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Purely Personal Messersmith

Dear Dannie:

I am sending you herewith a copy of a personal note which I have written to Foster Stearns which you may be interested in reading at your leisure. Foster Stearns is a son of the Stearns who was the confidential adviser to Coolidge and who held the same relationship to Mr. Coolidge that Colonel House had to Wilson. Foster's father was the owner of a very big department store in Boston and a very rich man, and I knew him quite well. Foster has the same sound judgment and the same unobtrusive, quite manner that his father had. He was for a time in the Foreign Service but retired because his hearing became very bad and he now spends most of his time at Exeter, New Hampshire, but he has a good deal of interest in New Hampshire and New England politics, not with the purpose of holding office, etc., but merely because he is a good citizen. I had a long letter from him in acknowledgement of our Christmas card in which he told me that he was working very hard for Eisenhower and asked me what I thought about his doing this. He asked my opinion only because we have been good friends for many years and have exchanged views principally on matters affecting our foreign policy over the years. I thought you might be interested in reading my letter to Foster at your leisure. Please do not bother to acknowledge.

With all good wishes,

Cordially and faithfully yours,

George S. Messersmith

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