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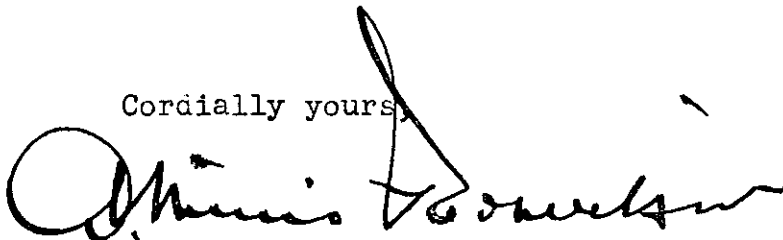
September 22, 1941

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

My dear Governor:

On October 17th I will address the annual meeting of the Virginia Manufacturers' Association in Roanoke. My principal topic of discussion will be the current tax program, but I would like to be able to add to that some comments on the general picture of banking, currency, threat of inflation, etc. If, between now and October 6th, you would be willing to submit a few comments for my use I would appreciate it very much, and will either adopt your suggestions as my own if you prefer or directly quote you. I don't hesitate to say I will adopt your suggestions because I am in thorough accord with the policies you have advocated for the past year.

Cordially yours,



A. Willis Robertson

October 2, 1941.

Honorable A. Willis Robertson,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Robertson:

I have your letter of September 22 with regard to the address which you are preparing to give at the annual meeting of the Virginia Manufacturers' Association at Roanoke on October 17. I am gratified both by your willingness to incorporate in your address suggestions that I might make and by the fact that you find yourself so much in accord with what I have advocated for the past year.

While I am hesitant about offering suggestions for inclusion in your address, I am glad of the opportunity to send you some material which you may, of course, use or quote as you desire. In connection with the general picture of banking, currency and the threat of inflation, I think that the article which I wrote for the August issue of Fortune magazine represents as comprehensive a summary of my general views as it would be possible for me to prepare, and I accordingly invite your attention particularly to this article. I enclose also a copy of an address before the National Industrial Conference Board nearly a year ago when I publicly discussed the threatening inflationary conditions that have since gained more and more headway. In addition, I enclose a copy of an address before the Chamber of Commerce of the United States on May 1, which deals more especially with the tax aspects of the problem. I have gone through these articles and marked some passages that bear on banking, currency and the inflationary aspects of these factors in the general picture.

I trust that from this material you may be able to find some suggestions that will be of use to you in the preparation of your address. I would appreciate it if you would forward a copy of your address to me when you have completed it. In the meantime, I want to thank you again for your letter and for affording me an opportunity to offer suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles,
Chairman

Enclosures - 3.

A. WILLIS ROBERTSON
SEVENTH VIRGINIA DISTRICT

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CHAIRMAN, SELECT CONSERVATION
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October 4, 1941

Hon. M. S. Eccles, Chairman,
Federal Reserve Board,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Governor:

The material sent me with your nice letter
of the 2nd is appreciated and will be very helpful.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. Willis Robertson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

A. Willis Robertson