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Albany, Oregon Ter.
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Truly yours

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Hon. A.A. Chenoweth,
Oregon City

(Copy entire paragraph relating to the Papers)
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