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Monday, September 10

Dear Ward Leader:

You certainly did better in yours than most any other. I'm sorry the postmaster-ship at Oxford (or the University) is not open. ~~If~~

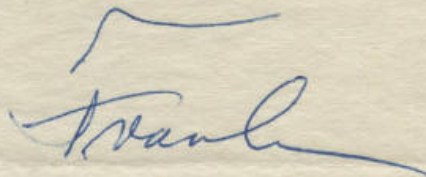
We have bought a house in Knoxville (or at least applied for the loan). It is very roomy and nice, and at least I can make payments for nine years. You will have to come up very often, introduce me to the history faculty at ULT., etc.

Getting adjusted to the new life will be quite something. It may not be as different as it seems. Right now I feel very good about it all....The TVA work will be as hard as I want it to be.

I have one legacy of the campaign bothering me right now. I didn't have any aches or pains until the Sunday before election. I've finally traced the cause of those which developed to some sort of kidney infection, which I am trying to get cured or stopped or what not before I leave socialized medicine for socialized power.

The leave-taking is dependent upon when Congress adjourns. We thought about working up a trip to Spain in October before resigning, but it would cost too much in addition to offering more delay in moving to TVA. Unless the picture changes, I will resign in early October, and depart immediately for Knoxville.

You-all plan to come up there for a week-end as soon as possible.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end.