



O t t a w a  
January 23, 1956

Mr. Thomas H. Raddall,  
Liverpool,  
Nova Scotia

Dear Tom -

As I intimated to you before I left for Ottawa that I would make enquiries regarding a room for you, during your stay in Ottawa sometime this winter - there is a small Hotel the "Bytown Inn", at which a room may be available at the time you would be here. The rates are \$3.00 to \$3.50 per day.

The "Bytown Inn" is an old Hotel. It has small rooms without bath, but it is a nice place and has an excellent dining room, where meals can be secured at relatively low cost. I might say "Tammy" Kirk of Yarmouth stayed at this Hotel during his first Session in Ottawa. If you would interested in this type of accommodation I would be glad to try and secure a reservation for you.

There is also, a register of accommodations kept by the Staff of the House of Commons, which contains the names and addresses of homes who have rooms available for Members and Senators. I note that these rooms are rented for \$40.00 to \$50.00 per month. This register is apparently kept up to date and if you would prefer this kind of accommodation I know that you could find something suitable on your arrival in Ottawa. I would be glad to make more detailed enquiries for you at any time.

The other evening Randolph Lusby, the Member from Cumberland, told me something that may be of interest to you. As you perhaps know, he is a brother of Tom Lusby, with whom you went on a trip down South a year or so ago. The Lusbys had a trip last year, covering some of the same ground as you did and spoke to me particularly

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about the kindness and interest shown in them by Fred Hill, who was in charge of the Mariner's Museum at Newport News. I thought you would be interested to know that Hill is now retired and lives at ~~Grand~~<sup>Great</sup> Village, Nova Scotia. If you are in that vicinity sometime you might like to call on him.

Beth joins me in sending the Raddalls very best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Donald Smith



EARNSCLIFFE

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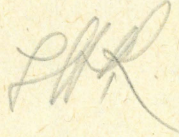
Dear Don,

Thanks for your very kind letter. I'm still slugging away at a mass of material which I've been able to gather here, and there will be no need of a trip to Ottawa in the immediate future. When the time comes I'll trespass on your good nature no further than to ask you to reserve a room for me at the Bytown or in some private home reasonably near the Archives.

Now that the floods have subsided life is normal in these parts, with just enough snow to whiten the ground and just enough ice on the smaller ponds to furnish the kids with skating. Yesterday there wasn't any snow at all, and I played golf at White Point.

E. joins me in good wishes to Beth and yourself.

Sincerely,



Senator Donald Smith

Ans'd  
Jan 20/51



Sat. a.m.

Dear Tom -

Last evening I saw  
a television program -  
"Graphic" - which, I believe,  
you would be interested in  
viewing when it is telecast  
probably on Friday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>,  
by the Halifax station.

"Graphic" is an interview  
program with people at home  
or at work and on this  
program one of those interviewed

was Thos. Costain, from  
his New York home. Costain  
made particular reference  
to the history series and  
was, of course most compli-  
mentary when referring to  
you and your volume.  
It seemed to me that the M.C.  
had difficulty in switching  
him off the subject.

I have been asked by  
a Mr. Mowat from Toronto  
who served with your father  
in France to give you his  
best regards when I next see  
you. I do so now. As you  
know he is a great admirer  
of your father as a soldier  
and a gentleman. Regards,  
Jon. S.