

SCHWABE COLL

January 17, 1946

Mr. C. D. Zimmerman
Cleveland, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, which arrived in the absence of Congressman Schwabe, who is away from Washington for a few days on official business.

Your letter will, however, be brought to his attention immediately upon his return to Washington, and you may be sure he will greatly appreciate your interest in writing. The Congressman is always glad to have the benefit of the views of the people of his District on the questions of the day, in order to more truly represent them in Congress. He recently made an arduous trip over all ten counties of his District, holding conferences at every county seat and post office, in an effort to learn the opinions of his constituents, both Democratic and Republican. In addition to that, he mailed forty thousand questionnaires to every rural and local post office box holder in the District. Thousands have replied to the questionnaire and hundreds went to the county seats and post offices to talk with him personally. In spite of all that, there are many others who neither received a questionnaire nor consulted him personally; but hundreds of this latter group, including yourself, are writing and expressing their views by mail, and he is delighted that so many of the citizens of his District and of the State of Oklahoma are so public spirited. That is one way in which the people can share in the formulating of the policies of government.

Thanking you for your letter, and assuring you of the Congressman's desire to render every possible service to the people of his District, the State of Oklahoma and the Nation as a whole, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. L. Warren, Secretary

Cleveland, Okla.,
January 14, 1946.

Mr. Geo. B. Schwabe,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

With the reconvening of Congress, and due to internal affairs, at this time, it seems most imperative to have laws curbing and controlling the activities of labor unions.

Labor has grown to such a stature some unions are attempting to rule management. Such being the case no reason remains why they should be exempt from all laws and regulations as apply to management and corporations. Funds should be subject to income laws; books open to government inspection; subject to all penalties, applying to business, in restraint of trade; compensation of officers be made a matter of public record; limited to the same influence upon the voting public in choice of all officials as applies to industry and subject to anti-trust laws through interlocking directorates. The passing of necessary legislation for their control is an imperative must.

The activities of a union leader as that James Petrillo, of the musicians' union, who exact tribute on recorded musical records, forces radio stations to maintain standby musicians who are totally unneeded is entirely unAmerican, and smacks of the tactics of an Al Capone gang, and should be abolished. The "muscling in" tactics of the Roosevelt, gang and the Roosevelt progeny, must be eliminated.

The four billion dollar loan to Great Britian should be withheld until they have exhausted their own controlled resources, and sources of taxes. Recently the leader of the Moslem religion, residing in Iram, visited India and received his weight in diamonds. (NEWSWEEK) Some of the greatest private fortunes are held by the ruling caste, according to reliable sources, and India being a 200 year directorate or subject of Great Britians should be tapped prior to Uncle Sam. (Sap) Also, getting down to work, according to the American plan, might help likewise.

I am not opposed to increased compensation for members of Congress but do insist they for the general benefit of the American people, and stop beating ^{legislative} about the bush about it.

Yours truly,

Ed Zimmerman