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DEWITT RAY  
PRESIDENT

April 4, 1951

AIR MAIL

Mr. Marriner S. Eccles  
C/O Hotel Ben Lomond  
Ogden, Utah

Dear Marriner:

When your letter of April 2 was received this morning, I promptly talked with our mutual good friend, Mr. W. A. Philpott, Jr., Secretary of the Texas Bankers Association, and what I am about to say here represents our joint views.

We are pleased no end that you plan to address the 67th Annual Convention of the Texas Bankers Association in Dallas on May 14 or 15. Mr. Philpott can fit you in the program either day, but prefers to have you address the convention on Monday afternoon, May 14. If you find it necessary to speak on the 15th, the program will be adjusted to suit your convenience. The programs go to press approximately one month in advance of the date of the convention and, if you will please wire Mr. Philpott as soon as you return to Washington on the 12th, that will be ample time for him to arrange the program.

As you doubtless know, American Airlines operate a one-stop (Memphis) flight from Dallas to Washington, leaving here at 4:35 p.m. and arriving in Washington at 10:25 p.m. (EST).

Sunday evening, May 13, will be a general get-together for cocktails, dinner and the like and, if you could arrive in Dallas sometime Sunday, we should like very much

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for you to attend these Sunday evening parties, where you could visit informally with many of your friends of the Southwest. Furthermore, if you will let Mr. Philpott or me know of your arrival time, we shall have hotel space waiting for you at the Baker or the Adolphus.

Be assured of my genuine appreciation for your acceptance of this engagement, as well as my warm personal regards.

Cordially yours,

  
President

DR:VB

CC—Mr. W. A. Philpott, Jr., Secretary  
Texas Bankers Association  
Dallas National Bank Bldg.  
Dallas, Texas

April 13, 1951.

Dear DeWitt:

I am very glad I accepted the invitation to address the Texas Bankers Association -- how could a fellow refuse when such cordial and flattering letters, indicating enthusiasm for one's acceptance, are received from such important and influential men as you, Randle Gilbert and William Philpott!

After giving consideration to letters from you three gentlemen, I have decided to leave Washington on the American Airlines flight #59 on Sunday morning (May 13th) at 9:25 a.m., arriving in Dallas at 1:50 p.m. -- this will give me time to get to the hotel, freshen-up, and then attend your general get-together for cocktails, dinner and informally visiting.

I will be glad to address the Monday afternoon meeting of the Bankers. As I must be in Washington on the morning of Tuesday, May 15th, it will be necessary for me to leave Dallas on the American Airlines flight #114 on Monday at 4:35 p.m. and I am arranging my plane reservations accordingly. (I understand that because of the change to daylight savings time after April 29 there may be some changes in plane schedules for May, so that actual time of arrival and departure will have to be determined later).

I want you and other members of the Texas Bankers Association to know that I greatly appreciate this privilege of addressing them at their annual convention.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

M. S. Eccles.

Mr. DeWitt Ray, President,  
National City Bank of Dallas,  
Dallas, Texas.