

BIBB GRAVES

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MY DEAR MR. SPEAKER:

YOU WILL RECALL THAT WHEN YOU WERE HERE FOR THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING I DISCUSSED WITH YOU THE IMPORTANCE OF SEEING TO IT THAT THE NEW COMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF LOYAL GRAVES' BACKERS. I ASKED YOU AT THAT TIME TO GIVE ME SOME SUGGESTIONS AS TO MEN WE SHOULD INTEREST IN OFFERING FROM YOUR DISTRICT. YOU SUGGESTED THAT I SEND YOU A LIST OF THE PRESENT COMMITTEE FROM YOUR DISTRICT. I LIST THEM AS FOLLOWS:

**SAM BOWEN, ATHENS; JOHN A. CADDELL, DECATUR;
GEO. L. SHERRILL, ATHENS; H. C. HAYES, SCOTTSBORO;
R. B. PATTON, ATHENS; WALTER J. PRICE, HUNTSVILLE;
WM. E. CRAWFORD, DECATUR, AND WILLIAM I. COLLIER,
FLORENCE.**

WHERE INCUMBENTS ARE GRAVES' SUPPORTERS I EXPECT THAT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO OFFER FOR REELECTION.

I SHOULD LIKE YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON THIS MATTER WITHIN THE NEXT DAY OR TWO AS WE HAVE ONLY A SHORT TIME TO GET OUR MEN QUALIFIED. YOU MIGHT FIND OUT IF MR. SHERRILL AND MR. BOWEN ARE GOING TO OFFER FOR REELECTION. I NOTICE THAT MR. PATTON HAS ALREADY QUALIFIED, BUT, I AM SURE, THAT WE DO NOT WANT HIM ON OUR SLATE.

WITH WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS, I AM

CORDIALLY YOURS,



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