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Merch 6, 1936.

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

Dear Sir:

I received your letter of March 3rd and it was with much regret that I read that it would be impossible for you to be with us at our convention.

Ever since the New Orleans Convention at which time! I heard your address. I had looked forward to having you with us in Indiana at our State Convention and it has been just impossible for me to give up the idea.

I took the liberty of talking to Governor McMutt after I received your letter and he has just informed me that he talked with you over the phone this morning and that you have reconsidered the matter and that barring something unusual coming up you will be with us at the noon luncheon on May 22nd but that if it is impossible for you to be here you will have some other member of the board to come.

I am very grateful to you for your reconsideration and assure you that I will be very happy to now leave the matter in your hands. However, I want you and unless I hear from you to the contrary I will place your name upon our program.

I will appreciate confirmation from you of your understanding with the Governor and I wish you would address your reply to me at Kokomo, Indiana.

Yours very sincerely.

President of

INDIANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION

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March 12, 1936.

Mr. B. D. Mitchell, President, Union Bank and Trust Company, Kokomo, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

In reply to your letter of March 6th, let me say that when Governor McNutt telephoned me he was so persuasive that I told him I would make every possible effort to attend the noon luncheon on May 22d of the Indiana Bankers association, but that owing to the impossibility of my knowing with certainty at this time whether it will be possible for me to be with you, I should have to put it on a tentative basis. If you care to go ahead on that basis, I shall do my best to get there. Otherwise, I shall be glad to do whatever I can to arrange for another member of the Board to be with you.

I would very much like to have the opportunity to meet with the Indiana bankers, and I am sorry that I annot give you a more positive assurance. Please accept again my thanks for your very much appreciated invitation.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

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