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Dear Ralph,

It seems to have been settled that I shall go to Worthington, Ohio, on May 31 and stay there until ca. June 8th. The reason is that my niece from Canada, who has been with my sister for five weeks, has to get home, and that I should replace her for a little while. But everything may change, because my sister (who seemed all right on the phone, though terribly weak, had to be brought again to the hospital yesterday on account of some obstruction. At any rate, she is in a very bad state, and I doubt whether I shall be able to go to Europe this year.

From [Robert] Palmer I got a nice letter telling me that you are to participate next April in a meeting of the Society of French Studies to be held at Princeton. He apologized that he did not offer me to be chairman at your lecture, but it had been decided upon that no Princetonians should act as chairmen with the exception of [Joseph] Strayer who would be chairman of the whole meeting. So I am looking forward to hearing you preach here next year, and listen to you from the floor.

Dumbarton Oaks was very good and interesting. I saw very much of the Šev[čenko]s, since I stayed a little longer in Washington. Šev himself read an excellent paper and was a tremendous success as Lednicki¹ would say about himself.

While it is uncertain whether I shall be seeing you here on your way out, it might easily work seeing you on your way back. At any rate, have a pleasant trip and a profitable one for your studies. I can well imagine how happy you will be revisiting Paris and there all the little bistros where you had your meals in former years. Hence, bon voyage in case I should not see you in June.

Love

EKa. [Signed]

¹ Former colleague at Berkeley whom Eka often panned; see above. a note in letter 1956.04.11.

