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Letter from A. P. Richardson, Secretary, American Institute of Accountants, to Members and Associates of the AIA Re: British Government Seeking the Assistance of Accountants to Undertake Accounting in the Department of Munitions in England.

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A M E R I C A N I N S T I T U T E O F A C C O U N T A N T S

To the Members and Associates of the
American Institute of Accountants

Gentlemen:-

The British Government is anxious to obtain the assistance of men with accounting experience to undertake accounting in the Department of Munitions in England.

Sir Hardman Lever, representing the British Government, requests that applications be sent to Mr. P. W. Glover, c/o Barrow, Wade, Guthrie & Co., 25 Broad Street, New York. The period of service will be one year.

Persons without accounting experience should not apply.

It is suggested that members of the Institute may have in their employ, or may know of men capable of undertaking accountancy work who would be willing to go to Great Britain at this time.

Men applying for these positions with the British Government should be British subjects, or not liable for military service in the United States of America.

The American Institute of Accountants will be glad to be of any assistance possible to the allies of the United States, and, accordingly, this request is forwarded that it may be given consideration by all members.

Yours very truly,

A. P. RICHARDSON,

Secretary.

20 Vesey Street,
New York.
June 6, 1917.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS

To the Members and Associates of the American
Institute of Accountants.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed to advise you that the special committee on National Defense has been officially appointed a sub-committee of the General Munitions Board.

It has been arranged that two members of the committee shall be continuously in attendance in the offices of the General Munitions Board at Washington for the purposes of conferring with and advising the Board.

Members probably have learned of action taken by the Navy Department in making certain appointments to accounting positions in shipbuilding yards. This action, together with other matters of a similar nature, is having the attention of the Institute's committee, and in the course of a few weeks it will be possible to advise members of the Government's attitude towards offers of services through the Institute.

Indications point to a considerable demand upon the accounting profession for assistance, and it is of much importance that there should be in the office of the Institute a complete list of the members of the Institute, stat-

ing fully how, when, where and for what compensation each member is ready to assist.

In reply to the letter from President Davies, dated April 3rd, offers of service from approximately half the members were received. Some of these offers, however, were not sufficiently definite, and you are requested to supply the following information at your earliest convenience.

1. How much time can you devote to government service?
2. In what part of the country are you ready to serve?
3. Are your services offered gratuitously, or, if for compensation, what is the minimum you will require?
4. Are you available at short notice?
5. In what class of accounting work have you been chiefly engaged?
6. How many members of your staff would be available? Give details of qualifications and availability.

20 Vesey St.,
New York.
June 5, 1917.

A. P. Richardson
Secretary.