

Elliott, M. Leo.
Florida

By Recd.

Application for Membership

Oct. 15, 21.
~~May 14, 21.~~, 19

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name M. Leo Elliott,

Address Curry Bldg. Tampa, Florida.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Woodstock, Ulster County, New York.

Graduate in architecture No.
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture No.
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts No.
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter No.


If practicing architect, firm name M. Leo Elliott.
Have been in practice { Bonfoey & Elliott, (Engineer on Con. Ships) M. Leo Elliott, 1908 to 1918 } { for Gov't. 1918-20 years } 1920-----

If draughtsman, employed by _____
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training Four years with Welch, Smith & Provot, New York, two years in other good offices, two years Cooper Institute, several years Beaux Arts problems.

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.


[Signature of Applicant.]

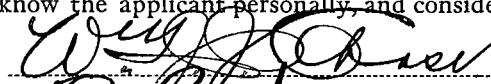
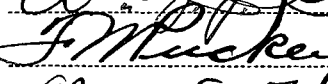

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the _____
[For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date _____
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Secretary.

Chapter, A. I. A.

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

- (1)  (Ga. Chap.)
- (2)  (ILLINOIS CHAP.)
- (3)  (New York Chap.)

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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Membership in the American Institute of Architects

Objects: The objects of the American Institute of Architects are to organize and unite in fellowship the Architects of the United States, to combine their efforts so as to promote the æsthetic, scientific, and practical efficiency of the profession, and to make the profession of ever-increasing service to society.

The American Institute of Architects desires and invites the membership of every practicing architect, or architectural draughtsman, who is willing to join with his professional brothers in upholding and promoting the principles and ideals of service for which the American Institute stands.

Conditions of Membership: Any resident of the United States, who is a practicing architect, or an architect engaged in professional education, or an architectural draughtsman, is eligible to membership if able to submit the required proofs of his or her professional capacity and honorable personal and professional standing.

The Chapter Relation: Chapters of the Institute are local groups of Institute members and associates organized under a form of Chapter Constitution and By-Laws which provides a standard relationship to the Institute, with varying provisions for local organization and effort. An applicant for Institute membership is assigned, upon election, to the chapter within whose territory he has his business headquarters. If he resides in the territory of one chapter and has his business headquarters in the territory of another, he may make a choice in his application.

Initiation Fee and Dues: The initiation fee is \$20.00, of which \$5.00 must accompany the application, and of which the balance is payable three months after election. The dues are \$20.00 a year.

The Journal of the Institute is its official publication, for which the subscription price to Institute members is \$3.50 per year.

General Requirements and Proof of Professional Ability

Educational Requirements and Experience: No exhibits of executed work or technical examination are required of an applicant who can qualify under the provisions contained in the following paragraphs, but every such applicant must send with his application in lieu of exhibits of executed work, and as evidence of the proper educational equipment, his certificate of graduation, or his scholarship award, or some authoritative writing which is satisfactory proof of such graduation or scholarship award.

Those not qualifying under Group I should send exhibits as required under Group II.

Group I. Exhibits are not required: Of graduates in Architecture of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia University, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell University, Harvard University, the University of Illinois, the University of Michigan, Carnegie Institute of Technology, the University of California, Washington University, Syracuse University, the University of Minnesota, the University of Oregon and the University of Kansas:

Or from those who have held accredited scholarships of the American Academy at Rome, Columbia University, Cornell University, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Washington University, or holders of the Rotch, McKim, or Stewardson Scholarships, the winners of the Paris Prize of the Society of Beaux Arts Architects or the Alumni Fellowship of the University of Pennsylvania; or from those who have passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects or the examinations for the first class of the Ecolè des Beaux Arts.

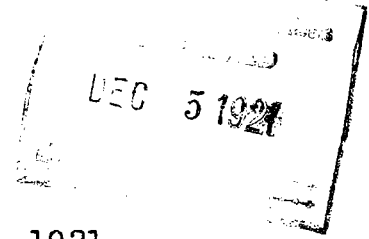
Practical Experience: Applicants applying under these general requirements shall have had not less than two years' experience as practicing architects; or three years as draughtsmen; or two years as draughtsmen and one year in practice.

Unanimous Endorsement: No exhibits of executed work are required in any case when the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his chapter. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. A letter from the chapter secretary to this effect should accompany the application.

Group II. Exhibits are required: Applicants not qualifying under Group I, unless they have unanimous endorsement, should accompany their applications with simple exhibits of executed work consisting of working drawings and photographs of two executed buildings. These exhibits may be taken from the office files and need not be specially prepared. They are returned in due course. Such applicants shall have been in independent practice at least three years, or have served five years as draughtsmen.

The architectural draughtsman is not required to submit exhibits of which he is the publicly recognized designer, but he must send two such exhibits of which he can truthfully say he was the principal author, although the work was done in the office of another.

M. LEO ELLIOTT
ARCHITECT



December 1st, 1921.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,
Executive Secretary
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Your letter of the 8th instant at hand and in reply beg to advise that I have filled out the application blank which you so kindly sent me, and have had same endorsed by three Institute members, whom you may know personally. This application accompanied by check in the amount of \$5.00 is attached hereto.

Under separate cover I will forward to you plans and photographs of two or three executed buildings; one of which is a Masonic Building now nearing completion, but as yet have not been able to get a photograph of the exterior, and in leu of this, will send you photograph of study in perspective.

I have hesitated making application to the Institute for several years feeling that our united effort should be given to our State Association which accomplished wonders in the up-building of the profession in Florida. But as I see it now, with ~~the~~ strong representation of the American Institute, the work here can be carried on more rapidly and with better results.

Welcoming a thorough investigation of my standing in Florida and professional ethics, and trusting that I may be honored by election to membership in the Institute, I am,

Yours very truly,

MLE:EO
Nelson-Stovall Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 5, 1921.

My dear Mr. Elliott:-

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in the American Institute of Architects; also your preliminary fee of \$5.00.

This will be acted upon at the next meeting of the Board of Directors, probably in February, 1922, and you will be advised in due course of the action taken.

Your exhibits have been safely received.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. M. Leo Hewitt,
Curry Building,
Tampa, Florida.

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February 16, 1922.

My dear Mr. Elliott:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective February 16, 1922.

You have been assigned to the Florida Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so notified.

The engrossed Certificate of Membership will be sent to you in due course, after engrossing and signing by the President and Secretary. The enclosed statement covering dues for the current year should receive your prompt attention.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at the Octagon is for the service of every Institute member. Should the occasion arise we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. M. Leo Elliott,
Curry Building,
Tampa, Florida.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
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August 30, 1922.

My dear Mr. Greeley:

Enclosed herewith are two newspaper clippings from the Tampa Tribune, one showing photographs of the architectural organization of M. Leo Elliott. Mr. Elliott and Mr. Wiest are Institute members.

These clippings came in the mail anonymously. Advertising under the Code of the Institute is not a punishable offense. The attitude of the Institute is stated in the marked copy of the Code enclosed herewith. Therefore, I send these clippings to you as President of the Florida Chapter for your information.

As similar cases have arisen before, we usually leave it to the local Chapter to take such position as its judgment dictates.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Mellen C. Greeley, President,
Florida Chapter, A. I. A.,
Bisbee Building, Jacksonville, Fla.

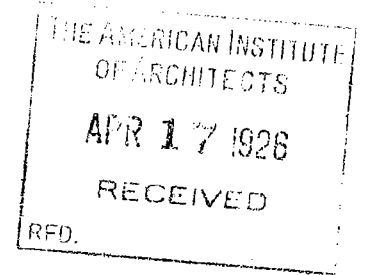
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FLORIDA



The American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

Attention John Laurence Mauran,
Chairman Committee.

Your letter dated April 8 has been
received and contents noted.

Mr. Elliott is at present out of the
City, and will be for several days, but upon
his return your letter will be handed him, and
he will answer you personally.

Yours very truly,
M. LEO ELLIOTT INC.,

BY

L. E. Hutchinson

Secretary

Tampa, Florida,
April 14, 1926.

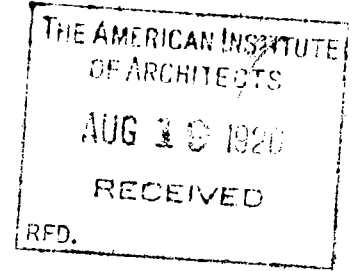
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American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon,
Washington, D. C.



Gentlemen:-

Attention W. S. Parker, Sect'y.

For reasons which I do not care to go into detail, at this time, I herewith tender my resignation from the American Institute of Architects.

The Institute, as a whole, is a wonderful organization, doing a wonderful work, and I shall always consider it an honor to have been a Member.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Secretary of the Florida Chapter.

Respectfully Submitted.

August 16, 1926.

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Frank

August 20, 1926

My dear Mr. Elliott:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 18th, tendering your resignation as a member of the Institute.

Such resignation, to be effective, should follow the procedure shown in the marked excerpt of the by-laws sent herewith. If you will have the necessary letter sent to the Secretary of the Florida Chapter and if it is received from him, through the Executive Committee of the Florida Chapter, the Institute Board will be in a position to act.

This is the required procedure, as set forth in the By-laws, so please do not think that the Octagon is trying to be technical.

With reference to the first paragraph of your letter, I know the Board would be glad to know if there is any misunderstanding concerning the By-laws of the Institute or its code which causes you to resign; or if there has been any lack of attention or courtesy on the part of the Octagon.

Copies of your letter and this reply have been sent to the President of the Florida Chapter, Mr. H. F. Cunningham of St. Petersburg, and to the Secretary, Mr. Clare Mosner at Sarasota, so that both of them will be advised.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

August 20, 1926.

Mr. H. Leo Elliott,
Box 2202,
Tampa, Florida.

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Copy to Mr. H. F. Cunningham and
Mr. Clare C. Mosner.

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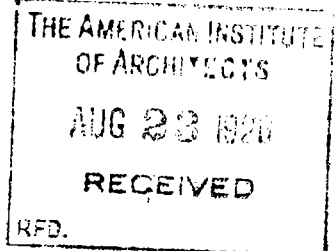
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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
J. Bruce Smith Building
SAINT PETERSBURG, FLORIDA



19th August, 1926

E. C. Kemper, Esq.,
Executive Secretary, AIA.,
The Octagon,
Washington, D.C.,

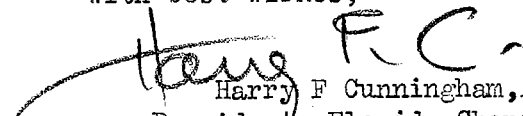
Dear Eddie,

You have doubtless received the letter of resignation from Mr M. Leo Elliott (addressed to W.S.Parker, Sec'y!!!!). You will perhaps recall that several instances of "unusual" practise - especially as regards advertising - have come up in connection with Mr Elliott. His loss to the Chapter and to the Institute is not a serious one from any angle.

I am however, somewhat disturbed about it for the reason that a friend of mine told me just the other day that "Elliott is going to quit the Institute because he does not like the President of the Florida Chapter". I have never actually met the man and he has never had an opportunity to either like - or dislike - the said President. I sent him at least one client, and have diverted two threatened charges of unprofessional conduct against him. The communications from Mr Mauran to him were called forth by information furnished by me - but furnished in each case at the request of ~~somebody~~ someone else. In connection with Mr Elliott, as in connection with every other member of the Chapter and every official act of mine as President of the Chapter, I have conscientiously endeavoured to leave personality entirely out of the matter. But, since a member resigns, apparently because he "does not like the President of the Florida Chapter", I feel that I owe the Institute an apology for having caused it to lose a member. This is the apology - which please accept and transmit to the Board.

Mr Elliott's Chapter dues are paid up in full for this year and he is not a debtor to the Chapter.

With best wishes,


Harry F. Cunningham, AIA.,
President, Florida Chapter, AIA.

HFC/hfc
Copy to C C Hosmer, Secy.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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August 24, 1926

Dear Harry:

Your letter of the 19th came in on the 23rd and it crossed copies of correspondence between this office and Mr. Elliott, concerning his resignation, which copies were sent to you and also to Mr. Hosmer.

The resignation has to come through the Executive Committee of the Florida Chapter and that will give you opportunity to act in the matter as you deem best. I do not know a thing about Mr. Elliott, but he must be an unusual man if he is dissatisfied because his Chapter, during the past year, has taken on some vigor and assumed some leadership in the State of Florida. I say this with all due respect to previous Chapter Presidents.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Harry F. Cunningham, President,
Florida Chapter, A.I.A.,
J. Bruce Smith Building,
St. Petersburg, Fla.

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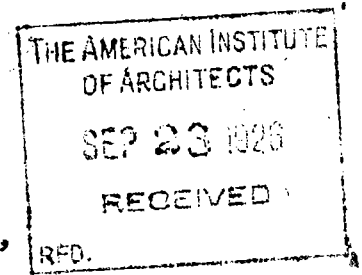
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Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Sec'y.,
The American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue,
Washington, D. C.


Dear Mr. Kemper:-

Upon my return to the office from an absence of more than 30-days I find your letter of August 20, and as per request therein I am writing the Secretary of the Florida Chapter, asking that the necessary information regarding my standing in the Chapter be forwarded to you so that my resignation may be officially acted upon.

Also please find enclosed copies of letters from Mr. Cunningham, President, of the Chapter, and Mr. Hosmer, Secretary, which may be sufficient, in its-self, to warrent your accepting my resignation.

With reference to your question as to whether or not there is any misunderstanding concerning the policies, or code of the Institute, beg to advise that I shall always have the highest regard for the Institute, as a whole, and its principles, which in my opinion are the foundation for practice, by all successful firms.

Yours very truly,


President

M. LEO ELLIOTT INC.

September 21, 1926.

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER,
SARASOTA, FLORIDA

August 20, 1926.

Mr. M. Leo Elliott,
Citizens Bank Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Elliott:-

I regret to note your withdrawal from the American Institute of Architects.

I am not aware of the circumstances which prompt this rather unusual procedure. I regret that you find it necessary to sever your connections with an organization which has done much to bring the public to an appreciation of what the architect is and the worth while of his service, to say nothing about the matter of fees.

In my several years connection with the Chicago Chapter I have seen men within and without the Institute only too ready and happy to use the Institute's influence whenever it was found to their advantage so to do. I feel that each architect who stands for the highest type of practice owes a great debt of gratitude to the A. I. A.

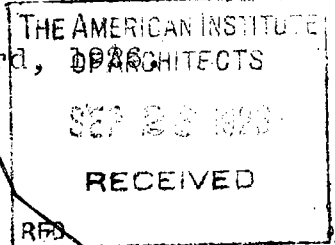
I trust that some day you may care to re-align yourself with the Institute as have many others who have, for one reason or another, divested themselves of the A. I. A. toga. We get out of architecture and life in proportion as we put into it-- I am not referring to \$\$ and @@ alone. I am therefore sincere when I say that I trust that some day you will have a change of heart and will put your shoulder to the wheel with A. I. A. members to build for bigger and better architecture in the truest sense of the word.

Yours very sincerely,

C. C. Hosmer.

FLORIDA CHAPTER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA.

August 23rd,



M. Leo Elliott, Esq.,
Citizens bank Building,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Elliott:-

Mr. Hosmer, Secretary of the Chapter, has forwarded to me a copy of your letter of resignation from the Institute together with a copy of his letter to you.

Mr. Hosmer's letter expresses so well what we all of us feel that I can add little to it except to repeat the hope that you may shortly find it possible and agreeable to re-join the Institute.

I am sorry that it has never been my privilege to make your acquaintance and you may be sure that if I had known in advance of your contemplated resignation, I should have paid you a personal call in the hope of dissuading you from taking that step.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

By- Harry F. Cunningham, AIA.



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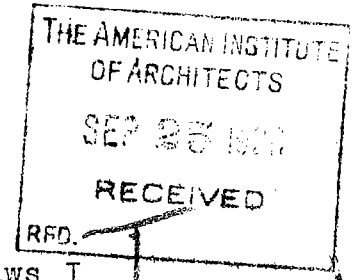
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SARASOTA, FLORIDA

Sept. 22, 1926

Handwritten signature/initials

Mr. E. C. Kemper
Octagon Building
Washington, D.C.



My dear Kemper:

In conformity with the By-Laws I am writing this to inform you that Mr. Elliot's Chapter dues were paid up to December 31, 1926.

Business as usual -- what there is of it this summer. And Sarasota has much to be thankful for that it got off so easy, though the effects of the storm are evident on every side.

It was indeed a thriller to be able to stand in the lee of a sheltering building and see corrugated iron roofs come from somewhere only to crash through wind shields and store fronts. We have seen "tropical storms" in the "movies" but it's a rare experience to be able to stand on the street and see the other side of it wrecked. Once is enough.

Yours cordially,

Handwritten signature

CCH/S

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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October 25, 1926.

Dear Mr. Elliott:-

This will formally advise that at the October meeting of the
Institute Executive Committee, it was

Resolved, that the resignation of Leo M. Elliott
be accepted, effective October 13, 1926.

By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Leo M. Elliott,
Citizens Bank Building,
Tampa, Florida.

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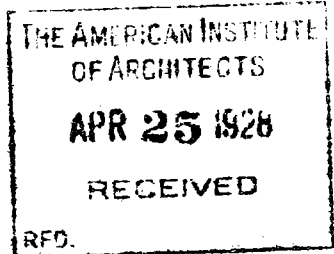
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"Florida's Great Home Daily"

THE TAMPA DAILY TIMES

TAMPA, FLORIDA

April 23rd., 1928



Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In our issue of Monday, April 9th., advertisement of M. Leo Elliott, Architect of this City, the statement was made that he was a member of the American Institute of Architects. Immediately after publication, Mr. Elliott called right up and called our attention to this particular point, and was very much disturbed as to the copy as appeared in his advertisement.

We want to take this occasion to let you know that Mr. Elliott was in no way responsible for the copy as appeared in this issue. The data was taken from old files and written entirely in this office. We were at fault in not submitting copy to Mr. Elliott, for his approval, before publishing same.

I am just writing this letter to give you the actual facts, as we realize it has no doubt placed Mr. Elliott in a very embarrassing position, and we owe it to him to see that you fully understand the unfortunate error. It is our desire to have the American Institute of Architects know that we accept full responsibility and deeply regret it!

Yours very truly,

THE TAMPA DAILY TIMES

O. A. Groff
Advertising Manager

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J. E. MCKAY
PRESIDENT

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Executive Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

April 26, 1928.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of April 23rd and its frank explanation.

I cannot see that any action is called for at this time by this office.

Should any of our members raise a question, which is not anticipated, your letter will not be overlooked.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. O. A. Greff, Advertising Manager,
The Tampa Daily Times,
Tampa, Florida.

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