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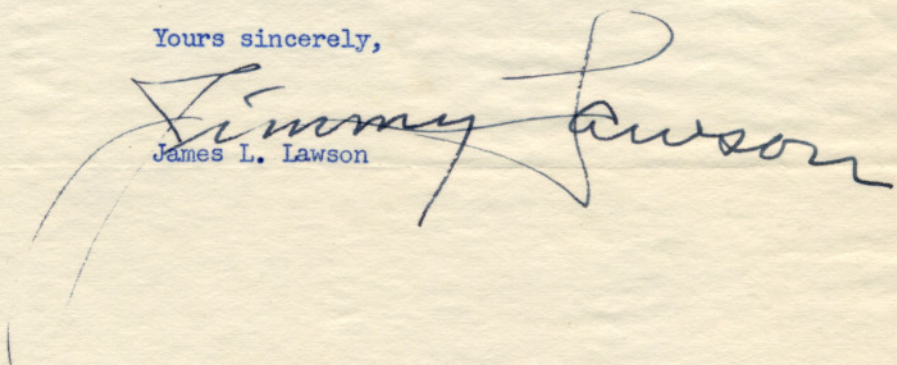
Dear "Buster",

I see you are getting your picture on the front pages of the newspapers again. You are the right person to handle the Nickerson case. In my opinion it is another Billy Mitchell deal. The general stupidity of the bureaucrats--wherever they may be--is amazing.

Here's luck to the colonels!

With kindest personal regards and wishing you the best of luck, I am

Yours sincerely,


James L. Lawson

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Mr. James L. Lawson
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Dear Jemmy:

It was grand hearing from you again by way of your recent letter regarding the court martial proceedings against Colonel Nickerson, and I want you to know that both he and I deeply appreciate your genuine interest and best wishes.

As you fully realize, the task that I have undertaken is a Herculean one, and involves a tremendous amount of work and responsibility. I just prayerfully hope that I can measure up to this responsibility.

Thank you again for your note, and if you are ever in this part of the State, please drop by to see us.

With warmest personal regards and best wishes, I am,

Always sincerely yours,

Robert K. Bell

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