Roseburg, 0r. Oct. 4, 1904

Col. Henry E.Dosch,

the World's Fair,

St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Colonel:

Most heartily I thank you for your cordial letter of Sep 20th.

My friends are at work, but the obstacle is what to apply for. I don't want to push anyone aside. The suggestion that you made as to the Publicity Department, is well and I shall go for something in that line. I think Reed will interpose objections, from what I hear, and from the sneering way he treated my recommendation of yourself as Director Gen. In view of what I have done for the boy in the past, it vexed me a little, and when Mr.Corbett traeted the matter favorably, and I repeated what Mr.Ladd said in the same vein it flustrated Reed noticeably. I Qan't account for it, and will take no stock in it until further proof is at hand.

For three years, I wrote several columns for the Oregonian annual number, and am informed Reed claimed the credit. Can't belive it?

Col.Ramsdell in charge of the Fairbanks party, brought him and his friends all the way out to the Home to see me last Sunday, and we had a very pleasant chat over old times in Washington?

With the very kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely Yours,

R.W.Mitchell,

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