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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

Thank you for your understanding letter and kind invitation to the Osborn Lecture, Jan. 16th on International Health. I have waited until this time to reply in hopes that a prior commitment could be rescheduled but unfortunately it cannot. It is very hard for me to get away before Thursday of each week for I am regularly scheduled to work full time at S.F.R. Mon.-Wed. Thus, meetings get planned way in advance.

For future reference, I do come to the city almost every other week on Thurs. & Fri. and if ever there were to be a lecture of similar appeal I would be most grateful to be included in the audience. The particular

one you invited me to really does sound interesting. I almost went to a Conference on Health with Linus Pauling and others in October but various complications arose on the part of the conference.

By the way, I believe when we last spoke together at lunch, I mentioned to you my acquaintance with Norman Cousins. I'm enclosing a copy of his latest book for your interest if you haven't already read it. It may shed an interesting light in regards to the up and coming program on health. What seems particularly interesting is that Medical Communities from all over the U.S. have invited him to speak before them (as ^{the} the first laymen lecturer in many cases.) and I find his thesis most convincing, if unconventional. In February he's coming

to speak to a group sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation and if you're interested I'll let you know when it is.

As a result of my trip to Russia in September for the Soviet/American Writers Conference, of which Norman Cousins was the co-chairman, I have subsequently published an article documenting the conference. I realize you have very little time but thought you might be interested if you like alternative reading material. (Alternative to Scientific material, I mean.) This is the complete version which gives a better feel for the country as a whole. I'm sure the tone would be different today given the Russians' recent acts of aggression. The shorter version was

just on the Conference itself and was published
in "The ~~the~~ Authors Guild Bulletin." No
response is necessary.

I hope that you and Marguerite had
a restful and happy holiday season. Perhaps
next summer you can bring your family
to Shelburne Farms for a weekend. You
would be most welcome and I believe
you would find it a pleasant contrast
to the City.

All my best to you in 1980.

Eileen