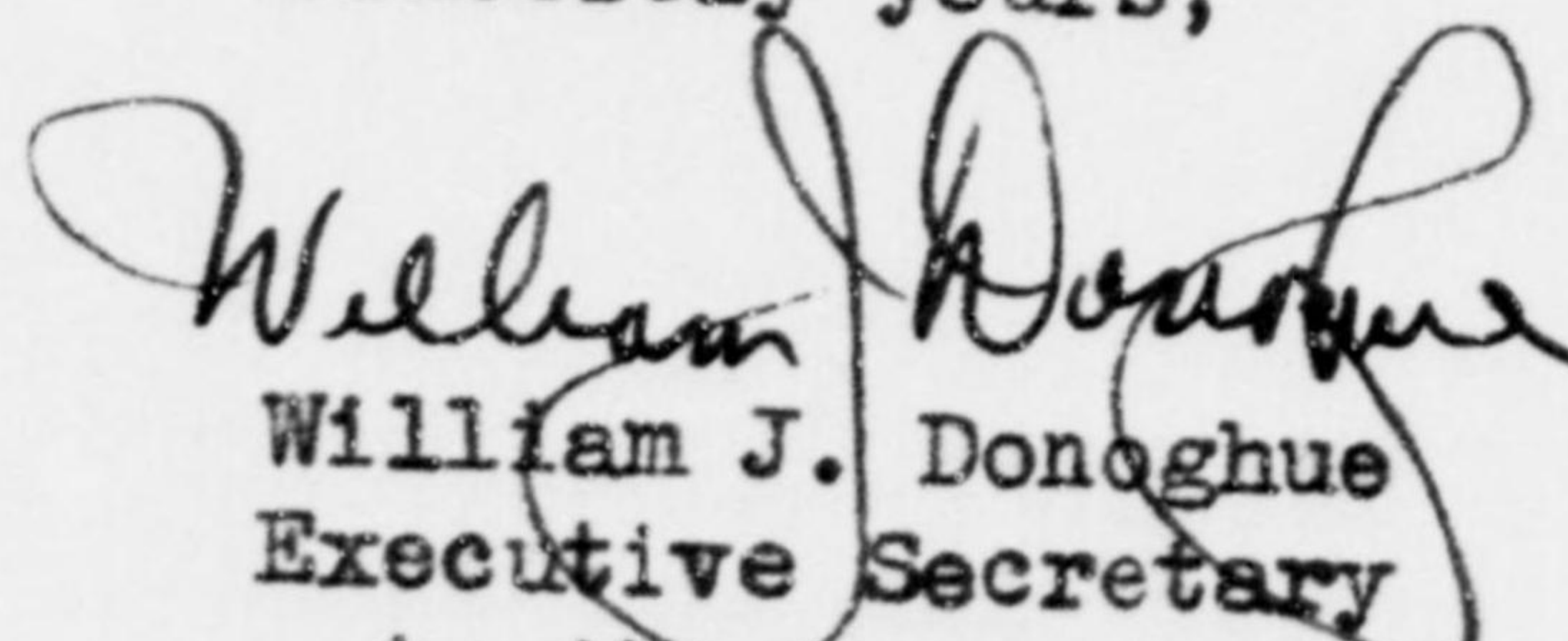
Mr. Robert M. Harris,  
Harriss and Vose,  
New York Cotton Exchange Bldg.,  
New York 4, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Harris:

Mayor O'Dwyer has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of invitation to be an Honorary Guest at a dinner to be given by the Veterans and Citizens Committee on General MacArthur's Birthday, on Wednesday, January 26th, at the Astor Hotel, at 6:30 P. M.

The Mayor, unfortunately, will be unable to be with you on that occasion, since he is scheduled to be out of the city on that date. He has asked me to extend, through you, his warm greetings to those assembled.

Sincerely yours,

  
William J. Donoghue  
Executive Secretary  
to the Mayor

O'DWYER, JAMES





STATE OF RHODE ISLAND & PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
PROVIDENCE

JOHN O. PASTORE  
GOVERNOR

January 25, 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman, General Douglas MacArthur  
Birthday Dinner  
Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

It would please me no end to be with you on the occasion of the birthday dinner in honor of a great soldier and a great American, General Douglas MacArthur.

Words are inadequate to express my deep admiration for the General who has given to his country such unselfish service and such complete devotion.

Please extend to him my sincere heartfelt congratulations, and wish him further continued health and happiness for many, many years to come.

Sincerely,

John O. Pastore  
Governor

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
CHARLESTON 5

OKEY L. PATTESON  
GOVERNOR

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January 20, 1949

Veterans & Citizens Committee  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

I sincerely appreciate your kind invitation to attend the dinner celebrating the birthday anniversary of General MacArthur.

I would very much like to be present on this occasion but our Legislature is in session and it will be impossible for me to leave at that time.

Wishing you a most successful celebration and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Okey L. Patteson*  
OKEY L. PATTESON  
Governor

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PATTESON, OKEY L.



PATTERSON, BELKNAP & WEBB

(CURTIS & BELKNAP)

ONE WALL STREET

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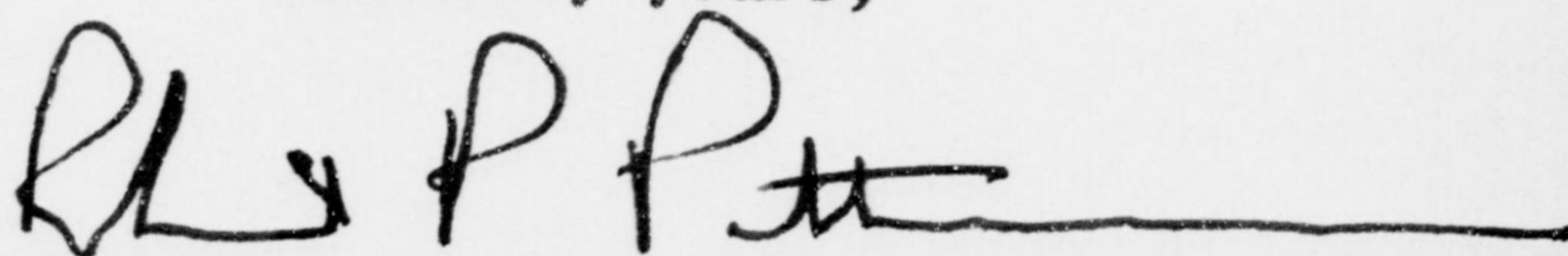
General of the Army Douglas MacArthur,  
General Headquarters,  
Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers,  
Tokyo, Japan.

Dear General:

On your 69th birthday your countrymen have in mind the long years of distinguished and devoted service you have rendered as soldier and statesman. They recall with particular pride your courageous leadership in times that tried men's souls. They think of your career as one in which duty has always come first and as fulfilling the highest traditions of American life. And it is their wish that you have many years of happiness and health.

If I may add a word on the personal side, it is to tell you how warmly I cherish your friendship and how earnestly I hope that you will have many more birthdays.

Sincerely yours,



PATTERSON, ROBERT



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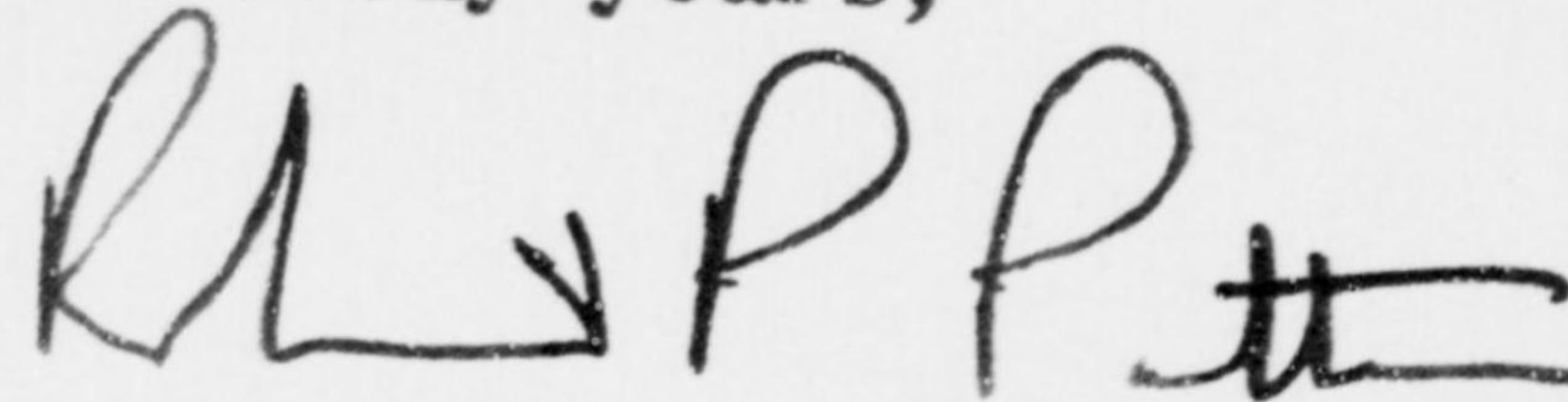
January 25, 1949.

Mr. Lester Stickles,  
36 West 44th Street,  
New York, New York.

Dear Lester:

I am attaching a letter to be forwarded  
to General MacArthur in connection with his 69th  
birthday.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. P. Patterson', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Enc.





STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA

FREDERICK G. PAYNE  
GOVERNOR

January 18, 1949

Richard W. O'Neill, Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
to honor General McArthur  
Suite 240  
Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Regret very much that it will be impossible for me to accept your kind invitation to attend the Dinner honoring the Birthday Anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur on the 26th of January at the Hotel Astor in New York, due to the fact that I have a previous commitment in Maine.

Please be sure you have my best wishes for a very successful affair.

Sincerely yours,

*Frederick G. Payne*  
FREDERICK G. PAYNE

FGP:N

PAYNE, FREDERICK G.





LA FORTALEZA  
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

OFFICE OF THE  
GOVERNOR

January 20, 1949

Mr. John B. Sullivan, Secretary  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240, Hotel Astor  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

The Governor of Puerto Rico thanks the Veterans and Citizens Committee for your kind invitation to attend a dinner on Wednesday evening, 26 January, 1949, to honor General of the Army Douglas MacArthur.

The Governor regrets, however, that pressing and unforeseen circumstances, regarding insular government matters, force him to decline the honor vested upon him.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arrillaga".

Alberto Arrillaga  
Lt. Col. , Inf.  
Military Aide to the Governor

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RICHARD W ONEILL, VETERANS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE

TO HONOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR=HOTEL ASTOR=

GREATLY REGRET MY INABILITY TO SHARE WITH YOU THE PLEASURE OF HONORING GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR ON THE OCCASION OF HIS BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY MAY I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS WITH THOSE WHO WILL BE PRESENT MY HIGHEST ADMIRATION FOR ONE OF OUR NATIONS OUTSTANDING SOLDIERS AND STATESMEN AND OF HIS LONG AND UNTIRING DEVOTION TO DUTY IN OUR NATIONS SERVICE=

ELWOOD R QUESADA LT GENERAL US AIR FORCE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE CHIEF OF STAFF FOR RESERVE FORCES=

QUESADA, ELWOOD R.

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OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL  
New York Area  
39 Whitehall Street  
New York 4, New York

21 January 1949

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Hotel Astor  
44th Street and Broadway  
New York City, New York

Dear Dick:

I have your most kind and thoughtful invitation to be present at the Birthday Anniversary Dinner of General Douglas MacArthur on Wednesday evening, Twenty-sixth of January, 1949 at the Hotel Astor.

It was most kind of you to remember me and I will be very pleased to be present with you on this very grand occasion.

I have made arrangements for a four (4) star flag at the Hotel Astor for this evening.

With kind sincere good wishes for a very wonderful dinner, I am

Most sincerely,



F. J. QUIGLEY  
Lt. Colonel, CMP  
Provost Marshal, New York Area



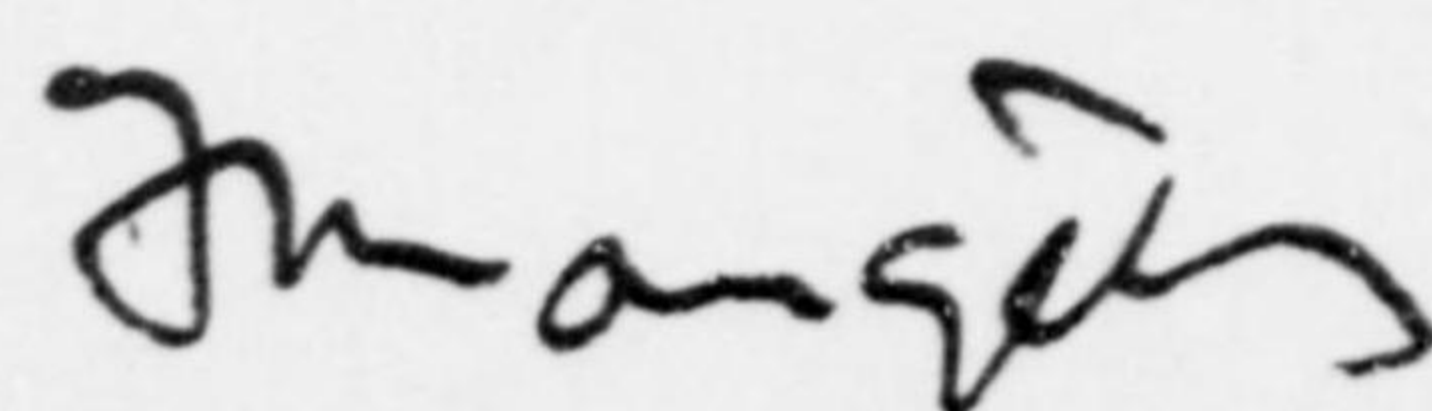
MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

January 31, 1949

My dear Mr. O'Neill:

The President received today your letter of January 17 including a program for the birthday anniversary dinner in honor of General MacArthur. He regrets that he received it too late to be able to send a message in accordance with your request. He says he fully shares the feeling behind the celebration and counts himself privileged to be one of the 19 million Filipinos who owe a debt of lasting gratitude to the liberator of his country.

Sincerely yours,



FEDERICO MANGAHAS  
Private Secretary  
to the President

Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman, Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, N.Y.

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RICHARD W ONEILL CHAIRMAN

MACARTHUR BIRTHDAY DINNER SUITE 240 HOTEL ASTOR NYK

REGRET EXCEEDINGLY MY INABILITY TO ATTEND THE MACARTHUR BIRTHDAY DINNER WEDNESDAY EVENING. WISCONSIN IS PROUD INDEED OF THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF GENERAL MACARTHUR AS A SOLDIER AND A STATESMAN AND ADMIRES ESPECIALLY HIS WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE WELFARE OF MANKIND IN A FOREIGN LAND WHEN HE COULD RETURN TO HIS HOME STATE OF WISCONSIN FOR DESERVED REST AND RECEIVE THE PLAUDITS HE HAS SO WELL EARNED. PERMIT ME TO ADD MY EARNEST CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE OF GENERAL MACARTHUR'S MANY FRIENDS ON THIS SIGNIFICANT OCCASION AND MY BEST WISHES FOR THIS CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH, SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS

OSCAR RENNEBOHM GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN

RENNEBOHM, OSCAR

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EDWARD V. RICKENBACKER  
10 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA  
NEW YORK 20

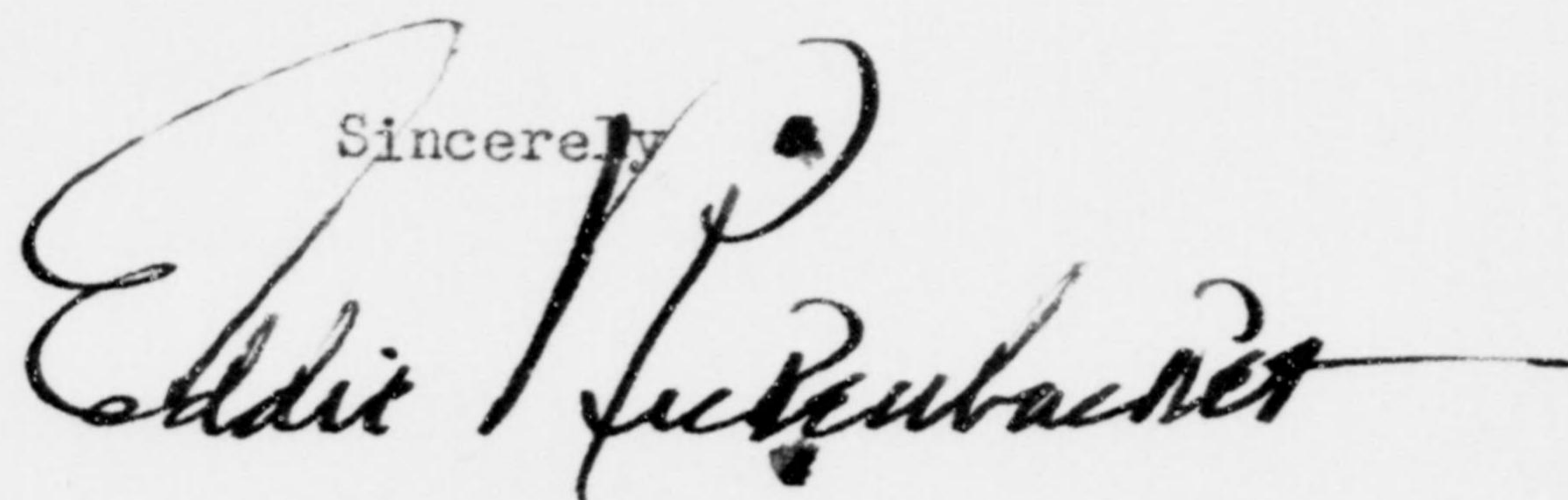
Miami, Florida  
January 21, 1949

My dear Friends

It is with keen regret that I am unable to be present in person to honor not only a great American, but a great General and a great Statesman, General Douglas MacArthur, on his birthday, January 26.

General MacArthur has devoted his entire life to his country and to his fellow men, and I hope he will be spared for many more years in order that he may continue to give his counsel and devote his time in support of our all-out efforts to establish Peace throughout this troubled world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eddie Rickenbacker". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Hotel Astor  
New York 19, New York

RICKENBACKER, EDDIE



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

28 JAN 1949

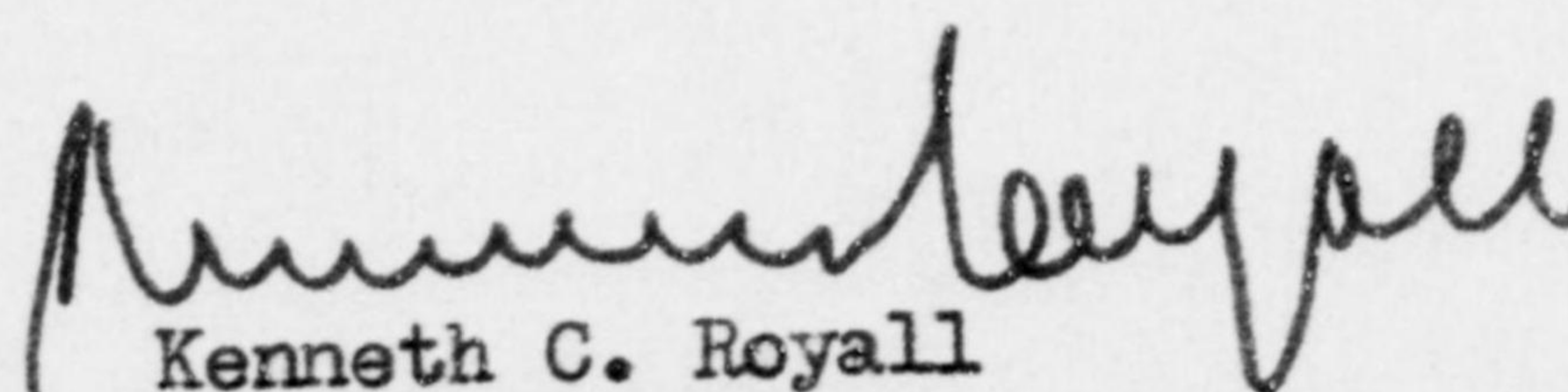
Mr. Richard W. O'Neill  
Chairman  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
To Honor General of the Army  
Douglas MacArthur  
Hotel Astor  
1515 Broadway  
New York 19, New York

Dear Mr. O'Neill:

Although I cannot be with you in paying tribute to that great American and great soldier, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, I wish to express my esteem for him upon this occasion of his birthday through the medium of your dinner in his honor.

In all that he has done for his country there can be seen his qualities of high courage and brilliant leadership. I am happy to join with you today in expressing my wish that he may have a very happy birthday, with many happy returns of the day.

Sincerely yours,

  
Kenneth C. Royall  
Secretary of the Army

ROYALL, KENNETH C.





OFFICE OF THE  
COMMANDING OFFICER

SEVENTY-FIRST INFANTRY, NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD  
PARK AVENUE AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET  
NEW YORK

25 January 1949

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

The officers and men of the Seventy-First Infantry consider it a great honor indeed to be able to send their very best wishes to General MacArthur whose leadership in both wars and in the occupation of Japan has been an outstanding inspiration to the young Americans who make up this regiment.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

*A. D. Reutershan*  
A. D. REUTERSHAN  
COLONEL INF NYNG

Mr. John B. Sullivan,  
Room 240,  
Hotel Astor,  
1515 Broadway,  
New York 19, N. Y.

REUTERSHAN, A. D. (71st Inf. Div.)



# REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

1337 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NORTHWEST • WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

TELEPHONE: ADAMS 9215



CHAIRMAN  
HUGH D. SCOTT, JR.

January 24, 1949

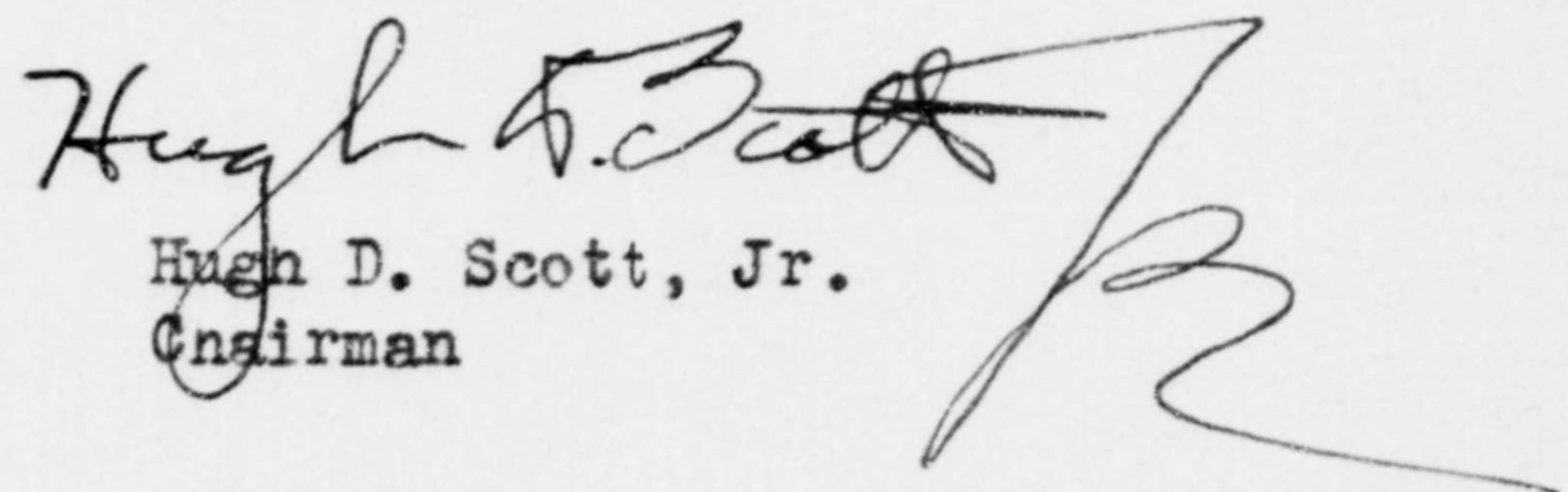
Captain James V. Coleman  
Chairman Arrangements  
Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Hotel Astor  
New York City, New York

Dear Captain Coleman:

I regret that on account of a previous engagement in Omana, I am unable to be present at the Birthday Anniversary Dinner for General Douglas MacArthur.

I am delighted to hear that you are honoring General MacArthur, whom I know personally and believe to be beyond a shadow of doubt one of the greatest living Americans. May he live forever in the history of this country as an exponent of its proudest tradition.

Cordially yours,

  
Hugh D. Scott, Jr.  
Chairman

HDS:maf



DEWEY SHORT  
7TH DIST., MISSOURI

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ARMED SERVICES

HOME ADDRESS:  
GALENA, MISSOURI

SECRETARIES:  
Miss IRENE LEWIS  
Mrs. HELEN PAULY

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D. C.**

January 19, 1949

Veterans and Citizens Committee  
Suite 240 - Hotel Astor  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

On behalf of Congressman Short who is in Missouri I want to acknowledge receipt of his invitation to attend a dinner to celebrate the Birthday Anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur, on January 26th.

Mr. Short has speaking engagements in Missouri and will not return to Washington until after the first of February. It will, therefore, be impossible for him to attend. The invitation will be called to his attention upon his return to the office and it will be appreciated by him, I can assure you.

Sincerely yours,

*Helen Pauly*

Secretary to  
Dewey Short,  
Member of Congress

H. Pauly

SHORT, DEWEY