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April 10, 1958

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Dear Johnny:

Thanks so much for your letter of April 8 and the copy of the letter to Senators Murray and Mansfield from the Montana Cattlemen's Association. I appreciate your sending it to me. I am also going to show it to Senator Johnson when he returns from Texas.

As you requested, I am enclosing a copy of
S. 1356.

Top of the world to you.

Sincerely,

Walter Jenkins
Assistant to
Lyndon B. Johnson

Honorable John E. Lyle
Head & Lyle
Attorneys at Law
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Corpus Christi, Texas

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April 8, 1958

Mr. Walter Jenkins
Administrative Assistant
Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Walter:

I have received copy of the enclosed letter which I am sure will be of interest to you. Mr. Lemire is one of Mr. Glasscock's lawyers and lives in Miles City, Montana.

Please send me a copy of Senate Bill 1356.

Best regards,



JEL:mc
Encl.

Hon. James E. Murray
United States Senator
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Hon. Mike Mansfield
United States Senator
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senators:

The Montana Cattlemen's Association is vitally concerned with the passage of Senate Bill 1358, Calendar No. 706, which according to the Tuesday, March 25, 1958, issue of the Great Falls Tribune has been postponed by reason of Senator Johnson making a unanimous consent motion whereby this bill was sent to the Agriculture and Judiciary Committees. The motion required the Agriculture Committee to report back to the Senate its recommendations not later than Monday, April 21st.

According to this news article Senators O'Mahoney and Watkins, joint sponsors of the bill, did not oppose the unanimous consent request.

I have reviewed the action of the Senate in the Congressional Record under date of Friday, March 21st, commencing at page 4481, and in the Record of Monday, March 24th, commencing at page 4516, and have discussed this with several of the prominent cattle producers in this area. In view of the fact that this bill has heretofore been approved by the Judiciary Committee over the opposition of Senator Dirksen we have concluded that the motion of Senator Johnson, the majority leader, is nothing more than a delaying action with the ultimate purpose that the Senate will adjourn and result in the same stalemate situation as a year ago.

According to the aforementioned Congressional Records it appears that the following Senators spoke on the bill favorably: Senators Carroll, Allett and Neuberger. It is to be noted that neither of the Montana Senators commented on this bill.

In view of the fact that the cattle industry is one of the main income producing factors in many counties of the state, especially eastern Montana and on the "Hi-Line", the Cattlemen's Association feels very definitely that it is incumbent that the Senators from Montana actively support this bill of Senators O'Mahoney and Watkins.

It is apparent from reading Senator O'Mahoney's discussion of this bill, and especially at page 4484 of the March 21st Congressional Record, that the large chain stores of the country, and especially the seven largest, are ready to go into the meat packing business full scale. In fact some of them, such as Safeway,

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Hon. James E. Murray
Hon. Mike Mansfield

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have been in that business for sometime and under the present setup are exempt from regulation to such extent that these chain stores can control and do control the price of cattle. These chains are getting so big and their activity is enlarged to such a degree that the big packers now are concerned because the chain stores are putting the squeeze on the packers. It is apparent that if the chain stores are allowed to proceed unregulated they will ultimately take over the packing business and all independent packers will be forced out of business. This will be a considerable number because Senator O'Mahoney took fourteen pages of the Congressional Record to list the names of all U. S. meat packers that are subject to Federal regulation. They are not now being regulated due to the inability of the Department of Agriculture and their reluctance to enforce the anti-trust laws.

Therefore, the Cattlemen's Association requests that when this bill is reported back to the Senate floor by the Agriculture Committee that each of you make every effort toward obtaining the passage of this bill.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Montana Cattlemen's Association

By

Hugh J. Lemire
Legal Counsel
P. O. Box 419
Miles City, Montana

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cc/ Hon. Joseph C. O'Mahoney
Hon. Arthur V. Watkins
Jack C. Toole

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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October 10, 1956

AIR MAIL

Hon. Lyndon Johnson
United States Senator
207 U. S. Courthouse
Austin, Texas

Dear Senator Johnson:

This is in reference to your letter of September 27 concerning a communication you received from Mr. Jim Camp, Executive Director of the Texas Independent Meat Packers Association, Dallas, Texas, requesting that nominees by this association be considered for membership on the advisory committee on humane slaughter.

A letter dated September 19 from the Texas Independent Meat Packers Association nominated Mr. Herman Waldman and Mr. Henry Neuhoft for membership on the proposed advisory committee. Correspondence acknowledging the receipt of nominations was forwarded to Mr. Jim Camp on September 25.

We appreciate receiving these recommendations and assure you these men will be considered along with other nominees when the appointments are made.

Sincerely yours,

True D. Morse
Acting Secretary

Enclosure

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October 9, 1958

Dear Friend:

In behalf of Senator Johnson, I am enclosing a letter from the Acting Secretary of Agriculture with regard to your recent letter about representation of stock growers on the Advisory Committee on Humane Slaughter.

As you will see from Mr. Morse's letter, we contacted Mr. Stewart about the matter and he furnished his nominations and they are now being considered along with others. In the meantime, Mr. Stewart has been here and I have discussed the situation with him.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry
Administrative Assistant to
Lyndon B. Johnson

Mr. Jim Camp, Executive Director
Texas Independent Meat Packers Association
Room 1924, Davis Building
Dallas 2, Texas

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

October 7, 1958

Hon. Lyndon Johnson
United States Senate

Dear Senator Johnson:

This is in reply to your letter of September 24 concerning a communication you received from Mr. Jim Camp, Executive Director of the Texas Independent Meat Packers Association, Dallas, Texas, regarding the advisory committee on humane slaughter. Mr. Camp indicated that Mr. Charlie Stewart, Executive Secretary of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Fort Worth, Texas, wished to nominate two or three persons who might be considered to represent organizations of stock growers on the advisory committee.

Your communication was received on Monday, September 29. The different organizations making recommendations were requested to have them in to the Department by that date. We telephoned your office and suggested that Mr. Stewart be contacted at once and that he wire his nominations in to the Department. Mr. Stewart's nominations have been received, and you may be sure that they are being considered along with others in making these appointments.

Sincerely yours,

True D. Morse
Acting Secretary



INDEPENDENT MEAT PACKERS ASSOCIATION

Comprising 192 plants, doing an annual dollar volume of upwards of \$500,000,000.00 and providing jobs for more than 3,000 employees. The Association also has 77 Associate-Supplier Members.

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ROOM 1924, DAVIS BLDG.
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September 19, 1958

Mr. Arthur C. Perry
Administrative Assistant
to Lyndon Johnson
United States Senate
Office of the Democratic Leader
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Arthur:

Thank you for your letter of September 12.

We were just talking to Charlie Stewart, the Executive Secretary of the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, and I told him that I was just dictating a letter to you, and he requested that their very powerful Association, with which I am sure you are familiar, would also appreciate the privilege of submitting two names. Quite probably, you have this Association in your file, but in the possibility that you do not, they are located at 410 East Weatherford, Fort Worth, Texas.

Kindest regards.

Cordially yours,

Jim Camp
Executive Director

JC:mb

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MEMORANDUM

September 29, 1958

Dr. K. F. Johnson, ARS, Meat Inspection Branch, USDA, 111x4133, called re our referral to him of September 24, attached.

Dr. Johnson said today is the last day to accept nominations for membership on the Humane Slaughter Advisory Committee. He asked that we call Mr. Charles Stewart, Executive Secretary, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Fort Worth, and notify him to wire in his nominees and send a biography of the nominees. A regular transmittal would not get to him in time.

Mr. Perry called Stewart. He was at the airport en route to Washington. Mr. P gave Stewart's secretary the info and asked her to try and intercept him and tell him of same.

I called Dr. Johnson and told him the progress so far. He asked that we let him know tomorrow what the outcome is--if they wish to submit nominees.

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Jim Camp

United States Senate

Nominees on ~~Harvard~~
Slughter and Adornment
address wires to

MEMORANDUM

Dr. K. F. Johnson

A RS - Meat Inspec-
tion Branch

Dept agriculture

Wash. Dc

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Send along biograph
sketch

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September 24, 1958

Dear Friend:

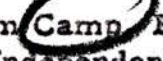
I have your letter of September 19th advising of the interest of Mr. Charlie Stewart, the Executive Secretary of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, in submitting two names for membership on the Advisory Committee for humane slaughter.

I am at once bringing this request to the attention of Assistant Secretary Peterson.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry
Administrative Assistant to
Lyndon B. Johnson

Mr. Jim  Executive Director
Texas Independent Meat Packers Association
Room 1924, Davis Building
Dallas 2, Texas

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September 24, 1958

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See your letter of September 11th, 1958.

Department of Agriculture
Attention: Honorable E. L. Peterson,
Assistant Secretary of Agriculture
Washington 25, D. C.

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September 12, 1958

Dear Friend:


In the absence of Senator Johnson, due to the adjournment of Congress, I am pleased to send you the attached letter.

The Senator is always glad to be of assistance whenever the circumstances permit.

If we can be of further aid in this or any other matter in which you are concerned, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry
Administrative Assistant to
Lyndon B. Johnson

Mr. Jim  Executive Director
Texas Independent Meat Packers Association
Room 1924, Davis Building
Dallas 2, Texas
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

September 11, 1959

Honorable Lyndon Johnson
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

This is in reference to your letter of August 27 concerning a communication you received from Mr. Jim Camp, Executive Director of Texas Independent Meat Packers Association, Dallas, Texas, regarding the Advisory Committee on humane slaughter.

The recently enacted legislation for the humane slaughtering of food animals provides for the establishment of an advisory committee by the Secretary of Agriculture. Functions of the committee will be to consult with the Secretary and make recommendations relative to humane slaughter. The members must, therefore, be well qualified in their respective fields.

For your ready reference concerning the membership and purpose of the committee, the following is quoted from the law:

"Sec. 5. To assist in implementing the provisions of section 4, the Secretary is authorized to establish an advisory committee. The functions of the Advisory Committee shall be to consult with the Secretary and other appropriate officials of the Department of Agriculture and to make recommendations relative to (a) the research authorized in section 4; (b) obtaining the cooperation of the public, producers, farm organizations, industry groups, humane associations, and Federal and State agencies in the furtherance of such research and the adoption of improved methods; and (c) the designations required by section 4. The Committee shall be composed of twelve members, of whom one shall be an officer or employee of the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary (who shall serve as Chairman); two shall be representatives of national organizations of slaughterers; one shall be a representative of the trade-union movement engaged in packing-house work; one shall be a representative of the general public; two shall be representatives of livestock growers; one shall be a representative of the poultry industry; two shall be representatives of national organizations of the humane movement; one shall be a representative of a national professional veterinary organization; and one shall be a

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person familiar with the requirements of religious faiths with respect to slaughter. The Department of Agriculture shall assist the Committee with such research personnel and facilities as the Department can make available. Committee members other than the Chairman shall not be deemed to be employees of the United States and are not entitled to compensation but the Secretary is authorized to allow their travel expenses and subsistence expenses in connection with their attendance at regular or special meetings of the Committee. The Committee shall meet at least once each year and at the call of the Secretary and shall from time to time submit to the Secretary such reports and recommendations with respect to new or improved methods as it believes should be taken into consideration by him in making the designations required by Section 4 and the Secretary shall make all such reports available to the public."

We shall be glad to have the Texas Independent Meat Packers Association send nominations of two or three persons who might be considered to represent national organizations of slaughterers. We have invited organizations, representative of the various groups specified in the law, to make nominations for membership on the advisory committee in order to assist us in selecting a representative committee.

The humane slaughter law presents a real administrative challenge. Much work must be done in a short time, therefore, we have asked the different organizations to forward their nominations to reach the Department by Monday, September 29.

Sincerely yours,

E. L. Peterson
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure



INDEPENDENT MEAT PACKERS ASSOCIATION

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DALLAS 2, TEXAS
Riverside 2-4628

August 25, 1958

AIR MAIL

Senator Lyndon Johnson
The Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Lyndon:

As you know, Humane Slaughter legislation is on the desk
for signature. PRESIDENT'S

Inasmuch as the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to
appoint the Advisory Committee - our Association would
welcome the privilege of having one of our members serve
on this Committee.

We will enjoy hearing from you on this at your first con-
venience.

Cordially,

Jim Camp
Executive Director

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August 27, 1958

Dear Friend:

Senator Johnson has returned to Texas for the adjournment of Congress, hence I am acknowledging your letter of August 25th about the Humane Slaughter Bill and your interest in representation on the Advisory Committee by one of the members of your association.

In behalf of the Senator, I am contacting the Secretary about this matter, and just as soon as I have some report, it will be furnished to you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry
Administrative Assistant to
Lyndon B. Johnson, USS

Mr. Jim Camp, Executive Director
Texas Independent Meat Packers Association
Room 1924, Davis Building
Dallas 2, Texas

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**Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C.**