



ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

of the

TENNESSEE RIVER VALLEY, INC.

September 19, 1936.

Hon. R. H. Walker
Athens, Alabama

My dear Mr. Walker:

On Wednesday, September 30, 1936, 7:30 P. M., at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel, in Birmingham, Alabama, there will be held a banquet and meeting in behalf of the Roosevelt Memorial Association of the Tennessee River Valley, at which your presence is of the utmost importance.

By all means let us have your photograph immediately, and let nothing on your itinerary prevent your presence on this occasion, and, if possible, bring your publicity director with you.

This banquet is being given by, and at the expense of, the Jefferson County Committee, who will act as host to the various other chairmen and publicity directors on this occasion, and you are to be an important guest at this event.

Your Governor, United States Congressman, and other notables, including the Governor of Tennessee, will be present at this meeting, at which arrangements and plans will be made to begin our drive on October 1st, 1936, for funds for this proposed hospital, and a similar meeting will be held in a short while in Montgomery, Alabama, for the south Alabama counties.

You have consented to associate yourself, and to assume the leadership of your county, with the greatest undertaking that has ever taken place, not only in the State of Alabama, but in the history of the world. No greater genius than that of Franklin D. Roosevelt has won and deserved the recognition and honor of his people since Draco wrote the Athenian Laws in blood, and the Lacedemonian Mothers taught their children to triumph over their enemies or die.

Please let the sentiments and expressions manifested in your letter of acceptance of the chairmanship of your county addressed to me, express and assert itself by your certain attendance and participation in this meeting, which is designed to bring to fruition and realization the crowning success of the Roosevelt Memorial Association, by making it possible to break foundation for the erection of the proposed hospital at LaGrange Mountain for the treatment of crippled children immediately after the presidential election, and dedicate same to the greatest living humanitarian of the age.

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Please keep an account of all expenses incurred by you in connection with this movement, as you will be reimbursed as to same out of the collections.

Kindly notify us immediately of your acceptance of this invitation, and allow nothing to prevent your presence on this momentous occasion.

Most cordially yours

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DIRECTOR GENERAL.