June 15th, 1936.

Honorable Herbert H. Lehman,
New York State Capitol,
Albany, New York.

Dear Governor Lehman:

Mrs. Belmont has asked me to tell you how greatly disappointed we are that you will be unable to attend the West Side Hospital Development Committee's Dinner to Jack Dempsey at the Astor next Wednesday evening, June 17th.

That Mr. Dempsey, as Chairman of the Committee, has actively and vigorously taken in hand the task of developing a Hospital which health, civic and industrial leaders consider vital to the well-being of Manhattan's West Side has impressed countless people as a singularly meritorious and public-spirited contribution to New York City's betterment.

If you, too, so consider it, it would be distinctly inspiring if you would so state to Mr. Dempsey in a telegram which we would like to read at the dinner along with similar communications from President Roosevelt, already received, and others. A suggested draft is enclosed.

With anticipatory thanks, I am,

Yours very truly,

Lee Trenholm
Secretary of the Industrial Committee

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