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Dear Raphaela,

I'll let this wait until I get the next batch. I've received through 742, for which many thanks.

In going over some old record for something else I saw this that may interest you. Making copies for my sisters I made one for you.

The Captain James Roosevelt referred to is FDR's son Jimmy.

He was then in an agency that was succeeded by the OSS.

What I took him was for his father, the President. And as I'd hoped, FDR made good use of it. He used it in one of his remarkable and much-loved "fireside chats".

What I took him was the plans for a pro-Nazi push in Chile by the Hitlerite pro-Franco Falange in that country. That was just before Pearl Harbor.

I was then the Washington correspondent of Click, then the third largest picture magazine. It had someone in Chile who feared mailing what he had because the Falange controlled the Post Office there. I arranged through a friend of the time who was an undersecretary of State, for Latin America, for that information to come up in the diplomatic pouch. I also gave it, after I got it, to another friend who was then the assistant attorney general of the United States in charge of the criminal division.

Then I sent it to the magazine. Which did do a story.

David Bruce was later an ambassador. I am fuzzy on the details of a murder in which he was somehow involved years later.

In private life earlier and later Cuneo was a lawyer.

The President had only the year before made a fireside chat about what the Nazis were up to in Latin America and these two spooks had no notion of it from these records!

Of course nobody knows about it now and I doubt that more than a few in the country can remember anything at all about that speech.

Best wishes,



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INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Ernest Cuneo
FROM: David Bruce
SUBJECT:

DATE: October 24, 1942

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A Mr. Harold Weisburg had left, last autumn or winter, certain papers with Captain James Roosevelt that apparently were loaned by him to Captain Roosevelt and certain of them had been returned to him prior to Captain Roosevelt's departure for the Pacific.

On October 12, 1942, Mr. Weisburg asked for the return of the rest of his papers. They were located in the office of Mr. Wallace D. Phillips, formerly an employee of the OSS in the Apex Building--Mr. Phillips at the time being in London--and were returned to Mr. Weisburg.

As far as I can ascertain, no one now in this Branch has ever met Mr. Weisburg, had any dealings with him, had access to his papers or knows what they contain.

David Bruce

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