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WALTER B. FRENCH VICE PRESIDENT March 15th, 1938

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

Dear Mr. Eccles, -

The annual convention of the New Jersey Bankers' Association will be held at Atlantic City, New Jersey this year on May 12th, 13th, and 14th. We would deem it a special privilege if we had you as one of our speakers.

This year, in particular, our committee feels that to have you as one of our principal speakers would be a great benefit not only to the bankers of New Jersey, but also to the bankers throughout the country. I do not think we have ever had the pleasure of entertaining you at any sizeable banking function in this state.

There are two principal sessions at the conference, both on Friday, May 13th; the first in the morning, and the second in the afternoon. We could arrange for you to address the convention at either of these sessions, and your subject would, of course, be entirely of your own choosing. Your audience would be made up of between six and seven hundred New Jersey bankers.

It is our sincere hope that your plans will permit you to be our guest of this important occasion. Although your speaking engagement would necessitate your being at the convention only one day, we would be delighted to have you with us the full three days.

Will you please make every effort to accept.

Sincerely yours, Chairman - Speakers' Comm. Annual Convention

N. J. Bankers' Association

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March 17, 1938.

Mr. Walter E. French, Vice President, The Trust Company of New Jersey, 35 Journal Square, Jersey City, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. French:

Chairman Eccles, who is temporarily out of the city, asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 15th and to thank you for your invitation to be one of the speakers at the annual convention of the New Jersey Pankers Association at Atlantic Gity on May 12th.

Because of the pressure of affairs here, the Chairman has been obliged to forego making speaking engagements that would take him out of Mashington during the next few months. Accordingly, he asked me to tell you that much as he would enjoy the opportunity to be with you on this occasion, he feels reluctantly compelled to decline. He asked me particularly to express to you his appreciation of your courtesy.

Very truly yours,

Elliott ⁴hurston, Special Assistant to the Chairman.

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May 6, 1938

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

My dear Chairman:

We are highly pleased to receive your acceptance to address our Convention at the business session on Friday afternoon, May 13th, Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City.

We enclose complimentary ticket covering all features of our Convention program, and hope that it will be convenient for you to arrive on Thursday afternoon and stay thru Friday night so that you may attend our festive occasions on Thursday evening and our Annual Banquet on Friday evening.

If you are golf minded, we would be glad to have you join our golf tournament at the Seaview Golf Club, Absecon, either Thursday morning or afternoon, or play all day if you like.

All guests of the Association are invited to meet President Ferd. I.Collins and past Presidents and speakers in room 104 at the Ambassador on the evening of the banquet at 6:45 o'clock for a half hour of fellowship preceding the dinner.

Looking forward to your visit with us, which we very much appreciate,

Very since A.H.COATE

Secretary

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May 9, 1938.

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

My dear Mr. Eccles:

We are all very much pleased to learn that you find it possible to come down and address our annual convention in Atlantic City next week. We have arranged for you to speak on Friday afternoon, at which time I know you will have a large and interested audience.

Our convention opens Thursday morning with a golf tournament and there will be a fellowship meeting and smoker on Thursday evening at 9:00 o'clock. Friday will be given over entirely to our speaking program and our annual banquet will be held on that evening at 7:30 o'clock. I sincerely hope it will be possible for you to attend the banquet and to be with us for as much of the remainder of the program as possible.

I shall look forward to greeting you at the convention.

Cordially yours,

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President.

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May 19, 1938

My dear Chairman:

We take this opportunity to extend to you a hearty vote of thanks on behalf of the officers, committeemen and the more than 1000 delegates for your contribution to our program at the Convention of the New Jersey Bankers Association at the Ambassador Hotel, last week.

All expressions of the delegates were highly complimentary concerning your views on "The Current Business And Economic Outlook".

Your presence made our Convention an outstanding success, and we are deeply grateful for the sacrifice of time and effort that you were subjected to.

We trust you enjoyed other features of the program, and will be glad to have you visit us on future occasions.

If you will kindly advise us, we will gladly assume any incidental expenses of your trip from Washington.

Very sincere .H.COATE

Secretary

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

May 23, 1938.

My dear Mr. Coate:

Your letter of May 19th with its most gratifying references to my part on your program is especially appreciated because I felt that I had put you and your associates to considerable inconvenience after having first concluded that it would be impossible for me to accept the invitation to attend the Convention, and then having decided that it would afford me a very timely opportunity to say some things which I felt needed saying at this juncture, even though I knew a good deal of it would not be palatable.

The arrangements you made for me and the courtesies which you extended left nothing to be desired. I would appreciate it if you would extend my thanks as well to the other officers of the New Jersey Bankers Association.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

Mr. A. H. Coate, Secretary, New Jersey Bankers Association, Moorestown, New Jersey.

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