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October 14, 1918.

Dear President Woolley:-

Your letter came just as I was about to write you that unless the epidemic is entirely over in New England I shall be afraid to travel on the trains. Since the epidemic started I have not once entered a train, as I can reach Philadelphia, New York and Washington in my car. We believe now that the epidemic at Bryn Mawr has nearly spent itself, and

I should be very much afraid of re-introducing it. We have never had more than 10 cases & most of these are now convalescent

Would it be impossible for you, in view of the epidemic, to consider intermitting Founder's Day, in which case I shall be delighted to accept an invitation for next year if you wish me to do so. I feel that I ought now to say that I cannot come on the 30th, because I cannot believe that the epidemic will then be over in New England, yet as you know I hate above all things to break an engagement. What do you think I had better do?

According to rules I should be guaranteed for 4 days after returned

With kindest regards,

President Mary E. Woolley,
Mount Holyoke College,
South Hadley, Mass.