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Friday night

Dear Kathleen:

When I went home at noon today after attending the Lazia funeral I found the letter you wrote Tuesday evening at Washington together with Kanky's note in the hack. I was very glad to hear from both of you.

According to the papers it was the largest funeral ever held in Kansas City. They hurled him from his sister's home at 55th & Tracy and the services were held down at the Italian Church. Father McGowan preached the sermon and they say he made a very good talk. There were at least ten thousand people down around the Church who couldn't get in. Of course a lot of them were simply curiosity seekers hut Johnny did have a world of friends. I ran into Mary Ellen and Marie Michaels in front of the Church and took them out to the cemetery. We went out ahead of the procession but when we got there we couldn't get within a half a block of the grave. When the procession arrived it took the longest route around to the grave which is in that corner above your mother's hut in Spite of the fact that they went winding around all those roads there still wasn't room enough in the cemetery for all of the cars and a lot of them had to he unloaded outside the walls.

After the funeral we all went home and had a bottle of beer and Mary Ellen got out your gray dress and we left it at the cleaners as I took them hack down town. They are both at headquarters now.

It has been terribly hot here again today, the thermometer going up to 106. However

it is thundering and lightning over in the West so we may have a rain.

I was down to Monroe County yesterday and had a fair trip considering that it is way over in Clark's territory and that the farmers are more interested in getting a good rain than they are in politics.

Sunday I am going with Truman up to Cameron to attend Father Wogan's annual picnic. He has a big picnic every year and all of the candidates attend. I am going back to Monroe County Tuesday morning and over to Mexico that night. I will have to stay there over night as it is too far to drive back.

I will keep in touch with Joe and you let him know as soon as you can just what day you will arrive so that I will be sure to be here.

I am getting awfully lonesome and you certainly are in for a lot of hugging and kissing when you do get home.

Lots of love to you and the children. Jim [JULY 13, 1934]