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Dear Uncle:

Received your wire. Have been unable to catch Judge Welch but have written him. Saw Jim Aylward and asked him to tell Welch how much interested I am. Jim said that both he and Welch will do all they can but their hands are tied, under the United rule. He (Jim) will no doubt see you at the Jefferson Hotel, as he asked where he could see you there. Jim advises Welch on all matters of this kind and I think Welch always accepts the advise.

Pendergast never objects to a man who is under no obligation to him, taking the opposite side but he has made it uncomfortable for

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some who have attacked him personally. He comes pretty near being the Boss of Democratic politics in this State and will have powerful influence with the next national administration, if democratic, regardless of who is elected president, owing to the fact that you are looking for a position if we win, it would be the next of safety to fight Pendergast along Conventional lines rather than making a personal attack on him. But of course you can use your own judgement in the matter[.]

Fay joins me in wishing you success. I am sorry I can't be on hand but I don't know what moment someone will call me and say that Fay has collapsed again. She can't be persuaded to be careful to leave

Yours truly Ewing A Bland