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My dear Mr. Speaker:

Many thanks for the fine editorial which appeared in the Democrat this week, which I appreciated very much. Of course, many things can happen, but when I left Washington last week I was told that I had the best chance for the position, due to my experience in the work. A secret committee of six democrats and six republicans is expected to make its recommendation in a week or so.

It is pleasing to know that you are rapidly recovering from your illness. Ed Reid tells me you are spending a portion of your time in transacting business. Many times since you became ill Ed and I have spoken of a week-end trip to Athens but something always intervened and several times we had information that we could not see you.

If that appointment comes to me you may be assured that I shall not fail to give the credit to you for your appointment to the position which put me in line for it.

With personal regards and good wishes always, I am

Sincerely,

Fred H. Gormley
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Hon. R. H. Walker

Athens, Alabama