March 13, 1943.

Mr. Hal Coffman

Dear Hal:

Please prepare a sketch for me representing Dallas on the East and Fort Worth on the West with the Civil Aeronautics Authority (CAA) as the Judge in Court, giving a tall handsome over-sized man dressed in full evening clothes with a silk hat, carrying a cane under his left arm and holding gloves in his left hand, talking to the Judge of the Court with big tears dropping down his cheeks. Then over near Fort Worth have a little sawed off guy with boots on and a big hat and an airport stuck under his arm walking West with it. Have the Dallas dude crying to the Judge: "Oh, Mr. Judge, see what this big bully from Fort Worth is doing to me—stealing my airport. Please make him put it back. Judge, you know we have always had the best of everything insofar as Fort Worth was concerned and it will be an insult to my administration in our big cultured city if Fort Worth should ever have the temerity to speak out in the open in defense of its ill smelling cowtown.

In other words my idea is to have the cartoon portray Rodgers in all of his elegance and arrogance crying before the Judge about the gaul of Fort Worth trying to have a fair deal. You might say: "Judge, why should they have a square deal? We have never given them one in our life. Please don't let them get away with it this time, etc."

Please make a pencil sketch of it, or if you like I will be glad to discuss it with you in person.