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Mr. Frank Fuller
Associated Press
Richmond Newspapers Building
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Frank:

We have been absolutely so rushed here with getting elephants, trying to locate Bing Crosby (to lead the California delegation at the convention parade) and other things that I am turning in a horribly rotten job as a supplement to the background material on the convention which you said you already have.

In writing your story, if any student names are to be mentioned, only one is important: Beverly Fitzpatrick, senior law student from Roanoke, is convention chairman. It's been reported so far that Fred Vinson was the boy. Vinson is serving as Republican National Chairman but Fitzpatrick is the head man and deserves all the credit if there is any to be given.

A poorly done memo and some attachments are enclosed. I hope that between these and what's on hand there you will have sufficient background material.

Since the Honorable Clarence Brown, the convention keynote speaker, will not arrive until just before convention time, we shall try to stall the news men's "outing" until dinner time Tuesday, instead of the luncheon we discussed.

Really are looking forward to your being with us.

Sincerely,

Lea Booth

Enclosures

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