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My dear Mr Eccles;

Congratulations Sir on your stand of 44 hour work week with NO OVERTIME. OUR fighting boys, risking their lives, freezinig, having all the most uncomfortable things in life over there do Not Get Overtime, or Bonuses and have to be on the job 7 days a week, 24 hours a day if necessary.

WHY should these people over here, in comparative safety, pratically NO DANGER of their lives, Having a nice warm bed to sleep in, Nice warm meals, best of food, drink and entertainments, then want to get from 4 to 10 times as much money as our boys over there.

There are a lot of men over there fighting for from \$56.00 to \$100.00 a month, NO overtime, No bonuses, and they also have UNION CARDS.

Drafting of 18 year olds is a crime. Draft should be from 19 to 35. As you well know the most worthless type we have are married men from 25 to 35 who are not even supporting their wives or children still they are exempt from the draft and they send good, clean cut, physically and mentally fit boys over to be slaughtred. If they are not physically fit, or mentally fit or undesirable for the armed forces at 36 to 100.00 a month, they go in Merchant Marine and get from 400.00 to 1200.00 a month, or stay ashore and get nice fat paying jobs with lot of overtime and little hard work and no risk of their useless lives. This Inequality in a supposedly Free Country. More power to you Sir in your efforts to correct great wrongs in these things and matters vital to us all.

A Mother with three sons in  
the Armed forces. One Marine,  
Two Army Corps.