

Here we are back in Washington and I woke this morning to what ~~felt~~ ^{*Sounded*} like a real spring rain. The grass outside of my window looks green and though I suppose we will probably have a blizzard next week, at the moment I feel as though spring had really arrived.

I am having a very peaceful day. I drove my car a short distance this morning to pilot ~~some~~ friends of mine who are starting off for a vacation in Florida, ~~on the right road~~ ^{out of the city,} and I think that ~~that~~ ^{today} will be my only excursion out of the White House, for I have plenty of work to do ^{as yet} and found an accumulation of mail, and ~~am looking~~ ^{I hope by} ~~forward with joy to~~ ^{two or three days} an evening of reading.

I have been debating ^{for some time} a question which I debated ^{once or twice} with myself ~~rather frequently~~ ^{in my life} before. Usually I have decided differently from the way in which I am deciding now. The question is, if you belong to an organization and disapprove of an action which is typical of a policy, should you resign or is it better to work for a changed point of view within the organization? In the past when I was able to work actively in any organization to which I belonged, I have usually stayed in until I had at least made a fight and been defeated. ~~and~~ even then I have as a rule accepted my defeat and decided either that I was wrong or that I was perhaps a little too far ahead of the thinking of the majority at that time. I have often found that the thing in which I was interested was done some years later. But, in this case I belong to an organization in which I can do no active work. They have taken an action which has ^{been made} ~~brought~~ ^{out of} in the press. To remain as a member implies approval of that action, and therefore ~~I~~ ~~xxxx~~ I am resigning.

I have just seen some people who are arranging for the
Coronado Cuarto Centennial Celebration in New Mexico in 1940. It
seems of interest to you to celebrate the occasion. All the plans for this

