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Hon. Francis E. Warren, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:- Your esteemed favor of May 3rd has been received. Very few letters have come to us from Wyoming of any sort, because we have not encouraged correspondence with friends in your State. Mr. C. H. Parmelee, of Buffalo, is the only one, I believe, of the gentlemen you mention, who has so far written us. Enclosed I send you a carbon copy of my letter to him, which I am sure will not "set the world on fire" or do the good cause any harm. Mr. Parmelee's letter to me is marked confidential, or I would send a copy of it to you. There is nothing in it, however, except a lot of glittering generalities and no reference to any of the Republican leaders in Wyoming except in the kindest and most courteous terms. I am very glad indeed to have your memorandum about Judge C. It is just about what I expected from him, but we will endeavor, nevertheless, to take him into the fold at St. Louis, because we may need his vote. This will not be done, however, at the sacrifice of any principle or true friend. Please feel free to command me if I can be of the least assistance and bear in mind that we will depend on McKinley instructions at your convention at Sheridan on May 15th. The reason I keep ding-donging on this subject is that wherever we fail to secure resolutions, the Combine at once say that McKinley is losing ground. Wyoming is next to the last convention to be held in the country, that of Idaho completing the list. Did you ever talk to Senator Shoup regarding his position on the Presidency and what action he contemplates as a member of the National Committee? If you have done so, I hope you will interview him at once and let me know what he has to say.

Yours truly,

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