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April 15, 1942

Mr. Peter F. Drucker
19 Bayberry Street
Bronxville, New York

Dear Mr. Drucker,

I remember that you said you would be willing to come up to Bennington sometime this spring to meet with the Educational Policies Committee of the faculty and, incidentally, also to look for a house. I am wondering, therefore, if it would be possible for you and Mrs. Drucker to come up for the weekend of May 2nd and third, and, if possible, stay over Monday and Tuesday, May 4th and 5th.

Dec. 3-5 || I have several reasons for suggesting this time. One is that it would be convenient from the point of view of the Educational Policies Committee. The other is that on Monday, May 4th, we have an open date in the series on American Foreign Relations and we would like very much for you to speak to the community on that occasion. The third reason is that Mr. McCullough has told me that he would be willing to rent to you a very charming and attractive house. If you and Mrs. Drucker could come at that time I think you would have a very good time. We would be very glad to put you up in the guest suite.

Sincerely yours,

Lewis Webster Jones
President

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April 21st, 1942

Mr. Lewis Webster Jones,
President,
Bennington College,
Bennington, Vt.

Dear Dr. Jones,

Thank you so much for your kind letter of April 15th. I shall be very happy to come the week end of May 2nd and 3rd.

As you know, I am at present working in Washington, and I want to loose as little time as possible. I would therefore appreciate if my visit could be confined to two days. I leave it to you which days are most convenient to you. I would be very happy indeed to talk in your American Foreign Relations Series, and I would welcome an arrangement which would enable me to speak in Bennington on Monday. Perhaps the best solution would be Monday and Tuesday, May 4th and 5th, with my arriving in Bennington either Sunday evening or Monday morning, and leaving Tuesday afternoon.

Unfortunately Mrs. Drucker will not be able to come up with me this time. We have no maid at present and she cannot leave the children alone.

Please advise me which days are most convenient to you and also how best to get to Bennington. Do you still meet visitors in Albany ?

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

Sincerely yours,

Peter F. Drucker
Peter F. Drucker.

P.S.: What am I supposed to speak on ?

*Best time for EPC + luncheon
please to be
Dec. 8-5*

April 23, 1942

Mr. Peter F. Drucker
19 Bayberry Street
Bronxville, New York

Dear Mr. Drucker,

Monday and Tuesday, May 4th and 5th, would be an excellent time from our point of view for you to come to Bennington. We would appreciate it very much also if you would give the lecture at 4:15 on Monday afternoon. You may take the greatest liberty in choosing your subject. For your guidance, the following is the list of speakers and their subjects which have preceded you: Frederick Schuman - The Price of Victory, with emphasis on a positive, economic program, and Bradford Smith on Japan and its historical and psychological background. Horst Mendershausen will speak at the meeting this coming Monday. His title is The Case for Flaming.

If you will let us know exactly when you are planning to arrive, we can send the College car to Albany to meet you.

Sincerely yours,

Lewis Webster Jones
President

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19 Bayberry Street
Bronxville, N.Y.
April 26, 1942

Dr. Lewis Webster Jones
President, Bennington College
Bennington, Vermont

Dear Dr. Jones,

I shall be delighted to come next Monday, May 4th and to stay over until Tuesday, May 5th. If it is convenient for you to have me met at that time, I shall come to Albany on the train arriving at 11.42 AM; otherwise I would come on the next train which arrives in Albany at 12.43 PM. Either train would give me ample time to get to Bennington in time for the talk. - Unless I hear from you to the contrary I shall take the earlier train, and shall expect to be met in Albany by the college car.

I should like to leave Bennington on Tuesday afternoon in time to catch either the 6.40 PM or the 8.47 PM in Albany.

As regards the topic I think that The Case Against Blueprints would be a good title; if you want to set my talk in direct contrast to that of Dr. Mendershausen, you might call it "The Case against Planning" - which however would distort my emphasis somewhat. It doesn't ~~not~~ really matter, and I leave it to you how you want to announce the talk.

Looking forward to meeting you next Monday,

I remain

Sincerely yours


Peter F. Drucker

April 28, 1942

Mr. Peter Drucker
19 Bayberry Street
Bronxville, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Drucker:

We will be very glad to meet you in Albany next Monday, May 4th, at 11:42 a.m. The driver usually meets guests at the Information Booth in the station. We can arrange to take you to whichever train on Tuesday seems most convenient at the time.

Your title The Case Against Blueprints sounds splendid and, I am sure, will engender some good, healthy discussion.

Sincerely yours,

Lewis Webster Jones
President

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