

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, April 27, 1933

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Independence, Mo. Thursday, Apr 27, 1933

Dear Bess:

This has been a big day. Got a good letter. It is now 10:25 P.M. and I am at the office in Independence. The town clock is right and you can see it on the white faces same as daytime. The building will be nearly done when you get home.

I came to work at seven-fifteen this A.M. to write orders on the discharge of all those employees, went to court and spent hours going over and over the list. Then had a Board meeting this afternoon with the banks. Got nowhere. Their assessment has been balled up by the state board of equalization and by the state tax commission until heads nor tails can be told about it. At five o'clock Buck and I went to Raytown

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to a Masonic meeting where Nat Jackson's boy got his 3rd degree and the Grand Master presented him a pin from his mother. Nat wants us to stay in Gulfport until after Natalie's graduation if we can. I told him we would if possible.

Your mother said only Mrs. King had asked for your address to send Margaret a card. No one has asked me. Please be careful about eating anything that comes in the mail. Someone sent me a cake the other day and I threw it away. With these discharges coming off you can't tell what they'll do. Also watch that water heater in the bath room. Four people have been asphyxiated in the last week with heaters like it. Leave the window open when you use it. Your mother said she wrote you yesterday. She got a letter from Margaret today. Pleased her very much. I am coming down as soon as I can get away and stay as long as we can. Keep on writing. Kiss my baby and tell her she owes me several letters.

Lovingly, Harry

[P.S.]

I addressed one of your letters to 219 N. Delaware, Indep. Mo.