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June 14, 1945

Mr. Thomas Mann c/o Alfred A. Knopf 501 Madison Avenue New York, New York

(Please forward)

I wish to extend to you a most cordial invitation to deliver the Commencement address at Bennington College on Friday, July 20. Bennington College would be greatly honored if it would be possible for you to accept this invitation which I am extending in behalf of the entire Community. You would be doing a great service both, to Bennington College and to the ideas for which you have so long stood if you could do this.

Lewis Webster Jones. President

Sent: 12:30 p.m. Chg.: /. 09 MB (official)

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Telegram from Mohawk Lake, N. Y., reced at B.C., 9:30 a.m.

June 15, 1945

Mr. Jones

Greatly honored by your kind invitation but unfortunately obliged to be back in California first days of July because of other appointments. Thanks and regards.

Thomas Mann