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Hon. Francis M. Wilson,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Senator: —

On Feb. 6th. Robert Hill, colored, of this city came to me, as I assume at the suggestion of Attorney Joe Allen, son of the late Judge Tom Allen and nephew of Mr. Steve Hunter. He said that he was informed that Mr. Tom Pendergast was going to trade you off for support of a certain other Kansas City candidate, naming him (but I would rather not mention the name of the Kansas City candidate because he is not a party to any such suggestion) with Senator Dearmont. In other words; by the trade the other Kansas City candidate for a certain office was to get St. Louis support and in return Senator Dearmont was to get Kansas City support by the trade. I told him Mr. Pendergast did not do business that way that unless he withdrew openly his endorsement and support from yourself and the other Kansas City candidate or from either he would go down the line for both of you. He came to see me again today and I asked him who was putting that out and he told me Joe Allen had said it. He then told me Louis Stigall was slated for President of the Police Board. I told him I did not think any such promise would or had been made—that I did not think that Stigall wanted that place that I assumed he would be appointed to something but he would desire an office with

more pay than that. Of course Joe Allen is putting that out also. They know that Stigall was not fair to me while he was Mayor and think it will make me sore—they are doubtless telling this to others who were on the outside as cast asides during the reign of Louis. They have said to Mr. Starmer when he was trying to line up men for you that Stigall will be deputy governor if you are elected. Starmer replied, Stigall will get an appointment if he wants it and that is the extent of his influence with you. Starmer has told them he don't care anything whether you give Louis an appointment or not that that will be your privelege but one thing certain Stigall will not rule your other appointments in northwest Missouri,

By the way, Dr. Julius Kangisser, Russian Jew doctor here, has considerable influence with the Jews here. He is a democrat and likes politics and would like to be active for you. He has an office in the Kirkpatrick Bldg. He is on the City Library Board appointed by Stigall. He has been a close personal friend of my brother in law, Mr. Charles H. Hoehn ever since he located here after graduating from St. Louis University quite a few years ago.

Yours truly,
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