My dear Senator:

How very kind of you to take time out of your busy life to write me a note about Amherst. I trust it is a wise move; I am sure it will be a pleasant one. President Cole has been good enough to give me a one term- or four months- schedule, which should allow me eight months for reading and maybe even thinking- something I find more and more difficult these days. You- and you are one of the few in public life- seem to have the secret of finding time to think, and you grow wiser and more statesmanlike with the years. I trust you realize the affection and respect- close to reverence- in which you are so widely held.

Faithfully yours,

Henry Commager