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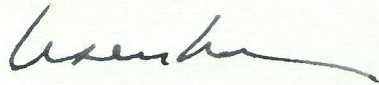
January 22, 1953.

Dear Senator Bridges:

I am grateful for the trouble you took in
furnishing me with photostats of the news-
paper containing the story that you spoke
to me about the other day.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Lyndon B. Johnson", written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
Senate Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

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August 8, 1953

Dear Styles:

Within a few hours I hope to leave for Denver where I expect to stay for a few weeks. I shall have a temporary office there in Lowry Air Base and should you at any time wish to communicate with me, it is easy enough to do.

Before I go I not only want to tell you this, but to say how much I hope that you are quickly restored to full health and vigor. It is disappointing that you had to go back to bed with your injury, and I am distressed that I did not get to see you during the closing days of the session. However I most earnestly hope that when January rolls around, you will be again going at full speed and in your accustomed effective way.

With warm personal regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

P.S.: The number in Denver is L.D. 318 or 319; if it is more convenient, you can call the White House and they will re-route the call to Denver.



THE WHITE HOUSE
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February 26, 1953

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In view of recent developments respecting the Council of Economic Advisers, I think it would be well to make my own position on this matter clear for the purposes of your Committee's deliberations.

I want to emphasize, first, that it is not my desire or intention to undermine or set aside the Employment Act of 1946. I believe firmly in the principles enunciated in that measure and have made this clear, or have sought to, on a number of occasions. I also am convinced that the machinery established by this Act is essentially sound.

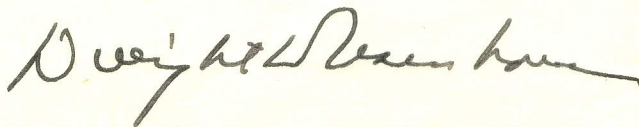
I have found, however, since assuming office, that one of the instrumentalities established by the Act, the Council of Economic Advisers, seems not to have the stature that it should have. This is evidenced by the manner in which the prior Congress limited the term of its appropriation. The Employment Act of 1946, in creating the Council of Economic Advisers, did, I believe, make wise provision for aiding the President in his responsibilities with respect to economic stabilization. To my mind, it is essential that the President be able to look to such an agency for long-range thinking and planning in this vital field. My intention is to reinvigorate that body and augment its influence by means of some new personnel and a thorough rethinking of its functions. If the conclusions of this study should indicate a need for statutory change, I shall promptly recommend those changes to the Congress.

I should like to mention specifically the funds which, in my opinion, are needed in the fourth quarter of this fiscal year to carry out the purposes of the statute. I hope that the Congress will provide a sum of \$60,000. By the time hearings can be held

on the 1954 budget, we will have proceeded with our reorganization and will request funds in an appropriate amount. If the funds for the fourth quarter of the 1953 fiscal year are too sharply curtailed, it is likely to embarrass us in obtaining the appropriate new leadership required. This amount I have suggested is \$15,000 less than was appropriated by the Congress for each of the first three quarters of the 1953 fiscal year.

With warm personal regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dwight D. Eisenhower". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Eisenhower

COPY

July 13, 1954

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you so much for your very fine letter of July sixth. I deeply appreciate your kind comments about the record in the Congress on appropriation bills this year.

I was very happy with the record we made in the Senate on appropriations, and particularly the accomplishments of the Appropriations Committee for that Committee entails the longest hours and the hardest and most tedious work of any Committee of Congress.

I am deeply grateful for your letter.

With my highest esteem,

Respectfully yours,

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 27, 1954.

Dear Senator Bridges:

I am very much concerned that the censuses of business, manufactures and mineral industries, and the construction statistics program, were eliminated from the House of Representatives' version of the Fourth Supplemental Appropriation bill of 1955, and I wish to recommend for your special attention and for the following reasons the restoration of these items by your Committee.

The latest full Census of Manufactures covered 1947, the latest Census of Mineral Industries was taken in 1939, and the most recent Census of Business covered 1948. Since these dates, our nation has gone through enormous changes, involving large-scale defense and military programs and recently a return to an uneasy peace. There have been sweeping changes in the location and characteristics of manufacturing and distribution enterprises. The need for up-to-date information covering these chief elements of an industrial nation has been strongly stated by practically every major business association as well as by a large number of our executive agencies.

Within the present year, the need for these censuses has been carefully reviewed by Congressional committees, and new legislation has been enacted by unanimous consent calling for censuses to be taken in 1955 covering the year 1954.

If, despite this recent action by the Congress, these censuses should be eliminated for the second successive year, the entire structure of censuses developed on the basis of more than 150 years of experience and practical use would be in jeopardy. I do not believe that under present conditions, when government and business policies depend so heavily upon factual information, we can afford to postpone taking basic inventories of our physical output and its distribution.

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Senator Bridges - 2.


The other significant item which was eliminated from this bill concerns the development of a construction statistics program that would fill the serious gaps and remove other deficiencies in the available information about this very important segment of our national economy. Good and reliable information about a 50 billion dollar industry, which accounts for nearly 15 per cent of the total consumption of this nation's goods and services, will provide an invaluable and basic benchmark. This information is vitally needed by industry and government agencies for planning production and marketing. It is also essential to government agencies in studying the need for, location, and type of public works.

I hope very much that the funds needed for these items will receive the favorable consideration of the Senate Appropriations Committee and that my views concerning the urgency of this information will be given recognition in the meeting of the conference committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dwight D. Eisenhower", written in a cursive style.

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee,
Washington, D.C.



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HONORABLE STYLES BRIDGES=

:303 EASTMAN ST EAST CONCORD NHAMP=

DEAR STYLES: THE VOTERS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HAVE ONCE AGAIN
DEMONSTRATED THEIR GOOD PRACTICAL SENSE, A STATEMENT IN
WHICH I KNOW GOVERNOR ADAMS JOINS HEARTILY. I LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU SOON AFTER YOUR RETURN TO WASHINGTON.

WITH WARM REGARDS=

DWIGHT D EISENHOWER=

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 31, 1955

Dear Styles:

I was glad to get the statement on the Dixon-Yates contract that was prepared by the staff of the Senate Republican Policy Committee. I can foresee some difficulties in my calling attention to this Policy Committee statement, but perhaps those difficulties can be overcome. I shall talk to Jim Hagerty about the matter.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "DE", likely representing Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
Chairman
Republican Policy Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 2, 1955.

Dear Styles:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Mr. Canham. I should be interested to know what correction, if any, is made by the Monitor.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 16, 1955

Dear Styles:

Jerry Persons tells me that you did yeoman service with regard to the tax bill vote. I am truly convinced that by the vote in the Senate yesterday, the Administration took a constructive step in the preservation of a sound and stable economy. I know my thanks to you are echoed by responsible citizens everywhere.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D.E.", with a small dot at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
The United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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June 29, 1955

Dear Styles:

Thank you so much for everything you did towards making my visit to New Hampshire so pleasant. The cordiality and friendliness of the people were overwhelming and I truly enjoyed myself. I know that it took a lot of your time in planning and making the arrangements, and I am most grateful.

I also want you to know how pleased I am with the Aberdeen Angus heifer. Of course, I am delighted to have her, although that night at the Lodge she didn't seem too happy about the prospect of leaving New Hampshire.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D-E", with a stylized, cursive flourish.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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August 11, 1955

Dear Styles:

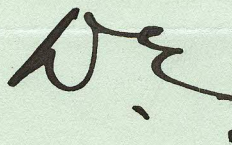
Before I leave for Denver, I want to send you a note to tell you how much I appreciate the effective work you did throughout the past seven months in the Senate on behalf of our common cause.

In two and a half years I have come to have some appreciation of the extreme pressures that your position of leadership imposes upon you, and the sensitive understanding with which you have met them. For all that you have done on behalf of the success of this Administration, I am grateful indeed.

It is my hope that a good rest and a pleasant and relaxing change of environment will be yours during the next few months.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Denver, Colorado
October 1, 1955

Dear Senator Bridges,

It meant so much to Ike and me to have your kind message of assurance and good will. His doctors won't let him answer any messages yet, but I am sure he will want to thank you personally later on for thinking of him at this anxious time.

Mamie Louise Eisenhower

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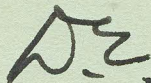
November 14, 1955

Dear Styles:

I deeply appreciate your November eleventh telegram. Both for the kindness of your message and for the considerate interest which prompted you and other New Hampshire leaders to write to me, you have my warmest thanks.

With personal regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Telegram Is Sent To Ike

Republican Leaders In State Welcome His Return to Work

New Hampshire's Republican leaders sent a joint telegram to President Eisenhower yesterday, welcoming his return to the White House from Denver, where he was stricken ill several weeks ago.

The telegram was signed by Governor Dwinell; Senators Bridges and Cotton, Congressmen Merrow and Bass; Atty. Frank J. Sulloway of Concord and Mrs. Viola Adams of Franklin, national committee members; Atty. William Treat of Hampton, GOP state chairman, and Rep. Norma A. Studley of Rochester, co-chairman.

The telegram said: "On behalf of the people of our state, we extend a warm welcome on your return to our nation's capital. We are tremendously pleased at your progress thus far and look forward with certainty to your full recovery. The country needs your leadership in these trying times. All of us in New Hampshire, who have so many fond memories of your recent visit here, join in saying 'Welcome back'."

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January 25, 1956

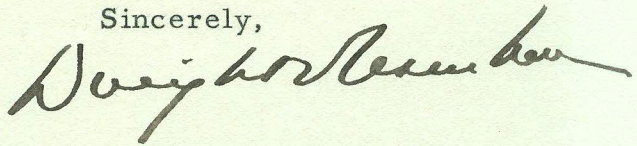
Dear Styles:

Mamie and I are truly grateful to you for your invitation to join the Republican Senators and wives in a cocktail party and buffet supper to be held on Friday evening. Much as we wish we could come, I do not believe that, under existing circumstances, I should do so. As you perhaps know, I am directed to stick pretty closely to a rigid schedule of work, quiet relaxation, frequent and fairly prolonged periods of mild exercise, and rest -- which leaves little time for the things I would really like to do.

I know you understand -- and I assure you once again of my appreciation of your thought of us.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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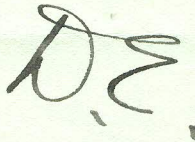
May 4, 1956

Dear Styles:

As you suggested, I have sent the enclosed letter to Senator Hayden. It seems to me to be very shortsighted to deny funds to this Commission just at the time when the six-month reserve program is showing greatest promise. I shall warmly appreciate your help on this.

With personal regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

*Gardner wants to see
Senator Hayden after you have seen!*

May 4, 1956

Dear Senator Hayden:

I wish to call your attention to the importance which I attach to the continuance of the National Security Training Commission, under the able Chairmanship of General David Sarnoff.

As you know, the Commission was established in 1951 and given the responsibility of looking after the welfare of persons undergoing six-month training for reserve service. The Reserve Forces Act of 1955 reiterated this duty and provided that the Commission should advise the President and the Secretary of Defense and report annually to the Congress regarding the six-month reserve trainees.

The Commission was given only \$40,000 by the Congress in 1955. Although these funds were inadequate, the Commission members have done their best to carry out their responsibilities under the law, using such devices as the foregoing of all pay during this fiscal year. For the next fiscal year the Commission's request is for \$75,000, which I feel is indeed modest considering the statutory responsibilities of the Commission. If the House elimination of this request is not corrected, it will in effect repeal a portion of the Reserve Forces Act of 1955 because the Commission, which by law must concern itself with the welfare of the trainees, will be unable to function.

I earnestly hope that your Committee will reinstate these funds so that this group of distinguished Americans who serve at personal sacrifice can continue their useful work in building a strong reserve.

With kind regard,

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

The Honorable Carl Hayden
Chairman
Senate Appropriations Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 9, 1956

Dear Styles:

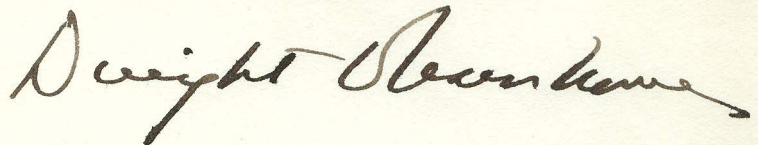
If your relief is like mine that this session is finally over, then you must feel good indeed by now. I know that it has been a very difficult session, and especially for you to whom our program in the Senate this year was a special concern in your role as Chairman of the Policy Committee. Actually, I feel that much good was accomplished, even though I do feel that there was a good deal of unfortunate delay of many measures and, of course, I am much disappointed that some of our most important measures failed of passage.

I am much aware that I owe a great deal to you for the splendid work accomplished. For the energy and force you put into this effort and for helping to make possible achievements worthy of widespread public acclaim, I am most grateful.

Do make yourself take a good rest in the few weeks remaining before the campaign gets under way. You will have a key role in that undertaking, and I am anxious for you to be in top form!

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Dwight D. Eisenhower". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent initial 'D'.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

COPY

August 27, 1956

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you very much for your letter of August ninth, which I received prior to my departure for San Francisco. You were very thoughtful to write me, and I deeply appreciate it.

I thought the Convention went off very well and everybody left there with a fine spirit and a determination to win this fall.

I am very glad you could get a few days rest in California before leaving for Washington.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Styles Bridges

The President
White House
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 29, 1956

Dear Styles:

Although I have not had more than a chance to glance through the collection of material on election issues that you sent me, I am impressed with the magnitude of the task and the clear-cut manner in which every conceivable subject is discussed. Many thanks for seeing that a copy for my personal use reached me.

My congratulations to you and the members and staff of the Republican Policy Committee!

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D E", likely representing Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 13, 1956

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Dear Styles:

I was distressed to learn that during the very crush of the campaign, you suddenly faced serious illness at home. I most earnestly hope that Mrs. Bridges has improved and will soon be wholly well again.

I was hoping, at the Leadership Meeting last Friday, to get a chance to thank you for your extraordinary efforts during the campaign, but the opportunity never developed, and now, your very nice letter, which I deeply appreciate, intercepts my own good wishes to you.

I had reports -- all good ones -- about your campaign activities and feel a definite sense of obligation for your contributions to the success of the national ticket. My feeling about the Congressional contests I can sum up very quickly: I am convinced that between now and 1958 we have to move as fast and as hard as we can to energize, reorganize as needed, seek out attractive, powerful candidates and otherwise generate Party enthusiasm and determination, so that we can enter upon the 1958 contests with the maximum prospects for victory. For, to be blunt about it, we simply must win the Congress for the period 1958-60 to give the Party the best possible prospects in the next national election. With an energetic Party of candidates attractive to the American people, and with solid legislative accomplishment these next two years -- I think we can count on reversing the November 6 results in respect to Congressional races.

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In this effort, I expect to continue to work wholeheartedly and vigorously with you and your associates on whom our Party's future so greatly depends.

Again, my thanks for all that you did during the campaign.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senator
Concord, New Hampshire

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W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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THE HONORABLE STYLES BRIDGES:

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR MESSAGE OF YOUR GOOD WISHES ON
MY BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY. I GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR
THOUGHT OF ME=

DWIGHT D EISENHOWER= ===

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 23, 1957

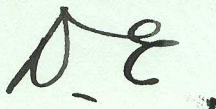
Dear Styles:

Now that some of the excitement of the past weeks is over, I want to express to you my personal appreciation of all you did as Chairman of the Joint Congressional Inaugural Committee. I am afraid I have but a limited realization of the many details that were involved in the arrangements, though members of my staff have filled me in to a great extent. But I want you to know of my gratitude for the fine cooperation that was accorded to us, and my admiration of the planning that made the program proceed according to precise schedule.

Won't you please convey to the other members of the Inaugural Committee a sense of my thanks for their contribution to what was, of course, one of the highest moments of my life.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D. E.", with a small mark below the "E".

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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February 25, 1957.

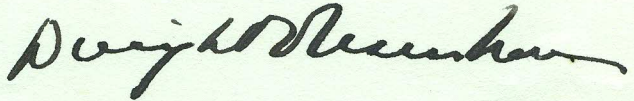
Dear Styles:

Just when I was about to feel sorry for myself because my cough seems unwilling to depart, I find that you have been hospitalized with a throat that sounds much worse than anything that has hit me recently. I am now inclined to blame all our ailments on the Washington weather, which has been unremittingly grim.

But I do hope that a few days' rest, enforced though it is, will soon put you back on your feet. Take care and get well!

With warm regard,

As ever,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Dwight D. Eisenhower". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
Doctors' Hospital,
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
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March 8, 1957.

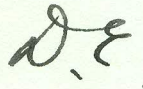
Dear Styles:

Again I want to thank you for inviting me to the reception you and Joe Martin held last evening in honor of Len Hall. I enjoyed very much being with you.

And I am definitely glad to know that you are feeling so much better!

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

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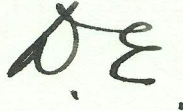
June 11, 1957

Dear Styles:

Yesterday, when I was not feeling particularly well myself, General Snyder told me you had been hospitalized for "complete exhaustion." This note is merely to say that I sympathize completely with you, and that I hope you will bounce back as quickly as I seem to have from my temporary indisposition.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
Doctors Hospital
Washington, D. C.

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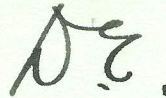
July 5, 1957

Dear Styles:

Thank you for sending over to my office a film of the 1957 Inaugural ceremony. Someday I should like to have it run off, and I suspect it may make an interesting exhibit for the archives of the Eisenhower family.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D.E.", with a small dot at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

P.S.: I do hope that you are recovering satisfactorily from your recent illness, and that you will soon be back on the job.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 3, 1957

Dear Styles:

Of course I know that your sense of official duty would itself have brought you today to the meeting of the Legislative-Executive leaders. Nevertheless I felt a deep sense of personal gratification that you came in spite of the fact that my own attendance had for some days been problematical.

I personally felt that the discussions were most interesting and helpful; I note also that because of the regularity with which these meetings are repeated, all of us have acquired an ability to go quickly to the heart of each matter under consideration.

My personal as well as my official thanks for your courtesy and helpfulness in attending this meeting to which I attach such importance.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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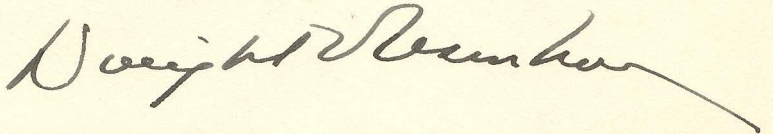
THE WHITE HOUSE

January 28, 1958.

Dear Styles and Mrs. Bridges:

Thank you for your message of sympathy in the death of Arthur. I deeply appreciate your thoughts and prayers, as, I know, do the rest of the family.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable and Mrs. Styles Bridges,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

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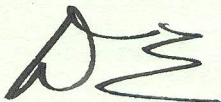
May 29, 1958

Dear Styles:

With the unemployment compensation bill safely through the Senate, I must tell you how much I appreciated your efforts in behalf of the Administration's proposal. For your help in this connection, you have my personal thanks and congratulations.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

July 16, 1958.

Dear Styles:

Many thanks for bringing to me this morning a copy of "The Famous Five." I cannot fail to find interesting Mr. Alexander's story of the five men, chosen by a bipartisan Special Committee, as "outstanding" members of the United States Senate.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

D E

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

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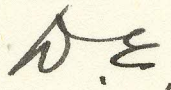
July 23, 1958.

Dear Styles:

As you already know, I have accepted with pleasure your kind invitation to join in the Testimonial Dinner to be given on Monday evening, July twenty-eighth, in honor of the five Republican Senators who are retiring at the close of the present session.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D. D. E.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

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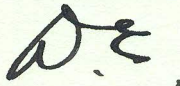
July 24, 1958

Dear Styles:

You know, I am sure, that I was very pleased by the final outcome on the space bill, and I am well aware of your hard work in behalf of the legislation. I want merely to say that you have my personal thanks for your efforts and my congratulations on an excellent job.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON


July 31, 1958

Dear Styles:

It occurred to me that you might wish to have the attached memento, which is one of the pens used in signing H. R. 12575, the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958. With it goes my deep appreciation for your effective help on this measure as well as on a number of other key legislative efforts we have undertaken this year.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 1, 1958

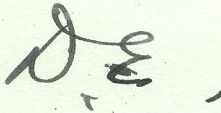
Dear Styles:

Thank you for your July thirtieth letter and enclosure in support of Mr. George H. E. Smith for appointment to the Civil Service Commission.

I was glad of the opportunity to discuss this matter with you on the telephone this morning and to give you the gist of my thoughts on the selection of an individual for this important post. As I told you then, I will gladly give consideration to your endorsement of Mr. Smith, and appreciate the information you furnished me about his ability and qualifications for this assignment.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON


August 5, 1958

Dear Styles:

Thank you for your telegram about the bill to provide a method for regulating and fixing wage rates for employees of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Naval Shipyard. After extended consideration, I felt that I had no choice but to veto the legislation. I did, however, at the same time direct the Secretary of the Navy to make a complete review of this matter and to make such adjustments in wage rates as his review indicated were warranted. This review will be expedited in every way.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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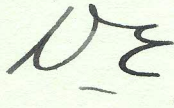
August 18, 1958

Dear Styles:

Many thanks for your letter of August thirteenth, signed also by Senator Cotton, concerning H. R. 4804, for the relief of the Newington School District, New Hampshire. I appreciate your writing me about this bill, and I will certainly carefully consider your views when the legislation comes before me for action.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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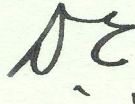
October 2, 1958

Dear Styles:

I am glad to have your statement on the Formosa Strait situation and greatly appreciate your outspoken support of our position in respect to this area. As you say, the issue here is of greater significance than simply defending the islands of Quemoy and Matsu; this the Communists know quite as well as we do. Thank you both for your helpful support and for sending your statement to me.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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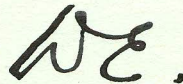
December 17, 1958.

Dear Styles:

The Attorney General has in hand the matter of giving an opinion on the railroad bonds. He will confer with Secretary Strauss and, if necessary, with the ICC. I told him that if there was any difficulty he should again bring it to my attention.

I have an appointment with the Attorney General at eleven o'clock this morning to talk about Judge Kaufmann.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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January 13, 1959

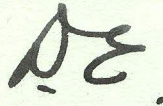
Dear Styles:

In view of our many conversations about the American Pavilion, I think you will be interested in the following editorial from Le Soir:

"As for the United States, one might have believed that it would present itself again as pioneers of the new world, as daring technicians, covering a continent with railways, highways, bridges and skyscrapers. It is manifest that this concept of America is beginning to be outmoded. The American people are no longer in the fullness of youth. They have reached adulthood. They are devoting themselves to the hope of discovering a civilization less charged with pain and suffering, turning anew towards culture and the joy of living, a civilization which has already acquired a taste for self-criticism. The American Pavilion of today is one about which the city of Paris might once have dreamed."

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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February 13, 1959

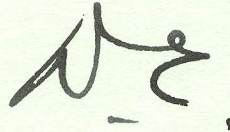
Dear Styles:

I noted your very nice comments of February 6 on the Senate Floor in respect to my artistic penchants. This was very thoughtful, and I thank you most sincerely for it. Incidentally, I assure you that if any professional artist were to be accused of complicity in the production of one of my so-called paintings, he'd have every right to take drastic action to clear up the slur on his reputation.

I look forward to another quiet -- and private -- breakfast with you before long.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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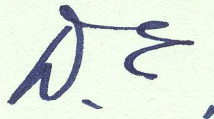
April 9, 1959

Dear Styles:

I appreciate a great deal your April second letter as well as your remarks in the Senate on Berlin and the proposed summit meeting. Not only are your expressions of personal support heartening to me and, of course, helpful generally in this developing situation, but they also fit right into the attempts I have been making -- to acquaint the public with the complex nature of the problems facing us and the necessity of our attitudes and actions.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. E.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 14, 1959

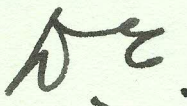
Dear Styles:

Thank you for your thoughtful note of April ninth. I appreciate your comments, and I am glad to hear of the strong support you found at home for our efforts here.

You know, it is very encouraging to me to realize how deeply Americans have come to recognize the nature of the Communist threat to freedom. This is certainly reflected in the public's understanding and approval of our position with respect to Berlin. I might add here, as I have told you before, your own efforts in this regard have been most helpful to the Nation and to me.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D. E.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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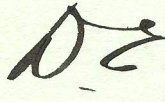
Augusta,
April 18, 1959.

Dear Styles:

I tried to get you on the telephone last evening to tell you how much I appreciated the valiant work you did to get through the Senate Appropriations Committee a recommendation for two hundred million dollars in new money for the Development Loan Fund. You know how important a measure I consider this -- and therefore I am certain you realize the extent of my extent of my gratitude to you for your loyal and effective support and help.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D.C.

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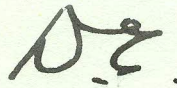
May 19, 1959

Dear Styles:

I am deeply distressed to learn of the misfortunes you have lately experienced. I know, respecting your brother, only of press items asserting that he is missing, which items I profoundly hope will prove to be in error. And, of course, I am most anxious that your current eye difficulties quickly pass away, both on your own account and because your solid judgment is always needed here on the many issues before us all.

You have my heartfelt sympathy, together with my prayerful hope that your brother will be found alive and well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D. E.", with a stylized flourish.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senator
233 Eastman Street
Concord, New Hampshire

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WASHINGTON

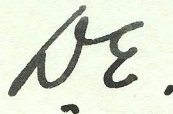
June 19, 1959

Dear Styles:

I am gratified that by your vote on the confirmation of Lewis Strauss you recognized in him those qualities of character, loyalty and ability that I have so much admired. In this contest I feel that you were not only a strong and devoted Republican, you were typifying citizenship at its best.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D.E." with a small dot below the "E".

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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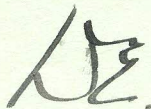
Gettysburg
August 13, 1959

Dear Styles:

For the Administration as a whole, as well as for myself, I want to say that your vote on the housing veto was gratifying indeed. It was particularly pleasing to me to note the cohesion on this issue among Republicans in the Senate.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "LBJ", with a small dot below the final letter.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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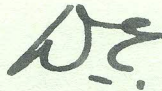
September 23, 1959

Dear Styles:

I appreciate having the September 14th letter you and your colleagues sent to me concerning import controls on residual fuel oil. I hope you will convey to the other members of the New England Senatorial delegation my awareness of their interest in this problem. It is again undergoing review and you will have a full report on it as soon as possible.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D.E.", likely representing Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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September 30, 1959

Dear Styles:

I recognize the concern which you and the other members of the New England Senatorial Delegation hold with respect to the restrictions on the importation of residual fuel oil.

My Proclamation 3279, adjusting imports of petroleum and petroleum products into the United States, was issued pursuant to a finding by the Director of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization that impairment of our national security was threatened by these imports. The Proclamation fixed the level of residual fuel oil imports at the 1957 level, which was also approximately the 1958 level. Subsequently, in June of this year, imports of residual fuel oil into Districts I-IV were adjusted upwards to about five percent above the 1957 level.

I am informed that with the adjustment made in June, there is nothing to indicate that supply will not be adequate to meet demand in New England this winter. During the last six months of this year 66,873,512 barrels of residual fuel oil to be used as fuel will be allowed for import, and as of September 49,335,194 barrels remained unimported in Districts I-IV.

I wish to assure you, and I hope you will advise those who joined with you in your letter, that the residual fuel oil situation is being kept under constant surveillance.

Warmest regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 9, 1960

Dear Styles:

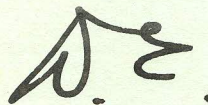
I appreciate your February fifth thoughts concerning renegotiation of the wool fabric tariff provisions. You understand, I am sure, that the issues involved cannot properly be decided until the Tariff Commission submits its "peril point" report which is a statutory prerequisite to tariff negotiations. Additionally there will be the record of presentations to the Commission by various interested people, including the domestic fabric manufacturers. All will, of course, have the most full and careful consideration.

For its part, the Administration has, as you indicated, demonstrated its concern for the welfare of the domestic industry. This was reflected, for example, in the invocation of the Geneva Wool Fabric Reservation. You may be sure that this concern is a continuing one.

I trust you will convey this message to your colleagues who joined you in writing to me about this matter.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "J. E. H.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Augusta

April 15, 1960

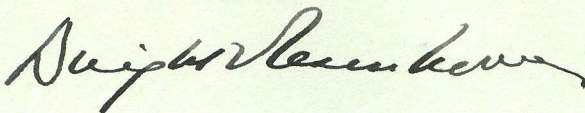
Dear Styles:

Thank you for your letter of April twelfth endorsing Clinton M. Hester for appointment as a member on the James Madison Memorial Commission.

It is indeed good of you to let me know of your high regard for Mr. Hester and I shall certainly be happy to give him every consideration.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dwight D. Eisenhower", written in a cursive style.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 6, 1960

PERSONAL

Dear Styles:

I want to express emphatically, my gratification that you felt it proper and in the best interests of our nation to support my veto of the recent Federal pay legislation. I know that you share my conviction that through the failure to sustain the veto the nation has been saddled with an additional, and largely unjustified, annual expenditure of eight hundred million dollars. And I want to tell you that although we were overridden this fact does not in the least detract from the value of your example of courageous statesmanship.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 19, 1960.

Dear Styles:

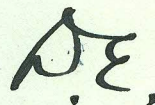
I just tried to telephone you but found that you were on the floor, and in these hectic days it is just possible that even a short absence from a session might be harmful.

My purpose was merely to tell you of my delight in receiving your message that the Appropriations Committee had restored everything in the mutual security bill except two hundred million for military assistance.

I know that you were an influential factor in bringing this about, and I assure you of my personal and official gratitude.

With warm regard,

As ever,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be the initials 'D.E.' with a flourish underneath.

The Honorable Styles Bridges,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
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December 28, 1960

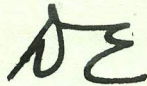
Dear Styles:

I welcome your December 22 letter, both for its motivation and its content. I had ignored the NEWSWEEK story, having long ago learned not to believe such material until the principals involved verify it. Your public statement about the story pleases me a great deal.

I look forward to our breakfast on January 5, at which time we can discuss this and related matters. Mamie and I most earnestly hope that you are feeling much better and will return to Washington spiritually and physically recharged and all set for the difficult time ahead.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. Edgar Hoover' in a stylized, cursive script.

The Honorable Styles Bridges
United States Senator
18 School Street
Concord, New Hampshire