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Mrs. R. R. Thompson
1424 South Utica
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Friend:

I have your letter of April 8th, and cannot refrain from answering it promptly. It has back of it such an entirely different tone and tenor from your former one.

I certainly am glad that you are getting reasonably well located so far as living quarters are concerned, and that you are so optimistic about the new business venture. I am sure that the Lord takes care of those who try to take care of themselves, as you have always done. Keep up your faith and courage and optimism, and one who does that cannot lose permanently. Our losses are only temporary and we can retrieve them by keeping a stiff upper lip and defying the world.

Thanks for the many complimentary things you said about me, and give my best regards to Mr. Thompson and Bill, and don't forget that I am counting upon all of you as my very good friends in the months and years to come.

With kindest regards to our many mutual friends, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M. C.

P. S. Thanks for the clippings.

GS:LW

1424 South Utica,
Tulsa, Oklahoma,
April 8, 1946

Congressman George B. Schwabe,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Schwabe:

What a wonderful letter from you today --- and how I needed and appreciate it!

Everything you say about our present majority Administration and OPA in Washington is true. That was really what I was trying to say in my letter of panic to you and Senator Moore. The panic is now gone and one of my friends has come to our rescue with a small five room house on South Quaker --- in terrible condition and location, but I am thanking God for it as if it were a palace. And truly, Congressman Schwabe, I am as humbly grateful for it as if it were a mansion. It will serve our needs until we can elect Governor Flynn, as we re-elected a full Republican administration in Tulsa last week --- and then in '48, we can vote in a Republican President and get back to Americanism again.

One point I wish to clear --- we sold our home in 1942. Not for these inflated profits, because it has sold twice since then with from 1500 to 2000 profit each time. We cleared only enough on the sale of our home to pay off debts that were worrying us, which had piled up during the first years of Mr. Thompson's retirement and were accumulated doctor bills in our attempt to save his sight. So I don't regret the sale of our home. We really shouldn't have sold it --- but we did even the board and clear ourselves completely of debts.

Now we are going to town with our new business. We open our new store across from St. John's May 1st and it is going to be the finest appliance and radio store in Tulsa. I see young George and his wife quite often --- they live near our store. He is such a fine young man and often drops in to chat with me about the progress of our business and I appreciate his interest very, very much.

I also appreciated your grand letter today --- sorry I got so panicky, but have been carrying a heavy load for the past ten years and do get panicky where my family is concerned (as what mother don't), but am thanking the Lord tonight for friends that have salvaged a house for us and friends like you who take time out to talk sense when sense is needed.

Enclosed some clippings you will find interesting. Also, Bill wants me to be sure and tell you that he cast his first vote last week in the city election and that he voted the straight Republican ticket, hoping for more men like you and Senator Moore in office. Of course, Mr. T. always votes the straight Republican ticket --- he is a Penn. Republican from way back. They asked me to tell you this.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs R.R. Thompson