February 17, 1944.

Dear Governor Lehman:

In following up on Walter Brown, I wrote a little note to Jim Mahoney to ask him if he could tell me what he thought about Walter's condition before the President made any effort to get him placed. I have just had an answer from Jim, in which he says that Walter has suffered a physical setback and is prone to stay very much by himself. Jim invited him to go over to his house and he said no.

Jim also tells me that Walter has lost weight -- and of course you know he could hardly afford to lose any weight. Jim feels that a change of environment might help, but he also feels that at the present time he is in a rather serious state in mind and body. I thought you would want to know this.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Lehman,

Always sincerely,

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