

The Hope Dispatch

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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

Someone got the draw on me, or at any rate something happened. The committee which asked that I phone you, must have at the same time ask someone else to cast about for a speaker. The committee chairman called me early Monday morning and informed me they had secured Dr. Linquist, President of Bethany college.

Since I had not received your letter up until Wednesday morning, I didn't know just what your decision was going to be. However, it does put me on the spot and makes it rather embarrassing, as it is very seldom that we can get one of your standing to consent to come to our town. I hope however, even in the face of this that sometime we may have the privilege of scheduling you for a visit.

I was a little doubtful whether you would remember me from so many years ago as the manager of the Journal-World baseball team. I do count it a privilege and an honor to have known you in those days.

Please except my apology for this embarrassing moment, and permit me to extend best wishes for your birthday, which also happens to be one of my son's birthday.

Sincerely,



C. M. Bowline, president
The Hope Lions Club.

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