I have taken the liberty of describing my experience to you because I felt you would be interested in such a graphic, typical first hand report. It occurred to me yesterday that perhaps you would consider making a flying tour of some of the more important and typical of the defense plants — not General Motors plants altogether, of course, but a cross section of such plants of several companies. I particularly would like for you to see our Allison Engine plant at Indianapolis and perhaps the machine gun plant I have described.

It seems to me that, properly arranged, such a trip for you at this time would be a great factor in describing and clarifying to the people everywhere what is being done and how it is being done. Hearing it from you would do more to hearten them than any single thing I can think of.

As I sat in the Club car waiting for the train to start for here a few nights ago, some one startled me by rapping on the window. I looked up and saw George Bye's cheery face.

I hope you are well and that sometime before long I will have the pleasure of seeing you again. I am returning to New York in a few days.

Devotedly

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