

January 6, 1940.

Dear Harold:

Barring some new unforeseen contingency, I see no reason why I cannot take advantage of your very kind suggestion and plan to attend a luncheon of the Overseas Writers on January 22 in accordance with your letter of December 30. As I understand it, whatever I might have to say would be entirely off the record and could be presented in an informal way without preparation of written material.

*(given to Mr. Clayton
& not returned)*

If you fellows are puzzled laymen, as you say, and do not know where to start judging, I am afraid you should consult some other oracle because I have never set myself up even as a minor prophet, but I should enjoy a discussion and especially if those who attend ask questions.

I appreciate your cordial invitation and I shall look forward with pleasure to being on hand on the twenty-second.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles,
Chairman.

Mr. Harold B. Hinton,
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United States Senate

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My dear Mr. Chairman,

We are all delighted that you can lunch with us on the 22nd. We will meet in Parlor A at the Willard at one o'clock. The best way to reach Parlor^A is by the F Street entrance, where you take the elevator up one floor. It is just ^{to} the left of the elevator as you get out.

On Monday, I intend to telephone Elliot Thurston and Dr. Goldenweiser to ask them to join us. Is there anyone else you would like to have? With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Harold Hinton