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Broseley, Mo.

May 20, 1938

Dear Mr. Stark,

I notice in the press dispatches that there is to be a rally for James M. Douglas today at Jefferson City, Mo. Contrary to Dr. Brandon's telephone statement published in Thursday's Post Dispatch there are thousands here who are ready to go along with Mr. Douglas of whom I am one but the trouble here is that most of the appointive state offices are now held by Pendergast men who are afraid to cross the boss.

In many counties many of the Old Age Pension Heads are strangers to the people. In Stoddard County one old fellow over eighty one years old draws only ten dollars a month. Last summer I saw him out hoeing cotton to supplement this pittance and an old lady eighty one without

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a single relative in this state is only drawing \$12 a month. These foreigners from Kansas City who are administering the old age pension law out to be kicked clear out of the state.

There's a chance in this section to do some good clean up work and I believe you have the good judgement and courage to do it.

Very respectfully yours,

Amos E. Alexander

P.S.

Four years ago I sent endorsements to Gov. Park from the following. If they are not on file they are lost as they were never returned to me.

Mr. Oliver Editor Bloomfield Mo.

Judge Green Past Chm. D.C. Committee for Stoddard Co and a petition signed by all the Democratic office holders in Butler Co including Arch King, Geo. Ward and Geo. Seifert. Telephone any of these boys about me.

[*written sideways in margin* "Copy sent Douglas Hdqrs"]