

May 29, 1946

Mr. Daniel M. Byrne
227 West 9th
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Dan:

I have your letter of recent date, complaining about the leniency that the Administration in Washington has shown to Labor, and particularly John L. Lewis. I quite agree with you in what you have to say and your line of reasoning. In my opinion it is unanswerable.

Now we have the railroads on strike. No situation has ever been so devastating and destructive to our economy. In fact, these two big strikes, with those that have preceded, and the vacillating and dilly-dallying methods of the Administration are threatening the very existence of our Government.

We have laws enough to take care of these situations, if the President had the intestinal fortitude to take a stand and let those racketeers and labor bosses know that the interests of the people come first. Instead of all this appeasement talk that has gone on, the President could have and should have said to these bosses that they dare not strike and that he would not permit it and he could enforce his orders with the military forces of this country which are presently available.

I am so glad you wrote me and appreciate your views, with which I heartily agree.

With all good wishes to you, your mother and brother, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M. C.

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Honorable George B. Schwabe
Congressman from Oklahoma, District 1
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Schwabe:

I write to you as a friend to ask you to do something about Dictator John L. Lewis and his strikes. He and his gangsters are ruining the United States. Sure, the laborers have rights, but so do we, the millions of people who do not depend upon mob rule to accomplish our personal gains. The trust laws keep the big companies in line. How about a similar law to keep labor in line?

A while back the government saw fit to open the General Motor books; similarly, why shouldn't we take the liberty to open the C.I.O. and A.F.L. books to see how they are allowed to charge fantastic initiation fees and enormous monthly dues. Let's not wait until they ruin the United States; let's do something now!

Your friend
and constituent,

Daniel M. Byrne