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The American Hotel, Market Boulevard at Seventh, Saint Louis

Harry H. O'Neill, Manager

275 Rooms, Each with Private Bath

4-10-1939

Dear Governor:

Expressing Myself as one who has had several years political experience in an outstate county, I sincerely indorse your activity and honest and fearless efforts to expose and prosecute those who will and do betray the confidence of the people, by selling their influence through their position.

No doubt the passing and putting into operation the Kansas City Police Bill and the Grand Jury indictments that have been made, will have a far reaching effect

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but they do not cover all. There are in the different county's the small "Tom's" who can and do with their built up organizations and for a fixed price, nominate and elect all officers. Then through their control name the people to hold elections to serve as Jurors in trials, the ones who will have WPA Jobs, go to CCC Combs, be eligible for Old Age Assistance, Childs Welfare, Blind Pension, and all other relief measures, provided they vote and do as Tom says.

There is a bill pending requiring the County Court through its clerk to gain notice by publication the date the court will pick Juries. But I think if a bill was passed with that provision and in addition requiring the court to pick a Grand Jury at least one time each year to serve as long as needed will also be a great factor in reducing crime

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and uncover and expose those who attain leadership gain control and make money prostituting from those who hold office and the ones who require help to live.

Another Sincere Democrat