

March 7, 1944.

Mr. A. N. Kemp, President,  
American Airlines, Inc.,  
100 East 42nd Street,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Ned;

Copy of your letter of March 3rd, to Dr. McKnight, Mansfield, Texas, as well as a copy of Dr. McKnight's letter to you, received, for which please accept my thanks.

I had a nice visit with the Doctor a short time ago and am very much encouraged and feel that he is going to be O. K. As a matter of fact, he is already starting to work on his New York examination. Please accept my thanks and appreciation for your very generous and kindly attitude in connection with Dr. McKnight, who, I think, has not only been a valuable asset to the American Airlines but can be equally so in the future.

I am reluctantly signing the postcard and returning it advising with regrets that it will be impossible for me to attend the March 15th directors meeting. This happens to fall during the week of our Fat Stock Show and Rodeo and on the particular day when we sell the Grand Champion Steer as well as a hundred or so other animals for the 4-H Boys Clubs at auction in which I have always taken an active part for the purpose of seeing the cattle bring a good price. In fact, we are now raising a fund of \$25,000.00 to add to the regular OPA price in buying these live cattle. On top of this a good substantial part of our organization has been sick and I am knee deep in an accumulation of work which I must catch up with.

Please express my regrets to the other directors and I will definitely be with you for the April meeting.

In addition to all of the above matters

we are snowed under with income tax problems,  
statements, etc.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

AGC:KD