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UNITED STATES OF AMERICAAir Mail

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Dear Friend:

I have your note of August 5 with regard to Mr. L. W. Bayern and note with interest that he is the brother of Queen Elizabeth of Belgium.

This is a matter of course in which I can not be helpful here because as things are now there is only one way in which aliens can secure visas if they have any relatives in German occupied territory. They must get several American citizens to act as their sponsors and take up the matter with the Department of State in Washington. They can get full information from the Department. If there were any way in which I could be helpful, I would be glad to do so, but in this particular case I see no need whatever for my intervention as I do not see that there would be any difficulties in his securing the visa. As soon as a visa is approved in principle by the Department of State, then he can come to Habana to secure the visa.

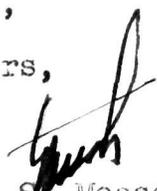
I have noted with interest your plans for the next weeks and shall keep them in mind. I will keep in touch with you and it is possible that we may be at Hot Springs about the same time. Mrs. Messersmith and I are planning to spend at least a week there, but it is not possible for me at this moment to say when I shall do so. I shall keep in touch with you or your office.

This morning there arrived a committee of Congress which will keep me going until we leave on Thursday, August 14. I am more than eager to get away for I feel the need of a change so definitely.

With all good wishes to you all,

Cordially yours,

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