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## Correspondence, John C. Stennis, February 27-March 9, 1948

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27th February, 1948.

Honorable John C. Stennis,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:-

In the thought that you may find them of interest, I am enclosing excerpts from a letter which I received from my father a few days ago relative to "the present unhappy division in the Democratic Party".

I know that my father has the highest regard for you. I know that he feels that you will serve the State in the same manner as did Lamar, Walthall and George---the three men who have always been his political heroes. To that list, I would personally add Hubert Stephens because in the twelve years that I was his secretary, I knew his worth. He was a man of great intellect, of sound judgment, of unquestioned integrity, and of unbounded courage. In his quiet and unassuming way, he exercised more influence in the Senate than did scores of his more vocal and publicized colleagues. So, when I say that I feel that you will serve in the manner of Hubert Stephens--as well as in the manner of Lamar, Walthall and George--I can pay you no higher compliment.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially,

GWN:MS  
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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

March 9, 1948

  
Washington 5, D. C.

My dear 

I appreciate so very much your letter which would have been answered ere this, but I have been quite busy getting up my maiden speech and I had to lay everything else aside for the moment. The thoughts from your father are just about the best that I have read on the subject. I have read over the quotation you sent me several times and have been greatly helped thereby, and have retained it here in my special file and will refer to it more than once, as I try to prepare for various phases of this fight that is developing here on the Floor of the Senate.

You were very thoughtful, and I deeply appreciate your letter with the enclosure. Also, I deeply appreciate what you have to say about Senator Stephens. You have made me appreciate and respect him all the more and also, I am beginning to appreciate the problems that a man has here trying to serve in this capacity. Your encouragement and expressions of faith are worth a great deal to me, and I am your most grateful debtor therefor.

I do hope that you can come by to see me, as it would be a special pleasure to me to have you as my guest at any time convenient to you. You have many friends here in Washington who speak very highly of you, which leads me to the conclusion that you are a "chip off the old block", which to my mind is the highest compliment that I can pay you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

U. S. S.

JCS:eh  
cc: Hon. George B. Neville, Sr.