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Miss Sandra Lee Boykin Smith, I  
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Dear Miss Sandra Lee:

I surely did thrill when I heard your melodious voice come floating over the air from way down on that beautiful river to way up here on this beautiful river - the Potomac - the other night. How did you know I was sick? I wasn't sick -- I was just short of breath, you know, and I have to talk a good deal. As a matter of fact, I have been writing since four o'clock this morning on the old dictaphone out here at the hospital. I had a little accident in the London Airport, when we were making a little trip around the world, but I have covered that pretty well in Boykin's letter.

Now, take care of yourself, and I want to arrange for you to come down to the "FRANK BOYKIN DAY" celebration. We can get you a plane ticket, if you can get off. They will give all the Boykins a free ticket, and they cost \$25.00 apiece. I didn't know that when I talked to Ocllo, but Frances told me about it last night. You will note from my letter to Boykin or Ocllo that Frances is leaving on a wonderful cruise tomorrow. Won't that be heavenly? Two long weeks out in the blue Caribbean Sea, where "Everything is made for love". Everybody fell in love with her up here. She had on the prettiest yellow dress you ever saw, and these doctors said they thought she was the most lovable person they had ever seen; and she is, too.

So, I won't write you much, because I will expect to see you then, and I have covered everything pretty well in Boykin's letter and in Ocllo's letter. Write him; he needs encouragement; he is spoiled badly, but we will get him out of it as he grows older. He is pretty nearly grown now; as a matter of fact, all of you are. By the way, Frances sold her house, and she is going to buy one at Spring Hill. She gave me a lot of information and talked about Robby, who really did make a great hit up here; and she talked about Browder, too; but I won't tell you about that.

Anyway, Honey, we will be seeing you, and I hope you can get off. The dinner is on the 18th of October. As I say, I expect to get out of here tomorrow, and then I've got to kind of step around and get everything straight, and then we will be coming home.

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Your letter was very wonderful, and all of us loved it; but you mean you are not going to let me go to but two of your dances? I want to go to a hundred. What's the matter with you? These Hawaiian trips down in the South Seas made you lazy. Anyway, we are very proud of what you did up there in Tuscaloosa. We have always been proud of you, and always will be. You help Boykin, too, because he is at an age where he needs a little help and advice, and I think he would appreciate getting letters from you, from Ocllo and from all of us.

Now, I am enclosing you some check, because you will need a little help, since you are going in for this debutante business in Mobile. I am enclosing you some checks that I hope will help.

Mother is taking good care of me, as always, and she joins me in love to you and all of your friends up there and all of your family.

May God bless, help and keep you, now and forever.

Devotedly - Papa,

Frank W. Boykin  
Member of Congress

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