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Hon. John H. Bankhead,

United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

Noting that you are a member of the Committee on Industrial Expositions, I am calling your attention to a letter which I addressed a short while ago to all the Southern daily papers, a printed copy of which I enclose.

I am glad to say that almost without exception the Southern white press has endorsed this movement, and it has also been pretty generally favored by the press throughout the country.

I also send you a copy of the bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Jones. I very much hope that you can see your way clear to favor this movement.

I should not, as I have stated, take part in this exposition except as it had the good will and confidence of the Southern white people. I would not favor doing anything that should revive any bitterness connected with slavery or reconstruction, but should try to show the progress of the race both in slavery and in freedom.

I hope to be in Washington sometime soon when I can talk with you personally regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

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Booker T. Washington