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Prof. William Starr Myers,  
104 Bayard Road,  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Prof. Myers:

The organization meeting of the Board of Directors, elected at yesterday's meeting of Members, of the National Economic Council, will, by decision of the Executive Committee, be held Monday and Tuesday, June 28th and 29th in the City of Chicago. Chicago was selected as being the most likely central point.

This meeting will be the most important the Economic Council Board has ever held. A program of work for the ensuing year will be adopted. In addition to this, the Board will undertake to draw up a statement with respect to domestic conditions in the United States today, as bearing on the private citizen and his rights, including private enterprise. It is likely that this statement will be widely circulated.

In addition to the members of the Board, the officers will invite a number of distinguished men, not members of the Board, to meet with us. We shall be glad of the suggestion of each member of the Board with respect to any person thought to be particularly desirable as a guest; and the Executive Committee will, in the light of the general purposes of the meeting itself, give careful consideration to any names suggested.

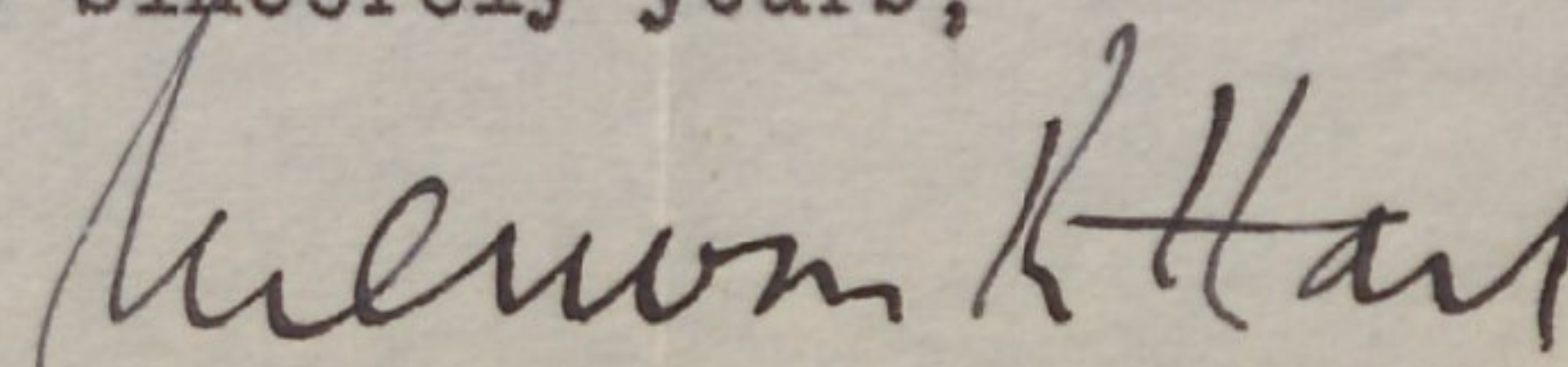
Rooms have been tentatively arranged for at the Palmer House for those who will attend, together with a suitable room for the various sessions of the Board.

We urge you to arrange, if possible to attend this meeting. We ask you to make your own railroad reservations, both going and coming, and to do it early. If you will notify us as promptly as possible whether you can attend, we will complete arrangements for the hotel accommodations.

It is certain that this meeting will be of importance to our work. It is possible that it may be of considerable importance to the country as a whole. Just at this time something needs to be said which will emphasize that the liberties of the American people have been all but lost and that these liberties need to be restated and regained - not only as an aid in the postwar world, but to insure that degree of unity and solidarity among the American people that is so necessary to the winning of the war itself.

I hope you will let us hear from you promptly.

Very sincerely yours,



Merwin K. Hart, President

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