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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

February 14, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR  
GOVERNOR ECCLES

Will you check up on  
Cal Ward of Kansas? He was President  
of the Farmers' Union.

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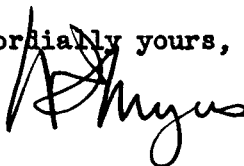
GOVERNOR OF THE FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON

February 18, 1936.

Dear Marriner:-

Attached is a memorandum covering  
a check on the name of Cal Ward, of Salina,  
Kansas, obtained through a confidential  
source in that State.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A. H. Hays". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Governor.

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

February 18, 1936.

MEMORANDUM

RE: CAL WARD, of Salina, Kansas.

Age: About 50 years - married

Has operated a farm throughout his business life.

At an early period in his career combined preaching with farming (Dunkard). Later he ceased his preaching activities and interested himself in farm organization work, and has been active in the development of agricultural organizations in Kansas. For four years he was President of the Farmers Union in Kansas.

He has been known as an active Republican - not believed to have been a candidate for office but rather a laborer in the ranks.

He is said to be a special friend of Governor Landon and also of Guy Helvering, and Assistant Secretary of War Woodring.

Recently he was at the head of Farm Debt Conciliation work in Lincoln, Nebraska. There is some report that he lately may have been demoted in that work.

He is said to be a good speaker and an excellent man on public relations with farmers. Considered to be a better field man than office executive. Has had no experience in the management of financial institutions or business affairs beyond the conduct of his own farming enterprise and of the Farmers Union.

Received report, which was not confirmed, that at one period he permitted himself to be used in offering for sale to persons associated in the farm organizations, certain oil stocks which turned out disastrously. Mr. Ward is credited with having entered into this thing innocently and was probably improperly influenced by others.

Stands well as to integrity and all personal characteristics. Described as "high-class man", and considered one of the agricultural leaders of the state.