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Dear Ewing;

Your letters received your letters and just talked to Peterson and he is elated over the real personal letter he received from Roosevelt on Saturday.

I told him to write you his ideas on some matters and he will do so. Also you should write Dick Duncan, Kirkpatrick Bldg., attorney-at-law, about your missing him. You see I wired you and told Dick before he felt that you wanted to see him in St. Louis. Now you had better state you both missed each other. He is going the limit with the Roosevelt crowd and I must keep these fellows in high spirits. Peterson is showing his letter from Roosevelt all the city and that pleases me.

Just as I predicted the Reed matters you worried about in St. Louis did not materialize. I noticed that Walsh was in Kansas City yesterday.

I can see no way to stop him (Roosevelt). Peterson is to meet Pendergast this week in Kansas City. He is very close to him and wants Tom to forget Reed on the first ballot, if the vote appears that the Missouri vote will put Roosevelt in. That will be impossible to put over as I told Nate but I have him in that frame of mind anyway.

Kindest regards and best wishes and if you can continue to boost my stool with Walsh, Farelly and the others, if Roosevelt gets in, why I feel, that perhaps, they will agree that you have some real friends behind you in your efforts to help them in this district and Missouri. To have rolled Mayer and his gang for the first time in years, meant a hell of a lot, even though, we are in a small locality. I believe it hurt him personally, worse than anything that has happened to him. He did not and could not prevent for the cards were

against him. Thanks for the letter to me about Jim Wells.

Yours very truly,
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