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KLAUS MANN.

c.o. Thomas Mann,
Schiedhaldenstrasse 33.
Küsnacht-Zeh, the 22rd June
1936

Dear Mr. Leigh,

I just am talking to Mrs. Alfred Knopf about the possibilities of my making a lecture-tour in the U.S.A., and she suggested my writing you immediately. I put myself entirely in your hands at her advice.

I would be willing to pay my own expenses to Amerika and back, provided that you could make some lecture-engagement, that would bring in some money and would pay my travelling-expenses during the lectures.

I have lectured all over Europe on political, cultural and literary subjects, and would be grateful for your advice ~~as to the~~ most fitting subjects for Amerika. You, of course, know that I made a short lecture tour 28, but in German, and am of course prepared to lecture in English now.

I realize that autumn 1936 is not very hopeful for a lecturer because of your Presidential election. However, if you could arrange anything, I would appreciate it being done as soon as possible. I might add that for your further information, that in 28 I lectured in such places, as Princetown, Harvard, Columbia University, California University a.s.o.

Looking forward to hear from you,

Yours sincerely,