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Personal

Hon. Marriner S. Eccles,
Governor, Federal Reserve,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Marriner:

At the outset, let me offer you my rather late congratulations on your confirmation. I have been so anxious that this should happen, as it will mean everything to you personally and in addition will give to the System a real Governor; if it was the Treasury, I would say the "greatest since Alexander Hamilton."

I went over to New York and had a talk with Jesse Jones. I got him to communicate with Senator Glass. I filled Jesse full of Orman Ewing. He told the Senator that any information which he might have from Mr. Ewing was wholly unreliable. The Senator told him he had not requested Mr. Ewing to get any information for him, but that he, representing himself to be the National Committeeman, had asked Senator Glass if he might be permitted to get some dope on you. He further told Mr. Jones that he would not use this information. I do not know that the Senator's attitude has changed any, but, in any event, he did not raise a disturbance as far as it appeared in the newspapers.

On reaching Chicago Tuesday morning, I went to see Howard Preston. You probably are acquainted with C. M. Preston of Knoxville, Tenn. I happen to know he is a political power in that section of the country, and while you had been reported out of the Sub-committee favorably, I felt it would do no harm to have Preston do at least a little work with the boys in Tennessee. Howard seemed to be exceedingly anxious to be of some assistance in this matter and immediately called his brother and he sent the telegrams which I am enclosing; also the replies from Senators McKellar and Bachman. Howard also contacted Senator Vandenburg, who expressed himself as being unfavorable to you at first, but on account of the earnest solicitation of Preston, stated that he would not oppose your confirmation. Howard became quite well acquainted with the Senator in the reorganizing of his bank when he was with the R.F.C. I do not think it would be out of place for you to drop a note of thanks to Preston at Knoxville.

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I was glad that Senator Thomas and E.G. got on the job down there. I feel they did some very effective and timely work.

I am sorry I did not get to see Larry Clayton. Kindly remember me to him.

With best wishes for your continued success,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wilson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed word "Sincerely,".