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## Levi Pennington To Dr and Mrs Hoskins, August 22, 1965

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August 22, 1965.

Dear Friends:--

You may be sure that I enjoyed and appreciated the philosophical birthday greeting which I received some days ago, and so did my two daughters and their husbands. Mary remarked when she saw the envelope, "This will be a red letter day for you". She was not disappointed when she found that it was a birthday greeting with a philosophical aspect.

Oregon Yearly Meeting closed with the evening service that has just ended. The attendance was unusually large. Perhaps the most important action taken was the approval of the constitution of the Evangelical Friends Alliance, which puts Oregon Yearly Meeting in this organization, which is supposed, first of all, to "strengthen those bonds of unity which now exist", etc. You have doubtless seen their statement of intent. A certain former president of the college expressed a doubt of its efficiency in that regard, among other things, but there was no real doubt of the final action of the yearly meeting, though there was a considerable expression of dissent, the attitude of Ohio Yearly Meeting on the ordinances figuring largely in the discussion, though I did not raise a question on that basis.

The yearly meeting noted my approaching birthday, and to my surprise I was called up to the front to "assist the clerk" in some matter, and I was presented with the biggest "Happy Birthday" card I ever saw, after a speech of appreciation by the clerk. Announcement was made of an "open house" which the Alumni Association are sponsoring for the afternoon of the 29th in Pennington Hall that will probably bring out a larger number than the twelve or fourteen who will be at the birthday dinner at noon, my two daughters and their husbands, the two Pulsifer daughters, a niece from Detroit, a nephew <sup>and his wife</sup> from Ann Arbor and possibly their son and his wife, and a cousin and his wife from Rolling Hills, California.

With best wishes always,

Sincerely your friend,

Dr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Hoskins,  
842 National Road West,  
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