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4308 Bingham Ave.  
St. Louis Mo.  
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Major Lloyd Stark  
Louisiana Mo.

Dear Major,

I have just finished reading your address of yesterday and you should be complemented on it. from the newspaper accounts you had a wonderful day out there, would like to have attended, but in my business you can't always get away when you desire. I liked the way you handled the Pendergast situation, as I sincerely believe. Pendergast climbed on your wagon, instead of you climbing on his. I know many of the fellows who believe the same. He had to indorse you or be left out in the cold.

I am thinking seriously of taking the subject of my promotion up with Mr. John Soy as there now is some vacancies for Sergeants and will probably be more soon as they are going to retire some of the old Sergeants. Any further help you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

Major for the past several months I have been asked one question at least 500 times, as a rule when a group of fellows are talking and your name is mentioned some one ask's "is he a member of the masonic order" and as I am a member they often refer to me, and I am unable to answer their question.

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it seems as if Jesse Barrett will be the Republican nominee for Governor. dont play him cheap, as he is rather well known, and a rather nice fellow and if Landon gets the presidential nomination the coming general election in Missouri wont be no walk. Many games have been lost over having to much confidence. I hope you dont think me a calamity howler, but I think these facts should be taken into consideration dont you? I remember very well in 1934 every one here thought Cochran would roll in for Senator and St. Louis only gave him 101,000 votes in the Primary and Truman gave him a nice beating.

I think that was caused by being to confident as they gave Truman 161,000 votes at the general election. I hope this letter ahs not been tiresome. Again hoping to see you when you come to St. Louis.

I remain Respectfully  
Warren H. Watts  
of St. Louis