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January 20th, 1941.

Hon. Senator Harry S. Truman,

United States Senate,

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

This letter is to advise you of a conference and discussion with Judge Leslie I George regarding the patronage situation of Jackson County. Judge George is most anxious for a favorable agreement between yourself, Roger T. Serman, and Jim Pendergast and we are quoting Judge George on this Statement.

It is not our purpose to seek to injure any of the political leaders you are now recognizing, but we do feel that the Mayor is directly responsible to a large degree for the success of the Democratic Party in Jackson County.

We wish to respectfully advise you of the satisfactory results obtained in the 1940 primary and General election by the Pro-Eastern Jackson County Democratic Club under the careful and excellent guidance of Mayor RogervT. Sermon of which we are sure you appreciate and are well aware.

In view of these facts, we do not feel that the Mayor is receiving the proper recognition to which he is rightfully entitled. Therefore, we are taking this time and means to forward to you our sentiments and that we request of you to make the necessary arrangements or changes that may be needed to rectify this very confused situation.

We realize that you know of the valuable support that the Mayors name and good reputation contributed to the ticket which we all supported this past year. We of the Young Men's Democratic Club of Eastern Jackson County have given whole hearted support to Mayor Serman and we definetly will continue to do so with all the resourses at our command. This feeling toward the Mayor also exists with a large number of people outside the Club.

This letter is being written without the Mayors Knowledge or consent and we sincerely hope you will receive it in the spirit in which it is sent.

We are grateful for the past cooperation and advise received from yourself and we sincerely hope to receive a reply from you favorable to the above situation.

Respectfully yours,

Jewell B. Hodge

President

Young Men's Democratic Club of Eastern Jackson County.

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