

August 30, 1941.

Senator Tom Connally,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Tom:

I am advised that a representative of the City will call on you with reference to a major local problem involving funds recently voted by bond issues which received the endorsement of our papers and was carried by the voters by the largest majority in the history of our City.

The bonds were voted on specific issues outlining the purposes for which the money was to be used and the amounts necessary to carry out the proposal.

It is my understanding that the War Department is now requesting the City to contribute \$267,000 to purchase material for the construction of an industrial airport adjacent to the bomber plant which is to be leased to the Government on any terms they desire.

The facts are the City will be required to spend approximately \$500,000 more than originally agreed upon, due to changes made of which the City of Fort Worth had no control.

I am very much interested in seeing that all the facts and circumstances are presented to the Honorable Robert P. Patterson, Under Secretary of War, in order that the City will not be held responsible for changes that have seriously affected the financial status in the original agreement, and especially in the changes made over which the City had no control.

Your co-operation in seeing that proper consideration is given the City in the same manner as other cities similarly situated will be highly appreciated. This is tremendously important to Fort Worth. We have no desire to avoid our share of the responsibility in connection with this project, meanwhile

you will see from the brief prepared by George Kemble, Fort Worth City Attorney, the justifications, in our estimation, as to why the Government should extend this cooperation.

Mr. Bothwell, our City Manager, may be there with Mr. Kemble.

I realize you are tremendously busy; however, this is extremely important and we hope you will lend us a hand.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

AGC:KD.

P.S: Enclosed you will find an editorial "Lindberg Vs Liberty" which appeared in today's Sunday Star-Telegram. I am sending one to the President and other members of his cabinet.