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Hon. Guy B. Park,

Jefferson City,

Missouri.

Dear Governor:-

Your letter of October 9, with its enclosures received. Thanks. I have only one regret in the main; that of having applied. This was my first time to apply for a state appointment, mainly this time for the reason I needed the job and I was sure that with the many major appointments to be made surely it would be no trouble for me to land one of these but included a lot of minor places to be absolutely sure of getting an appointment and with my long party record as a very active democrat I did not doubt for one minute. In fact the word doubt never entered my mind. I was so sure and applied early before any of the places were filled, then waited nine long months before growing impatient, while growing doubtful of course, and withdrawing my application, of which fact I am now

proud. You did not return all of the things asked for but the balance are merely little things and little things are to common these days to complain about.

After having spent the expenses of three trips to Jefferson City and a lot of time I decided definitely and for sure that no democrat, in this section would get a look-in on any job worthy of the name "Job" although our Republican friends had told us before the election that Prendergast would dictate state politics if you were elected but I did not believe it and even made speeches giving this statement the lie with all the eloquence at my command and even now I am ashamed of our defense, as I am afraid they yet doubt our judgment or

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honesty, one or both, but I am now more ashamed of having applied, but I'll promise my God, not to apply any more in the face of such obstacles, but will lend a helping hand, within my party I mean, to get rid of such conditions in this great state, by helping break up this party machine, which seems to mean "Taxation without representation, in the Democratic party or this Democratic portion of Missouri including the largest and almost the strongest Democratic county in Missouri, Texas; which went for Roosevelt by nearly 2400 majority, but which does not seem to be shown on the map of Missouri which I noticed in your office showing major and minor appointments represented by designated characters all over the map in the North, West and Central portions of the state and in the Kansas City section in particular, with scarcely a dot of any consequence in our section, including. Texas county, which reminds me of what our forefathers said years ago. "Taxation without representation is tyranny", in this case in the superlative degree, it seems, so far as democrats are concerned hut make much of the situation dear Governor, as we will try to live regardless of the dilemma which seems to have "duped" us democrats in this section of the state, and more especially in Texas County, Missouri where so many are complaining of the treatment at your hands and the hands of other state officers as well. It might he there was some personal objection to me, if so alright but there were plenty of other democrats in this county and this part of Missouri.

Look well to the North and Northwest parts of Missouri for friends should you need

any. We are still democrats in Texas county.

Yours very truly,

J. H. Orr.