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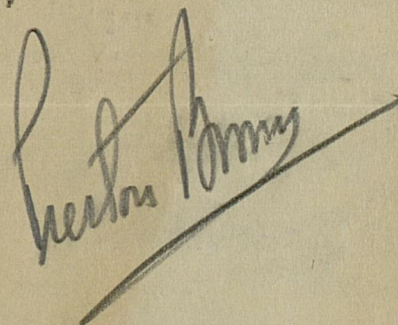
Dear Roger:

I had called up the office of the Chief of Infantry and talked with Colonel Sweeney about young Roger being ordered to Europe and we had started the order. Everything progressed finely until it went to the Chief of Staff who has held it up and announced a policy of not permitting officers who have returned from Germany, even on leave of absence, to return. It looks as if he intended to reduce the forces in view of Mr. Harding's declaration. I did find, however, that it might go through if General Allen asked for him. I suggest that you cable Allen and ask him to cable the War Department asking for young Roger as an aide. He can take him or not when he gets to Europe. That will reinforce us and I think the order will go through without a doubt. Let me hear what you have done about the matter and what Allen says.

I suppose you have just cast a perfectly good Republican vote.

Sincerely,

General Roger Williams,  
Lexington, Ky.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Herbert Thomas", is written over a diagonal line that extends from the bottom right towards the center of the page.