Manuscript pages: Eleanor Roosevelt

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Mrs. Roosevelt's cozy sitting room - a pleasant room with a big desk, a blazing fire, generous couch, table and chairs - all homey and unpretentious, comfortable. And Mrs. Roosevelt - easy and gay and not perturbed at the end of what must have been a grilling day. You sensed as she drew tea in small cups an eye and ear - attentive to outside wants, possibly. "The Governor is having a massage." It is she who must answer the telephone, arrange for this or that. This eye and ear have been trained to duties - not to her own special ones - duties of the Governor, himself, handicapped as he is is a natural part of her life. She arranges everything deftly and quietly - the time for a guest who must leave directly after dinner to be called for - and who shall dress - and all the details of the hostess.

We were only four at dinner - Mr. Lyons Davis of St. Louis - a millionaire, who was in college I take it with F. R. - very talkative. He and I won on the tariff and foreign relations. He is much stirred up over Ritchie's recent speech.

Calls the Governor, "You'll have to look to your law, Roosevelt," or Franklin he calls him.

And Franklin says rather grimly, I thought, "Dave has his hat in the ring now that's sure."

This was the only reference to Presidential possibilities that came up. We talk of colleges - the folly of the emphasis on Ph.D's. - the want of teachers. Stories about special individuals that impart enthusiasm and love of the beauty, good things and wish them for their children. You have the feeling that there is where
the heart of all three of these people is - education, something better for their young people and puzzled about where to get it. The Governor is very funny about the Department of Euthenics at Vassar. Both he and Davis are on the Board, though Davis has recently resigned disgusted with the management - the pay of Professors - the emphasis on buildings and frills are described very amusingly, the Board Meeting at which the gift for this Department was announced.

"And what may I ask," he said, "do you mean by Euthenics?"
And the with a sly wink said, "Mrs. Bullard will explain." (I think it is Bullard, the donor)

His description is amusing - $800.00 dress - $20,000 pearls - $1000. lorgnette. And the million dollar lady rises, lifts her lorgnette and said, "Euthenics is from two Greek words, Eu, meaning well, the meaning lift, life, art, well-living.

"Oh," says Roosevelt, "when economics," and she squelches him on the spot. Is very snooty about the whole thing. But I believe he stays on the Board.

After dinner we leave the men to talk and go to Mrs. R's. sitting room, upstairs. She gets out her knitting bag and her very beautiful white hands with perfectly polished nails, not over-polished, busy themselves with things - knitting white wash cloths, I think.

"What shall we talk about?" she says. Speaks of the article. Says she has given various interviews. I stammer a bit but finally get it out that I think probably what we had better try to get at, is the business of being a Governor's wife. She seems