MEMORANDUM:

The people of Portland are very anxious to get back the Oswan Island. Their idea is to have the Government cancel the leases and let the Government have the rents for the next four years, less upkeep. This would give Portland an opportunity to start on a long-time program.

In connection with the catastrophe here in Portland, it is extremely important that immediate assistance be available. Congress has appropriated $10,000,000 – that is good. We certainly will need much more to any way compensate for loss. However, there is one important thing that I would like to call to the President’s attention which is not a matter of charity or expense, and that is this:

It is my understanding that there is some $20,000,000 available money for catastrophes throughout the entire United States allotted to the N.Y.C. As this Bureau is completely set up in working order, it would seem extremely important that at least $100,000,000 more be made available through that source so it could be borrowed by legitimate borrowers, where, in many cases, they can rehabilitate themselves with a regular loan. I have discussed this matter with Frank Belgrano and other officers of the First National Bank here and I know I am on sound ground in making this recommendation.

Cordially and Sincerely,

LEW WALLACE
Democratic National Committeeman for Oregon.
MEMORANDUM:

I think it extremely important that the President send a wire in answer to this letter, Friday evening. I am sure that it will be appreciated very much by the veterans. Will you please see that this is done as it will be impossible, of course, for him to attend at Roseburg.

Sincerely,

Law Wallace

June 10, 1948
The Disabled American Veterans of the World Wars

CHAPTER 10
KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON
799 California Avenue
June 8, 1948

Law Wallace
201 Terminal Sales Building
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Wallace:

In representing the forty thousand disabled veterans of Oregon, we would like very much to show our appreciation to our President, Harry S. Truman, for his fine support of our program and the needs of the disabled veterans.

The recent signing of the bill to take over the Camp White Hospital was an added service to those we represent.

The Disabled American Veterans of Oregon are meeting in convention at Roseburg on June 10th-17th. This is the only veteran convention in the Western States while the President is on this coast. We would be deeply honored if we could have the opportunity of expressing our appreciation to him at any hour of any of those days, if he can find a few minutes open on his hurried itinerary.

We want our expression of high appreciation sent to him. Will you see that he receives our message?

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

H. H. "Jack" Lemmer
District Commander
District #6

P.S. Law: I will be at the Rose Hotel, Roseburg on above dates. [Signature]