

13/49 -- 10:15

Mr. Althaus of the National Credit Bureau called to get an appointment with you -- he left this message:

The members of the Bureau are meeting for their annual sessions in Washington this year for the first time in 5 years. There will be around 300 to 400 members here from the states from Maine to Virginia.

They want very much to have you give the opening session address on Monday, February 13th, at the Statler, 10:00 or 10:30 in the morning. Any subject you choose -- Regulation W, any warning you think they should have about present problems, or whatever you wish.

Phone: National 1942

Would like a reply the first of the week

yes -



The CREDIT BUREAU INC.

THE FOREMOST MERCHANTS OF WASHINGTON COMPRISE OUR MEMBERSHIP

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February 3, 1950

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

Dear Sir:

It is indeed a pleasure to know that you will address the credit conference at the Statler Hotel on Monday morning, February 13 at approximately 10:15 A.M.

Your wishes concerning the confidential nature of your talk and that no reporters shall publicize your address will be respected.

Mr. Lindley S. Crowder, Treasurer, Manager of National Retail Credit Association of St. Louis, will be most pleased to introduce you. Mr. Samuel E. Collegeman, Credit Manager of S. Kann Sons Company, is President of the Twelfth District and one of the three of us is certain to see you upon your arrival. The printed program has not as yet been delivered, but one will be sent you as soon as they are available.

These past years retailers have had so much to do with the Federal Reserve System, Regulation W and all its ramifications and it is just wonderful that you will give us your time and interest. Your willingness to meet with us is most sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jno. K. Althaus
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Secretary

P.S. We would like to suggest a thirty minute address, after which it would be nice to have a ten minute discussion period.