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Bluffton, Ohio, 1931.

Bluffton, Ohio
March 18, 1931

Rabbi Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

We have a Forum Club here at Bluffton College which has as a part of its program the securing of speakers from time to time. This year we have had Mr. Norman Thomas, Father Healey a Catholic priest from Lima, an official of the Nickel Plate Railroad, and Karl Borders from the University of Chicago.

You have been recommended to us by the League for Industrial Democracy with which we are affiliated. Your new book on "Religion in a Changing World" has also made you well known here at school. Would it be possible for you to speak to us sometime in the near future? The students and faculty are both anxious to have you. Dr. Mosiman the president of the college requested that we attempt to secure you. I am sure you will have a good audience comprised not only of Bluffton students, but also of many from Lima and the surrounding country.

I shall appreciate it very much if you

will inform me as to whether or not you can
come to be with us and as to what your fee
generally is. I might state the Bluffton is on
the Nickel Plate Railroad and you can secure
through service.

We would feel honored, I can assure
you, to have you as our guest.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Keller
Lincoln Hall
Bluffton, Ohio.



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March 25th, 1931

Mr. John H. Keller,
Lincoln Hall,
Bluffton, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Keller:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 18th and for the invitation which you extend to me to address your Forum Club.

I would have been most happy to come but unfortunately I am so booked up with lecture engagements and other congregational duties that I can not in justice to myself accept any more. Perhaps next year I shall be able to come.

Thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in inviting me and with kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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