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FORT WORTH, TEXAS

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Mr. Amon G. Carter,
Plaza Hotel,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Amon:

I have been wanting to write this letter to you for several days but so many things have come up incidental to the stadium that I have scarcely had time to turn around twice in the same spot. The bond sales this morning total \$199,900.00 but Herman and I are still picking up a few bonds and have decided now that we will try to make it \$205,000.00 so as to cover any possible shrinkage. We persuaded the City Council to put in the storm sewer at a cost of \$10,000.00 which is a big help to us. The excavation contract was given to Sweeney and through him was given to the Thurber Construction Company. They have been at work two or three weeks now and are making good headway. We arranged with the Fort Worth National and the Mercantile National at Dallas to handle the First Mortgage bonds on the basis of 95 and we will be at some expense on printing the bonds which will bring the total cost of financing the First Mortgage bonds up to about \$8,000.00.

Amon, I want to take this occasion to express to you my appreciation, and that of the University, for the wonderful spirit that you have shown in this matter and the great ideals that you have had with reference to it. Needless to say that in the writer's humble opinion the proposition could never have been put over without your own personality behind it. And I want also to express my personal feeling toward you because of the fine spirit of friendship which you have shown toward me. I only wish sometimes when I hear of some ignoramus offering some criticism of you that the general public could see the same heart of gold that those of us who get close to you see. Yet at the same time it is easy for me to understand that a man who has the driving power and personality you have could not, by the very nature of things, be to everyone like you are to some of us because if you were, they would impose on you constantly. There is no man in Fort Worth I think any more of and no man in Fort Worth who is doing any more for the town than your own good



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self. The humble opinion of the writer may not amount to much but, such as it is, I am giving it to you and I am not passing any flattery because if there is anything I detest it is that sort of thing and if I did not believe every word that I am writing, I would not write it.

I surely hope you have enjoyed your trip to the Big City and come back rested and ready to go ahead. By the way, Ellison says, By Gosh, the next time you organize a big corporation he wants you to stay in town; that you are always organizing a big corporation, then going off and letting him sign all the papers. I laughed and told him that you would probably be back in time to sign the bonds.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Butler

Dave has approached me several times wanting to sign up for \$1500⁰⁰ but I told him I could only take 2000⁰⁰ x I hate like hell to see that Irishman get off without kicking in and don't know but what it's better to break down & take the 1500. However I'm not doing the breaking unless you say so.