April 14, 1941

The Hon. Herbert H. Lehman
Governor of the State of New York
Albany, New York

My dear Governor Lehman:

In view of the early closing of the Legislature, I wonder if it is possible for you to tell me now whether you will be able to attend and speak at the Dorothy Thompson Dinner. We are now preparing the program and would greatly appreciate word from you.

I am sure you will be glad to know that the President has graciously consented to send a message. Either the Vice-President, or a member of the cabinet will attend. The Ambassadors and Ministers of the embattled nations fighting against Nazism will be present and extend their personal greetings to Miss Thompson as one who personifies the highest American ideals of democracy.

I do hope it will be possible for you to be with us.

Always with warm personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Frank Kingdon, Chairman
Dorothy Thompson Dinner Committee