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Dear Professor Haldeman:

It has been most kind and courteous on your part to forward to me the correspondence which you have received so far in connection with the Centennial celebration. Especially have I appreciated the summaries of the questions that have been raised. These will be most useful to me in my thinking about the program.

The questions are so diverse in their nature that I think it will be almost impossible to settle on any items for the sub groups to discuss until we actually get together in Monmouth. I will attempt to rearrange the topics and have them in some kind of mimeographed form that we can present to those in attendance at the first meeting on Friday afternoon. They can then go over the groupings, change them as they will and decide how to organize. After examining the agendas for the committee meeting which you had on September 29, I do not feel that your group has left any stone unturned in properly preparing for the conference. In the last few weeks I have traveled around a lot and have heard from a number of people with what pleasure they are anticipating coming to Monmouth.

I personally plan to arrive on Thursday evening if transportation can be arranged. I can leave Crawfordsville on a train which arrives in Chicago at 4:15 p.m. CST. Can you tell me what service I can get from Chicago either to Monmouth or Galesburg at that time? It seems to me that if the train schedules are such we should have some time to get together Thursday evening and could spend all of Friday <sup>morning</sup> in making plans.

Incidentally I saw Al Garrett at a meeting last weekend and he is all steamed up about his part. I am sure that he will give us an inspiring and provocative speech. Please let me know if there is anything more I can do in preparing for the conference.

With the best of regards to yourself and Ben Shawver, I am,

Most cordially yours,

*Ed Haenisch*  
Edward L. Haenisch  
Professor of Chemistry  
Chairman of the Department

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*Since dictating this, I've "cooked up" the enclosed statement which you might like to include in the next mailing. It would indicate that there is reason for attendance in part full staff members.*