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Honorable Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman
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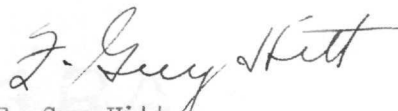
Dear Chairman Eccles:

This hurried note is merely to give you the latest details concerning Mr. Davis' illness, knowing you and the members of the Board are deeply interested.

Mr. Davis underwent a bladder operation Saturday morning. His condition is highly satisfactory and nothing serious developed as a result. He is getting along fine and we have every reason to believe his progress will continue.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours



F. Guy Hitt
First Vice President

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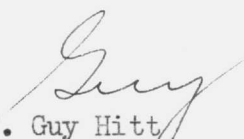
Honorable Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

In order to give you the latest bulletin on Mr. Davis' progress, I am happy to report that he was released from the hospital yesterday in a highly satisfactory condition. If he follows this siege with a little vacation and rest which pressure last summer forced him to miss, there is every reason to believe he will be a healthier man than he has been for some time.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,


F. Guy Hitt
First Vice President

*Letter to Chester
Keplem touch via
Dearman + when
Guy Hitt was also here
Good to know -
forget the Res + other people
admission + take complete
rest - Speak on May 7
Bk -*

December 17, 1947.

Dear Guy:

Thank you for your letter of December 11 reporting the excellent progress that Mr. Davis is making. As you know, we are all most gratified and hope that he will take a real vacation and rest before trying to plunge again into all his manifold activities.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. F. Guy Hitt,
First Vice President,
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis,
St. Louis 2, Missouri.

ET:b


December 17, 1947.

Dear Chester:

We have been able to keep in touch with your progress through the surgical ward because, as you know, Russell Dearmont was here for the meeting of the chairmen, then Guy Hitt came on for the Presidents' Conference and has been good enough to write me about your most gratifying recuperation.

Naturally I am worried when I learn that any one of my elderly friends, particularly those who lead a Sybaritic life, have to make some payment to the piper. It is a real relief to hear from Guy Hitt that you will be restored to a healthier condition than you have enjoyed for a long time.

You ought to forget so far as possible the Bank and your other preoccupations and take a complete vacation and rest, both being long overdue. And in saying this, I am not speaking my mind alone but for the Board. We all wish for your speedy and complete recuperation so that you can really enjoy a delayed vacation, including the Holiday Season.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Chester C. Davis,
4954 Lindell Boulevard,
St. Louis, Missouri.

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Dear Harriner:

I certainly was glad
to get your Dec. 17th letter, and
you may be assured yourself and
tell the other members of the Board
that I am being plain lazy
and "no-account" and will not
get back in the harness, unless
some emergency develops, until
about Feb. 1. The days really
slip away, at that. I know
you have been very busy with

important things, though I don't know what good it will do.

I've been feeling fairly well and am told I'm running a little ahead of normal in recovery. My plumbing system got fouled up and it would have continued to get worse if I hadn't had it carved up. Now I'm up and outside as much as I wish, but no lifting or golfing.

Merriner, I hope the New Year and the years to follow it will be progressively more fruitful in accomplishment for you. It was good

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to hear from you,

with every good wish
in the world, I am,

Sincerely

Chester C Davis