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HAYDEN, A. C., Esq.
Executive Officer
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS

1011 B Street, S. E. 21 March 1933
Washington, D. C.

Submits grievance relative to service
bands being hired out to commercial and
private organizations which seriously in-
terferes with civilian musicians. Claims
Navy the worst offender.

✓ American Federation of Musicians.

Navy Department.

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July 5, 1933.

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My dear Mr. Kerngood:

This will acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of July first embodying a resolution
adopted by the American Federation of
Musicians. I shall bring it to the attention
of the President.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

William J. Kerngood, Esq., ✕
Secretary,
37-39 William Street,
Newark,
New Jersey.

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1405 King St. W., Toronto, Can.

Newark, N. J., July 1, 1933.

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Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Washington, D. C.

Esteemed Sir:-

By direction of the 38th Annual Convention
of the American Federation of Musicians held at Chicago,
Ill., June 19 - 24th, 1933, I advise you of its action
in support of the Band Leaders Bill and earnestly request
your cooperation therein:- ✕

"Resolved, That this Convention, regularly
convened at Chicago, Ill., June 19 - 24th,
1933, reaffirm its support and endorsement
of the Band Leaders Bill."

Very truly yours,

W. J. Kerngood
Secretary A. F. of M.

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February 14, 1935.

Respectfully referred for consideration and consideration.

October 16, 1934

October 16, 1934

My dear Mr. Hayden:

Your letter of October thirteenth to the President has been received. By his direction, I am referring it to the Secretary of War for consideration.

Very sincerely yours,

LOUIS McH. HOWE
Secretary to the President

A. C. Hayden, Esq.,
American Federation of Musicians,
1011 B Street, S. E.,
Washington, D. C.

WAR - Says that superior officers of the War and Navy Depts. permit and approve the use of Service bands in violation of the principle and policy laid down by the President's veto of a Bill passed by both Houses of Congress authorizing a Service band to attend the annual encampment of the G.A.R. and the D.A.V.

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Louis McH. Howe
Secretary to the President.

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Telegrams sent to Justice Dept, Urging the cooperation of the President in the passage of the Costigan-Wagner anti-lynching bill.

GRANT, Frances O. Eastern Sectional Director of National Association of College Women, Bordentown, N.J. Feb. 13, 1935.

GOODWIN, R. L. Secretary Local 550 A.F. of M. American Federal of Musicians Cleveland, Ohio. Feb. 13, 1935

CLARKE, Laura D. Dover, Delaware Feb. 13, 1935

WALKER, A. T. Branch, Secretary St. Joseph Branch of National Association for the Advancement of Colored People St. Joseph Mo. Feb. 13, 1935.

GLENNVILLE, Unit of Housewives League of Cleveland, Ohio. Feb. 13, 1935.

SOTAK, Frank W. President The All Nations League Inc. of Cuyahoga County Cleveland, Ohio. Feb. 13, 1935.

TELEGRAMS SENT TO Chairman Economic Security Commission. on the Townsend bill

MCDONALD, Rod President S. W. SETTLE, V. Pres. Robert JEROME, Secretary Taft, Calif. Feb. 13, 1935. Townsend Club of Taft Calif.

IARCHE, G. President Townsend Club, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Feb. 13, 1935

REYNOLDS, W. A. Harry L. Bras, W.W. MACHENRY, Centralia, Wash. Feb. 13, 1935

CHAMBERLAIN, J.E. Denver, Colorado Feb. 13, 1935

ZIMMERMAN, Mrs. Fannie E. President. Townsend Club. Denver, Colorad. 2/13/35

TELEGRAMS SENT TO N.I.R.B. on the Wage Rate provisions

LITZLER, Rose M. Secretary Office Workers Union 19366 Cleveland, Ohio. 2/13/35

BROWN, Elliot C. Company 70 East 45th St. New York, N.Y. 2/13/35

SHAW, George E. 149 Broadway N.Y.C. 2/13/35

TELEGRAMS sent to N.I.R.B. on Codes. Protest against N.R.A. delay in approving wholesale price differentials.

Santa Monica Independent Association, J.O. Smith, Secty. Manager Santa Monica Ca 2/13/35

FORBES, Mrs. E. and others of Los Angeles Calif. 2/13/35

CRYSTAL DEPARTMENT STORE and others of Los Angeles Cal. 2/13/35

MOSHER, Harold and others of Los Angeles, Calif. 2/13/35

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Letters from the following refd. to MR. FRANK WALKER - NATL. EMERGENCY COUNCIL for reply to writers:

- BIRCH, Henry W. - Calvary Baptist Church, Irwin, Pa. 4-18-35 (Wts. work relief funds set aside for a Ministers' Federal Aid)
- METZBERG, Carl G. - 16 Depot Square, Englewood, N. J. 4-22-35 (Urges expediting public works program)
- BLANCHARD, Edwin C. - % Gen. Delivery, Wichita, Kans. 4-20-35 (Suggestions re eliminating grade crossings)
- FINLEY, Thos. R. - 44 Union St., Mt. Holly, N. J. 4-22-35 (Wts. employment under white collar man plan)
- BROWN, Charles W. - 41 Wilder Ave., Hoosick Falls, N.Y. 4-22-35 (Re developing historic interests of Hoosick)
- ROSENBERG, Jacob (Secy) - AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS - 1267 6th Ave., NYC 4-23-35 (Says proportion of unemployed musicians placed on work relief has been smaller than any other trade or profession.)
- POOLE, Edw. F. - 1134 Langham Ave., Camden, N. J. 4-22-35 (Wts. position in Camden County under work relief program)
- ALTIERY, N. - % U. S. Engineering Co., 1300 S. 9th St., Phila., Pa. 4-19-35 (Wts. appointment as "efficiency man" with work relief)
- DINWIDDIE, Courtenay (Gen. Secy) - NATIONAL CHILD LABOR COMMITTEE - 419 4th Ave., NYC 4-22-35 (Wts. CCC supplemented by pooling all resources of individual communities in aid of youths, who are now neither at work nor engaged in useful activities)
- SCHIERER, Francis R. - % Bd. of Education - 1e Fitzhugh St. South, Rochester, N. Y. 4-23-35 (Urges schoolhouse construction from PWA funds)
- MORAN, M. R. - 303 Southern Ohio Bank Bldg., Cincinnati, O. 4-22-35 (Favors trunk line super-highway from coast to coast)
- MILLS, Wm. A. (Mgr.) - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, Stuebenville, O. 4-23-35 (Protests recent suspension of work in connection with direct relief. Urges restoration of so-called "K" projects)
- WATSON, Paul V. - % Gen. Delivery, Uniontown, Pa. 4-23-35 (Wts. employment under public works program)
- HIGGINS, James A. - Vienna, Md. 4-23-35 (Enclosed is printed article re erection of P. O. bldgs. in every town of 200 or over, out of work relief funds. - No name on envelope, and no covering letter)
- WATSCHEK, Joseph C. - % SHOE SPECIALTIES CO., 30 Norden St., New Britain, Conn. 4-23-35 (Suggests his product be marketed and sold, as aid to unemployed.)
- STROOP, G. G. - 231 E. Myrtle St., San Antonio, Tex. 4-22-35 (Wts. work under relief program)

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December 10, 1935

My dear Mr. Barritt:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December third. By the President's direction it is being brought to the attention of the Administrator of the Works Progress Administration.

Very sincerely yours,

M. H. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

L. F. Barritt, Esq.,
Secretary, American Federation of
Musicians, Local 387,
1015 East Ganson Street,
Jackson,
Michigan.

WPA

Re help for musicians in Jackson, Mich.; protests appointment of a Mr. Lewis from Ann Arbor to take charge of this work of directing the orchestra under PWA.

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Letters referred to TREASURY.

Maze, Harry T. - Union Chapel Rd. #2, Ft. Wayne, Ind. 2-4-36 (Re: method to cause improved circulation of currency)
Brodbelt, Samuel - 222 E. Fulton St., Columbus, O. 2-8-36 (Re: plan of taxation)
Bond, J. J. - 117 E. Chestnut St., Walla Walla, Wash. 2-4-36 (Suggestion re: bonus certificates)
Wilhelm, Albert D. - 77 Swan St., Buffalo, N. Y. 2-7-36 (Prev. corres. Re: Nat. Lottery)
Lemperle, Julius - R. D. #6, Bx 17, Salt Lake City, U. 2-6-36 (Re: delinquent tax sales. Re: proper income tax)
Lakemann, A. - S. Billerica, Mass. 2-7-36 (Suggests sales tax on cigarettes)
Stude, Dr. Wm. C. - University Club Bldg., St. Louis, Mo. (Re: economic plan)
Boyd, H. E. - Wilmington Port-Traffic Assn., Foot Chestnut St., Wilmington, N. C. 2-8-36 (Re: compulsory income tax)
Potter, Geo. - 3432 E. 1st St., Los Ang., Cal. 2-8-36 (Re: remedy for influenza)
Schmoyer, Herbert B. - 1111 Turner St., Allentown, Pa. 2-8-36 (Asks investigation of Independent Bondholders' Comm.)
Nichols, C. S. - 755 17th St., Niagara Falls, N. Y. 2-7-36 (Asks appointment of son, Alonzo J. Nichols, with Customs Serv.)

Letters referred to POST OFFICE DEPT.

Varga, Mrs. - 2102 S. Homan Ave., Chic, Ill. 2-8-36 (Asks aid for son, John F. Varga, to collect salary from P. O.)
Hanna, Dr. B. M. - 412 Penn Ave., Pgh, Pa. (sends literature and booklet re: Am. lottery)
Jenkins, Mr. Mrs. W. E. - 1127 Larch St., Raymond, Wash. 2-2-36 (Appreciates appointment of Miss Honora Connor as postmistress)
McAvoy, Wm. J. - 60 Leavenworth St., San Franc, Cal. 2-7-36 (asks appointment as Spec. delivery messenger)
Faucett, Robt. V. - R. R. #1, Hallsville, Mo. 2-5-36 (Asks job as rural carrier)
Henderson, L. S. - Clinton, S. C. 2-7-36 (Asks reinstatement with postal serv.)
Ainsworth, Felix - Bx 14, Farrar, Tex. 2-7-36 (Asks appointment with P. O.)
Hastings, Robt. L., Pres. of American Federation of Musicians Local #146, - 265 Roosevelt Ave., Elyria, O. 2-8-36 (protest appointment of Chas. J. Sartor as postmaster)
Watts, Ed. K. - 125 S. Meridian St., Puyallup, Wash. (encl. copy of letter to Hon. Farley re: local P. O. situation)
Hedgepath, H. F. - 74 Wessen St., Pontiac, Mich. (Suggests stamp)
Wilcox, J. C. - Menomonee, Wis. 2-6-36 (copy of letter to Sen. Duffy, Sen. LaFollette, Congressman Hull and Postmaster Gen. Farley Re: asking reappointment of E. C. Quilling as postmaster)

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February 20, 1936

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My dear Mr. Weber:

The letter of February eleventh, signed
by yourself and Mr. Eddie B. Love, has been received.
By the President's direction, it is being brought to
the attention of the Administrator of the Works
Progress Administration.

Very sincerely yours,

M. H. MCINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

Walter A. Weber, Esq.,
American Federation of Musicians,
Local No. 6,
230 Jones Street,
San Francisco,
California.

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W.P.A.: re: in behalf of musicians on WPA.

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April 23, 1936

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Respectfully referred to the Administrator of the Works Progress Administration for consideration and acknowledgment.

M. H. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

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Telegram to the President from Charles E. DePaige, Pres., Local 444, American Federation of Musicians, Jacksonville, Fla., 4/21/36. Protests discontinuance of white collar projects, especially the Fed music project.

Telegram to the President from Rev. Walter F. Hoffman, Haverstraw, N.Y., 4/21/36. Re authorizing Bear Mountain WPA to furnish 15 laborers for 2 weeks to do necessary work in grounds in front of St. John's Chapel.

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FROM

The White House

December 11, 1936.

July 28, 1936

Mr. Paul Miller, Washington, D.C. Secret Service.
 Mr. Paul Miller, Washington, D.C. Secret Service.

Respectfully referred to Mr. Aubrey
 Williams, Works Progress Administration,
 for attention.

STEPHEN EARLY
 Assistant Secretary
 to the President

A. A. Tomei, Esq.,
 Local 77,
 American Federation of Musicians,
 Philadelphia,
 Pennsylvania.

Telegram - 7/28/36.

Appeals to President to
 avert strike of WPA musician
 and copyists in Philadelphia
 and Delaware County, regard-
 ing prevailing rate.

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FROM

The White House

December 11, 1936.

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Norman Sweet, Ft. Wayne, Ind. 12/7 Secret Service.
Ken Frerichs, 3243 W. 60 St., Chicago, Ill. -Secret Service.

Wire - "The Workers ", Milwaukee, Wisc. 12/11 - "At the writers project and the histocial record survey of this city about 50% of the workers have been dismissed & additional letters of dismissal come daily all relief cases causing untold hardships right before Xmas. We Appeal to you, Mr. President, to save us from a winter of hunger and humiliation." Sent to WPA.

Wardell Dillard, 430 Highland Ave., Pontiac, Mich. 12/10 - child wrights father is sick with pneumonia - in need of clothing - bed clothing, etc. Asks for \$15.00. Sent to FERA

rs. Paul Willis, Vosbing, Miss. Secret Service.
Louis Condos, Cleveland, O. 12/10/36 Secret Service.

ak- Hon. J.R. Watson, Secretary of the Senate, Jackson, Miss. 11/30/36.
Encl. inthe form of Senate Resolution No.5, congratulating the Pres. upon his reelection and making suggestions to the Inaugural Committee. Sent to Inaugural Committee.

ak- Hon. Elmer Thomas, United States Senate, Wash., D. C. 12/9/36
Recommends Mr. W. D. Humphrey of Tulsa, Okla. for the position of Assistant General Counsel for the Federal Communications Commission. Fed. Com. Com.

Wire - A.A. Tomei, Pres. Local 77 AF of M, Philadelphia, Pa. 12/11/
American Federation Musicians in meeting protest contemplated reduction of white collared project of WPA. WPA

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December 22, 1936

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My dear Mr. Weber:

Your letter of December fifteenth, suggesting consideration of the name of Mr. William E. Rubin as Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, has been received.

Thank you very much, in the President's behalf, for your interest in writing to him about Mr. Rubin.

Very sincerely yours,

M. H. McINTYRE
Assistant Secretary
to the President

Joseph N. Weber, Esq.,
President,
American Federation of Musicians,
1450 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

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JUSTICE -

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STANDARD FORM NO. 14A
APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT
MARCH 10, 1926

TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

FROM

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The White House
Washington

September 21, 1943

James C. Petrillo, Esq.
President, American Federation of Musicians
Chicago, Illinois

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I am very happy that the first major symphony orchestra concert will be given at Poughkeepsie on September twentythird by the New York Philharmonic. I much wish that I could go to it myself, but that is impossible and I am sending some of my staff.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

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x Invitation Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

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The White House
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HON FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

YOU ARE UNDOUBTEDLY AWARE THAT THE SYMPHONY CONCERTS WHICH YOU
SUGGESTED ARE BEING SPONSORED BY THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF
MUSICIANS AND ARE NOW UNDER WAY. THE FIRST CONCERT BY A MAJOR
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WILL BE GIVEN AT POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. ON
SEPT 23RD BY THE NEWYORK PHILHARMONIC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. I
KNOW IT WAS YOUR LOVE OF GOOD MUSIC AND YOUR INTEREST IN THE
GENERAL PUBLIC THAT PROMPTED YOUR SUGGESTION AND I AM
WONDERING IF YOU COULD FIND IT AT ALL POSSIBLE TO HONOR US

x Invitation Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

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WITH YOUR PRESENCE AT THE CONCERT IN POUGHKEEPSIE
JAMES C PETRILLO PRESIDENT AMERICAN FEDERATION
OF MUSICIANS.

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MARCH 10, 1926

TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

NIGHT LETTER

American Federation of Musicians, #
Stevens Hotel,
Chicago, Illinois.

HEARTY GREETINGS TO ALL WHO ATTEND THE FORTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION AND MY BEST WISHES
FOR A SUCCESSFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE SESSION. AMERICAN MUSICIANS, LIKE ARTISTS AND
WORKERS IN ALL OTHER FIELDS, ARE MAKING FINE CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR WAR EFFORT.
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IN THE AIR BY GALLANT SOLDIERS AND SAILORS WHO ARE THE SONS AND BROTHERS OF AMERICAN
WAGE EARNERS.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

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FROM

The White House
Washington

June 4, 1944

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MARCH 10, 1925

TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

NIGHTLETTER:

~~Mr. J. P. Smith,~~
President, American Federation of Musicians,
Stevens Hotel,
Chicago, Illinois.

PLEASE EXTEND MY GREETINGS TO THE MEMBERS ATTENDING THE FORTY-EIGHTH
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FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

FROM

The White House
Washington

June 4, 1944

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AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 2, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT:

Jimmy Petrillo, President of the American Federation of Musicians, has asked for a message from the President in connection with the 48th Annual Convention of the Federation which opens in Chicago Monday. Mayor Kelly, of Chicago, concurs in the request.

However, there is a strike pending. If that situation is cleared up, the Department of Labor suggests that the President send a message and suggests the draft which follows. Unless I receive further clearance from the Department of Labor, I will not send the message.

James C. Petrillo,
President,
American Federation of Musicians,
Stevens Hotel,
Chicago, Illinois.

Please extend my greetings to the members attending the forty-eighth Convention of the American Federation of Musicians and my best wishes for a successful and constructive session.

American musicians, like artists and workers in all other fields, are making fine contributions to our war effort. That fight is being carried to the enemy by day and by night, on land, on sea and in the air by gallant soldiers and sailors who are the sons and brothers of American wage earners.

W. D. H.

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Telegram to Hon. James H. Doolittle, dated 6-2-42, from

James C. Petrillo, Pres.
American Federation of Musicians
Chicago, Ill.

(Telephoned by J. V. FitzGerald's office) 11:10 AM - June 2

Information in Chicago June 2nd-1942. These are representatives
of the musical industry and people in the U.S. and Canada.
Thought the press might be interested to know.

Call of radio station to Hon. James H. Doolittle, from Hon. J. Kelly,
Mayor, states that Mr. Petrillo is visiting for the purpose of
suggesting to the Mayor, that workers of greeting be sent to
the convention. Perhaps it would be of appreciable help
materially and otherwise.

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MR. HASSETT:

June 4
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Mr. Latta brought this in — said the President
has seen — and, if you get it cleared, it is all
right to send the message.

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MR. HASSETT:

June 1

American Federation of Musicians -

Mr. Fitzgerald says "there is a strike pending
out there" -- doesn't want to do anything on
this for a day or two.

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May 29, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO

THE SECRETARY OF LABOR: ^{X15}

Attention: Mr. J. V. Fitzgerald

Please phone to me Tuesday morning
when you receive the accompanying telegrams.

Bill

WILLIAM D. HASSETT
Secretary to the President

Telegram to Hon. James Barnes, dated 5-27-44, from:

James C. Petrillo, Pres.
American Federation of Musicians
Chicago, Ill.

States the American Federation of Musicians will hold its 48th
convention in Chicago June 5th-10th. These are representatives
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May 29, 1944

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HONORABLE JAMES BARNES, SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT ^{x5276}
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I THOUGHT THE PRESIDENT MIGHT BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT
THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS WILL HOLD ITS 48TH
CONVENTION AT THE STEVENS HOTEL, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
BEGINNING JUNE 5TH AND CONTINUING UNTIL JUNE 10TH. THERE
WILL BE APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND IN ATTENDANCE. THESE
ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL ORGANIZED MUSICIANS AND LOCALS
IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

JAMES C PETRILLO PRESIDENT AMERICAN FEDERATION
OF MUSICIANS. ^x

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HONORABLE JAMES BARNES

SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT CARE THE WHITE HOUSE WASHDC
MR JAMES PETRILLO IS WIRING YOU FOR THE PURPOSE OF
SUGGESTING TO THE PRESIDENT THAT A MESSAGE OF GREETING BE
SENT TO THE CONVENTION OF MUSICIANS TO BE HELD JUNE FIFTH
TO TENTH AT STEVENS HOTEL CHICAGO. TELEGRAM COULD BE SENT
TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE MUSICIANS UNION
EULOGIZING OR AT LEAST PRAISING THEM FOR THEIR GOOD WORK
IN THE WAR EFFORT ETC. THINK IT WOULD BE OF CONSIDERABLE
HELP PATRIOTICALLY AND OTHERWISE

EDWARD J KELLY MAYOR.

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June 24, 1944

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Please accept the President's thanks for your telegram of June sixteenth. He deeply appreciates this message sent by instruction of the convention assuring him of the respect and affection of the members. The President is also deeply grateful for this assurance of appreciation of his program in behalf of the underprivileged without regard to race, creed or color, as well as his efforts on behalf of labor.

Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM D. HASSETT
Secretary to the President

Mr. James C. Petrillo, x
President,
American Federation of Musicians, #
Chicago, Illinois. x Ben.

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HONORABLE FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE FORTY EIGHTH CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF
MUSICIANS HELD IN CHICAGO THE WEEK OF JUNE FIFTH UNANIMOUSLY
ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION QUOTE WHEREAS IT HAS BEEN THE
TRADITIONAL POLICY OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS TO
TAKE NO PART IN PARTISAN POLITICS BUT WE DO DEEM IT APPROPRIATE
TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO OUR PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
AND WHEREAS OUR PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT HAS

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UNSTINTINGLY AND UNTIRINGLY DEVOTED HIS THOUGHT, HIS TIME, HIS
ENERGIES AND HIS GREAT ABILITY TO SECURE FOR HIS FELLOW MEN A
GREATER SHARE IN THE OPPORTUNITIES AND ADVANTAGES OF OUR GREAT
COUNTRY AND HAS THROUGH HIS INFLUENCE AND LEADERSHIP SECURED
THE PASSAGE OF MUCH PROGRESSIVE AND SOCIAL LEGISLATION TENDING
TO SECURE FOR LABOR A GREATER REWARD FOR ITS PRODUCTIVE EFFORT,
NOW, THEREFORE, THE FORTY EIGHTH CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN
FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS UNANIMOUSLY INSTRUCTS ITS PRESIDENT
JAMES C. PETRILLO TO PRESENT TO FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT THE GREAT
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE RESPECT AND

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AFFECTION OF OUR CONVENTION AND THE THANKS OF OUR DELEGATES FOR
HIS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE UNDERPRIVILEGED, WITHOUT REGARD TO
RACE CREED OR COLOR AND OUR SPECIAL APPRECIATION FOR HIS
EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF LABOR UNQUOTE HOPING FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUCCESS I REMAIN SINCERELY YOURS

JAMES C PETRILLO PRESIDENT AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS.

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WEBER, Joseph N., Esq.,
Pres., American Federation of Musicians,
New York, N.Y.
September 12, 1934

Wires the President in protest of the illegal and unjustifiable uses which the Secretary of Navy and the Secretary of War order and permit to be made of the Military and Naval Bands. States that "the plight of the American musician is a pitiable one and to permit Army and Navy Bands with Government salaries to be used to deprive civilian musicians of employment which rightfully belongs to them and would be theirs except for these Gov. Bands, is nothing less than cruelty."

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Hayden, A. C.,
Exec. Officer, American Fed. of Musicians of U.S. & Canada,
Washington, D. C.
Oct. 29, 1934.

Re practice of officers of the Army and Navy ordering or permitting
Service Bands to furnish music at civil unofficial functions and also
to many ventures and enterprises of purely commercial character, etc.

Mr. McIntyre refers letter to Assistant Secretary Roosevelt and he replied
that the law which prohibits the employment of service bands in competition
with civilian musicians is scrupulously adhered to by both the Marine Band
and the Navy Band and he finds no foundation for the charges set forth
in the letter of the Executive Officer of the American Federation of Musicians.

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Memorandum for Capt. Wilson Brown,
7-16-35.

Mr. McIntyre asked for a draft of appropriate reply to the attached telegram, no date given in brief, from Mr. Jos. N. Weber, President of the American Federation of Musicians, 1450 Broadway, New York City, protesting against the contemplated tour of the Marine and Navy bands in the belief that it will rouse resentment among thousands of unemployed civilian musicians. Mr. Weber stated that the contemplated tour is sponsored by Mr. Chappell and altho advertised as under auspices of charitable organizations, is solely for financial betterment of Chappell.

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DILLON, P. J., Esq.,
Sec'y., The American Federation of Musicians,
Local No. 118,
Warren, Ohio.
January 6, 1936

Writes the President in behalf of the above organization, enclosing a copy of letters which they sent to Senators Robert G. Bulkley and Vic Donahey, to their Congressman at large, Stephen M. Young, and to the Congressman of that District, John G. Cooper, which letter relates to the U. S. Copyright Law. Express their gratitude for the President's untiring efforts for the masses generally, and state they already observe progress under the New Deal. Express their belief that the changes in the U. S. Copyright Law to correct the evils and abuses mentioned in the enclosed, would assist to some considerable extent in National Recovery. Requests the President's careful consideration regarding same.

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Referred to the Works Progress Administration
April 15, 1936

On above date Col. McIntyre referred - communication from -
ROSENBERG, Jacob, Secy., Local 802 American Federation of Musicians, New York, N.Y.
4/14 protesting layoff of 42000 WPA workers.

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NAVY, The Secretary of the
Sept. 16, 1936

Mr. McIntyre referred for draft reply, a letter of Sept. 10th from A.C. Hayden, Executive Officer, American Federation of Musicians, Wash., D.C., who writes the President, asking a conference for himself and General Samuel T. Ansell, re the practice of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps bands of performing at functions that have no official connection with the Services. States that such use of Service bands is a violation of law and they deprive thousands of civilian musicians of their rightful opportunities to earn a livelihood. - On Sept. 15, Mr. Hayden wrote the President re this subject, enclosing copies of wires sent him re violations recently occurring in Utah. The Act. Sec. of the Navy replied on Sept. 22, quoting the ruling for the Navy and Marine bands. - On Sept. 25, Mr. McIntyre referred this matter to John Martyn, War Dept., asking for similar data re the rules governing the Army Band. - The Sec. of War replied on Sept. 29, furnishing details. On Oct. 3 Mr. McIntyre wrote Mr. Hayden enclosing copies of the reports from the War and Navy Depts. hoping this will explain the matter to his satisfaction.

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LABOR, The Secretary of
Apr. 16, 1940

The President referred for draft of a reply, a letter, Apr. 12, from Jos. N. Weber, Pres., American Fed. of Musicians of the U.S. and Canada, NYC, re resolution passed by them favoring legislation increasing size of the bands of the Regular Army, National Guard and Organized Reserves. -- Secretary Perkins replied May 3, supplying draft, and enclosing copy of memo from Solicitor of Dept. of Labor. -- On May 7, the President wrote Mr. Weber thanking for his letter and says he imagines bill to which he refers is S. 1354, a bill introduced by Senator Lister Hill to amend Act for making further and more effectual provision for national defense and other purposes. Says he shall ask War Dept. to look into matter. -- Gen. Watson sent copies of this correspondence to Sec. of War for attention on May 7.

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PETRILLO, James C. - President
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS
New York, N. Y.
July 27, 1943

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Letter to the President, enclosing story he issued to the Press on that day, re the President's idea and their carrying out this idea of being very sure that people in small towns be given opportunity of hearing the best music. Ack'd. 7/28/43. ---- Attached to this is memo showing that Petrillo phoned and asked whether the President wished to report on above and Mr. Early wrote note saying he told him to release "on his own".

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PETRILLO, James C.
Newark, N.J.
Oct. 3, 1944.

The President sent him a telegram saying the National War Labor Board has entered directive orders in the dispute between the Electrical Transcription Manufacturers and the American Federation of Musicians. Among the provisions of the directive orders is a direction that the Federation withdraw its ban against playing for mechanical reproductions of music for commercial use. With this provision the Federation has not complied. The NWLB and the Dir. of Economic Stabilization have not recommended government possession and operation. Under the statute it must be found that the labor dispute unduly impedes the war effort. It is the opinion of the Dir. of Economic Stabilization that under all the present circumstances the noncompliance by this union is not unduly impeding the war effort. But this noncompliance may encourage other instances of noncompliance which will impede the war effort. In a country which loves democratic government and loves keen competition under the rules of the game, parties to a dispute should adhere to the decisions of the Board, even though one of the parties may consider the decision wrong. Therefore, in the interest of orderly government and in the interest of respecting the considered decision of the Board, the President said he was requesting this union to accept the directive orders of the NWLB. The President said he was requesting this union to accept this because what Mr. Petrillo regarded as his loss would certainly be his country's gain.----- Attached is memo. to the President from the Hon. James F. Byrnes re this matter.--Attached, also, is memo. to the President from the Hon. Fred M. Vinson re this matter. Both memorandums are dated Oct. 3rd.--(Mr. Vinson and Mr. Byrnes prepared and suggested that the President send the message that was sent.)-----On Oct. 4th the President's message was released.--On Oct. 4th, Ruthjane Rumelt, Sec. to Mr. Early, sent memo. to Mr. Byrnes transmitting the President's telegram to Mr. Petrillo.--Mr. Petrillo, Oct. 4th, sent a telegram to the President saying he was calling a meeting re this matter and would further inform the President.

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Mr. Hassett, Oct. 11, 1944, referred to the Dir. Office of Economic Stabilization, a wire from James C. Petrillo, President, American Federation of Musicians, Chicago, Ill, 10/10/44 to the President advising that he could not (or would not) agree to the President's request and stating his reasons for not so doing. Commented in his wire re the President's position on the rights of labor etc. Also commented on the NWLB.

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FOLSOM, Frank
V.P. - Radio Corporation of America
October 12, 1944

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Telegram to the President from above, also signed by Paul W. Kesten, Exec. V.P.,
Columbia Broadcasting System, Niles Trammell, President, National Broadcasting Company
and Edward Wallerstein, President, Columbia Recording Corporation, NYC., re James C.
Petrillo refusal to obey the order of the War Labor Board, sent to the Attorney General
and a copy of the President's memo and explanation of enclosure sent to Fred Vinson by
memo 10/17/44 by the President, saying "Will you get together and reply to the enclosed
telegram-----?"

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
Nov. 29, 1944.

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Hon. Fred M. Vinson stated that in accordance with the President's request at a recent Cabinet meeting, he is sending to the President a proposed Message to the Congress on the Petrillo matter. States that the Attorney General subscribes to this draft. - Pen an ink notation - "I concur and submit message in case you wish to send it - J.F.B." - Memorandum to the President and Justice James T. Byrnes from Mr. Vinson dated Nov. 17, 1944, - subject - Statement on the American Federation of Musicians' Matter. - Attached - Proposed Message to the Congress on the Petrillo matter. - Penciled notation - Not sent - Presidential Memorandum for the Attorney General dated Jan. 8, 1945, the President forwarded the above and said "For recommendation." - The Attorney General in a letter to the President dated Jan. 10, 1945, stated that he is returning the President's memorandum of Jan. 8, 1945, with which he sent a suggested Message to the Congress on the Petrillo matter, which has already been approved by Fred Vinson and Justice Byrnes. The Attorney General states that he also concurs; but hopes that the President will not send it down until after the decision by Judge Sullivan in the Montgomery Ward case. States that the suggestion in the Message that the War Labor Disputes Act, under which they contend the Government had a right to seize Montgomery Ward, is not adequate might have the effect of undermining their position.

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