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AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR=

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TRUCK DRIVERS FROM W S DICKEY CLAY MFG COMPANY DEEPWATER MISSOURI AND PITTSBURG, KANSAS PLANTS REFUSED ADMITTANCE TO GARDINER KANSAS, AND LAKECITY, MISSOURI DEFENSE PLANTS WITH DELIVERIES OF SEWER PIPE FOR DEFENSE CONSTRUCTION. THESE CLAY PLANTS HAVE BEEN UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF MINE, MILL AND SMELTER WORKERS OF WHICH THE DRIVERS ARE MEMBERS, FOR FIVE YEARS. HERETOFORE NO JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES HAVE ARISEN.

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MATERIALS & EXCAVATORS LOCAL 541 KANSASCITY, NOW ADVISE THAT
DELIVERIES TO ALL DEFENSE PROJECTS WILL BE PROHIBITED UNDER
PRESENT STATUS. WE REQUEST RETAINING STATUS-QUO DURING WAR
EMERGENCY IN SUPPORT OF CIO-AFL PLEDGE TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.
IMMEDIATE ACTION VITALLY IMPORTANT. PLEASE ADVISE OF YOUR
CONTEMPLATED ACTION IN CLEARING MATTER:

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MINE MILL AND SMELTER WORKERS

April 13, 1942

Mr. Reid,
International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers,
Denver, Colorado

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have a complaint, a very serious one, from our people in Chicago. It is from our Local Union 714, Machinery, Scrap Iron and Metal Chauffeurs and Helpers. These men collect junk, scrap iron, etc., and haul it to the yards, where the men inside those yards sort it out for shipment to different smelters. For a number of years these people have been in our union.

It has been charged that a representative of your union has gone into the yards in Chicago and endeavored to take some of these people away from our membership. We have had a union shop contract there for a number of years.

I don't think that you, or any of your associate officers, believe in this practice of raiding unions. I know that Phil Murray and the rest of us expressed ourselves as against this kind of work at our recent conference in Washington. We did this after having a conference with the President of the United States and after pledging ourselves against strikes or anything else that might disturb our war program, which is the great problem that should concern all of us, because if we lose the war we lose our unions.

I am requesting you to contact your man in Chicago and tell him to cease interfering with our membership. Of course we can employ the roundabout method of going to the National Labor Board, but it would take weeks before we could get any action. We have four-fifths of the men in our union

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and all of them were in the union up until a short time ago,
until your man interfered. This is the information we have
received from our representative in Chicago.

Fraternally yours,

GENERAL PRESIDENT.

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April 17, 1942

Mr. Daniel J. Tobin, General President
The Teamsters Union
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Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of April 17, regarding
the situation Chicago.

I have no details regarding the matter you refer to but
am making inquiries from our Chicago representative. I shall in-
form you of his report. Be assured that we are vitally interested
in achieving a maximum of unity within labor's ranks and will do
anything that we can to attain this end.

Fraternally yours

Reid Robinson
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President

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