

May 11, 1938

Governor Lloyd C. Stark  
Jefferson City  
Missouri

Dear Sir:

It is rumored here in Kansas City that you are forming a state organization. If that is the fact, I would like to state the conditions that existed in the Seventh Ward in the last city election.

Politically, I have been a Democrat all my life. I was a city fireman for ten years. A year ago the fifteenth of May, I was discharged for refusing to accept the 50% deduction in my salary. Since then I have not been employed. I have wife and child.

During the city election I was affiliated with the coalition party in charge of the precinct captains and workers of the Seventh Ward. I have lived in this ward twenty years and am well acquainted throughout the ward.

We made a very fine showing in the city election with what little organization we had, owing to the fact that our Seventh Ward Club was only opened five weeks before the city election.

The ward had a registration of approximately 13,500. There is more than a thousand eligible voters in the ward not registered. This 13,500 registered can be reduced by four or five hundred, if properly checked for correct addresses and elimination of pads. This, I assure you, will be taken care of just as soon as we can get into the field. I am sure we can carry this ward for your candidates.

I am very much in need of work and would appreciate any consideration shown me. I would appreciate an early reply.

Yours truly,  
Virgil Reddington  
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