A. L.

1st note
see outline

If I were asked to list the
~~If one attempts to make out a~~
list of Essential Qualities essential for a
president of the U.S. he ~~will~~ I
think I should put at the head
in capital - Humor - not good
nature - almost laughter - [illegible] as they are
not [illegible] - but that
prevading quality - ~~that~~ a mingling of
skepticism ~~[illegible]~~ symphony with - not - [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] & humility
which enables a man to see himself
& others as they are & to use him
self & them for what they are
[illegible]

Who among the ~~[illegible]~~ 14 3 different presidents
~~have had in any~~ have used humor
in their dealing of men, in their
sleeping of politics? - not - W -
not - Adams or Jefferson or Madison

[illegible]

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or manner — ~~#~~ — no more in
the "last" & than the first do we
find ~~the~~ ~~a~~ quality —
Wilson — ~~W~~ — Harding — or Coolidge
yes of a type — Sardinic — ~~#~~
Contemplative — It were his humor
that told him when to quit —
served him had "lead enough
time to quit — He wanted it
more than anything — more than
vanity — Beside a quiet life —
what was turmoil — a whole of
~~useful~~ could one man do to
stop the inevitable —
Has the present president
humor — Something akin close to it — a
disciplined gaiety of nature, but not dealing
suffering — which keeps him
smiling & gives him a sense of [illegible]

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Not - Grant - Hanna yes - a little
sardonic - 2 stuck ill (?)
Cleveland no - Roosevelt - no it -
puzzled him - something they said
he did not - understand - 2
once sent for Caroline
teach him the limerick
See Pringle -

Will Roosevelt & Wilson, the
limerick replaced the story -

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