

Lucy W. Summers from George Summers, July 5, 1920  
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Monday July 5, 1920.

Dear Mother,

I am just about to start  
out for what I hope will be the final  
session of the convention<sup>1</sup>, for I am  
tired of it all. I had expected to be  
nearing the Yosemite Valley by  
this time, having tickets to leave  
here Sunday night. I exchanged  
these for tickets leaving here  
Tuesday night but am not  
sure yet the Yosemite Valley hotel  
can accommodate me or  
the new schedule. I have  
leave from Theo, and expect  
to stop off at his home on the  
way from the Yosemite Valley

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<sup>1</sup> The 1920 San Francisco Convention was the Democratic National Convention, a historic event where James M. Cox was nominated for president and Franklin D. Roosevelt was nominated for vice president. This convention was the first any major party held west of the Rockies and the first national election where women could vote nationwide under the 19th Amendment.

to Los Angeles. The Congressional  
party sails from here at noon  
today for China and Japan,

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but all on board who are not  
actually in government  
services have their own way  
to pay. I met Congressman  
Harry Woodyard<sup>2</sup> and his  
wife on the street yesterday.

They are in the party for  
China. I met Mrs. Miller,  
a sister of the late Mrs.  
Vandervort of Parkersburg.

She is living here. I used to see her in  
Parkersburg. It seems  
that Parkersburg people  
must all leave home  
for I meet them every-  
where I go. At Los Angeles

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<sup>2</sup> Harry Woodyard (1867-1929) a Roane County, West Virginia native & a Republican, served in the US House of Representatives. His wife was Emma Douglas Woodyard.

there is quite a colony  
of them. I have two invi-  
tations to visit in Los  
Angeles, in each case  
both husband and wife

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having written me to come.  
San Francisco is not a  
complete sample of California  
But so far as I can judge  
from it I like the state.  
They tell me Los Angeles  
is better and I will like  
it better than San Francisco.  
Any way the West has it on  
the East in many ways.  
I must get on out to the  
convention and see what  
it proposes to do.  
Love to all  
George.