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in Friedrichruh and Varzin, as well as the files of the Berlin Foreign  
Office were placed at my disposal.

In addition to the above numerous publications in Professional Magazines.

June 21, 1940

Dear Duggan:

I am very sorry that you feel you must cancel the grant made through Dr. Flexner for Windelband, but I thoroughly understand. I am sorry to say that I suppose the chances of getting him out of Germany at the present time are extremely small. Should it appear to be possible in the future, I may take the liberty of applying to you again.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE, Director

Dr. Stephen Duggan  
The Emergency Committee in Aid of  
Displaced Foreign Scholars  
2 West 45th Street  
New York City

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# The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars

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June 6, 1940

Dr. Frank Aydelotte, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
20 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

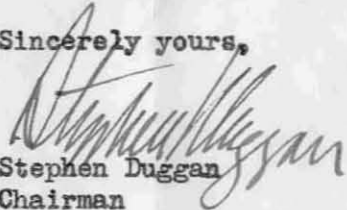
Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I am very sorry indeed to inform you that The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars at its recent executive meeting was obliged to cancel its grant of \$1,000, (as set forth in our letter of grant addressed to Dr. Abraham Flexner on May 11, 1939) to the Institute for Advanced Study for the salary during the academic year 1939-40 of Dr. Wolfgang Windelband.

The Committee regretted very much that it must take this action. Since Dr. Windelband's chances of being able to enter the United States seemed so slight, however, and since the Committee had so many demands upon its limited funds as a result of the critical situation abroad, it did not believe it could tie up this money for a scholar who appeared unlikely to take advantage of it.

Although this grant has been formally cancelled by the Committee, you may wish to let us know in the event that Dr. Windelband finds it possible to obtain his visa. I am, of course, without any authority to say what the Committee might be able to do if Dr. Windelband's situation should change.

Sincerely yours,

  
Stephen Duggan  
Chairman

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Translation by H. Weyl October 3, 1939

Prof. H. Zangger to Dr. A. Flexner

My dear Colleague:

You have returned from Canada. I wish to thank you for your promising preparatory work -- that you are convinced that the financial question for 1939-40 can be solved.

You have now experienced yourself how quickly the situation is apt to change. I should like to ask you to send me a draft of your Berufungsanfrage to the Ministerium, thus giving me and my colleagues another opportunity to advise you about the form -- the way which at that moment affords the best chance for a permit to leave. Due to the rapid change of personnel, another person might very soon have the decisive influence; this is to be taken into account. If one does not see the consecutive "turnabouts" at close quarters one can hardly imagine these difficulties.

ZANGGER

P.S. You know that Professor Schrödinger, no longer in Vienna, would be available. With Debye I saw Schrödinger in 1921 in Jena before we offered him a chair in our university. Since then I have known his independence and mobility, which he still preserves. Einstein could confirm this.

Prof. Dr. med. Heinrich Zangger  
Dr. jur. h. c. / Dr. sc. techn. h. c.  
Dr. med. h. c.

ZÜRICH 7, den  
Bergstrasse 25 (Kirche Fluntern)

Herrn Prof. Dr. Flexner

Prunten 17

Nassaustrasse 20

Herrn Dr. Colby

Sie sind von Canada zurück. Wir  
danken Ihnen für die Ausrichtungsarbeiten  
Wiederherstellen. Dass Sie überzeugen sind,  
dass die Geldfrage 1939/40 gelöst  
werden kann.

Sie haben mir selber erlebt, wie  
schnell die Situation mit verändert.  
Ich möchte Sie bitte mit dem  
Entwurf Ihres Berufung anfragen  
an die Universität zu schicken, denn  
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Bei starkem Wechsel & Personal

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*Windelband*

September 29, 1959

Miss Betty Drury  
The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign  
2 West 45th Street, New York City                      Scholars

Dear Miss Drury:

Dr. Flexner wishes me to thank you for  
your letter of the 23d. He appreciates very much  
the willingness of the Emergency Committee to hold  
the grant for Dr. Wolfgang Windelband in the hope  
that he may later come to the Institute for Advanced  
Study. Dr. Flexner thinks that there is little  
likelihood of Dr. Windelband's being allowed to study  
at the Institute.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BARLEY

Secretary

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*Please address all Communications to the Secretary*

September 23, 1939


Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Flexner:

The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars, at its executive meeting on September 21, discussed the cases of current grantees who were still in Europe at the opening of the academic year, and who might be expected to be unable to reach their college or university in time to take up their work during this present period--among them, Dr. Wolfgang Windelband. The Committee knows that questions of emigration are of course very difficult to handle at this time and it is by no means certain which scholars may be allowed to leave Europe.

The Committee did not wish, at this time, however, to cancel any of its grants in support of scholars who were unavoidably detained in Europe. These cases will be taken up again at a later meeting when more information has been obtained about the emigration problems involved.

Sincerely yours,

  
Betty Drury  
Assistant Secretary

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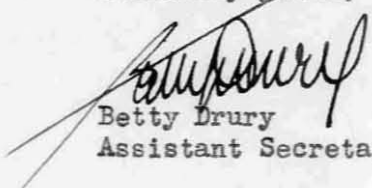
September 11, 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Thank you for your letter of September 8 . The members of the Committee will be very sorry to learn that Wolfgang Windelband was apparently unable to leave Germany before war broke out.

Sincerely yours,

  
Betty Drury  
Assistant Secretary

BD:OD

September 8, 1939

Dear Miss Drury:

I have your letter of the sixth and am very sorry to say that Dr. Wolfgang Windelband, as far as we can learn, was unable to leave Germany before the war started, and it seems unlikely that he will now be allowed to come to the United States. The Institute for Advanced Study will be unable therefore to take advantage of the grant voted for his partial support during the academic year, 1939-1940, by the Emergency Committee. I have delayed writing to Dr. Duggan regarding Dr. Windelband because from day to day I have been hoping to receive word that he would be able to enroll in the Institute this year.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Betty Drury  
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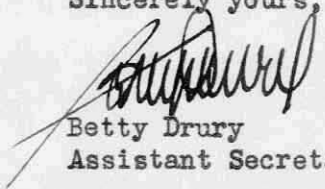
September 6, 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Because of the European situation we are attempting at this time to check up on the whereabouts of our current grantees. Will you therefore please let us know as soon as Dr. Wolfgang Windelband arrives in Princeton to take up his teaching duties. If by any chance Dr. Windelband is still in Europe or unable to reach New York by the beginning of the semester, won't you please let us know what country he is in and what may be his chances of reaching the United States?

Sincerely yours,

  
Betty Drury  
Assistant Secretary

BD:EH

June 22, 1939

Dear Sydnor:

I have been a long time in answering your letter of June 1 because I have been engaged in making inquiries on behalf of Professor Windelband in other directions.

I think it would be most satisfactory if instead of writing you now I come to see you some time before I go to Canada. I shall be going to New York this afternoon, and I shall call you up in the next day or two in the hope of making an appointment to see you. Perhaps between us we can hammer something out with such funds as are promised me from other sources.

With all good wishes,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Sydnor Walker  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
49 West 49th Street  
New York City

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June 9, 1939

Dear Mr. Jeidels:

Many thanks for your kind letter of June 6, in respect to Professor Windelband. I am pulling every wire to which I have access in order to find a post for him, as is also Professor Earle, who is most anxious to bring him to this country. I shall place a copy of his Lebenslauf in Earle's hands, for he knows the situation in this country in respect to history far better than I do.

I may add that I have received a conditional pledge of \$1000 towards a salary for Windelband, but I shall have to have more before I can approach university or immigration authorities. You may assure Professor Windelband that I have never for a moment lost sight of him, and nothing would give me greater pleasure than to find a congenial post for him.

I understand your letter to mean that you are going to live in White Plains rather than in New York. I shall try to see you and perhaps have lunch with you while I am in New York and before I leave for Canada. If that proves impossible, for I am very busy, I shall communicate with you in the early autumn.

My wife joins me in kindest greetings to you and Mrs. Jeidels.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Otto Jeidels  
Room 234  
120 Broadway  
New York City

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120 BROADWAY  
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June 6, 1939.

Mr. Abraham Flexner,  
20 Nassau Street,  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Mr. Flexner:

I have now received from our friend, Wolfgang Windelband, some personal data and a list of his publications which I had translated into English and now enclose. Windelband has sent me this data in reply to my cable, through a third party, which is another proof of how afraid and suspicious everybody in Germany is.

Please let me tell you that we have now moved into the little house which we have rented for a few years, about five miles north of White Plains, at the Kensico Reservoir, and that our address there is 287 Old Lake Street, White Plains, N. Y., and the telephone number is White Plains 4191.

With my wife's and my very kindest regards to you and Mrs. Flexner,

Cordially yours,



OJ.T  
Enclosures.

June 3, 1939

Miss Sydnor H. Walker  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
49 West 49th Street  
New York City

My dear Miss Walker:

Your letter of June 1, regarding  
Professor Windelband, has come in Dr. Flexner's  
absence from Princeton. I shall bring it to his  
attention when he returns during the coming week,  
and I am sure he will communicate with you promptly.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSER

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CABLE ADDRESS:

ROCKFOUND, NEW YORK

June 1, 1939

My dear Dr. Flexner:

It still seems possible for the Rockefeller Foundation to assist in the placement of refugee scholars in those instances where a firm offer is made by an institution where we believe a real opportunity for a permanent position exists. You will recall that we have certain definite regulations governing our administration of funds for displaced scholars. If the man is a distinguished scholar, as Professor Windelband seems to be, we are willing to cooperate with a university or research institution which assures us that it can give reasonable promise of a permanent position and that it is able to absorb the salary proposed within a limited period of time.

Your letter suggests that we should match the grant of \$1,000 which the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars has made available to the Institute for Professor Windelband on a conditional basis. Is the Institute contributing itself to the first year's salary and what will be the outlook in the second year? We should prefer to consider a grant from the Foundation upon a tapering basis with the burden of support definitely transferred to the Institute at the end of the second or third year. Any grant that we make will be final and with the explicit understanding that its purpose is to insure a permanent placement.

Another question that we should ask before making a grant is at what date would Professor Windelband take up his residence at Princeton and when should the Foundation make its first semi-annual payment.

Dr. Abraham Flexner  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Faithfully yours,

*Sydor H. Walker*

May 29, 1939

Dear Miss Wittmann:

Professor Windelband is perhaps the outstanding German historian living today. He has for years been engaged in so far as time allowed in the preparation of a definitive life of Bismarck. I have a letter this morning from one of his associates in Berlin, telling me that Professor Windelband is still at work on this important subject.

It is our intention to bring him to the Institute for Advanced Study for a year or more, as may be advisable, and it is my opinion and that of Professor Earle that there will not be the slightest difficulty in finding a permanent place for a man of his eminence and attractiveness. We have pursued this policy with persons with similar qualifications and invariably they have received appointments, usually in very important posts.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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May 23, 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
20 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Doctor Flexner:

During the absence of Mr. Thomas from the city it is my pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 18 and to thank you very much for bringing several German scholars to our attention. We have already corresponded with Dr. Paul Kristeller. I know that Mr. Thomas will be very glad to have your information and also to have the names of Professor Wolfgang Windelband and Dr. Hans Herz.

In regard to a decision about financial help, Mr. Thomas will undoubtedly communicate with you after his return on June 5. I believe it would help him to have a little more information about Professor Windelband. You state that the Emergency Committee has made an appropriation for his benefit of \$1,000.00, to be matched by a like amount. May we ask if you have anything in mind for Professor Windelband in the line of a position, as the policy of the Trust has been not to make a grant unless a definite position is in view for the applicant.

Sincerely yours,

HELENE WITTMANN

HW:EW

May 18, 1939

Dear Ed:

I am returning the material bearing upon the case of Professor Windelband. I am endeavoring to procure a grant that will match any grant that may be made by the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars.

Thank you very much for the pains which you have taken in this case.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Edward Mead Earle

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*Please address all Communications to the Secretary*

April 27, 1939


Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
20 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I was interested to receive your letter of April 21 concerning the case of Professor Wolfgang Windelband and shall bring this application to the attention of our Committee at the next executive meeting, which is scheduled for May 9.

I shall be very much obliged to you if you would let us have some material about Professor Windelband. We seem to have no file concerning this case and I shall be glad to know a little something of his career and perhaps have a list of his references in this country (I note that you have already given us the name of Professor Earle) and a memorandum concerning any material he may have published.

Sincerely yours,

  
Secretary

SD:OD

May 18, 1939

Dear Sydnor:

I wonder if you are acquainted with Professor Wolfgang Windelband, formerly professor of history at the University of Berlin, whose father was a distinguished philosopher and professor of philosophy at the University of Heidelberg. Windelband is a man of superior scholarship, and I am endeavoring to bring him and his wife - they have no family - to this country. The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars has written us that they will be glad to make a grant of \$1000.00 to the Institute for Professor Windelband provided the Institute can secure a matching grant from another source.

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# The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars

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May 11, 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
20 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I am very glad indeed to inform you that the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars, at its recent executive meeting, voted a grant of \$1,000 to the Institute for Advanced Study for the partial support during the academic year 1939-40 of Professor Wolfgang Windelband, historian--this grant to be conditional upon the ability of the Institute to obtain a matching grant from The Rockefeller Foundation.

Please note that the Committee's grant is, as all its grants are, for one time only, and is not renewable. It should also be understood that in making grants to colleges and universities the Emergency Committee stipulates that these grants shall be payable only during the period of the scholar's employment at the institution to which the grant is made. The Committee so stipulates in the case of Professor Windelband. In other words, in the event that he should leave the Institute before the end of the year to take up employment elsewhere, the Committee would reserve the right to review its grant and cancel a portion of it--this amount to be determined on a pro rata scale considered with reference to the number of months Professor Windelband had actually taught or worked at the Institute for Advanced Study.

Will you not let us know as soon as The Rockefeller Foundation has indicated its action on Dr. Windelband's case so that we may know when to put our own grant into effect? Under normal circumstances, this grant would be paid in two equal installments; the first on or about October 1, 1939 and the second, on or about February 1, 1940.

Sincerely yours,

  
Secretary

August 12, 1939

Dear Ed:

I have a letter from Keppel in reply to my application regarding Windelband. It reads as follows:

"Many thanks for your letter of July 29. Eventually I think our Trustees must have a full discussion of this whole problem of exiled scholars and their possible re-establishment in this country, and determine what, if any, part we may have in the proceedings. Until such a time as they outline for us a general policy on this question, I am afraid that it is not in order for us to consider specific cases such as that of Professor Windelband. He sounds like a thoroughly good person and I hope you will find in some other quarter funds for his year here."

Ever sincerely,

Professor Edward Mead Earle  
Coreys, Franklin County  
New York

AF/MCE

July 29, 1959

Dear Ed:

I have yours of July 21 regarding Windelband.

I have been in communication with the Emergency Committee, but I do not know whether their grant will be available for a temporary tour. I shall write Dr. Duggan in order to ascertain the facts. I shall also write Keppel and on my return to Princeton review the matter with the Rockefeller Foundation. It is extremely difficult to get funds for a man of Windelband's age except upon the basis of a permanent transfer of residence.

I enclose a copy of a letter which I wrote to Professor Zangger.

Ever sincerely,

Professor Edward Mead Earle  
Coreys, New York

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Coreys, N. Y.  
21 July 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Magnetwan, Ontario

Dear Abe

Miss Wise has sent you at my request copies in translation of letters which I have just had concerning Professor Windelband. So far as I know we have never given him any definitive assurance that we could arrange a "lecture tour", although I believe that two brief courses might be arranged at, say, Columbia and Harvard. The crucial question is, of course, the funds, as none of the universities is prepared to grant an honorarium.

I shall be glad to conduct the necessary negotiations when I hear from you whether your applications on behalf of Professor Windelband have been successful. It is, of course, quite possible that nothing effective can be accomplished before autumn, and I shall so write Dr. Zangger.

We are devoted to our house and to the lovely spot in which is located. And we are all thriving on the regime of peace, sunshine, and frosty nights. It is the idyllic sort of thing which your camp in Canada always has been described as being. And we all send good wishes.

As always



July 22, 1939

Dear Professor Zangger:

I have been exerting myself in every possible way to bring Professor Windelband to the United States. It looks as if most of the funds required would be procurable. I could not complete the arrangement because with the beginning of July all activities cease, and I am now in Canada for a much needed rest. I shall return to the United States in September, and I shall then once more take the matter up in the hope of arranging the tour which Professor Windelband and his wife desire to make.

As soon as I have done so, I shall send an official invitation which will enable him, I hope, to procure leave to come to America for the academic year, 1939-1940.

Please convey my affectionate greetings to both Professor Windelband and his wife, and assure them that they have been in my mind continuously during these last difficult years.

Ever sincerely,

Dr. H. Zangger  
Gerichtlich Medizinisches Institut  
der Universität Zürich  
Mürschbergstr. 8  
Zürich, Switzerland

AP:ESB

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a letter from Professor Windelband who has been here at Zurich for certain interviews. Your efforts, fortunately, open a good chance for the planned lecture tour.

Professor Windelband asks you to let him know what topics of lectures would be of special interest for your colleagues at the American universities. It is, of course, most important to lecture on something which is of special interest and with which Professor Windelband, in his particular situation, would be able to deal in detail.

I need not assure you that Professor Windelband would be a very reliable, most learned and, at the same time, very obliging colleague who has many contacts in Europe. You know this by the persons who reported so favorably to you on Windelband's personal qualities.

I should like to draw your special attention to the fact that Professor Windelband, as former referent on personnel in the Berlin ministry of education, knows very intimately the whole organization of the universities as well as the former and the actually teaching professors. He would be in a better position than anybody else to tell you or others in the United States of his personal experience and of people who might interest you.

As Professor Windelband must be able to return to Germany, the Flexner Institute must, outwardly, appear as little as possible; you know the ideology of these people.

You see from his letter that Professor Windelband could not possibly leave his wife alone in Germany; she speaks English fluently. Therefore, in case a great lecture tour would be arranged and as he cannot be sure to have a regular income in America, \$2500-3000 would be required.

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I should like to write you later about the form in which the official invitation for a lecture tour would have to be made in order to avoid difficulties. In case of such an application an official invitation, e.g. by the American embassy, would probably be the best way. What do you think about it?

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ZANGGER



C O P Y

Berlin, July 3, 1939

Dear Professor Zangger,

Let me express my heartiest thanks for everything you and Professor Earle have done towards the preparation of lectures for me in the United States. I would be very happy if your plans could be realized.

I feel obliged, however, to stress, that I would always speak strictly from an historical standpoint, without any allusions to present-day politics. Perhaps it will prove useful to you if I enumerate the principal problems I would like to treat in these lectures:

- I. The entire realm of the Great Powers' foreign policy since 1500  
In particular:
  - A. The balance of power in its different phases.
  - B. The relations between Germany and France.
  - C. The foreign policy of Napoleon I.
  - D. The foreign policy of Bismarck.

I could treat all these problems either in a series of consecutive lectures or else some special problem in single lectures.

I have made the problems under D. my special realm of research for long years and have had the privilege of using the Bismarck family archives as well as those of the Berlin foreign office.

- II. European history from the French revolution of 1789 to the outbreak of the war 1914.

In particular German history; but I would also like to speak about English, French and Italian evolution and about the general underlying problems.

- III. Great personalities viewed from a biographical standpoint, e.g. William III. of Orange, Cardinal Richelieu, Louis XIV., Napoleon I. and Napoleon III., Emperor William I. and Bismarck.

Finally I must submit to you a question we have already discussed: that I could only accept an engagement for a series of lectures if the invitation also includes my wife, whom I cannot leave behind alone in these uncertain times.

With best regards

Very sincerely yours,