

Boston, Massachusetts.
August 21st. 1950.



Gen. Smith:

Congratulations on your appointment in Washington, D.C.

Her pride of men from my native state who contribute purposeful,
standing services to our country preempts my communication.

Although I have been away from Indianapolis and Peru
many years an occasional hand-clasp across the space of years renews
cherished friendships I have cherished.

Mr. White, Indianapolis editor, passed on in 1915 in
Indiana and our three daughters (then 5, 6 & 8) have been reared and
educated in California and Massachusetts--and are now all married and
in the east.

Formerly a member of the Roberts Park Methodist Church
Indianapolis, I became interested and active in Christian Science and
read my church letter in the First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston.

It seems that I have associated "Walter Smith" I knew
long ago with the "dear hearts and gentle people" of Indianapolis, Irving
Butler University.

With all good wishes and best regards,

Sincerely,

Mary L. White

Mary (Edna) Larrimer White.

/ Journalist, Author
"The Life of Paul
Tarsus",
"Plays With a Purpose"
etc.

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28 August 1950

Mrs. A. Chauncy White
189 Huntington Avenue
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Dear Mrs. White:

I want to thank you for your thoughtful letter of 21 August extending your congratulations and good wishes on my recent appointment as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Although I am keenly aware of the problems ahead of me, I am at the moment greatly encouraged and heartened by the confidence which the President has seen fit to place in me and by the generous support of old friends which has been made manifest by such letters as yours.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

W. B. SMITH