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Day Letter

June 16, 1945

Mr. E. B. White
North Brooklin, Maine

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 is extended at the enthusiastic request of both the students and faculty. Commencement address at Bennington is informal and not connected with the degree-conferring ceremony which takes place the next day. You would be completely free to select your own subject and deal with it in your own way. (We prefer Commencement speaker who has something to say rather than the professional Commencement orator.)

Lewis Webster Jones, President

Sent: 11:30 p.m.

Chg.: 1.77

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Telegram from Brooklin, Maine, Rec'd at B.C., 10:00 a.m., June 18, 1945

Mr. Jones

Thanks for your friendly invitation to speak at Bennington. Sorry must decline because of incurable fear of platform and young girls. I wish I were different.

E.B.White
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