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Hon. George Sutherland,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Senator Sutherland:

I cannot resist dropping you a line and telling you how deeply I regret your defeat. I feel that the re-election of President Wilson is a National calamity and that your loss to the Senate ranks second only to the loss of the Presidency.

We are a strong and great country and will survive anything that the next four years may bring, but it is depressing to feel that we are American citizens in a period in our history when our electorate endorses such a humiliating administration in both foreign affairs and Mexican as we have just gone through.

Possibly even more serious to our future history is the thought that four years more of Wilson means a Supreme Court completely dominated by him, a Court which will then pass on any revolutionary social legislation which he may see fit to put through in the interest of special classes. This is a thought which is enough to make any thoughtful American tremble.

I have had a most interesting four months here with Mr. Bliss. He is the finest type of American citizen and it is a privilege and a pleasure to be associated with him. He, at least, must have the satisfaction of feeling that he has done a big piece of work in a big way. There are a great many sides of the campaign that I hope next winter to have an opportunity of talking over with you.

With best wishes and warmest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

*James Leavelle Pritchard*