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## Eugene Ware correspondence

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This is a series of correspondence to and from Eugene Fitch Ware (1841-1911). Ware moved to Fort Scott, Kansas, after the Civil War and became employed at the Fort Scott Monitor. In 1879, Ware began the first of three terms in the Kansas State Senate. During his terms of office, Ware introduced bills concerning railroads, life insurance, militia, and relief and support of the poor as well as bills of a more local nature. Ware moved to Topeka in 1893 to become a partner with Charles Gleed and his brother, James, forming the law firm of Gleed, Ware and Gleed. In addition to journalism, law, and politics, Ware used the pseudonym, Ironquill, for his literary and poetic achievements. His works include "Neutralia" and "The Rhymes of Ironquill". For a complete contents list of the papers of Eugene Fitch Ware, see the External Links below.

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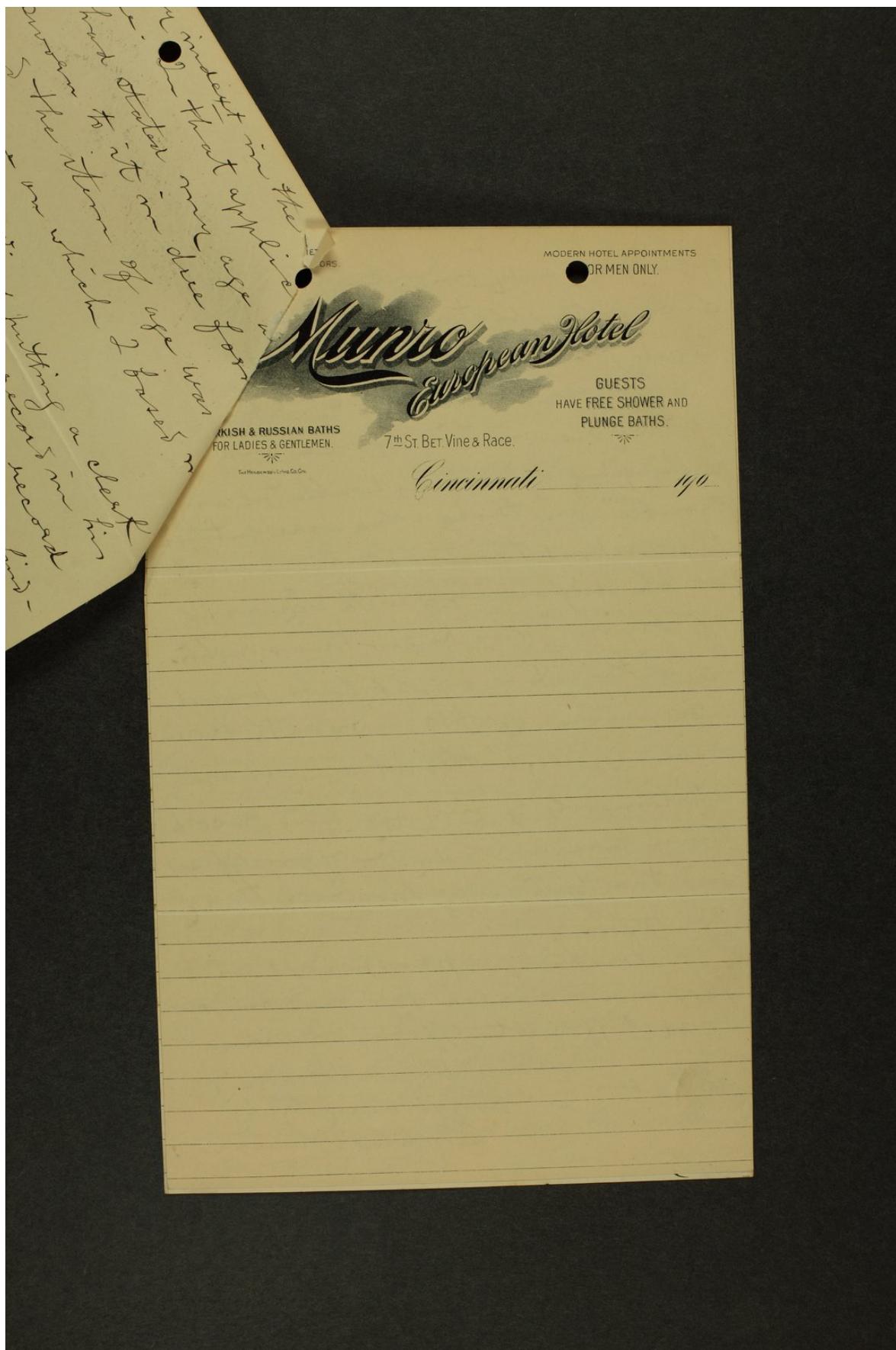
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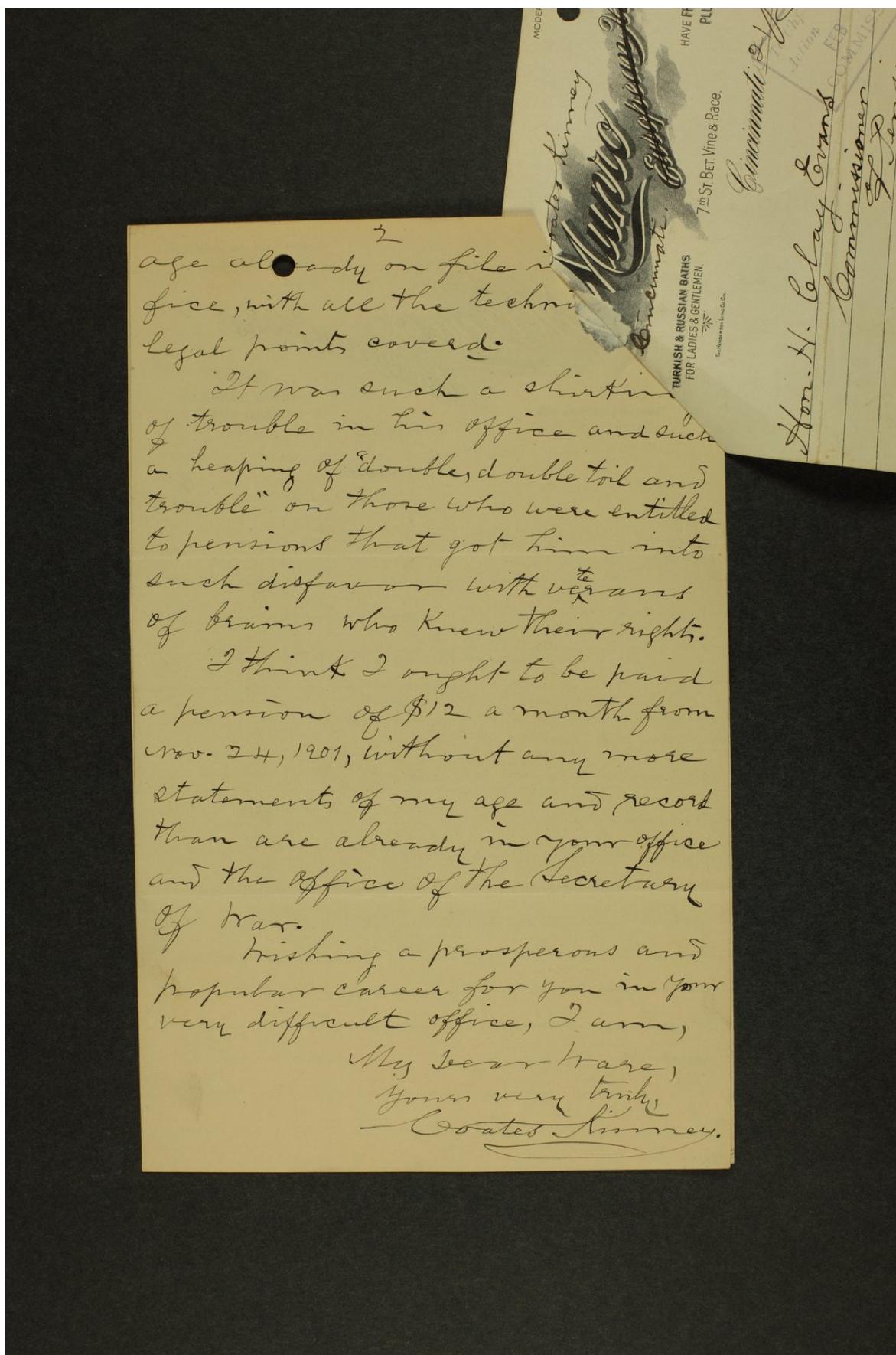


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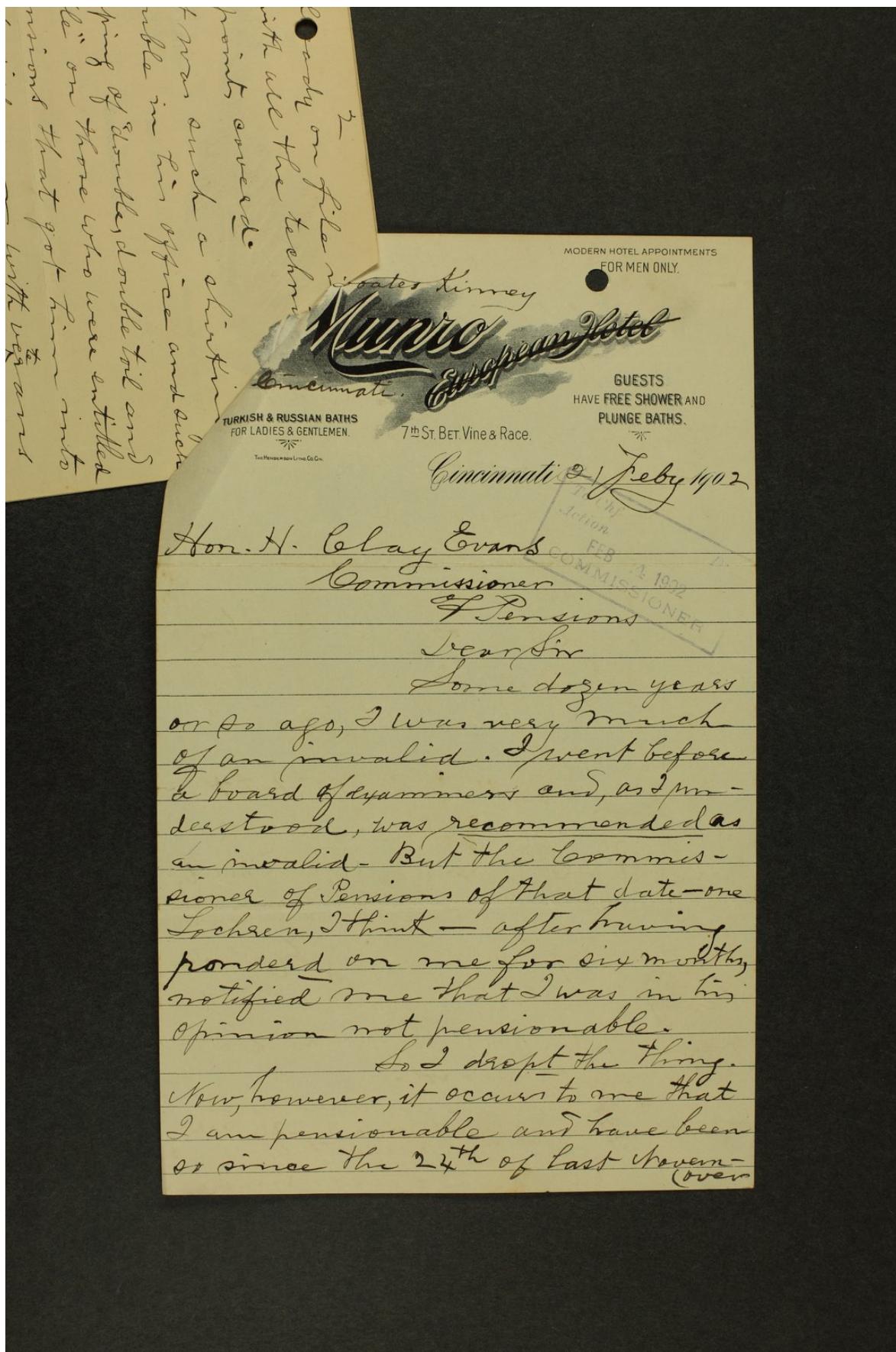


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ber. On that date I was 75 years of age; and I have seen somewhere that you decide a man who was in the Civil War to be a \$12-a-monthster at that age, invalid or no invalid.

Now, I am not as much of an invalid as I was when I appealed to Locheen. But, by your ruling, I am entitled to the \$12 a month, and I want it.

I made affidavit to the date of my birth in my application to your department; and you no doubt have a system of indexing by which can find my name and number, the latter of which I did not record.

Hunt me up and fix me for the \$12 a month from Nov. 24, 1901.  
*Very respectfully,*

*Coates Tinney.*

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CONSULATE-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA.

12, Saint Helen's Place,  
Bishopsgate Street,

Dear Mr Ware, LONDON, June 18<sup>th</sup> 1907

I send you herewith two letters that followed me - neither important - but as much as they had no official mark or designation, they made a trip to England.

I rec'd your kind acknowledgement of letters I wrote you - many thanks.

We had a delightful trip over - a most congenial lot of passengers - and aside from those poor mortals that were sea sick - we all had a most enjoyable time.

I have not yet realized that I am so far from America as old glory floats in front and I have met very many acquaintances here. Some living here, others simply visiting; the fact is, it looks like England is being invaded by Americans. Signs are to be seen all along the streets of American business firms, such as the Otis Lift Co (Cheltenham), Park Davis & Co, McKesson & Robbins and many others. I am staying temporarily at the Cecil Hotel (called here "Cessel") it is the Palace of San Francisco, Waldorf Astoria of N.Y. &c. I meet many here that live in the States, all seeking business - I am more convinced than ever that our policy of Protection is the thing. I find living here very exorbitant - prices that would make the Kansas farmer smile himself fondly. Water 'Mellon' 35. or 45/- for a small bottle; Cawthron 1/- or 5/- each - of course at present every body is trying to make a fortune out of the Corporation. For seats along the line of March

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Exorbitant prices are being asked - a lady friend of ours paid 11L (55\$) each for five seats - it is in the air - a bus driver the other day, said "the King is a fine man he is saving much money to be spent." of course I readily agreed with him - however the tint was something like we get in America.  
They have the best police force, but discipline and best disciplined people I ever saw. The road traffic is numero - no street cars - all omnibuses. Hansom, and hacks, and taxies upon the sight along the Strand, Pall Mall, Piccadilly, Threadneedle and other streets about 9AM and 6PM is one worth seeing.  
My office is conveniently located, only a short distance from the Bank of England, St Pauls Church.  
Your friend Henry Ronneke of Clipping farm of Mr. Wiss in to see me yesterday - having some affairs to do with the office, in which it became necessary to explain that when he went to America he left a wife here, and took with him a French woman, by whom he has had two children, that they have separated, the Court giving him custody of the children, he now wants to get back his first love. He demands here are rank. An Ex freckle count - naturalized Am<sup>n</sup> Citizen - with a pass port from the Am<sup>n</sup> Embassy in Italy - calls this AM with the sad news that he lost all his money at Monte Carlo and wants a loan of \$600 to bridge over. The poor w<sup>m</sup> have with us always - sometimes ruined with Royalty - much of it is in evidence here at present.  
The weather here is cool - I wear a heavy over coat, and restored to duty my winter under wear. I have not seen a straw or summer hat on duty even I came - all that can afford to wear "top hats."  
Wishing you success always. Yrs truly  
John Day Davis  
Mrs. Davis desired me to thank you for your kindness in allowing her son at Robert.

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CONSULATE-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES  
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12, Saint Helen's Place,  
Bishopsgate Street,

LONDON, E.C. 190

oil millionaire - Mr Stallo of Cincinnati  
(son of Judge Stallo formerly Ambassador to Italy)  
Mr. House of Washington and Mr McDonald  
of this city Manager of the Anglo-American  
Oil Co (Standard) here. I am going tonight  
to a dinner and musicale afterwards at  
one of the lords - also my family inclusive.  
Tomorrow night I go to the Foscadero to a  
dinner - next day the Evans family are to  
dine with Mr & Mrs Whittier Rice. They sail  
on Saturday. Mr. Evans and the girls  
enjoy it very much here and they have  
found many friends as well as a number  
of former acquaintances.

I was over to Liverpool last week and  
had a fine time - only I nearly froze. If  
you could have a slice of the weather that  
we have here sent over and smuggled it to  
Washington - you would enjoy it.

I ran into the Metropole Hotel the other  
evening to see Mr C. K. Dall (formerly Compt  
of Patents - he soon proposed to go and get  
his wife - as he left the Parlor for her - said  
there is a gentleman with a Loyal Legion button  
I am going to speak to him while you go after  
your wife - I stepped over and introduced

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myself and it proved to be your  
friends Col Gilpatrick and his wife. I  
found him to be a charming fellow and  
a friend. I introduced him to Mr Duell  
and they soon formed they had mutual  
friends. Col G. has been in to see me twice  
at my office. Send your friends along-  
side if they are as clever as Col G. I would  
like to meet them all. I had a letter yesterday  
from our friend Col Archibald Sampson  
Minister to Ecuador.

Mr Davis rec'd your book and has  
been enjoying it and said she should  
would write and acknowledge

Please present my regards to Terry and  
friends there. Very truly yours

A. Clay Davis

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Department of Agriculture,  
OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK,  
Washington, D.C.

June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1902.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

I have just been reading your poem "The Oregon Guide." It is fine, and stirs me back to "Wilson's Creek". Do you ever stop to think, realize that that fierce fight took place nearly 4 years ago? Permit me to wish you every sort of good luck in your great office.

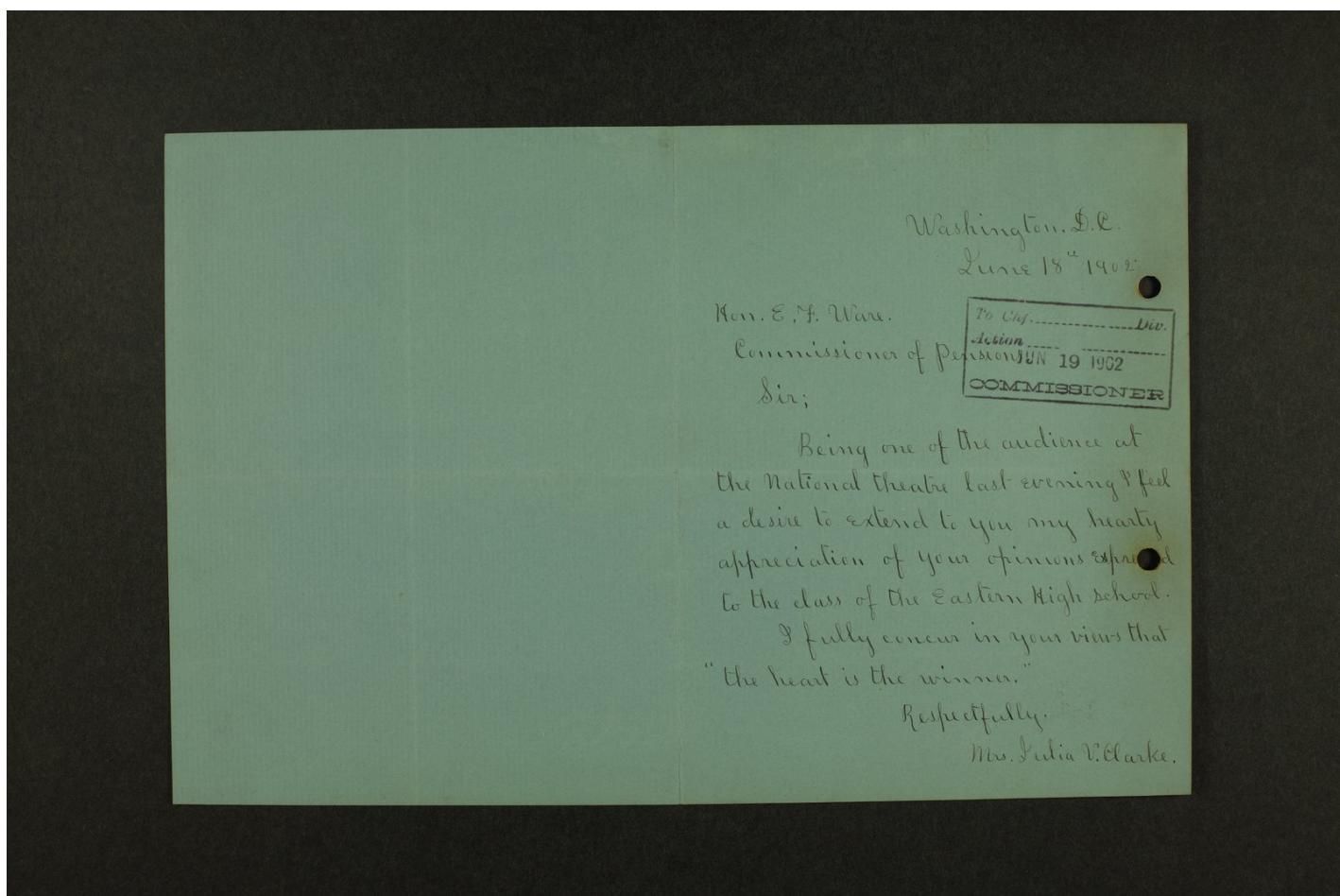
Very sincerely yours,  
Hon. Eugene G. Ware,

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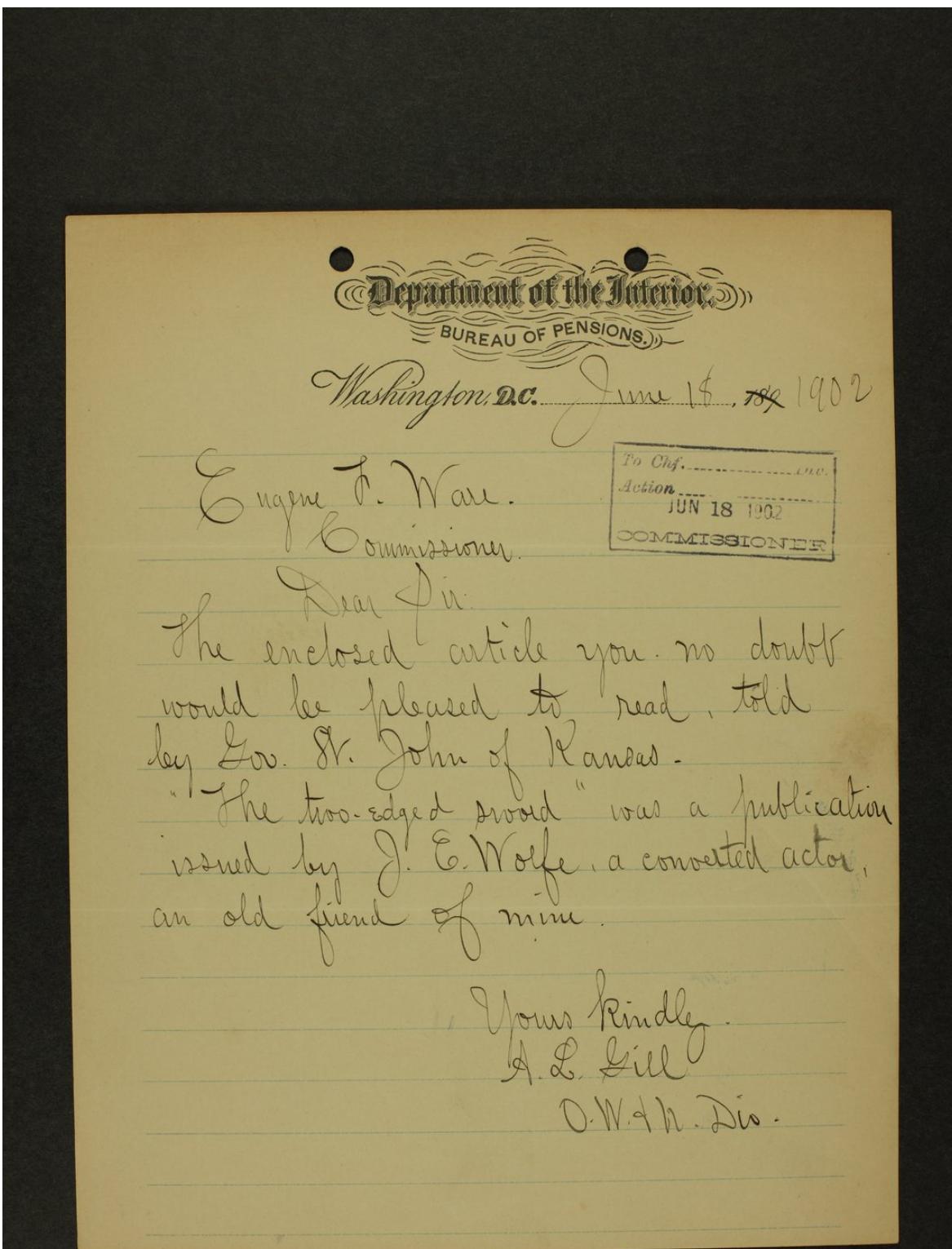


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June 19 '02.

Dear Father,

I had just completed a two vol. book on "The Policy of E.F. Ware" but since your last letter requesting me to keep quiet on this subject I will not have it published.

I have been in the office a couple of days. They are keeping me pretty busy and I am learning

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quite a little, but I do  
wish you were here to  
help me out once and  
a while.

Dan has been keeping  
us awake nights telling  
us of the time you show-  
ed her in Washington.

Yours  
E.H.W.

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E. C. SPINNEY, Supreme President. N. B. SPINNEY, Sec'y & Chapl'n. THOMAS RYAN, Sup. Sec'y and Att'y. ROBERT S. ANGLIN, Supreme Physician. C. D. MILLER, Supreme Director. H. H. HARDEN, Supreme Banker. E. H. PEARCE, Supreme Cashier. M. BURDOCK, Supreme Correspondent. J. B. FLYNN, Supreme Director.

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**The Bankers Union of the World**  
SUPREME OFFICE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

Agency at 411 Scott Kori June 18/10

Honorable E. F. Ware.

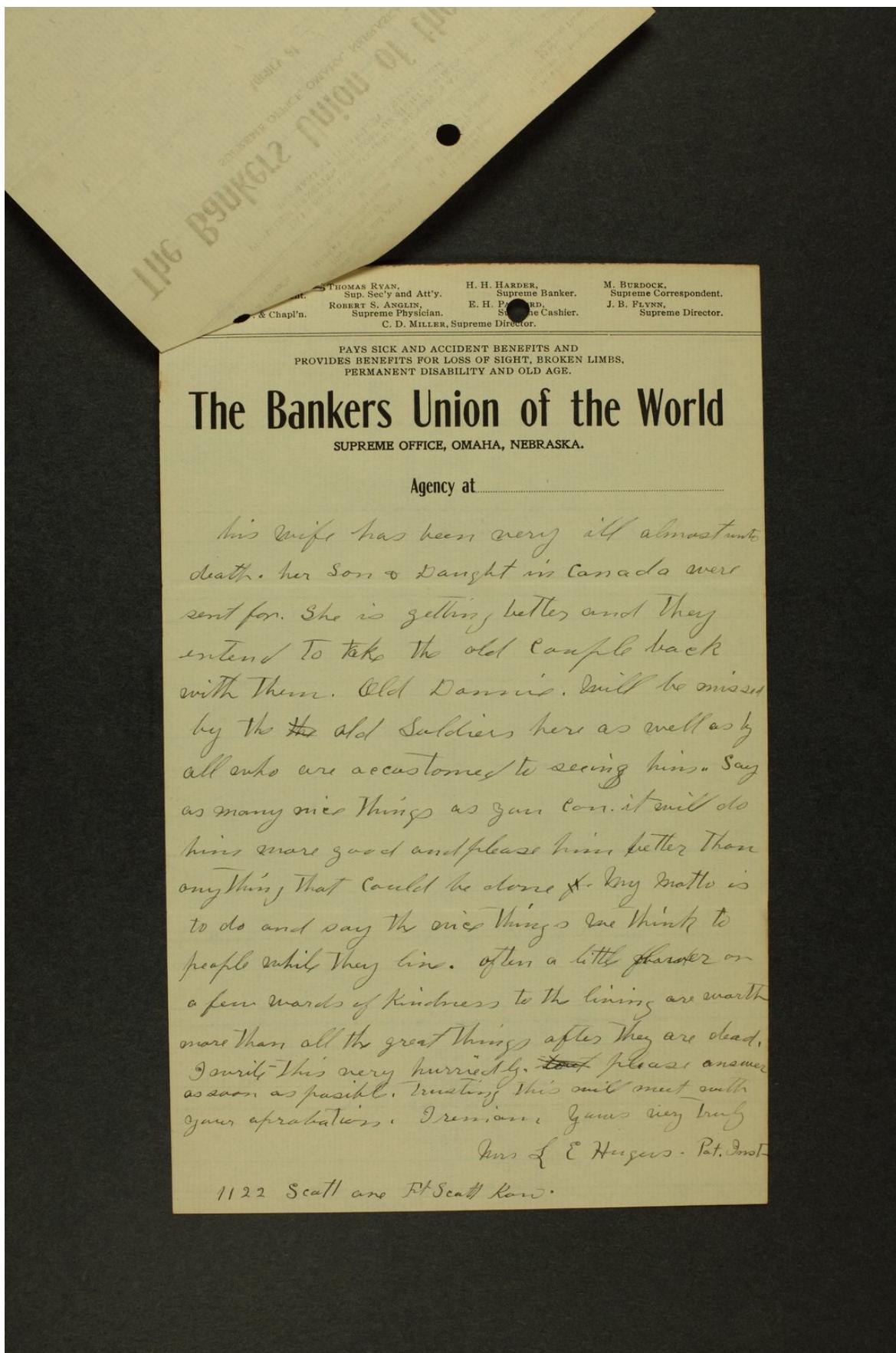
Dear Sir: We are awaiting the 1<sup>st</sup> of July the G.A.R. Women's Relief Corps and the City of Ft. Scott are going to make a public presentation to the aged Comrad Daniel Calaway, of a picture of himself taken with the flag he has carried so long by one of our leading artists, and as you had his years gone by, taken enough interest in him to write to him from Italy "I think it was," and it pleased him very much. It was suggested to me that I write you at this time for a letter of praise and honor for his long military service. He was in three wars, and for fifteen years he has been our faithful Color bearer. There is nothing he loves like Old Glory as he always addresses the flag. He will be 70 years old the 22 of July.

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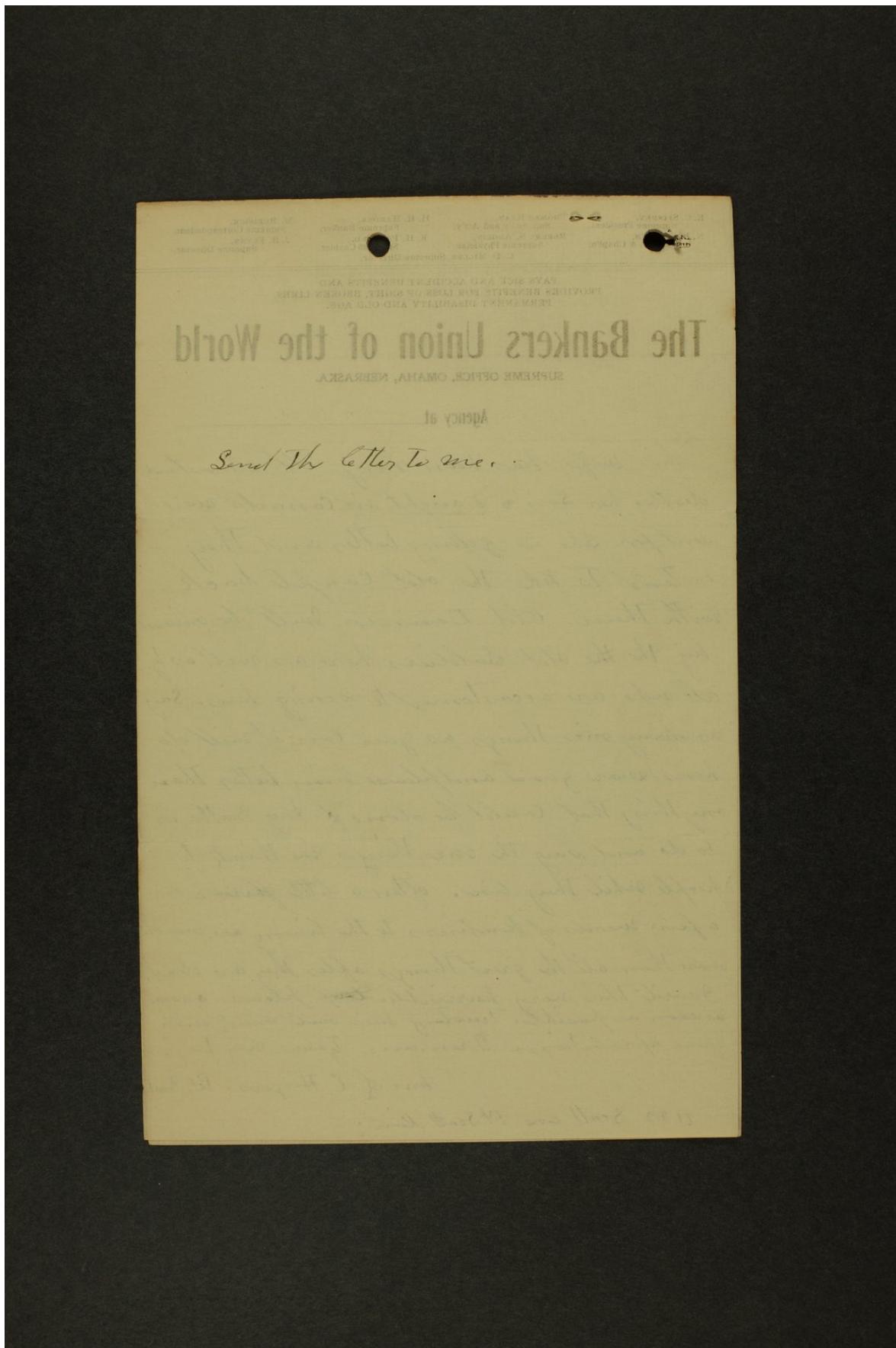


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To Chf. \_\_\_\_\_ Div.  
Action JUN 21 1902  
COMMISSIONER

Leavenworth, Kansas, June 19, 1902.

Hon. Eugene Ware,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

I want to ask you to do me a turn, which I believe will do me a great deal of good. You may think I am asking a great deal, and I am, but since I roomed in the same house with Gene this year and met you several times, I ask it.

You know I have been trying for a commission in the U. S. Army since last Fall and I want to get in on the July appointments, if possible.

A few days ago I received a letter from Congressman Scott which read thus:

"I took up the matter of your appointment again with the President. He seems to remember you distinctly and favorably, and at my request, turned at once to his Secretary and dictated a letter to the Secretary of War, asking him whenever any appointments in the Army were to be considered, to send him the papers in your case. This makes it reasonably certain that you will be appointed, provided there is ever any show." etc.

You can see how things stand. I wish you would go to the President and speak a word for me, if it isn't asking too much. In case I do not get it, I am going to enlist and work for it, but don't want to, unless necessary.

Thanking you for all favors, I am,

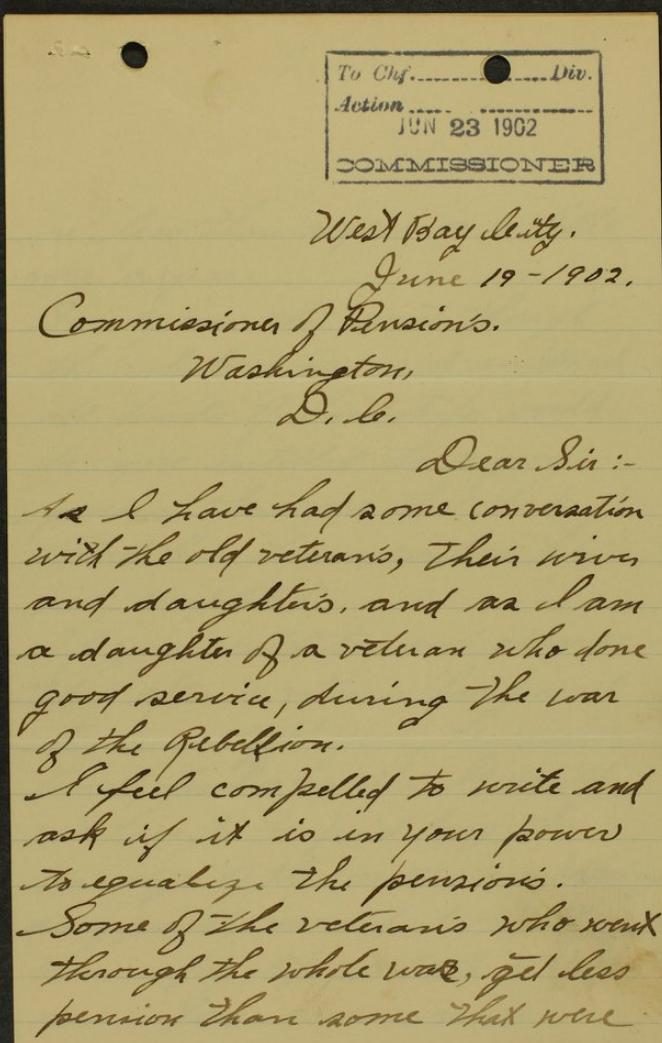
P.S. If you see the President very respectfully, mention me as having been introduced by Congressman Scott C. H. A. Charles Heuser  
Fort Scott, Kans.

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in less than a year, or a little over a year.  
Surely one that went through the whole war and suffered all kinds of hardships would be more entitled to a good pension than one that had served less time unless he was crippled.  
If you could try and arrange that after a veteran had passed his ~~seventy-fifth~~ year, he receive twenty four<sup>\$</sup> a month. It would not have to be paid long, the standbys of the country are passing away quickly now and why not let them enjoy life a little if they can. Some are so crippled

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That there joys of course are few.  
It is just as necessary and more so, that this pension should be equalized as it is the build government buildings, which cost all the way from \$50,000 & up. There are a great many expenditures that are not near as necessary where would our country have been, but for our veterans. If things all around could be equalized it would please the old soldiers and brighten up their few remaining years. Why not do good to one another, we all have to go the same way.

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Sir : I'm sure if it is in  
your power, you will see that  
it is adjusted better.

Different ones have asked  
me to write and let you know  
their feelings on this question -  
by in hopes, you will be able to  
frighten the few remaining  
veterans years.

Hoping you will have  
great influence with our  
congress,

I will close.

Sincerely.

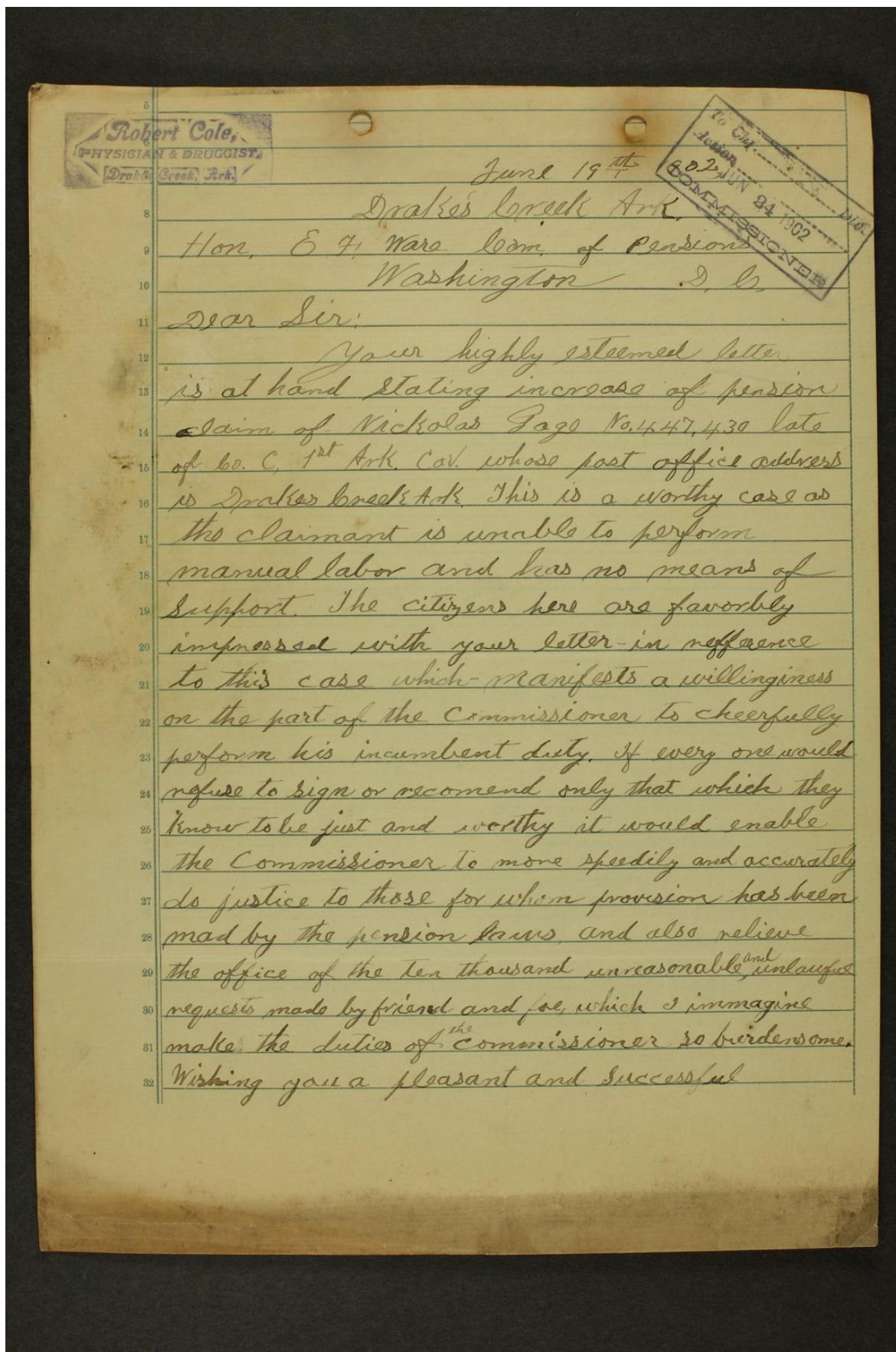
Miss B. M. Neumann.

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1 administration in your office I am yours  
2 to command, Respectfully,  
3 Robt Cole

4 "In a very humble cot,  
5 In a very quiet spot"  
6 Lives a man without his wealth,  
7 Lives a man without his health,  
8 Sitting humoring all a lone,  
9 In a sort of undertone,  
10 With Uncle Sam for a friend,  
11 He will keep me to the end.  
12

13 "Sometimes hapening along"  
14 I heard him say in his song  
15 Before the year sixty one  
16 Ers I took Knapsack and gun,  
17 I was strong and I was bold,  
18 I could work in heat and cold  
19 But now I must have a friend,  
20 Who will keep me to the end

22 "Not in sorrow nor in glee"  
23 Humming all day long is he,  
24 Since in war I took part,  
25 I have a pain near my heart.  
26 The doctor states very clear  
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1 It will remain with me here,  
2 But Uncle Sam for a friend,  
3 He will keep me to the end.

4 "In a sort of undertone"  
5 He would sing of one alone,  
6 Of the soldiers undivided wife,  
7 Left all alone in the strife  
8 "In the suds and in the soap"  
9 To maintain a widow's hope,  
10 But Uncle Sam for a friend  
11 He will keep her to the end.

12  
13 Very "lonesome" though "is she"  
14 "Just as poor as poor can be,"  
15 An antidote for her care  
16 Now is found in E. F. Ware,  
17 And though widowed and alone,  
18 Cheers "her with the monotone"  
19 Of Uncle Sam for a friend,  
20 Who will keep her to the end!

Sr N. C.

21  
22 Respectfully dedicated to  
23 Hon E. F. Ware

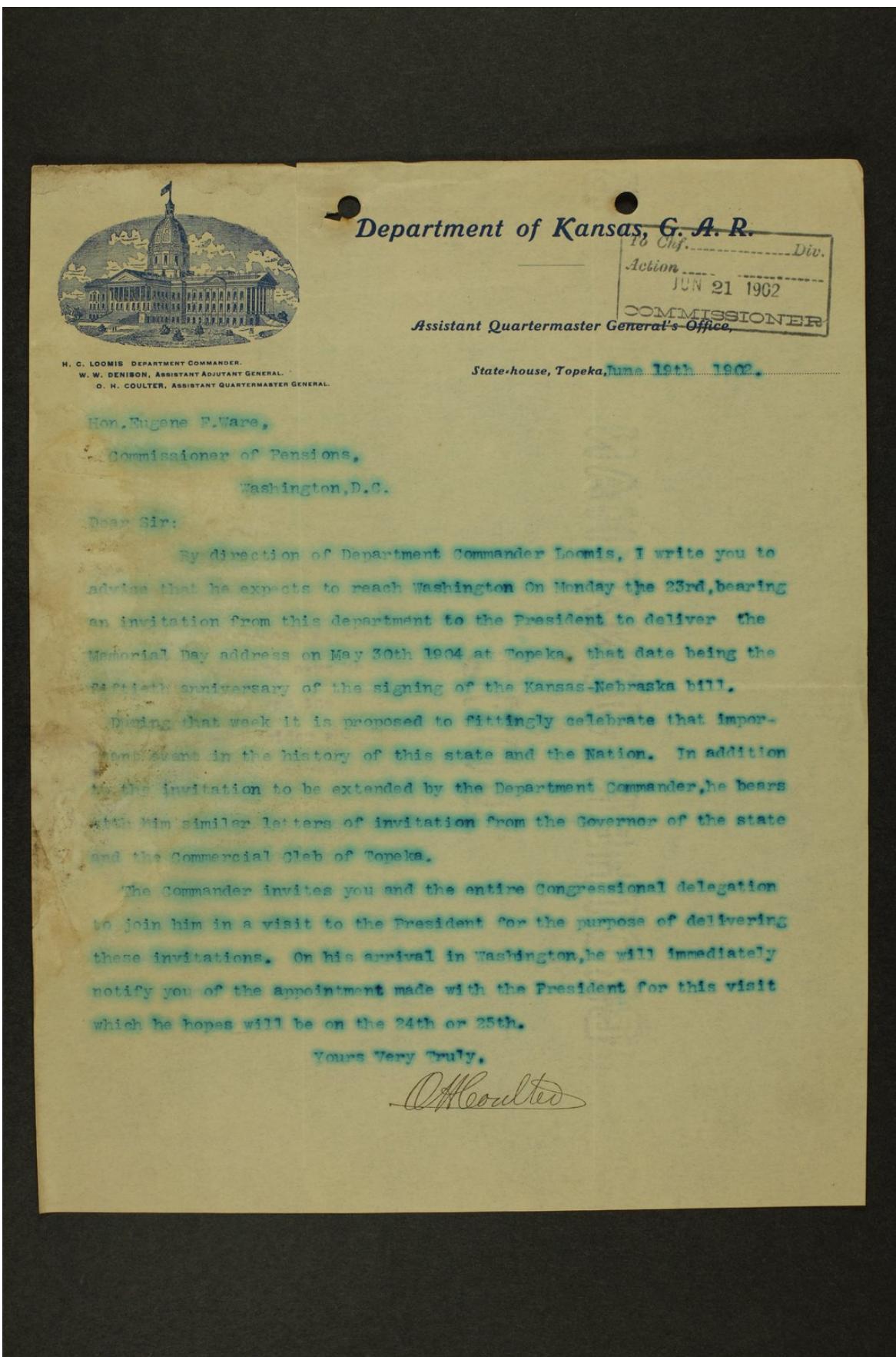
R. C.

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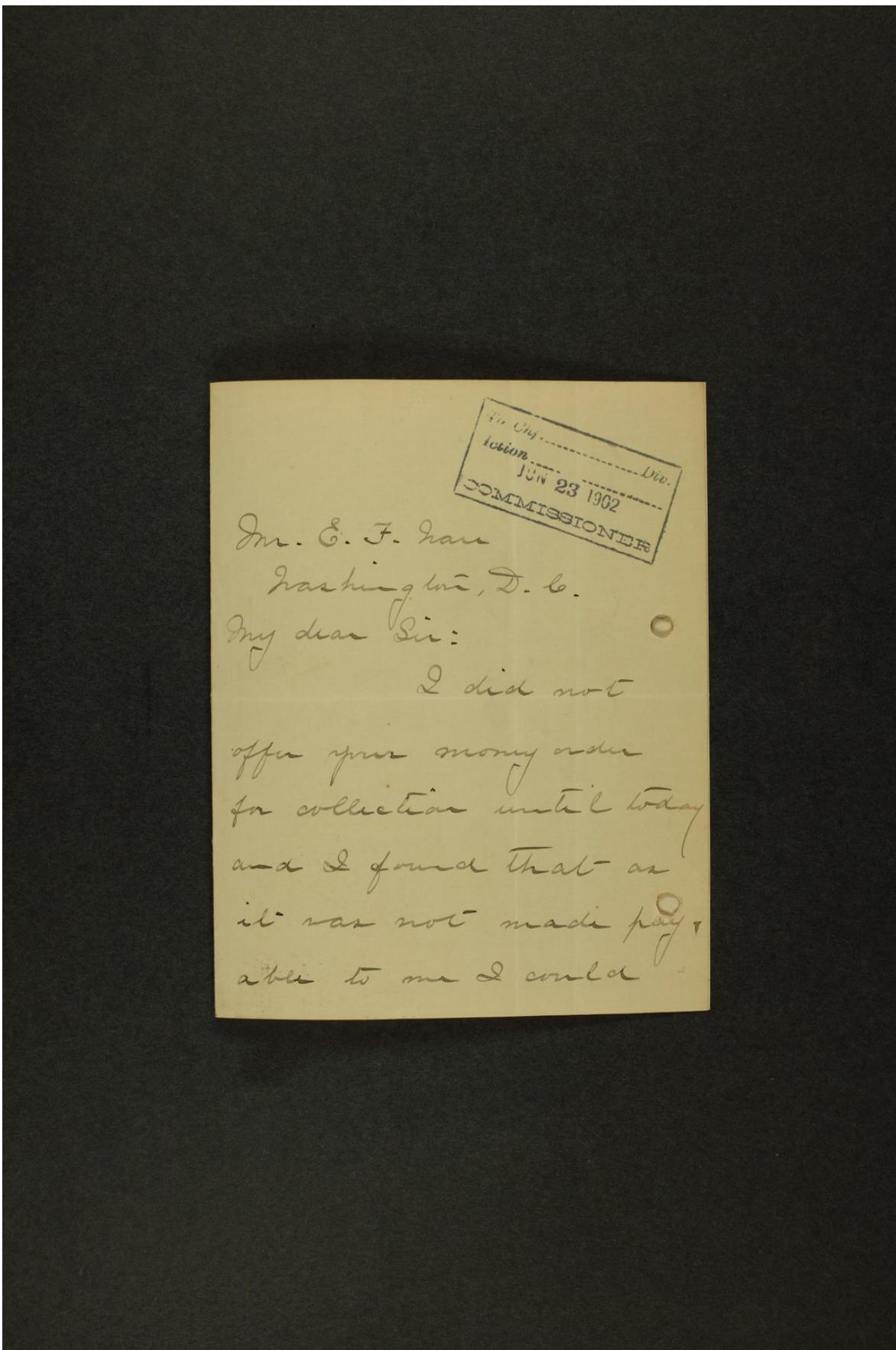


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not collect it. Will  
you send me one made  
for ten dollars please.  
I receipted this before I  
found my mistake. Per-  
haps it would give you  
less trouble to change  
this and I will return  
the five. Thank you  
for it. I hope that you  
will find time to examine

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the motives for I want to know  
what you think of John the  
doubtful -  
Yours very truly  
Alice M. Day.  
61 Remond St.  
Hartford Conn.  
June 20-1902.

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CONSULAR SERVICE, U. S. A.

Valparaiso, Chile, June 20, 1902.

Hon. Eugene F. Ware,  
Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington D.C.U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

It is quite probable that you will not remember me, but I have a distinct and pleasant recollection of "Iron-quill", the breezy, brilliant Kansas lawyer poet.

I was a member of the Western Association of Writers when that organization was in its infancy, and it was at one of the meetings of the Association, at Warsaw, that I met you.

Absence from the country has prevented my attending the Association meetings in recent years, but I have many friends among the members, and have lost none of the keen interest that I felt in the organization when first it was planned and its purpose announced. I am a Hoosier to the marrow born, and was for many years engaged in the newspaper business in Indiana.

All this is, however, preliminary to my offering congratulations upon your appointment as Commissioner of Pensions.

Very sincerely yours,

*R.E. Mansfield*  
U.S.Consul

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Department of the Interior  
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,  
COMMISSIONER

To Unj.  
Action  
Div.  
JUN 30 1902

Polacca Ariz.,

Dear Sir:-

June 30, 1902.

The Wichita Daily Eagle of recent date made mention of Judge McComas and his wife, who was your sister, being killed by the N.M. Indians some years ago. Will you kindly give me an outline of their massacre?

Was an account of the affair published in a magazine or any book, if so what is the title and date.

I inclose self addressed stamped envelope for your reply.

Thanking you in advance.

Jamie,  
A. Kansas,

Hon. Eugene Ware, J. S. Bratley.

Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D.C.