March 19, 1951 Mrs. Kathryn Drought 1417 North Blackstone Street Jackson, Michigan Dear Kathryn: I received your good letter of the 13th and the Easter card. It is a beautiful card and very appropriate for the occasion. It seems rather strange that Willard should be called, seeing he has a family, and I sincerely hope that he will escape injury. It has seemed to me that one thing after another of an evil nature has followed this country ever since Roosevelt became president. While I lack a great deal of being an admirer of Roosevelt, I admire Truman still less. Truman got his start from crooked politics in Kansas City under Pendergast, and his friends and acquaintances are largely of such character as to be untrustworthy. Unless the Republican Party can regain control of the nation soon I am afraid the irreparable damage will have been done. It seems queer and almost impossible that one or two men as president should go so far towards wrecking our country. Roosevelt started in with the country almost entirely out of debt and left it heavily burdened, and the condition has not improved under Truman. England, too, which stood for centuries almost like the rock of Gibralter has been so honeycombed by the labor government that it is little more than the ghost of the England of a generation ago. It seems a pity that England and America should have been so weakened by their governments. Outstandingly strong a few years ago, the Lord only known now what the future has in store for us. Sincerely, W. C. Simons WCS: bjh