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Major Loyd C. Stark, Louisiana, Mo.

Dear Major:

I thank you for your letter of the 4th with Mrs. McCall's address and have written her today.

Major, I feel that, as a good Democrat, I should "get after you" to urge you to prepare the ground to succeed Park as Governor. I felt that when Wilson died you should have been placed in his position and so wired Mr. Pendergast but presume the honor was "left" to Park by Wilson.

Just now, you are particularly in line - the last two men have been St. Louis or Kansas City nominees and I believe the party could do no better than put up a good outstanding business man and dirt farmer either or both of which you would fit.

Now is the time to make up your mind so that the "powers" in the party can be rounded up and properly organized. Of course, you should not make an open announcement until the Kansas City organization has been approached and gotten in line as you wouldn't want them to think you are trying to give them a "push over". In politics just as in business <u>organization</u> is the thing.

I would be mighty glad to see you make a bid for this honor and as a citizen believe

that the state could do no better. I have been in the state since 1920 but in that time I do not believe we have had but one really good man, Caufield, as governor and it is now timely that the Democrats should offer some outstanding citizen capable of a good honest business administration and one who would do honor to the party.

If you write me about your intentions you may do so with perfect assurance that all will be held in strictist confidence. If I may be permitted to help you just say what you want done and I'll do my best.

Very sincerely,

J. O. L. Goggin