

\* WESTERN UNION \*

NIGHT LETTER

April 26, 1947

MRS. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT  
29 WASHINGTON SQUARE WEST  
NEW YORK CITY 11

MY DEAR MRS. ROOSEVELT: WE HAVE JUST FINISHED A FILM AT  
RKO CALLED "CROSSFIRE", WHICH I BELIEVE TO BE THE MOST  
DARING FILMS YET MADE ON THE SUBJECT OF RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE  
AND UNDERSTANDING. WE SHOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE PERMISSION  
TO USE PART OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH AS DELIVERED IN  
THE BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC NOVEMBER FIRST, 1940. THE  
BROADCASTING COMPANY WHICH RECORDED THIS SPEECH WILL NOT  
RELEASE ANY OF THIS FOR USE WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. I  
BELIEVE THAT OUR USE OF FOUR SENTENCES FROM THE SPEECH WOULD  
MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO WHAT I KNOW YOU STAND FOR, AND I  
SHOULD APPRECIATE SO MUCH YOUR PERMISSION TO USE IT. I SHALL  
BE IN NEW YORK SATURDAY, MAY THIRD, AND I WILL HAVE A ROUGH  
CUT OF THE PICTURE WITH ME. IF YOU SHOULD LIKE TO SEE THE  
FILM BEFORE GIVING YOUR PERMISSION, I CAN SHOW IT TO YOU ANY  
TIME AT YOUR CONVENIENCE. IF YOU WOULD PLEASE WIRE ME YOUR  
DESIRES IN THE MATTER, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT MORE THAN I CAN  
TELL YOU. MY EVERY GOOD WISH AND CONTINUED ADMIRATION.  
SINCERELY

DORE SCHARY

(CHARGE: DORE SCHARY  
RKO STUDIOS  
780 N. Gower St.  
L.A. 38  
Phone: HO 5911

*Algonquin 47822*

Dore Schary to Eleanor Roosevelt, April 26, 1947.  
Courtesy Dore Schary Papers, Wisconsin Historical Society.