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Honorable Ernest O. Thompson
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Dear Mr. Thompson:

In my letter of September 5 expressing our pleasure for your acceptance of the invitation to address the final meeting of the Air Reserve Association national convention on September 30 I told you that I would give you some further information in regard to the Association.

The Air Reserve Association was founded approximately twenty years ago and its purpose as expressed in its constitution is as follows:

"1. To Foster and support NATIONAL AIR SECURITY in depth through a strong United States Air Force in being, an adequate Air Force Reserve organized and trained for early mobilization, and backed by civilian aviation, research, production and transportation capable of proper expansion in an emergency.

"2. To provide leadership with the Legislative and Executive Branches of the government in support of the United States Air Force and the Civilian Components thereof.

"3. To develop an understanding of the influence in world affairs of United States AIR POWER.

"4. To coordinate the activities of the various chapters of the Association."

The Association maintains an office and a full time Executive Director in Washington and it constantly works to promote legislation and other measures beneficial to Air Reserve personnel and the training of Reservists both individually and as units. It also seeks to assist individual Reservists in their

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problems as Reservists as such problems arise from time to time. The Association maintains a close and very friendly relationship with the Headquarters of the Air Force and through various means seeks to promote and assist the policies and plans of the Air Force.

I enclose herewith a copy of the program as it now exists for the convention. A more formal and elaborate program is being prepared for distribution to those attending the convention and this present program was prepared for use only until the final program is published. I believe that you will be interested in seeing the high quality and standing of the speakers who will address the convention and also the individuals who plan to attend who will not be on the program.

We plan to serve dinner prior to the final rally in one of the exhibit buildings adjoining Will Rogers Auditorium. We will have the band from Carswell Air Force Base at the final meeting and we are also presently planning to have a small number of acts put on by Carswell personnel. They recently had a show called, "Hit The Silk", which was very favorably received here in Fort Worth.

You will notice that Major General Samuel E. Anderson, Commanding General of the Eighth Air Force, is also listed to address the final meeting. His remarks will be very brief and you, instead of he, will make the principal address.

If you have any question about anything I will be very pleased to try to answer it. As stated in my previous letter, we will be glad to meet you at whatever time and place you specify.

Assuring you of our appreciation for your assistance and kindness in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,



Brandon Stone
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