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Dear ...:

It seems to me that the news accounts about the Capitol Hill Club are highly overdrawn and on the sensational side.

This is a very modest and sedate club which does have a beverage license, designed I think mainly to entertain visitors who may call on members of the House and Senate, and in that respect it does not differ from the very sedate and long established private clubs in Washington which are available for the entertainment of guests.

The singular thing about all this is that while I am a member of the Board, I have never been in the Club and I am sure the great majority of senators and congressmen are too busy with legislative chores to attend except very infrequently.

I am certain that no official conferences whatsoever take place there because it was designed entirely for social purposes so that visiting Republicans particularly might have a place to visit.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen