HOTEL STATLER NEW YORK
(Formerly Hotel Pennsylvania)

October 24, 1950.

Dear Margaret,

I arrived in New York this morning and obtained a room at the Statler, following up some suggestions of Wally's and using the name of the Statler-affiliated hotel in Winston-Salem. My job in W-S was finished before I left, & the new pumpkin had a face carved in it and a lighted candle installed. It looked better than this with a light inside and the orange color gleaming out.

This morning I called on the Am. Soc. Agg. Assoc. group. All seems to be ready for

for the ~~Wednesday~~ Thursday meeting in the chapel. They are not going to have us climb into the pulpit. We will be in the chancel (?) behind the communion rail.

I called on Andrew Warren, who is working on an agenda for the 22 person committee on the future program of the I.H.D. Andrew asked after you and sent his best regards. I shall have lunch with him to-morrow. This evening Lewis Hackett had dinner with me here at the hotel. We talked I.H.D history without stopping for twelve except to take a little food alternately.

I bought a copy of the Reporter at a newsstand for you and obtained three copies of a past number of the Journal of Social Hygiene for myself. Please keep the latter for me. They were mailed this morning.

Wally says that his petition movement was entirely independent — and was suppressed when he learned of the other, which was already in formation. He was unable to get the two combined. He seems

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to think that the present movement is all right in general.

Peggy has an attractive colored girl named Helen, who comes in for certain days of the week. She is a college girl who is staying out a year & earn money.

I saw Stubbs and Soper together in the former's office and also met Dr. Smith and Dr. Payne. They and their wives are well, also Dr. Smith's two children. I caught a glimpse of Miss Smith, and if I see her to-morrow I shall mention maple syrup, with a view to the past and not to future favors,

With love

Wilbur