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Dear Avraham - Shalom:

This is the dream I had the night of Friday August 13---the beginning of the 9th day of AV:

Found myself in a room with Dewey who sat on a sofa with one of his closests aids. The discussion revolved around appointments and it appeared Dewey had this man in mind for secretary of State. They had taken me into their confidence. Dewey appeared happy and confident.

Suddenly Truman appeared from his office into the room where we sat---indicating that the place was the White House. He came right over to me with a stack of papers which he handed over to me. It seemed that the President had studied these papers, which happened to be mine (among them was an old album I had taken to Palestine and which contains friendly remarks from people in different parts of the world). As he handed me the papers, Truman asked me about my principleship at the Hebrew school. He wanted to know more details and he appeared anxious about my record. But the interesting phase of Truman's entry into the room was this: As Truman came in, I alone offered him my place where I was sitting. He sat down smiling. It now appeared that Dewey and his aide felt more and more uncomfortable. I now walked to another part of the room, some man whom I did not recognize made this strange remark: "If I were superstitious I would accept Truman's sitting in David's place as a sign as to where the wind is blowing regarding the White House's next occupant." It seemed to me that his statement pointed to some future activities on my part in Washington and that my work might be connected in some way with that which is going on in the White House. Dewey became gloomy and faded from the scene. And I awoke.

Later in the early dawn hours, I beheld a large assembly of Judah with all its leaders. Complete chaos reigned and the leaders tried to bring three factors together. Shertock appeared helpless. He said to me at one instance, You can take over if you want. I went to a mike to speak but somehow there was no connection. Then Stephen Wise asked me to take over his mike. This I did and I began to speak on the need of unity and that we all had one common goal in life, etc. etc. As I spoke on unity, a fanatical youth ran up to me and tried to cause a disturbance, but without avail..... And I awoke.

The above seems to be the gist of of my dreams in Missouri this year. Last year, too, I had a strange dream about Truman (in Missouri).

Am leaving for Talahassee today. Tour is going along fine. My very best to everyone.

As ever

