February 3, 1942.

General E. M. Watson, Secretary to President Roosevelt, The White House, Washington, D. C.

My deer General:

From the enclosed, you will see how the Dallas papers feel about the President and the Administration. Of course they are entitled to their views which have been consistently along these lines; meanwhile what kind of burns me up is that every time some project comes along to be located in Texas nine times out of ten Dallas is selected by someone in authority managing some particular department of the Governmental affairs. They usually seem to think there is only one town in North Texas and that is Dallas. They have even gone there when office conditions and living conditions and other things are more advantageous in Fort Worth.

On the other hand, Fort Worth has never been called upon any time that they have not responded, whether it were a matter of raising money or whatever the job might be. So, it looks as shough the more a city raises hell with the Administration the more benefit they get and it is too bad that we can not convince the Administration Executives that Fort Worth is the logical place in which to locate many governmental activities rather than permitting them to continue to carry the rock in one end of the sack and the meal in the other. It is a continuous fight all the time and Fort Worth is always on the short end. I presume there is nothing that can be done about it — so why worry!

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,