

February 9, 1946

Dear Mr. Daniels:

I surely appreciated your note of the fifth in regard to the location of the United Nations headquarters. Of course, I had hoped the Committee would decide on Hyde Park. However, they chose another site in Connecticut, which seems to have stirred up a "hornets nest" both in Connecticut, New York and in the United Nations Council.

When the Council decided to limit the location of the site to some point east of the Appalachian Mountains, there wasn't any opportunity of the Federal Government entering into their deliberations with a suggestion, although I did suggest to them that the Biltmore in the Great Smokies in North Carolina would be an ideal location.

You see, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco, Denver and several other cities were very anxious to have the headquarters located in their immediate vicinities. South Dakota even went so far as to offer a site free. With the usual "Yankee Nutmeg" approach the Connecticut people and the sabatoge press, represented by Hearst, Robert McCormick and the Pattersons, have shown a most "boorish" attitude toward the location of the headquarters in the United States. I think common courtesy would call for at least a hospitable attitude in the matter, but you never can tell what is in the minds of some newspaper publishers.

I was surely glad to hear from you. Please give my kindest regards to Jonathan.

Sincerely yours,

MARRY S. TRUMAN



Honorable Josephus Daniels  
President  
The News and Observer  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Feb. 5, 1946.

Dear Mr. President:

There is only one place  
for the headquarters of United  
Nations - It is Hyde Park.

The further it is from the  
big city the better.

This calls for no answer.

With high regards,

Sincerely,

Josephus Daniels

