



Akron  
Typographical  
Union No. 182

Mortuary Benefits for Widows and Orphans  
Pensions for Superannuated Members

21-27 NORTH MAIN STREET

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AKRON, OHIO

December 28, 1938

Mr. Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman  
Federal Reserve Board,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

As information, I am inclosing a copy of a letter sent Senator  
Harry F. Byrd, which is self-explanatory. While I wrote the senator as  
an individual, I feel sure as president of Akron Typographical Union,  
there would have been no change in the sentiments expressed were I writing  
under instructions from the organization. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours

Jiles Curry

Copy  
H. F. Byrd

Hon. Harry F. Byrd,  
U. S. Senator from Virginia,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Byrd:

It is supposed to be an American privilege to differ with a public official in reference to the nation's business, without penalty, so long as one's remarks remain decent, therefore I take the liberty to remark:

I gather the impression from your Boston retrenchment address you believe people on WPA are shiftless and make no real effort to find work, preferring to remain on Government bounty.

If work be plentiful---as you infer---what puzzles me is why since last August, Akron Typographical Union, the organization and individuals, has met with little success in our efforts to find even part-time work for the fifty-odd printers who lost their jobs when a newspaper quit the city. The work-quest is nation-wide.

As Akron WPA appears to want no part of this responsibility---providing work--I leave the problem in your hands, for frankly we are at the end of the rope.

After attending to this private employment placement matter of ~~our~~ out-of-work members, under the Byrd-plan, you might enter the newspaper publishing field as a method of absorbing the idle people from approximately fifty American newspapers that have vanished, mysteriously or otherwise in the last year and a half. While the senator may not be expert at legislative leaf-raking, to me, you ~~hang hang~~ have been adept in your efforts to remain at the Government-supported feed trough, and should be tolerant enough to permit others similar privilege without too much whooping, especially as I am not aware of any Byrd endeavors at national stomach-filling that have been particularly successful.

Until something better comes along, I'll string along with WPA.

Sincerely

P. S.--I do not believe in secrecy in national discussions, so I am sending Mr. Marriner S. Eccles a copy of this letter, that gentleman having seen fit to publicly differ with you---and effectively, in my opinion.

January 3, 1939.

Mr. Jiles Curry,  
Akron Typographical Union No. 182,  
21-27 North Main Street,  
Akron, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Curry:

This is to acknowledge receipt of  
your letter of December 28th enclosing a copy  
of the one which you had sent to Senator Byrd.  
I was pleased to note your comments and wanted  
you to know that I appreciated your courtesy  
in sending me a copy of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles,  
Chairman.

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