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Mr. D. M. Tyler Dewey, Oklahoma

Dear Don:

I have your letter of the 4th instant suggesting the importance of the Case Bill, H.R. 5262, and asking me to support the measure.

This bill came up for final vote in the House one day last week, and I am pleased to tell you that the record shows that I supported it from start to finish. I found that organized labor leaders were opposed to it, and that businessmen and individuals who wrote me on the subject, almost without exception, were in favor of the passage of this bill.

I want to suggest that I do not think the Case Bill is perfect. Many of the amendments adopted were wholesome and helpful. But the bill's enunciated principles are, according to my way of thinking, calculated to help conditions; and if properly enforced would relieve the public of a lot of its present ills. After all, I think the public has the greatest interest. But the present administration, and Mr. Roosevelt and his administration, catered to labor racketeers to such an extent that that minority seemed to be running the affairs of this country, and I am opposed to any minority taking charge and operating to the detriment of the people generally. I would be the same way if I thought management was headed by corrupt racketeers.

I seriously doubt if the Senate will pass the Case bill, or any other similar measure. If the Senate should adopt the Case Bill, I am inclined to think the President would veto it. That indicates the attitude, as I see it here, of this Administration. More courage is required under these circumstances for one to attempt to perform what he conceives to be his duty. It is always easier to go along with the crowd along the lines of least resistance; but I am not built that way. I think the public is demanding action, and that they are entitled to it, and I voted conscientiously and without regard to any political repercussions, for the Case Bill and all perfecting amendments.

D. M. TYLER
DEWEY, OKLA.

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Mr. George B. Schwabe, Congressman, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I think you will agree with me that the Case Bill (H.R. 5262) is one of the most important pieces of legislation the House has before it at this time, and I sincerely hope that you will see your way clear to vote for this measure, or some comparable measure that will correct this condition which the country is facing at this time.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Tyler.

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