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- Ship Radiogram

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AMON G CARTER=

HOTEL SEELBACH LVILLE=

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FOLLOWING DRAFT SUBMITTED: QUOTE YOUR GENTLENESS SO
DISARMS ME THAT I AM ENTIRELY DISPOSED TO AGREE WITH
YOU THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE YOUR MIND. IN
FACT, IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO CHANGE IT AS OFTEN AS
YOUR SOX, AND FOR THE SAME REASON.

PARRAGRAPH I NOTE WITH INTEREST YOUR ASSERTION THAT YOU
HAVE NO INFLUENCE AND WISH NONE OVER YOUR OSTENSIBLE
SUBORDINATES. MY DEAR SIR, THAT IS NOT AT ALL IN THE
FIRE-AND-BRIMSTONE TRADITION THAT HAS MADE YOU THE
CHIEF FORENSIC ATTRACTION, OF HE NATION'S CAPITOL. =

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CA690 SHEET 2 TWS PAID 10 RUSH FTWORTH CARTER LVILLE=

IF YOU WANTED TO, COULDN'T YOU TRIM THEIR EXPENSE
 ACCOUNTS, OR SOMETHING, SO THEY WOULD BE LESS ABLE TO
 DASH HITHER AND YON OVER THE COUNTRY MAKING YOU
 CONSPICUOUS, DASH, A THING I KNOW YOU ABHOR. PARAGRAPH
 I HAVE NEVER SEEN A ROOSTER ON A DUNGHILL, BUT I'VE SEEN
 MANY A CRUSTY OLD BIRD IN A SWIVEL CHAIR WHO IMAGINED HIS
 EMPIRE EXTENDED TO THE WORLD OUTSIDE HIS FOUR WALLS. I
 SUPPOSE YOU HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE ALCOHOLIC GENTLEMAN
 WHO GRADUALLY TOOK IN TOO MUCH TERRITORY. =

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CA690 SHEET 3 TWS PAID 10 MINS RUSH FTWORTH CARTER LVILLE-

NO ONE DENIES YOU ARE A BIG SHOT IN WASHINGTON BUT

THERE'LL ALWAYS BE SOMEBODY TO OBJECT TO YOUR

ASSUMPTION THAT YOUR BAILIWICK COVERS TEXAS TOO.

PARAGRAPH. YOUR REITERATION OF CRYPTIC ALLUSIONS TO

VOTING IN TEXAS GROWS A BIT TIRESOME. IF YOU KNEW AS

MUCH OF TEXAS CONDITIONS AS YOU PRETEND, YOU WOULD KNOW

THAT THE DOLLAR AND SIX BITS PRICE OF POLL TAX RECEIPT

IS NOT A MATTER OVER WHICH EVEN SUCH A SENSITIVE

REFORMER AS MR. ICKES CAN PROPERLY WORK UP A TEMPERATURE.

MANY TEXANS DO NOT QUALIFY FOR VOTING BECUASE THEY ARE

NOT INTERESTED ENOUGH TO GO TO ONE OF THE POLL TAX

STATIONS DURING REGISTRATION TIME, =

END SHEET 3.

MONDAY 2 PM 4 14

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CA690 SHEET 4 TWS PAID 10 RUSH=FTWORTH CARTER LVILLE=
 JUST AS MANY IN YOUR BOASTED HOME STATE FAIL TO
 QUALIFY FOR VOTING BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED
 ENOUGH TO GO TO THE REGISTRATION PLACE DURING THE
 REGISTRATION PERIOD. I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU WOULD SAY
 THAT ILLINOIS IS DENYING SUCH PEOPLE THE RIGHT TO
 VOTE, WHEREAS YOU IMPLY THAT \$1.75 MAKES ALL THE
 DIFFERENCE IN TEXAS CASE. PARAGRAPH. I ASSURE YOU
 THAT IT IS NOT SO HARD TO DIG UP \$1.75 IN TEXAS
 THAT ANYBODY WHO HAS A YEN TO QUALIFY FOR VOTING
 CANNOT SATISFY IT. PARAGRAPH YOU USE THE PHRASE,
 QUOTE EVEN IF SUCH CITIZENS AS CAN AFFORD TO VOTE WERE
 PERMITTED TO DO SO UNQUOTE ARE YOU DENYING THE RIGHT
 OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN TEXAS TO DEFINE ITS OWN
 MEMBERSHIP? =

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CA690 SHEET 5=TWS PAID 10 MINS RUSH FTWORTH CARTER LVILLE=

SOME MIXED-UP REFORDERS IN THE NORTH AND EAST APPARENTLY ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN PARTY

PRIMARIES AND GENERAL ELECTIONS. MIGHT I SUGGEST THAT

THE RESUMPTION OF CHALLENGING THE RIGHT OF THE MAJORITY

TO RULE IS SOMETHING YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU WHEN YOU COME ONTO THE DEMOCRATIC RESERVATION, NOT SOMETHING YOU

LEGITIMATELY ACQUIRED AFTER YOUR ARRIVED. PARAGRAPH.

I AM NOT DEFENDING POLL TAX PAYMENT AS A PREREQUISITE OF QUALIFICATION FOR VOTING. I MERELY CONTEND THAT,

PRIMARILY, AND IN THE ABSENCE OF EVIDENCE TO THE

CONTRARY, WHAT HAPPENS IN TEXAS IS TEXAS' BUSINESS.

PARAGRAPH JUST BETWEEN US TWO, YOU CAN HAVE MR. GERMANY

AND MRS DRISCOLL. =

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MAY 2 1918

CA690 SHEET 6 TWS PAID 10 FTWORTH CARTER LVILLE=

THEY DO NOT REFLECT MY VIEWS, ANY MORE THAN THEY DO YOURS. PARAGRAPH I AM RELIEVED TO NOTE THE REPORTS OF AN ARMISTICE BETWEEN YOUR BOYS AND THE GARNER FORCES IN TEXAS, ESPECIALLY IF IT WILL FORESTALL FUTURE SHOOTING FROM THE HIP BY YOU. YOU KNOW THAT IS A BAD HABIT. YOU CAN VERY EASILY GET A PISTOL-POCKET BURN, EITHER PAINFUL OR EMBARRASSING, OR BOTH. PARAGRAPH IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE I CAN DO FOR YOU, PLEASE LET ME KNOW UNQUOTE. PARAGRAPH THE FOLLOWING PREFERRED ALTERNATE DRAFT SUBMITTED: QUOTE DEAR MR. ICKES: YOUR LETTER RECEIVED AND CONTENTS NOTED. IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE I CAN DO FOR YOU, PLEASE LET ME KNOW UNQUOTE=

BENSON.