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Governor Lloyd C. Stark,  
Jefferson City, Missouri,

Dear Governor Stark:

Some of us lawyers have been working for the past few weeks in the interest of Judge Douglas' candidacy for the Supreme Court. We are meeting with a great deal of encouragement. We will, of course, have a hard fight with the Pendergast forces here. Only a short time ago Fred Canfil, custodian of the Court House in Kansas City, who has long been the contact man between the Pendergast organization in Kansas City and the Little Tammany forces in Greene County, was in Springfield. The purpose of his visit, of course, was to organize the Pendergast forces against Judge Douglas.

We find, however, that the people of this county are waking up to the fact that conditions here have been very similar to conditions in Kansas City, and it looks very much like a revolt has finally started which will bring about a much needed change.

We have called a meeting of democratic lawyers for this evening. At this meeting we intend to plan our campaign, arrange for our publicity and start work as an organized group. I am very happy to report to you that of all the democratic lawyers in Springfield who have been contacted (and they have practically all been contacted), only eight or ten have been found who are opposed to Judge Douglas. They, of course, are the ones who are aligned with the Pendergast organization.

I knew that you would be interested in learning the sentiment of the democratic

lawyers in Springfield. You will know that it is a matter of much gratification for me to be able to give you this information. I have been working hard for Judge Douglas, as have others of your friends here, and the results so far is very pleasing.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Chas. W. Dickey

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