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July 6, 1920.

Mr. Ernest T. Trigg, President,
National Federation of Construction Industries,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Trigg:

I am enclosing two copies of letters I have written to Mr. Goodwin, to neither of which have I received a reply. I wish that it might be possible to stimulate the interest of these people in the work of this committee, for I feel that the country is suffering from a lack of construction of all kinds, especially housing, and that the building industry is very much handicapped for want of transportation, fuel and adequate banking facilities. I learned recently that the American Bankers Association, in reply to a request for recommendations as to means of depletion, which was made of them by the Federal Reserve Board, have advocated that construction work be suspended for a period of four months.

Many of the cities throughout the country, especially New York, are having continuous sessions of housing committees and many of the local chambers of commerce are cooperating with these committees in attempting to bring about a relief of the present housing conditions.

Very truly yours,

Assistant to Committee.