

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, November 9, 1937

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Dear Bess:- Your Saturday letter came at noon yesterday and I was sure glad to get it when I got back from the hearings. I sure want to go to a picture show or two with you and Margey but this devilish hearing is getting really into a bog. We had Mr. George Whitney and S. Parker Gilbert before us yesterday. Mr. Whitney is very much inclined to feel his position. He came to my office at about a quarter to ten and told me what he was going to do. I simply asked him who the chairman of the committee happened to be and he immediately dismounted and went along like a gentleman.

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I'm in an awful fix. We must get done before the session starts and it looks as if I'll have hearings right up to Friday night. I've wired the 35th Division I can't get to Lawrence on the 11th and I'm writing Vivian today and sending him my speech for the Washington Twp meeting. If you and Marg can go to the football game you ought to go because I can't get there.

If I quit this thing now, they'll say that Kemper and the Boss pulled me off, and I'm going to go through with it if I don't get home at all. It is a mess and has created a terrible furor in New York. Guaranty Trust and J. P. Morgan have used every means available to make me quit. I'm going to finish the job or die in the attempt. I sure hate it but you can see where I am. Kiss Margey, love to you. Harry