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Dear Mr. Lehman:

Senator George Norris, whom we all consider the greatest American legislator of this century, has just accepted an invitation to a testimonial dinner in his honor at the Commodore Hotel in New York on December 29th under the joint auspices of the Nation and the Union for Democratic Action.

We are confident that this will be one of the great events of this season. Senator Robert Wagner has accepted our invitation to head a distinguished list of speakers. Indeed, we have every reason to believe that President Roosevelt will speak to the dinner by radio.

We should greatly appreciate the use of your name on the sponsoring committee of which Governor Poletti has already agreed to be chairman. Because Senator Norris is anxious to return to his home in Nebraska, we have an extremely short time for preparation. Our invitations must be printed next Tuesday morning. We therefore ask your immediate attention to this matter. In view of the admiration of all Americans for the achievements of Senator Norris, we shall take the liberty of using your name unless you inform us to the contrary before Monday evening. (Plaza 8-0703).

Cordially,

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