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Correspondence to Gov. J.C.W.
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May 22, 1907.

Hon. J. C. W. Beckham,

Governor of Kentucky,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir,

I note by the Louisville papers to-day that now that the Louisville contest cases have been decided against the incumbents you will have the appointment of Members of the Board of Park Commissioners for Louisville.

I am an old line Republican and have no reason to make a request of you but there is now serving on the Board of Park Commissioners here a man who has given years of time, energy and devotion to the Park interests of Louisville, at a great personal sacrifice to himself, and I do not think you could do better than to appoint on this Board General John B. Castleman.

I trust that you will give this matter careful consideration, and remain,

Yours truly,

R. Kelly Jr

Galt House
Louisville

May 22nd, 1907.

Gov. J.W.C. Beckham,

Frankfort, Ky.

My dear Sir:-

I trust you will pardon this sudden intrusion upon your valuable time at this present moment. If you can in your own mind, conscientiously, consider my name for the position of City Treasurer, which position you know I held for four years prior to the recent election, I wish to make this a formal application. While I am averse to getting a great list of endorsements, however, if that is necessary, I can get them by the thousands.

I desire to state while I had no fear of personal results in the recent election, I did not allow my name to be used in the Primary for any office, and without saying anything to benefit myself personally, I have always been a staunch admirer and supporter of your administration.

As Mrs. Camp and I expect to leave for the East shortly, I would deem it a great favor if you feel that you can give my application any consideration which would place me in a position to act accordingly.

With best wishes, and thanking you in advance for any favor you can grant me, I am,

Yours faithfully,

James B. Camp

Kenosha
Wisconsin
May 23rd 1907.

Dear Governor:

They brought me here to my
brother - George W^m Caruth's summer home
as soon as I was well enough, after
my recent illness to stand the trip. I am
still very weak, but improving slowly.

By a decision of the Court of Ap-
peals, in the election cases, rendered yester-
-day I see you have your hands full
with work which I know you do not de-
-sire. You have my sympathy.

I have a particular personal in-
-terest in one office holder, under the
City Administration - My brother-in-law,
Col. Robert J. Telford, is the Inspector of

Buildings. - etc is I believe efficient,
and faithful. in the discharge of his duties.
etc is a deserving - well behaved man. of
the very best personal habits. and a member
of the Democrat.

I am very anxious for him to hold
his place. and if you would, in appoint-
ing your Mayor. take an interest in
Col Tilford's retention. You will add
another obligation to the list of those I
owe you.

With best wishes and great respect
I have the honor to be.

Your Sincere Friend

Asher G. Carter

Hon^{ble}: J. C. W. Beetham.

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Governor J.C.W. Beckham,

Frankfort, Ky.

My Dear Governor:-

Knowing that it has devolved upon you to appoint the vacancies made in the offices in Louisville and Jefferson County, by the recent ^{decision of the} Court of Appeals, I take this liberty of suggesting the name of Dr. B. W. Smock. He is a man of integrity, a loyal Democrat, a staunch friend of yours and I believe well qualified in every way for the position. His career as a county and ~~city~~ state health officer is a splendid recommendation of his manner in fearless discharge of duty.

If you should see fit to appoint him to the place, I feel quite sure that you, the cause of temperance in Louisville, and that of Democracy will have no cause to regret the act in the future.

Begging pardon for this seeming presumption on my part, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. B. Kelly

Lansville Ky.

May 24-97

Hon. J. G. M. Buckham, Governor,
Dear Sir:

I try to suggest
the name of Mr. Taylor V. Brown
for appointment as a member
of the Board of Aldermen from
the first ward of this city. Mr.
Brown is honest, clear, capable,
progressive and a staunch Democrat
of the old Nelson County kind and
his appointment, would I am
sure prove very very popular
with all classes, as he is widely
known and well liked by all.
He is engaged in the Real Estate
business and has ^{been} very successful

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If appointed to the board I believe
that Mr. Brown will distinguish him-
self by his honesty, good business
judgment, and attention to the
affairs of all the people in op-
erative of politics and that by all
his official acts will be tempered
with reason and wisdom and will
reflect great credit upon you for
making the appointment. Again
wishing you favorable consideration
of Mr. Brown for this important
position and thanking you in
advance ~~for~~ for any favor you
may show him. I try to remain
Your friend

Forrest R. Leatherman D.D.

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May 24, 1907.

Hon. J. C. W. Beckham,
Frankfort, Ky.

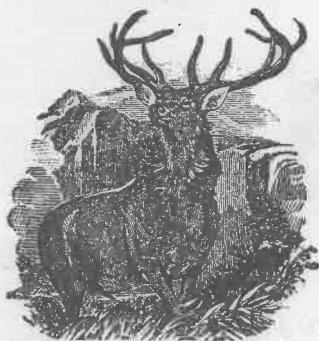
Dear Governor:

I would most respectfully ask, in the change of offices that will be made when the shake-up comes, that you consider me favorably for one of the positions you have to give. I would like to call on you Sunday, the 26th of this month.

Respectfully,

Sen. S. Miller
229 E. Ormsby

The Filson Historical Society



For the Good of the Order

The Kentucky Elk



CHAS. J. CRUISE, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

426 West Main Street.

Louisville, Ky. May 25, 1907

Hon J. C. W. Beckham, Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir and Brother;

It is an old adage that if a man never goes after a thing, he never gets any thing. To be brief I have an ambition to represent the Fifth Ward in which I live as Alderman which desire is not prompted by any selfish purpose or a desire to further the interests of any individual, firm or corporation but solely to serve the best interest of our city. I have resided in Louisville for the past 28 years, am 37 years of age which I believe in addition to owning my own home makes me eligible under the law to qualify for the above office. I trust that when the time comes for making the above appointments that you will give my name favorable consideration.

I will ask you as an Elk to kindly treat this communication as strictly confidential as I have a number of friends among the newspaper men, being myself on a committee of the Kentucky Press Association and I would not like to have my name mentioned in connection with being an applicant for the above office.

With best wishes, I remain

Truly and fraternally

Chas. J. Cruise

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Louisville, Ky. May 25th. 1907.

Governor W.C.P. Beckham

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Governor:

If it is not your intention to re-appoint the present BOARD of COUNCILMAN whose offices have been declared vacant by the COURT OF APPEALS, I would be pleased to have you consider me an applicant for an appointment to represent the 6th. Ward of the City of Louisville as a MEMBER of the BOARD.

If I should receive the appointment I shall endeavor at all times to serve the people faithfully and well until my successor is duly elected. Although I have never held an office of Public Trust, I know what the people require of a Councilman. I am not only an Editor and Author but a Business man as well.

I believe that the Sunday Laws should be observed. The "Lid" should be pressed down "tight" and I shall use my influence to that end. Trusting that my Application shall receive your favorable consideration, assuring you that I would consider it a high honor to receive the appointment from you, I am

Yours Truly

Ben. Labree

Residence 107 West Kentucky Street

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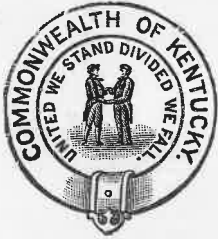
Governor J. C. W. Beckham
Frankfort Ky.

My Dear Friend,

I have
just returned from
Fort Worth Texas where I
had the pleasure of meeting
your Cousin Judge Beaman
who treated me very nicely
and made his office my home
I was called home however
on account of an accident to
my eye and Dr. Ray.

Maybe I have lost it
but my friends say I can
fill the place on the
Board of Public Safety

and if you think it
Necessary I can fit the
endorsement of fall
The Ministers and especially
Dr Lyons I think I
you know me well
Enough with out any
endorsement and if
you can see your way
Clear to give me the
paper I am certain
that Democrats not only
in Louisville but through
out the State will
rejoice wishing you
success in your
I remain your friend
G. A. Madden



H. C. MILLER,
Member from Hardin County.

HOME ADDRESS:
Elizabethtown, Ky.

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Elizabethtown, Ky. 5/ 27/ 07.

Gov. J. C. W. Beckham,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Govenor:-

Mr. Henry I. Mossbarger, now residing in Louisville, but formally at Cecilian in this county, will soon make application to you for the appointment of Alderman in the Fourth Ward in Louisville. I trust you will give his application due consideration. He is a personal friend of mine. I have known him for a number of years, having been with him in school, and I know him to be a clean, honest upright gentleman in every respect. He is proving himself to be a good business man and I beleive has the welfare of the city of Louisville at heart. I have had a personal talk with him to-day and I fell sure that he wants to see an honest and fair administration of affairs in that city.

If you see proper to give him the appointment, after due consideration, I shall be very glad indeed.

With kind personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

H. C. Miller

HENRY. I. MOSSBARGER

Merchandise Broker

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HOME PHONE 5179

Gov. J. C. W. Beckham,

Louisville, Ky. May 27, 07. 190

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:

In the course of the next few days you will hear from a number of my friends throughout the State in regard to appointing me Alderman to fill one of the vacancies arising from the recent decision of the Ky. Court of Appeals in Louisville Election Contest, and I wish to say if after considering what these gentlemen have to say you consider it to the interest of the City and Party at large I would be very glad indeed to have the appointment.

My residence is 410 E. Chestnut St., in the Fourth Ward.

Truly yours

Henry I. Mossbarger

Elizabethtown, Ky., May 27th 1907

George B. W. Beckham
Frankfort - Ky.

Dear Friend

Some of our Henry S. Mossbarger
Friends would like to have you
appoint him as Alderman of
Louisville. I would be pleased
to see Mr Mossbarger get a
position like this as I believe
that he would make a good
man for the place. as he
is a good trust worthy
man in good standing
strictly moral & upright
in every respect. anything
that you can do for Mr
Mossbarger will be appreciated
by his Friends &

Yours Truly.

Cyrus Veirs. J. H. C.

LOUISVILLE, KY May 27 1907

Bro. M. B. Adams

Frankfort Ky

Dear Bro. Adams,

Along with the rest of the law-abiding citizens of Louisville, I am deeply interested in the matter of filling the offices which the Court of Appeals has declared vacant. I have enough confidence in the sincerity of Gov. Beckham to believe that he intends to select good men, and those who are outside of the local machine. I have no aspirations myself, but I would like to suggest the name of an honored and honorable physician in connection with the office of Health Officer.

Dr. Geo. L. Pope is a man who is in every particular in full sympathy with every thing that the temperance and moral forces stand for, and if the Governor has not made a selection, I would be glad if he would consider him. I know him intimately, and no man in the City stands higher as a physician, surgeon, citizen and Christian gentleman. If you will be willing to find out whether or not Gov. Beckham has decided on the man for this place and if he has not, mention Dr. Pope's name to him, I will take it as a personal favor. Abundant evidence of his fitness for the place will be furnished if necessary. Kindly let me hear from you thanking you in advance.

Nicholasville, Ky. May 28th 1907.

The Hon J. C. W. Beckham,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

We understand that under the terms of a recent decision of the Court of Appeals, you are to appoint certain officers in the City of Louisville, and among the Physician for the East End District of said City. As to the filling of this position we would respectfully represent that Dr. Walter L. Coolidge of said city, is eminently qualified and a most desirable and suitable person for such office.

We trust that you will find it agreeable both to your feelings and duty to make this appointment.

Respectfully.

W. B. Maugh
L. Saunders
Chas. E. Martin
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IN REPLY TO YOURS OF THE.....

Louisville, Ky., May 29, 1907.

Gov. J. C. W Beckhan,
Frankfort, Ky.

My dear Governor:-

Knowing how very busy you are and knowing how you are being ~~filled~~^{besieged} with office-seekers, I will be brief. My friend and your friend and supporter, Mr. George Madden, informs me that he will be an applicant for one of the places made vacant by the decision of the Court of Appeals. You know Mr. Madden too well, both as a man and a democrat, for me to indulge in any words of praise or commendation of him. He has lately, so he tells me, lost the sight of his right eye and is rather blue over his ^{loss} ~~condition~~. If you could see your way clear to give him some place you would, in my honest judgment, find him thoroughly capable and appreciative.

I realize you have quite a task on you but you are fully capable of handling it to the best interest of the party as well as to the good of the City and it matters not who you may appoint to the various offices I am one who will believe you will act wisely as the wisdom of your acts have proven in this and in all your other acts.

With highest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

H. H. Holman

~~Grand High Priest.~~

Galt House,
Louisville.

May 30th, 1907

Hon. J. C. W. Beckham,

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Creeps:-

Now that you have to appoint so many incumbents to vacancies in this city, allow me to suggest a name for one of the positions.

I would like to be Park Commissioner myself. This place or to be trustee of the Public Library, are places I have always coveted. I could fill them all right and I suspect it would neither offend nor shock this public if a person of my status were appointed park commissioner.

Besides, I have always been a thick and thin supporter of yours in every stage of your career, have rejoiced at your every advance and am now as proud of you as any of your family or friends can be.

There are many other places, from mayor down, that you will be filling that I could also manage acceptably if they were thrust upon me. But, as these places will be sought strenuously by persons of greater prominence and influence, I confine my ambition to the honorable post of park commissioner, the duties of which I am sure I could perform with reasonable credit to myself and not unacceptably to the public.

I do not send you a petition, but assure you could get one as long as the longest signed by the best of names from all the walks of life if that were required.

Trusting that this note will not be altogether breath wasted, I am

Very truly yours,

A R Cooper



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Louisville, Ky., May. 30 - /07

Hon. J. C. W. Beckham, Governor,
Frankfort Ky -

Dear Sir:

If deemed expedient I should be pleased to receive the appointment as one of the Aldermen of our City to serve out the remainder of the Unexpired term -

With highest regards I

Remain
Yours truly
R. B. Gilbert

712 - 358h

Pendennis Club.

Thursday May 30. 1907.

Governor J. C. W. Beckham,
Frankfort - Ky.

My dear Governor:

If you can arrange this little matter for Dr. Coolidge, without annoyance or embarrassment to yourself, I shall greatly appreciate it. His family all live in my native home of Helena, Arkansas, where he too was born.

They are people of high social & business prominence & have always been warm friends of myself & family. Dr. Coolidge is about 30 to 32 yrs old I should say & has conducted himself

in a most creditable ^{manner}
during the six or eight yrs.
of his residence here - when he
also received his medical
education previous to that time.

He is a partner of ^{H^r}
Ap Morgan Vane - the well
known surgeon - & has always
been a democratic voter.

He is in every way a
fine young gentleman &
you would like him. I am
sure he would prove himself
worthy of any interest you
might show in him.

Very sincerely yours friend
Oscar Hudson

DR. W. L. COOLIDGE,
921 FOURTH AVENUE,
LOUISVILLE, KY.

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5/30/07

Hon. J. C. W. Beckhaus,

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Governor Beckhaus:

I shall be
an applicant for the position of City
Physician, for East End, of this City. It
has been suggested to me, by my friends,
that I write to you for assistance. I
would gratefully appreciate any suggestion
you will make in my behalf, to
your appointee, as Mayor, who has the
appointment to the position, I desire, as
above suggested.

Thanking you in advance
for any favor you may show me.

Very truly yours
W. L. Coolidge