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OF AMERICA  
AFFILIATED WITH THE  
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

WASHINGTON, D. C.  
438 Bowen Building  
February 25, 1943

Mr. Thomas E. Flynn  
222 East Michigan Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am enclosing herewith copies of letter I have sent out, one addressed to W. J. Biggers, Business Manager of Local 402 Sheffield, Alabama, and Anthony A. Capone, Secretary of Local 826 at Rochester, N. Y. There is no need for you to answer these, as I believe I have explained the situation fully in my letters.

You sent me copy of a letter dated February 16, from Mack Ray, Secretary of Local 279 at Decatur, Illinois, together with a photostatic copy of their agreement; also decision of the Wage Adjustment Board. Mr. Ray is asking whether or not he can appeal, and if it will do any good for him to come down here.

He, of course, can appeal. In his appeal he should show where the decision is wrong, and send in evidence supporting his contention in the form of letters from these contractors who have been paying the scale for some time, and the number of men they are paying it to, together with a classification of the workers. If the Wage Adjustment Board has made a mistake, they will correct it. This is not the first time we have had an appeal from the decision of the Board. Of course, this case will have to take its place in the list, as there are a number of cases before it, but he will have to take a chance and build up a strong appeal case. He should make no mistakes in his classification this time, as he mentions in his letter. I will not write to him direct, but am sending this information on to you and you can answer him in your own words. I will, however, keep the copy of his contract and the Wage Adjustment Board's decision here in my files for future reference in case I need it.

In regard to your letter enclosing copy of a telegram from W. F. Darden, Secretary of Local 47 at Fort Worth, Texas, in which they are approving the application of a lawyer by the name of Jim Catty Norris for a commission in the Highway Motor Transportation Corps, I have taken this matter up with Col. Martin, who is in charge. I learned from him that President Green also intervened for Norris and they have quite a large file. Norris' father who is the head of some Baptist Church, sent in quite a number of letters, and a number of Locals from out around Fort Worth also wrote in his behalf. If they put him on he would probably be sent up to Washington, but just what they will do - do not know.

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Fraternally yours,  
Fred A. Robin

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February 26, 1944

MR. GILLESPIE:

We have today appointed International Representative T. T. Neal as Trustee over the affairs of Local Union 47, Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers, of Fort Worth, Texas.

THOMAS E. FLYNN