

May 11th, 1945

A.P. Giannini, Esq.
Bank of America N.T. & S.A.
San Francisco, California

Dear A.P.:—

This is a few days late, but I wanted to let you know that you have my sincerest wishes for many happy returns of your anniversary just past. I also wish to add my small voice to your many thousands of admirers on the completion of your active duty with the Bank of America. Certainly no man in American finance has ever deservedly attained to the personal leadership of such a large and far flung financial institution. The best part of it is that the growth of the Bank of America is not due to a concentration of business by great corporations, but for the most part to the support and confidence of millions of smaller depositors.

On my desk there is a picture of you which I cut from some publication a few years back, but it would give me a great deal of satisfaction if you could send me a more recent photograph with your autograph on it. I hope my opinion of your attainments and the satisfaction of claiming a personal friendship entitled me to make this request.

With warmest wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Bank of America
NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION
SAN FRANCISCO, 20

A. P. GIANNINI
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 14, 1945

Dear Larry:

Many thanks for your good wishes
on the occasion of my seventy-fifth birthday,
and I am also appreciative of the kind things
you say regarding my retirement.

I am happy to comply with your re-
quest for one of my photographs.

Kindest regards to you and the
family.

Sincerely,



Mr. Lawrence Clayton,
Clayton Securities Corporation,
82 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.