

May 11, 1917

The Baldwin County Chamber of Commerce,
Lillian, Alabama,

Gentlemen:

I beg to acknowledge with much interest receipt of your Mr. Scott's letter of the 7th. inst. with its enclosure and I have carefully noted the whole. I assure you that I feel very much flattered to be included in the list of speakers as distinguished as those shown upon your program. I fear however, that it is going to be impracticable for me to be present. I have been away from my office a great deal during the past several months and will have to be absent still during the months of May and June, and much as I desire to be present at Lillian, I do not see how I am going to find it practicable to get away at that time. You understand that I will come if I can, but it is very likely that I will not be able to come and it would not be fair or just to you gentlemen that I should be on the program as one of the speakers with that state of uncertainty existing.

Again expressing my flattered appreciation, I am with respects and the very best wishes

Yours respectfully

Palmer Pillens