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Dear Governor Stark,

I wish I could tell U how happy yesterdays Election made us. We are an elderly couple and have reason to rejoice in this clean up all thanks & credit to where it belongs, to you Governor Stark, and now that you are in the Senatoral line I am restless to tell you of a situation which I know is detrimental to you. We had a lawsuit in Washington Co. with one of Kansas Cities political rotters, and we learned something of the political graft & I

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Do believe that population considered there is a worse condition existing in Potosi, Washington Co. than in K.C. Now, here is the situation[:] Prosecutor Graves is connected in some way as a relative or former resident of that locality. Graves Father seems a familiar [MS. Illegible] among them. And what I am trying to tell you is this they certainly are "Graves minded" and "Bitter Enemies" of Govenor stark, and I hope you get on the job in that locality and expose the graft in the Governments W.P.A. in a little burg

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of dirt streets not even crossings, they have what they call a \$50,000 dollar picture show, that couldnt possibly represent \$4000, also you will find the governments money just divided up among 4 or 5 Potosi political big shots The Potosi Hotel, a hardware store, an other hotel I forget the name, but is mighty easy to spot, this is one way you can expose these enemies, and I hope you may know of others. the Judge & County Prosecutor and so on. They sure had the "jitters" when the expose was running the highest here in K.C. and I hope, with all

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my heart you will dig into the Washington Co situation. It will be to your good, and we are for you now and always fully appreciate your work in freeing Kansas City from gang rule & hope you do the same for Washington Co. It may be I will write you again until then believe me

Your Friends