May 9, 1938.

The President,
The White House.

Dear Mr. President:

The term of George C. Mathews, a member of this Commission, expires June 5, 1938. As you know, Commissioner Mathews is a Republican from Wisconsin who has served as a member of this Commission since its organization in 1934. As a member of this Commission he has rendered high public service. Those of us who have worked with him deem him invaluable. I know this was the feeling of Landis and Kennedy; it is likewise my feeling.

Commissioner Mathews desires, I believe, to stay in the public service. I and all of my colleagues recommend to you his reappointment. In view of the fact that he desires to make his plans soon, it would be desirable, if this is agreeable with you, to have his reappointment made as far in advance of June 5, 1938, as is possible.

Respectfully yours,

William O. Douglas,
Chairman.