

SCHWABE COLL

18-44- veds  
Merchant Marine

September 24, 1945

Mrs. Frank Fugate  
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Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Fugate:

I am just in receipt of yours of the 21st instant, relative to your 18-year-old son who recently enlisted in the Merchant Marine.

I can understand and appreciate your anxiety about your boy and about his finishing his school work. Two of my four boys in the service have not yet finished their school courses, and I don't know when any of my boys are going to be released. I have received literally hundreds and hundreds of letters from anxious mothers and fathers and I am doing everything I can to get these boys out of school who want to come back and finish their scholastic courses. I think it is essential and important to all concerned and to the country. My position on this subject was made very plain in my recent insertion in the Congressional Record, copy of which I am sending you under separate cover, which includes a letter to the President.

I have talked to the President personally about this situation and you may rest assured that I am doing everything I can to relieve these boys. I am even introducing a bill in Congress which will permit them to come back and finish their school work.

I am glad you wrote me and you may rest assured that I shall continue to be interested in the welfare of your boys and all others in that same category.

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M. C.

GBS:CMG



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Mr Geo. B. Schwabey  
Washington D.C.

Mr Schwabey. I want some information about these 18 year old school boys my boy would be a senior this year and he was very anxious to finish school but he was 18 the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. so he enlisted in the Merchant Marines but he would be more than glad to come home and finish school even if he had to take a years training after he had finished.

Please let me know what I could do about this

Mrs Frank Fugate

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