

Woodworth, Robert
Farm

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Dear Bob:

Do you think it would be possible for us to take on 100 or so secondary school girls between the ages of 14 and 18 for work on the farm this summer? They would, of course, pay their expenses and donate their labor free.

I have just attended a meeting of the Head Mistresses Association here in New York, and a number of the secondary schools in the Boston, New York and New Jersey area are urging that we take their students for the 3 weeks between terms for summer work on the farm. What do you think about it?

I have just written to Myra Jones suggesting that you and Myra, Frank Tschorn and Mrs. Cook get together and talk about it. One thing which appeals to me so strongly in favor of our doing it is that if these secondary school girls come up for the summer, they'll all want to come to Bennington College in the future, and it will give Bennington College a vital connection with the schools which we have never before had.

Will you be willing to think about this proposal, talk to the other people about it, and let me know what you think sometime next week?

We are seeing large numbers of people here in New York and everybody is most excited about our farm project. I hope everything is going well with you.

Sincerely,

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