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December 22, 1932.

Hon. Guy B. Park,
Platte City, Missouri.

My dear Governor:

As your people came from Kentucky, as did mine, I know that you have the same understanding and deep appreciation of worthy, high type colored men such as we have over here in Pike County. Out in Kansas City there is a Pike County boy, Mr. Ernest O. Boone, who had been a very valuable worker in the Democratic ranks.

He is at present Principal of the Dunbar School in Kansas City. He has been a Democrat for many years, he organized a number of Democratic Negro clubs, and has the respect of many Democrats throughout the State, among them Lt. Gov. Frank Harris of Columbia. In the last campaign he was instrumental in bringing about the organization of the Democratic Association and his wife was elected Vice-President of that organization. During the past campaign, Mrs. Boone served as Director of the Negro women of the State.

Both Mr. Boone and Mrs. Boone are teachers and they are anxious to obtain a position as Superintendent and Manager of the State Industrial Home for Girls located at Tipton, Missouri.

I am anxious to help these worthy citizens of Kansas City obtain this position both because I am confident they are capable and because they have been so active and effective in organizing their people throughout the State. I know you and all the Democratic leaders are deeply appreciative of the splendid work they have accomplished and feel as I do that they should be given every possible consideration,

both because of their loyalty to the Democratic Party and because in the future the Republican Party will have no basis for their boast that these loyal and effectively able Negro Democrats will receive no consideration from the Democratic Party, when as a matter of fact the Democrats have always done more for them than the Republicans.

Because Mr. Boone's letter to me is so well written and so well ex-

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pressed, I am taking the liberty of attaching it to this letter so you will have it available for reference.

If you can give this former Pike County boy, who grew up with and played with all my cousins and my brother, a State position it will be a personal favor to me.

Very respectfully,

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