

October 17, 1950



Dear Ike:

Thanks sincerely for your birthday message. Except for a few thoughtful notes from good friends like you and Mamie, this one almost slipped by unnoticed amid the confusion of our move to Washington.

At present, Nory and I are camped out in our new home beneath piles of crates and furniture, along with a horde of painters, plumbers and various other alleged craftsmen. We have a long way to go yet and everything seems to cost a fortune these days, but we hope to have something rather nice when completed. We are working on the premise that this is our final move and there is some comfort in that.

Nory joins me in sending affectionate regards to you and Mamie. Let us know when you are next coming to Washington. The house will be ready before too long, and we will want you to stay with us.

Faithfully,

*s/ Beede*

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