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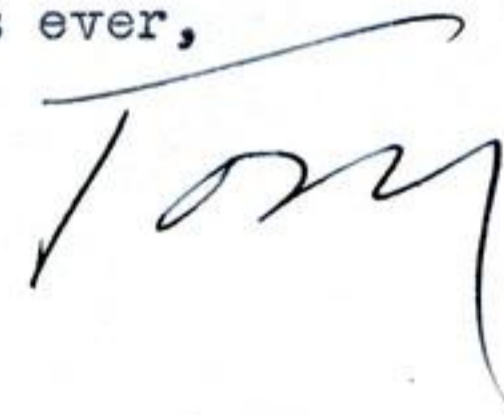
Dear Fred:

I don't know whether it is congratulations or condolences that you are in line for, but anyway it is a big honor which comes to few, and I certainly want to be one to wish you well. The only thing is, for God's sake don't take it too seriously and ruin your health as many have done before. You know that damned job killed Starr and Dean and some more of them.

I would have sent you a wire last week, but I imagined you were up at Belmont to see the horse race. I was certainly tickled for Mr. Wright's sake. As you will remember, we saw him the time Ruth was with me, and he was such a gentleman and his wife was so nice, that I certainly am happy for their sakes that they have one of the "big time" horses.

With kindest regards to yourself and Edith and all the young folks,

As ever,



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