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Dear Governor:

I am sort of ashamed to write you this letter and in a way I hope you will say, NO, and then I won't have to worry about asking you to consider helping me out.

The FDR library was pleased to have me write my experiences of helping Roosevelt, and the FDR Foundation bore the burden
of typing Volume I of my "Aids to The Sud" and it is in the library. I am proud to say that Prof. Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. wrote me that he had read the MSS with "interest, pleasure, and profit."

The second Volume has been put in shape for the final typing. In fact it was finished last April and in the hands of the F.D.R. Foundation. But apparently that organization is hibernating during this Cold War. It took me three months even to rescue it—for I feared that it might be lost entirely and I never
Would have the energy or spirit to undertake rewriting it.

Volume II is 250 pages of type writing. I have promised Wellesley College and Radcliffe a carbon copy. My old stenographer has estimated that it would cost $150 to put it in shape for binding those three copies.

Schlesinger says that historians will welcome it, but to my mind it is not right for the general public and I preferred not to try to write a popular book and to...
try to get it published. The record
is what interests me.

If this seems a worthy cause
I should be very happy but I know
you are feet deep under similar
suggestions and really and truly
I would understand a similar
No.

Sincerely yours,

Mary W. Grewen