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Mr. C. H. Whittington
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Dear Friend:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant and have appreciated reading it very much.

I am so happy that I can agree with your line of reasoning and conclusions. I am one of the group who did not vote for the loan, or gift, to Great Britain. I have been consistently opposed to the British loan and to the giving of our substance, our money and even our boys to the peoples of other countries, such as has been the policy of the Roosevelt-Gruman administration.

I also voted for the terminal leave pay bill, providing for cash terminal leave pay to enlisted men, as well as to officers. I shall insist that they be given the same treatment that was accorded the defense workers and the officers referred to in your letter.

This give-away New Deal administration yesterday had all done up in a nice package, a bill increasing the salaries of members of Congress. It was sugar-coated and sandwiched into the so-called bill to streamline Congress. Of course, there were some good things about the bill, but I think the main purpose was to increase the salaries and provide a pension for the members of Congress. I voted against it because of the manner in which it was approached and for the reason that I did not like some of its provisions and did not believe it should be enacted at this time.

You insisted upon my doing what I can to give the G.I.s an even break with the boys who did not face the bullets of the enemies. I think your ideas are very good. I had four sons and a son-in-law in the Service and I think I have the interest of the veterans at heart as much as anyone could possibly have.

Again assuring you of my appreciation of your views, and with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M.C.

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July 23, 1946

Hon. Geo. B. Schwabe,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Representative:

First I want to congratulate you on voting against the Loan to England or should I say the Gift. I suppose the eastern political clique have their hands out for part of the cash, if not England would not have gotten the loan or gift. I also am proud of the House of Representatives stand on the enlisted man's cash terminal leave pay matter. I am very sorry to see the tight fist, salary voting senate kicking this bill around, tearing it down and practical asking the U.I. to take non-negotiable bonds.

The 450,000 defense plant workers, the high salaried political would be leaders and the financial kings didn't take any non-negotiable bonds, no they

grabbed the cash, voted themselves unheard of salary increase, outlandish cost plus profits, bonuses and the like. The U. S. Government Bond and non-negotiable bond proposition is the worst thing I have heard of coming out of Washington. Let us come down to earth, treat the enlisted man like the officers were treated as to terminal leave. The enlisted man did the dirty work, fighting, died and bled that you, me and all the rest might have peace if that is possible. I am asking that you support this full terminal leave cash payment, in every way you can. Give our U. S. a fighting chance in this money grabbing, crazy world he has to face and establish himself in, at unheard of high prices for what little he can purchase.

The tax exemption for veterans of world war II. for a period of five years or more in the amount of \$25'00. yearly earned salary would give them a chance to get settled and get on the

level with the people that stayed to home & worked at unheard of salaries. If the U. S. A. has money to give England, Russia, France and China, give the polition enormous salary increases, give the armed forces large salary increases during peace time, then we should have a little common horse sense and give the G.I. an even chance.

I am a working man, property owner, tax payer and voter. I had a Son, Son-in-Law, Brother-in-Law & many close friends in the thick of world war II, and I am again asking you as a Representative of the people of Oklahoma to do all in your power to give our G.I.'s an even break, prevent trouble within our own country, clean out all that political, money grabbing mess that is going on in Washington at this time. Give our returned veterans the good old American home, the only solution to peace and happiness.

Sincerely yours.

C. H. Whitthorn