On February 1, 1910, a subsidiary of the C & O Railroad, purchased the resort at White Sulphur Springs now known as the Greenbrier.

CSO: SS.8.24, SS.8.25, SS.8.26, VA.6-8.8, VA.6-8.9

Investigate the Document: (West Virginia State Archives, Postcard Collection)

Photo 1
1. Make some educated guesses about this photograph. When, would you guess, was this photograph taken? What led you to your deduction?

Photo 2
2. In August 1942, what type of patients do you believe the Ashford General Hospital housed? Discern what was happening during this time?

Photo 3
3. What features or objects can help you learn when this postcard was printed? Are there items such as clothing, hairstyles, or transportation modes that can provide clues to the year the card was produced?
4. What do you think was the purpose for printing this postcard?

Photo 4
5. Using your knowledge of the U.S. Government’s history with The Greenbrier, what do you presume this document is regarding? Who was the sender?

Think Critically: What railroad company purchased the resort property during the early-twentieth century and established the six-story luxury hotel along with additional amenities? Name two ways the U.S. government used The Greenbrier’s facilities to its benefit? How has The Greenbrier impacted tourism in West Virginia? What professional sports organization has hosted events at The Greenbrier, bringing prominent athletes, such as Tiger Woods?
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WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 28, 1936

Mr. Walter J. Tuchs, President
Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company
Terminal Tower
Cleveland 1, Ohio

Dear Mr. Tuchs:

This is to introduce Mr. J. George Stewart, Architect of the Capitol, who is calling upon you on matters of vital importance to the Congress of the United States.

We, the undersigned, representing the leadership of the United States Congress, will appreciate any cooperation you may give us.

Sincerely yours,

[Signatures]

Speaker of the House of Representatives
Majority Leader of the Senate

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