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Dear Wright:

I am ordering 2,000 copies of the paperbound edition of OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT sent to you, at a special price of 5¢ per copy. These are newsstand returned copies and are, of course, catch-as-catch-can. However, as far as is practical, without going to additional cost to make selections, we will send you as fair copies as come into our possession.

I am ordering these sent to your Texas address. If, for any reason, you would rather have them go to Washington, please wire me.

Incidentally. I would suggest that while we are in the mood to dispose of the newsstand returns, you buy just as many copies as you can comfortably handle. Once these are out of the way we shall have to be selling the rest at the regular price, less your discount. Frankly, I would rather you took as large a number as possible so as to keep them off the market at any kind of reduced price. For, if we remaindered them, even in a dog-eared state, they could be sold for say 50 or 60 cents and thus possibly injure the regular store sales.

I enjoyed our little conversation in Chicago very much indeed and hope to be paying you a visit in Washington before very long.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ZIRF-DAVIS PUBLISHING COMPANY

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Mr. B. G. Davis
Ziff-Davis Publishing Company
185 North Wabash
Chicago, Illinois

Dear B. G .:

I have arranged with one of the best men in Washington to help on the book on parliamentary rules of order. He is William Bennett, who was assistant to Elmer Davis in the Office of War Information during the war and traveled pretty well all over the world. He has also been connected with the State Department a long time. He is a very responsible person and will be good for this job.

A preliminary survey is being made by him now, and he will come up with something in two or three weeks.

Concerning the other book, which will be helpful to tourists, I wish you would give me in writing some of your views on what such a book should cover. Bennett will be a good one to work on this book too, in view of his travels from country to country and in view of his contacts with people of foreign countries. Please send the information to me here in Washington.

I enjoyed my visit with you very much while I was in Chicago.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

WP:s

Wright Fatman.

(See next page)

Mr. B. G. Davis August 11, 1948 Page 2

P.S. Just before the new Congress opens, I will send you new passes to the House and Senate in blank, which you can use to accommodate your friends when they come to Washington, similar to the ones enclosed.

If you would like some more of the White House passes, let me know.

The one using the White House has is shown many extra courtesies and considerably more of the building and grounds than a person not having a pass.

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November 20, 1949

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Mr. Louis Zara, Vice President Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Avenue Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Mr. Zara:

Your registered letter of November 18th to Congressman Patman has been received in his office here and will be handed to him immediately upon his arrival here, which will be Tuesday morning. He will be leaving Texarkana this evening.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Hon. Wright Patman 120r House Office Bldg. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

Because of our new program of expansion in the magazine field, our Board of Directors has decided to call a halt to our book publishing activities.

To protect the interests of our authors we have, therefore, concluded an arrangement with Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. by which that publishing house will take over all the important titles on the Ziff-Davis list, and will continue to market and sell them according to the best trade practices.

Your contract for OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT: 1001 ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS ON HOW IT WORKS has therefore been assigned to Prentice Hall, Inc. Ziff-Davis Publishing Company will continue to operate the Book Division until and including December 14, 1949. Up to that date we shall be responsible for your royalty accountings. After that date Prentice-Hall, Inc. will be your publisher and will handle your book and make payments directly to you on the dates provided for in your contract. They will also administer all other rights in your, and in their mutual, interest as per the provisions in the contract.

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In the meantime, we extend to you our best thanks for your fine cooperation and good wishes for your success.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Louis:

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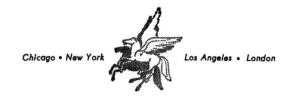
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Sincerely yours,

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January 6, 1950

Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Bldg. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Wright:

The weekend of the lith will be good. Please let me know where you will be staying so that I may check with you to set up our appointment.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Avenue Chicago, Illinois

Dear Louis:

Since writing you on the 2nd that I would be in Chicago, Saurday, the 7th, my plans have changed and I shall be unable to be there on that date. lowever, I will be there on the 14th, which is one week later, and would like to see you either the 14th or 15th.

Please advise me if this change will fit in with your plans for that weekend, and oblige.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Bldg. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Wright:

Saturday is a very crowded day for me, but I could meet you for lunch.

Will you let me know where you will be staying so that I may reach you to fix the hour definitely?

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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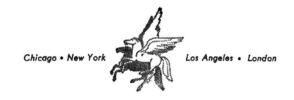
I will be in Chicago, Saturday, and I would like to see you sometime during that day, if my other appointments do not interfere; and if I cannot see you Saturday, I would like to see you sometime Sunday.

Please advise, and oblige.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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September 20, 1949

Honorable Wright Patman House of Representatives 1203 House Office Builling Washington, D.C.

Dear Wright:

I am returning the letter which tells of the inclusion of OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT and the Merit Badge Pamphlet on Citizenship.

You will be glad to know that we were in on this, and gave our permission for a quotation some time ago.

I am also returning to you the issue of Excelsior which you were good enough to send me.

Best regards,

Sincerely

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September 2, 1949.

Dear Wright,

You may be interested to know that Boy Scouts of America is preparing for publication a Merit Badge pamphlet on Citizenship. At the conclusion of the pamphlet will be a bibliography of several books and the first one in the list is your own <u>Our American Government</u>. Naturally, I am delighted.

It will be a little while before the pamphlet is actually published but I shall be glad to have one sent to you if you would care to see it.

With best wishes always, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Frank W. Wozencraft

Honorable Wright Patman House Office Building Washington 25, D. C.

September 15, 1949

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

I thought you would be interested in the enclosed letter, which I have received from Mr. Frank Wozencraft, an attorney here in Washington.

When you have read it, please return it

to me.

Regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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September 17, 1949

Mr. Frank W. Wozencraft Southern Building Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Frank:

Upon my return from Texas, I found your letter of September 2nd. Thanks for giving me the information it contained.

I feel greatly honored that my book on "Our American Government" should be listed in the Merit Badge pamphlet on Citizenship, which the Boy Scouts of America is preparing for publication, especially that it should be the first on in the list.

Your offer to send me a copy when available is appreciated. I shall look forward to receiving it.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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September 5, 1949

Mr. Frank W. Wozencraft Southern Building Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Colonel:

Your letter of September 2nd to Congressman Patman has been received in his office here during his absence.

You may be assured, however, that your letter will be on his desk for attention immediately upon his return, which will be within the next few days.

Sincerely yours,

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August 24, 1949

Honorable Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

We are enclosing a statement for the advance royalty for Japanese translation rights to the book OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

The payment of 75,000 yen was deposited to our account in the Toyko Bank in March, 1949. 20% (or 15,000 yen) of this is the agent's commission and 75% of the 60,000 balance is 45,000 yen which represents your share.

Due to restrictions imposed by the Supreme Command, the advance has not been transferred at this time. As soon as the transfer has been made, we will forward your portion of the money.

· Very truly yours.

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Dear Sir:

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April 21, 1949

Honorable Wright Patman, 1203 House Office Building. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

At the request of Mr. Zara, we are enclosing statements of your account on "OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT" for the period of 5/1/48 to 10/31/48 and 11/1/48 to 2/28/49. These statements are rendered by edition, together with a summary for all the editions for each accounting period. The unearned balance on all editions at October 31, 1948 was \$693.24, and the unearned balance on all editions at February 28, 1949 was \$545.48. We have checked the accounts in detail and find that everything is in order.

In your letter of March 14th to Mr. Zara you mentioned a \$500 charge for illustrations and special sales of books to friends totalling 2500 volumes. If you would like to have us give you specific details on these items, we will be glad to do so. In fact, if there is any question in your mind regarding the royalties on your book, we will be glad to render you statements in detail on each edition from publication date through April 30, 1949. We can accomplish this as soon as our books are closed for the month of April. It should be possible for us to have these detailed statements in your hands by the latter part of May.

Please feel free to contact us and ask for any information you think necessary.

Very truly yours,

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June 6, 1949

Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Bldg. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Patman:

Many thanks for sending THE BOOK OF THE STATES. We were getting ready to copy the names of the state legislators when several points came up.

- 1. It is unwise to make a mailing in the summer months.
- 2. We shall therefore not make our mailing on OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT until September.
- 3. This Directory of Legislators (as per note on page 69) will be superseded by a supplement issued in July. I suggest, therefore, that we wait until that supplement is available so that we will be up-to-date on persons and addresses.
- h. Perhaps you will be able to secure a copy of that July 1949 supplement for our use, one that we can give to our mailing people for keeps. We shall, of course, be glad to pay for

In the meantime I return this copy with thanks.

By the way, it was a real pleasure to be with you in Washington. I hope we shall have time for a tete-a-tete on my next trip.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Louis Zara

Vice-President

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Mr. Sol Zatt

Louis Zara

June 3, 1949

Herewith some more material which Congressman Patman has forwarded from the State Department. Assistant Secretary George V. Allen includes a line in his letter, which may be of value in press notices: "Your piece is becoming a 'best seller' in our press output."

Please return the material to Mr. Patman when it has served your purpose.

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cc: Congressman Patman

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

I am sending you herewith another letter, which I have received from the Honorable George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of the Department of State, enclosing two photostats of articles appearing in LA RAZON of La Paz, Bolivia, and LOS TEMPOS of Cochabamba, Bolivia.

Regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

WP:s

Honorable George V. Allen Assistant Secretary of State Washington 25, D. C.

Dear George:

Thanks a lot for the photostats enclosed with your letter of May 24th.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me the information that you have sent from time to time.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

I am sending you the book from the Library of Congress, which contains the names and addresses of the Members of the State Legislatures for 1949.

When you have finished with it, please return it to me, using the attached addressed frank, which requires no postage.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

WP:s

I called Mr. Gilbert's office and talked with Miss Griffith. She said they would send the lists over as soon as possible. She will have to check to see how many of the ones you ordered they have.

L. S.

Call Mr. Gilbert and ask him to send me over the lists of Members of the State Legislatures (1949) in the following States:

Massachusetts Missouri California Illinois Florida

If they don't have those particular States, just send over the States they do have.

When get the lists, send them to Louis ZARA, Ziff-Davis Publishing Company, 185 North Wabash, Chicago, Illinois, for inspection and he will send them back.

Mr. Sol Zatt Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 4610 Empire State Building New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sol:

The enclosed letter from the Honorable Clarence Cannon, Representative from Missouri, Ninth District, to which is attached a clipping from The Troy Free Press, April 1, 1949, issue, is self-explanatory.

I thought you would be interested in both the letter and the clipping.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

WP:s

May 3, 1949

Honorable Clarence Cannon House of Representatives Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Clarence:

Thanks for your letter of April 18th, enclosing a clipping from the April 1, 1949, issue of The Troy Free Press. Noth are very much appreciated.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Louis Zara Vice-President, Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Avenue Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Louis:

The enclosed page of Austin Report concerning textbooks is self-explanatory. When you have read this, I wish you would send this on to Jimmy Blundell at Dallas, as I am not sure he gets this service.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours.

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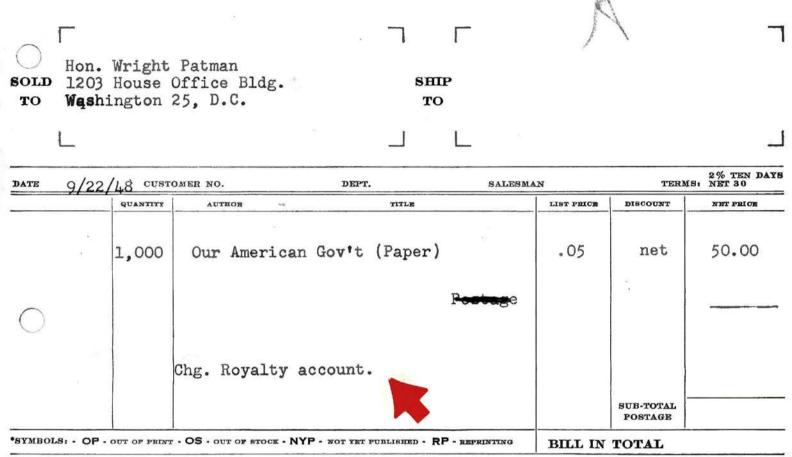


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Dear Wright:

On the question of having R.N. Sandlin of Dallas, Texas, sell OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT to the public schools, I have several misgivings.

First of all, I should be loath to let Mr. Sandlin handle the book while Mr. Blundell is still working with the State Textbook Committee. Second, a 20-25% commission, as Mr. Sandlin requests, is completely out of line. We pay our salesmen a 10% commission, and they take care of their own travelling expenses, acting merely as "commission men" for us.

For the above reasons I think we had better hold this up until Mr. Blundell has a report on the decision of the State Textbook Committee.

Kind regards,

Sincerely, Louis Zara Vice-President

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August 5, 1948

Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Wright:

I checked with Ollie Read, Editor of Radio News. The dictaphone machine he recommended was the Soundscriber.

On the other matter there seems to be nothing we can do from this end.

Kind regards,

Sincerely,
Louis Zara
Vice-President
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Warmest regards,

Sincerely, Louis Zara

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P.S. Many thanks for the note on Gustave Bohm. I do hope that you get some good news about him.



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Mr. Felix B. Streyckmans, Managing Editor The Kiwanis Magazine 520 North Michigan Avenue Chicago 11, Illinois

Dear Mr. Streyckmans:

I enclose the article which Wright Patman has written for the Kiwanis Magazine. I think it is, overall quite competent and surely should be of value to your readership.

I believe I may safely add that Congressman Patman would not object to judicious editing.

I hope this fills the bill and that you will be scheduling it soon.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Zara Vice-President

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Enc.

cc: Hon. Wright Patman

Mr. Sol Zatt

Louis Zara

Enclosed is a letter from George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of State, Washington, D.C., with a copy of the Chinese News Letter of February 12.

I think there's a story in this: curiosa probably but of interest to Hutchens, P.W., Bennet Cerf, et al.

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Please return letter to Congressman Patman.

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Dear Louis:

I am sending you a letter, which I have received from Mr. George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of State, Washington, D. C., with which he enclosed a copy of the Chinese Newsletter of February 12, 1949. It is self-explanatory.

I thought you would like to see it.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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Honorable George V. Allen
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Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I want to thank you very much for sending me a copy of the Chinese Newslatter which carries an article about my book on the American Government.

Although I cannot read the article in Chinese, I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending it to me.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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March 14, 1949

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Louis:

I received your letter.

I am preparing now the article to appear under my signature on the book, "Our American Government -- The Answers to 1001 Questions on How It Works".

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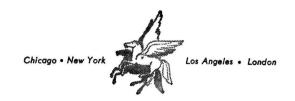
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Dear Wright:

The Kiwanis Magazine will take an article under your signature on "Our American Government: 1001 Answers to the Questions on How It Works."

How about doing between 1500 and 2000 words on the subject? They may have to cut this a little to fit their specific requirements, but you could, in the meantime, get in some good personal material on how inquiries from your constituents inspired you to launch this project, etc. etc.

I do hope you can get it done soon since Mr. Streyckmans called me yesterday, and he is apparently interested in having the article. I regret to say that I am so understaffed that I cannot offer to be of much help in this instance. I know that you can probably get it done in your office.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

Louis Zara Vice-President

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Skyscrapers, hot dogs, Western Movies, and Wall Street are all unique manifestations of the American way of life. But the most unique thing of all is our democratic government. Interest and curiosity concerning this government appears to be more intensive today than at any other period in the past two decades. Eighteen million war veterans want to know more about the democracy which they fought to preserve. And although the fighting war is over, citizens in a democracy are always faced with a continual struggle to preserve our concept of government -- a struggle against various "isms" within and without our Country and a struggle against ignorance and apathy among our own people. Our citizens must understand the foundation and workings of our democracy; they must making other systems of government and the way in which they differ from ours; and they must ensure that oncoming generations are instilled with an appreciation of our history and an understanding of our government so that they may promote the workings of our democracy to an even higher plane.

As I see it, there are certain conditions which are desirable if our Democracy is to flourish. The people must have a high degree of economic security. With an empty stomach one is more susceptible to the false promises of spokesmen for other ideologies. Our country must have peace; for it is war and threats of war which cause great amounts of power to be centered in a government. Our people must have access to facts by means of adequate free education; by means of free

speech, press, and radio. The American curiosity and desire to question and challenge must be encouraged and never curbed. And last, but not least, there must be a balance in our society so that no one group working in the interest of a special cause can control our government or our economy. Our system of free enterprise must be protected so that the small business man has continued opportunities. And yet, capital to expand and develop new industries must be available to big business. The farmer must have a fair price for his products, but the city laborer must be protected against an inflationary spiral on the price of consumer goods.

In the American theory of government all the power is derived directly or indirectly from the people. These administrators hold their office only for a limited period or during good behavior. Government in a democracy is conceived as a servant of the people, not as their master. Our people know that they are the authority for the government and do not shift the burden of responsibility to an abstract state removed from themselves. Some nations, including monarchies, such as England, have more or less democratic forms of government. In these countries the rights and powers originally belonged to the rulers who granted them to the people, voluntarily or otherwise. In the United States, the rights and powers have always belonged to the people, and it is the people who grant the powers to their representatives.

Our people manifest their power in a number of ways: through the press, through exercising the rights of free speech, through the right

of assembly and petition, but the most important of all, through their votes. The ballot is the true "voice of the people", and this voting power, intelligently exercised is the strength and hope of our Democracy. And yet, of the approximately eighty million persons eligible to vote in the 1948 Presidential election, only forty-eight and one-half million voted. It should be the goal of each responsible citizen and groups of substantial citizens, such as the Kiwanis organization, to see that the number of persons voting is greatly increased.

The foundation of our Democratic government is the Constitution of the United States. The Constitution was built on six basic principles:

First: All states are equal. The national government cannot give special privileges to one state.

Second: There are three branches of government—one to make the laws; another to execute them, and a third to settle questions of law.

Third: All persons are equal before the law, and anyone, rish or poor, can demand the protection of the law in the exercise of his rights.

Fourth: The Government is a government of laws, not of men. No one is above the law. No officer of the Government can use authority unless the Constitution or the law permits.

Fifth: The people can change the authority of the government by changing the Constitution. (One such change was the election of senators by direct vote instead of by state legislatures.)

Sixth: The Constitution, the Acts of Conress, and the treaties of the United States are law, the highest in the land. A state constitution or state law conflicting with them cannot be enforced in the national courts. The national government is a government of the people and not of the states alone.

The rights of the individual under our democratic form of government are protected by the first ten amendments of the Constitution, which we all know as the Bill of Rights. The Bill of Rights is primarily a bill of "don'ts" for Congress which prohibits the enactment of laws infringing upon certain rights. These rights are so much a part of our life that we except without question our freedom of religion, speech, press; the right to bear arms; the right not to be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law; the right to a trial by jury; the right to be secure against "unreasonable searches and seigures;" the right not to be put twice in jeopardy for the same offense; and the right to just compensation for private property taken for public unas

One way to emphasize the advantages and protection afforded the individual by the Constitution and its amendments is to picture an existence under a form of government where the individual is of no importance and all phases of his life are controlled by an all-powerful government. To dramatize our freedom, let us consider the case of Mr. James Madison Kiwanis, who is unlucky enough to live in an America in which the people have gradually allowed all power to slip into the hands of a totalitarian group, who completely control the economy and the government. Fantastic as our description may seem, it is based upon facts contained in a booklet, entitled "Communism in Action", issued by the House of Representatives 79th Congress, 2nd Session, and prepared by the Library of Congress under the direction of Representative Everett M. Dirksen, of Illinois.

The Kiwanis group is no longer in existence. Mr. James Madison Kiwanis belongs to a cell of the "Party", where he gathers each week to discuss party aims and insues. He is one of the so-called "intellectual" group and enjoys more privileges than the other segments of the population. He has been most careful never to deviate from the Party line—and that has taken a great deal of dexterity for the line has shifted considerably since the Party first gained control of the American people by its promises to stop all strikes, give every man an even break, and divide all the wealth among the citizens.

Mr. Kiwanis lives with his wife and two children in a governmentowned apartment building. If the unkeep leaves much to be desired,
they do not mention that faut for they recall the fate of some of their
unfortunate associates, who have been sent to the Alaskan mines as the
result of ill-considered remarks about the Government. Privately,
they do recall the old days when competition among realters kept their
building well-heated and in good repair.

Mr. Kiwanis has a position with the Econbureau, which has central control of all prices, wages, distribution, and manufacturing. He has many ideas about changes which would promote the more efficient operation of his bureau, but any suggestion might be taken as criticism of the Party, and Mr. Kiwanis wants to retain the ten percent tax which is deducted from the salary of those who fall into slight disfavor with the watch-dogs of the Party, the Secret Police.

The children of Mr. Kiwanis have been educated since the age of three in government schools and have been indoctrinated with the idea that "the State is Supreme and the people must conform to its policies."

His wife works, of course, for no one in this society can afford to

waste time in the feminine pursuit of other days. She finds this life

just a trifle monotonous, for only one bureau manufactures dresses;

another, furniture; and so forth. All consumer goods are made from

a few basic patterns.

Mr. Kiwanis has made an enviable record in the Econbureau and has never deviated (at least publically) from the well-known Partyline. As a reward, he and his family are entitled to a vacation at a government rest center in Yellowstone Park. His permission to travel is granted after two months, and his application for gasoline coupons is at last approved. The super-highways of yesterday are in a most deteriorated condition, but that can be attributed to the inefficiency of slave-labor. After groat difficulties, the Kiwanis family at last reaches its goal and follows the usual program of directed sports, lectures, and propagands movies. And here we leave one of the most fortunate citizens in the new "America".

The old rule that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty still remains true. If that phrase has been used indiscriminately, its worth is unaltered. There is no reason to believe that the American people are exempt from the obligation of paying this price of vigilance if they wish to preserve and improve upon the best that is in our political heritage. Each American must understand the issues before our Government and determine his own position in regard to those issues. For instance, several changes in our Constitution have been recommended

by authorities on constitutional government and members of both Houses. I am not going to give you the pros and cons as I see them on each proposed change, but I am going to mention them again to you so that you will undertake your own research to determine their merits. As you do, I hope that you will keep in mind two things: first, there is a necessity to adjust our historical charter to the requirements of the age in which we are living; and second, the Constitution must continue to be a guarantee of our liberties.

The first change which has been recommended by many authorities is an improved mechanism for amending the Constitution. As you know, under existing provisions amendments shall become effective when proposed by two-thirds of the House and Senate and ratified by the legislatures of (or conventions in) three-fourths of the states. Several years have been required for ratification of some amendments.

The second proposed change is the modernization of the two-thirds rule in the making of treaties. At the present time the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Senate is the only requirement for the approval of international agreements. The present arrangement permits thirty-three Senators to defeat a treaty which may have the approval of sixty-three senators, plus the House of Representatives and the President.

The third proposed change in the field of constitutional reform is the limitation of the President's tenure of office. This controversial question is one to which you must carefully consider your own answer.

Change number four is the abolition of the Electoral College.

Eleven resolutions have been introduced on this subject since the Eighty-

First Congress convened in January. The Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives is now holding hearings on these resolutions. Any change in our present method of electing a President should be carefully considered before approval. There must be an adequate safeguard against the possibility that a minority party could elect a candidate if votes were spread among many candidates. This amendment may be the first of the four which I have mentioned to be referred to the States for approval. I hope that you will begin to formulate your ideas on this subject.

America for leadership. I think that our American brand of democracy can measure up to the job. But it is only by its most successful operation that we can demonstrate its advantages to the people of other countries who are being swayed toward other more radical forms of government. Our State must remain an instrument for the promotion and maintenance of the freedom of each individual citizen. The success of our Democracy in the last analysis depends upon you, for as William Penn quaintly said: "Governments like clocks, go from the motion men give them; and as governments are made and moved by men, so by them they are ruined, too. Wherefore governments rather depend upon men than men upon governments."

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For your deformation.

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Sincerely,

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Public Relations Director

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Mr. Patman (Texarkana)

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cc: Mon. Wright Patman

November 6, 1948 Mr. Morris I. Kitzen 120 Bristol Street Brooklyn 12, New York Dear Mr. Kitzen: This will acknowledge receipt of and thank you for your very kind letter of October 28, relative to my book on "Our American Government". I appreciate your favorable comments. With kindest regards and best wishes, I am Sincerely yours, Wright Patman.

September 11, 1948

Mr. B. G. Davis Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Avenue Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear B. G.:

I have misplaced the letter received from your Secretary relative to your absence, which was received by me in Butte, Montana. However, I recall she requested that I advise her of my itinerary so that you could reply to my letter.

I will be here in Texarkana for the next week or 10 days, and will then be in Washington for about a week or 10 days. So you may address your letter to me here in Texarkana and it will be forwarded to me wherever I happen to be.

Sincerely yours.

Wright Patman.

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August 31, 1948

The Honorable Wright Patman Tinlers Hotel Butte, Montana

Dear Mr. Patman:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of August 27 to Mr. Davis.

Mr. Davis has been traveling for the past week or so and will not be back in the city for another few days. Upon Mr. Davis' return, however, your letter will be brought to his attention. In the meantime, since you, too, are traveling, would you be good enough to send us your itinerary for the next week or so, so that when Mr. Davis replies the letter can be sent to the proper address.

Very truly yours,

ZIFF-DAVIS PUBLISHING COMPANY

Secretary to Mr. Davis

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Temerkana, Temas August 20, 1948

Mr. B. G. Davis Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 Horth Wabash Avenue Chicago 1. Illinois

Deer B. G.

Thanks for your letter about the proposed books. I think Wr. Zara's idea is also an excellent one. It will be given consideration in the preparation of the manuscript.

Sincerely yours.

Wright Patmen.

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Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

I am sending you a pass to the White House, also passes to the House and Sepate Galleries.

Just before the 81st Congress convenes, I will send you new passes to both Galleries. They will be in blank and you may use them to accommodate friends when they come to Washington.

I will send you more passes to the White House if you want them. Those using passes to the White House are shown extra courtesies and are permitted to see considerably more of the building and grounds than those not having passes.

Enjoyed the visit with you while I was in Chicago.

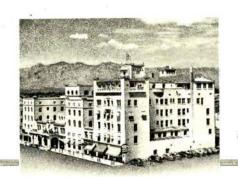
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Sincerely yours,

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NICK C.HALL MANAGER Tucson, Arizona

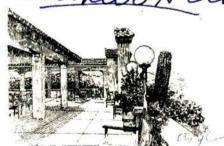
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BOOK DIVISION

185 North Wabash Avenue . Chicago I, Illinois . Phone Andover 5200

July 9, 1948

Hon. Wright Patman Texarkana, Texas

Dear Wright:

Many thanks for the samples of your campaign literature which I received today.

I have really been thinking quite a bit about your task in your home state this summer, wondering how you were getting on, but nevertheless somehow very confident that you would triumph over your opposition.

I think you know--without my saying so--that I am one of your wellwishers.

Warm regards,

Cordially,

Vice-President Book Division

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FIRST DISTRICT
STATE OF TEXAS

WASHINGTON ADDRESS: 1035 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

Congress of the United States Pouse of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

May 28, 1948

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

Twenty-two boxes of the returned books -two by mail and twenty by freight -- were received. Please accept my thanks.

I think I will be able to use all but about eighty-five of them. These were too badly damaged for me to send out.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

WP:s

Wright Patman.

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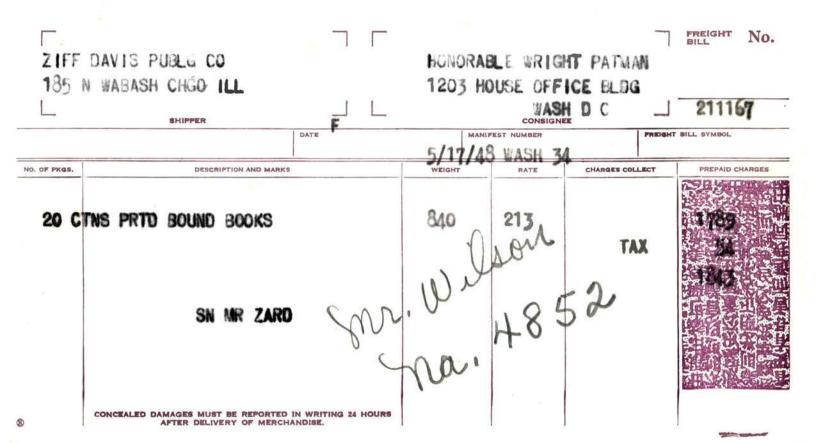
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May 27, 1948



Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Bldg. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Wright:

I am adding the several changes you suggested to our corrections copy for the next reprint on the book.

I don't quite understand what Roy Hendrickson could have meant about the book being exhausted. We have an ample supply of copies on hand to fill all orders. If Bill Thatcher has had any difficulties getting copies, I certainly want to know about it.

I, too, enjoyed your visit to the city and especially your talk before the ABA Convention, but regret that we did not have an opportunity to visit a little longer. Perhaps next time!

Warm regards,

Sincerely,

Louis Zara

Vice-President Book Division

LZ*CR

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois



Dear Lew:

You asked me to give you the names of the people in Texas, who could see about the book being made a textbook.

The following named persons are members of the Textbook Committee:

J. O. Nash, Cayuga, Texas
J. B. Bright, Cleburne, Texas
Oscar Miller, San Antonio, Texas
Mrs. W. A. McDavid, Amarillo, Texas
Mrs. Gladys Tolbert, Midland, Texas.

However, these members of the Textbook Committee are appointed by the State Board of Education. It is composed of the following members:

Dr. Austin M. Long, Chairman, Valley Mills Vernon D. Singleton, Dallas C. C. Chessher, Groveton Mrs. Joe Perkins, Eastland Phil M. Stevenson, Houston Maco Stewart, Galveston Clyde W. Hanks, Palestine Herman C. Custard, Cleburne Gilbert M. Denman, San Antonio.

Washington Address: 1035 House Office Building

Congress of the United States

Washington, D. C.

Mr. Louis Zara May 31, 1948 Page #2

For your information, one member of the State Board of Education and next to the Chairman, Vernon D. Singleton, of Dallas, is a very good friend of mine. If he were to propose the book as a textbook, he would be in a position of a special pleader and would not be as helpful in that way as he can be if someone else presents it. I also know other members of the Board.

It is my suggestion, Lew, that you send someone to Texas and first find out what will have to be included in the book, such as the Constitution, in order to make it eligible; then determine what the score is on a deal of this kind. It is my understanding that the contracts are let in December. That being true, we should commence right away to get something done.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

WP:s

Wright Patman.

Washington Address: 1035 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

Congress of the United States

Pouse of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

May 31, 1948

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lew:

Concerning the use of the United States Seal by a private publisher, I have investigated this matter and am convinced that there is no law against its use in the manner in which you would probably use it.

I want to make two changes for the new printing:

In answer to Question No. 8, it is stated in the first sentence, "The first representative government in America was established at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607." I want you to change that to read as follows: "The first legislative assembly in America was held at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1619." You will, of course, leave the other sentence in the answer.

In the answer to Question No. 19, strike out the first word "Eight" and insert "Seven", and strike out the name and phrase "Elbridge Gerry and".

There is too much doubt about Gerry being born abroad and I am convinced that the best authorities state that

SECRETARY: MRS, LUCILLE SPAIN

Congress of the United States Pouse of Representatives

Washington Address: 1035 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

Washington, D. C.

Mr. Louis Zara May 31, 1948 Page #2

he was born in this country but his father was born abroad.

So please make these two corrections for the revision, and oblige.

Sincerely yours,

WP:s

Wright Patman.

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COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY

WASHINGTON ADDRESS:
1035 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1948

Mr. Sol Zatt Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 4610 Empire State Building New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Zatt:

I will bring you up to date on our conversation last Saturday.

> You want to know when the fight on the appropriation for the House Small Business Committee will come up.

It is on a Resolution providing for \$85,000 more for the Small Business Committee of the House. The Co-ops are opposing it and expect a record vote, which will be the only real record vote on the Co-op issue in the House that has ever been taken. The question is likely to come up between now and the first of February--nearer the first of February.

2. The list of the Public Relations and Information Offices for each Department and Bureau of the Government, with the Mr. Sol Zatt January 20, 1948 Page 2

> names and addresses of the persons conducting them, is being prepared and will be sent to you within the next day or two.

- 3. The names of the publications gotten out by the different Departments and Bureaus will also be available soon and sent to you.
- 4. Attached hereto you will find the correspondence about the symposium on the Robinson-Patman Act that is to be conducted in New York this week. Please return this correspondence.

I am also sending you a copy of H. R. 1671 that will be discussed at this symposium.

- 5. I will send you a list of trade association executives that should be invited to the February 20th meeting real soon. It is being prepared now.
- 6. The list of dignitaries is being prepared and will also be sent to you soon.
- 7. Please advise about the time you will be down here to get the picture with Senator Connally and Mr. Rayburn.

Sincerely yours,

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Wright Patman.

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185 North Wabash Avenue . Chicago I, Illinois . Phone Andover 5200

May 12, 1948

Hon. Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

The order for a copy of the paper-bound edition of OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT from R.T. Carson was filled today.

I have wired you today asking what quantities you can use of the copies returned from the news stands, and have quoted a price of 30¢ each, with the stipulation that these be used for your free distribution. Naturally, if they are to be resold, we would have to charge the usual price subject to normal discount.

The letter from Ithaca required no answer since they say they have received a cloth-bound copy of the book.

With kindest regards,

Louis Zara

Vice-President Book Division

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SECRETARY: MRS. LUCILLE SPAIN WRIGHT PATMAN
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WASHINGTON ADDRESS: 1035 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

Congress of the United States

Washington, D. C.

May 16, 1948

Mr. Louis Zara Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Zara:

Evidently when I was talking to you over the telephone Friday, we did not have the same information. I had
assumed that you knew that consideration was being given by
Messrs. Ziff, Davis and Olsher to sending the returned copies
of the book to Europe. In fact, in the discussion, Mr. Davis
told Mr. Olsher that arrangements would have to be made for
someone to pay the cost of crating and shipping, and Mr.
Olsher replied that such arrangements could be made either
through the State Department or some other source.

Knowing about this situation, I thought you would be just as willing to let me have some of the books that were returned as to ship them to foreign countries, since I wanted them to distribute free in my own Congressional District. Therefore, when I received a reply from you to the effect that a charge of 30¢ a copy would be made for the ones shipped to me for that purpose, in addition to the other cost, I did not understand why the charges should be made under the circumstances.

I hope you went ahead and shipped the one thousand books, as I need them now. When I am in Chicago next Thursday, we will discuss the matter further. Sorry about the misunderstanding.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

WP:s

Sincerely yours,

bcc-B.G.Davis - Chicago -Harry A. Olsher - New York

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March 9, 1948

Mr. Henry J. Kaiser 620 - 5th Avenue Room 314 New York 20, New York



Dear Mr. Kaiser:

Under separate cover, I am sending you an autographed copy of my new sook, "Our American Government -- The Answers To 1001 Questions On How It Works".

I hope you will find it to be of interest.

Mr. Harry Olsher, about whom I talked to you over the telephone a few days ago, will call you Friday morning for an appointment. Any courtesies shown Mr. Sher will be appreciated by me.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

WPts

Wright Patman.

Special Delivery

April 9, 1948 Mr. Sol Zatt, Public Relations Director Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 350 Fifth Avenue New York I, New York Dear Sol: Thanks for the chotographs. They are very fine. Congratulations to you on such an outstanding job. The luncheon at the Statler in Washington, I think, was all right from our standpoint. th kindest regards and best wishes, Iam Sincerely yours, Wright Patman. WPag



350 Fifth Avenue . New York 1, New York . Phone Wisconsin 7-0400

April 8, 1948

Honorable Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman:

I thought you would be interested in having a set of prints of the photos taken at the Book and Author Luncheon.

I can only sepeat what I said after the whole thing was over-you did an outstandingly wonderful job. The audience was more than enthusiastic, as you know yourself, about what you had to say. It was also very nice meeting Mrs. Patman.

Hope that things worked out equally well at the Washington Post Book and Author Luncheon.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

ZIFF-DAVIS PUBLISHING COMPANY

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Public Relations Director



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185 North Wabash Avenue . Chicago I, Illinois . Phone Andover 5200

April 5, 1948



Hon, Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

The American Observer, a publication issued for use in the high schools of the nation and published by the Civic Education Service, 1733 K Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C., devotes the better part of a page to an article on OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. This also includes a picture of the author and is, indeed, a very friendly piece on the book.

I thought you would be interested in seeing it and, perhaps, in writing a letter of thanks to the editors of this publication.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Zara Director Book Division

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185 North Wabash Avenue · Chicago 1, Illinois · Andover 5200

January 30, 1948



The Honorable Wright Patman House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

Dear Wright:

I will be glad to hold myself available, so that in case the President is in town on the 22nd, I will be able to join you there for purposes of making the presentation to him of a copy of your fine book, OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

I will appreciate it if you will let me know by wire or telephone.

With best of personal wishes,

Sincerely.

WILLIAM B. ZXFF

March 16, 1948 Mr. E. B. Germany, President Lone Star Steel Company Dallas I, Texas Dear Gene: I want to thank you very much for arranging the interview with Mr. Henry Kaiser for Mr. Olsher. I think Mr. Olsher saw him last Friday afternoon, but I have not seen Mr. Olsher since that time. Again thanking you, I am Sincerely yours, Wright Patman.

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March 3, 1948

Honorable Wright Patman, M. C. 1035 House Office Building Washington, D. C.

Dear Wright:

For your information I am enclosing a copy of a letter I received from Mr. Elliott of the Henry J. Kaiser Company. At your convenience you may want to advise Mr. Olsher.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

E. B. Germany President

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Enclosure (1)

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HENRY J. KAISER COMPANY

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Kaiser Bldg., 1924 Broadway Oakland 12, California

February 24, 1948

Mr. E. B. Germany, President Lone Star Steel Company Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Germany:

Henry Kaiser will be glad to follow up your suggestion to talk to Harry Olsher of Washington, D. C.

We expect to be back in New York by the week of March 8th and probably will be in Washington not long after that. Wouldn't it be more convenient if we call Congressman Wright Patman and contact Mr. Olsher on our first trip down to Washington?

Mr. Kaiser sends his best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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Robert C. Elliott Robert C. Elliott Executive Assistant to Henry J. Kaiser

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March 9, 1948



The Honorable Wright Patman House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

Dear Wright:

I have the letter from John D. Goodloe addressed to you, in reference to our eligibility for an RFC loan.

Although apparently we are ineligible, I want to take this occasion to thank you for your kindness in assisting us in exploring this possibility.

With best of personal good wishes,

Tours,

WILLIAM B. ZIFF

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MR SOL ZATT
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MR HARRY OLSHER
ZIFF-DAVIS PUBLISHING CO
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NEW YORK N Y

MR HENRY J KAISER WILL BE GLAD TO SEE YOU SO CALL HIM OVER TELEPHONE AND ARRANGE APPOINTMENT. HE IS IN NEW YORK NOW

WRIGHT PATMAN MC

OFFICIAL BUSINESS STRAIGHT TELEGRAM

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Publisher will, on subscriber's request, refund full amount paid for copies not previously mailed. Prices subject to change without notice. Mr. Sol Zatt Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 4610 Empire State Building New York, N. Y.



Dear Mr. Zatt:

It will be appreciated if you will send me two or three copies of your release of March 15, 1948, entitled "What The Critics Are Seying About Ziff-Davis Books -- 'Our American Government' by Wright Patman".

The copy you sent to me has been sent on to a friend of mine at ustin. Texas, who is planning to give some time on the radio to the book.

Sincerely yours,

WP:

Wright Patman.





BOOK DIVISION

185 North Wabash Avenue . Chicago 1, Illinois . Phone Andover 5200

March 12, 1948

Honorable Wright Patman 1203 House Office Building House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Patman:

We are very pleased with the way you sent in your corrections for the next printing of OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

I hope you get to see the many fine reviews on the book. It is moving at an even pace, and while the sales are not too exciting, we know the book will do well--in the long run.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Zara Director

Book Division

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March 18, 1948

Mr. William Ziff Ziff-Davis Publishing Company 185 North Wabash Chicago, Illinois

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Dear Bill:

I wish you would tell me something about how royalty on the book will be paid to me. I notice the contract states that there are two settlement dates during the year. One, I believe, will be in April. If you will advise me what the prospects are for the April payment, it will be very much appreciated. Doubtless, it will almost have to be guess, but possibly your experts in that line of business can make some estimate.

I was in New York recently and had a very enjoyable visit with Sol Zatt and Harry Olsher. I expect to be back in New York to a luncheon meeting, April 6th; and at the National Press Club here where I am on the program at the Authors' Luncheon Club, April 7th. I have also accepted an invitation to be in Chicago at the Booksellers Confention, May 20th.

Let me hear from you at your convenience, and oblige.

Sincerely yours,

WP:

Wright Patman.

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Texarkana; Texas August 28, 1947

Miss Madeline Johnson
Assistant Director, Book Division
Ziff-Davis Publishing Company
185 North Wabash Avenue
Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Miss Johnson:

I have received your letter of August 25, in which you state that you had an index to the manuscript OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT prepared and that you were paying \$100.00 for it.

in Washington and I paid \$100.00 for its preparation myself. I am sorry about the mistake,
but I do not feel like it is my fault.

Sincerely yours,

Wright Patman.

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