

Whether it will be by the Republican party or by some new organization I do not know, but ever since we have had a Democrat president, we have had trouble. I will make one exception, Grover Cleveland, who although a Democrat seemed to be first an American. His bold stand with the English in regard to Venezuela probably saved us from a war at that time, and his bold stand in distant islands, the name of which does not come to me readily, doubtless saves us from a war with Germany. I am referring to when a German ship made certain demands or took certain action in the island I think south of Australia. He immediately authorized the commander of our naval squadron to fight if necessary, and in this manner saved the honor of our nation without having to sacrifice any of its men.

We need a return to the Republican party for the rehabilitation and strengthening of our country, and if we continue with many like Roosevelt and Truman, the Lord have mercy on us.

I shall be very happy when you carry a key to the house.

Lots of love,

Grandad

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