[illegible] you are asking untrained people to take over a job which requires experts to do it properly. By exposing all this material to the public you are also, of course, revealing methods of the FBI to certain people who should not know anything about these methods.

Q *One of my grandson's professors tells his classes that the Committee on Un-American Activities is ruining our reputation in the rest of the world. First, Mrs. Roosevelt, do you think there's any truth in this? Secondly, should a man be permitted to say such things in the classroom?*

Yes, I think this professor's statement is absolutely correct. As for his right to make the statement, if it is proper for an individual to hold opinions it seems to me proper for him to state them in the classroom, as long as they are not directed against the welfare of the country and do not advocate the overthrow of the government by force.

Q *If you had your choice of a Republican Senator to take McCarthy's place as chairman of the Senate Investigating Committee, who would it be?*

I would far prefer to see the Senate Investigating Committee done away with, and everything possible done to strengthen the FBI in its functions.

Q *Did the late President Roosevelt ever express to you any suspicion or alarm about Communists in the State Department?*

I don't remember my husband ever expressing suspicion about people in the State Department. If he were suspicious of anyone he would not have spoken to me but to Secretary Hull.

As for alarms, if my husband thought a situation was dangerous he immediately took the steps he considered necessary. He did not indulge in expressing alarms or fears.

stand that Communism is [illegible] despair and are working to prevent that kind of misery and despair from spreading in the world.

Q *If you were asked to testify publicly about a friend who had once been a member of the Communist party but was now a loyal American, and you knew such testimony would cost him his job, what would you do?*

Ordinarily if I knew a man had once been a Communist I would not hesitate to say so — and to add that I knew he was now a loyal citizen. But if I were dealing with such a hysterical situation that a statement of this kind would cost this man his chance to earn a living, and if I knew of no overriding reason for giving such testimony, I would refuse to give it.

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