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GOVERNORS OFFICE



U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
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March 22nd

Dear Harold -

This is a good show. Nearly 500 here and a very high grade lot. Many crash lawyers & business men from the eastern cities, & the competition is quite keen. The morale is excellent and everybody works hard. There is little leisure - Lectures - classes - exams - Drill - inspection - formation - Study - There is never time enough to get everything done.

Assignments are being considered now and I have reason to believe that I will have a chance at air intelligence, which means another 8 weeks school when this is over April 15th, but after that probably active duty at sea on a carrier. It sounds good - I hope it works out.

Our Twin Cities group is catching up all right - I wish Angel, (of my office at home) in one of the best students here. Some were handicapped by being late, or away, but are catching up.



at I am frequently asked about you by alert men from other parts of the country, and am getting in some good plugs. Some of these fellows are the kind that can get things done in their communities.

Len posted me up to date just before I left, and everything sounds fine. I hope it is working out as well. Would like to hear sometime how things are developing.

Did you see that Casey, the Australian Minister, whom we had for our CAC Dinner, has been appointed to the British War Cabinet? - He is a real guy - I wish there were more like him in high places -

With best regards

Sincerely
Al Lindley
Lieut. AUSA - U.S.N.R.

April 9, 1942

Mr. Earl G. Haskin
932-15th Avenue North
South St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Earl;

As you leave my service to accept increased responsibilities in your War Production Board job, I want to wish you well in the years ahead.

In the last four years you have been much more than a faithful and able member of my staff.

You have been an incomparable companion in many varied circumstances, in difficulty and success, in humor and in sorrow. You have been a real friend.

In the years ahead, particularly when the war is over, I hope we will again find ourselves working together; and in the meantime if there is anything I can ever do for you please let me know.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

GOVERNOR

Gov. Stassen

Dear Mr. Rabin -

Here are a few snapshots
of your Governor - taken by
Dewey Fleming, one of the best
writers of THE SUN.

Maybe you already know
all this, but thought you'd
be glad to get the slants of
outsiders as to your Governor -
and the Mid-West.

I noticed that Clarence Streit,
in Balto. the other day, commended
Gov. Stassen and Sen. Ball but said
Ball didn't go far enough, as
Streit believed "the ultimate
condition for a just and lasting
peace is a Federal Union of
all mankind." He wrote
"Union Now" you may recall.
Hope to see you soon

Sincerely
Jim

8/27/43

May

May 27, 1942

Mrs. Lucille Stoffer, Chairwoman
Ramsey County Red Cross
Red Cross Headquarters
410 Endicott Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Stoffer:

I am enclosing herewith my check in
the sum of \$125.00 payable to the Am. Red Cross
as a donation to the Ramsey County Chapter of the
Red Cross.

Sincerely yours,

HES:McN.

GOVERNOR

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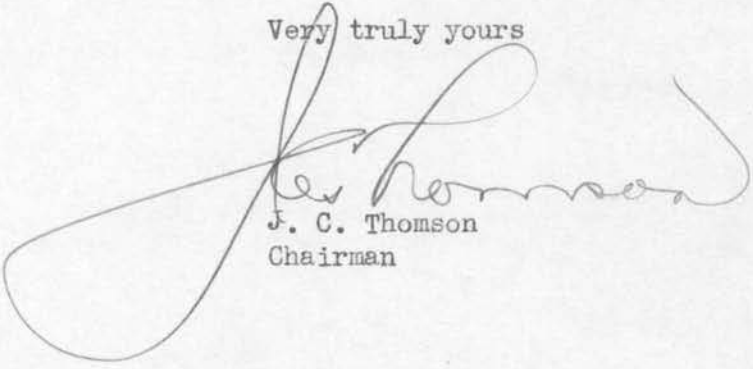
My dear Governor:

I appreciate very much your letter of the 27th, with the check enclosed, which I understand in addition to being a donation to the Navy Relief Society, represents part of your compensation while in training.

This is a splendid action on your part, and I am only sorry that I can't give it the publicity it deserves. I have acquainted the local Navy Relief office and will advise the New York office when we make remittance, but with the understanding in both cases that no publicity be given at your special request.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours


J. C. Thomson
Chairman

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May 27, 1942

Mr. J. Cameron Thomson, President
Northwest Bancorporation
Northwestern Bank Building
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Thomson:

I am enclosing herewith my check in the
sum of \$125.00 for the U. S. Navy Relief fund.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

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CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

March 9, 1943

Dear Governor:

Your article, which I trust is not returned too late, is expertly done and can stand as written. I have spent considerable time with it, and with profit to myself. For whatever they may be worth, I have made some additions and some rearrangements in a retyped draft. This may aid in your editorial revision.

My additions are expressed and included in parentheses--e.g., by using the device *(). I have endeavored to keep true to what seemed to be your intent; however, I may have stretched a bit here and there; if so, it was unintentional.

You will note some changes in your "second" and "third" principles. There is so much packed in your compact sentences that the real intent was somewhat obscure to me. My additions here are satisfying to me, as a sample test; but, again, I may be expressing something different. It is here, upon these two points, that the whole thesis rests.

I conferred with Alvin Hansen on the housing paragraphs. He suggests adding two paragraphs which I am attaching, labelled "A", for insertion after my page 7. I have thus numbered his page 7A. His second paragraph may be too strong for the present, but it is suggestive. ^{TP} And I took some liberties in attempting revision of the summary, merely to bring out the points.

Your draft is nicely expressed; it is adroit; and some of the key sentences are gems.

If I can be of any further service, please call upon me. And I'll try to keep to any time schedule you may suggest.

Sincerely,

Morris B. Lambie

Morris B. Lambie

The Honorable Harold E. Stassen
Executive Department
Saint Paul
Minnesota

P.S. Your copy is returned herewith.

Republican STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE of MINNESOTA

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March 13, 1943

The Republican State Central Committee of Minnesota

Fellow Republican Workers: :

Pursuant to my letter to you individually, I am hereby submitting my resignation for the reasons stated in that letter..

I want to thank you again for the cooperation you have given me through these years as we brought the Republican Party, from a position with only a few state officials to now when we have every state official in the Capitol, an overwhelming majority in both houses of the legislature, both Senators and all but one of the members of Congress..

Sincerely yours,

Dr. R. C. Radabaugh, Chairman,
Republican State Central Committee

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Guadalcanal
March 23, 1943

Lt. Cmdr. Harold Stassen
Comsopac

Dear Harold:

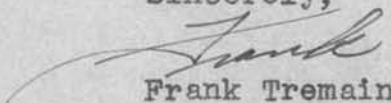
This will introduce Don Caswell of United Press who, as you probably already have guessed, has some questions to ask.

I recall, of course, your reluctance to be quoted on anything relating to politics while on active duty, but it was my thought that you might be able to say something to amplify the statement made yesterday in Washington by Secretary Knox concerning you as a possible Presidential candidate.

I'm sorry I couldn't come down myself, but I'm tied up here, so we routed Don, who is en route to his regular station in Australia, through Noumea to see you.

I'm sorry also that you didn't come up with Admiral Halsey this time as it probably means I will miss seeing you before I leave the area. I'm due for some long-awaited vacation and expect to leave for Pearl next week, travelling direct from Guadalcanal. I'll be in Honolulu for a month or so on vacation, I expect, so perhaps we'll meet up there. Don't know what my next assignment will be, but it looks as though this area is pretty well washed up from a news standpoint.

Sincerely,



Frank Tremaine



State of Minnesota
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CHARLES N. ORR
ST. PAUL, MINN.
SENATOR 42ND DISTRICT
CHAIRMAN,
COMMITTEE ON RULES AND
LEGISLATIVE EXPENSE

April 13th, 1943.

Honorable Harold E. Stassen
State Capitol
Saint Paul, Minnesota

My dear Governor:

I rejoice with you in the fact that you have today reached the ripe old age of 36.

Some folks measure age by the calendar - a futile, yea, a false standard, for no matter what the years may seem to imply as they roll up their impressive total, a man whose spirit is blithe, who carries every song in his heart, who accepts life as a great adventure to be followed boldly through its stirring episodes, and who loves his fellow man, never grows old.

Though your hair may turn gray, and your step falter a bit, and your voice be pitched in the wistfulness of unforgettable things, you still live on in the very heyday of youth.

May I join with your many friends in expressing the hope, with every confidence of its fulfillment, that your success will be great in the years that are before you. I offer you my warmest congratulations.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Orr

CNO:KH



EXECUTIVE OFFICE

State of Minnesota
St. Paul

HAROLD E. STASSEN
GOVERNOR

Dear Harold:

Enclosed find the four articles with the changes, as I got them from Esther. I hope they are right.

We still haven't gotten used to the idea of your being out of the office, and people call Ed - Harold - and it just doesn't seem right. Butchie is here with me this morning and wanted to see you. I told him you weren't here anymore that you were in the Navy, and he promptly replied "Well, I don't want him to be in the Navy, I want him to be here, and I want to see him". Everybody got quite a kick out of that.

It seems rather quiet and there haven't been many appointments or calls. Some people are rather surprised that I'm still here.

Walt R. won't be back for about two weeks so I am holding the memo until he returns.

Miles Cooper is going to write to you. He called me the other morning and asked if I would meet him in the hall, which I did, and with tears in his eyes he asked me if I had ever heard that you were quite disgusted with the way the purchasing dept. had been run, and that that department had done everything to undermine the administration. He asked that I keep this strictly confidential and that he didn't know who to talk to that he could confide in other than me, and just wondered whether it were true. I told him that I had never heard anything of the kind and that I was sure that if you didn't like the way his department was being run that you certainly would have called him in and asked him about it and would straighten it out. I also asked him whether it was an outsider or someone close to the administration who had informed him of this and he said it was someone close to the administration. I felt terribly sorry for him because he was just beside himself and didn't quite know what to do.

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so I suggested that he write to you and if you got time you would drop him a little note, but that he shouldn't be too disappointed if you didn't reply because I didn't know what facilities you had for taking care of mail.

I'm telling you this because I think if you can just say a few words to him, the poor fellow will be happy.

It was so good to hear your voice on the phone the other day and it sort of livened up the spirits of everyone in the office.

Love

Vi.

FRED J. HUGHES
Attorney at Law
American National Bank Building
St. Cloud, Minnesota

Tuesday nite April 27 -

Dear Harold

For obvious reasons I preferred not to thank you personally, not only for the tax appointment but for the many other favors and kindnesses which you have shown. Nevertheless I want you to know how grateful I am to you for this latest demonstration of your disposition.

To-night I have a greater measure of economic security than I have ever before known. Somehow in a world where insecurity seems the lot of all I feel a little out of tune. But on the balance sheet of the day I find little to be happy about.

Seldom in anyones lifetime, and never twice in the life of any person, does a man experience a relationship which I have come to have with you. The particular reason for my feelings is difficult to find. Certainly it does

FRED J. HUGHES

Attorney at Law

American National Bank Building
St. Cloud, Minnesota

Not lie in any close personal contact. Perhaps it is simply the chance I have had of becoming a part of a truly great movement. I am no fatalist Harold but before God, I know in my soul that you are a part of something far greater than any mere person. Nature has fashioned you, experience has prepared you, and destiny has marked you, for a role which you can no more wholly control than you can wholly escape. To few men are given the qualities of leadership which God has seen fit to give you, and rarely are any of the few, humble enough to achieve true greatness.

That you may continue to cultivate, in the same sound Christianity, that spirit which contains such real promise for America and the world, shall continue to be the object of my profound wish and sincere prayer. So far as it is in my power to assist you in my own small way I earnestly hope that you will avail yourself of what little I offer.

FRED J. HUGHES

Attorney at Law

American National Bank Building

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Many, many thanks again for all of the things you have so freely done for me in a material way. But my deepest gratitude is felt for the gift of an inspiring friendship. A friendship through which life has been mirrored back, in the true greatness of nobility.

Howe what may, the strength and the power of that friendship will remain for me one of life's choicest memories.

God bless you Harold, to - night and always.

Fred

F. R. BIGELOW

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

Residence: 493 Portland Ave.
Office: 111 W. 5th St.

April 28, 1943

My dear Stassen:

Just a word to tell you that I feel that the people of the State of Minnesota appreciate exceedingly what you have done for the State and the fine record you have made. We all ought to be grateful.

Very best wishes for your future, and don't under any circumstances take the time to acknowledge this.

Very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'F. R. Bigelow', written in dark ink.

Lt. Comm. Harold E. Stassen
Great Lakes Naval Training Station
Great Lakes, Illinois

CLIFFORD V. PRATT

514 SECOND AVENUE SO. - MINNEAPOLIS

PHONE, BR. 2046

April 28, 1943

Lieut. Comm. Harold E. Stassen, U.S.N.R.
Great Lakes Training Station,
Illinois.

Dear Harold,

May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the unselfish and honest work you gave to all the people of this state during the last four years and more.

When the reaction from hearing the words "Mr. Governor" sets in, a less courageous man might well rest just a little on the knowledge of a job well done. Your friends appreciate that no such period of rest will come to you, nor would it be too welcome if it did.

I wish you a successful career in the Navy, and safety during its fulfillment. As publicity fades which it must in Naval duty, I want you to know all of us will appreciate that the job is being done just the same as it always was done in the State House.

Mrs. Pratt joins me in hoping the time you are away will be short. In the meantime, we can be thinking of the better times that will surely come afterwards.

Sincerely,



Clifford V. Pratt

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The **EMPIRE
BUILDER**
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4.29.43.

Dear Harold -

Ten days in Montana on business prevented me from taking part in the affairs relating to your departure, but I have been reading about them as I have picked up the Minneapolis papers on the train and am glad our people have sent you off so well. Nothing quoted in the paper that was said of your record was fulsome praise. It was all true and well deserved - You have given a good best to your people and they are grateful.

Now you join the great number of our sons with whom our hearts have been and will be until it is over. May you in this, as in all you have already done, find your destiny!

Don't take time to write - You will be busy!

With very good wish,

Sincerely,
Frank Leslie

THOMAS J. NAYLOR
COUNTY ATTORNEY
DULUTH, MINN.

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DULUTH, MINN.

April 30, 1943.

Lieutenant Commander Harold E. Stassen
Great Lakes, Illinois

Dear Harold:

I was very sorry that I could not see you personally before you embarked upon your new venture.

I do know that you will make a success in the Navy the same as you have in civilian and public life. I admire your courage for having obtained the highest position that the people of the State of Minnesota could offer to any man, and then on your part you were big enough to see the call of duty to your country and heed such call.

I believe that the sound thinking people admire the step that you took and I am sure that the sound thinking people of this country will remember it in the future.

I want you to feel free to call upon me at any time, Harold, and if there is anything while you are in the service you believe I can do for you, or help you in any way, I would appreciate your letting me know, and, as I stated to you a couple of weeks ago, "Au revoir".

With kindest personal regards, I am

As ever,

Thomas J. Naylor

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Heinrich Ernst Stassen
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Dear Kamerad Stassen!
Papers say you are ~~crazy to be~~
a Kandidat just ~~diving~~
for Peace and Victory for Gauleiters.
We hope however you will restrict
your Peace moves considerably
and don't run on the street
and kiss every Hun-Jap or Sago
you meet? As you know this
is still our dear U. S.
Verstanden!? People of United Nations



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May 3, 1943

Lieutenant Commander Harold E. Stassen
% Great Lakes Naval Training Station
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Harold:

The State of Minnesota will long remember the fine work which you did as Governor and for any other assignment than that which you have now undertaken, we most certainly would regret losing you. We know the importance of the new work you are undertaking and the future that it holds.

Please accept my sincerest best wishes for your continued success and your endeavors in a very worthy cause.

It is unfortunate that we become so busy with our own work and activities that we lose contact with those we so greatly admire. It is gratifying, however, that we have such pleasant thoughts of past associations, and whenever you appear in the news, our best thoughts are with you.

It was good to see you at the Illinois War Conference, Harold, and I hope it will not be too long before we can get together again.

I saw Ned Ball, Secretary of the Louisiana Lumbermen's Association, last week and he told me that he would continue to carry the torch for you and would guarantee the entire support of the State of Louisiana in '48.

The best of luck to you, Harold.

Sincerely yours,


G. F. Hoppe

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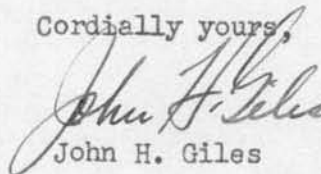
Dear Harold:

Please accept my sincerest best wishes for your future with the armed forces. Your past activities as Governor of the State of Minnesota deserve the highest commendations and I, like many others, look for your continued success and progress.

It was with extreme pleasure that I enjoyed our brief visit at the New York Lumbermen's Association War Conference in January and also the opportunity of introducing you to the Illinois lumbermen at the Illinois War Conference held in February. Many of the men that attended these conferences, I have seen recently, and they all have commented on your brilliant talk and presentation. I am sure that you have many ardent supporters and followers in the lumbermen today as a result of these two meetings.

Please accept my very best wishes.

Cordially yours,


John H. Giles

State of Minnesota
Legal Department
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
1279 University Avenue
St. Paul

ELDEN ROWE
SUPERINTENDENT
~~WAX WINTER~~
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT



May 3, 1943

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE _____

Lt. Com. Harold E. Stassen
U. S. Naval Training Station
Great Lakes, Illinois

Dear Governor:

Just a brief note to let you know that we are thinking of you and miss you, and I want to tell you that in all my life I have never seen such a display of self-control as you and Mrs. Stassen and Glenn exhibited last week. I was ashamed of myself. Here I am, fully grown, and I had a lump in my throat as big as a goose egg. I thought I could depend on Haskins for support and when I looked at him I found him in worse shape than I was, and if we hadn't both ducked I think we would have said boo-hoo in public, but what topped off the whole parade for me was when that boy of yours stood out of the car and saluted you and said "Good-bye Dad". I just kind of vanished in the crowd after that.

I have been up across the Iron Range and over to Walker, Park Rapids, Detroit Lakes, Moorhead and Fargo since then and every person I talked to that knew you at all was just thrilled over the fact that you were in service. They knew of course, that it was a matter of your choice and everyone I have talked to of any importance, commends you. I haven't heard a man say anything unfavorable to your leaving the State service.

I have just had a good talk with Badger. He informs me that Governor Thye is getting along fine and taking a good hold of things. I had a good visit in Detroit Lakes with Senator Sletvold and he said everything is going to be just okey.

I don't expect you to take time to answer this. You are going to have so much mail, don't waste your time answering my letters, but I am going to write you from time to time to let you know how things are going. One thing I would like to have you tell Mrs. Stassen is that if at any time any crank or anyone



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