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Dear Mr. Lozier – I was at Jefferson City Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday and Mr. Howell called me Sunday & said Judge Truman was going to announce & Mr. Pendergast was going to support him. He told me later that he talked to you that day. I just didn't know what to think tho' I had been uneasy all along lest Shannon run but had not thought of Truman. I thought he wanted to be Governor. I think its

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questionable if he can be nominated for Senator. He's a good administrator but knows nothing of National affairs. The impression here is that Mr. Aylward & Jimmy Pendergast were determined to have a candidate from here & persuaded Truman to run so Mr. Pendergast would have to support him.

I was so disappointed Sunday I couldn't talk about it. I was visiting Mrs. Cruzen & she said there's no use expecting men to do the right thing. Mr. Hunter was there Sunday afternoon and

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he was disappointed and worried too. I know that real Democrats all over the State were hoping you would run. It seems to me our whole system is wrong. Mr. Hunter said you are so able, dignified and have such a fine strong character & it seems like we can't nominate people like that any more.

I would not try to persuade you to do it because I don't think you ought to have to make a fight and I believe you would defeat both Milligan & Truman. If you will run I will do all

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I can for you. I know you must be feeling very much discouraged. You have given most of your life to service for the party & the country and are the only really big man we have in Congress and should have this nomination with out opposition. The rumor still persists that Jack Cockrane will run. If he does I think it would be all the easier for you to be nominated. Let me know what you are going to do do.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Katherine Halterman