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Leg - British Loan

July 15, 1946

Mr. D. C. Hamilton, Vice President
Bartlett-Collins Company
Sapulpa, Oklahoma

Dear Friend:

I have your letter of July 11, quoting from letters you have received from your selling agents in South America. I read these excerpts with more than passing interest. I thought of you and what you had to say while we were considering the British Loan last week.

I suspect you noticed that I voted against the British Loan and I am very proud of that fact, but this New Deal crowd which has a majority in both Houses of Congress passed it with a considerable majority. I think we will be sorry that this action was taken. I cannot believe that it is for the best interest of our people.

Again thanking you for your letter and contribution to my thinking, and with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M.C.

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July 11, 1946

AIR MAIL

Hon Geo. Schwabe
House Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Schwabe

We quote herewith excerpts from letters that we have received from our selling agents in South America:

The following, under date of April 13, written by C. y A. Puccio, La, Paz, Bolivia:

"You will be sorry to hear that meanwhile a large glass factory has been established, and our Government, to protect this new industry, is not issuing any Import Permits for such articles that may be made here. This affects particularly all plain glassware and also some of the decorated glassware items."

We quote herewith from letter dated April 23, 1946, from Gordon Grant & Company, Ltd., Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies:

"We have been in touch with all the Islands in our territory to find out definitely whether licences for import from the U.S.A. would be granted and unfortunately, in some of the larger centres such as Trinidad and British Guiana, the decision has been in the negative. It is the old question, the conservation of sterling exchange and the restriction of the Dollar. Should the loan from U.S.A. to Britain, at present being negotiated, materialise, then we look for an immediate change in Government policy."

The following from a letter, dated May 15th, written by Gordon Grant of Port of Spain, Trinidad, B.W.I:

"We are sorry that the Control Board for Trinidad imports still decline to issue licences for Glassware from the U.S.A"

The following from a letter of June 19th from Gordon Grant & Co., Ltd., Port of Spain, Trinidad, B.W.I:

"We were unable to place any of the allocation in Trinidad and Antigua on account of Control Board restrictions."

Hon Geo. Schwabe

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The following from a letter, dated May 6th, from J.F.D. Haenen, Netherlands Guiana:

"As at present our Government is very reserved in granting Import Licences for goods from the States which are not absolutely necessary, we shall, however try to get the permit."

The following from Charles J. Henriquez of Curacao, North West Indies, Under date of July 5th:

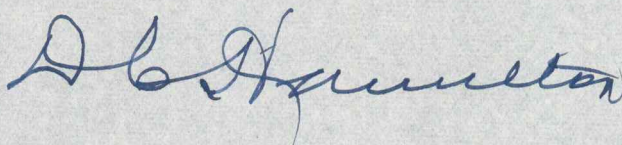
"no business could be secured, for as our government has an agreement with England for her buying capacity, it is very hard to obtain dollars."

The above is brought to your attention for the purpose of acquainting you with the British attitude towards American industry, and it might be reflected in your action towards the British Loan.

Again Britain is using us to improve their commercial and financial position. Personally, we do not believe the loan to Great Britain is in order.

Very truly yours,

BARTLETT- COLLINS CO.,



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D. C. Hamilton
Vice President