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Augusta Ga
July 7th 1934

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:
I am a boy of eleven. And have
to walk five miles to school.
Will you please send me
a bicycle as all the boys
~~and~~ around me have
bicycles. and there are seven
children in the family and
dad is unable to buy me
one.

With many thanks.
Your friend
Charles Edmondson

Box 240 No. 1

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42-06 159 Street

Flushing, New York

Mar. 22, 1934

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Please excuse the paper. I have never asked anybody for anything before and I feel kind of awkward writing this so please excuse any mistakes.

I am in my second term in Flushing High School and have managed to buy notebooks and pad so far. This being the spring term spring football is in session. This being my favorite sport I am trying out for the team. I managed to loan from a boy friend shoulder pad, helmet, and football pants but he didn't - have any luck in securing a pair of football shoes. Practice started yesterday. I wore sneakers and had my ankle cut by a fellow with shoes on. I came home last night and skote spoke to my parents about getting a pair of shoes.

I'm sure they would like me to have these but my father, who works three days a week ^{makes only \$13.44} and on the Long Island State Park Commission, said we could not afford them.

I thought one of your sons may have
an old pair of football shoes they do ~~not~~ not use
now I wear size eight.

Please answer even if you can't do
anything for me.

Thanking You in advance,
Clifford Kalb.

December 7, 1938

91 Royal Ave.

Buffalo, N.Y.

OK
12/10/38

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

I am writing to ask you to help me out.

I have a little baby two months old and my husband is working but receiving only \$15.00 a week.

We have several debts amounting to \$400.00, unless we get the money to pay it up we will lose all our furniture.

You know how bill collectors are they want their money or else they will take the furniture.

I am asking you if you will be so kind as to lend me \$400 so that I can pay my furniture out. I will pay you back \$20 a month plus the interest you will want for borrowing the money.

I am writing to you because I have confidence ^{in you} and know that you will try to help me out.

I am only 22 years old, and certainly couldn't stand the strain of losing my furniture; it would mean the breaking up of our cheerful little home -

My husband does all he can to find a job which pays more but it is so hard. If you will lend us the money then I know we will be the happiest people to think that no one saved us our home.

Please let me know whether or not we can borrow the money - We will pay it back as quick as we can.

I'll be praying and hoping you will save us.

Yours Truly

Mrs F. Biringer

91 Royal Ave.

Buffalo, N.Y.

256-Co. C.C.C.
Blue Mt. camp #25
Peekeville
New York
September 9, 1933

Dear Boss,

I'll address you this way for two reasons. First you seem to be a pretty regular guy. Second you are the boss. (That's pretty logical if it isn't let me know.)

I don't know why I wrote a letter to you. I think its more to see just what you would do.

We have here I think one of the best camps that could possibly be established. The country and the hills here make you think there is no such thing as a city.

I won't waste your time writing a letter about what work I have done and all I should have done.

Enclosed you will find a copy

of our camp newspaper. If you like it let me know. If you don't like it make believe I didn't even send it. I'll know then what you think about it.

Anytime you are around this part of the country, Drop in and see us we are always home.

I can't sign this letter with love and kisses because I'm not in love with you. So I'll just sign off with

Your pal,
Bill Shand Jr.

600 N-21 ave.,
HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA

Dec 3/30
Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt
Washington, D. C.

My dear Lady:

My Husband and I are white folks and American born. We have been married for 30 years, and have always been in a position to provide for ourselves until the depression began, and my husband is one among the unemployed he is now 67 years old. We are Church going and God loving people. He has been acting (or rather serving) as Superintendent of Sunday School for more than 30 years and we try to live right. But it seems as tho, oh well, things just look darker, we have two sons but one of them is married and his income is scarcely over \$13 dollars a week, and the younger son is clerking in a Grocery Store and only makes \$10 dollars a week, of which we are very thankful that they have that. But that barely suffices for the necessities and our home is not paid for and our boys are trying to finish paying for that, so you see our position, and I wonder if you would please help me I need a winter coat and of course I cannot purchase one myself. If you have an old discarded coat would you please send it to me, or is that asking too much? never before in my life have I found it necessary to ask for help. My bust measure is 38. If you will be kind enough to help me it will

HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA

be the joy of my life to see more have a coat.
and to know that you gave it to me, I know
I would appreciate it all the more and you
will be rewarded through it. "It is
more blessed to give than to receive."
may the Lord bless you and yours whether you
choose to help me or not. We have heard Mr. Roswell
speak over the "radio" that is our only chance of
hearing him. may you have many happy years
to live and and serve.

Sincerely

Mrs. B. B. Scott

1 My Dear Friend. FEB 24 1937 ^{2/24/37}

It must be Gods will for me to write this letter to you. I have six poor little children and I am teaching them to live for Jesus. They go to church and Sunday School every Sunday. I love my children I have four girls and two Boys. and I want to bring them up to be Christians. I dont want to do any thing bad to get money to cloth them Please dont mention this. but if it is Gods will could you help me. I would like to have them all look nice and neat for Easter. They all have parts to sing and speak. two of them get Baptized. I am thankful for any little gift. Please dont get angry. that I am writing you this. it is a message Please do just as you feel. May God be with you

and bless you.

Yours loving friend:

Mrs Vroman.

924 Strong Street.

Schenectady.

N.Y.

February 26, 1937

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My dear Mrs. Vroman:

Mrs. Roosevelt has asked me to acknowledge your letter for her. She is very sorry indeed that she cannot comply with your wishes, but owing to the large number of similar requests it is impossible for her to do as you ask.

Assuring you of her regret that she cannot help you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Malvina T. Scheider
Secretary to
Mrs. Roosevelt

Mrs. Vroman
924 Strong Street
Schenectady
New York

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Dec 12 1934

Alliance, Ohio
December 5, 1934

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

My name is Katherine
I go to Alliance
High School. I am eighteen
years old and a senior.

We live on a small
farm near Freeburgh Ohio.
My father has been out of
work for five years. a girl
can't get many small
necessities in life when there
is no income. At noon I
walk down town and see
the pretty clothes but can
not get them.

Student

The letter is to ask you wrap ~~your~~
with your old clothes. My mother
makes over what few I get but that
isn't money. There is three from our
family in High School so there isn't
much chance for me or sister & brother
getting any. I wonder if you
would send me your old ones so
mother could make me a couple
dresses for school or anything? They
would be greatly appreciated I am
sure.

I am five feet six, ~~or there abouts~~ wear 5 1/2
shoes, dark brown eyes and hair,
medium complexion and skinny.
I weigh only 100 lbs.

I am writing this letter in
school and have one eye on the
teacher so I am not writing as nice
as I can. The address is

Miss Catherine _____

R. H. 1

Alliance, Ohio

P.S. You may wonder why the fancy
stationery but it was given to me
for my birthday.
I hope you can send me a few that aren't
needed by you
(Please do not Publish this)

March 8 1944

ALMA

VII L D H L I T K
Rayville, Louisiana
Route #2,

February 29, 1944

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
White House, Washington
Washington D.C.

Dear Madam:

I am a twelve year old girl of a Richland Parish farm. I am very much against the white people mixing with the colored. The way you are acting about the white associating with the Negroes is infuriating many southern people. I suggest (although you may think I am rather young to be giving you advice) that you drop the whole matter and return to your senses. Many other southerners think so, too, but it seems that none of them will write you.

What I think about white girls dancing and associating with the colored, and you entertaining them at the White House, I am not able to put into words. It may be the Yankee way of trying to be famous,

but you will not win fame in this way. I believe that even the Negroes, at least the respectable ones, will not do the things that you think they should do.

I will not go to school with a Negro. Even if you should have your way, I will finish my education at home.

I hope I haven't seemed impolite, for I do not really mean to be. I am only giving you my personal opinion. I usually do all my own thinking.

I realize you are a very busy lady, and travel very much, (which is not at all patriotic, but may be necessary,) but I do hope you will answer my letter, personally, and correct all of the mistakes I have made of you.

I am grateful to you for reading this. I hope I haven't offended you.

Yours Truly,
Alma Vaine Lester

U. S. S. Santee
C/O Fleet Post Office
N. Y. C., N. Y.

December 3, 1943

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White House
Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Roosevelt:

The world is impressed by your humanitarian effort to bring about a stronger relation to all mankind, regardless of race, creed or color. You have electrified the determination of my people (the Negro) in their onward struggle for the rights that is naturally theirs. No, you have not denied your friendship to any particular group due to darker pigmentation of their skin.

Mrs. Roosevelt, Hitler's race theory must be destroyed, not only abroad but right here in America. As the great emancipator uttered a house divided cannot stand.

As you, there are few but I pray that God send more as you.

Respectively
Alonso Altus Adams
(United States Navy)

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Pineville N.C.

April 20 1935

Mrs. Roosevelt

Dear Madam

I understand that you help the needy, I would appreciate it very much if you would give me a suit of clothes. I've been out of work a long time and I believe if I had a suit of clothes I would have a chance of getting a job. My age is 45 yrs my height is 5ft 5 in weight 145 lb. If you won't do this please don't expose my name

yours truly

R. P. Jordan

Pineville N.C.

631 Second St. ✓

Ravenna O.

The President of U.S.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt;

I am Mrs. Herbert Proctor, wife of the chair-
man of the Colored Democratic Club of Portage
County. My husband and I have worked
diligently for the party for the past twelve
years controlling hundreds of votes.
Besides this we have given our time effort
and money to the Red Cross, Civilian Service
Sold War bonds and have bought War Bonds.
All this beside raising six fine children
that would be a credit to any Country.
Now my problem is this, I have a son in
the service in Texas and he is being
treated worse than a prisoner of war.

My son was an honor student win-
ning metals of bronze, silver and gold in
speech. He had bestowed upon him the
degrees of Merit, Honor, Excellence, and
Distinction by the National Forensic League
so I know I am wright in feeling that

he is deserving of ^a fair treatment. This is serious something must be done quickly about this awful thing. He is a Northern born boy and an American citizen and he believes in what he is being trained to fight for. He will retaliate such treatment as he is receiving and I do not want one hair of his head harmed by those Godless white people. To think he has to fight for such people. I am enclosing a copy of one of his letters so you will know first handed, just what our boys have to put up with! Oh. Please do something about this awful thing. For twelve years we have fought for you will you please do something for us. See that our boys get the same privileges that the white boy do's. As long as our Government upholds segregation discrimination and all will just that long will it exist. Yours in the name of God and all that America stands for. Very Respectfully
Mrs. Herbert Proctor ✓

Call'd
3/5/34

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Philadelphia
Pa

Return post

Jan 18 - 34

Dear Madam -

I am writing this letter
 to you personal. because the president
 could not be burden with letters of this kind
 I have not onaid a certin three years
 and I cannot get work of any kind
 I am a painter by trade and I can also do
 carpenter work and I am very handy at any
 line of work. now Mrs Roosevelt I wish you
 would do me one good favour
 I would like to get work on the 1st the Parker
 ship if you would wright a very nice letter
 to the Frigidaire sales coporation

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I am inclosing a small photo -
so you may see what kind of a man
I am hoping, I may hear from the
brigadiere sales coprotorn and may
god bless you and yours in all you
may do for me

yours truly

William J. Fletcher

113 South 43rd St
Philadelphia
Pa

It would get me work about the ship
I would love to see this world befor I die
But it takes some one with influence
now if you would do that you would
do me a great favour I am very
respectable and have no bad habits
I am a single man I have only my self
to take care of and I find it hard to do
that I am living with a sister of mine
for nine years and I cannot pay my bro
if I can only get work on the Sixth Parker st
and go around this world I would be a
happy man on this earth

Please do all you can do for me and
I know god will answer my prayer

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Pineville N.C.

April 20 1935

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