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Mr. Lloyd C. Stark,
Louisiana,
Missouri.

Dear Mr. Stark:

I have your favor of June 17th, with reference to your candidacy for Governor on the Democratic ticket.

I am sure that you realize that you are not well known in this section of the State, but it is my information that those who do know you feel that you are a high type capable man who would make a good Governor, and that is the personal opinion of the undersigned.

However, the one question paramount in the minds of all the Democrats of this section of the State is, as to whether "Tom" is for you or against you? And no candidate having the support of the Kansas City organization will be able to command the vote of the rank and file of the Democrats of this section of the State, although I am sure that he will have strong support of a large part of the organization. The recent disgraceful surrender to the Fire Insurance Companies has served to arouse the resentment against the Kansas City

organization to the boiling point.

My influence does not extend to more than a very few votes at the most, but other things being equal, it is my intention to be for the candidate for the several State Offices, who I think has the best chance of defeating those indorsed by the Kansas City Organization.

With kindest personal regards, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

M. E. Montgomery

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