

10:45 P. M. Monday Night, March 16

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This morning I called Miss Downs to ask her to wish the Secretary a happy birthday for you and me (he was not there on Sunday the fifteenth), and imagine my surprise when she suggested that I talk to the Secretary himself!! He seemed very pleased and asked about you. Mrs. Ickes has not answered my call, but I shall not be outdone and shall simply drop her a little note tomorrow.

I am attaching the return ticket from Los Angeles to California. Note that it expires on March 29. You just got word here in time! I was going to cash it in today, and am so glad I delayed. Note also my signature. Perhaps it will be acceptable to just cut the "s" off of "Mrs."??

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L.B.

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