

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF ATLANTA

OFFICE OF
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
FEDERAL RESERVE AGENT.

August 11, 1947

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

Dear Marriner:

At a meeting of the Board of Directors on last Friday it was voted that we have our October meeting in Jacksonville, Florida, on October 10 and 11 - Friday and Saturday.

It was the unanimous opinion of our Board that it would be a very happy situation if you could come to this meeting, and sit with us.

At that time the architect will present a model of the new Jacksonville building according to proposed lines, and probably some colored renderings, so that the Jacksonville Board, as well as the Atlanta Board, can not only see the site on which the building is to be built, but also get a very good picture of how it would look according to present preliminary layouts.

Of course in addition to you we would be very glad to have any other members of the Board whose specific interest lies in the buildings and other expansion such as that.

I personally hope very much that you can work out your schedule to be with us at this time.

Very sincerely and cordially yours,

Frank Kelly

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August 13, 1947.

Dear Frank:

As Mr. Eccles has taken off for the West, I wish to acknowledge your letter of August 11, which I will forward to him.

For a variety of reasons -- all good -- I feel very strongly that he should take advantage of your thoughtful invitation, so that if I have any influence with him it will be towards acceptance. But I will have to let you know later when I have communicated with him.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Elliott Therman

Mr. Frank H. Neely, Chairman,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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August 25, 1947.

Dear Frank:

I have just received a letter from the Chairman in which he says that he is very favorably disposed to accept your invitation to meet with the Atlanta Board at Jacksonville on Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11. He writes, however, that he will have to make his acceptance contingent on possible developments in Washington which, of course, cannot be foreseen at this stage. I think he has in mind the National Advisory Council rather than Federal Reserve matters since by that time meetings with the Open Market Committee and Reserve Bank presidents as well as the Federal Advisory Council will be out of the way.

He asked me to advise you to this effect, and I trust that you can go ahead with reasonable assurance that he will be on hand.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Elliott Thurston

Mr. Frank H. Neely, Chairman,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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OFFICE OF
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
FEDERAL RESERVE AGENT.

August 28, 1947

Mr. Elliott Thurston
Assistant to the Chairman
Board of Governors of the
Federal Reserve System
Washington, D. C.

Dear Elliott:

Thanks for yours of the 25th. Everybody will be very happy to know that the Chairman can come to Jacksonville on Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11.

I got in the same mail with your letter a letter from the Chairman of the Jacksonville Branch Board, Walter Matherly, asking if it would not be possible for Marriner to speak before the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon one of these two days, along with the sponsorship of the State Bankers' Association.

I am writing him as per the attached copy, which I hope will be pleasing to Marriner, and asking him to tentatively arrange for this luncheon on October 10.

I hope nothing interferes with Marriner's coming.

Sincerely and cordially yours,

Frank

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cc Mr. Walter J. Matherly
Mr. W. S. McLarin, Jr.

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
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August 28, 1947

Dean Walter J. Matherly
200 Language Hall
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Walter:

I delayed answering yours of the 23rd until I had heard directly from Marriner Eccles, who has been out of the city ever since I wrote him about coming to Jacksonville.

I am pleased to advise you that in today's mail I have heard from him, and he feels inclined to accept our invitation to be with us in Jacksonville on Friday and Saturday, October 10 and 11, if nothing unforeseen develops in Washington.

I, therefore, feel that it will be well for you to proceed with tentative arrangements with Mr. John Moore, of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, and the State Bankers' Association for Marriner's appearance at a luncheon on October 10.

I think a luncheon would be preferable to a dinner. However, the time can be changed later, if necessary, to meet Marriner's travel plans.

After our September meeting we will try to get a little bit more definite about the plans for our October meeting with you.

Why don't you come to the September Board meeting in Atlanta, at which time we can make arrangements for the details of our October meeting?

Sincerely yours,

JH Kelly

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cc Mr. Marriner S. Eccles
Mr. W. S. McLarin, Jr.

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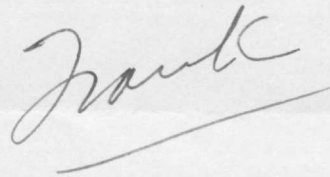
September 8, 1947

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

Dear Marriner:

We are having the September meeting here Friday, and making plans for the October meeting in Jacksonville on October 10 and 11. We are scheduling you for a talk at lunch, I think, on October 10, at which time they want you to discuss world conditions as you have seen them in the recent work that you have been doing, along with any other remarks that you would like to make on the developing economy of the Sixth Federal Reserve District.

Sincerely and cordially yours,



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September 23, 1947.

Dear Frank:

This is to confirm my tentative acceptance of your invitation to attend the directors' meeting to be held in Jacksonville on October 10 and 11.

According to my present plans, I will leave Washington by plane at 6:55 p.m. Thursday, October 9, arriving in Jacksonville at 10:17 that evening; and returning to Washington on the 9:05 plane Saturday morning.

Your suggestion that I speak at a luncheon on October 10 is agreeable to me.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Frank H. Neely, Chairman,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF ATLANTA
JACKSONVILLE 1, FLORIDA

OFFICE OF
VICE PRESIDENT AND MANAGER

October 1, 1947

My dear Mr. Eccles:

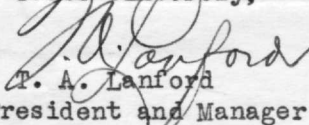
I am pleased to know that you will come to Jacksonville for the meeting of the Boards of Directors of the Atlanta Bank and Jacksonville Branch, which will be held here October 10 and 11.

It is my understanding that you will speak at a luncheon which is being given on October 10 following the Directors' Meeting, and we are inviting a number of local bank officials to be with us at that time.

I am informed that you will probably fly to Jacksonville Thursday night, October 9, and if you will give me the flight number and time of arrival, I shall be glad to meet you at the Airport.

We are looking forward to your visit and will do everything possible to make it pleasant.

Yours sincerely,


P. A. Lanford
Vice President and Manager

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

AIR MAIL

October 2, 1947.

Dear Mr. Lanford:

This is to thank you for your letter of October 1 offering to meet me on my arrival in Jacksonville. I am leaving Washington at 6:55 p.m., trip No. 633, on Thursday, October 9, and will arrive in Jacksonville at 10:17 that evening.

I, too, am looking forward to my visit with you.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. T. A. Lanford,
Vice President and Manager,
Jacksonville Branch,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Jacksonville 1, Florida.

October 14, 1947.

Dear Mr. Lanford:

I want to thank you for making my stay in Jacksonville so pleasant. It was very thoughtful of you to meet the plane upon its arrival from Washington and to take me to the airport to catch the plane for the return trip, as well as to take care of the hotel accommodations and expenses while there.

I enjoyed being with the Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta at their meeting, luncheon and dinner.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. T. A. Lanford,
Vice President and Manager,
Jacksonville Branch,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Jacksonville 1, Florida.

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
JACKSONVILLE 1, FLORIDA

October 13, 1947

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

Dear Mr. Eccles:

In behalf of the Board of Directors of the Jacksonville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, and the bankers of Jacksonville, I want to thank you for making us a visit and for giving us an opportunity to hear you discuss the present economic situation. I thought you did an excellent job. Everybody else I talked to concurs in this opinion.

I thought the joint meeting we had with the Atlanta Board was very helpful to us. Your presence added greatly to the success of our meetings. I hope you will be able to come this way again.

Yesterday I was talking to Dr. J. Hillis Miller, President of the University. I told him about meeting you. He wondered if there was any chance to have you come to the University of Florida sometime for an address. I realize that it is difficult for you to get away and that the demands upon your time are exceedingly great, but we feel that we could greatly profit at the University by a visit from you and to have you appear in our lecture series. I shall appreciate a reaction from you even though this is not a formal specific invitation.

Sincerely yours,

Walter J. Matherly
Walter J. Matherly, Chairman
Board of Directors

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October 16, 1947.

Dear Mr. Matherly:

Your very kind letter of October 13 is very much appreciated. It is gratifying to know that you and others felt that my visit was helpful to you, as it certainly was to me.

I appreciate also Dr. Miller's suggestion prompted by you, but I am sure you will understand why I have felt it necessary to limit my speaking activities and travels. It is difficult for me to absent myself from Washington as often as I would like to meet with the Federal Reserve Bank people in the twelve districts. Not only do I feel that the Chairmanship of this Board is not a habitual speaking part, so that I have not made many public addresses, but I have also felt that I should confine those occasions to meetings of the larger banking and economic business groups to which I receive more invitations now than I can possibly accept. Nevertheless, I am grateful to you and to Dr. Miller for the suggestion.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles,
Chairman.

Mr. Walter J. Matherly, Chairman,
Board of Directors,
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta,
Jacksonville 1, Florida.

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October 13, 1947

Mr. M. Eccles, Chairman
Federal Reserve Board of Governors
Washington, D. C.

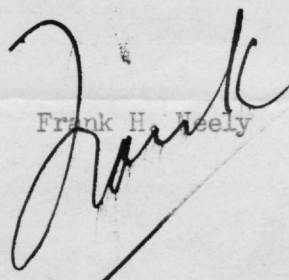
Dear Marriner:

Just a note of appreciation for your trip to Jacksonville and to say that you made a wonderful impression on everybody there, both from your affable disposition and very astute and deep talk that you gave. I think you surprised the boys with your intellect on domestic affairs.

As the colored boys say in Georgia, "I was proud to know you."

I am in New York at the St. Regis for two or three weeks. Hope you come this way and we can get together and have a cocktail.

Sincerely yours,


Frank H. Keely

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October 16, 1947.

Dear Frank:

This is to thank you for your thoughtful letter of October 13. It is gratifying to know that you and others felt that my trip was useful. It certainly was helpful from my standpoint, and I appreciate particularly arrangements that you made for me to meet with the bankers and others, and for my convenience.

In accordance with your suggestion I am enclosing for your information the outline of system operations and functions that I had with me on the trip. I hope that when you meet with the chairmen on Sunday to talk about the functions of Directors of Federal Reserve Banks that it may be of some use to you.


While I have no expectation at the moment of getting to New York while you are there, in case the program changes and I have occasion to be there I shall hold you to your offer of "a cocktail".

Always, with best regards.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles,
Chairman.

Mr. Frank H. Neely,
St. Regis Hotel,
New York, New York.

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