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PLEASE REPLY TO:
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CHAIRMAN FOR NAVY DAY
OCTOBER 27, 1945
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Mr. Harry Darby, Vice-president and Director of the Navy League of the United States has asked me to serve as Navy Day Chairman for the state of Kansas this year. You have been recommended to serve as Chairman for your County and I hope you will be in a position to accept this responsibility. You will, of course, receive the close cooperation of the national and state organizations.

October 27 is Navy Day. It was chosen as the date for the observance of Navy Day because it marks the anniversary of the date in 1775 when the Continental Congress received the bill providing for the creation of an independent fleet. It is also the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt who recognized the need for a strong Navy, and is widely credited with being the father of our modern Navy, now the most powerful in the world.

Literature is now being prepared offering suggestions for the celebration of Navy Day with posters and pamphlets to aid in the planning and preparation of appropriate observances.

We would like to announce your appointment as Chairman of your County immediately and would appreciate hearing from you by return mail.

Yours very truly,

Navy Day Chairman
for the State of Kansas

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"IF YOU CAN'T JOIN THE NAVY, JOIN THE NAVY LEAGUE"