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Dear Miss Tarbell:

Yesterday I realized with some anxiety that the college had not yet received the model made by your "Bob" of the one Lincoln Invention. You may recall that a photo of the model was sent me in your letter of December 7,1939. At that time the rooms was not even started so you thought it bet it was best to hold it until we had a place to show it properly.

We shall have quite a display on the Balcony adjacent to the room and so if the model can be sent we shall show it with much pride. If the young man will please write an account of how he came to make it and something of the red tape he must have overcome to get permission to copy it,we shall be pleased. Or would "Bob" like to bring it and attend. That will be even nicer in every way if he can do so.

The invitations are ordered. Mrs. Grumbine and Mrs. Evans of Titusville are providing an extended list from t eir town of persons to whom invitations are to be sent. Carl Sandburg says that only and "Act of God" will keep him from making the address. We keep hoping that you will feel that you can come for it is you above anyone else who will bring to the occasion the spirit that no one else can add. But of course your helth is far above any personalwish of those of us at the College who are most interested.

Mr.Gidden's class is larger than he wishes but he cannot well turn them out.Miss Hendershot is sitting in on it so as to get a better acquaintance with the material. So far one feels that the room is at once falling into the role of "usefulness" that you wished for it.

President Tolley has returned from the west,and seems to have had a fine time flying. Whether he brought much money or not I have not heard but we know he is trying. Yesterday afternoon Dr. Crawford gave a report of the PhiBeta Kappa Convention at San Francisco at the fall business meeting at the college. He is still vigorous. His grandson,John has been with Mrs. Crawford and Dr. Crawford this summer. His mother is still in Brittany and seems to wish to stay tho I think the family wwould feel better if she would come to America.

The leaves have not yet turned here and we are having some lovely days as I feel sure you are in Conn. I hope you are able to motor and enjoy the countryside.

The staff join withme in sending af ectionate regards and good wishes,

Faithfully yours,

Edith Rowley

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