

May 30, 1925

Mr. S. Townsend Weaver,
Lerna, Ill.

My dear Mr. Weaver:

Pardon the delay in replying to your letter of April 16 - I have been exceptionally busy.

Of course I am interested in your Lincoln enterprise at Farmington. I visited the place three years ago and felt keenly the need of something being done there. It seems to me that what you propose to do is entirely practical. I wish I could help you by a generous contribution but it is quite out of the question, my dear Mr. Weaver. I have more things of the sort on hand now than I have a right to undertake.

I think that one person who might be interested in helping you is Miss Jane Hammand of Shaler, Iowa. As a matter of fact I am of the opinion that Charleston and Decatur ought to do something substantial.

Why don't you get in touch with ex-Governor Lowden? And with Mr. J. B. Oakleaf of Moline? They are men of means living in Illinois and interested in carrying on the Lincoln traditions.

If anything further practical occurs to me I certainly shall write you.

Very truly yours,