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Roy E. Graves
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Mr. M. S. Eccles.
Chairman
Federal Reserve Board
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I think it very unwise
on your part to tax stock
profits any more.

Please read what Mr.
Hoffman had to say about
new money to finance industry
and make new jobs.

I have an example of
myself. I have had Farnsworth
Television for ten years.
Now you want to tax me
heavy for putting capital
into a new industry that
has never paid the ones
who have had faith in
it a single penny.

If you are asking me I think it is a screwy idea.

How do you think new industry will get more money to develop if you start something like this? Please think it over. Jobs are important and I don't mean W.P.A. jobs either, I mean private industry. Hoping you will be ~~be~~ broad minded enough to see two sides. I remain

Yours Truly
Roy. E. Lewis
Ch. Darteau

March 5, 1945.

Mr. Roy E. Graves,
99 Cleaves Avenue,
San Jose, California.

Dear Mr. Graves:

In reply to your letter, I am enclosing a copy of a statement I have just issued in regard to my proposal for a special wartime capital gains tax. It is apparent from your letter that the information you had about it was incorrect.

I have the pleasure of knowing Paul Hoffman, and I would agree with everything said in the clipping of his remarks, which you enclosed, and I am quite as concerned as he is to preserve the private enterprise system in this country.

Sincerely yours,

**Received in
Chairman's Office**
M. S. Eccles,
Chairman.

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Board of Governors
of the
Federal Reserve System

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