House of Representatives,
Committee on
Expenditures in the Interior Department,
Washington, D.C.
January 13, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secretary, Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashman Block,
Chicago, Ill.
Dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date relative to the Executive Orders prohibiting all Federal Civil Service employees from applying to Congress for a redress of grievances is received. The matter will have my careful consideration.

Very truly yours,

James M. Graham

M/M
James M. Grimm Sec'y,
Chicago Civil Service League,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of January 6th has been received. I assure you that this matter will receive my careful attention.

Very respectfully,

W. W. Wedemeyer
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your letter received. I will give the matters you write about careful attention.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

W.E. Cox
Sixty-Second Congress.

Cyrus Cline, Ind., Chairman.
Thomas F. Konop, Wis.
F.L. Blackmon, Ala.
E.R. Bathrick, Ohio.

House of Representatives U.S.,
Committee on Expenditures on Public Buildings,
Washington, D.C.,
Jan. 13, 1912.

James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir;

I beg leave to acknowledge receipt of the resolutions passed by your league, with reference to Senate Bill #1162 and H.R. #5970.

Mr. Esch left the city yesterday and will be absent for about a week. Upon his return, your communication will be laid before him for further attention.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Private Secretary.
Jan 12, 1912.

James M. Grimm, Esq.,

Secretary, Civil Service League,

Room 620, Ashland Block,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your letter duly received and contents noted. I have filed the letter with the appropriate committee of the House of Representatives, and will give all that you say my earnest personal attention and consideration.

With best wishes, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Sec'y, Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620, Ashland Block, Chicago.

Dear Sir:—

Your letter of recent date, embodying a copy of preamble and resolution of your League relative to certain bills which have been introduced in Congress, providing for the restoration to the Federal civil service employees of their inherent rights as citizens, etc., is received.

I shall when opportunity presents give my vote and influence in furtherance of legislation to grant employes of the Federal Government the right of free speech and the right of petition, enjoyed by other American citizens.

Very truly yours,

Dic.

[Signature]
Jas. M. Grimm, Secretary,

Chicago Civil Service League,

Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your circular letter of the 6th instant transmitting resolutions on behalf of the Chicago Civil Service. I am of the opinion that it is easy to go too far with the regulations operating in the Civil Service tending to prohibit to its employees the right of petitioning Congress for the redress of grievances and such other matters as tend to transgress upon their other inherent rights as American citizens. I beg to assure you that I shall give the matter my most careful consideration.

Very truly yours,

John L. Burnett
January 17, 1912.

James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir:

Your favor of the 6th instant, requesting my support of S. B. 1162 and H. B. 5970, is at hand, and in reply I have to say that I have given your communication my earnest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

E. A. Hayes
Mr. James M. Grimm, Secretary
Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Mr. Grimm:

I am in receipt of your favor of January sixth enclosing resolution in regard to civil service employees and endorsing Senate Bill No. 1162 and House Bill No. 5970. I beg to assure you that the same will have my earnest and careful consideration.

Sincerely yours,

CBM-P

[Signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secretary, Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I am opposed to the executive order you mention and as a member of the Committee on Civil Service Reform hope that we may introduce and pass a bill precluding such action.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

WK/FBA
James M. Grimm, Esq.,  
Secretary Chicago Civil Service League,  
Room 620 Ashland Block,  
Chicago, Illinois.  

Dear Sir:-  

In response to you letter of the sixth instant wherein is contained a copy of the resolution adopted by your league, having reference to the executive orders prohibiting civil service employees from petitioning Congress or giving any information without first receiving permission; I beg to inform you that the matter contained in your resolution will receive my support when Senate Bill Number 1162 and House Bill 5970 comes up for consideration.  

Very truly yours,
Jan. 12, 1912.

Hon. Jas. M. Grimm,

Secretary, Room 420 Ancland Block,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have received your favor of the 6th inst with resolution as stated, to which I shall give due attention.

Yours truly,

W. C. Adamson
Mr. James M. Grimm,

Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of the 6th inst. relative to the Lloyd bill, providing for the restoration of certain rights to the federal civil service employees.

I am not a member of the House Committee which has charge of the consideration of this measure, so cannot be of much service. However, I shall be pleased to give the matter my careful consideration when it is reported to the House by the Committee.

Very truly,

[Signature]

Jan. 12, 1912
Mr. James M. Grimm,

Secy. Chicago Civil Service League,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Jan. 6, relative to bills providing for the restoration to the Federal civil service employees of their inherent rights as citizens, and to state that I shall give them careful and serious consideration.

Very truly yours,

John Martin
James M. Grimm, Secy.
Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago.

My Dear Sir;

Yours of Jan. 6th, the receipt of which was acknowledged by my private secretary during my absence from Washington, enclosing resolutions recently adopted by the Chicago Civil Service League, urging enactment of the La Follette - Lloyd Bill, providing for the restoration to civil service employees of their inherent rights as citizens, has just been placed before me for reply.

In response, beg leave to state that I have already gone on record in favor of the above legislation. Should either of these bills reach the floor of the House for action, I will be pleased to give them my support.

I will this day file the resolutions of your league in the House and will ask that they be referred to the appropriate committee.

Trusting this will be satisfactory, I remain,

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

JJE-CJW.
Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

I have yours of the 6th setting forth your action upon Senate Bill 1162 and House Bill 5970.

I have not read either of these bills and should not care to commit myself to support either of them in detail but I am in sympathy with the spirit of your resolutions.

Very truly yours,

W.I. McC/CR.
House of Representatives, U.S.,
Committee on the Library,
Washington, D.C.

January 12, 1912.

Mr James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of 6th instant transmitting a copy of the resolution adopted by the Chicago Civil Service League for which I thank you. The matter shall have my careful attention.

Yours truly,

James L. Slayden
Mr. James M. Grim, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge yours of the 6th instant, enclosing copy of a resolution relative to the right of petition on the part of federal employees. I beg to assure you that I have this day introduced the same in Congress.

Very respectfully yours,

Geo. Edmund Foss
Mr. James M. Grimm, Secy.,
Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, CHICAGO.

My dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 6th inst., being resolutions of your organization indorsing Senate Bill No. 1162 and House Bill No. 5970.

I have today presented your resolution to the House of Representatives.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

F. E. Wilson
January 12th, 1912.

Mr. James Grimm.

Room No. 620 Ashland Block.

Chicago, Ills.

My dear sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of recent date in reference to Senate Bill No. 1162, and House Bill No. 5970. I note what you say in relation to the subject, which I will be pleased to give my careful consideration.

Very truly yours.

[Signature]

M.C.
James M. Grimm Esq.

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 6th, instant, received, and I shall give it very careful consideration.

Yours very respectfully,

[Signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secretary Chicago Civil Service League,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Mr. Grimm:

I have your letter with regard to bills introduced in the interest of the Postoffice employees, and would say that I have already expressed myself fully on this subject in the "Harpoon", and that I will be glad to render whatever assistance I can in this matter.

I am, Very truly yours.

[Signature]

SIXTY-SECOND CONGRESS
JOHN T. WATKINS LA., CHAIRMAN.
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JOHN C. MCKENZIE, ILL.
ROBERT O. HARRIS, MASS.
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U.S.
COMMITTEE ON
REVISION OF THE LAWS.

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 13, 1912.

[Handwritten note]

[Handwritten signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm, Sec.,

Chicago Civil Service League,

620 Ashland Block,

Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of January 6, permit me to advise that the subject mentioned therein shall have my careful consideration.

Assuring you that I am pleased to have your views on any subject of interest to the public, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

[Signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm,

Secretary, Chicago Civil Service League,

Room #620, Ashland block,

Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 6th instant and to say in reply, that I am in favor of legislation similar to that proposed in the bills introduced by Senator La Follette and Representative Lloyd.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Mr. James M. Grimm, Secty.

Chicago Civil Service League,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your communication of recent date, relative to the passage of H. R. Bill 5970, as introduced by Congressman Lloyd.

Rest assured that I will lend my best efforts to the enactment of this measure.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,
Sixty-Second Congress.
Robert L. Henry, Chairman.
Edward M. Pay, John Birkell.
Augustus O. Stanley, Edmond H. Madison.
Wm. F. Garrett, 
Martin A. Foster, 
W. F. Clark, Clerk.

House of Representatives U. S.
Committee on Rules,
Washington, D. C.

January 12, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Sec. Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of the 6th instant containing resolution of the Chicago Civil Service League endorsing the La Follette and Lloyd bills relating to civil service employees, and in reply will say that I am heartily in favor of this bill with an amendment which I understand is entirely satisfactory to the civil service employees, relating to strikes.

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]
Mr. Jas. M. Grimm, Secretary,  
Chicago Civil Service League,  
Ashland Block,  
Chicago, Illinois.  

Dear sir:

I have your letter of recent date in regard to bills pending before Congress enlarging the rights of employees of the Government to petition to Congress, etc.

I beg to assure you that the subject matter will have my careful consideration, and unless there are reasons not yet advanced and that I am not aware of, I should favor the principle involved in the legislation you call to my attention. I am in sympathy with the purpose you desire to be accomplished.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Needham
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C.,
January 13, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm, Sec'y.,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 6th instant reached me this morning.

I will take pleasure in giving the matter you write about my earnest and careful attention.

Yours very truly,

Oscar W. Underwood
Mr. James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago.

Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of your letter of January 6th containing copies of the resolutions passed by your organization protesting against the executive orders which prohibit government employees from petitioning Congress, etc. I will be glad to support the measure you mention or any measure that will insure to government employees the right to petition Congress and the right of free speech.

Very truly yours,

Henry T. Rainey
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secretary Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Blk.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Grimm:

A heavy mail in my office for quite a while has prevented a prompt reply to your letter of the 6th. inst., enclosing a copy of the resolution adopted by your league endorsing Senate Bill number 1162, and House Bill number 5970, and requesting my support of these measures.

I assure you that my delay in replying to your letter was not due in the slightest degree to indifference or discourtesy. I am favorably disposed toward the objects sought by your League, and I thank you for sending me the copy of the resolution.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

CI. Randell
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secy. Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of recent date to hand. This matter will receive my prompt and immediate attention, and House Bill No. 5970 and Senate Bill No. 1162 will receive every consideration.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Mr. James M. Grimm, January 12, 1912.

Secy., Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of 6th instant, being resolutions adopted by your League relative to the right of Federal civil service employees to petition Congress, and favoring legislation on the subject which is now pending in Congress.

As requested, I will give the matter careful attention and consideration.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Jan. 16, 1912.

Mr. Jas. M. Grimm,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of January 6th containing resolutions of the Chicago Civil Service League endorsing Senate Bill number 1162 and House Bill number 5970.

I assure you that the action taken by the League will have my careful attention in connection with the consideration of these bills in the Senate.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

LJB
NC
Mr. James M. Grimm,
620 Ashland Blk.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge yours of the 6th instant and to assure you it will have the Senator's attention.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

January 12, 1912.
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Jan. 16, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secy. Chicago Civil Service League,
Room 620 Ashland Bldg.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 6th inst. enclosing petition of the Chicago Civil Service League favoring the passage of S.1162 and H.R.5970 providing for the restoring of the right to present petitions and make grievances in behalf of federal civil service employes. I am in favor of the passage of one of these bills and will present your petition to the Senate today and have it placed upon the records.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

J. Crawford, S. Dak., Chairman.

Crawford, S. Oak

Chairman.
United States Senate.

COMMITTEE ON
EXPENDITURES IN THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.

January 12, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 6th instant, transmitting
a resolution adopted by the Chicago Civil Service
League in favor of the passage of Senate Bill 1162, or
House Bill 5970, has been received.

The resolution will have careful consideration
in connection with this matter.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON
EXPENDITURES IN POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.
Washington, January 12th, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Grimm:

I have your favor of January 6th, and am glad to hear from you. I shall take pleasure in looking into the bills mentioned in the resolutions of the Chicago Civil Service League you enclose, and give them careful consideration.

Thanking you for writing me, and with best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

R.
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON
EXPENDITURES IN THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

January 12, 1912.

Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago.

Dear Sirs:-

I am in receipt of the resolutions of your League embodied in your letter of the 6th instant, and shall be glad to give them careful attention.

Very truly yours,

John D. Weeks
U. S. S.
Mr. James M. Grimm,
Civil Service League,
Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Sir:

Your circular letter of the 6th instant, with reference to the LaFollette-Lloyd bills in regard to Civil Service employees, at hand and I beg to assure you that I am favorably disposed toward this subject and have myself introduced a bill along the same lines. A copy of this bill is enclosed for your information.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 12, 1912.

James M. Grimm, Esq.,
Secretary, Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of the 6th instant, containing copy of resolutions adopted by your organization with reference to the right of Federal Civil Service employes to petition the Government, has just been received and noted.

I will present your resolutions to the Senate for reference to the proper committee for consideration, and when the matter comes up in the Senate it will be given attention.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
FOREST RESERVATIONS AND THE
PROTECTION OF GAME

January 12th, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm, Sec'y.,
CHICAGO CIVIL SERVICE LEAGUE,
Chicago, ILL.

My dear sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your resolutions dated January 6th, 1912, and will give the subject matter thereof my most careful consideration when the same is before the Senate.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Geo. P. McLean
United States Senate,  
COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

Washington, January 12th, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,  
620 Ashland Block,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 6th inst. at hand.

Should the bill come before the Senate, it
will be the subject of consideration. I
cannot promise in advance to support a bill,
because a bill is often so mangled in its
passage that a man could not favor it, though
having promised to support it. I can assure
you of my sympathy with the purpose of the
bill.

With regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
UNITED STATES SENATE.

January 15, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm, Secretary,
Chicago Civil Service League,
620 Ashland Block, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 6th instant and shall give the same careful attention.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

EDMUND J. WELLS, CLERK.
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURES,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 12, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Secretary, Chicago Civil Service League,
#20 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your circular letter of January 6th soliciting support for S. 1162 and H. R. 5970.

I am not a believer in what is called the civil service system in regard to federal employees. I regard the right to hold office as belonging alike to all the people. I do not believe in life tenures of office. What you term autocratic control over the federal civil service employees is exceeded only by the desired control by them.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Handwritten note: "EXT/H."]
United States Senate,
COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

January 15, 1912.

Mr. James M. Grimm,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, having reference to the rights of Federal Civil Service Employees.

I am placing your communication on file and shall be glad to give it careful attention when the legislation to which it refers is under consideration.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
United States Senate
COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS.

January 12, 1912.

Hon. James M. Grimm,
Room 620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of January 6th, recommending the passage of S. Bill No. 1162 and House Bill No. 5970 providing for the restoration to the Federal civil service employees of their inherent rights as citizens, and would say that I shall give the measures you refer to my most careful consideration.

I am,

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Geo. C. Perkins, Chairman.
Mr. James M. Grimm,
620 Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 6th instant, addressed to Senator Guggenheim, in regard to Senate Bill 1162, and House Bill 5970, which relate to the status of Civil Service employees, has been received and will be brought to the Senator's attention.

Yours very truly,

B.K.

Secretary to Senator Guggenheim.
Mr. J. M. Grimm,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th
I beg to say that the matter referred to therein
will have due consideration.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Jan. 12, 1912.