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Merchant Marine

July 11, 1946

Mr. Ted Livingston
Post Commander
Sullivan Lewis Post No. 182
Pryor, Oklahoma

Dear Friend:

Some days ago I received your letter of June 29th urging my opposition to H.R. 2346, seeking to grant members of the Merchant Marine corps the same rights and provisions that are granted under the G. I. bill of rights.

I have heard from a number of the veterans organizations and I believe they are practically all opposed to the enactment of this measure. I have always been inclined to believe your position is correct. I had four sons in the service and I have talked with them quite frequently on this subject. None of them were in the Merchant Marines, and I have talked with many other servicemen and veterans. I know the arguments pro and con. I do not believe the bill has much chance of passage, and I think you will be pleased with my vote on this measure, when and if, it comes to the House for a vote.

Thanking you for writing me and giving me your views, and with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M.C.

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SULLIVAN-LEWIS POST 182

Pryor, Oklahoma

June 29th, 1946

Hon. Geo. Schwabe
Congressman
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With regard to bill HR 2346 which grants members of the Merchant Marine rights and privileges, similar to those granted veterans under the GI Bill of Rights; have to state that we urge defeat of this bill, so please Mr. Congressman, we ask for immediate action against same.

I am voicing the opinion of our local post and there is no question in our mind that it would be a great mistake to grant one group of civilians the privileges now granted only to former service men. Please give this matter your very utmost attention.

Yours Very Truly,

Ted Livingston
Post Commander
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