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

Dear Mr. Eccles:

Attached is a copy of a letter written to Chester Bowles. Would you do what you can to induce him to address our convention at Salt Lake City, June 24?

really should not be asking the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to help me out on my program every year, but some how or other, if you were the President of the United States, you would always be my friend, Marriner S. Eccles, to me, and I would feel free to talk to you at any time, and ask you anything. With best regards.

Yours very truly

Executive Manager

Encl.

March 18, 1944

Mr. Chester Bowles, Administrator Office of Price Administration Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bowles:

The "tah Bankers Association cordially invite you to address its convention at Salt Lake City, June 24 on a subject of your own choice. We trust that you will accept this invitation.

For your information I wish to inform you that the Utah Bankers Association has the largest bank conventions in the West.

The bankers of the country are so closely tied up with the OPA, with ration banking, etc, that we feel that it would be very appropriate on your part to arrange to meet with us.

We know that we can make your trip a pleasure. Salt Lake City is a delightful place in June.

Trusting and hoping that we will receive an acceptance of this invitation, we are

Yours very truly

Executive Manager

Mr. H. B. Crandall, Executive Manager, Utah Bankers Association, Salina, Utah.

Dear Mr. Crandall:

This will acknowledge yours of March 18 with which you enclosed a copy of your letter of the same date to Mr. Chester Bowles, Administrator, OPA, of this city. You ask that I do what I can to induce Mr. Bowles to respond to your invitation to address the convention of the Utah Bankers Association at Salt Lake City on June 24.

I have dropped a line to Mr. Bowles expressing the hope that he will be able to accept your invitation. I have not pressed the matter, however, as I appreciate how difficult it is for the head of an important governmental department to absent himself from Washington during these times. In addition to the pressure of work, it is most difficult to obtain suitable reservations for transportation. Moreover, the Office of Defense Transportation has asked Government officials to reduce to the minimum travel for the purpose of addressing conventions. It is my hope, however, that Mr. Bowles may have other engagements in the West which will permit him to speak before the Utah Bankers Association in June.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M. S. Eccles

M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

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cc: Miss Benton v

March 24, 1944

Mr. Chester Bowles, Administrator, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C.

Dear Chester:

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. H. B. Crandall, Executive Manager, Utah Bankers Association, in which he enclosed a copy of his letter to you of March 18 inviting you to address the convention of the Utah Bankers Association to be held in Salt Lake City June 24 next. Mr. Crandall asked that I urge you to accept.

While I recognize fully the urgent demands upon your time here in Washington and the inconvenience of traveling such a distance, I do wish to suggest that if you should find it convenient to be out of Washington at that time you would find Salt Lake City quite a delightful place in June. No doubt you have visited Salt Lake City before, but at the present time there are many interesting war projects in that vicinity which might interest you, such as the new steel plant at Geneva, Utah, and the Army installations in the vicinity of Ogden, Utah.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

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M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

LC/mg cc: Miss Benton /

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CHESTER BOWLES

March 27, 1944

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

Dear Marriner:

I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Mr. H. B. Crandall, of the Utah Bankers Association, in which I advised him that I would be unable to give him a definite answer at this time on his invitation to attend the Utah Bankers convention in Salt Lake City on June 24th.

I have not been making any definite commitments at this time because of the hearings on the re-enactment of the Emergency Price Control Act which are keeping me pretty well tied to Washington. I have also had to cancel a trip to the West Coast which I had planned this month and which I will have to make later on when things quiet down a bit.

With my best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Chester Bowles
Administrator

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Attachment

Mr. H. B. Crandall Executive Manager Utah Bankers Association Salina, Utah

Dear Mr. Crandall:

Thanks very much for the very cordial invitation which you extended to me to address the Utah Bankers Association in Salt Lake City on June 24th.

I am afraid I will be unable to make any definite commitment at this time because of the uncertainty of my present plans.

I have had to cancel a trip to the West Coast for this month because of the hearings on the re-enactment of the Emergency Price Control Act which will keep me pretty well tied to Washington. Just as soon as I am able to break away I am going to leave on my previously planned trip to the Coast which will perhaps be some time in June.

Sincerely,

Chester Bowles Administrator

