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Dear Elizabeth and Bill,

It's all set. We finally decided on Saturday, March 13, 8 p.m. at the American Association of University Women, 1634 Eye Street, NW.

Dr. Rudd Fleming and his wife will speak on Joyce, something many of us are devoted to in a general way, but know too little about. He is the greatest authority I've heard. I thought Harry Levin, and our friend Sweeney who spoke that night at the Cosmos Club were good, but I believe the Flemings are even better. (Pardon this invidious distinction, but you must know I am enthusiastic).

I sent for THE SILENT YEARS by J. Byrne, in which your name appears. Devin-Adair did publish it, I believe. At any rate, they have it. I wondered ~~whether you, Billy, might not care to say a few words from your point of view on the subject?~~ whether you, Billy, might not care to say a few words from your point of view on the subject? It would all add to the general interest. Dr. Fleming has agreed to answer questions. Mrs. Fleming will not speak, preferring her husband to take over, but she really knows her stuff.

I've asked Joe Brennan to say a few words - about ten minutes - prior to the talk. We'll have refreshments and a time for socialiaing. We could really form a serious Joyce Club out of this if we wanted to, much like the one in New York headed by Vivian Koch.

The date: March 13, 8p.m. must be kept inviolate. Love and kisses, HHP