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attention

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Dear Flora Mai:

How dear of you to write me so kindly about my autobiography. I have had qualms about it. It isn't what I started out to do. But that is neither here nor there - if you find something in it that seems to you sound and helpful I am more than pleased.

And thank Mr. Maurice for being willing to stand for me if he does stand for me in The Sun. I shall be watching for what he has to say.

I wish we could have that lunch now, but I am off tomorrow night for six weeks at my old college - biography and Lincoln conferences with a class of thirty or so. I rather anticipate a good time with them. It is all very informal.

I am sorry about going away at the moment because it puts off our lunch until I return at the end of May, and it puts off my talking with Izola Forrester. I am dropping her a note telling her that I shall count on seeing her when I come back.

My little Booth inquiry has taken me far afield. I am rather swamped - had no idea when I began what it involved. I shall be glad to talk with Miss Forrester as I am telling her. I will leave it to you whether she could come to lunch with us.

I am glad that you had a good vacation, dear Flora Mai, and that you are working so enthusiastically.

Affectionately

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