



THE FOREIGN SERVICE  
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Dear Dannie:

I have been wanting to write you ever since I returned but have been exceedingly occupied. I left on January 27 for Miami by train and proceeded by air from there to Trinidad, where I spent a day resting, and then went on to Rio de Janeiro, where I spent the night with my friend, Ambassador Bill Pawley, and proceeded the next day to Buenos Aires arriving on the evening of February first. The trip was rather tiring although the weather was good. These long flights for me are pretty fatiguing.

When you see Dr. Dresel, please tell him that I am taking the medicine which he gave me. I shall always appreciate the time he gave me and it meant a great deal to me for I feel so very much better. I feel very guilty in letting him send his bill to you, but I hope you will send it on to me when it reaches you.

I found Marion very well but very impatient for my return. One of my secretaries had stayed with her at the house during my absence, but it was pretty lonely and she was getting a bit restive by the time I returned. I do not blame her. It seems incredible that we have been here almost a year and she has had no change. Some of our friends here, the Van Peborghs, have asked us to Punta del Este, and I am going to go with her by plane to Punta del Este Friday. I will return in a few days but I hope Marion may stay over there for two or three weeks, as the change will do her a great deal of good.

Please tell Hetty that she is delighted with the watch and I am having a bracelet made here for it.

I have not seen the Brossens since my return as I have been busy every moment, but I am beginning to see

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daylight and I hope in a few more days to have a real chat with him. He called me on the telephone the other day and I was out.

I think the situation in the relationships between the two countries is developing satisfactorily, and I hope that in a relatively short time there will be complete normalization of the relations. I will not enter into details, but I am happy to say that the situation is developing satisfactorily.

I have just returned from the Casa Rosada where I had a long talk with the President, the Foreign Minister and Miranda. I have seen them a number of times since my return. In my opinion, the situation here internally is developing quite satisfactorily.

It is too bad that some of this newspaper publicity continues at home, and I have just seen several articles which are just about as unhappy and unfounded as they can be. I do not know whether you saw the article by Alsop in the Herald Tribune of February 4, but I can assure you that practically everything he said was absolutely without any foundation. How people can take such liberties I do not understand, but it is no use getting excited about it and I think that this adverse publicity is probably in its last gasp.

The relationships between our country and the Argentine are too important to have them made the plaything of irresponsible writers, but I suppose that is one of the ills from which the world suffers today.

I can't tell you how much I enjoyed being with you the two weekends in New York and to have this opportunity of talking over all sorts of things. I appreciate more than I can say the kindness which Hetty and you showed me and it was fine to be with you all. I was glad to see Jimmy and Stephen and am sorry that I did not get to see the prodigy at Harvard, but give her my best wishes and tell her that I hope to see her on my next visit home.

I read with much interest the address which you made at the general meeting of the shareholders of SOFINA on January 31, 1946, and I am passing it on to some of my

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colleagues in the Embassy to read. What you said is characterized by that understanding and wisdom which you have and I only wish that there were more of it in the world today.

This is a rather hurried note, but I did not wish to delay sending you a word any longer. It is a strange thing that in the life which we lead today we have so little opportunity to do the things that we most want to do.

I am wondering whether you are going to take this trip to Europe and I hope you will send me a word as to your plans.

Marion joins me in love and good wishes to you and Hetty and to all the family.

Cordially and faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'G. H. H.' or similar, written in a cursive style.