United States Senate

WASHINGTON D. C.

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General Walter B. Smith Headquarters First Army Governors Island New York 4, New York

Dear Bedell:

And don't you think it's more appropriate for me to congratulate the President—than to congratulate you?

Very sincerely yours,

William Benton U. S. Senate

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P. S. Helen wants me to tell you that she's made five speeches in Connecticut and that you are the only General she ever quoteston the Voice of America, or on any other subject!!

Genator William Benton United States Senate Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I was a little bit overwhelmed by your letter to the President and I must say I appreciate it most sincerely. As far as I am concerned personally, I am afraid that sympathy is more in order than congratulations.

Sorry I didn't get to see you in person on my last visit to Washington. I hope for better luck next time I come down.

Faithfully, your friend.

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