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Mr. James Goble
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Dear Jimmie:-

I am just home, after a few days at Lexington; and while there, I saw Colonel Henry J. Stites, an attorney at law with offices in the Starks Building.

Colonel Stites is Vice-President of the Board of the Hindman Settlement School; and during the course of a conference which we held, he informed me that the commencement exercises for the school will be held on May 21, 1949. He invited me, because of the fact that I become President of the Kentucky State Bar Association on April 5th., to preside as Chairman of this meeting; and the principal speaker at the commencement exercises will be Governor Clements who has already accepted the invitation to deliver the address. Colonel Stites informed me that there would be a large number of outstanding business and professional men from Eastern Kentucky and other sections of the State, invited to be present on that occasion; further, that there will be a general request for all friends of the school in Knott County and adjoining counties, to be present and to provide food and have a picnic upon the grounds on that day; and that it was anticipated that there would be three thousand or more people there for that meeting.

It occurs to me that it would be an interesting item for you to have a special article in regard to the school, accompanied by photographs in your magazine section of the Courier Journal some time about the first or second Sunday in May; and that this should be followed up with a special write up of the commencement exercises and of the address of Governor Clements; and any other phase of the meeting on May 21st. which would be interesting from a news point of view.

I do not know of any school in Eastern Kentucky or elsewhere which is doing a greater work for people, then does