

Tatehuri namun in Alfredical
Order.

Virginia Gildner, Dean of B. College
a woman of sound scholarship -
fine ~~specifically~~ sympathetic
of my & valuable public service.

Gertrude Lane - the kind editor
of one of our most useful nursing
magazines for numerous years &
devotedly. Late - quality &
sympathetic interest in all
good cancer care work.

Dr. Louise Pearce: - of Portland
Maine, a woman of wide & rare
scientific ^{and} courage - it is a joy
Dr. Pearce that she at her home
spent months in - went alone
into Africa to ~~study~~ ^{study} nature afflicted
with sleeping sickness with a
dog a treatment which she had
helped work out;

Servetus Sharn. who representing
Commerce & Industry & no one
better fitted to do as she is
the vice-president of us
of our greatest merchandise
establishment;

Mr. Wm S. Sheppard - one of the
most public spirited
nobles of this great city.
A pure & respect-^{one & many} & which
will give the general public
told you that this physical
chassis as awarded the 1883
medal for eminent attainment
to the honorable Secretary of Labor
in Paul. Reserve College
Dr. Wm Perkins,

more security - those of us
 etc. - often puzzled to know
 why this or that - man is found
 there. It is a matter of power
 to the power of the U. S. that
 there will never be any be-
 hindment - or the first human
 to occupy a position in a
 presidential cabinet; you are
 there because Pres. R. knows
 from long familiarity with you
 that there was no one
 in the country man or woman
 better fitted to the position.
 You were seasoned cabinet minister
 and that is the reason the name
 of this party in awarding this medal
 is not intellectual - while informed
 Pres. R. the medal is not
 going to you because you are

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just human to fill a
cabinet position but rather
because of the achievement
which made your selection
natural beyond - almost -
compulsion

What is an achievement - not
an accident - not a stroke of
luck - not a coin of chance -
it is rather a growth - something
born in one of those rare moments
of illumination the field to which
we are called to work - it means
never turning the back on that
moment of illumination - but going
resolutely through the hard
later confusion the hard sleep
during sleep - it means
working to gain even small
things with repeated failure -
it means keeping our faith that
we are in all this and a meaning
in what we do

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It is by some such path that -
you began your career -
over 20 years ago you chose your
field - a ~~most~~ ^{very} specialized field of
social reform - you trained for it &
selected your ^{very} particular party
which you were well cut - the
party of betterment through ^{moral} ^{character}
~~& then administration~~ &
of time after another you ruled till
all your force was for the service of
those who were under your leadership
life of the nation more trouble - safety from
its accidents & disease - compensation for
injury - the ^{moral} ^{character} day - the labor laws -
the pension for the aged - the end of child
labor - a rich - what intelligence & patience
& quietness - why? you ruled - it was
because of your ~~admirable~~ ^{admirable} character that in
1934 to keep your satisfaction of all of
these who had selected ^{you} ^{were} ^{to} ^{be} ^{happy}
& enjoying labor conditions that I have

Gov Smith -

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Hand you head of Richman of the
N.Y. State ^{Insurance} Board - He named you head
of Equalizer my dear best man of
splendid common sense, and man
heart & absolute integrity - because
you knew a ^{from a run} fool - when you saw one -
knew that $1/4$ thing $3/4$ practice
knew that you faced with with
people - Tom Sullivan & Demarest Kelley
that you were intended - not out among -
2 years call

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With that acknowledgment
you were never writing else
for Gov R. to do in 1929
but to make you the Labor
head of the State Dept of Labor
writing the to do even if he had
been so disposed where he
was not. Really proud of
you and thank it that Gov R.
1929 was a labor

It is difficult to think of a
person more young than that
you had from 1829 to 1832
Great Blessings - your names
to know how things were going to
follow and see the steady slump
in employment - some 2 months
more - that your situation was
came a national economic
not satisfied to you - this year

with the desire & energy of
 men & women & in at length
 you turned to a new industry
 unemployment insurance
 when 1933 came & a series
 of labor was selected it was
 no more possible to pass you by
 than in 1929. Acknowledgment
 was given - you were the
 one fitted & approved by an
 act of the legislature you were made
 Secretary of L.I. - the first woman
 to occupy a cabinet position.
 It is great consolation to
 those who look on your future
 with splendid industry of
 busy industry in order - finding
 a daily code of procedure that
 one who can follow all
 the long series of steps which

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leaved to the present code
it should be making so
important a part in itself naturally
critical. While an even calm
in such undulating, a
opinion of mind a label
of type - you know too much
to lose your head. &
your type is too dependent
to contribute anything to the
label. You speak too sure
~~and sure~~

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It is then, Madam Secretary, because of the
sound achievement of your past, because of the integrity
of your mind, the serenity of your spirit, the *surety in you*
dealing with men steadiness
of your technique, that the Committee for which I have the
honor to speak is proud to name you for the American
Women's Association Medal. It is with deep satisfaction
in their name
and pride that I present to you this medal for distinguished
achievement.