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Fort Worth, Texas,
February 13, 1936.

SENATOR MORRIS SHEPPARD,
U. S. SENATE,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

I am today wiring Secretary Ickes and sending Marvin McIntyre a copy of my telegram to the Secretary as follows QUOTE Dear Marvin: I am wiring Secretary Ickes today as follows Quote Texas Technological College stadium application number ten four four has been rejected STOP There is no reasonable doubt that this great rapidly growing institution with a present enrollment of twenty seven hundred and twenty eight will easily be able to repay fifty five percent of requested loan STOP In nineteen twenty five this college, of whose board of directors I was chairman for four years during its construction and organization period, opened with one if not the largest initial enrollments of any college in the United States STOP Its growth though phenomenal is hampered by inadequate facilities including especially a stadium for football whose interest in Texas is decidedly on the increase STOP The Texas Tech's team of Lubbock has played in California and the East with great success. The reason its box office record is not better at home is because of present inadequacy of facilities which is well known to the public and big teams which promise to play there when adequate seating capacity is provided STOP Subject to your allotment contract is already let requiring much labor which now idle is available locally STOP High schools are being provided under Works Progress program with stadiums and this great institution with reasonable facilities is amply able to repay requested loan STOP I am thoroughly in sympathy with the many perplexing problems confronting you at the same time I shall deeply appreciate your personal interest in this application. I am afraid someone in the department has grossly under estimated the merit and possibilities of this stadium. Incidentally, it would be the only stadium in all of Northwest Texas of its type. The entire community and territory embracing over a million people are greatly disturbed and disappointed STOP Inasmuch as I feel the investment is one hundred percent safe, it

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occurred to me that it would be well worth your friendly help as I am sure no other similar situation exists in the country STOP Fort Worth was confronted with a similar condition and we built a four hundred thousand dollar stadium for Texas Christian University with even a smaller enrollment than the Texas Tech and notwithstanding many of our friends were skeptical the stadium of which I am president has paid out in fine shape STOP The building of the Texas Tech stadium at Lubbock would enable this school to join the Southwest conference which includes Fort Worth, Dallas, Waco, Houston, Austin, College Station and Little Rock STOP Frankly, this one project has aroused more interest than any development I know of in Northwest Texas. I hope you can help us. It is a worthy, sound and safe investment. The government will not lose a dollar and you will make the people in this territory very happy. Best regards Unquote The people in this Northwest Texas territory feel grossly mistreated over the rejection of this project. I know the situation thoroughly and if my personal guarantee were any good I would not hesitate to make it regarding the final payment of the bonds STOP With all due respect to the balance of Texas it is one of the finest sections in the entire state and I have never known a community to be more worked up over a rejection of this nature than this one including the newspapers and prominent citizens who have loyally supported the administration Stop I feel someone in the department has simply failed to visualize the community of people of this kind and section and I wonder if it would be asking too much for the Boss to give these good people a lift on this particular project. I am confident if he could be there and see for himself he would not hesitate. I certainly would not ask this unless I thought the emergency and justification more than supported the request. Please tell the Boss that I fully appreciate his timely help on the cowshed which by the way is working out fine and Fort Worth is going to have a great Centennial show. I feel the Texas Tech project means as much to Northwest

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Texas as the cowshed did to Fort Worth. Best regards UNQUOTE This is a sound, worthy and practical project. The people of this entire Northwest district deserves the opportunity to provide adequate facilities for the athletic activities of a great institution like Texas Tech STOP Frankly they are very resentful and feel they have been discriminated against. I am also sending this telegram to Senator Connally and if the two of you will give us a lift it shall be greatly appreciated by a million good folks in Northwest Texas. The government will not lose a dollar. The money it provided for dormitories is working out one hundred percent plus. The buildings have been erected and packed to the limit and this stadium will be just as sound an investment insofar as the government is concerned STOP Naturally I have a personal interest due to the fact that as chairman of the board for the first four years of its existence was the only political position I ever accepted or expect to accept STOP As busy as you are will you give us your personal help on this matter? Thanks and best regards.

AIDN G. CARTER.

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Chg. Texas Technological College,
Lubbock, Texas.

SEND BILL TO: Clifford Jones,
Spur, Texas.