

Old Age Assistance

May 28, 1946

Mr. Scott Harris
Jay, Oklahoma

Dear Friend:

I have your letter of May 23rd, enclosing your answers to the questions which I submitted several months ago.

I am happy to note how you voted on these controversial issues. I think you and I see eye-to-eye.

With reference to the Old Age Pension problem, I have always said that there should be only two qualifications to entitle a person to receive old age benefits. First, he should be required to be a citizen of the United States; and second, he should have attained the required age. This would do away with all these unnecessary snoopers who are getting the money the old people should receive.

I have joined with others here in signing the discharge petition to bring such a bill from the committee to the floor of the House in order that the House may consider and pass it, and I shall always be glad to work in the interests of the aged.

It was nice to have your views.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M.C.

GS:LW

Jay. Oklahoma.
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Hon George B. Schwabe

Dear Sir

I have given the inclosed questions serious study & for a long time I felt I was not competent to answer. but present events has given me more light & I am here with submitting my opinion. I also favour our Constitution be firmly adhered to. & have no use for the new deal. I think it has bin a terrible blight to this country. I am 82 years old & wife & I draw an old age compensation check of forty dollar a month & with this & what we could raise we managed to get along fairly well until the war came on now the price of all the necessities has doubled. The merchant & the manufacturers can pass the higher costs on to their customers. not so with us old people who have a fixed income inflation has proved a curse to us who are less able to take it. I wish you would exert all your energy to pass some form of a national old age pension & eliminate the case workers & all that set up that takes such a large percent of the sales tax & is no benefit to the state. I hope you will give this your serious consideration

Respectfully yours
Scott Harris.