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Dear Professor Bullough,

I wish to express my thanks to you for your lectures and participation in our colloquium on Alcuin at Winnipeg. I am deeply indebted to you for your insightful words and the conclusions you shared with us from your Alcuin research. You gave me much encouragement and food for thought by your enthusiastic responses to my own work on Carolingian liturgy, and I hope we can remain in correspondence with each other over this topic.

I was heartened by your criticism of Bouhot's conclusions, which have given me much trouble. At the same time I will avoid use of the word "Gallianized" or "Roman" and proceed far more cautiously when identifying texts with labels which had no meaning to the composers themselves of the texts.

I would like to know a great deal more about Alcuin's source John the Deacon. If you know of any works of Alcuin in which he uses other parts of John the Deacon's letter to Senarius, or refers to "Iohannes Diaconus" himself, I would be very grateful for this information. John makes a very important statement about confirmation after his paragraphs on baptism, which I have not yet found quoted in any Carolingian text.

Again, thank you for all that you gave of yourself in Winnipeg. You are a most inspiring lecturer. My address through July will be at Caltech at the letter head address, and afterwards at: Dept. Of History, Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina 28036.

Sincerely,

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