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Dear Paul:

Since Carl is not going to be able to come to Cochise County I want to make a suggestion which I think is important. You people will be in Tucson on the 3rd. Why doesn't Carl wire Colonel W. F. Robinson, Commanding Officer at Fort Huachuca, and ask that Robinson and Major Raymond, the Construction Quartermaster, meet him in Tucson for a thirty minutes talk, bringing with them the program showing completions, WPA programs, etc.

Those fellows are really doing a very excellent job at the Post. Carl will remember that they prepared a four year program going into detail regarding every need. The work has been right along this four-year program and they are really knocking quite a hole in the program. A few days ago some army man was at the Post and asked Major Raymond whether he could use some of the WPA funds which had been allocated to other Posts but not used where allocated. Raymond told him that he could use \$300,000.00. I think that this money can be gotten merely by a little cooperation on Carl's part. Raymond can explain this to Carl in a very few minutes.

Colonel Robinson sent through channels certain definite recommendations. A copy was sent by Major Raymond direct to the Quartermaster General. Corps Area at San Antonio quibbled on punctuation and arrangement twice so Robinson merely filed the recommendation at Huachuca and forgot it. Recently your office asked about certain matters in Washington and the Quartermaster General referred to the recommendation which he had received from Raymond but investigation disclosed that the recommendations had never come out of Corps Area at San Antonio. I am also

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sure that both Colonel Robinson and Major Raymond can give Carl some definite information on water needs and potential supply which will be of great assistance both with the General Staff and in Congress at the coming session.

These two fellows are very earnest regarding the development program. Raymond is head and shoulders above any other constructing quartermaster who has ever been at Huachuca. He has utilized the WPA money most judiciously and you would hardly recognize the Post so great has been the improvement since your last visit. If Carl can spend thirty minutes with these boys he will not only get a lot of information which will be of great value to him in the fight for water development but he will do an inestimable service in keeping up the morale of these two fine officers who are doing a job which is outstanding at Huachuca. Carl needs no one from Bisbee at this conference; in fact anyone from Bisbee would cause these boys to be a little hesitant. They will sit down with Carl and with you and unbosom themselves entirely, giving you the lowdown on every thing there. Incidentally--and this is extremely confidential, they have information through confidential army circles that the \$500,500.00 will never be spent at Huachuca. I think that Colonel Robinson will tell Carl that if Carl lets him know that his confidence will be fully protected.

All that development program hinges on water development. Carl cannot insist on the expenditures for hospital and barracks if high army officials insist that there is not enough water for present buildings. There is ample water in the strata which has been tapped at the air field; all that is needed is a sixteen inch well six hundred feet deep, pumping capacity, a four mile pipe line and sufficient storage capacity.

(After Carl has talked to them, let him write me a letter giving me an outline of his thoughts and I will write a story and put it on the AP wire for state consumption. This will eliminate any political need for a visit to the Fort until next summer.)

I know that a telegram from Carl will bring Robinson and Raymond to Tucson at any hour convenient to Carl and with all the information which is needed for such a conference.

My very best to both of you

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jack", with a horizontal line extending from the start of the signature.