



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
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Mr. Kermit Hunter,
P. O. Box 450,
Petersburg, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Hunter:

Let me thank you for your gracious letter of August 17.

I am glad to know that what I had to say about your production was helpful and appropriate. I really did enjoy the production and, as I told Governor Stevenson, it is one of those things that sinks in on you and stays with you. I hope that it will continue to be produced, not only in New Salem, but in other places. I do not know just how this can be brought about but I am sure that if every American could see it, it would create a deeper appreciation of the fundamental basis our forefathers laid for American democracy.

If it should be in production next year when I hope to attend the State Fair again, I certainly shall undertake to see it and I hope Mrs. Barkley will be able to enjoy it with me.

With every good wish and congratulating you upon the noble conception which brought forth this production, I am

Cordially yours,

Allen W. Barkley

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