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Dear John and Richenda:

How many times I have thought of you two since our meeting in Athens and those few moments we spent together. And I will bet that I have told the story of the Alabamian who travelled through Virginia far more often than either of you have. Now, the irony of it is that I will be at the Barbizon-Plaza next Wednesday and Thursday for a two day conference. Nothing will please me more than to accept that dinner engagement with you two. But I have my doubts with this terrific schedule I have before me. Not knowing what time you arrive in the morning, I am tempted to tell you to call me early (any time between 7:00 and 8:00) to see if we can get together for a few moments.

I did write Harris Peel of the State Department, but I am sorry to report to you that although I wrote him in considerable length I have not had an acknowledgement of the letter at all. From what I know they are having their troubles in indirect ways. It seems that the budget committee has gone to work with the ax.

I was interested in your comment about Senator George because during my last trip I said so frequently to the people over seas that it was my firm belief that George would not seek reelection. When I told them that I thought Herman Tolmadge (and I have never voted for him) was capable of making a Senator with the caliber of Senator George, I found the argument to be hot and heated. Nevertheless, in spite of what the newspapers quote Tolmadge as saying and doing, I am hopeful that once again Georgia will have two distinguished senators. There is no doubt in my mind that Herman would have beaten George, and that would have been a tragedy.

Do call me, and in the meantime very best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Lamar Dodd

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