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Major Lloyd C. Stark,
Louisiana, Missouri.

Dear Lloyd:

I understand you got a great hand at the Federation banquet in Jefferson City. That is fine. The influence of the Federation of Women's Democratic Clubs over the state will mean a great deal, and as far as I am able to learn you hold a favorite place with its members.

An article appeared in bur Springfield Leader-Press of Tuesday, October 8, 1935, to the effect that the Kansas City organization had not yet endorsed anyone for governor. I am inclosing the article, although Bob Cunningham told me yesterday that he had already sent you the same. I thought you might have use for two of them.

I have heard a great many democrats, in mentioning the article, express the opinion that the statement in the article to the effect that "virtually everyone who has been mentioned for governor has beat a path to the Pendergast Kansas City office, except Major Stark," would win you many votes. I am glad indeed thatthis statement was made.

Of course you would like to have, I presume, the Kansas City organization endorsement. It would mean many votes, and, in my opinion, would probably mean that you would have no contest in the primary. However, the fact that you may get it without seeking it will strengthen you very much in the country districts.

I was in Mountain Grove, Wright County, day before yesterday and talked with a number of democrats there. They tell me that you are the only candidate who is being given much consideration. I note in the paper where you intend to be at the banquet to be given at Mountain Grove on Saturday evening, the 12th. I would like very much to come, but so far have been unable to make my arrangements to do so.

I was talking with Judge Will Hiatt of Houston, Texas County. He gave me the same report of Texas County that I got of Wright County.

Major, things are looking good. I do not believe I am over-optimistic when I say that hell and high water can't beat you.

Yours very truly,

CWD

Chas. W. Dickey