

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, July 13, 1927

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Ft. Riley, Kans.

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My Dear Missy & Baby:

I received a letter last night and one at noon today. This has been therefore one successful day. I am getting as brown as an Indian and as tough as Dempsey. I haven't had a headache since I came. It has rained and is cool and probably will rain again tonight. There is nothing wrong except your absence and my inability to tease my daughter.

I appreciate your en-

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closures, especially the deposit slip. That made your check I gave you good. It was long enough coming. I was afraid it was lost in the mail. The deposit, not the slip. Thanks for the clippings. Everything seems to be going all right in my absence politically. I wish I could see you. I'm glad you missed me at the party. Wish I could have been present. I am taking good care of myself. The colonel is anxious to work and I urge him to do it. I'm having a wonderful time doing a little political maneuvering. Also evening up some scores.

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The colonel listens to what I say and when I make suggestions about certain regular army officers he immediately flies into them. He's made Colonel Elliott's flunky, Captain Fleming, stand on his head right away, which pleased me immensely. You see politics is never absent when I'm around.

Be sure and keep writing. I look for em every day. Kiss Margie and tell Margie

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to kiss her mamma for her daddy.

Your Harry