The Texas Bankers Association

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W. A. Philpott, Jr.

Dallas, Texas

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AIR MAIL

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

Dear Chairman Eccles:

Our organization will hold it's Fifty-Fifth Annual Convention in Dallas May 16, 17, 18.

It is the eager wish of our general officers and membership at large to have you with us at that time, as a feature speaker in one of our business sessions and to visit with us for the full three days if possible. We will have two thousand bankers from the Eleventh Federal Reserve District in attendance and we know what you have to say will be of great interest and benefit to all.

We appreciate the fact that you are deeply engrossed in Washington at all times, particularly during a Congressional session. We are hoping, however, that in this instance you can make the trip to Dallas. If it is impossible for you to stay longer than one, or, say, two days, we can arrange to have you on the program on that day which would best suit your convenience. We prefer, however, to have you on the last day, May 18.

Again expressing the hope that you can be with us on this occasion, and with best possible thoughts and good wishes, I am,

Cordially and sincerely,

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Mr. w. A. Philpott, Jr., Secretary, The Texas Bankers Association, Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Philpott:

My reply to your letter of March 30 has been somewhat delayed as I have been out of town over the weekend and have not been able to tell exactly what my program would be.

I have long hoped to have an opportunity to come to Texas, especially to visit the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, and it occurred to me that if I could arrange matters here, I might combine a visit to the bank with acceptance of your very kind invitation to attend the Fifty-fifth Annual Convention of the Texas Bankers Association to be held in Dallas May 16, 17 and 18, and possibly to speak at one of the meetings.

at the present moment I feel that I can only tentatively accept with the understanding that if circumstances arise over which I have no control that would prevent my coming, I can advise you somewhat closer to the time. In any case, if it would not inconvenience you, I would prefer to give you a more definite answer during the first week in May when I can tell better what the outlook will be here.

In the meantime, please accept my thanks for your invitation.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles, Chairman.

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