

Hon. Harley M. Kilgore.  
United States Senate.  
Washington, D.C.

*Mr. Clegg  
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has copies of letter  
attached*

Independence, Mo.  
June, 3 1944

Dear Senator.

I was very sorry that I did not get to see you again before I left Washington, however I realize that you are very busy at this time.

Enclosed is a list of items of waste and mismanagement occurring in the Ninth Service command and which I discussed in part with you on May 29th 1944 at your office. This list includes possibly only one third of the actual waste but will give an idea of what is going on.

In the case of the uniforms I believe this was done to discourage the civilians more than any thing else, and firmly believe that some provision should be made so we could get our money back as all Army Officers up to a certain rank get a \$250.00 allowance for their uniforms.

I am not seeking any position through any member of Congress or it's agency's, as my purpose in coming to Washington was to stop this unnecessary waste and to suggest a procedure to expedite and procure the evidence as only I could do it, as I know the men who will substantiate my statements, and as I know exactly where these records can be obtained. One instance I know of where the property officer stated to me that he made out a report of survey of approximately \$20000 two thousand dollars for parts that were not accounted for.

If this investigation is carried out it will disclose far more astonishing facts than you would believe possible, and will also release many thousands of men that are surely needed elsewhere.

I have every confidence that you will bring this to a speedy investigation, as there are thousands of persons behind me in this matter and awaiting the out come of this investigation.

Thanking you for all favors.

I remain;

Sincerely Yours.

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