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Dear Sally - It is incredible that I could have been so long getting to the point of writing. All I can say is that I have treated everybody in the same way. Family, friends, business. I am only gradually catching up with myself.

First about the ballot. I'm glad you have extra time to get it in. Yes, I vote the Democratic ticket usually. This time I placed my cross after the delegates pledged to re-nominate Roosevelt. I don't like the idea of four terms for the same person but I feel that we can't experiment in the midst of war. I haven't any feeling that he has the ambitions of a Dictator that his enemies credit him with. I think in general the people he chooses to work with him are good people. I have liked Wallace, though I think he lacks the tact that is essential in a Chief Executive. I like Settinicus. I like attorney Biddle. I voted for Sherman Downey, this record as published in the New Republic is mainly with the Administration. I voted for Tolson for Congress. His record is pretty good, and Cobelan for the State legislature. This morning the Democrats were leading.

Have I told you that I have joined the Inter-Racial
Committee of Berkeley? It has a membership of
about three hundred people. I don't know how
much will be accomplished but at least that
number of people have come out for a fair-
play attitude of life. It will help to lighten
the load.

About New York - I don't know much of anyone
there now but I gave your letter to Fay
Peterson Olving to read and she said she
would write her "in-laws" that you were coming.
She apparently likes them very much. I'm glad you
are going there instead of toward the South for
the time being. Later you will be returning
here. I'm sure of it.

Suzetta has a leave of absence for a
year and is taking a graduate course
in industrial design at Cal-Tech.
in Pasadena. She is the first woman to
be regularly enrolled at Cal-Tech.
She did some evening school reviewing
of mathematics before she left and
she is very much interested in the
whole progress. I don't know whether
we will be interesting enough to her
when she gets back or whether she

will feel that she must go out and design a refrigerator. She is full of talk about ply wood and all such things. Apparently one no longer thinks of wood in plank form but something like gunned tape that can be used to make a molded shape. She is very fascinated with it. I'll send your letter to her and she may know some people in New York. That reminds me. Cora Dubois is there. At Sarah Lawrence College, I think. I'll see if I can get her address. Do you know her? Anthropologist.

I do hope you can get some one to go with you to New York. Traveling isn't easy. My cousin's youngest son who is in the service and now stationed at Govt Island at Alameda has sent for his wife and baby and they arrived from Rhode Island about a week ago. There wasn't a furnished apt. or small house that we could find for them any where in the bay area so they are in my room and Din sleeping as usual on the porch. You would be

surprised how satisfactorily it has worked out. I moved practically everything out of my room, on to the porch and then moved the porch beds in for them and borrowed a crib and with a baby pen on the porch and a Taylor-table on the stair landing and a high chair in the kitchen we don't look in the least like our "spinster selves" but we like it.

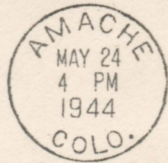
The baby is ten months old. Just about Spinks' age and his name is Charles F. Gladding III and he is called Ched. His mother is only 21 and his Daddy 22 so we feel that the fountain of youth has descended upon us and it is delightful.

I must stop now but I'll write again soon. My love to you all.

I'm awfully glad Han has a job I hope he likes it! I think of you very often but putting it on paper seems difficult.

Lots of love
Tia.

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