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Governor Lloyd Stark,  
Jefferson City, Mo.

Dear Governor:-

I want to highly commend you for your aggressive campaign in this judgship contest, for the rotten machine that controls this city is combing the highways and byways in a feverish search and roundup of votes.

This Ala Baba band of boodlers want to get their filthy paws on the whole state for the glory of Ready Mixed and the plethora of loot. Jackson county isn't enough. The entire state owes you a greater debt of gratitude than is generally realized at this time, for throwing a monkey wrench into their machinery- and throwing it with the unmistakable power and courage of one of high principles and ideals, above the muck of politics, whose first consideration is the welfare of the people. From election board to judgship the squarest, most courageous course ever pursued by a governor of Missouri. Ten years editor of county newspapers in this state, am somewhat aware of conditions \* \* \* And don't I know something of the manhood and courage it takes to declare war on the

purring tom cat of K. C. when it would have been so nice and smoothe and profitable to dwell with him in unity, like Park, Truman, the courts and officials of this city and county.

At your election, I made the statement to several here, that we now had a Governor who wouldn't be making weekly trips to a Kansas City hotel for conferences. Right? Right. I knew something of the character of the Starks, I've heard my Father talk of them. My Grandfather, Lot C. Lantz of Sullivan County, Mo., a cavalry officer of the Civil War and your Grandfather were friends and fellow orchardists. He made trips to the Stark home and became proficient in orchard culture. In his orchard in North Missouri, he had a tree that bore four kinds of fruit - a source of wonder and interest to the entire community.

That is enough of the orchard, what I want to say is that there are a lot of us, even here, who glory in your fight for square elections, and the elimination of graft and crookedness in politics. We are with you to the limit, governor, senator or whatever. It is a grand privilege to stand by one who raises the standard of statesmanship and leads the way in honesty of administration. All honor and more power to Governor Stark

Sincerely

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