

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948.

Dear Miss Jordan:

I am delighted to have your thoughtful note of April 18th and avail myself of the opportunity gratefully to acknowledge your fine support and that of your co-workers.

With every good wish, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Shirley Jordan,
P.O. Box 408,
Santa Monica, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Murray:

I am most grateful for your thoughtful note of April 20th and want you to know how heartwarming are your expressions of friendly confidence. I have written Mrs. Watkins in some detail as to the reasons which prevent me from returning to the United States just at this time as you have suggested -- reasons with which I know you will be in full agreement in view of your own close connections with duty and service.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. George Crosby Murray,
3410 Franklin Avenue,
Los Angeles 27, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Avitt:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 19th with its kindly expressions of confidence, which are most heartwarming. I have just written Mrs. Watkins concerning the reasons which prevent my return to the United States at this time and I know that you will be in fullest accord therewith. It is one of those situations in which decisions must conform rigidly to the requirements of duty, rather than either personal choice or personal advantage.

Your prayers are most comforting and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Louise Avitt,
5414 $\frac{1}{2}$ Franklin,
Los Angeles 27, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948.

Dear Mr. Morse:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 22nd. I have read your views with deep interest and want you to know how grateful I am for your expressions of confidence and kindly interest.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Stanley F. Morse,
Box 861,
Winter Park, Florida.

R

ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(IC)

CINC CW/sh

15 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCPC
TO : MR. GEORGE A. JENSEN,
1116 SMITH TOWER,
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

PAREN PAREN ITEM HAVE JUST LEARNED FROM YOUR MESSAGE
TO MISTER MARDON OF YOUR PROJECTED REPRESENTATION OF ME AT THE WASHINGTON
STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION PD ITEM DO NOT REPEAT NOR FEEL IT
APPROPRIATE GMA AS YOU HAVE KINDLY SUGGESTED GMA TO SEND ABLR MESSAGE TO
THE DELEGATES THERE IN ATTENDANCE GMA BUT ITEM DO WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW
GRATEFUL ITEM AM FOR YOUR EXPRESSIONS OF CONFIDENCE AND LOYAL SUPPORT PD
MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL:

R.M. LEVY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

Personal Message to CinC.

SEATTLE WASH T053/RCF364 85 PI/50 9 5 24S

DLT T. A. MARDON TEITO HOTEL TOKYO

HAVE BEEN SELECTED AS MACARTHUR DELEGATE TO WASHINGTON STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION CONVENING NEXT FRIDAY, FOURTEENTH AT BELLINGHAM PLEASE COMMUNICATE WITH BRIGADIER GENERAL MARQUAT OR COL WHEELER TO ASCERTAIN FROM GEN MACARTHUR IF HE WISHES TO GIVE ANY MESSAGE TO THE DELEGATES ASSEMBLED AS THEY WISH TO GIVE HIM EVERY CONSIDERATION SO RICHLY DUE HIM IF HE ACTS FAVORABLY HAVE HIM CABLE ME NO LATER THAN THURSDAY AS CABLE SENT BY HIM WILL BE PRESENTED TO CONVENTION

GEORGE A JENSEN

1116 Smith Tower

Seattle

R

ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(IC)

CINC CW/sh

13 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCPC
TO : MR. ALLEN ZOLL,
HOTEL TUDOR,
NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK.

PAREN PAREN ITEM AM JUST IN RECEIPT OF YOUR THOUGHTFUL
MESSAGE AND AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR THE CONFIDENCE REFLECTED IN YOUR FINE
SUPPORT PD SINCE ENTERING UPON MY PRESENT DUTIES CMA THE MESSAGES OF
ENCOURAGEMENT ITEM HAVE RECEIVED SUCH AS YOURS FROM COMRADES DASH IN DASH
ARMS OF WORLD WARS ONE AND TWO HAVE DEMONSTRATED WITH MARKED CLARITY THE
INVINCIBLE STRENGTH OF THOSE FRATERNAL BONDS WHICH ARE FORGED IN THE
CRUCIBLE OF WAR AND HAVE LEFT ME WITH ABLE DEEP SENSE OF PERSONAL
GRATITUDE PD MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL:

R.M. LEVY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

Personal Message to Cinc.

NEW YORK NY TO 1670/RFC3951 7 MAY 1948 NFT
DLT GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR TOKYO

LITERALLY MILLIONS OF AMERICANS WANT YOUR LEADERSHIP AS PRESIDENT BELIEV-
ING YOU THE ONLY MAN WHO CAN SAVE AMERICA AS FOUNDER AND NATIONAL VICE CHAIRMAN
VETERANS FOR MACARTHUR I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOUR RETURN FOR CONVENTION APPEAR-
ANCE THUS ASSURING NOMINATION ELECTION AND NATIONAL PRESERVATION

ALLEN ZOLL HOTEL TUDOR

12 40 M KW

R

ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(10)

CINC GW/ah

14 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCOPH
TO : MR. GERALD I. OSTROLO,
234 MT. PROSPECT AVENUE,
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY.

PAREN PAREN AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF THE SIXTH AND SHOULD BE HIGHLY HONORED TO RECEIVE AN HONORARY DEGREE FROM SIEGM HALL COLLEGE WHEN I AM ABLE TO VISIT THIS DISTINGUISHED INSTITUTION OF LEARNING PD THE MANY MESSAGES OF CONFIDENCE WHICH I AM HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE FINE CITIZENS OF NEW JERSEY HAVE MOVED ME DEEPLY AND I AM SHALL LOOK FORWARD IN ANTICIPATION TO THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY WHICH PERMITS ME AGAIN TO ENTER YOUR GREAT STATE AND SEE SO MANY OLD FRIENDS AND NEW PD MY CORDIAL PERSONAL REGARD TO YOU AND THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH YOU AND MY WARM THANKS FOR YOUR CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT

OFFICIAL:

R. M. LEVY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

Personal Message from Cinc.

NEWARK NJER T01130/RCF391 34 6 245S

6 May 1948

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR SUPREME COMMANDER

TOKIO

WE RESPECTFULLY BESSECH THAT YOU RETURN TO US PEOPLE OF NEW JERSEY
READY TO WELCOME YOU AT SETON HALL COLLEGE CAMPUS SOUTHORANGE AND
CONFER DEGREE

DR GERALD I CETRULO

RY 9 51M

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948

Dear Mrs. Pumpelly:

Mrs. MacArthur joins me in grateful appreciation for your kindly note of April 22nd and its expressions of confidence and goodwill, which are most heartwarming.

Your father, General Ripley, had a most distinguished career and I can well understand your deep pride in the historic role which he played in the Civil War.

With renewed thanks for your friendly support, I
am,

Most faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Amelie Ripley Pumpelly,
8233 Fountain Avenue,
Hollywood 46, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 13, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

I am delighted to have your fine letter of April 21st and thank you for your kindly expressions of confidence. The inspiring messages I have received from members of your group have been most heartwarming and I want them to know how deeply moved I am by their friendly interest.

Many of my friends have urged as you have that, despite my statement of March 9th, I return to the United States prior to the Republican National Convention. Irrespective of my own personal feelings in the matter, however, it is impossible for me to do so. While here in Japan we are blessed with relative peace and calm and human industry, elsewhere in the Far East the situation is becoming increasingly tense and the survival of our concept of freedom over our Western horizon hangs perilously in the balance. Under these conditions my departure from my post of duty for unofficial purposes would find little justification even in friendly, understanding and loyal hearts. Furthermore, it would be most repugnant to me to have any great segment of the American people feel that by so doing I sought to capitalize to political advantage upon any public goodwill which might manifest itself upon my first return to American soil following the Pacific war. Some indeed may argue that this decision does not reflect good politics, but it does reflect my own concept of public duty and my earnest desire to preserve unimpaired the public faith.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Louise Ward Watkins,
1105 Park View Avenue,
Pasadena, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

13 May, 1948.

Dear Miss Hirsh:

It was most thoughtful of you to enclose with your letter of April 21st the December 1946 issue of THE VILLAGER containing the beautiful verses which you composed. Please accept my grateful acknowledgment for this and for your expressions of friendly interest.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Alice Hirsh,
189 Centre Avenue,
New Rochelle, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Dr. Distler:

I am deeply grateful for your letter of April 27th renewing the invitation of Chaplain Borneman to visit Franklin & Marshall College to receive its honorary degree. I told Chaplain Borneman in reply how greatly honored I felt at being selected by your distinguished University for this distinction, and I am doubly grateful to you for the suggestion that my visit be made the occasion for a special convocation.

You may be sure that I shall look forward in anticipation to the first opportunity which permits me to avail myself of your most gracious offer, but my future movements are yet too obscure to permit any detailed planning.

With every good wish, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

Dr. Theodore A. Distler, President,
Franklin & Marshall College,
Lancaster, Pa.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Dr. Distler:

I am deeply grateful for your letter of April 27th renewing the invitation of Chaplain Borneman to visit Franklin & Marshall College to receive its honorary degree. I told Chaplain Borneman in reply how greatly honored I felt at being selected by your distinguished University for this distinction, and I am doubly grateful to you for the suggestion that my visit be made the occasion for a special convocation.

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With every good wish, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

Dr. Theodore A. Distler, President,
Franklin & Marshall College,
Lancaster, Pa.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Bieber:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 29th enclosing copies of the song which you composed. Your expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I want you to know that both my son Arthur and I are deeply grateful to you.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. George Bieber, Jr.,
1475 Maple Road,
Williamsville 21, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Dr. Calabria:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 28th with its expressions of confidence which are most heartwarming.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Dr. J.C. Calabria,
Stevens Park Clinic,
1211 North Hampton Road,
Dallas 11, Texas.

Tokyo, Japan.

12 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Moses:

I am deeply moved by your thoughtful note of May 1st, and I wish that you would convey to every member of your League my affectionate greeting and deep gratitude for their message of loyalty -- a human quality which rests upon the highest moral plane and is traditionally a Filipino characteristic.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Al. Moses, Commander,
Philippines Defense League, Inc.
62 West 66th Street,
New York City, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Miss Walker:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of May 1st with the clippings which you so kindly inclosed. I want you to know how heartwarming it is to receive your expressions of confidence and how grateful I am to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Cora Walker,
Starkville, Mississippi.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Adams:

I am deeply moved by your fine letter of April 13th with its inclosure which I have read with much interest. Please accept my grateful acknowledgment for your expressions of confidence which are indeed most heartwarming and helpful.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Henry R. Adams,
15 Palms Avenue,
Venice, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Monger:

Thank you so much for your friendly note of May 2nd attaching the clipping from the Herald-American. It was most thoughtful of you to send it to me.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Howard S. Monger,
7952 So. Ashland Avenue,
Chicago 20, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Miss Shoemith;

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 5th which has just reached me. Your expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for the copy of "Deployment of Employment" which you so kindly enclosed.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Beulah I. Shoemith,
Instructor in Mathematics,
Illinois Institute of Technology,
Chicago, Ill.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. McCroskey:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of May 1st. Your expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. H.E. McCroskey,
c/o Paramount Pictures Inc.,
5451 Marathon Street,
Hollywood 38, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

12 May, 1948.

Dear Miss Josenhans:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 20th with its enclosure copied from the NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN. Your expressions of confidence are heartwarming indeed and I am most grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Elsie L. Josenhans,
4146 Gleane Street,
Elmhurst, L.I., N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Butler:

I am delighted to have your note of April
27th and am deeply grateful for your fine support.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Henry C. Butler,
331 West 59th Place,
Chicago, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Doctor Starr:

I am deeply grateful to you and Mrs. Starr
for your thoughtful note of May 4th and want you to know how
heartwarming are your expressions of confidence.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Dr. Leslie I. Starr,
4254 Verdugo Road,
Los Angeles 41, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Wainwright:

I am just in receipt of your thoughtful note of May 2nd and am deeply moved by your kindly expressions of confidence, for which please accept my grateful thanks.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. George Wainwright,
8834 75th Street,
Woodham 21, Long Island, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Major Davis:

It was thoughtful for you to send me your note of April 29th and I am most grateful for your expressions of confidence and loyal support. Thank you too for your kindly invitation to visit Palm Springs.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Major Wilbur P. Davis,
Colonial House,
Palm Springs, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Lechtenberg:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 30th enclosing a copy of "Deployment of Employment". Your expressions of confidence are heartwarming and I am most grateful for your friendly interest.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. William J. Lechtenberg,
6216 University Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 12, 1948.

Dear Miss Day:

Please accept my grateful appreciation for your kindly note of April 21st and inform the members of your government class that I consider their selection a great honor indeed. I am sending them herewith a copy of the new Constitution of Japan which I believe will be of interest in connection with studies on government.

Thank you so much for your kindly references to Mrs. MacArthur and my young son, Arthur, and accept in return our every good wish.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Incl: The Constitution of Japan.
Autographed photograph.

Miss Lorene S. Day,
Breckinridge Training School,
Morehead State Teachers College,
Morehead, Kentucky.

R
ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(IC)

CINC CW/aa

11 MAY 1946

FROM : CINCOPC
TO : ANGEL B. FERNANDEZ,
MAYOR, CITY OF DAUPAN,
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

PAREN PAREN APPRECIATE DEEPLY YOUR INVITATION OF THE
TENTH BUT AS IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME PERSONALLY TO ATTEND THE
CEREMONY I AM REQUESTING MAJOR GENERAL ALBERT MIKE JONES TO REPRESENT
ME AND READ MY MESSAGE TO MACARTHUR

OFFICIALS

R. H. LEVY,
Colonel, A. G. D.
Adjutant General.

Personal Message to Cinc.

R
ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(10)

CINC

CH/ah

11 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCOPH
TO : MAJOR GENERAL ALBERT M. JONES,
CHIEF, U.S. MILITARY ADVISORY GROUP TO THE
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES,
MANILA, P.I.

PARIRI
PARIRI ITEM HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING RADIO
FROM ANGEL RAMON FERNANDEZ CMA MAYOR CMA CITY OF DAVUPAN COLON QUOTE
UNVEILING CEREMONY OF THE PLAQUE MARKING SPOT WHERE YOU LANDED AT BONGORAN CMA
DAVUPAN CMA WILL BE HELD ON MAY TWENTY THIRD ONE NINE FOUR EIGHT PD YOU
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED BY THE CITY OF DAVUPAN TO BE PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY
PD ITEM REQUEST YOU SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE IF IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO COME
UNQUOTE PD PARA ITEM SHOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU REPRESENT ME AT THIS CEREMONY
CMA OR IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO SO TO SELECT SOME OTHER SUITABLE
OFFICER FOR THE PURPOSE PD THE FOLLOWING IS THE MESSAGE ITEM WISH TO HAVE
READ FOR ME COLON QUOTE THIS PLAQUE MARKS AN HISTORIC ADVANCE OF THE FORCES
OF FREEDOM AS THEY LANDED ON THIS SHORE TO RELIEVE THE LONG BELEAGUERED
SPIRIT OF ABLE FILIPINO PEOPLE CMA YET UNCONQUERED AND UNCONQUERABLE PD IT

MARKS AN EPOCHAL PHASE IN THE PANORAMA OF HUMAN EVENTS IN THE INSTANT IT
GAVE TO THE INEVITABLE TRIUMPH OF THE SPIRITUAL POWER RESTING UPON THE
SANCTITY OF HUMAN FREEDOM OVER THAT RESTING UPON THE EVIL OF HUMAN
SLAVERY AND OF THE CAUSE OF RIGHT OVER THE CAUSE OF WRONG AND AS OUR
FORCES LANDED HERE AFTER THOSE BITTER PHILIPPINE YEARS OF DARKNESS AND
PERIL AND TRAVAIL AND WE WERE ORIENTED BY FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN FRIENDS AND
ALLIES AND STILL UNDAUNTED AND UNAFRAID TO MACARTHUR UNQUOTE TO
MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL

R. M. LEVY,
Colonel, A.C.D.
Adjutant General.

This is in reply to Personal message to Cinc.

R

ROUTINE - IN THE CLEAR

(IC)

CINC

CW/ma

8 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCPC

TO : MRS LOUIS EHRET
22 EAST 73 STREET
NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

PAREN PAREN THE CONFIDENCE REFLECTED IN THE MOVEMENT DESCRIBED IN YOUR RADIO OF THE SIXTH IS MOST HEARTWARMING AND I WISH THAT YOU WOULD ACCEPT AND CONVEY TO THE DISTINGUISHED GROUP NAMED AND ALL OTHERS WHO HAVE ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH YOU MY PROFOUND GRATITUDE PD IT IS JUST SUCH EXPRESSIONS OF CONFIDENCE AND RESOLUTE SUPPORT WHICH PROVIDE ONE WITH THE SPIRITUAL STRENGTH ESSENTIAL TO MAXIMUM EFFORT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF PUBLIC DUTY PD APART FROM THIS ONE OF THE MOST STRIKING AND ENCOURAGING FEATURES OF CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LIFE IS THE INCREASING AWARENESS OF THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA OF POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY AND THEIR GROWING DETERMINATION FEARLESSLY TO ASSERT THE FULL POWER OF THEIR VOICE IN THE SHAPING OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS PD FOR IN THE MORAL FORCE OF THEIR STABILIZING INFLUENCE LIES BEST HOPE THAT AMERICA APOSTROPHE SUGAR DESTINY WILL FIND ORIENTATION ALONG A TRUE COURSE TOWARD INCREASED SPIRITUAL STRENGTH AND ACCELERATED HUMAN PROGRESS PD MACARTHUR

Personal Message to Cinc

OFFICIAL:

R. M. LEVY, Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General
DISTRIBUTION: Cinc

ROUTINE - IN THE CLEAR

Tokyo, Japan.

May 6, 1948.

Dear Mr. Mar:

I am just in receipt of your thoughtful note of April 28th and wish that you would convey to the Trustees my grateful appreciation for their action in sending me a complimentary copy of the biography of Bishop Brent, which I shall treasure most highly.

It was my privilege to know Bishop Brent well and to observe his noble ministrations among the Masses of the Philippines. A great Christian leader, his life and works well deserved to be so appropriately memorialized as by carrying on after his death the work to which he dedicated his life.

I am most grateful for your kindly expressions of confidence and good wishes which are heartwarming indeed, and send my cordial greetings to you and those associated with you in your fine work.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Curtis J. Mar, Secretary-Treasurer,
The Bishop Brent Fund,
Six East Forty-First Street,
New York City, New York.

R

ROUTINE
IN THE CLEAR

(10)

CIN 60/sh

8 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCPAC
TO : HONORABLE EDWARD G. BOURBEAU,
MAYOR, CITY OF CHICOPPEE
MASSACHUSETTS

PARCEL PARCEL RECEIVED THANKS BUT IT WILL BE
IMPRACTICABLE TO ACCEPT ED MACARTHUR

OFFICIALS

R.M. LUTY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

Personal Message to CinC.

WASHINGTON DC T01382/RCF146 54 7 1042M

7 May 1948

LC GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR SUPREUE
COMMANDER TOKYO

MAYOR BOURBEAU INVITES YOU BROADCAST FIFTEEN MINUTES NATIONWIDE
FOUR FORTY FIVE EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME FROM TOKYO OR UNITED STATES
MAY TWENTY NINTH DURING CHICOPEE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION HOPE YOU
CAN ACCEPT SINCE YOUR FATHER IS CHICOPEES OUTSTANDING CITIZEN

CONGRESSMAN CHARLES R CLASON MASSACHUSETTS

CONGRESSMAN A F MILLER NEBRASKA

3,OM Si

Tokyo, Japan.

8 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Huston:

I am most grateful to you for the efforts you have made to keep me abreast of matters which you regarded of political significance and your personal interpretation thereof. At the same time I want to thank you for your repeated expressions of confidence and assurances of loyal support. It is heartwarming indeed at so great a distance to have Americans rally on the home front and publicly bespeak their goodwill, as so many of my friends have done, and I know of nothing which can ever erase the great spiritual uplift which I have thereby received.

Many have urged me in recent weeks to return to the United States prior to the Republican Convention. Regardless of my personal feelings in the matter or any political consequences which might result from my failure to do so, the general situation just does not justify my leaving my duties here for unofficial purposes. Added to this, it would be peculiarly repugnant to me to have it felt that I sought to capitalize to my own political advantage upon the public goodwill which might be extended me by virtue of my first return to the United States following the Pacific victory.

For these reasons I have found my only proper course to be in standing firmly upon my public assurance of March 9th that my services at all times are subject to call by the American people. It may well be argued that this course does not reflect best politics, but it does reflect my own concept of public duty.

With renewed thanks and all good wishes.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. C.H. Huston,
R.F.D. #1,
New Canaan, Connecticut.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 8, 1948.

Dear Mr. McBride:

I have your letter of April 28th with respect to your manuscript entitled, "With MacArthur's Miracle Men". While I have, of course, not seen the manuscript, I have no slightest objection to any truthful and unbiased account of those desperate days.

I am so sorry that you are disabled and hope for your complete and early recovery.

With all good wishes,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Myrri W. McBride,
Post Office Box 1105,
Alpine, Texas.

(Basic in CinC's Files)

Government Section

May 8, 1948.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel J. B. Lattin

General MacArthur requests that the following radio message to General Wainwright be processed for delivery through General Aiken:

"Dear Jim, I am deeply moved by your fine message of the 6th. It recalls so vividly our close association in the country's service under those desperate conditions of the early days of the war and emphasizes with such striking clarity your unfailing loyalty and devotion. Indeed, the many expressions of confidence which I have received in recent months from veterans who served with me in both wars have given me a spiritual uplift which provides much added strength to carry the burdens of public duty. My affectionate greetings and gratitude to you, Jim, and those who have associated themselves with you.

MacARTHUR."

COURTNEY WHITNEY
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief, Government Section

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Barron:

It was most thoughtful of you to send me a copy of the program of the Award Dinner given by the Veterans of Foreign Wars in honor of Harry Schlacht, and I am grateful for your accompanying note of April 30th giving me some of the details of the affair.

Your activity in my behalf in New York is most heartening as there is no support which means more to me than that of a comrade-in-arms of the Pacific war.

With all good wishes, I am,

Most cordially,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Charles Barron,
304 West 14th Street,
New York 14, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Welman:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 29th with its expressions of confidence which are most heartwarming.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Jack W. Welman,
27 Rhode Island Ave., N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1946.

Dear Mrs. Rupert:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note.

It is heartening indeed to have so loyal a booster, and I am grateful for your expressions of confidence.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Helen F. Rupert,
Oaks Apartments,
530-32 Oakdale Avenue,
Chicago 14, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. McGee:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 11th. It is heartening indeed to hear of the splendid manner in which my comrades-in-arms of the American Legion are rallying to my support, and I am most grateful to you for the information.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. John R. McGee,
1624 John Street,
Baltimore 17, Maryland.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Poyoyelski:

I am most grateful to you for your kindly note of April 15th, and want you to know how heartwarming are your expressions of confidence and encouragement.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Kenneth Poyoyelski,
1964-A South 16 Street,
Milwaukee 4, Wisconsin.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 28th. Your expressions of confidence and offer of support are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. C. Eugene Smith,
2022 Atlantic Avenue,
Long Beach, C., California.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I am most grateful for your thoughtful note of April 18th and want you to know how heartening are your expressions of confidence and friendly support.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Austin Davis,
Star Route,
Thomaston, Maine.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Veis:

I am delighted to receive your fine letter
and want you to know how highly I value the nice things you say
concerning me.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Warren Veis,
1741 N. Fairview Street,
Burbank, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Eppert:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 25th with its enclosed newspaper clipping taken from a Los Angeles paper in 1945, which I have read with much interest as I have your own clearly stated views.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Lorenzo W. Eppert,
305 So. Marion Street,
Boone, Iowa. RFD #1.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 7, 1948.

Dear Mr. Tilton:

I am just in receipt of your fine letter of April 6th with its inclosures and want you to know how grateful I am for your kindly expressions of confidence and support.

I agree with you most fully that the mainspring to our country's progress has been the initiative, the energy, and the indomitable pioneering spirit of its citizenry, human forces which are alone responsive and in direct ratio to their underlying incentive.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. E. B. Tilton, President,
The Vilter Manufacturing Company,
Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Father Byrne:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 28th with its enclosed copy of the CATHOLIC DIGEST. General MacArthur was delighted with the article written by you and published in Plain Talk, and he never fails to be deeply moved and grateful by your expressions of confidence and powerful support.

I can well imagine that your days are intensely preoccupied in your efforts to hold the Christian front at your new post, and you may be sure that you have in your support the constant thought and prayer of your many devoted friends in Tokyo.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

COURTNEY WHITNEY,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army.

Reverend P.J. Byrne,
Catholic Cathedral,
Seoul, Korea.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 6, 1948.

Dear Harold:

I have your letter of April 26th and am delighted to hear from you. I have noticed several fine references to the activities of the American Legion in the Philippines and have been most pleased to note the force that it has become in the community. It reflects greatest credit upon its officers and membership, as if any organization ever had to start from scratch, it certainly did.

I am afraid that there is little that I can add to the historical record that you do not yourself know or that Harry Morgan, Ben Ohnick or any number of the others cannot supply, unless you have in mind any specific questions for clarification.

As time goes on I become increasingly anxious to join my old friends in the Philippines, but for some reason or other the opportunity to do so seems to get ever more distant. But I have not lost hope and one of these fine days you will see me come marching home again.

With every good wish to you and all of our mutual friends, I remain,

Cordially,

Mr. H. H. Keys,
214 Regina Building,
Manila, Philippines.

H. H. KEYS
ARCHITECT

PHILIPPINES

MANILA

April 26th, 1948

Brigadier General Courtney Whitney
United States Army
Tokyo
J a p a n

My dear General Whitney,

I did not have a chance to talk to you before you left for Japan. Would like to have told you how welcome you were when I saw you at Los Baños on February 23rd of a few years ago.

The American Legion in the Philippines is getting on its feet again.

I was appointed acting Historian of the Department, vice Harry Morgan, resigned.

As you know, all of our records were destroyed. I am trying to reconstruct so far as possible.

Could you tell me something of the original organization and, of course, I will be glad to hear of any other Legion activities you may care to tell of.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Whitney and you,

I am

Very truly yours,

H. H. KEYS

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R ROUTINE - IN THE CLEAR

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6 MAY 1968

FROM : CINCPC
TO : HONORABLE EDWARD O. BOURBEAU
MAYOR, CITY OF CHICOPPEE
MASSACHUSETTS

PAREN PAREN GRATEFUL THANKS NOT IT WILL BE
IMPRACTICABLE FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE AS EXPLAINED IN MY LETTER OF
DECEMBER TWENTY FIRST PD MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL:

R. M. LEVY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Personal message to Cinc

Tokyo, Japan.

6 May, 1948.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Kelley:

I am most grateful for your thoughtful note of April 20th and have read with great interest your views concerning the Wisconsin results and the plans of the delegation insofar as concerns the Republican Convention. I consider that you all staged a magnificent campaign against powerful odds of which I was ever mindful.

Many have urged me to return to the United States but apart from any personal feelings I may have in the matter, it is impossible for me to absent myself from my post here at this critical time without jeopardizing the American interest. Such absence in the circumstances would furthermore be peculiarly unjustifiable if motivated by personal rather than official considerations.

I do not, however, necessarily share the views which others have expressed that it would be of decided political advantage for me to return to the United States at this time, even did the situation permit me to do so without hazard to the public interest. There is no primary ahead which the pressure of public opinion could favorably influence, and my return would unquestionably cause resentment in other Republican camps with resultant ill feeling where cordiality now prevails and scars which might well react to our disadvantage should a convention deadlock develop as some have predicted. It would furthermore not appeal to large sections of the American people if it were felt that I was endeavoring to capitalize to personal political advantage upon public goodwill incident to my first return to the United States following the Pacific war.

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The final answer of course will rest upon convention developments and the action taken by leading contenders should a compromise be sought. For this reason the determination publicly announced by your fine body of Spartans from Wisconsin to stand firm to the end is a matter of the greatest reassurance which may well have a definite influence upon other delegations in the course of the proceedings.

With best wishes to all of you, I am,

Most cordially,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Harlan W. Kelley,
Suite 523-312 East Wisconsin Avenue,
Milwaukee 2, Wisconsin.

Tokyo, Japan.

7 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Johnston:

I am delighted to receive your fine letter of April 28th and want you to know how deeply I appreciate your efforts in my support.

I have no plan to return to the United States prior to the Convention as many have urged. The international situation is just too critical to justify my absenting myself from my post here at this time for personal reasons, and any official purpose which conceivably might arise in the short time remaining before the Convention would largely be vitiated if the challenge were made that my return actually was motivated by political considerations.

Many messages of confidence and support have been received by me from citizens of Texas. They never fail to be most heartwarming, as so much of my past during my service and that of my father's is deeply rooted in Texas. Indeed, that State with its traditionally close affiliation with the Army and its unfailing hospitality has earned a warm spot in the heart of every Army man, most of whom look upon it as an adopted home.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. John Johnston,
804 Brady Building,
San Antonio 5, Texas.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 6, 1948.

Dear Mrs. McQueen:

I am deeply grateful for your thoughtful note of April 16th and want you to know how heartwarming are your kindly expressions of confidence.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Ulysses Grant McQueen, Founder,
Women's International Ass'n of Aeronautics,
Mission Inn, Riverside, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 6, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Meyer:

Your letter of April 23rd has moved me deeply and I only wish that there was some way that I could assist in the search for your son whose nobility of character was well demonstrated in the words he sent to you from his prison camp. There is little that anyone can do, however, except to understand the poignancy of your grief and hold in admiration the depth of your faith. I am quite sure that in your effort to bring about that final triumph for which all men of good will earnestly strive -- Peace -- you will find some measure of comfort.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Margaret Meyer,
914 East 15th Street,
Brooklyn 30, New York.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 5, 1948.

Dear Mr. French:

Thank you for your thoughtful note of April 7th
and its expressions of confidence, which I shall highly value.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Hugh O. French,
36th and Prospect Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 5, 1948.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major Pedro Lopez.

Reference attached telegram from Jesus Cabatingan on board the General Meigs. As I was afraid, General MacArthur's schedule is entirely too filled to permit him to arrange personally to see the sixty four homebound Filipino pensionados, but he has asked me to see if you would not represent him in this matter and convey to them his most cordial greetings. He desires that arrangements be made for transportation and passes for these men, and hopes that you will do everything possible to make their short stay in port enjoyable.

I suggest that you use this note in making arrangements for the necessary transportation and passes and please let me know if there is anything else at all that I can do.

COURTNEY WHITNEY
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief, Government Section

Incl: Cpy telegram as
indicated above.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 5, 1948.

Dear Mr. Powers:

In response to your letter of April 27th, my only suggestions are that you emphasize: (1) that the great issues currently facing the United States are predominantly international in character and few domestic issues fail to be strongly influenced by our foreign policy. Furthermore, it is probable that no other American citizen possesses the general understanding of international affairs as does General MacArthur, and this is precisely a result of his long period of duty abroad. (2) It must be remembered that since September 1st, 1945, General MacArthur has held the sole executive responsibility over a nation of eighty million people, traditionally under oligarchic rule in the feudalistic pattern, and suffering from the severe dislocations of a destructive war and total defeat. In this task, General MacArthur has been confronted with all of the domestic problems normally to be found within any society which is free, greatly aggravated by the peculiar circumstances involved in the Japanese situation.

These are suggestions for your consideration which appear to be pertinent to your problem, and may prove helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

COURTNEY WHITNEY,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army.

Mr. Donald Powers,
2448 W. Prairie Street,
Blue Island, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 5, 1948.

Dear Mr. Brookman:

I am just in receipt of your letter of April 21st with its information on the veterans' movement in support of General MacArthur. It was difficult to understand at this distance the movement "against" which sprang up after the General announced his readiness to accept any public duty to which he might be called -- seemingly not only unprecedented in American politics but un-American as well. It was reasoned here, however, that such a movement found its inspiration in forces opposed to the American tradition and opposed to the American way, and for this reason would not find many who would rally behind it. This appears to have proved the case.

I shall lay your letter before the General and know that he will be delighted at its contents. He feels that there are and should ever remain indestructible bonds between men who in war have been welded together into a comradeship in arms, and he never fails to be moved by hearing directly from those with whom he has served in the common war effort. There is no slightest doubt in my mind but that the confidence and support of the veterans of America's wars means infinitely more to the General than does any political issue which might be at stake.

My thanks for your fine letter and every good wish.

Most sincerely yours,

COURTNEY WHITNEY,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army.

Mr. Robert L. Brookman,
145 North Clark Street,
Chicago 2, Illinois.

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4 May, 1948

Grateful thanks but it will be impracticable for me to
return in near future. Best regards,

MACARTHUR

Draft of TOP SECRET message handed personally to Col Lattin (Exec.
Signal Section) for transmittal to Gen Akin in reply to message
from Congressman Van Zandt.

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Tokyo, Japan.

May 4, 1948.

Dear Mr. Faris:

On April 1st the General received the following message from Mr. Van Ettisch of the Los Angeles Examiner:

"We would appreciate message from you to be read at "I Am An American" Day celebration, sponsored by this newspaper and civic organizations, at Hollywood Bowl May 16th. This event usually draws an audience of more than 10,000 persons and stresses real Americanism such as you so notably exemplify. Regards."

The General has just forwarded by airmail to Mr. Van Ettisch the signed statement requested, of which I am sending you herewith a copy in the thought that you might wish to coordinate extended use of the message in the Hearst Newspapers.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Mr. Barry Faris,
International News Service,
235 East 45th Street,
New York City, N.Y.

(see C.C. '48 file)

115012
Tokyo, Japan.

May 4, 1948.

Dear Mr. Van Ettisch:

Pursuant to my radio of April 2nd, I am
inclosing herewith the statement which you requested.

With cordial regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. R.T. Van Ettisch, Managing Editor,
Los Angeles Examiner,
Los Angeles, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 16, 1948.

I am an American! In that birthright is found the most precious heritage known to man. For there are embodied within it as rights, inviolate and inalienable, equality of opportunity, equality of justice, and equality of dignity. They permit men to rise from lowly birth to high station, from subordination to leadership, and infuse in the hearts and minds of all so endowed a spirituality which generates those great human forces essential to material progress -- courage, energy and initiative.

On this day set apart, it is for us to rededicate our devotion to the great moral values drawn from that heritage and welded into the concept of Americanism, which both patterns and buttresses our free way of life. And apart from such rededication, carefully to assess the degree to which we have preserved that heritage which came to our generation only in sacred trust for those which are to follow. For ours has been an era of complexity and confused thought, with constant pressure upon our spiritual strength to yield liberties under the falacious pretext that therein lay the only course to the preservation of freedom. We have thus yielded some but preserved most. Now it is for us who cherish this concept, with that traditional calm and well reasoned judgment which has characterized our past, to re-fortify it against the storms which threaten its engulfment. This we can do by the solemn reaffirmation of our faith in its enlightened human principles and a rededication of ourselves to stand invincibly in their defense. Thereby can we not only preserve and strengthen our own liberties but help to regain the lost liberties of others as well -- for from our example others will see the way.

And today, as on bended knee I so reaffirm my faith and rededicate myself, I humbly give thanks to Almighty God, the divine Father of us all, for that greatest of blessings, the birthright proudly to say -- I am an American!

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

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4 MAY 1948

FROM : CINCPA

TO : MARIAN W. KELLEY
SUITE 323-312 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE
MILWAUKEE 2, WISCONSIN

PAREN

PAREN VERY GRATEFUL TO YOU ALL FOR YOUR

SPLENDID LOYALTY PD MACARTHUR

OFFICIAL:

R. M. LEVY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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GEN. WHITNEY'S FILE COPY:

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5 MAY 1940

FROM : CINCPD
TO : ANTON BUES
COTTON TRADE JOURNAL
KIRKMAN BUILDING
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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BROADCAST SUCH AS YOU REQUEST IN YOUR RADIO OF THE TWENTY-THIRD PD CORDIAL
REWARDS PD MANAGER

OFFICIAL:

R.M. LEVI
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Adjutant General

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20 April 1948

DLT GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR TOKIO JAPAN

URGENTLY REQUEST YOU MAKE FIFTEEN MINUTE RECORDING OF YOUR VIEWS INTER-
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TRADE JOURNAL MEMPHIS PLEASE ADVISE

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Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Mr. Lopez:

General Malone has just sent me a copy of your letter to him of April 18th reporting on the loyalty of the Filipino residents in your community. Loyalty is one of the outstanding Filipino characteristics which I have never seen fail, and I want you and those who are working with you to know how deeply grateful I am for your many expressions of confidence and your support.

With every good wish, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Lope R. Lopez,
Stockton, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Mr. Whitney:

I have your thoughtful note of April 17th with its inclosures, all of which I have read with much interest. General Wood and I were together at the Military Academy at the turn of the century and have been lifelong friends ever since, and I am sure of no one's loyalty and support more than I am of his.

I am most grateful for your expressions of confidence, which I shall most highly value.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Fred B. Whitney,
The Flori-de-Leon Apartments, Inc.,
130 Fourth Avenue North,
St. Petersburg 4, Florida.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Mr. Place:

I am just in receipt of your note of April 15th seeking information as to whether it will be possible for me to attend the June Convocation of Harvard University to receive in person the Honorary Degree conferred upon me by the University some time ago.

I wish that it would be possible for me to do so as I look forward in anticipation to the first opportunity which will permit me again to visit that distinguished University, but my absence from the United States this next June will necessitate my deferring it until some other time.

I am most grateful for the thought and kindly sentiments expressed in your letter which I shall value most highly.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. David E. Place,
North River,
Greenbush, Massachusetts.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Dore':

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of March 26th and for your heartwarming expressions of confidence. I trust that the modernization of your summer home is not entirely dependant upon political events.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. R.L. Dore',
12 Harding Avenue,
Riverside, R.I.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Parker:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 19th. Your kindly expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Anne S. Parker,
6956 S. Dorchester Avenue,
Chicago 37, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Edmund:

Thank you so much for your nice letter of April 16th. You may be sure that no pressure will force me from the path of duty to which it is essential that all Americans hold firmly if our country, yours and mine, is to continue to progress in future as it has in past.

With all good wishes, I am,

Most cordially yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Master Edmund Sirka,
1922 South 25 Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Lockling:

I am deeply moved by your thoughtful note of April 16th and find much encouragement in your kindly expressions of confidence. Please accept my grateful appreciation.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Lydia W. Lockling,
3405 - 21st Avenue, North
Arlington, Virginia.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Mr. Poole:

General Malone has been good enough to send me a copy of your beautifully composed verses. They indeed reflect an inspired heart fully dedicated to that ultimate triumph which we all seek - peace.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Robert C. Poole,
512a Lombard Street,
San Francisco, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Erickson:

Thank you so much for your kindly note of April 21st. I want you to know how deeply I value your expressions of confidence and your support, and how grateful I am to you for them.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Alfred O. Erickson,
30 North La Salle Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Mullen:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 15th. It is indeed most heartening to receive your expressions of confidence and your advice as to the views entertained by other Americans with whom you have been in contact.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. J.S. Mullen,
The Mullen Company,
Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Savage:

I am deeply moved by your thoughtful note of April 20th, and hope that you and Mrs. Savage will understand how grateful I am for your expressions of confidence which are heartwarming indeed.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Leslie L. Savage,
4 West 43rd Street,
New York 18, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Archer:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful and kindly note of April 5th which I have just received. Your expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Mary A. Archer,
Antlers, Oklahoma.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Starkin:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 14th. Your expressions of confidence are most heart-warming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Mary Starkin,
36-32 S. Prince Street,
Flushing, N.Y.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 3, 1948.

Dear Bob:

For your information, I am sending herewith copy
of a letter just mailed to Mr. O'Gara.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

General Robert E. Wood,
925 South Homan Avenue,
Chicago 7, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am just in receipt of the most interesting and skilfully penned verses composing your thoughtful note of April 19th. I am most grateful to you for them and find your expressions of confidence most heartwarming.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Daniel M. Scott,
46 E. Rutgers Avenue,
Pontiac, Michigan.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Rutherford:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 15th. Yes, I too long for the United States, but there is a duty yet to be done on this frontier of American effort — a duty so that your two boys and other American boys may have a worthwhile future of hope and promise to look forward to. That is the reason why I cannot come home while my presence is required here.

Many thanks for your expressions of confidence which are most heartwarming and helpful.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Cathryn Rutherford,
3 North Chatsworth Avenue,
Larchmont, New York.

Tokyo, Japan.

5 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Porterfield:

Thank you so much for your thought in sending me a copy of the pamphlet, "Deployment of Unemployment" which I shall go over with much interest. Your expressions of confidence are most heartening, and I am most grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. R.R. Porterfield,
6729 Jeffery Avenue,
Chicago 49, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Fansill:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 5th with the enclosed copy of "Deployment of Unemployment" which I shall go over with much interest. I know of nothing more heartwarming than the receipt of expressions of confidence such as yours from a comrade-in-arms of the first World War, and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Robert W. Fansill,
One North La Salle Street,
Chicago 2, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Haskins:

I am just in receipt of your thoughtful and moving note of April 18th and want you to know how very heartwarming are your expressions of confidence. I am most grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. Bessie K. Haskin,
1306 1/2 Lenwood Avenue,
Los Angeles 14, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mrs. Snow:

Your kindly note of April 17th has moved me deeply, and I want you to know how grateful I am for your expressions of confidence. You may be sure that I shall value no one's support more than that of the little lady to whom I now address myself whose husband and my father were comrades-in-arms.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mrs. F.I. Snow,
Box 304,
Albany, Oregon.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Cuda:

Thank you so much for your fine letter of April 17th. It is heartwarming indeed to receive such expressions of confidence and I am most grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Pat R. Cuda,
2028 N. Holton Street,
Milwaukee 12, Wisconsin.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Mr. Findley:

I am most grateful for the kindly expressions of confidence contained in your thoughtful note, and I want you to know that I shall value them most highly.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. L. Findley,
4150-36th Street,
San Diego 4, California.

Tokyo, Japan.

3 May, 1948.

Dear Pennings:

I am delighted to receive your thoughtful note of March 30th and want you to know that there is every justification for your pride in the Eleventh Airborne Division, as no more gallant division ever advanced the American Flag.

With all good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Moise Penning,
Post Office Box 161,
Snoqualmie Falls,
Washington.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. O'Gara:

I am just in receipt of your informative letter of August 24th and avail myself of the opportunity again to express my gratitude for your oft-repeated expressions of confidence and loyal support.

You reiterate what many of my American friends have counseled, that it is imperative that I return to the United States prior to the Republican Convention. It is reasoned that from the standpoint of the public interest I should return to state my views to the Nation on the manifold public issues of the day and from the standpoint of political considerations my return, with the resultant opportunity for personal appearance before the people, would enhance my chance of nomination. I believe there is some doubt as to either reasoning.

As to my return to serve the public interest, it must be recognized that it would be charged both by the Democratic and Republican opposition that my return was politically rather than patriotically inspired. This in turn would lead to the suspicion, if not the charge, that any advice I might give in the solution of pending issues was open to misgivings and doubt.

On the other hand, were my return for the purpose of enhancing my political chances before the Convention, it must be understood that such action could only be assumed as a direct and active entry into the political campaign, at complete variance with my public statement of my position, thereby placing me in an untenable position. Furthermore, such return with its necessary invasion of areas claimed by open contenders for the nomination could only result in stirring up resentment in opposing Republican camps with a consequent impairment of the cordial relationship which now exists. This in turn would leave scars which would do much to undermine any possibility of my being an acceptable compromise choice should a deadlock before the Convention bring under consideration such a

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compromise. Further than this, a great wave of adverse public reaction led by hostile segments of the press would be inevitable were it universally felt that I was attempting to capitalize for personal political advantage upon public goodwill incident to my first return to the United States following the Pacific victories.

Nor should the fact be ignored that there are presently many weighty reasons opposed to my leaving my post here in Japan, all of which would operate to cast doubt upon the wisdom and justification of my doing so for unofficial purposes.

I trust that from the foregoing you will fully understand the overpowering reasons which render my return at this time most inadvisable.

Again my grateful thanks and deepest appreciation for all you are doing. You have certainly been a tower of strength and devotion to my cause and I hope you will see it through.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Alfred O'Gara,
134 South LaSalle Street,
Chicago 3, Illinois.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1946.

Dear Mr. Lopez:

I am deeply moved by the action of the Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, F. & A. M., in my enrolment as an honorary member, and for the beautifully worded tribute contained in the lecture given before your Lodge in December 1945.

Please extend to Master and members of the Lodge my grateful acknowledgement of the honor they do me and my affectionate and fraternal greetings.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Jose B. Lopez, Secretary,
Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, F. & A.M.,
Bacolod City, Philippines.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Mr. Parker:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 20th with its inclosed clippings. The expressions of confidence contained in both are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. L. N. Parker,
1669 York Avenue,
New York City, New York

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Mr. Lopez:

I am deeply moved by the action of the Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, F. & A. M., in my enrolment as an honorary member, and for the beautifully worded tribute contained in the lecture given before your Lodge in December 1945.

Please extend to Master and members of the Lodge my grateful acknowledgement of the honor they do me and my affectionate and fraternal greetings.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Jose B. Lopez, Secretary,
Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, F. & A.M.,
Bacolod City, Philippines.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Miss Young:

Thank you so much for your kindly note of April 17th. Your expressions of confidence are most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Miss Ruth M. Young,
107 Market Street,
Potsdam, New York.

Tokyo, Japan.

May 1, 1948.

Dear Mr. Bartlett:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of April 24th and its expressions of confidence, which are most heartwarming.

While it may be quite true, as many have urged, that I would gain materially in political stature were I to return to the United States at this time, the impelling need of the country in this hour of confusion and uncertainty is useful and constructive service -- action rather than talk. For that reason I have never wavered in my determination to remain at my post here unless called to some other duty in response to a more pressing need or a call by the American people.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. Willard A. Bartlett,
105 East Washington Street,
Muncie, Indiana.