

June 5, 1939

Dear Dr. Tolley:

Pardon the delay in replying to your more than kind letter of May 27th. It makes me very happy to have you say that you feel I made a worthwhile contribution to the life of the College while I was in Meadville this Spring. There was so much I would have liked to have done and could have done if I had been a little stronger physically.

It was a fine experience for me. I have carried away a strong sense of vitality, broadening ideals and hopes, a community of teachers and students working together with confidence, gaiety, courage in attacking new situations. You are doing Timothy Alden proud, dear Dr. Tolley.

I have talked with Macmillans about your wish to re-print what I have said of Allegheny in my autobiography. They suggested that you write them, as in this letter you say that you have done. I am sure that it is to their advantage to have the material used in this way. As for me I am proud that you think it is adapted to your purpose.

Thank you for your extra check. I was willing to call the account closed.

I wish I could be at Commencement, but I cannot leave here. All I can do is to wish that everything will go swimmingly and that you, yourself, will not be too worn out after it is all over.

Faithfully yours

Dr. William P. Tolley
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