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Dear Dannie:

answered June 6 by Junny

I have just received your telegram acknowledging my letters and I am happy to know that you have the permit for Germany. I think it was most stupid that it should have been delayed. I do not know whether my letters had anything to do with the granting of the permit, but one thing I feel sure of and that is that as soon as the matter came to General Hilldring's attention, he would see that the necessary was done. He is a very fine person and a very understanding one, and I am sure he has no use for some of these bureaucratic procedures which plague so many governments. In any event, I am glad that the permit has been granted but I am not particularly happy that you are making this trip.

It is going to be a hard trip at the best, because air travel I think is trying, even if one likes it fairly well, as you and I do. I know that you are going to have a very busy time on this trip, and I don't like to see you having to put yourself out to this degree. I realize that you feel that you have to make the trip and I know why you feel that way, and I am sure it will be very useful and more than useful for you to do it. What I do resent is that it is necessary for some of us, who have worked so hard, to keep on working the same way after the years overtake us, when there really should be others to take over.

The trip is going to be very interesting, and I am sure from certain points of view you will enjoy it.

I hope

D. N. Heineman, Esquire, 50 Broadway, New York, New York. I hope it will be successful and comfortable in every way.

I am glad to continue to get news that Hetty is better, and I am sure the stay up in the country will do her a great deal of good. I wish that Marion and I could spend some weeks with her there, because we both need a rest, too.

I am sure you must be disturbed by a lot of things that you read in the papers, and it is quite understandable. I am naturally very much tempted to say something but I think it is better for me to keep my mouth shut, which I am doing even thought it is increasingly difficult to do so. The important thing for me is that we get our relations with the Argentine on the right basis, and I think that is where we are getting. So far as I am concerned personally, I am sure that things will turn out all right, and the one thing that I want to do is to do my job and in doing it, I am not going to lose the respect of my friends and those who have had confidence in me for so many years.

This is just a brief word. I gather that you will be going to Europe in the near future, and when you see any friends of mine, I hope you will give them my very best wishes.

Marion joins in love and good wishes to Hetty and you and Edna and Jimmy and the whole family.

Cordially and faithfully yours,