

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, October 26, 1939

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Dear Bess:- Your note came yesterday on the last mail after I'd written you over at the Senate. Your air mail letter of yesterday arrived on time just now and I'm glad you are going to the funeral of Mize's father-in-law. I'd like to see those blankets, but of course I can't. The glasses for the Jordan girl are fine of course and she'll probably not use 'em for tea.

I don't know what to do about the Y.M.H.A. meeting for Mrs. R. in St. Louis. I suppose that is the one you mean. It is on Nov. 5 and they wanted us for a reception committee. Is there another meeting by the Kiwanis somewhere else? I don't want to go, but if I'm in the state I'll have to. Let's let it ride and see what happens.

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I was going to the War College this morning to hear a lecture on Gen. Lee by Douglas Freeman, but found I had a flat tire and it was just as well I didn't go because it turns out the Senate meets at eleven. Bill Kitchen has been here two days and has almost talked me to death. Made me miss the show at the National last night. They sent me a couple of passes at Halsey's request and I didn't get to use 'em. They say the show's good too. After Bill left last night Hatch called up and he, Minton, Tom Stewart and myself played penny anti [sic] poker in Hatch's room until midnight. I was the big winner and it was sixty cents. We had a lot of fun kidding Hatch about his bill.

It looks as if I'm going to get the W.P.A. Director I want. They are inclined to take Harry Easley. He's Alvin Hatton's brother-in-law and my friend and he'll make a good one.

I got to run to the Senate. Kiss Margie.

Love to you Harry.