Suitability of Style and Architecture of Building to Purposes to be Served.

May I say just a word as to the suitability of the style and architecture of the building to the purposes it is intended to serve. Central banking, as it is now understood, is a comparatively modern development. I believe that the architects have successfully conveyed this thought in the modernized classical design which they have employed. The simplicity and solidity of the construction, noticeable even at this early stage, lend to the structure an air of dignity and stability, and are most appropriate in a building which will house the country's monetary reserves.

In conclusion, may I extend congratulations and best of wishes to the Governors, Directors, and Officers of the Bank, to the Architects and general contractors, and to all who are employed upon this edifice, of what promises to be a remarkably fine addition to the many splendid buildings of the Capital of our country. I hope that all may go well throughout the course of construction, and that no workman will feel his part too insignificant or his task too humble not to realize that it is his privilege to be performing a national service in the part