

March 21, 1939

Dear Dr. Tolley:

Forgive the delay in replying to your letter of March 16th. I was in the country when it came - returned only last night.

I am quite sure that the room Dr. Skinner has reserved for me at the Venango Inn will be satisfactory. I was very comfortable there before. And you can be sure I shall raise my voice if I find myself handicapped.

I think I shall come on a couple of days ahead - leaving here probably Friday, the 14th, by the Erie. I am asking Dean Skinner to let me know about getting from Meadville to the Venango Inn as I suppose there is no station at Venango.

I had not heard about the interest of the American Magazine in my visit to the College. If they will play up Lincoln and the College I don't object to anything they can do in the way of pictures and comment. I am feeling more and more serious about the possibilities in what I have undertaken. I wish that we might work out a stimulating special course, something peculiar to the College. I want to talk with you about it after I get under way.

You ask if I would speak to your High School students on Saturday, May 6th, when they gather for their competitive examinations. If an informal talk of not over a half hour will do I shall be glad to accept your invitation.

Looking forward to my visit, believe me

Faithfully yours

Dr. William P. Tolley
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