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My dearest Elizabeth:

I was rejoiced to get your letter of July 11 from the Empress Hotel at Victoria. I wish I was with you. I junketed for ten days last summer up and down the Sound, and it is a wonderful and delightful land.

Of course I ate up the news from San Francisco and chuckled repeatedly over your interviews. You certainly added spice to that convention, my dear Elizabeth, and you did something to correct the idea that the woman in politics would be purely emotional and theoretical. I gather that there was nobody whose feet were more solidly on the earth than yours.

On the whole I think the convention showed up much better than the Republican. It is a better platform, far less evasive. And the ticket is a good one. I find people were worried about Mr. Cox's divorce. I know nothing myself about the case.

Somebody ought to see that a more attractive picture of Mrs. Cox gets out. She certainly looks like anything but a proper first lady of the land in the newspaper pictures that I have seen. See that they get something that looks a little better bred.

Of course it is not worrying him, but it is worrying a lot of people that Cox should be counted as the "wet candidate." As I understand it, his record is no wetter than Harding's. I am hoping, of course, that the issue will be the League, with only the necessary interpretive reservations,--that is, if by the time election comes the League has not been swallowed by the Russian Soviet. At any rate, industrially--which is so important--Cox's record is excellent, and he knows enough of the subject to make an admirable campaign.

I am glad you are staying up in that wonderful country for a little time. It was the most sensible thing for you to do. Let me know when you are coming back so that I can see you soon. I am staying five days in the week here as my work is pretty heavy this summer.

Love to you,

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