

From Harry S. Truman to Bess W. Truman, January 24, 1937

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Dear Bess:- This is the best Sunday I've had. Got a special at the hotel and the air mail of Thursday at the office. I have been kicking myself because I didn't let Sen. Wheeler and his committee go hang and get on that special and come home. I was also afraid it wouldn't get through and after Clark canceled his reservations on the regular train and got on the special I couldn't do it. It would have been taken for an obvious attempt on my part to keep him and the St. Louis gang from the Gov. and I don't want to do that. If the Gov can't stay with his real friends the sooner we know it the better. They are making a great play to have him line up with St. Louis. I think however he is man enough not

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to do it.

As I told you yesterday Eddie KcKim came in yesterday and we had a fine visit with Burke and the V.P. I asked Garner to autograph a picture of his for Margaret and he is going to do it. Mrs. Garner asked about you and hoped you'd be here soon. Then we spent all yesterday afternoon playing penny anti [sic] over at the hotel. Had Vic and Bud, Burke the Pathe News men who took the pictures of the inauguration the hotel manager and one or two other had a grand time and no one lost much or gained much either. Mrs. Griggs went home last night and I think had a grand time. She did not bother me much and appeared to be very grateful for what had been done. Haven't seen Mrs. Bates. Eddie and I went to church this morning. He is writing Mrs. McKim while I write you. We were out at Vic's last night after dinner and had another nice time. Kiss Margie. Love to you Harry.