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Honorable Marriner S. Eccles
Chairman, Board of Governors
Federal Reserve System
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

I certainly appreciate yours of
October Ninth very much.

My grounds for saying that we
need a man west of the Mississippi River are
these. You represent the whole United
States as Chairman of the Board, and while
I know your sympathies are west of the
Appalachians, I still think we need another
Member of the Board west of the Mississippi
River. While Mr. Davis may have had his
experience in Montana, and all that, still
he has been living east of the Appalachians
so long that he has, in my opinion, entirely
lost his western viewpoint.

I am still going to urge the ap-
pointment of Mr. Vardaman, because I think
the territory west of the Mississippi needs
another Member of the Board.

Sincerely yours,


Harry S. Truman

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