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in for as many experiments as we have. I may be mistaken, as these are very difficult matters to judge. I do not wish to be understood, in relation to our own country, as either saying or believing that we cannot cope with whatever crisis comes. I think we both can and will, but I should prefer that the people would retain their confidence in the President, and I realize that if he is to retain their confidence, it must be through accomplished results. If unemployment has decreased forty per cent, as he believes, that certainly is a result, and one which before long will commence to bring about other results, through increased purchasing power.

I realize that I, not being in public office, can speak much more frankly than you can, who not only are in office, but hold a position of leadership in the party in power. Nevertheless, I would greatly appreciate a few words relative to the Canadian situation, not only because of the interest which all thinking Americans have in Canada, but because of the realization that the happenings in one country and the rate in progress in recovering from the depression necessarily affects the other, although ~~equally~~, of course, in different degrees.

In Chicago, last Saturday, I talked with your friend, C. P. Megan, and told him that I intended writing you, and he asked to be remembered to you.

With personal regards,

Very truly yours,



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