

LEON FRASER, President

New York, December 5,1940

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Dear Marriner:

If in order, may I have a copy of your recent speech? Perhaps you might deem it appropriate to send a copy to each member of the Council. You will know best.

Yours ever,

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

December 9, 1940.

Mr. Leon Fraser, President, The First National Bank of the City of New York, New York City.

Dear Leon:

As you request in your note of December 5, I am enclosing a copy of my talk before the National Industrial Conference Board. I had understood that these meetings of the Council were not public and I had not intended to give my talk out. The much garbled versions that subsequently appeared in the press, however, left me no alternative except to make public what I actually had said.

If you feel, after looking it over, that the other members of the advisory Council would care to see it, I would be very glad to send copies to them.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

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December 14, 1940

Mr. Thomas M. Steele, President The First National Bank and Trust Company New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Steele:

Upon reading the address which Chairman Eccles gave before the National Industrial Conference Board, Mr. Fraser suggested that a copy be sent to the other members of the Federal Advisory Council. Accordingly, at the direction of Mr. Eccles I am enclosing a copy together with the press statement explaining why it was made public.

Sincerely yours,

Elliott Thurston Special Assistant to the Chairman

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Identical letter sent to all Federal Advisory Council members with the exception of Mr. Leon Fraser.

