

THE CAROLINA FORUM  
GRAHAM BUILDING  
Chapel Hill, N. C.

July 31, 1948

Honorable Marriner Eccles  
Federal Reserve Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

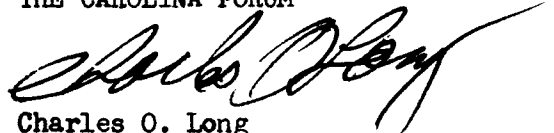
The Carolina Forum of the University of North Carolina wishes to extend to you an invitation to speak in Chapel Hill on the present economical condition and its implications as related to further inflation and economic trouble. We should like to have you visit our campus as our guest and address the student body on some date in the autumn or winter.

Your audience here at the school will be drawn from a student body of over seven thousand, a number of patrons throughout the state and possibly a national radio coverage. We cannot promise the radio coverage unless your speaking date is arranged far enough in advance. Will you kindly let me know at once what date or dates you could accept. We would prefer for you to choose a Tuesday or Thursday if you have no preference.

I plan to be in Washington this coming Tuesday and Wednesday, August 3 and 4. Would it be possible for me to discuss this matter in person with you at that time?

Very truly yours,

THE CAROLINA FORUM



Charles O. Long  
Chairman

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*Sometimes middle  
late part (25, 26, 27)  
Thursday  
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August 10, 1948

Mr. Charles O. Long, Chairman,  
The Carolina Forum,  
Graham Building,  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Long:

Your very kind letter of July 31 would have had a prompter response if I had not been so preoccupied of late with the now concluded hearings before Congress.

I am always greatly tempted whenever it is possible to get together with the younger generation in schools and colleges because they are tomorrow's leaders and will, I hope, have greater vision and commonsense than their predecessors have sometimes exhibited. In any event, it would give me real satisfaction to speak before your student body, possibly in the middle of October if that is agreeable to you. I think I would prefer Thursday, and I am wondering if we might not tentatively set Thursday, October 14, as a possible date, subject to the unforeseeable circumstances that can arise to upset the best laid plans made so far in advance. Assuming that this would be a suitable date from your standpoint, I would make every effort to be on hand at that time.

I would be glad to discuss it with you, as you suggest, in case you happen to be in Washington in the meantime.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles.

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TO \_\_\_\_\_

FROM \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS:

8/11/48

2:37 - Mr. Long is in town and called to see if he could have an appointment with you this afternoon or tomorrow. He is going to call me back around 4:00. I told him you would not be available today, but I would inquire about tomorrow. I read this letter to him.

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REGRET COULD NOT KEEP APPOINTMENT. CALLED BACK TO CAROLINA.

CONSIDER OCT 14 EXCELLENT DATE. WILL WRITE FULL DETAILS

IMMEDIATELY

CHARLES LONG ~~SECRETARY~~ CHAIRMAN CAROLINA FORUM

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# Carolina Forum

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September 22, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Eccles:

With regard to your coming speaking engagement at the University, there is certain information which we will need in order to complete our plans here at Chapel Hill. As I explained to you in Washington, the Forum is a student organization and, as such, we find ourselves limited in finances. We, therefore, have found it necessary to assume the policy of the organizations which we superseded. Although we would like to, we find it impossible to pay speakers' traveling expenses to and from Chapel Hill. In coming to Chapel Hill it will be necessary to come either by train to Durham or Raleigh, or by plane to the Raleigh-Durham Airport. At this point the Forum will meet you and conduct you to Chapel Hill where you will be entertained at our suite in the Carolina Inn.

As a matter of procedure, it is our hope that we shall be able to present our speakers to a select audience prior to the regular speaking engagement. We have found in the past that this can best be accomplished through a banquet given in the honor of our speaker. If you find yourself agreeable to such a dinner, would you please notify us at your earliest convenience.

It is our hope, also, that we will be able to arrange some radio coverage for your speech. Naturally, such radio coverage must be arranged in advance, and the Communication Center at the University would like to have an advance summary of your talk for the purpose of publicity throughout the state of North Carolina.

Mr. Marriner Eccles

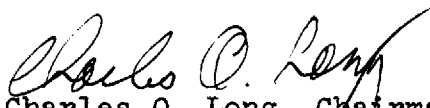
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September 22, 1948

The Forum would like to have the title and, if possible, the overall idea of what you will cover in your main address. If you can supply this information to us it would help us and the press of North Carolina in assuring a complete coverage of your discussion.

We hope that you will find these plans agreeable, and we look forward to your arrival on October 15. Between now and that date I expect to be in Washington, and if you desire I would be delighted to call by your office to discuss any phase of your coming visit.

With best wishes and sincerest regards from the student body of the University.



Charles O. Long, Chairman  
Carolina Forum  
R. 204, Graham Memorial  
Chapel Hill, N. C.

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September 30, 1948.

Mr. Charles O. Long, Chairman,  
The Carolina Forum,  
Graham Building,  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Long:

Referring to your letter of September 22, I plan to leave Washington on the Eastern Airlines plan at 3:15 p.m., Wednesday, October 13, arriving at the Raleigh-Durham airport at 4:47 p.m. I understand you will arrange to meet me at the airport and take me to the Carolina Inn, where I will stay.

It would be agreeable, as you suggest, to attend a dinner the evening of my arrival, where you will introduce me to a select audience prior to the speaking engagement of the following day. I hope the dinner will be informal. I wish you would advise me at what time you expect to have dinner.

You did not say in your letter at what time I would address the students, nor did you say how long I would be expected to speak on Thursday, October 14. I wish you would give me this information, as if the meeting is early enough I should like to plan to return on the 3:37 p.m. Eastern Airlines plane.

I have not planned to prepare a written speech and, therefore, it would not be desirable to have radio coverage, as a matter of fact, I would prefer to talk off the record as I could then speak more freely and effectively. In any case, I would not be able to furnish you any information on my speech for the purpose of advance publicity throughout the state. As to my speech, it was my plan to talk about the present inflationary situation, its cause, effects, and what can be done about it. Kindly let me know at your early convenience whether or not the plan I have outlined herein is agreeable.

With reference to expenses connected with the trip, it has always been my policy not to accept honorariums, and the Federal Reserve Board pays the expenses of its members and staff incurred in connection with public speeches.

I will be glad to have you get in touch with me should you be in Washington prior to October 13.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles.

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September 24, 1948.

Mr. Charles O. Long, Chairman,  
The Carolina Forum,  
Graham Building,  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Long:

Referring to your letter of September 22, in Mr. Eccles absence I am writing you as I note you say, "we look forward to your arrival on October 15". I wish to call your attention to Mr. Eccles' letter of August 10 in which he suggests Thursday, October 14, as the date, and your wire of August 12 advising, "consider October 14 excellent date."

I will appreciate it if you will advise immediately by air mail whether or not Mr. Eccles is scheduled to appear before your organization October 14, or October 15.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Mr. M. S. Eccles.

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**TELEGRAM**  
**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**  
**OF THE**  
**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**  
**WASHINGTON**

October 5, 1948.

Mr. Charles O. Long, Chairman,  
Carolina Forum,  
University of North Carolina,  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

October 14 dinner 6:00 P.M. and address 8:00 P.M. agreeable.

Will advise time of arrival later.

M. D. Eccles.

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FROM \_\_\_\_\_

**REMARKS:**

10/8/48 - Miss Egbert talked to Mr. Long over the telephone re his request that Mr. Eccles appear on the 13th instead of the 14th — some other group had obtained Mr. Oliphant of the Internal Revenue Dept. as a speaker on the 14th and they preferred not having two speakers for the one evening. Mr. Long was advised that Mr. Eccles would appear on the 13th.

Dinner at 6:30 instead of 6:00  
Speech at 8:30 " " 8:00

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HAD PLANNED SPEAKING DATE FOR OCTOBER 14 EIGHT PM. IF  
13TH PREFERABLE DATE PLEASE NOTIFY AT ONCE. DINNER  
INFORMAL. TIME SIX PM. SEND PHOTO MAT AND DATA OF  
PAST YEARS ACTIONS IF AVAILABLE

CHARLES O LONG CHAIRMAN CAROLINA FORUM

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October 11, 1948.

AIR MAIL

Mr. Charles O. Long, Chairman,  
Carolina Forum,  
University of North Carolina,  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Long:

In accordance with your request I am enclosing  
herewith photograph of Mr. M. S. Eccles for your use in  
connection with his speech at the University on October 13.

I would appreciate your returning this photo-  
graph to me after it has served its purpose.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Mr. M. S. Eccles.

Enclosure

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