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Mr. Joseph T. Lenhard, Sr.
Mr. John W. Collins
Mr. J. E. Whitcomb
Mr. Joseph Bates
Mr. Paul Pitts
Mr. Harry R. Red Eagle

Dear Friends:

I think I congratulated your group upon the way in which you handled your affairs while here recently, particularly before the sub-committee of the House Committee on Appropriations having charge of the appropriation bill for the Department of the Interior. If I did not, I want to take this occasion to do so.

It was a pleasure to have cooperated with you, and particularly as I pleased at the forthright manner in which the facts and circumstances were presented to the sub-committee. I have heard many compliments on this from sources that are capable of judging.

It may be of interest to you to watch for the report of this committee. The committee has not yet made its report, but I look for it to do so shortly, and as soon as it does, I shall be pleased to let you know the purport of the same. However, I want to hazard a guess at this time that the report will reflect credit upon you people, what was said and the manner in which your case was presented to the Committee. I am confident that the committee believed you and was impressed with your sincerity and your desire to have unnecessary expenditures eliminated and to curtail and economize as much as possible in the expenditure of your funds as well as the funds of our Government. My guess is that the committee will adopt your resolution. But of course I do not have anything authoritative on the subject at this time.

Again I say it was a pleasure to have you here and to have been able to cooperate with you and extend to you my services and those of my office, as it always will be while I am your Representative.

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, Jr.

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