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Hon. Edgar Shook,
711 Commerce Bldg.,
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Hear Mr. Shook:

What about protection for the registration and election officials on those days. Police protection has been nil in the past and honest men who have been asked to serve and who would serve willingly are afraid for fear of being beaten up. If there was a member of the state militia at each polling place it would give and create a confidence that nothing else would.

When I served as a judge at the last registration, I was cursed, threatened, had my official papers snatched from my hands, ordered about like a dog by the precinct captain and the boss of the 11th ward and got no relief any where, and finally the next morning had to leave because I was refused admittance behind the counter and a place where I could see the books. Nobody would do anything afterward though I sought relief from the prosecutor's office and the county grand jury. It is important that the officials be protected in the discharge of their duties. Public opinion is for honest elctions. Many good democrats approve the board's actions in what it is doing.

Thanking you and assuring you of my appreciation I am,
Yours truly,
W. W. Filkin