

28 May 1890, Oakland. I saw yesterday, 2192. David Ogden.

2/7/90.

Dear Benji,

I read the book with great interest and great pleasure. You paint the portrait of Robert with sympathy and accuracy. I remember that on my trip with him in Kentucky he showed courtesy to all and was always greeted respectfully by the many people who greeted him.

You wrote about Colonel Dr. Lewis and also correct and appropriately stated. The Colonel treated Robert wonderfully and, I believe, was most concerned about the incident of the man who fell from the seventh floor. He had sadness in his own life because of his son, and it is a mark of your insight as a writer that you mention this.

Robert once said to me that the hills would not help the P.A.C. in its struggle for freedom, but that they would be protected as citizens when power was won. I wonder what he would have said today.

Good wishes to Anne and Gus from Benji and me.

Sincerely,

Jack Whitehall

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