

221
Wednesday -

Metropolitan Club
Washington, D. C.

Jan. 10

Dear friend -

I have been very literally
speaking every hour of the day until
late evening every day since my arrival.
The problems I came on are very complex
and very difficult but I think I have
been on the whole successful in
working out solutions. I could not tell
until this evening when I was set
away but the Secretary told me
this afternoon that he was going
and sign my instructions Sunday
morning. This means we shall be

busy until then getting everything
 ready, & I leave on the early
 afternoon train Sunday for Miami
 as as to be in Holoma Tuesday
 morning for a meeting there
 where we hope to settle the
 matter from the Cuban end.

The only question now being settled
 is the matter of a sugar arrange-
 ment - the question of a direct
 loan to Cuba remains in
 abeyance.

I had hoped to get to New York
 before leaving, & see you.

here, but I can make no plans until today. I
 shall not soon be able to go to see our friends
 in Wilmington - whom I haven't seen - as I have to
 be in Boston Tuesday of next week.

It is very possible that I shall have to
 come out again very soon when I hope to stay
 longer & be less occupied.

I have seen a number of people in the

Treasury & was able to
 secure that the whole trouble
 there is that that feel they
 can't give what they call
 "exceptional" treatment for fear
 of precedent and because they
 have so many really difficult
 problems. All spoke of you in
 the highest terms, their admi-
 ration of you & your achieve-
 ments, etc. They expressed
 the desire to be as helpful
 as is at all possible. /

5

(221)

Metropolitan Club
Washington, D. C.

would suggest that the next
time you go to Washington you
call Mr. Mark Cochran in
the Treasury, who is one of the
advisors of Secretary Mendenhall.
He has had long and wide
experience in Europe and has the
background, & practical know-
ledge to appreciate the problems
you have in mind. He has a
close knowledge of you in Europe for

but says he has never had the
 pleasure of knowing you in person.
 You will find him a very
 capable man and I feel that
 he can be successful. He
 said he would be glad to
 see you any time you are
 here in the city.

I will write you more at
 length when I return to
 Cuba. This is just a few
 words to tell you about

7

Mr. Mark Cochran & to tell you how sorry I
was not to have been able to see you again
in New York before leaving. This is a strange
world in which we live but I am never
tired of the future.

All good wishes to you & Mrs. Kennamer &
the family - Truly yours,

Wm. L. Kennamer