

December 21, 1967

Mr. Donald W. Stigers, Chief  
Research Inventories Branch  
Office of External Research  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stigers:

Please forgive the delay in sending you  
the lists of visiting members that you  
were promised last summer.

There is no excuse for the delay; the  
explanation, however, is that your letter  
became buried with other papers and has  
just now appeared. Please accept our  
apologies.

Sincerely,

Janet Smith  
Office of the Director

July 11, 1967

Mr. Donald W. Stigers, Chief  
Research Inventories Branch  
Office of External Research  
Department of State  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stigers:

We do not have any course work at the Institute, but in order that you may understand just what we do offer here, I am enclosing two copies of our latest descriptive pamphlet. I will also arrange for you to receive in the fall a list of visiting members for 1967-68 to supplement the faculty and permanent members list in the back of the booklet.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. P.T. Bortell, Jr.  
Secretary to Dr. Kaysen

Enclosures (2)



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO:  
INR/XR

July 7, 1967

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate two copies of your latest university catalogs describing course work at both graduate and undergraduate levels. This Staff maintains liaison for the Department of State with scholars conducting social science research on foreign areas and international affairs. One copy of the catalog will be used in connection with the Department's junior officer program.

We would also be grateful for a copy of your commencement program listing graduate degrees awarded this year. Such programs are most useful in maintaining the Department's inventory of research recently completed in American universities on foreign areas and international affairs. In addition, should you publish a faculty directory, we would welcome receiving a copy.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donald W. Stigers".

Donald W. Stigers  
Chief, Research Inventories Branch  
Office of External Research

Registrar  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

4/29/65

since we had not heard from the VW Foundation people, or from the Ford Foundation, I called Miss Kimble at Ford, and got the following info:

✓ Dr. Georg Anders, 1st deputy chairman of board of VWF, former state secretary German ministry of interior. (lawyer)

✓ Mrs. Anders

Dr. Gotthard Gambke, general secretary and chief executive officer of VWF

✓ Dr. Gunter Henle, member of board VWF, head of Klockner Steel Co., chairman of board of number of Germany's largest firms. business man of group.  
(lawyer, with interest in old music)

Professor Dr. Eduard Justi, member of board VWF, physicist (could not get info on what kind of physics, or where)

Professor Dr. Hans Peters, member of board VWF, professor of public law at Köln

✓ Dr. Gunter Grunwald, member of board VWF, member of various German educational organizations. Interested in international cultural relations.

✓ Mrs. Grunwald

Professor Dr. Otto Weber, 2nd deputy chairman of board VWF, professor of theology, Göttingen

✓ Dr. Rudolf Kerscher, on staff of foundation, in charge of natural science and foreign relations. administrator for group. Science and mathematics.

Mrs. Helga Thum, secretary

Kerscher told Miss Kimble that he would write to you, and she therefore did not send the list, and also does not know who of the group will not be coming. She understands that six men and three women will be here. I have alerted Felix that it may be 11 or 12 for lunch, and will let him know when they get here. Miss K. said that the limousine was to pick them up from the hotel at 9 a.m. The women do not know whether they are invited to join for lunch, or whether other arrangements have been made for them.

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Quite uncertain whether I shall be in Princeton 29 and 30. We can make available to you brief description of the Institute's operations. Greetings,

Robert Oppenheimer

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STUFTUNG VOLKSWAGENWERK ARE VISITING  
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END OF APRIL STOP BEY ADVICE OF DR. WILLIAMS SCIENTIFIC ATTACHE  
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FOR SOME MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND PRINCIPLE OFFICERS  
OF OUR FOUNDATION TO HAVE SOME DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU ON THE  
SET UP AND ORGANIZATION AND PHILOSOPHY OF YOUR INSTITUTE STOP  
WOULD YOU AND/OR MEMBERS OF YOUR INSTITUTE ALLOW US TO VISIT  
YOU THURSDAY 29TH AFTERNOON AND/OR FRIDAY 30TH  
END TWO



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Dr. Peter Sutermeister  
c/o EMBASSY OF SWITZERLAND

WASHINGTON 8 D.C.,  
2900 Cathedral Avenue N.W.  
Telephone HO 2-1811/7

Ref.:

September 29, 1962

The Institute for Advanced Study  
Office of the Director  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 14, 1962. Unfortunately, I have to return to Switzerland earlier than anticipated and I will, therefore, not be able to see you this time. However, I hope to meet you sometime next year.

Sincerely yours,

*P. Sutermeister*

14 August 1962

Dear Dr. Sutermeister:

This is to acknowledge your letter of August 3rd, which has been received here in Dr. Oppenheimer's absence. He is still on vacation, but he will be back at the time of your visit to the United States, and I understand that he would be glad to see you. It would be most convenient if you would telephone this office after your arrival, so that a mutually convenient time can be found.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Dr. Peter Sutermeister  
Schweizerischer Nationalfonds  
Wildhainweg 20  
Bern  
Switzerland



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PhD Robert Oppenheimer  
Director of the  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton / New Jersey

Bern, August 3rd, 1962

Dear Director Oppenheimer,

Professor H.R. Hahnloser, President of the Foundation-Council of the Swiss National Foundation for scientific research, has informed me that you are kindly willing to receive me during my visit to the United States from September 15th to October 15th. I am extremely grateful that I may come to you and discuss with you the problems by which a large group of scientists in Europe and myself are so deeply affected. It is above all the question of bringing about a closer collaboration between Arts and Sciences. Your conference in Geneva has given us the proof that you share our concerns of how the various branches of sciences are more and more disintegrated in special fields whose representatives cannot meet each other on a basis of mutual understanding. I would be particularly delighted if we could talk over those questions. Besides, it is of great importance to me to study the structure of Princeton, as presently we endeavour to found here in Europe an analogous institute, although in a more modest frame.

I would like to thank you very much for your fine assistance.

With my warm personal regards,  
yours very sincerely,

(Peter Sutermeister,  
Doctor of Law and  
Secretary general)

*Inst. Gen. - Swimming Club*

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Members Resident in the Housing Project

FROM: General Manager's Office

SUBJECT: Swimming Club

DATE: May 9, 1961

Members of the Princeton University faculty and employees of the University Press have organized a swimming club which will be operative by July first of this year. The physical facilities will include a large L-shaped pool (one section for diving and one for swimming), a small wading pool, bath houses, and a parking area. The facilities will be located on University property below the golf course about 1,000 feet south of the intersection of Springdale and Hardin Roads.

Members of the faculty and staff of the Institute have been invited to join on the same basis as the founding group. This involves an initial outlay of about \$400 to be amortized over a ten-year period, plus annual membership charges of approximately \$60. It would be prohibitive for temporary members to participate on this basis, but we are currently negotiating with the group to see whether the Institute could underwrite about a dozen memberships each summer for members and their families who will be here in July and August. The Institute could recover its investment over the ten-year period through increased summer rental for those members who wish to participate.

It is essential that we get some sort of head count before we complete the negotiations. If you are interested, kindly return the attached questionnaire to the Business Office this week. I shall be available to answer questions regarding the details of membership on Thursday and Friday afternoon.

Cordially yours,

*M. C. Morgan, Jr.*  
M. C. Morgan, Jr.

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I plan to be here for the major portion of the summer. \_\_\_\_\_

Number in family. \_\_\_\_\_

I would be interested in joining the Swimming Club. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

*Onst. Gen. Swimming Pool*

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. R. Oppenheimer

FROM: M. C. Morgan, Jr.

SUBJECT: Swimming Pool

DATE: April 19, 1961

A number of professors at the University and employees of the Princeton University Press have formed a non-profit corporation to construct and operate a swimming pool on land that has been donated to them by Princeton University for a 10-year period. The site is a 4-acre tract about 1,000 feet below the intersection of Springdale and Hardin Roads. The access will be one way--in from Springdale and out onto Alexander Street.

As an adjacent property owner we have a right to appear at the public hearing and protest the zoning change, but I believe the additional traffic on Springdale would not justify such action.

We have also been approached by one of the founders, Professor Bogdenoff, to see whether any Institute personnel would be interested in participating in the use of the pool. The costs are as follows:

1. Approximately \$400 contribution initially, which is amortized over a 10-year period and is returnable on a pro rata basis if the participant withdraws after the first two years.
2. Approximately \$50 a year operating costs.

These figures are family rates and would be somewhat lower for an individual. These figures would, of course, be prohibitive for temporary members unless the Institute were to buy in X memberships and sell them back at \$80-100 a year to temporary members who are here for the summer. The permanent people could simply be exposed to the opportunity.

Do you wish me to pursue this to the extent of sounding out some of the temporary people who plan to spend the summer here?

Respectfully submitted,

*Mike*

Minot C. Morgan, Jr.  
General Manager

MCM:lw

Dr. Kaysen:

Mr. Michelmore's office at the Sydney Morning Herald telephone~~d~~ on Monday, February 12, 1968.

Mr. Michelmore is writing a book about Dr. Oppenheimer and would like to know what was said at the Memorial service. He might like to use excerpts from the speeches. Would it be permissible to send him one, with the stipulation that credit must be given to the speakers and ~~the~~ publications from which they were taken, after permission has been sought from those authors?

JS

cross references as follows:

Sydney Morning Herald (SY Section of Institute General)  
Service for Dr. Oppenheimer

March 30, 1968

Mr. Peter Michelmore  
Editor and Manager  
The Sydney Morning Herald, Ltd.  
229 West 43rd Street  
New York, New York 10036

Dear Mr. Michelmore:

Replying to your letter of March 27th, I am afraid that I cannot be helpful to you with regard to Dr. Oppenheimer's former secretaries.

Two have left Princeton and I do not have their addresses and another has, I am informed, declined to give interviews.

Please accept my apologies for my inability to help.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Smith  
Office of the Director

bcc: Mrs. Shaner



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March 27, 1968

Miss Janet Smith,  
Office of the Director,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, NEW JERSEY /

Dear Miss Smith:

Thank you for the pamphlet containing the eulogies as an aid for my proposed biography on Robert Oppenheimer.

I wonder if you could also help me with the present addresses of Dr. Oppenheimer's former secretaries - particularly: Kay Russell, Verna Hobson and Mrs. Elizabeth Shaner.

If possible I would like to interview them briefly for their impressions of their former boss.

Yours sincerely,



Peter Michelmore  
Editor and Manager

PM/mh

cross references as follows:

Sydney Morning Herald (SY section of Institute General)  
Service for Dr. Oppenheimer

February 19, 1968

Mr. Peter Michelmore  
Editor and Manager  
The Sydney Morning Herald, Ltd.  
229 West 43rd Street  
New York, New York 10036

Dear Mr. Michelmore:

A copy of the booklet containing the speeches at the Memorial Service for Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer is attached.

It is sent to you with the stipulation that if you wish to quote from it, or use excerpts from any of the speeches, you will contact the authors directly to arrange for permission. Professor Bethe may be reached at Cornell University; Professor Kennan at this Institute and Ambassador Smyth via Princeton University.

Yours very truly,

Janet Smith  
Office of the Director

February 9, 1968

Mr. Peter Michelmore  
Editor and Manager  
The Sydney Morning Herald, Ltd.  
229 West 43rd Street  
New York, New York 10036

Dear Mr. Michelmore:

Thank you for your letter of February 8th.

It is correct that a pamphlet was published that contains the eulogies delivered at the memorial service for Dr. Oppenheimer. I wonder, however, if you would tell me to what use the pamphlet would be put? Do you intend to publish excerpts?

Please give my regards to Mr. Armati, whom I knew when I was secretary in The New York Times News Service.

Sincerely,

Office of the Director

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February 8, 1968

Secretary,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, NEW JERSEY /

Dear Sir:

I am told that the Institute published a pamphlet containing eulogies presented at the memorial service to Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer at the time of his death in 1967.

Could I please have a copy of this pamphlet, and bill me for any charges.

Yours sincerely,



Peter Michelmore  
Editor and Manager

PM/mh

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June 17, 1936

Herrn Professor Erwin Panofsky  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey, U.S.A.

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G. S. Stamatoff

857 Chandler Laboratories  
Columbia University  
New York, NY,  
Aug 16, 1933.

Head of Chemistry Department,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
100 E. 42 St.  
New York, NY

Dear Sir:

I desire to file my application for a  
teaching position in your department.

I am enclosing my qualifications and I  
hope you will consider them.

Respectfully yours,  
G. S. Stamatoff.

GELU S. STAMATOFF

PERSONAL:

Age, 28. Height, 5 ft., 11 in. Weight, 160 lbs. Health, good. No physical defects. Married, no children.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

University of Kentucky, B. S. in Industrial Chemistry, 1928; M. S., 1930. Columbia University, Ph. D., 1933 (organic chemistry). Graduate Assistant in Chemistry, University of Kentucky, 1928-1930. Research Assistant in Chemistry, University of Illinois, 1930-1931. Graduate Assistant in Chemistry, Columbia University, 1932-33. Research Chemist, Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio in the summers of 1929 and 1930.

Courses Studied in Chemistry and Allied Subjects:

1. Chemistry:- General Chemistry; Qualitative Analysis; Quantitative Analysis; Advanced Quantitative Analysis; Iron and Steel Analysis; Water Analysis; Gas Analysis; Food Analysis; Theories of Analytical Chemistry; Industrial Chemistry; Physical Chemistry; Advanced Physical Chemistry; Electrochemistry; Organic Chemistry; Advanced Organic Chemistry; Qualitative Organic Chemistry; Quantitative Organic Chemistry. Graduate Course in Organic Chemistry; Theories of Organic Chemistry; Organic Chemistry of Nitrogen Compounds; Advanced Inorganic Chemistry; Modern Application of X-Ray Radiation to Chemical and Industrial Problems.

2. Mathematics:- Algebra; Trigonometry; Analytical Geometry; Calculus; Differential Equations.

3. Physics:- General Physics; Electricity; Advanced Course in Light with Laboratory; Kinetic Theories of Gases; Physics Seminar.

4. Engineering:- Drawing; Surveying; Mechanics of Materials; Kinematics; Kinematical and Machine Design; Elements of Electrical Engineering; Elements of Automotive Engineering; Direct and Alternating Currents; Metallurgy.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS:

Two years of Organic Research under Prof. Marston T. Bogert. One year of X-Ray Research under Prof. George L. Clark. Two years of Organic Research under Dr. C. Barkenbus. Two summers of Organic Research under Dr. N. A. Shepard.

Research Published: Masters Thesis - Reduction Products of 2,4-Dinitrophenylmercaptobenzothiozole.

Research To Be Published:

1. Doctor's Dissertation - Synthesis of Alkylphenanthrenes.

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Research To Be Published (Continued):

2. Synthesis of Some Chrysene Derivatives of Carcinogenic Interest.
3. Development of A New Synthetic Method for P-Xylene of Practical Value.
4. Synthesis of 1,4-Dimethylphenanthrene and Its Comparison with Bergham and Sengupta's 1,4-Dimethylphenanthrene.

Research Unpublished:

1. X-Ray Study of Vulcanized Rubber.
2. X-Ray Study of Medicated Cotton.
3. A Development of a New Aging Test for Adhesive Tapes.

LINGUISTIC ABILITY:

Speaks Bulgarian and Russian.  
Reads German, French, Russian, Bulgarian and other Slavic Languages.

AVAILABILITY AND SALARY:

Desire a permanent position in which there is the possibility of advancement. Can start work immediately. Salary amendable to conditions and is secondary to desirability.

REFERENCES:

1. Professor Marston T. Bogert, Columbia Univ., New York City.
2. Professor E. E. Tuttle, Head of Chemistry Dept., Univ. of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.
3. Professor H. M. Bedford, Univ. of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.
4. Professor Roger Adams, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.
5. Professor George L. Clark, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.
6. Dr. N. A. Shepard, Director of Research, Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.
7. Dr. Charles Barkenbus, Univ. of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.

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August 22, 1933

Dear Dr. Stamatoff:

Thank you for your letter of August 16 applying for a position in chemistry. There is no opening in that field, as the Institute for Advanced Study is starting in October only with a School of Mathematics. It will be some time before the Institute will add other schools.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Gelu S. Stamatoff  
857 Chandler Laboratories  
Columbia University  
New York City

AF:ESB

*The New Standard Edu. Soc.*

21 March 1956

Dear Mrs. Vanderbilt:

Thank you for your letter of February 8th. I am sorry it was not answered more promptly.

Enclosed is a copy of our informative booklet which should be helpful to you in preparing an article about the Institute for inclusion in the New Standard Encyclopedia.

We would appreciate seeing a copy of the article before publication.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Mrs. Grace C. Vanderbilt  
Photo Editor  
Standard Education Society, Inc.  
130 North Wells Street  
Chicago 6, Illinois

enclosure

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Verna:

I am enclosing the only reference I have been able to find for an earlier edition of this set.

Judging from the review (this periodical is the standard reference source for such material)) it would not be surprising if they had included a paragraph about the Institute without consulting us. Although, of course, we cannot prevent them from printing it sight unseen, it might be worth going through the correspondence of the past few years (2-3). If it turns out that they did not contact the Institute, perhaps we could request ("to their very best advantage") that they send it to us before we send a picture. (~~perhaps one of the postcards made about 2 years ago~~).

J.

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Director, Publications  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

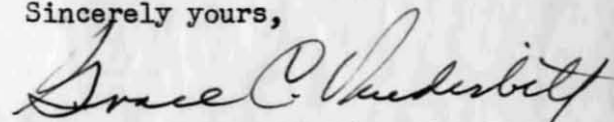
Dear Sir:

We have entered an article about the Institute of Advanced Study, in the New Standard Encyclopedia and would like to procure a good photograph of the institute to illustrate the article.

Since I am not familiar with the appearance of the buildings, please send the best closeup, horizontal photo you can, as we'd like to show the institute to the very best advantage. This is a new entry in the encyclopedia.

Please include caption data, the credit line, and publication conditions. We shall be glad to pay airmail postage.

Sincerely yours,



Grace C. Vanderbilt (Mrs.)  
Photo Editor

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Monday, June 16

2:00 P.M. ISAIAH BOWMAN, President, Johns Hop-  
kins University. Subject: "The Twelve  
Houses of Heaven"

3:00 P.M. ERNEST O. LAWRENCE, Professor of Phys-  
ics, University of California. Subject:  
"The New Frontiers in the Atom"

8:00 P.M. ROBERT A. MILLIKAN, Chairman, Execu-  
tive Council, California Institute of  
Technology. Subject: "Three Great  
Weaknesses in American Education,  
and Possible Remedies"

Tuesday, June 17

10:30 A.M. ROSCOE POUND, Professor at Large, Har-  
vard University. Subject: "Education  
and Social Control through Law"

2:00 P.M. AURELIA HENRY REINHARDT, President,  
Mills College. Subject: "Women in  
the Future of American Universities"

3:30 P.M. HERBERT S. JENNINGS, Professor of Zoölogy, University of  
California at Los Angeles. Subject: "Some Aspects of  
the Biological Bases of Human Behavior"

8:00 P.M. LEWIS MUMFORD, Author, *Amenia*, New York. Subject:  
"The Unified Approach to Knowledge and Life"

Wednesday, June 18

11:00 A.M. EDWIN P. HUBBLE, Carnegie Institution of Washington,  
Mount Wilson Observatory, Pasadena, California. Sub-  
ject: "The Role of Science in a Liberal Education"

2:00 P.M. WALTER B. CANNON, Professor of Physiology, Harvard Uni-  
versity. Subject: "Problems Confronting Medical In-  
vestigators"

3:30 P.M. E. L. THORNDIKE, Professor of Educational Psychology,  
Columbia University. Subject: "Human Resources"

8:00 P.M. CHARLES F. KETTERING, Vice-President, General Motors  
Corporation, Detroit, Michigan. Subject: "Industrial  
Research"

Thursday, June 19

10:30 A.M. ARCHIBALD MACLEISH, Librarian of Congress, Washington,  
D.C. Subject: To be announced

2:00 P.M. WILLIAM F. OGBURN, Professor of Sociology, University of  
Chicago. Subject: To be announced

3:30 P.M. EDWIN F. GAY, Huntington Library, Pasadena, California.  
Subject: "History and Economics in the University of  
the Future"

8:00 P.M. HERBERT HOOVER, Former President of the United States.  
Subject: To be announced. (*Admission by ticket only*)

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

FORMAL ACADEMIC CONVOCATION

8:00-10:00 A.M. Registration of Delegates

10:30 A.M. Formal Commemoration Exercises  
Memorial Church  
*Admission by ticket only*

Speakers: RAY LYMAN WILBUR, President of the  
University  
ROBERT GORDON SPROUL, President, Uni-  
versity of California  
JACKSON ELI REYNOLDS, New York

DEDICATION OF HOOVER LIBRARY ON  
WAR, REVOLUTION, AND PEACE

*Order of Events*

3:00 P.M. Dedication Assembly  
Auditorium, Memorial Hall  
*Open to public*

Presiding: CHARLES H. BROWN, President, Ameri-  
can Library Association

Speakers: SIDNEY B. FAY, Professor of History,  
Harvard University

CHARLES SEYMOUR, President, Yale Uni-  
versity

4:15 P.M. Carillon Concert from the Library Tower

4:30 P.M. Formal Exercises of Dedication  
Convocation at the Plaza in front of Library  
*Open to public*

Speakers: RAY LYMAN WILBUR, President of the  
University

THE HONORABLE HERBERT HOOVER  
EDGAR RICKARD, Chairman of Building  
Committee

RALPH H. LUTZ, Chairman of the Di-  
rectors of the Library

CONCERT BY SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA

8:30 P.M. Laurence Frost Amphitheater  
*Open to public*

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

ALUMNI ASSEMBLY

Star Weekly

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May 20, 1948

Dear Miss Finch:

I have your letter of May 14 and am referring it to Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, who is my successor as Director of the Institute. I am sure he will be glad to see that you receive any material which we may issue.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Miss Jeannette F. Finch  
The Star Weekly  
80 King Street West  
Toronto 1, Canada





## THE STAR WEEKLY

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

80 KING STREET WEST  
TORONTO, 1

14th May, 1948.

*Dr. Adyelotte*

Dr. Frank Adyelotte,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
PRINCETON, N. J.

Dear Dr. Adyelotte,

I wonder if you could put us on your mailing list for any newsworthy material published by the Institute for Advanced Study? The Star Weekly can make use of a considerable amount of news releases, and as we have been receiving material from various other universities we thought you too might have articles to suggest. I refer, for instance, to releases dealing with expeditions, research of recent months, etc.

Thank you for any help you can give us.

Cordially yours,

*Jeannette Finch*

Jeannette F. Finch  
MAGAZINE SECTION

JFF/gmb

June 29, 1940

Dear Mr. Starr:

I am very much interested in your letter of June 27, but regret to say that since the Institute for Advanced Study does not at present do anything in the field of English literature it would be impossible for us to arrange or do anything for you here. The project you have in mind is one in which I take great interest, but I am at a loss to suggest any source from which you could receive financial support. It is not, in my opinion, the kind of project which would interest the Guggenheim Foundation. It is rather the kind of work which Williams College should support. Is there any possibility of your getting a subsidy from them?

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE, Director

Mr. Nathan Comfort Starr  
Grafton, Vermont

FA/MCE

**NATHAN COMFORT STARR    GRAFTON, VERMONT**

June 27 1940

Dr. Frank Aydelotte  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Aydelotte,

I am writing to inquire as to the possibility of securing a Fellowship at the Institute for Advanced Study for the next academic year. For some time I have wished to have a year free from teaching in which to devote myself to writing, and now would seem to be the most favorable time to carry forward the plans I have in mind.

You will find herewith a statement as to my training and experience. I should like to emphasize the fact that I have an unusual comprehension not only of my own field, but also of the basic problems of liberal education, and of the directions in which changes should proceed to make for greater effectiveness in teaching. The farther I have gone in my work the more I have inclined to progressive methods, and the implementing of curricula to fit the needs of individual students with individual needs and capacities. It seems to me that only in this direction lies the cure for the appalling wastage of effort both on the part of student and college which is so evident today.

So much by way of generalization. With a view to making teaching more truly analytical and constructive I have conceived a plan for an introductory course in English Literature which I should like the opportunity to work out in detail as a book. The course I have in mind would not be a "survey", since I believe that the historical or chronological approach tends to confuse students as to the real purposes of study. Neither would it be a sequential examination of single masterpieces or great authors as such. Rather it would be an introduction to the basic problems of literature. By concentration on such fundamental concepts as Form, the Imagination, the historical and ethical approaches to literature and the like, the student will be made to wrestle with primary considerations. I am confident that by the end of a year so spent he will have acquired a genuine critical method which will serve as an invaluable tool in any future work he may do.

This is the chief project I have in mind at the moment. There are others, however, which I have wished for some time to develop. I should like to make a study of the development of Neo-Classical Literature in England. The question of Romanticism interests me greatly also, and I should welcome the opportunity to trace the changing concepts in this field - from the primitivism and Gothicism of the 18th Century through the idealism of Wordsworth and Shelley to the naturalism and animalism of such modern "romantics" as Hemingway and Dos Passos. On both of the above subjects I have already made some progress.

I hope that I have given you enough material to enlist your active consideration. If you can offer no hope of a place at the Institute I should appreciate a great deal any advise or assistance you might be able to give in other directions. May I urge upon you the importance of the material at the Harvard Appointment Office. This includes valuable

NATHAN COMFORT STARR, VERMONT

testimony from leading teachers and administrators as to my work at Williams and elsewhere.

With my grateful thanks for aid or suggestions, I am,

Yours very sincerely,  
Dear Dr. [Name]

*Nathan Comfort Starr*  
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Education

Public schools of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and Easton, Maryland 1903-13  
Harvard College, 1913-1917; A. B. (cum laude) 1917  
Oxford University, 1920-21; B. A. 1922, M. A. 1925  
Harvard University (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences), 1921-28;  
A. M. 1924, Ph. D. 1928.

Teaching Experience

Harvard and Radcliffe (concurrently): Assistant, and Instructor in English, Tutor in the Division of Modern Languages, 1921-29.  
Colgate University: Associate Professor of English, 1929-30.  
St. John's College (Annapolis, Md.): Associate Professor of English 1930-34  
Williams College: Instructor in English 1934-36, Assistant Professor 1936 to present.

Administrative Experience

St. John's: Assistant to the President, Dean of Juniors, Seniors and Special Students, 1932-34.  
Williams: Assistant Dean of the College, 1936-37, Acting Dean 1937-38

Fields of Teaching

I have taught courses in every period from the Middle Ages to the present day. Of these the ones which have been of greatest interest to me are Elizabethan non-dramatic literature, Neo-Classicism and Romanticism (1660-1830), Victorian Poetry, and Contemporary Fiction. I have also taught composition, either elementary or advanced, during practically every one of my nineteen years as a teacher.

Personal Data

Born March 29, 1896, Anglo-Saxon ancestry, married (four children), Episcopalian. War service: first Officer's Training Camp (Fort Myer, Va.) May-August 1917, commissioned 2nd Lieut. of Infantry, service over seas May 1918 to May 1919, in action in St. Mihiel offensive, Promoted to 1st Lieut. February 1919, honorably discharged June 1919.

Publications

"Studies in the 20th Century Lyric", Harper's Magazine January 1924  
"The Sailor on Horseback", Blue Peter (London) November 1930  
"The Concealed Fansyes", Publications of the Modern Language Association Of America, September 1931  
"The Teacher and Scholarship", The English Journal (College Ed.) Jan. '36  
Also other shorter contributions--communications, articles and reviews--in such publications as (the old) Life, The Bookman's Journal and Print Collector (London), The London Times Literary Supplement, and various undergraduate newspapers and magazines.

References

Letters from professors and administrators at Williams, and elsewhere, are on file at Harvard Appointment Office, 19 University Hall, Cambridge

## Observations on the Training and Experience of

Nathan Comfort Starr

I should like to emphasize the breadth of my training and experience. In my undergraduate days at Harvard, for example, while I officially concentrated in History (the study of which continues to interest me a great deal) in actuality I was taking a double major; for I elected as many courses in English as in History.

At Oxford, which I attended immediately after I was discharged from the army, I studied Law, and received my Bachelor's degree in Jurisprudence. This period of study in England was of inestimable benefit to me. In the first place it introduced me to the close of reasoning and rigorous mental discipline of the study of Law; furthermore it gave me the opportunity of knowing at first hand the educational system at one of the great English universities, particularly the tutorial method of instruction; finally it gave me an understanding of other ways of life and of the soil from which the literature of England has sprung.

My training in English came at a time when there were great teachers at Harvard and I consider myself fortunate to have been taught by such eminent scholars as Barrett Wendell, Bliss Perry, F. N. Robinson, LeB. R. Briggs, J. L. Lowes, and G. L. Kittredge. I value also the fact that during the years 1921 to 1929 I was able to assist professors in the English Department (particularly J. L. Lowes) in various courses, as well as to give a course of my own in 19th Century Prose; likewise that I had the privilege of being one of the first group of Tutors in English Literature, and of seeing the tutorial system develop through fruitful years. During my whole stay at Harvard I also had the advantage of instructing at Radcliffe, which gave me an understanding of methods of teaching at a women's college.

In my years at Colgate and St. John's I was able to give a wide variety of courses of my own choosing. At both of these colleges I found departments broad enough in their offerings and elastic enough in their requirements to offer me unusual scope. I consider my experience at these colleges of prime importance in shaping my professional career. At St. John's, among other things, I helped to inaugurate special "Reading Courses" for students in the English major, through which these men were given the benefit of tutorial instruction in particular fields. I was only sorry that the sharp and sudden decline of the college made it seem advisable for me to terminate this phase of my career.

My administrative experience has been of great value in increasing my understanding of college problems as a whole. As Assistant to President Gordon of St. John's I not only acted in an advisory capacity, but was also his deputy and the chief administrative officer of the college during his absence. This position gave me an unusual chance to know a great deal about the larger problems which confront a President. During my term as Dean of Juniors, Seniors and Special Students I came to know for the first time at close range the difficulties, both educational and personal, which plague and handicap so many students, and which made them stand in need of intelligent and sympathetic guidance.

At Williams all this previous executive experience stood me in good stead, for in 1936, as Assistant Dean, I was charged with the administration of the disciplinary rules for a body of 800 students. On the retirement of the Dean of the College in

June 1937 I was appointed Acting Dean, and during the following year performed not only the disciplinary functions I had exercised previously, but also was charged with the responsibility of all academic and personal problems of the students. I appreciated a great deal my relations with the students, and believe that I did constructive work with them. During my tenure of office I instituted a Personnel Committee, consisting of the Director of Admissions, the Director of Student Activities, the Assistant Director of Health and myself, for the regular discussion of individual students in various kinds of trouble, either academic or personal. These discussions, which were exploratory only and were not in any sense regarded as the basis for disciplinary action, were, I believe, of the greatest benefit to a number of students in the college.

My training as a commissioned officer in the army has been of great help to me in administrative work; for it has given me an understanding of the necessity of leading men without harsh or unintelligent coercion.

I have served on several committees at Williams, including those most important in educational policy. For the past two years, I have been a member of the Committee on Discipline. During this same time I have also acted as one of the Faculty Advisers to Freshmen. All in all I feel that my administrative experience has been invaluable, and though in 1937 I declined President Baxter's offer of the regular Deanship to return to the work which, I felt, had the first place in my career, I shall always look back on this work with real satisfaction.

My interests outside the class-room have, I believe, added breadth and depth to my teaching. At St. John's and Williams I have been associated with the undergraduate dramatic societies as Faculty Adviser, and have directed a production for each. I have also served as a Director on the Board of the Williamstown Summer Theatre. At St. John's I was Faculty Adviser to The Catalyst, an undergraduate literary magazine. I have always valued my relations with my students, and have formed many lasting friendships among them. Frequently they have come to me for discussion of literary or personal matters, or have given me for criticism compositions they have written independently. Last year a group of Juniors at Williams asked me to lead occasional meetings with them at my home. These meetings have continued this year.

Several other interests outside my professional work have an influence on my teaching. I have never lost my liking for the study of history, and do a great deal of reading in this field, especially in the American West, and in England of the 18th and 19th centuries. Continuing an interest crystallized in my Ph.D. thesis (The English Sea-Novel from Defoe to Melville), I have read widely in the literature of voyaging and navigation. While studying at Oxford I began the collection of a library of English literature, as well as books illustrating the development of typography. This last collection I put to use in a course in the History of the Printed Book which I gave at Colgate. I also find that my knowledge of the graphic arts, architecture and music are very useful in my teaching, since these arts, reveal the same necessities of design and structure which are found in literature.

As regards my part in community life, while at St. John's I was a member of the Library Board of the city of Annapolis; in Williamstown I am a vestryman of St. John's Church, and a member of its choir, as well as of the Bach Chorus, an organization including Town And Gown.

Finally, a word as to my beliefs in teaching. In my opinion English is not merely a "genteel" subject; it can and should be a means of acquiring an insight into the fundamental necessities of art, and of life itself. It is, therefore, when properly taught, a toughening intellectual discipline capable of developing incisive judgment and the strength of mature conviction. I am not interested in the study of literature as history, or as social science, or as psychology--though all of these have their contributions to make--but rather in the study of literature as important in its own right. With this firm conviction I have been interested of late in the newly founded College English Association, an organization designed to unite teachers who believe in the presentation of English as humane letters. I am a member of the Advisory Committee of the New England section of this Association. I feel strongly that only by an understanding of literature as a humane study can its teachers avoid the vitiating intrusion of sterile research and formalistic pedagogy.

*NC Star*



**S. Austen Stigant,** M.I.E.E., Fel. A.I.E.E., etc.

Chartered Electrical Engineer.

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Member of the Association of Mining Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

Fellow of the Physical Society.

Member of the London Mathematical Society.

Member of the Edinburgh Mathematical Society.

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**9, CAMBRIDGE DRIVE,  
LEE, LONDON, S.E.12.**

TELEPHONE - LEE GREEN 1027

DATE 19th November, 1941.

The Secretary,  
The Institute for Advanced Study,  
PRINCETON, N.J.  
U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

I would be glad to learn if your organisation issues a Journal or other technical or scientific publication regularly and, if so, whether these can be subscribed for by persons not connected with the Institute. If this is permissible would you be good enough to let me know the subscription rates.

Thanking you in anticipation for your courtesy.

Yours faithfully,

*S. Austen Stigant*

January 13, 1942

S. Austen Stigant, Esq.  
9, Cambridge Drive  
Lee, London, S.E. 12  
England

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of November 19th, I beg to say that the members of our Institute publish their contributions to knowledge in a wide variety of scientific and technical journals and we assist in the publication of the Annals of Mathematics and the Princeton Mathematical Series, but we publish no journal of our own.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the Director

*Inst Gen State of Minnesota*

12 October 1960

Dear Mr. Pluimer:

I am sorry that you did not receive a prompt answer to your letter of September 14th, asking for photographs.

The Institute for Advanced Study does not have a public relations department, and we maintain no picture file. Thus, although Dr. Oppenheimer, Professor Einstein and Professor Bohr are or were connected with the Institute, we cannot supply you with pictures of them. Should you wish to try a local commercial photographer, you could write to Alan W. Richards, 617 Princeton-Kingston Road, Princeton, N.J.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Wilder Hobson  
Secretary to the Director

Mr. Harold Pluimer, Science Consultant  
Department of Education  
Centennial Office Building  
St. Paul 1, Minnesota



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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**CENTENNIAL OFFICE BUILDING**  
**ST. PAUL 1, MINNESOTA**

October 10, 1960

Public Relations Director  
Institute for Advanced Studies  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

Approximately one month ago I requested several pictures of personnel at one time or other concerned with the Institute for Advanced Studies to be used in a series of television programs entitled "The Atom Story." I would appreciate hearing from you relative to this matter as the program date is drawing near.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Pluimer  
Science Consultant

HP/sh

September 14, 1960

Public Relations Director  
Institute for Advanced Studies  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I am searching for photographs suitable to be used on a television series entitled, "The Atom Story." Most of the photographs were furnished by the Atomic Energy Commission, however, there are some still lacking. It was suggested by the AEC that I contact you for pictures of J. R. Oppenheimer, Albert Einstein, and Neils Bohr. Also, I would appreciate information as to the availability of pictures of Rutherford and J. J. Thompson.

Your cooperation and early response to this request would be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Fluimel  
Science Consultant

HP/sh

September 23, 1936

Mr. Thomas R. Steadman  
2117 Fifteenth Street  
Troy, New York

My dear Mr. Steadman:

We are in receipt of your inquiry of  
September 22. The Institute for Advanced Study  
does not have a Chemistry Department. We are  
referring your letter to Princeton University.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

Steele, Robert S.

14 December 1946

Dear Mr. Steele:

I am very much interested in your letter of December 6 and hasten to say to you that you ought to apply for admission to advanced work in one of our leading theological seminaries. Have you thought of the one at Princeton? I think Dr. Mackay would be greatly interested in your plans.

At the Institute for Advanced Study we should have nothing to offer you. We have a firm rule that we do not offer membership to individuals unless they are pursuing researches which fit in with the work being done by the members of our faculty. In other words, we do not ask a man to come here unless we have something to offer him.

Your plans for study abroad could best be carried out on a fellowship from one of our theological schools. A young friend of mine has just gone to Switzerland from the Princeton Theological Seminary with plans in mind which are something like yours, at least on the theological side. There are, so far as I know, no fellowships available in the field of radio and the moving picture. My advice to you would be to perfect yourself in the field of religious education and to trust to your ability to learn by experience how to use visual aids to this end.

Yours sincerely,

Robert S. Steele, Esq.  
810 Broadway  
Nashville 2, Tennessee

810 Broadway  
Nashville 2, Tennessee  
December 6, 1946

Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

I am writing to you to find out where I should begin. For the next two, three, or four years I should like to continue my formal education. In order for me to do this I must have scholarship aid. I would like to tell you a bit about my background and my purposes in the home that you may recommend procedures to me.

I took my B.A. degree from Ohio Wesleyan University and my B.D. degree from Hartford Seminary Foundation. I accelerated my graduate work by taking additional semesters at Union Theological Seminary. I have done additional graduate study at Northwestern, Columbia, and the University of California, Los Angeles. My study has been in religion, education, drama, writing, and radio.

Because I have had no financial assistance other than scholarships, it has been necessary for me to follow a work-a-year, study-a-year schedule. I have tried to gain experience in these work periods which would further my vocational objectives. I taught drama at Biltmore College, Asheville, North Carolina. I spent summers in the National Broadcasting Company studios in Chicago and Hollywood. I spent a year working in what they consider one of their model affiliates. Since September 1945 I have been working on motive, a magazine for college students sponsored by the Board of Education of The Methodist Church. One reason for my coming to Nashville was to help Harold Ehrensperger, editor of motive, to write a book on religion and drama, Conscience on Stage (Abingdon-Cokesbury, 1947). In order that Mr. Ehrensperger might accept an invitation to lecture for a year, primarily in India, I have stayed with the magazine.

My consuming concern in life is to construct religious and educational living. Because of my convictions about the ways in which people are brought to new truths, my interests, and I believe, my aptitudes, I have chosen to work through the mediums of journalism, radio, drama, and films, and in time, television. I hope to do an intelligent and skillful piece of work as a consultant and administrator in the initiation of religious truths through educational methods disseminated by art media.

My needs now are to carry out a systematic program of self-education. I would like to study theology with McGregor at Glasgow and Nygren at Upsala. I would like to study ethics with Brunner at Zurich (or Union if he remains in this country another year). I have studied and had professional experience in theater, radio, journalism but I have had no creditable experience in film and visual-aid work. Therefore I feel the need for study in a school such as Andre Malraux's Institute for Advanced Cinema Studies, under the jurisdiction of the French Ministry



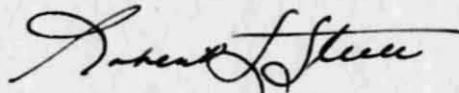
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of Information, in Paris.

I took a considerable cut in salary when I left NBC to work on motive. The magazine is a publication to which I have felt a great loyalty since its beginning six years ago; I have been able to save only six hundred dollars. I may be able to save a bit more by June (Mr. Ehrensperger will have returned by then and I shall be free to leave if I choose). I have no dependents. I "turned thirty" in November. In Hartford we never learned our grades. My point average in college for the four years was 2.65 out of a possible 3.00.

The job which I feel I must do will demand all of the craftsmanship, intelligence, knowledge, and strategy which I can command. I need help to get ready. To what groups would you suggest I apply for help?

Very truly yours,



Robert S. Steele

VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON  
36 BEDFORD STREET  
NEW YORK

February 3, 1931.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Your letter of January 31st shows that in my attempt to be brief I have succeeded only in failing to convey my meaning. I have no notion that there should be one more institution devoting itself to what they call constructive ethnographic study. What I think is cryingly needed is such a survey of the museums as you made of the medical schools - only possibly even more rigorous. Only a few of them have any scientific standards - it may be better to state it that they have no sense of responsibility toward the future.

Take as a small example two out of many cases from my own field, that of northern ethnology. A museum has a large collection where only primitive tools are said to have been used but whereas, in fact, turning lathes and other modern applicances were used in the construction. The designs are said to be entirely native designs but some were really copied from the illustrations in Webster's Dictionary. The collection is said to have been bought from people who were using it, but it was as a matter of fact made in a workshop by sophisticated Eskimos, acting under the direction of a man who dictated both methods and materials that were different from the customary.

In another museum there is a collection of handicrafts, all said to have been made by the natives of a certain small district but in reality made by natives from as much as 1000 or 1500 miles away.

Even now that a few of us who are living know these falsities they are already undermining the structure of ethnographic science. Later when we are gone, there will be no means of checking and all sorts of scientific theories will be established or destroyed on the basis of allegedly incontrovertible evidence that has been preserved from our time to future generations.

These things are not so serious in geology or engineering. Geologic frauds are almost certain to be exposed eventually; mechanical frauds can lead only to a perversion of history not to a perversion of the science itself; but within the humanities an untruth, whether a verbal statement or achieved by means of an article preserved, becomes a permanent weakness in the structure of the science to which it applies.

This is the more urgent because I know of only one American of sufficient knowledge, integrity, and public spirit to be willing to plunge into the quarrel that would ensue from a survey of museums. This is Dr. E. W. Nelson, invulnerable because now retired from his Government position and an ethnologist because of his work in Alaska from 1877-1881. He

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could be the American member of a survey committee, and I fear the other members would have to be imported from abroad. For if the Director of the American Museum of Natural History were to criticize the Director of the National Museum, there would be not only the creation of feuds but the charge of jealousy and the imputation of various non-scientific motives.

I have judged from what I know of your attitude and from the temper of your recent book on university education that you are the likeliest man both to be interested and to secure action if you understood how serious the condition is - as you perhaps do better than I, in which case forgive this unneeded explanation.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'A. Flexner', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director,  
The Institute for Advanced Study,  
100 East 42nd Street,  
New York, N. Y.

February 4, 1931

Dear Mr. Stefansson:

I have your kind letter of the third. I am sorry that I did not grasp the meaning of your previous letter. As you will see from the bulletin which I am sending you under separate cover, I have undertaken another task which consumes all my strength and time. I can appreciate the importance of the study which you suggest, but I have neither the time nor the means to undertake it or to participate in it. I did the study on Universities as a consequence of a call to Oxford by the Rhodes Trust. The study, which you are suggesting, ought, it seems to me, to be financed by one of the foundations precisely as Professor Richards' studies of Art in Industry and Industrial Museums, etc., were financed. It might be well worth your while to communicate with Professor Charles R. Richards, whose address is 220 East 42nd Street.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Vilhjalmur Stefansson  
36 Bedford Street  
New York, N. Y.

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VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON  
~~36 BEDFORD STREET~~  
NEW YORK

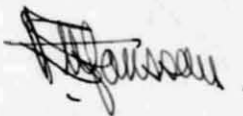
January 29, 1931.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

You are outstanding among those who are in a housecleaning mood with regard to American education. The ethnographic museums are part of our educational paraphernalia. I wonder if you know how bad they are and if you would lunch with me one day at the Harvard Club to discuss it.

I have been thinking of trying to get either the Rockefeller Foundation or Carnegie organizations to do something about it and got so far as to secure the rather enthusiastic approval of Gunn, European Vice-President of the Foundation. I was about to follow up with a request to see Mason when somebody suggested that possibly your new educational institution in Newark could handle better the ideas I have in mind.

So, as said, would you lunch with me one day at the Harvard Club, perhaps at 12:30? My telephone number (not in the directory) is Spring 7-5958.



Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
150 East 72nd Street,  
New York, N. Y.

January 31, 1931

Dear Mr. Stefansson:

I am extremely sorry that it is impossible for me to make a luncheon engagement with you at the present moment. Every day this coming week is taken up, and at the end of the week I leave town for a fortnight.

I do not think it likely that the new Institute will begin with ethnography, though I should be delighted to consider any argument in favor of its doing so.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Vilhjalmar Stefansson  
36 Bedford Street  
New York, N. Y.

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*Stein, Fred M.*

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FRED M STEIN  
270 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK

November 25, 1941

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I just recently finished reading your Bulletin No. 10, the report of the Institute, and found it fascinatingly interesting, all except the mathematics portion, which might as well have been written in Sanskrit. I didn't even know what most of the words meant.

Mr. Maas told me that next Saturday you are having a most interesting meeting of the officials of the Economic Section of the League of Nations. You surely must be having a fascinating and interesting time.

I hope surely some day that Mrs. Stein and I can come down and accept your invitation to see the Institute and meet some of your people there.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Fred M Stein*

Dr. Frank Aydelotte  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

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FRED M STEIN  
270 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK

October 5, 1938

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

Dear Doctor Flexner:

We have just recently returned to town from a summer in Westchester and we shall look forward to coming to Princeton and accepting your very cordial invitation to meet with some of the splendid faculty that you have in the Institute.

I certainly want to congratulate you on the gift that you have just received with which you can erect the first part of a new home.

While I dislike these days to see money go into bricks and mortar, at the same time, the concrete evidences of a home have both moral and psychological values that perhaps are encouraging, especially as the probabilities of getting funds for this purpose from private sources are constantly diminishing.

With my very best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Fred M Stein*

FMS/z



R. Steinbach

April 12, 1933

Professor Kemp Malone  
The Johns Hopkins University  
School of Higher Studies  
Baltimore, Maryland

My dear Professor Malone:

In Dr. Flexner's absence from the city permit me to thank you for your letter of the eleventh recommending Dr. Reuben Steinbach. I shall bring this to Dr. Flexner's attention promptly upon his return.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
SCHOOL OF HIGHER STUDIES  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

April 11, 1933

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Dear Dr Flexner,

Dr Reuben Steinbach asks me to write to you about the progress of the studies which he has been making under my direction, and I am glad to be able to inform you that he is working up his medieval English with great success. As you know, his chief interest lies in modern English grammar and stylistics, but he rightly felt that a thorough knowledge of the earlier periods of the language was necessary for him as a basis for his work in the modern field, and he has gone about the task of learning this early English in a way which compels my admiration. I consider him already qualified to teach Old English, and within a few months, if he maintains his present rate of advance, he will be qualified to teach Middle English too. I hope you will eventually find a place for him in your Institute, when you add

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

the School of English which no doubt you will  
some day establish. As you may remember, Dr  
Steinbach holds his Ph.D. from the Johns Hopkins  
in Semitics, and he is essentially self-taught  
in the Anglistic field, although he is kind  
enough to give me credit which I do not deserve  
for his achievements in that field. He is not  
registered as a student here, but comes to me  
occasionally with his problems and asks me now  
and then for suggestions of one sort or another.

I was sorry I saw you only at a distance at the  
Kelly dinner. Next time you are in Baltimore let  
me catch more than a glimpse of you!

Sincerely yours,

*Kemp Malone*

R. Steinbach

November 7, 1932

Dear Dr. Steinbach:

Many thanks for your kind favor of  
October 11. I have been so overwhelmed with mail  
that I have only today reached your letter.

I hope very much that the Institute may  
justify the high hope which you express in reference  
to it.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Reuben Steinbach  
2333 Reisterstown Road  
Baltimore, Maryland

AF:ESB

2333 Reisterstown Road,  
Baltimore, Maryland,  
October 11, 1932.

Dear Dr. Flexner,

I have just read in this morning's Baltimore Sun that the Institute for Advanced Study will open next fall. I wish to congratulate you upon your selection of several eminent professors for your Faculty. Fortunately, you have already made it clear that you will from time to time add other renowned scholars

What a privilege it will be to study in an atmosphere that is certain to be inspired and inspiring and most conducive to the highest scholarly attainments! If there were also eminent scholars in English at the Institute, what a great privilege it would be for me to study English philology and literature and to engage in research under their direction! And what an inestimable privilege it would be for me to try to learn some of their methods of investigation. I feel confident I could accomplish

a good deal — more especially in modern English usage, which I have been working on for several years in the hope of completing a volume on the subject!

May you be blessed with perfect health for many more years to come, so that you may carry out all your plans for making the Institute for Advanced Study not only an inspiration to other higher institutions of learning but also the enshrinement of all the ideals you have cherished throughout your career.

May I also take this occasion to express the wish that your brother in Chicago is making continuous improvement in health.

Very sincerely yours,  
Reuben Steinbach.

2333 Reisterstown Road,  
Baltimore, Maryland,  
October 9, 1931.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

You recall that when I was in New York recently, I spoke to you on the telephone about the Institute for Advanced Study. In compliance with your request, I am giving you my address: 2333 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, Maryland. Since I am greatly interested in the progress of the Institute (especially with regard to an English department), I should appreciate your informing me of any announcements you may make.

I wish to take this occasion again to express the hope that you are well and that your brother's health is improving rapidly.

Respectfully yours,  
Reuben Steinbach.

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November 11, 1930

Mr. Reuben Steinbach  
Amsterdam Avenue and 186th Street  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Steinbach:

Dr. Flexner, who is serving on a jury this month, has asked me to thank you for your letter of the tenth and the three reprints which you were kind enough to send him. He will examine them at his earliest opportunity.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary



R. Steinbach

Amsterdam Avenue and 186<sup>th</sup> Street,  
New York, New York,  
November 10, 1930.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I have your letter of November 3 in reply to my letter in which I wrote you of Professor Malone's suggestion that I see you with regard to some advanced work I should like to do in English.

I am sending you by separate mail my articles reprinted from American Speech. You may like to have them.

Respectfully yours,  
Reuben Steinbach.

November 3, 1930

Dear Dr. Steinbach:

Returning to New York, I find your letter of October 20 stating that you would like to do some advanced work in English. The Institute for Advanced Study has only recently been formally organized, and the fields of study which will be pursued have not yet been determined. When the project develops, I shall be glad to communicate with you.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Reuben Steinbach  
Amsterdam Avenue and 186th Street  
New York, N. Y.

AF:ESB

Amsterdam Avenue and 186<sup>th</sup> Street,  
New York, New York,  
October 20, 1930.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I am a Ph. D. of Johns Hopkins, and have contributed several articles on usage in English to American Speech. Professor Malone of the Johns Hopkins University has suggested that I speak to you about some advanced work I should like to do in English. Please let me know when it would be most convenient for you to see me.

Respectfully yours,  
Reuben Steinbach.

January 17, 1940

Mr. Rudolph Steiner  
733 Stuyvesant Avenue  
Trenton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Steiner:

I have your letter of the fourteenth. I would suggest that you enroll with a good teachers' agency. If there is none in Trenton, you might address your inquiry to the following:

Pratt Teachers Agency  
70 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

Eastern Mutual Teachers Agency  
1476 Broadway  
New York City

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. SAWLEY

Secretary

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RUDOLPH STEINER  
TRENTON, N. J.

733 Stuyvesant Avenue

January 14, 1940.

The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey.

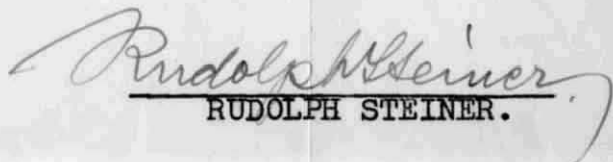
Attention: Mrs. Esther S. Bailey,  
Secretary.

My dear Mrs. Bailey,

I beg to acknowledge your very kind letter of January 11th. According to your explanations, I understand that there is no interest regarding the fields I offered for teaching at your esteemed institute.

Thanking you very much for your trouble, I would appreciate your kind advice concerning names and places of schools to which I could address myself as a teacher for the objects I mentioned in my previous letters.

Yours very truly,

  
RUDOLPH STEINER.

January 11, 1940

Mr. Rudolph Steiner  
733 Stuyvesant Avenue  
Trenton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Steiner:

I desire to thank you for your letter of January 6, and I regret to state that the Institute gives no courses in design, or in photography, or in any of the subjects you mention. In fact, the Institute gives no courses in the ordinary sense of that term. There is a very small group of professors and there is no likelihood that there will be additional appointments for some time to come. Only persons who have received the Ph.D degree or its equivalent are admitted as students.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAWLEY

B:MGH

RUDOLPH STEINER  
TRENTON, N. J.

733 Stuyvesant Avenue

January 6, 1940.

The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey.

Attention: Mrs. Esther S. Bailey,  
Secretary.

My dear Mrs. Bailey,

I thank you very much for your kind letter of January 5th. As I understood, there is no faculty for electrical engineering at your esteemed institute. In order to introduce me to you, I just mentioned that I am an Electrical Engineer.

Besides, I dispose of some other abilities, besides the main field of my engineer's profession. I am the pupil of a very famous advertising artist. In this occupation, I successfully worked for many years with the best results. I am in a position to submit several copies of designs, printed and distributed and posted in large cities. I developed my own ideas in this profession and I had many pupils too in this line. May I say, that the manner of my designing is a very interesting one as it is based upon a certain constructive method, good for professionals as well as for beginners who never were acquainted with any kind of drawing work.

Moreover, I am a skilled photographer for more than 15 years. I shall be most glad to submit samples, as many as you want. You will perceive that my pictures are outstanding ones as a result of a proper way, I am used to take pictures. Also in this branch I instructed many pupils, starting from simple work to professional art.

I do hope that my lines will be of a great interest for you. Awaiting the favor of your reply, I am at your disposal for a personal interview.

Yours very truly,

*Rudolph Steiner*

January 5, 1940

Mr. Rudolph Steiner  
733 Stuyvesant Avenue  
Trenton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Steiner:

In Dr. Flexner's absence your application of the first has been referred to me for reply. I regret to state that the Institute for Advanced Study has not entered the field of electrical engineering and there is no prospect of expansion.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

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RUDOLPH STEINER  
TRENTON, N. J.

733 Stuyvesant Avenue

January 1st, 1940.

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

Dear Mr. Flexner,

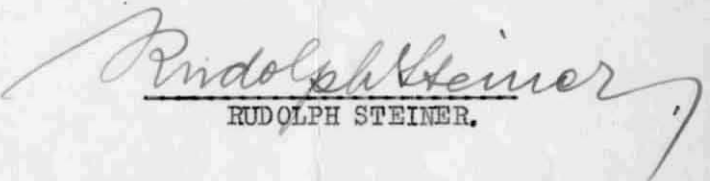
I understood that you are the Head of the School of Advanced Learning of Princeton.

I am a graduated Electrical Engineer and I dispose of a wide experience of all the subjects in the electrical field. As I used to be a teacher for many years, I shall be very glad to have an opportunity to instruct pupils of your esteemed School, too.

Will you be kind enough to inform me about the possibilities for me at the School of Advanced Learning. In case, you would like to arrange a personal interview, please, let me know your kind decision and I will be at your disposal, then.

Thanking in anticipation for your kind cooperation, I am looking forward with the greatest pleasure and interest to your kind reply.

Yours very truly,

  
RUDOLPH STEINER.

*Stephens, Richard H.*

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

*Founded by Mr. Louis Bamberger and Mrs. Felix Fuld*

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 30, 1947

Mr. Richard H. Stephens  
Third Secretary of Embassy  
American Embassy  
Paris, France

Dear Mr. Stephens:

In reply to your letter I wish to say that the Institute for Advanced Study provides opportunities for post-doctorate research in certain limited fields of study, mathematics and mathematical physics, economics, history and political science, archaeology and the history of art. Under separate cover, I am sending you two copies of Bulletin No. 12 which describes the work of the Institute in detail.

So far as your own program of study is concerned, Dr. Aydelotte has asked me to say that he is consulting members of the Faculty of the School of Economics as to whether it would be advisable for you to undertake a course of study here. He asks me to say at the same time that it is not clear whether you have the doctor's degree which we require for admission. If you could send him this information, together with your curriculum vitae, it would be of help to him in presenting your application.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson  
Secretary to the Director

*Stern, Frederick M.*

March 4, 1942

Dr. Frederick M. Stern  
245 Fort Washington Avenue, Apt. 6C  
New York, New York

My dear Dr. Stern:

I have read your letter of March first with interest and sympathy but am sorry to say I know of no way in which your services could be utilized at the Institute for Advanced Study. We have not devoted any attention to military law and there is no possibility that we shall in the near future. Furthermore, as you know, the pressing needs of the government services, particularly the Armed Forces, make it difficult for me to give any assurance that I can carry on for any foreseeable future a normal academic program. I therefore am unwilling to assume further obligations at this time.

I hope that in some way your valuable services can be utilized.

Sincerely yours,

Edward Mead Earle

FREDERICK M. STERN, J.S.D.  
245 Fort Washington Ave.  
NEW YORK CITY  
Apt. 6C

*Shouldn't we put  
in a subscription for  
this work -  
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Professor Edward M. Earle  
Seminar on Military Policy  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, N.J.

March 1, 1942.

Dear Professor Earle:

When I recently was at the Rockefeller Foundation and discussed my problems, I was given your address together with the advice to write you about my ambitions; perhaps you would be interested in my work or could make use of my services. So I take the liberty to send you a prospectus of my books.

As you see from it I am of Austrian origin; during the First World War I served in the Austrian-Hungarian Army in a position similar to that of a judge advocate. Finally, I worked in a special commission of the Austrian-Hungarian War Ministry.

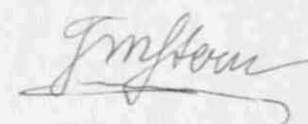
Ever since I came to New York I was interested in the military law of the United States, and gathered material for my books. By the way, Professor Arthur A. Schiller and Professor Jerome Michael from the Columbia University Law School know me and gave me valuable letters of opinion about my books.

But the necessity of making a living - I am working in the NY Public Library - prevented me from finishing my books. As a matter of fact, the Atlantic Publishing Co. is only willing to publish the first book, provided, they get enough subscriptions. Yet I feel the last comparative volume would be of greater value.

Knowing almost a dozen of languages I could be useful in many a capacity. May I ask you whether there is a chance for me for a collaboration at your institute.

Trusting to be favored with an affirmative reply of yours  
I wish to remain

Yours respectfully,



Dr. F. M. Stern.

*Military law by Fred. Stern  
Atlantic Publishing Co.*

*Prof. Karl von  
Adami*

**FREDERICK M. STERN, J.S.D.**  
245 Fort Washington Ave.  
NEW YORK CITY  
Apt. 6C

Dr. Frank Aydelotte  
President of the Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

June 22, 1942.

It is according to a suggestion of Dr. Abraham Flexner that I write you this letter. Miss Freda Kirchwey, editor of the "Nation" gave me a letter of introduction to Dr. Flexner; she as well as Dr. Flexner took great interest in my endeavours and thought it proper that I should get in touch with the Institute for Advanced Study.

Having been a judge advocate of the Austrian-Hungarian Army during the First World War - I later served at the War Ministry and practised law in Vienna until I left Austria, in 1938 - I engaged myself in the study of American and foreign military law ever since I came to the United States. I gathered material for writing a book on this topic, particularly of a comparative nature. Professor James P. Gifford, assistant dean of Columbia University Law School, Professor A. Arthur Schiller and Professor Jerome Michael of the same institute know of these ambitions of mine, but I was not able to complete the book as yet. I also possess their letters of opinion on my book and Dean Gifford recently said: "Now is the time for your book."

I also learned from Dr. Alexander Pekelis of the New School for Social Research and Dr. Possony that just a year ago the Institute for Advanced Study offered Dr. Pekelis a position for a project on military law which he did not accept because his line is far away from military law. So I would like to apply for this position with my project whose scope it is to come forth with a comparative study of the U.S. military law with other foreign systems. It might well be that the War Department would also be interested in this kind of work, moreover, I could prepare translations of the German code or other necessary studies as well.

Right now I am busy to write an essay on Social Aspects of U.S. military law which will appear in the "Social Research". Yet Director Dr. Alvin Johnson always regretted that he could not offer me a position at his institute because it does not embrace law.

**FREDERICK M. STERN, J. S. D.**  
245 Fort Washington Ave.  
NEW YORK CITY  
Apt. 6C

May I hope that you will take me in consideration with my project and favor me with an appointment. I would like to show you the letters of opinion and it is, of course, understood that I can furnish the best references as to my knowledge and integrity.

Most respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'F. M. Stern', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr. F. M. Stern.

November 30, 1937

Mrs. Walter Stern  
812 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

My dear Mrs. Stern:

At the request of Mr. Herbert H. Maass,  
we have pleasure in sending you, under separate  
cover, the bulletins of the Institute for Advanced  
Study and in placing your name on our mailing list  
that you may receive future bulletins immediately  
upon publication.

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Sect. 1-6  
MASS.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY  
Secretary

ESB:MBG

*Maass & Davidson*  
*Attorneys*

*Cable Address "Maashort"*

*Herbert H. Maass*  
*Wilbur C. Davidson*  
*Monroe L. Friedman*

*20 Exchange Place*

*New York*, November 29, 1937.

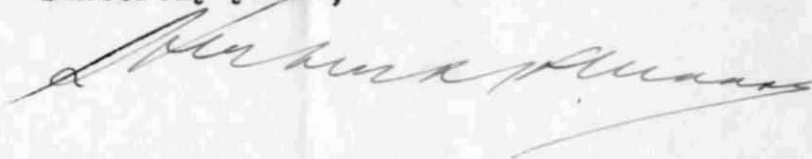
Mrs. Esther S. Bailey,  
The Institute for Advanced Study,  
20 Nassau Street,  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Bailey:-

Will you be good enough to send a set of the Institute  
Bulletins to Mrs. Walter Stern, 812 Park Avenue, New York City,  
with a note saying that they are being sent at my request.

Sincerely yours,

HHM:JR





*Sternic, Lazaro*

July 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Sternic:

Dr. Aydelotte asks me to thank you for your letter of June ninth and to give you what information I can in reply.

The Institute has no publications such as you mention, since the faculty and members are pursuing independent research. Under separate cover I am sending you our latest bulletin which will give you an idea of the work done here and which may help you to discover particular reprints by members of our School of Humanistic Studies which would be of interest to you.

The only institutions I can suggest which might give you information concerning individuals and publications are: The Field Museum in Chicago, the Natural History Museum in New York, the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C., the The Schools of American Research in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

I hope this will give you the specific information you desire.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to  
Dr. Frank Aydelotte,  
Director

Lazaro Sternic, Esq.  
Talcahuano 57 (Dto. 17)  
Buenos Aires  
Argentina

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Talcahuano 57. (Dto.17)  
Buenos Aires. Argentina  
9 June 1945.-

To the Director of the  
Institute for Advanced Study.-  
Princeton, New Jersey. U.S.A.-

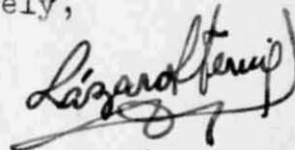
Dear Sir,

I shall first introduce myself. My name is Láza-  
Ro Sternic. I am now coursing the 4th. and last year of the  
Doctorate in Natural Sciences at the LA PLATA Museum of Natural  
History. I am studying Anthropology, Archaeology and Ethnography

I am very interested in knowing your different publications  
about these sciences and I shall be glad to receive some of  
them, which I hope you will be able to send me.-

I must apologize for trespassing on your kindness in this  
matter, but as my wish is to increase my knowledge, I hope you  
will contribute in it. My desire is to retribute your attention  
in a near future.-

Awaiting your answer with interest, I remain,  
yours very sincerely,



Lázar Sternic.-

Talcahuano 57. (Dto.17). Buenos Aires. Argentina.-

P.S. I will thank you very much if you can send me the names  
and addresses of the Institutions and specialists in these  
sciences who are actually working in your country.-

October 23, 1936

Dear Professor Stewart:

I referred your letter of October 15 to Professor Smyth, Chairman of the Physics Department of Princeton University, and I am enclosing his reply. I shall write you again if, as Professor Smyth suggests, any distinguished physicist is invited to Princeton for the second half of the year.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Professor G. W. Stewart      ABRAHAM FLEXNER  
Department of Physics  
The State University of Iowa  
Iowa City, Iowa

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THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

October 15, 1936

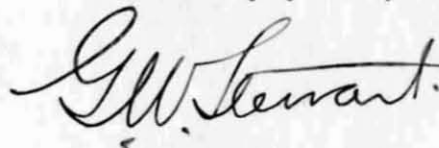
Dr. Abraham Flexner  
20 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Being interested in the possibility of lecture tours of distinguished physicists who are lecturing with you this year, I should be very glad indeed to know the names of these physicists and their periods of residence.

Many thanks and kind regards.

Sincerely yours,



G. W. Stewart

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*Stewart, John Q.*

May 19, 1944

John Q. Stewart, Esq.  
200 Mercer Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Stewart:

I apologize for my delay in answering your letter of April 15. I have raised the question of the purchase of your lot with such of our Trustees as I could reach. I have not been able to get a meeting of the Building and Grounds Committee, but from such reactions as I have obtained, I doubt whether the Institute would be interested in purchasing it at this time.

With many regrets, I am

Yours sincerely,

FA:MGH

Frank Aydelotte

200 Mercer St., Princeton, N.J.  
April 15, 1944.

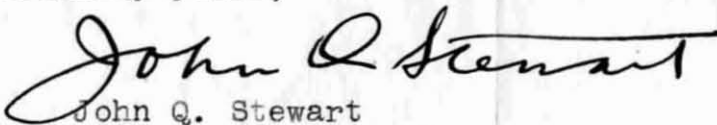
Dr. Frank Aydelotte,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Dr. Aydelotte:

As I indicated to you over the telephone this afternoon, Mrs. Stewart and I will consider selling our lot on Battle Road, west of Olden Lane, if we receive a satisfactory offer. We bought it from Mr. Walter Olden in 1925, and have been holding it with the expectation of building a residence. The lot is designated by the Township of Princeton as Block 12, lot 22, 100 feet front by 225 feet depth. The deed is in the names of Miss Lillian Westcott (Mrs. Stewart) and John Q. Stewart. The lot was laid out by Mr. Olden as part of the original Battle Road development. Several years ago we declined offers (perhaps bids is the proper technical term) in the price range five to six thousand dollars, because we did not like any other property in the area as well. As you are familiar with the lot I need not further identify it by stating that it is on the southward side of the street, between the properties of Mr. Gordon Sykes and Dr. Carl Ten Broeck.

With thanks for your attention,

Cordially yours,

  
John Q. Stewart

D. Stiner

December 18, 1930

Dear Mr. Stiner:

I am leaving New York next Tuesday to be gone a fortnight, and I should like to see you before I go. Please call my secretary by telephone (Ashland 4 - 3775) and she will make an appointment mutually convenient to us.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. D. Stiner  
2390 N. 5th Street  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

AF:ENB

D. Stimer

December 16, 1930

Dear Mr. Stimer:

Thank you for the music which came this morning. May I remind you that you are also to write me a letter in your own hand and send me some of the compositions in English which you had composed as part of your regular school work?

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. D. Stimer  
2390 East 5th Street  
Brooklyn, New York

AP:ESB



Dec. 15, 1930 *Storer*

Dear Mr. Lyman,

I suppose that if I had any sense of the right time to do the right thing, I would have used the correct letter heading. However, since I never use the heading approved by all letter-writing authorities in my daily correspondence why should I pretend I do by using that heading now?

You cannot conceive, I am sure, how difficult it is to write to one who, one is sure, will try to read character (or the lack of it) from one's handwriting. So that if you read self-consciousness in it, it is not ~~in~~ my nature but the forces of the situation appearing therein.

I am very sorry that I was not able to get this letter off sooner than I shall, but I hope you will forgive me when I tell you that I have been trying to prepare a manuscript with some degree of legibility.

(2)

I am sending you a string quartette, the bulk of which was written during this past summer and which I consider my finest work thus far. It will come under separate cover, so that if this letter precedes the parcel or follows it, you will understand that the other will come immediately. I hope that, if you have access to some musicians, both you and they will be satisfied with it to some small degree.

I also send you some poems of mine immediately following this paragraph. They are, you will no doubt notice, the products of an immature mind. None of them have been the products of long concentration and ~~correct~~ correction. They have all been spontaneous bits.

### In Prose Poem

Beautiful is the exquisite melancholy of youth, which feels itself bereft of happiness, and wraps itself in light despair.

Beautiful is the exquisite melancholy of youth which thinks that dawn will never

more return - that twilight is forever.

Beautiful is the exquisite melancholy of youth  
which feels its last forlorn star torn down by  
hopelessness and wishes darkness now forevermore

Beautiful is the exquisite melancholy of  
youth as a marvelous sunset in a too full  
sky of clouds multi-shaped and delicately  
formed.

Beautiful is the exquisite melancholy of youth--

## II

Boredom, like a grayish pain,  
Beats lightly down upon my soul  
And silently prepares the way  
For madness soon to come.

## III

Epitaph à la Spoon River  
The aim of his life  
Was to compose  
Like Brahms.  
He wasted his life  
Waiting for an inspiration  
Which never came.

IV Tide

Twice a day  
A ghostly hand  
Restraints the mad sea  
From its wild desire  
To swallow the earth  
Into its gluttonous mouth

Likewise I send to you the only product from my school compositions that I can find. The note was made by one of the teachers in the school.

Now for the requested exposition on myself. In the seventh term at high school we had to write a composition (of indefinite length) on the same subject. It was the first assignment of the term and the teacher (the best I had at high school) hoped we would try to introduce ourselves to her. What was true about myself at the time is still more or less true now. Certainly I have gained in the few intervening years a great

deal of that intangible, yet overwhelmingly important quality known as depth, but in basic character there has been little change. I mention this composition because I mean to reproduce as much of it as I can at present recall in this letter. Unfortunately in spite of my efforts in that direction I cannot locate the original, though I believe I still have it somewhere.

I began with the (I am sure) familiar quotation from Whitman's "Song of Myself"

I celebrate myself and sing myself  
And what I assume you shall assume  
For every atom belonging to me as good  
belongs to you.

(I hope I have quoted it correctly).

I am generally known by my acquaintances to be a very conceited person. I do not deny that I have a good opinion of myself - but that is very different from conceit. I always feel that I can appraise myself rather well. I do not see the

necessity of apologizing for anything I say about myself lest I give myself either too much praise or blame. I do not doubt that I am intelligent enough to know as well my fine qualities as well as my shortcomings.

I am a fine judge of human nature that from a boy of my age seems laughable and nothing that I may say will impress you that it is neither more nor less than the truth. I have made it my business to understand thoroughly the people that affect my life. That I have succeeded somewhat is not a conceit but a fact.

I am unbelievably selfish. I would never sacrifice myself for another human being. It is totally inconceivable to me that a person should give up his life for future generations. Martyrs do not interest

me, and heroes, unless they are that for the sake of personal glory, seem a little silly to me.

I make friends slowly, as permanently as possible, and for different purposes they are almost all male. For various qualities I go to various ones. In one I may be able to confide, with another I exchange wit, with still another be sympathetic, and yet a last discuss serious matters - I mean such things as art, music, literature.

I am not the slightest bit interested in either sports or politics.

I am a keen, intense lover of beauty - beauty in any shape or form. That is perhaps my most definite characteristic. Waving birches, a Brahms symphony, a wild sea, a Gauguin group of women, a lovely poem, a César Franck Sonata ~~or~~

a ~~lyric~~ landscape <sup>(8)</sup> affect me "strangely. And yet you will notice that it is not merely beauty which attracts me - I mean not a pretty sort of beauty - It is beauty mixed with human drama of an intensity which is not to be denied.

To catalogue my taste would be a long task. I shall merely sketch it in outline.

In novels - Dostoyevsky, Gansier, Hardy, Galsworthy, Huxley (Albans), Wassermann, Rolland, James Stephens, Oscar Wilde (for the Fairy Tales) Anatole France and just possibly J. B. Priestley.

In poetry - Edna St. Vincent Millay, Robert Frost, Emily Dickinson, Edger Lee Masters, Edwin Arlington Robinson, Carl Sandburg outside of Heine and Baudelaire, of course, ~~is~~ an entirely different class.

In music - Brahms, César Franck, Schumann, Prokofieff, Stravinsky.



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In art - El Greco, Michaelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Van Gogh, Cezanne and Gauguin.

In newspapers - F. P. Adams' "Coring Tower", Littel's column, Harry Hansen's, Chotzinoff's music column and the Times Book Review (where I say the criticism of your new book on "Universities" which I've been trying to get since).

A rather long and tiresome list for you, I suppose.

I will not tire you any longer but hope I will see you very soon.

Cordially,  
David Steiner

The music here listed would be demonstrated on the piano.  
The key is an excellent pianist - really a prodigy.  
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Dr. Rogoff  
Kinner, David, 401.  
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### Idealists - an appreciation.

Idealism is so vague a term as to have lost almost all meaning. Therefore an attempt at a definition resolves itself into a personal opinion or idea. To me all idealism is encompassed in the term beauty-worshipping. Beauty is the foundation, the ideal of idealism. To an idealist all things begin and all things end in beauty. Beauty is the soul and the body of idealistic thought.

However one must go still further. To find beauty in a beautiful thing is the commonplace of every artist, but to find beauty in the seemingly unbeautiful that is the task of the idealist. The creation of the petty artist is shallow beauty, obvious beauty, but the creation of the idealist is subtle, <sup>beauty</sup> deep, infinite in its grandeur. The material of the idealist is living, and his treatment as much alive, whereas the material of the other is dead and uninteresting. The idealist is the genius, while the other is merely the artist.

There have been few who have lived up to such enormous standards, and yet those few have been so great as to leave nothing wanting. Such an idealist was Johannes Brahms, and such idealists are the Chinese and Japanese in their prints.

Johannes Brahms lived a very quiet and unobtrusive life, at least <sup>so</sup> compared with that of Beethoven or that of Tschaiowsky.

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Mr. Rogoff

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### Idealists an appreciation - contd

Imagine, then, what must have been the ~~inner~~ <sup>inner</sup> struggle of a man who, although leading a serene <sup>life</sup>, as it appeared, could compose a composition as tragic as the C. Minor Symphony. The Beethovenian tragedy roars, shouts, and screams from his music, but the Brahmsian tragedy is more subtle, more stinging and therefore <sup>the</sup> more poignant the more terrible of the two. And yet, none of his works are ~~not~~ more complex than the human emotions which must have purged in him. Not that these last are not complex enough in themselves, but that he interpolates nothing that is studied, little that is only clever. For example, there is that very melodic and very soulful "Intermezzo in E Flat minor", one of the smaller piano works,

Andante  
D<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> D<sup>b</sup> 3/8

which sings out from the depths of a heart that was overflowing with sadness.

However this has relatively little to do with Brahms, the idealist, with that background ~~however~~ we can now proceed to see how Brahms, the artist becomes Brahms, the genius. At the beginning of this exercise I give a list of several differences between the artist and the idealist

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### Idealists - an appreciation (cont)

I have shown wherein Brahms is the artist, now I will show how he is the idealist. The first thing I mentioned was the bringing out of beauty from the obvious or unbeautiful. This we can point out in Brahms by his use of chords. Chords which would be harsh and discordant in the hands of another composer become expressive and powerful in the hands of Brahms. There is a fullness, a richness, a grandeur in these chords which would hurt and jar the ear if played separately. Thus the first requirement is dealt with. The second requirement I mentioned is subtlety, ~~depth~~<sup>depth</sup>. I touched upon this subtlety in Brahms in the preceding paragraph. The greatest proof that Brahms belongs to this class is the fact that one does not begin to appreciate Brahms until a fifteenth, a twentieth or a hundredth listening, and a concentrated listening each time. But once one realizes this extraordinary greatness, one is a slave to it musically for life. The third requirement, living material and live treatment, Brahms fulfills even more fully than the first two. There is so much human emotion, human tragedy, human protest and human resignation - under protest, in all the music of Brahms. There is so much sadness, <sup>happiness</sup> misery, loneliness, triumph! This is Brahms the idealist. Of the works of Brahms <sup>one</sup> need only mention the greatest. There are two very marvelous symphonies, the first and

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## Idealists - an appreciation (cont.)

the fourth, the "German Requiem", of the piano works, the 7 Minor Sonata  
the "Variations on a Theme by Schumann", and the "Lover's Song", for the  
violin, there is the "Concerto", for voice, the very marvelous songs.  
However the very greatest of his works are his chamber music works,  
these include three violin sonatas, three string quartets, four  
trios, the 7 Minor Piano Quintet, and three Piano Quartets.

Bach was the ingenious, Beethoven the tragic,  
Chopin the melancholic and Debussy the impressionistic, but  
above all these towers Brahms the poet, who encompasses all  
these moods into one great genius.

Having now concluded my first example - Brahms - I will now  
proceed to my second example - the makers of Japanese prints.  
To speak of a large group of people so collectively as to talk of their  
genius as that of a single genius is unusual to say the least, and  
yet so with a genius is the genius of the makers of Japanese prints.  
One seldom thinks of Japanese prints (as one does of  
Flemish or Dutch art) as the works of individuals. They are  
rather the works of a national genius - a national idealism.  
One always hears of Rembrandt or Hals as individual creators  
but one scarcely ever hears of Sesshu, Korin, Kōchōrō or  
Kuroshige separately. One hears of them under the rather  
indefinite title of "the makers of Japanese prints."

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## Idealists - an appreciation (3rd)

One is very much hampered by writing an essay or treatise of this type since it must be unillustrated. Words are so futile in describing these magnificent creations. However, I will try to describe one to the best of my ability. It is called "Waves at Matsushima" and is by Kōrin an eighteenth century artist. It is more modern than Picasso, more simple than Piotta, warmer than Gugin and more perfect than del Sarto. It combines all the gifts that can be bestowed on one man into one perfect print. and follows out that marvelous definition of an artistic triumph by Sesshu, the greatest of Japanese artists (1420-1506) — "It means to so represent an object or scene as to express its essential attributes with the least possible use of strokes". It is a scene of wild waters in a storm tossing turbulently over solid rocks, black and strong which are forever immovable. Never were their rocks so strong, or waves so wild as these rocks and these waters. Never was there such a movement against the immovable. Another very marvelous example of Japanese art is by the aforementioned Sesshu and is called "Landscape Scroll". Yet not always does it take for its model things of beauty. In that case it flows the definition of an idealist in contrast with the artist. It can and often does take for its models things wholly unbeautiful and creates masterpieces of them. Barren landscapes, jagged faces gain meaning through the handling of a Japanese artist. Still the handling and the idea of the Japanese print

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## Idealists - an appreciation (concluded)

is always subtle and meaningful. By the darkening of a line, by a turn of the brush, a marvelous suggestion is wrought, which develops into an idea full of meaning.

The art of Japan is always living. Colors so warm as to almost breathe forth from the canvass, figures so real as to live before one, these are things of which Japanese art is productive.

Warmth, perfection, which however not for a moment loses its inspiration, and an everlasting simplicity - these are the greatneses of the Japanese idealists.

There is little left to be added, except this — for a moment do I forget that ugly, biting realism is as necessary as perfect idealism, nor do I lose sight of the fact that for every Shelley there must be an Edgar Lee Masters. However, it is just as important that one never lose sight of the idealist, who is the much stronger of the two after all and whom the realist, with no other purpose but realism, will never replace.



April 7, 1941

Dear Professor Stites:

The faculty of our School of Humanistic Studies has given most careful consideration to your letter of February 24th, but I regret to report that it is impossible for us to offer you a stipend at the Institute at this time. Our budget for this purpose is limited, the applications this year were unusually numerous, and the faculty regrets very much that it seems impossible to offer you one of the few appointments available.

With many regrets, I am

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE, Director

Professor Raymond S. Stites  
Antioch College  
Yellow Springs, Ohio

FA/MCE

Professor Panofsky has recently seen Mr. Stites and says he is a very nice person, but he does not know the most important collections of Leonardo material, cannot get to them now, and Professor Panofsky does not see how he could turn out a first-rate piece of work. He adds that "with the best of intentions he is frankly a little muddle-headed." Also he has written on commission one of those "terrible text books covering all the arts."

M. C. E.

ANTIOCH COLLEGE  
YELLOW SPRINGS  
OHIO

February 24, 1941

*PM Panofsky  
for Stites*

Dr. Frank Aydelotte  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Professor Edward Capps, Jr., who is now working with you, has suggested that I should apply for a fellowship to spend next year in the Institute rounding out my research on Leonardo da Vinci. I have pursued this study for the last twenty years and have reached a stage where I need not only intimate contact with men like Erwin Panofsky and F. J. Mather but also the increased library facilities in New York and Washington, for which Princeton is centrally located. As you probably know the finest collection of Leonardiana in the United States is at Stevens Institute, which is only a short drive from Princeton.

I have fairly reasonable hopes for the publication of my work, as the McGraw Hill Book Company promised to publish if I would let them have The Arts and Man. In order that you may know something of my background for this work I enclose, in lieu of a curriculum vitae, the Preface to the book which I have just finished.

Sincerely

*Raymond S. Stites*

Raymond S. Stites

RSS:es

*Inst Gen Stockbridge Sch.*

7 March 1958

Dear Ninth Graders:

In response to your enquiry, we are enclosing a copy of our informative booklet about the Institute. As you can probably judge from this, the Institute is not a place in which there is much to see. We have no laboratories, and no classes, and except for the common room, library and cafeteria, our buildings contain only private offices. Our academic year ends in early April, so that there would not even be many people around at the time when you plan your study trip.

Should you plan to visit Princeton primarily to see other places in the town, we should, of course, be very glad to have you come to the Institute, and see what there is to be seen here, but we would not urge you to make a trip to Princeton just to see this place.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Ninth Graders  
Stockbridge School  
Interlaken, Massachusetts

c/o Miss Gretchen Mehegan

The STOCKBRIDGE SCHOOL  
Interlaken, Massachusetts

Director - Hans K. Maeder

Gentlemen:

We the ninth grade class of Stockbridge School are planning on a study trip, starting at the end of April and ending on the beginning of May. We would appreciate it if you would send us information about your institute. We are interested in knowing the different places of interest and possible, inexpensive accommodations.

Sincerely yours,  
Ninth Graders  
Stockbridge School  
Interlaken, Mass.

c/o Gretchen  
Mehegan

Institute of Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

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B. Stolberg

BENJAMIN STOLBERG  
9 EAST 17TH STREET  
NEW YORK

October 14, 1932.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

My congratulations on Einstein and Veblen!  
And even more so on the whole scheme of things in connection with the Institute!

I notice in the press that you are considering Economics and the Social Sciences next. My profound interest in this field emboldens me to wish to talk to you about it. And I have been prodded on in this wish by several of our younger and, to my mind, our best economists.

Along with my major job of trying to finish a book, I am nowadays running a weekly column in the Saturday New York Evening Post. And, in connection with the problem raised in this note, I take the liberty in ~~enclosing~~ <sup>separately</sup> ~~inc~~ <sup>ing</sup> a few pieces which might interest you. They are, of course, purely journalistic. But they do represent the opposition to the Goddamned "research" hokum as now practiced by "social science" Foundations.

Reading you

Can't we have lunch some day; any day and any week to suit your convenience?

With kindest regards and real admiration,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin Stolberg

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
The Institute for Advanced  
Study,  
New York, N. Y.

October 24, 1932

Dear Mr. Stolberg:

Thank you for yours of the 14th which reached me at a time when I was overwhelmed. Now I am compelled to leave town, and I shall probably be gone for the next two weeks. Won't you be good enough to call me by telephone (Ashland 4 - 3775) and we will make an engagement to lunch together?

I cannot tell you how greatly I appreciate your extraordinary kindness and approbation.

Very sincerely yours,

**ABRAHAM FLEXNER**

Mr. Benjamin Stolberg  
9 East 17th Street  
New York, N. Y.

AF:ESB

November 4, 1933

Mr. Benjamin Stolberg  
9 East 17th Street  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stolberg:

I now learn that Dr. Flexner will be out of town practically all of next week and therefore will be unable to lunch with you on Wednesday, November 9, as he had planned. May I ask you to telephone me (Ashland 4 - 3775) on Monday, November 14, or any day thereafter at your convenience that I may arrange another luncheon appointment?

Very truly yours,

**ESTHER S. BALEY**

Assistant Secretary



B. Stolberg

BENJAMIN STOLBERG  
9 EAST 17TH STREET  
NEW YORK

November 5, 1932

Dear Miss Bailey:

It will be good to see Dr. Flexner any time when he gets back - at his ease and convenience.

Just drop me a line when he is free for lunch and I shall make it my business to have that day suit me so well.

Sincerely yours.

Benjamin Stolberg

Miss Esther S. Bailey  
The Institute for Adv. Study

November 15, 1932

Mr. Benjamin Stolberg  
9 East 17th Street  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stolberg:

Dr. Flexner has now returned to the city and he will be happy to have you lunch with him on Friday, November 25. If this is convenient for you, won't you please call here at the office at 12:45?

Very truly yours,

**ESTHER S. BAILEY**

ESB/D

307 E. 17<sup>th</sup> St ✓  
BENJAMIN STOLBERG  
~~60 West 17th Street~~  
NEW YORK

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 18. 1921

My dear Miss Bailey:

The above is my new  
address. Won't you keep me in  
touch with the literature of the  
Institute? My regards to Dr. Fernald.

Sincerely yours.

Benjamin Stolberg

Miss Esther S. Bailey

*Stoll, Robert R.*

COPY FOR PROFESSOR WEYL

November 29, 1944

Robert R. Stoll, Esq.  
25 Bulkley Street  
Williamstown, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Stoll:

In reply to your inquiry of November 29th I wish to say that I think the men most interested in your field will actually be available at the Institute next year. I am thinking especially of Professor Hermann Weyl and Dr. Carl L. Siegel as well as Professor Chevalley of the Department of Mathematics of Princeton University.

I am glad to say that the members of our Faculty are trying now to get released from war service in so far as possible and that all the members of our mathematics staff are now doing most of their work in Fuld Hall, going away only for a few days at a time when needed.

I am glad to say also that an increasing number of mathematicians are being released from war service and that several have come to the Institute this year, including Professor Richmond of Williams, Professor Rade of Ohio State, and others.

I expect you have the list of members of the Faculty but I enclose a copy of last year's Directory in case you do not. The Directory for this year will be printed early in 1945.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte  
Director

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WILLIAMS COLLEGE  
WILLIAMSTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

November 29, 1944

Dr. F. Aydelotte, Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I am applying for a National Research Fellowship in mathematics for next year, and as you no doubt know, the applicant must state where and with whom he would like to work. In this connection, knowing that some of the mathematicians at the Institute are engaged in war research, I wonder if you could tell me of any algebraists who will be on hand next year. The problem I have in mind is concerned with analogues in the case of semigroups of the Wedderburn theorems for rings.

I would appreciate any information that you are able to give me.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert R. Stoll*

Robert R. Stoll  
25 Bulkley Street  
Williamstown, Mass.

*Copy to Sch. math.*

November 28, 1944

Professor Hermann Weyl  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Professor Weyl:

Dr. Aydelotte has asked me to send you  
the enclosed letter. He would appreciate it  
if you would give him an indication as to  
how he should reply to Mr. Stoll.

Sincerely yours,

Jane S. Richardson  
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte

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Stolper, Wolfgang

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE  
SWARTHMORE, PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

April 18, 1947

Dr. Frank Aydelotte, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Aydelotte,

Mrs. Jenkins just called me to bring your message. I shall be looking forward to meet you and the Economics Department of the Institute on Wednesday for lunch. I hope to be able to make arrangements for my eleven o'clock class by then. Unless I hear to the contrary from you, I shall go directly to the Institute.

In the meantime, I want to thank you and through you the selection committee of the Guggenheim Foundation. I only hope that the Holy Ghost will consent to strike me, and to enable me to justify your opinion of me.

Sincerely yours,

Wolfgang F. Stolper.

Tuesday.

Dear Mr. Aydelotte,

I am sorry that I made a stupid  
mistake. I won't be able to be  
in Princeton before 12.57, because  
I have to teach until 10 AM.

Sincerely yours

Wolfgang Stolzen.



*Shelby  
College  
Franklin, Pa.*



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

*Dr. Frank Aydelotte, Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey*

**SPECIAL DELIVERY**

*Special Delivery*

Tuesday

Dear Mr. Tydelohe,

I will arrive tomorrow, Wednesday, at Princeton at 11<sup>27</sup>. I shall proceed from there to the Institute by taxi, or any other means available.

Sincerely yours,

Wolfgang Stolper.

W. White  
College  
Franklin, Pa.

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Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Special Delivery

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COPY TO: Professor Stewart

Swarthmore College  
Swarthmore, Pa.  
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Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, N. J.

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Sincerely yours,  
Wolfgang F. Stolper

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Stony Brook

The Director

Minot C. Morgan, Jr.

Stony Brook

January 28, 1954

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Professor Veblen and I met last Saturday with David McAlpin and Jim Lawrence who are respectively the Vice President and the professional Executive Secretary of the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association. Mr. McAlpin explained the objectives of the Association which are, very briefly, the prevention of soil erosion in the watershed and the control of the brooks at flood time.

Not only do we own a fair stretch of Stony Brook, but our piece of woodland has occasionally contributed to flood conditions because of log jams and fallen trees.

I propose to tour the bank of the brook with Mr. Lawrence and get his recommendations as to how we can contribute to the program prior to budget time.

Last year we made a contribution to the Association of \$250.00. I assume that this should be continued and that allowance was made for it in the contributions budget. Is this the case?

Respectfully submitted,

MCM:cu

Note:  
Dr. Oppenheimer approved contribution.  
Original given to Accounting Office.

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
SAINT ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mayer B. Stone

ADDRESS ONLY  
THE SUPERINTENDENT  
SAINT ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL

June 17, 1931.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
100 East 42nd Street,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I am writing to you in behalf of a pupil of mine, Mr. Mayer B. Stone, for whom I wish to make application for a fellowship in Psychology under the auspices of the Bamberger Foundation.

Mr. Stone was born in Belfast, Ireland, and is thirty-five years of age. Having received his elementary training in Ireland, he completed his high school and college work in the United States and is the recipient of the A.B. and A.M. degrees. He has been engaged extensively in work of a social nature for a number of years, and returned to study and pursue work in the field of clinical psychology and has been working under my direction since April 6th 1929. On this date a program was laid out for him in a conference at the hospital, among those present including myself were Professor Knight Dunlap, Chief of Experimental Psychology at the Johns Hopkins University and Dr. Winifred Richmond, the hospital psychologist. Included in this program, in addition to the hospital schedule which is of an intensive nature and very comprehensive, was a series of courses allied to this field taken for the past two years in the Graduate School of the American University.

Mr. Stone is now to undertake at my suggestion and the suggestion of Professor Dunlap, original research work on the Psychology of the Epileptic. We have been in consultation on this subject for the past six months, Mr. Stone making frequent trips to the office and laboratory of Professor Dunlap, and Professor Dunlap coming to the hospital in Washington. We have ample clinical material at this institution, the Saint Elizabeths Hospital comprising approximately five thousand beds. The work will be in the clinical and experimental field, being

directly under our supervision, and will take at least two years.

Judging from intimate contact with Mr. Stone and the work he has done; considering his maturity and natural bent which is combined with a genial personality which is so dire a requisite in this field, this letter is being written to you so that he be given an opportunity by the Bamberger Foundation in having his living expenses defrayed, so that the work be undertaken without hindrance.

Requesting your most careful and distinguished consideration, I beg leave to remain,

Most respectfully,

*Nolan D.C. Lewis*

Nolan D.C. Lewis, M.D.,  
Director, Clinical Psychiatry, Saint Elizabeths  
Hospital and Consulting Professor in Psychology,  
Graduate School, American University.

June 23, 1931

Dear Dr. Lewis:

Returning to my office, I find your letter of the 17th recommending Mr. Mayer B. Stone as worthy to receive a fellowship in psychology from the Institute for Advanced Study. I regret to state that as yet no steps have been taken regarding fellowships or scholarships to be awarded by the Institute. Indeed, the subjects to be pursued have not yet been determined. I am sending you under separate cover Bulletin No. 1, which describes the organization and purpose of the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Nolan D. C. Lewis  
Department of the Interior  
Saint Elizabeths Hospital  
Washington, D. C.

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E.S.B.



J. RUSH STONER  
AUTHOR AND LECTURER

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# CHRISTIAN IDEALISM

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11088-MASSACHUSETTS AVE., CAMBRIDGE, MASS.--

1041 Grandview, Boulder, Colo., October 28, '32.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
Carnegie Foundation,  
522 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Dear Mr. Flexner:

I am wondering if there might be an opportunity for me to settle down to concentrated effort in the teaching of philosophy and religion in the Institution that is to be located in or near Princeton, of which you are the Director. I understand that Einstein is to be there in the department of Mathematics. I have specialized in Philosophy and Religion with a similar compass and magnitude to that of Einstein, only I have not the publicity that Einstein and some others have. I am author of many volumes, the most recent of which are devoted to the Philosophy of History, approached from the legal, aesthetic, prophetic, evangelistic, logical motives and Final Purposiveness. Have also two branch works treating of Creative Idealism and Epistemology. Have planned to write a Systematic Metaphysics, but just now so close to finishing my large work on Epistemology, am undecided whether or not to write a work on Metaphysics. I have been fond of writing long poems of more or less religious and aesthetic significance. And have used the dramatic method of expression to demonstrate knowledge and faith, more technically presented in thesis form by my philosophical works.

My studies have been based on the philosophy of George Trumbull Ladd, Royce, Santayana, Peabody, Warfield, Origen, Fenelon, Malebranche, John Calvin, and others of prevailing merit in the intellectual world. I have studied at Yale Univ., Harvard Univ., and Princeton Theological Sem., with prescribed courses of the recent above mentioned. Have found studies pertaining to the Philosophy of History very interesting, and have kept all philosophical conclusions in my writings carefully tested by Reality and revelation, both special and natural. Have also dealt much with Judgment and the Logic of Truth, relative to perception and conceptual experience, and have arranged a study treating of Eternal Purposiveness, which in a way prepares the way for my Epistemology. I have treated Epistemology in its relations with Being and Reality, and have avoided all the difficulties of the Kantian Dialectic, by my own way of treating knowledge and faith in their vital relations with Being and Reality, through the Spirit of Truth and Judgment considered proportionate for legal justice and eth-

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ical righteousness, in the study of Reason and Imagination believed to be the spiritual senses for apprehending the Universal Symmetry, and all relativity with articulate conceptions and perceptions of limiting particulars that constitute the logical systems of Synthetic Judgments. Have also made a most careful study of the English logicians, especially John Cook Wilson's Statement and Inference.

I am prepared to fill a position for teaching similar to that held and occupied by Ladd at Yale and Royce at Harvard. My self-representative system has high respect for the Individual, though my system of philosophy and religion centers Ideal States in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Have kept so close at work in preparation and execution of my literary works, that have not sought publicity beyond a venture of religious education and evangelism among the churches. Now I would like to settle down to teaching in real concentrated efforts on completing the final issues in philosophy, science, religion. Though Space and Time may be mental qualities, I believe in a real Space and a real Time, in the significance of Absolute Mathematics related to the conceptions of experience and the empirical sciences. The ontological values of True Being are related with laws of thought and the Judgments of Knowledge.

For both science and religion, the logical processes of knowledge are related with Ultimate Reality, and this significant test of truth is the guarantee, beyond all question or doubt, that laws and forms of conscious thought processes, based on eternal foundations and attracted by the predictive necessity of Ideal Perfection, constitute a world of consistent Reality that is true and beautiful and good. I have taken much delight in conceptions of Universal Symmetry, and of the logical doctrines relative to the laws of Pure Activity. That is, I believe in the Reality of the past in the permanence of the Present on the basis of the essential Activity of the Universal in all true thought processes. Am 57 years of age.

Yours very truly,

*J. Rush Stoner*

October 31, 1932

Dear Mr. Stoner:

I have your very kind favor of October 28. I regret very much to say that for the present the department of mathematics is the only department that will be organized. When we shall reach the realm of philosophy, I do not know, but I shall keep your letter on file, and I shall not lose sight of it.

With all good wishes and high regard,

I am

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. J. Rush Stoner  
1041 Grandview  
Boulder, Colorado

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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*Just Gen - Strathdee*

11 June 1957

Dear Mr. Strathdee:

Dr. Oppenheimer has asked me to thank you for your letter of June 7th, and to say that by this time of the year our appointments for the coming academic year have all been made, and our money and facilities committed. We are enclosing a copy of our informative booklet. If, at some future date, you would be interested in applying for membership, we should be glad to send you the necessary forms. It would be well to let us know before the Christmas preceding the academic year in which you wish to apply.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Mr. John Strathdee  
5 Park Street  
Cambridge, England

5 Park Street,  
Cambridge, England,  
June 7, 1957.

Dr. J. R. Oppenheimer,  
Princeton Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer,

I should like, if it is possible, to be considered for work next year as a research student under your supervision. My interest is in the interpretation of quantum theory and I believe a worthwhile Ph.D. project could be built around such a theme. I have included a rough description of the course of work I might follow.

I graduated in 1956 from McGill University in

mathematics and physics and since have spent a year at Cambridge studying quantum theory in general. I have included also some details on my background.

If you feel that such an enterprise could be undertaken profitably I would be grateful for the opportunity of working under you.

Yours respectfully,

John Strathdee.

In the three decades since the inception of the modern quantum theory, many objections have been raised against its common (the so-called Copenhagen) interpretation. Some of these were discussed recently by Heisenberg<sup>†</sup> (1955). In this article he suggests that most of the objectors either have not completely understood the Copenhagen Interpretation or else are motivated by the irrational desire to restore an objectively real world in the classical sense. This conclusion is in many cases undoubtedly valid. As a final judgement, however, I feel it is inadequate.

The literature treating of this controversy is sprinkled with charges and counter-charges, definitions of reality, and paradoxes with numerous explanations. Unfortunately, this material, though extensive (and possibly even exhaustive), is spread through many journals and books in several languages. The confusion is not relieved by the text-books, each of which expounds the author's own interpretation - be it supposedly orthodox or openly heretical.

My purpose then is to produce a volume in which all the serious arguments are examined and contrasted with one another. I believe that such an endeavour would serve well to clarify the basic assumptions involved in the Copenhagen Interpretation in addition to pointing up the nature of the disagreements among physicists.

The plan for my book is outlined below. The mathematical treatments, though rigorous, would not be extensive, since the main emphasis would be on logical and conceptual aspects of the problem rather than on any possible practical applications. Where advantageous, simple gedanken paradoxes would be described and then analysed from several points of view. Such considerations may be well adapted to illustrate the attitudes of different authorities.

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(†) Heisenberg, Niels Bohr and the Development of Modern Physics (Ed. W. Pauli).

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It is sometimes difficult to distinguish between the theoretical constructions of quantum theory and the basic experimental facts which the theory sets out to explain. In particular, the notions of indeterminacy and complementarity lie in this no man's land between 'physics' and mathematics or - perhaps more accurately - between experiment and hypothesis. One of the principal objectives of my book would be to set out the critical experimental evidence and to examine the logical force of the arguments which lead to such concepts. Thus the first three chapters would be devoted to the inductive approaches to quantum theory.

The next two chapters would survey the mathematical formulations of the theory. These would be developed rigorously from axiomatic bases; the developments would be purely formal as it is not my purpose to apply the theory to practical situations. This survey would be useful in comparing the relative merits of opposed approaches to quantum theory and also in the following discussions of the measurement process.

The next four chapters which make up Part III would be devoted to a thorough examination of the observational process in its logical, conceptual, and mathematical aspects. The plan for this part of the book is set out in some detail in the outline below.

Recent developments and possible directions of future development would be the subject of Part IV. I am, as yet, unclear as to the exact form or even content of these chapters. I think, however, that such a compilation as I have indicated in the outline might be of some value.

On the following pages are an outline of the form of the book and a list of personal details concerning my qualifications for undertaking the work.



## Part I The Physical Background

### Chapter 1: Early Experiments and Paradoxes

The evidence for discrete energy levels; the problem of the stability of atoms, the necessity of quantum jumps ..etc. Planck's work, Einstein's specific heat work, the Franck-Hertz experiment. The Bohr atom.

The Stern-Gerlach experiment and space quantization, the spin problem.

Evidence for the wave-particle dualism; the photoelectric effect, the Compton effect, the Davisson-Germer experiment, Einstein's 1917 treatment of black-body radiation.

### Chapter 2: The Departure from the Classical Programme

The relative merits of the various logical and conceptual attitudes to the problems set forth in Chapter 1.

The rational approach; traditional views on the ultimate goal of physics (Einstein, Schroedinger).

The empirical approach: the liquidation of 'metaphysical superstructure' with the aid of hypothetical experiments (Bohr, Heisenberg, Reichenbach, Margenau etc.)

Recent attempts to justify the superstructure; denial of the empirical approach (de Broglie, Bohm).

### Chapter 3: The Basic Physical Assumptions

The Copenhagen Interpretation; the Indeterminacy, Complementarity, and Correspondence Principles; the renunciation of a unique model...etc.

The search for more 'reasonable' assumptions; Landé's development from the principles of continuity of energy and entropy.

Causal theories, the assumption of hidden parameters.

Comparison of the above outlooks with respect to physical reasonableness, closeness of correlation with empirical reality, and conceptual elegance...etc.

## Part II The Mathematical Formulations

### Chapter 4: The Standard Quantum Theory

The axiomatic basis, Hilbert Space, state vectors, operators...etc. The Born postulate. Equations of motion: Schroedinger, Dirac, etc.

Formal development, the transformation theory, angular momentum, spin, the conservation laws...etc.

Second quantization and the wave-particle dualism, quantum statistics and the exclusion principle.

## Chapter 5: Alternative Developments

Landé's approach; fractional equality of states, constant density in phase space. A brief development on this basis to the point where it becomes equivalent to Ch.4.

Bohm's theory; the fluctuating wave field...etc. A brief development and a comparison with Chapter 4. Connections with de Broglie's pilot waves.

General considerations on the relative merits of the above theories. A representative cross-section of opinion would be included here.

## Part III The Observational Process

### Chapter 6: The Subject-Object Relation

The views of Bohr, Heisenberg, and various members of the Copenhagen School.

The views of Einstein and the 'Causal' School.

The views of other physicists and philosophers which do not fit into the above two groups.

### Chapter 7: The Significance of Statistical Ensembles in Quantum Theory

The Born postulate and the Copenhagen view, the distinction between the 'objective' pure state and the partially 'subjective' mixed state. Reduction of wave packets...etc.

Alternative views; the necessity for a more complete description...etc. Some of Einstein's paradoxes might be included here together with alternative explanations.

### Chapter 8: The Mathematical Theory of Measurement

The standard treatment of von Neumann, the density matrix, correlated systems...etc.

Wiener's approach.

Bohm's approach; the possibility of precise measurement.

### Chapter 9: Von Neumann's Theorem and the Indeterminacy Principle

The possibility of a supplementary causal interpretation, appended to the Copenhagen description of the wave function. The domain of validity of von Neumann's proof that this is not possible. Criticisms by Bohm and others.

The significance of Indeterminacy, a comparison of the views of various authorities. The interdependence of von Neumann's Theorem and the Indeterminacy Principle.

Part IV Recent Developments (?)

Chapter 10: Quantum Field Theory, the Covariant Formulations

This chapter would contain a skeletal development of the modern theories: the S-matrix, the Feynman-Dyson and Schwinger formalisms. A discussion of the divergences and the renormalization procedures: opinions.

Chapter 11: General Considerations

Einstein's views on 'reality' and the attempts to set up singularity-free covariant equations.

The hidden variables approach and its role in pointing new directions.

Views of modern theoreticians on possible paths of development, fundamental length...etc.

Personal Details

Name: John Alexander Strathdee

Date of Birth: November 19, 1936.

Citizenship: United States of America.

Early Education: In San Francisco and in British Columbia.

University: B.Sc. (1st class, 1956) from McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

One year of post-graduate study at Cambridge.

Scholarships etc.

Faculty Scholarship (McGill) 1953-54

University Scholarship (McGill) 1954-56

Royal Canadian Institute Scholarship 1955-56

- Awarded annually to a fourth year student (in a scientific subject) at a Canadian university.

Moyse Travelling Scholarship (McGill) 1956-57

Gold Medal for Mathematics and Physics 1956.

Subjects Studied:

At McGill I took the regular undergraduate curriculum in mathematics and physics. This involved, in particular, courses in: modern algebra, tensor calculus, analysis (real and complex variable theory and some set theory), mathematical physics (including some wave mechanics and quantum statistical mechanics), hydrodynamics, advanced classical mechanics, electromagnetic theory, atomic physics, radioactivity, optics, thermodynamics, and general properties of matter.

On arriving at Cambridge I began as a research student in solid state physics (working on a problem in cohesion of metals under Professor Mott). Thus, I spent the autumn term studying the properties of electrons in metals. Through this I became interested in the interpretation of quantum theory. In the meantime I was attending Professor Dirac's lectures on quantum mechanics and Mr. Hamilton's lectures on the elements of quantum field theory. I have since been studying more advanced field theory including renormalization. I have also, of course, been reading various authors on the interpretation of quantum theory.

4-22-65

Miss Kimbler at the Ford Foundation called to say that the Volkswagen representatives accepted RO's invitation for lunch and meeting, Apr 29th, and wondered if it would be all right for the three women (2 wives, 1 English-speaking secretary) to have lunch here also. We agreed that if she did not hear from Mrs. Hobson it would be assumed that it would be perfectly satisfactory for all to have lunch here at the Institute.

There will be 6 men and 3 women, arriving by car at 12:00 noon. Miss Kimbler will mail us a list of names. Her phone is Ford Fdn PL 1-2900, Ext 461.

\* with pleasure

To thank you for  
your kindness and sympathy  
at a time when it was  
deeply appreciated

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer,

I deeply appreciate your kind message of sympathy. Your friendly words of understanding were a great comfort to me.

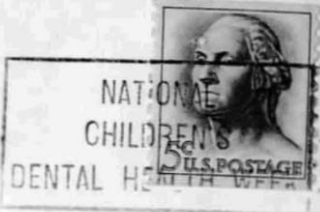
My thanks to you and all at The Institute For Advanced Study for the beautiful plant

you sent to the hospital.  
Henry was so happy  
and so appreciative.  
It was a great comfort  
to both of us to see this  
token of friendship  
and I send my  
many thanks.

Sincerely,  
Betty M. Stratton

Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>





Dr. Robert Oppenheimer  
The Institute For Advanced Study  
Olden Lane  
Princeton, New Jersey

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33 Dogwood Lane

Princeton, N.J.

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29 November 1963

Dear Mrs. Stratton:

On behalf of the Institute for Advanced Study and of his many friends there, and on my own behalf, I should like to send you a word of sympathy for you in the sudden and cruel death of your husband.

With good wishes,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mrs. Henry M. Stratton II  
44 Meritt Drive  
Trenton, New Jersey

*Straus, Erwin*

March 11, 1946

Dr. Erwin Straus  
The Henry Phipps Clinic  
The Johns Hopkins Hospital  
Baltimore 5, Maryland

Dear Dr. Straus:

I thank you very much for your kind letter of March 8th. I was very glad to hear from you again but I regret to say that your information as to the committee to which I belong is not quite accurate. This committee is not a "Speaker's Committee," (lecture activities are very slight at the Institute any way), but a Standing Committee taking care of administrative matters during Dr. Aydelotte's stay abroad. In the absence of a department which could justifiably sponsor a lecture or discussion of the kind outlined in your letter, this Standing Committee did not feel that it could properly take any steps in the matter. Perhaps you could reopen the matter with Dr. Aydelotte after his return which is expected in May.

With best personal regards to you and Mrs. Straus from both myself and Mrs. Panofsky.

Sincerely yours,

EP:jsr

Just D. Straus

April 25, 1934

Dear Mr. Straus:

Thank you for yours of the 5th with its enclosure. I think you handled the matter with brevity and propriety. I have learned recently that Professor Einstein proposes to spend the summer somewhere on the New England coast.

The news which we have received most recently from Sara is good. Dr. Crowe tells me that he is very hopeful that they have finally cleared the sinus. Sara herself has both written and telegraphed us in an encouraging way.

Mrs. Flexner joins me in warmest greetings and best wishes to you and Mrs. Straus.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

To His Excellency  
The American Ambassador  
Embassy of the United States  
Paris, France

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EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Paris, April 5, 1934.

PERSONAL.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I am this morning in receipt of yours of the 27th ultimo in reply to mine of the 15th and have today, following your suggestion, written Mrs. Einstein as per enclosed copy.

I thank you for your prompt attention to my communication.

We hear that Sara is not doing well but from her the few letters that we have had indicate that she feels a little encouraged after all the operation she has had and that she seems to think that they have finally reached the seat of the trouble and that she may be cured. I certainly hope this is so because she has been as brave as could be and under the most trying circumstances.

Mrs. Straus joins me in kindest regards to you and Mrs. Flexner.

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director,  
THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Leon Levy", written over a diagonal line.

C O P Y

Paris, April 5, 1934.

My dear Mrs. Einstein:

I have carefully considered your letter to me under date of March 5th and regret exceedingly that I cannot comply with your request to discuss the matter of which you wrote with the Minister of Education. My relations are entirely with the Foreign Office.

Very truly yours,

(Signed): JESSE ISIDOR STRAUS.

Mrs. Albert Einstein,  
2, Library Place,  
Princeton, N. J.

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Jose J. Straus

March 27, 1934

Dear Mr. Straus:

I received yesterday your letter of March 15th with the enclosed copy of Mrs. Einstein's letter to you.

The situation is, as a matter of fact, as follows: In May 1932 I offered Professor Einstein a full-time professorship in the Institute for Advanced Study, which he accepted. After Hitler came into power Professor Einstein, who was then in Belgium, renounced his German citizenship. He had previously accepted an invitation, running for a limited number of years, to spend a few weeks annually at Oxford. Following the Hitler incident he was invited to accept a professorship at Madrid - involving residence for a month or six weeks - and shortly thereafter he received a similar invitation from the Ministry of Education to spend a month or six weeks in Paris. He accepted both; so that he was really a professor simultaneously at four institutions. When I read of these complications in the New York Times last summer I wrote him and his wife, in the kindest tone, that I felt sure he would find it impossible to discharge these obligations; but they thought otherwise; and I let the matter drop.

Professor and Mrs. Einstein came to Princeton in October. I have never alluded in conversation with them to these outside engagements. For a



Ambassador Straus

March 27, 1934

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few weeks I attempted to protect them against newspaper and other publicity, but as they did not cooperate I dropped all efforts in that direction.

Professor and Mrs. Einstein have now come to see that I was right when I wrote them as I did last summer. He has resigned the Spanish chair, and has, I believe, informed the Oxford authorities that he cannot come to Oxford. He really wants to stay in America, though my private hunch is that Mrs. Einstein - partly on account of her children and partly for other reasons - desires to go abroad.

Your position is perfectly clear to me. I do not see how you can possibly do what Mrs. Einstein requests; nor do I see that her husband's safety is at all involved. I should, in your place, write her a brief, polite note informing her that you are accredited simply to the Foreign Office and that for that reason it is impossible for you to approach any member of a former government or any other member of the present government.

For my own part, I shall continue the "hands-off policy" which I have pursued since last fall. In dealing with unworldly people of this sort, who will not ask advice until they have gotten themselves into a mess, it is impossible to do anything that is really helpful.

I hope that you and your family are well, and that conditions in France may quiet down. There is, I think, no question that there has been a distinct improvement in America and that the strength of the administration is practically unimpaired.

I see Percy occasionally and have regular news from Sara. I am sorry that she is not doing as well as we had all hoped. She is undoubtedly the world's finest soldier.

Ambassador Straus

March 27, 1934

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With all good wishes to you and your family, in which Mrs. Flexner  
joins,

Always sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

To his Excellency  
The American Ambassador  
Embassy of the United States  
Paris, France

AF/LCE



EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Paris, March 15, 1934.

PERSONAL.

My dear Professor Flexner:

Yesterday afternoon I received a letter from Mrs. Albert Einstein, about which letter she says Professor Einstein knows nothing. Apparently Professor Einstein has an engagement to come here and lecture in April and his wife fears for his safety should he come here. She states that as Professor Einstein knows no fear, he would not on his own initiative cancel his obligation to come to Paris. She therefore requests me to see the Minister of Education and Mr. de Monzie, a former Minister of Education, to have either of them or both take the initiative to advise Professor Einstein against coming here.

I cannot very well take the steps that Mrs. Einstein asks me to. As Ambassador my relations are with the Foreign Office and not with the Minister of Education and it would seem to me, after consultation with two of my associates of long experience, that it would be entirely

inappropriate . . .

Professor Abraham Flexner,  
c/o INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES,  
Princeton, N. J.

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inappropriate for me to comply with Mrs. Einstein's request. Even were she or her husband American citizens I doubt the propriety of my interference in the matter and of the wisdom of my giving her or her husband any advice on the subject.

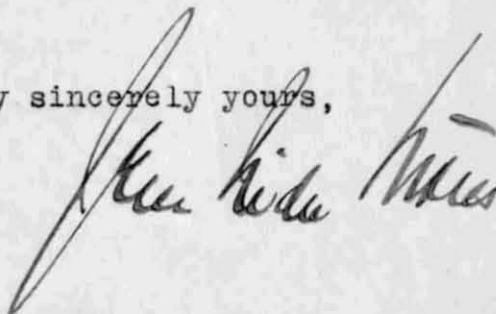
I am writing you because I fear Mrs. Einstein may misinterpret or misunderstand my reply to her. It is possible, though I hesitate to give even this advice, that you, with your influence, might get some action, if you wanted to, through M. de La Boulaye, the French Ambassador in Washington.

I do not know on what Mrs. Einstein bases her fears for her husband's safety. In that she is rather vague. At the moment Paris and, in fact, France are entirely quiet but nobody is able or willing to prophesy what the next month or six weeks will bring. There are many problems pressing for solution.

I am enclosing a copy of Mrs. Einstein's letter to me and am sending a copy of this letter and of Mrs. Einstein's to Percy.

I trust that you and your family are well and remain,  
with kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,



Enclosure.

COPY.

Princeton N.J., 5. März 1934  
2, Library Place

An den Botschafter der U.S.A.  
Herrn Jessie Straus  
P a r i s

Sehr verehrter Herr Straus:

Verzeihen Sie, dass ich Ihnen deutsch schreibe. Ich schreibe wohl auch englische Briefe, aber diese sind nicht ohne Fehler. Ich nehme an, dass Sie deutsch auch verstehn.

Ich schreibe Ihnen diese Zeilen aus einer gewissen Angst heraus. Mein Mann soll Anfangs April nach Paris kommen. Dort sind die Verhältnisse sehr unsicher. Es gärt und die Gemüter sind erregt. Mein Mann in seiner exponierten Stellung ist in einer sehr prekären Lage, wenn er jetzt dorthin kommt. Seine Antrittsvorlesung und überhaupt sein Aufenthalt dort werden wiederum der Anlass sein zu allen möglichen Diskussionen in allen möglichen Lagern, Nazis und Anti-Nazis.

Wäre es da nicht geraten, wenn Sie Fühlung nehmen würden mit dem Unterrichtsminister und auch mit de Monzie, der grosses Interesse für meinen Mann hat und sein Bestes will. Ich bitte Sie, dies nicht als Zumutung aufzufassen. Es ist der verzweifelte Ausweg einer verängstigten Frau, die für ihren Mann alles tun möchte, um Hindernisse aus dem Wege zu räumen.

Mein Mann selbst weiss nichts von meinem Vorgehen. Er würde es nicht einmal billigen. Er kennt keine Angst, aber ist es da nicht die Pflicht seiner Freunde, das für ihn zu tun, was ihn schützt? Wenn Sie meiner Meinung sind, so bitte ich Sie, mit dem Unterrichtsminister zu sprechen und zwar in diesem Sinne. Es geht aber nicht an, dass man meinen Mann bittet, dafür im Winter zu kommen. Denn von Oktober bis April ist er stets verpflichtet, in Princeton zu sein. Mein Mann hat grosse Sympathie für Frankreich und er würde selbst nie die Initiative ergreifen, dort für dieses Jahr abzulehnen. Aber der Minister kann es von sich aus tun, wenn er die grosse Verantwortung, die sein Aufenthalt dort mit sich bringen würde, ablehnen würde, in dem er ihm schreibt,

dass ....

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dass es besser wäre, wenn er seinen Aufenthalt noch mal verschieben würde.

Frankreich war seinerzeit, als der Umsturz in Deutschland kam, so überaus generös zu meinem Mann und hat diesen Lehrstuhl eigens für ihn geschaffen. Aber die Verhältnisse waren derart, dass er nicht riskieren konnte, nach Paris zu gehen. Und jetzt sind die Verhältnisse noch zugespitzter geworden und all seine Freunde, die in Paris leben, sehen mit Bangen diesem Besuch entgegen.

So lege ich die Angelegenheit in Ihre Hände, sofern Sie Interesse dafür haben. Aber ich habe eine grosse Bitte: die Presse darf sich der Sache nicht bemächtigen, sondern die Angelegenheit müsste streng vertraulich behandelt werden.

Seien Sie, verehrter Herr Straus, bedankt und bestens gegrüsst

von Ihrer

(Signed) ELSA EINSTEIN

(Mrs. Albert Einstein)

*S. Strauss*

May 2, 1935

Dear Mr. Strauss:

Your kind note came this morning and by a later mail your book entitled "American Opportunity". As I am about to take a short voyage, I shall carry the book with me and read it aboard ship. I shall be returning home within a few weeks and shall then write you or see you. Meanwhile, I am greatly flattered that you should have sent me a presentation copy.

With many thanks and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Samuel Strauss  
885 Park Avenue  
New York City

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB P.S.

I am sending you under separate cover the  
Bulletins of the Institute for Advanced Study.

A.F.

*May 2*  
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*E.F.*

885 PARK AVENUE,  
NEW YORK CITY.

May 1<sup>st</sup> 1935

Dear Dr. Flexner: -

I am sending you by  
mail a copy of my book  
American Opportunity - which  
has just been published and  
which I want very much to  
have you see. With it  
go my best warm regards.

Sincerely yours,  
Samuel Strauss

Dr. Abraham Flexner,



Streeten, P. P.

March 7, 1947

The Master  
Balliol College  
Oxford, England

Dear Sandie:

I have your letter of January 21st and have talked over Streeten's case with the members of our School of Economics. He sounds like the kind of man whom we should like to have here but he ought first to take his doctor's degree or at least get some experience in research. The fact is that we are not in a position to deal with post-graduate students. We can offer excellent opportunities for men who have the doctor's degree or who have done enough research so that they are independent of teaching and of too much direction. We are making some inquiries at the Princeton University Graduate School and it may well be that that would be the right place for Streeten. I will let you know what we are able to learn.

Yours sincerely,

FA:jar

*Aydelotte*

*Stewart*  
*for the man*  
*afforded*  
*to*

FROM THE MASTER,  
BALLIOL COLLEGE,  
OXFORD.

January 21st, 1947.

Dear Aydelotte,

My colleague Dr. Balogh tells me he has recommended for a studentship at the Institute for Advanced Studies a man of ours, P.P. Streeten.

He came to us in 1944 with very high commendations from the University of Aberdeen. He was originally an Austrian and had been at the University of Vienna. He has been doing Modern Greats here and has had such uniformly brilliant reports that we have made him an honorary scholar, a very rare thing for us to do. I coached him myself for some time during the war, and I have seldom known a man of such ability and power. He is also a man of very high character and I can commend him very highly.

Yours sincerely,

*Sandi Lindsay*

*Streeten is the man*  
*enough to be a candidate*  
*for the President's Scholarship*  
*his connection with the University*  
*W.P.*

President F. Aydelotte,  
Institute for Advanced Studies,  
Princeton,  
New Jersey.

*Inst. Gen. Struss*

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INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE  
ST. PAUL 1, MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF DAIRY HUSBANDRY

February 25, 1960

Institute for Advanced Study  
University of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Could you please tell me where I could obtain a copy of the Charter and By-laws under which the Institute of Advanced Study was established. I would also like to know what changes have been necessary since the establishment of the original Charter.

*note saying none in charter*

Any help will be greatly appreciated.

*3/8/60*

Sincerely yours,

*Herbert E. Struss*

Herbert E. Struss

HES:JS

*Ans. app. to  
4-14  
May 17*

*Will*

*Stuart, D. C.*

*JAS.*

*b.f.  
Stuart*

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

April 12, 1948

Dear Mr. Stuart:

Thank you for your good letter of April 8th. Dr. Oppenheimer will give your suggestions careful consideration, and we shall try to arrange an appointment in the near future so that you may discuss them in more detail.

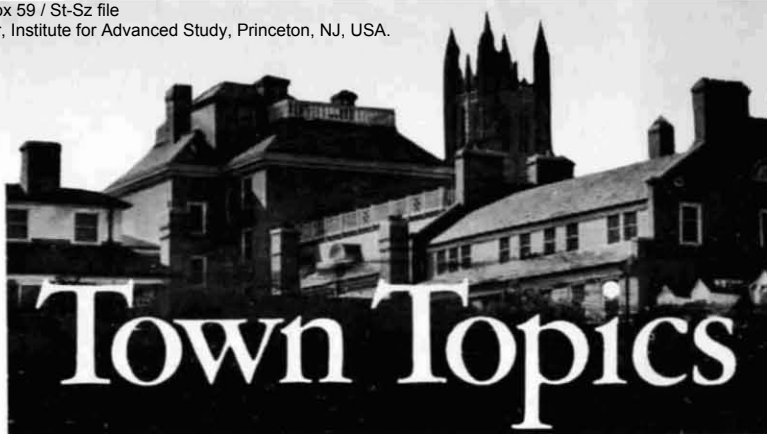
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April 8, 1948

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

It has occurred to me over a period of time that the Institute for Advanced Study might benefit from the services of someone in a position to handle its press and public relations. The problems that frequently arise can become quite complex in this field, and yet careful attention to their solution invariably brings beneficial results.

I am sure that you have given some thought to the matter since becoming director of the Institute last October, and no doubt the past six months have provided you with first-hand knowledge of the various aspects of news coverage here. If you have reached even a broad conclusion that certain problems remain to be solved, possibly I can be of assistance.

As background information, may I say that I have had more than fifteen years of journalistic experience in Princeton and New York. After "majoring" in journalism at Princeton insofar as it is possible to do so in a liberal arts college, I worked successively with the Gallup Poll, edited a weekly newspaper, handled publicity for an association of more than fifty Eastern colleges and served as a correspondent for half a dozen metropolitan dailies.

At present, I direct the distribution of educational motion pictures at the Princeton Film Center and, with my brother-in-law, Dan Coyle, publish TOWN TOPICS. However, feeling that I am quite familiar with Princeton and the field of journalism and publicity, I am planning to devote my entire time to such work. In this respect, part-time service to the Institute in the field of public relations would be a possibility I should be very glad to discuss with you at your convenience.

Just a few of the services that have come to my mind are periodic press releases on unusual accomplishments of Institute members; liaison ser-

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vice between them and the press when the latter makes specific inquiries, with the opportunity for turning aside effectively those of little or no value; advance planning and press relations at conferences and seminars which are either sponsored by the Institute or in which prominent Institute members take part; and possibly a broader campaign in public relations right here in Princeton, which the Institute has chosen as its home and whose residents are its permanent neighbors.

This brief listing may include some points that do not coincide with your plans, and may very possibly omit others. I have merely sought to lay the groundwork for a brief personal discussion which would be of value if your thinking lies somewhat along similar lines.

Regardless of the outcome, I look forward to such a meeting with much pleasure.

Sincerely yours,

*Donald C. Stuart, Jr.*

Donald C. Stuart, Jr.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

June 15, 1936

Department of Classics

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I should be charmed to see you any time Wednesday morning at which your engagements permit. Myself, I hope to be free from official duties after to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon.

I am very happy, indeed, at the interest you have expressed concerning Norden. Aside from his many published works, this is what I know about him or have found out. He was born in 1868; is both doct. theol. and doct. philol. Most of his teaching career has been spent at Berlin, though he held professorships in earlier years at Griefswald and Breslau. His address as given in the last number of "Wer Ists" is Berlin-Lichterfelde W, Karlstrasse 26. We philologists reverence him as a very great scholar. He has written book after book of first importance and the number of his articles is legion. He has the reputation of being a veritably enthralling lecturer. I have never met him, although he has crossed a sword or two with some of my ideas in print. There are few German humanists who are as well known in England, France, and America as is he.

I have not been able to ascertain the New York address of his son. All I know is that a Mr. Kremer or Kraemer, who is in the employ of a New York firm, Th. Goldschmidt, manufacturers of electrical apparatus, is a friend of the younger Norden. This information came to me from Professor David Magie, who met Mr. Kremer when this gentleman was in Princeton recently.

I am sending this to your Princeton office.  
With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

*Duane Reed Stuart*

150 East 72nd Street  
New York City

June 10, 1936

Dear Professor Stuart:

I was very much interested in your letter of June 9.

I shall write Lowe to pursue the matter with both Bowra and Fraenkel, and I shall keep you informed as to the results if you will let me have your address for the summer.

Do you know the address of Norden's son? If so, will you be good enough to let me have it, and I will endeavor to see him in person? If not, do you know Norden's German address? If he has suffered compulsory retirement, I am sure he will be glad to come to this country, provided it does not involve a sacrifice of his pension. I do not myself know him. Can you give me an approximate idea as to his age and any other data that would be likely to be of use to me?

I expect to go to Princeton Tuesday night, June 16, so that I could see you early the next morning, if convenient to you. That afternoon I must go down to Baltimore where I shall be the rest of the week.

I shall be very happy indeed if we can initiate our cooperation in the classical field in the happy way you suggest.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Professor Duane Reed Stuart  
Princeton University  
Princeton, N. J.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER



Haverford Court  
Haverford, Penna.

June 9, 1936

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

Your letter reached me just on the eve of my departure for a two days' sojourn in these regions, whether my wife and I have come to witness the graduation of my younger daughter from the Shipley School. I hasten to reply, in order that you may be assured how delighted I am that the Institute is able to persuade Bowra and Chaenkel to come to Princeton for a term of residence. The Department of Classics will share my own pleasure.

Your <sup>Residence</sup> ~~visit~~ has emboldened

~~advised~~ studies has tempted me to make.

I shall return to Princeton to-morrow  
when I shall be - save for an absence  
extending from June 17-21 - until the latter  
half of the month and I shall be at your  
service in case you should care to hear more  
about Norden.

With apologies for this autographic letter,  
I am,

Yours very cordially,

Wm. Reed Stewart

Latin scholarship, in America to  
have him for a term under the  
aegis of the Institute. Even school  
teachers have heard of his great  
edition of Seneca and his  
book on the Fourth Book of  
Virgil.

I have been told that, when  
Nordens was unfrocked, so I speak,  
he was pensioned. But perhaps  
arrangements could be made. He  
has a son resident in New  
York, I believe, a fact that might  
commend I think residence with  
us.

This is only a suggestion  
which your kind interest in fortune

me to inquire whether you would have any interest in approaching Eduard Norden with reference to next year, since the others are well worth waiting for until 1938. Norden, as you are doubtless aware, is coming over for the Hawaii Celebration, to lecture and to receive a degree. I am credibly informed that his connection with The University of Berlin has been more or less gently discontinued by the Nazi government.

Norden is an alder Fraenkel a scholar of the most eminent distinction. Much of his work has been in fields in which I am interested and it would be a great thing for

New York City  
June 6, 1936

Dear Professor Stuart:

I have a letter from Professor Lowe, who has spoken to both Bowra and Fraenkel. He reports to me that they would both be delighted to come to Princeton for as much as half a year, or as nearly so as possible, but would not be able to do so until the autumn of 1938. My own feeling is that they are both apparently first-rate men and it would be worth waiting on them. I wonder how you feel about it.

For the present I am in New York, mainly because the dentist, whom I have been neglecting, insists upon it, but I shall pay another visit to Princeton before the month closes. A note from you on the subject of Bowra and Fraenkel, addressed to me at 150 East 72nd Street, New York City, would enable me to write Lowe without unnecessary delay.

With deep appreciation of your cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Duane R. Stuart  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MGE

*Swat.*

# *Students for Federal World Government*

626½ Library Place  
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July 22, 1946

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate it very much if, at your earliest convenience, you would mail us the names of all your foreign students--past, present, and those who are planning to attend school in the fall. The procurement of these names is vitally important to our work.

Students for Federal World Government is a movement whose prime objective is to develop a fundamental peace education and action program. It is very important to the effectiveness of this work that we have all the names and addresses of the foreign students in this country.

Thank you very much for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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September 29, 1952

Dear Mr. Steinberg:

Thank you for your letter of September 23rd to Dr. Oppenheimer. The photograph you ask about appeared in Life Magazine in an article about the Institute, dated December 29, 1947. The pictures were taken by Alfred Eisenstaedt of Pix, Inc., New York. In the past it has been possible to obtain prints of the photo by writing to the Picture Editor of Life, to ask their permission for reproducing the photo, and to find out how to go about obtaining a print. We ourselves could not give you permission to reproduce the photo, and we no longer have prints available. I believe that Pix charges about \$2.00 for a print. I hope this will in some way be helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Russell,  
Secretary to the Director

Mr. Samuel Steinberg  
Department of Social Studies  
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345 East 15th St.  
New York 3, N. Y.

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Sept. 23, 1952

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer  
Institute for Advanced Studies  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

I am preparing an American history textbook for high school seniors and am seeking appropriate illustrations. Some time ago a photo appeared (I don't remember where) of Dr. Einstein and yourself. Its representation of master-disciple relationship makes this photo extremely desirable. Would it be possible for me to get a glossy print? Of course, proper acknowledgment would be made.

Sincerely yours,  
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November 11, 1946

Officer in Charge  
Immigration and Naturalization Service  
U. S. Department of Justice  
San Francisco, California

Gentlemen:

I wish to report to you the departure of Dr. Peng-  
Wang Sun who left the Institute for Advanced Study a  
week or so after his arrival here on October 9th.  
Dr. Sun left to continue his studies in mathematics  
at New York University.

Yours very truly,

Jane S. Richardson  
Assistant Secretary

Copy to Miss Blake

C O P Y

International House  
500 Riverside Drive  
New York City

October 31, 1946

Professor Frank Aydelotte  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 24th inst. was cordially received. I am exceedingly sorry to say that I shall be unable to accept your kind invitation because of commitments elsewhere.

With heartiest thanks for the trouble you have taken on my behalf.

Yours respectfully,

PENG-WANG SUN

Copy to Miss Miller  
Miss Blake

October 24, 1946

Dr. Peng-Wang Sun  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Sun:

On the recommendation of the Faculty of the School of Mathematics it gives me great pleasure to invite you to membership in the Institute for the academic year 1946-1947, and to say that we are indeed happy to have you here as a member of our Institute group.

I apologize for my oversight in not having written you a letter earlier. We were all of us so occupied with the various details connected with your journey to Princeton that this completely slipped my mind.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:jsr

Copy to Miss Blake  
Miss Miller

October 22, 1946

Officer in Charge  
Immigration and Naturalization Service  
U. S. Department of Justice  
San Francisco, California

Gentlemen:

I regret that through pressure of work I have neglected to report to you the arrival of Dr. Peng-Wang Sun at the Institute for Advanced Study on October 9, 1946. Dr. Sun entered the United States at San Francisco on September 14, 1946 under Government Official Visa No. 24 issued at Nanking, China on August 12, 1946. Dr. Sun is a member of the School of Mathematics of the Institute and is engaged in post-doctorate research in higher mathematics. Dr. Sun was born at Kanyon, Kiangsu, China on January 15, 1915 and his Princeton address is 12 Stockton Street. Inquiries concerning Dr. Sun may be addressed to the Chinese Ambassador, Washington, D. C.

Yours very truly,

Jane S. Richardson  
Assistant Secretary

Copy to Miss Blake

*Gift for New York University*

Arrival reported to Immigration and Naturalization Service, San Francisco, October 22, 1946.

Departure reported to Immigration and Naturalization Service, San Francisco, November 11, 1946. Date *Oct. 9, 1946.*

Full name *Peng Naug Sun.*

College or university, degrees, year conferred *In the year 1937 I received Bachelor of Science from Nankai University in Tientsin, China. 1937*

Date and place of birth *I was born at Kanyou, Kiangsu, China in Jan. 15, 1915.*

Citizenship *China.* Married or single *Married.*

If foreign, under what kind of visa did you enter the United States? *Govt. Official (Sec 3.1)*

Visa No. *24* Place and date of issue *Aug. 12 ~~Sept. 4~~ 1946 at Nanking*

When does it expire? *Aug. 12/47*

When and where did you enter the United States? *On Sept. 14, 1946 admitted at San Francisco.*

Entry permit expires when? *On Sept. 14, 1946.*

Princeton home address *12 Stockton St., Princeton* Telephone *348-W*

Permanent address *Chunkiang, Kiangsu Province, China. 17, Chauhang*

Person to notify in case of emergency, with address *Chinese Ambassador, Washington, D.C.*

Honors and societies

Positions you have held, giving dates, or are holding (including any graduate scholarships and fellowships)

*During the period from 1937 to 1943 I was assistant in National Southwestern Associated University in Kunmin, China. From 1943 to 1945 I was promoted to the instructorship and in 1946 promoted to lectureship in the same university.*

Publications (Please give title and reference in full, with Vol. No., year, and page numbers.)

- 1. Geometry of differential equations  $y^{(n)} = f(x, y, y', y'', \dots, y^{(n-1)})$ .*
- 2. On the Poincare's groups of homogeneous spaces.*
- 3. On the symmetric Riemannian spaces of symplectic involutions and anti-involutions (Symplectic Geometry).*

*All the above papers are unpublished, but the last two are carried to Princeton and are still in draft form.*

*Field of work at Inst. Differential equations or Representations of continuous groups.*

*Financial support of Chinese Govt.*

MEMORANDUM

TO Miss Miller and Switchboard

Date October 9, 1946

FROM Jane S. Richardson

Member of School of Mathematics, First term 1946-1947

Dr. Peng-wang Sun (M\*), 12 Stockton Street - tel. 348-W



*Superintendent of Documents*

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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Sincerely yours,

Katherine Russell,  
Secretary to the Director

December 15, 1936

Dear Mr. Sussman:

I have your inquiry of December 14. Inasmuch as Dean Eisenhart, head of the Graduate School of Princeton University, administers the requirements for the Master of Arts degree at Princeton and is also thoroughly familiar with everything that is done in the School of Mathematics at the Institute, I am forwarding your letter to him for reply. I am sure that he will answer you clearly and promptly.

I have also pleasure in sending you a copy of the most recent bulletin of the Institute for Advanced Study.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. William Sussman  
1120 John Jay Hall  
Columbia University  
New York City

AF/MCE

Sutro

February 1, 1933

Dear Mrs. Sutro:

Mrs. Fuld has handed me your note of January 26. Inasmuch as I have consistently declined to ask Professor Einstein to do anything, I do not see how I can possibly make an exception in this case, much as I should like to do so. I am, however, sending you under separate cover a copy of some collected writings of Professor Einstein on the subject of international peace. Why would it not serve your purpose to make any extracts from this volume that you please and use them as expressing Professor Einstein's views?

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mrs. Lionel Sutro  
115 Central Park West  
New York, N. Y.

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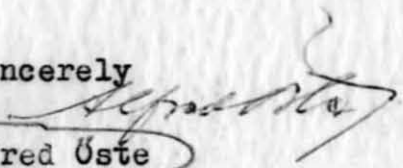
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Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton.

The other day I had the pleasure of visiting Princeton and meeting my countryman, dr Joh Lindberg, who is connected with the Institute. He gave me lots of good information but for further knowledge I should appreciate very much if you were kind enough ~~and~~ send me some pamphlets or smaller books about your famous institution. I intend to write about it in my paper and I am grateful for every information.

Sincerely



Alfred Öste

Foreign Editor of the Svenska  
Dagbladet, Stockholm.

Address: The Svenska <sup>la</sup> Dagbladet, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York.

January 20, 1940

Director Lyman J. Briggs  
National Bureau of Standards  
U. S. Department of Commerce  
Washington, D. C.

Re: V-8 ERS:GFH

Dear Mr. Briggs:

Please pardon my delay in answering your letter of November 21. I found so many new problems at the Institute that I have only recently gotten around to consideration of your suggestion that we try to make a place for Dr. Wojciech Swietoslowski.

I have spoken about Dr. Swietoslowski to one or two people and received the most flattering reports as to his qualifications. I regret to say, however, that it seems to me impossible that we could offer him any kind of position, however temporary, at the Institute for Advanced Study at this moment. We have not entered the field of chemistry, and the work which we have already begun here is going so well as to need all the support which we can supply from our present resources. It seems clear that our correct policy is to do as thoroughly as possible the subjects we have undertaken rather than to expand into new fields, at least until our endowment is larger.

For this reason I regret to say that it is impossible for us to offer Dr. Swietoslowski an appointment at this time.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

FA/MCE



## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS

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ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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ERS:GFH

November 21, 1939

IN YOUR REPLY  
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V-8

Dr. Frank Aydelotte, Director,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Doctor Aydelotte:

Among the Cabinet Members of the Government of Poland who were forced to leave that country is Dr. Wojciech Swietoslowski, the Minister of Education.

Dr. Swietoslowski is a Vice-President of the Bureau of the International Union of Chemistry, President of the Committee for Physico-Chemical Data and Member and former President of the Committee for Thermochemistry of the International Union, Professor of Physical Chemistry at the Warsaw Polytechnic Institute, author of several textbooks, including "Ebulliometry" (American Edition by the Chemical Publishing Company, New York City, 1937), "Chemia fizyczna" (in four volumes, Warsaw), and "Thermochimie." The Jubilee Number of Roczniki Chemji, vol. 18, pp. 289-929 (1938), issued in his honor, gives a biographical sketch of Professor Swietoslowski and lists 305 of his publications and 15 patents issued to him. He is 58 years old and is an eminent scientific thinker and lecturer with a democratic and inspiring personality.

Professor Swietoslowski is not content to stay idle in Roumania until hostilities cease, and has requested aid in locating a position in this country where he can continue his work for the International Union of Chemistry and pursue his scientific studies. He states that he is "without his family" and requires only "minimum existence conditions." It is my understanding that he has in mind such a position for the duration of the war. He is known personally to Professors James F. Norris (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Roger Adams (University of Illinois), Marsten T. Bogert (Columbia University), Dr. Atherton Seidell (National Institute of Health), and many others in this country.

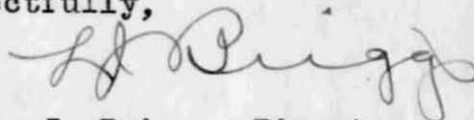
Would you have in your Institute something to offer to him?

Professor Swietoslowski's address is:

Baile Herculane, Hotel Ferdinand 10,  
jud. Severin, Roumania

As you doubtless know, a member of a learned profession is not subject to the quota restrictions on immigration. However, to obtain a visa it is necessary to have an offer of an educational position and permission of the authorities of both Roumania and the United States. For this reason, any offer should be made in triplicate: one to Professor Swietoslowski, one to the Embassy for Poland in Bucharest, and one to the Embassy for the United States in Bucharest.

Respectfully,



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Dear Professor Swann:

Your kind invitation to Professor Einstein has come to me as a matter of routine. I had a talk with Dr. McClenahan, and I think he both understands and approves the course we are pursuing.

I am enclosing copy of a letter which I have just written to Mr. Fels. I hope that I can arrange that when the excitement over Einstein has subsided it may be possible for him to do such things as you suggest, things that he dearly loves, without taking any precautions at all. But for the present I feel sure he is wise to heed the suggestions which I received in Washington, that he should remain quietly in Princeton.

With warm appreciation and high regards,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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## ASSOCIATION FOR SYMBOLIC LOGIC

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### THE JOURNAL OF SYMBOLIC LOGIC

*Editors:*

ALONZO CHURCH  
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*Managing Editor:*

C. A. BAYLIS

May 22, 1936.

Dear Colleagues:

From an announcement mailed last December to all the members of the American Mathematical Society, you have doubtless learned of the formation of the Association for Symbolic Logic. The organization of this association has proceeded as then outlined; and the first number of the new periodical, the "Journal of Symbolic Logic" has just appeared. On this occasion I am appealing to you for support of the enterprise.

The term "symbolic logic", which appears in the title of the Association is to be taken in a broad sense; sufficiently so, indeed, to include all studies of the Foundations of Mathematics. As such it should interest all mathematicians. Indeed it is a generally accepted principle that the investigation of the foundations of any science should go hand in hand with its extensive growth. That this principle is applicable to mathematics is shown by the attention given to fundamentals by such men as Hilbert, Brouwer, Dedekind, and Poincaré'.

Nevertheless there has been, among mathematicians at large, a certain slowness in recognizing this principle. Perhaps this is due to the prolix or trivial character of some of the writings published under the name of mathematical foundations. But it would be a mistake to suppose that the entire subject is of that character. The fundamental importance for mathematics of the issue between Hilbert and Brouwer has been generally recognized, as is proved by the number of expository articles by noted mathematicians on that topic. Moreover the researches of a school of more recent specialists in the field are gradually transforming our whole conception of mathematics. The work of these men is neither prolix nor trivial. The famous result of Goedel, for example, has been so generally discussed that it is doubtless known to all of you; there is also an equally astonishing theorem of Herbrand. Furthermore, the problems which these men are tackling are as difficult as those elsewhere considered; a problem whose solution is equivalent to the proof or disproof of the Last Theorem of Fermat has recently been exhibited. In fact, Mathematical Logic is fast becoming a serious and important branch of mathematics; and its advancement can be of considerable benefit to mathematics as a whole. It deserves support and encouragement from every mathematician, whether he wishes to make a special study of it or not.

The present association will help the study of Mathematical Foundations not only by providing additional facilities for publication or really worth-while contributions, but also by providing a meeting ground for mathematicians and philosophers. Logic is one of these

subjects which is handicapped by having to straddle a chasm. Anything which will bring mathematicians and philosophers closer together will benefit both. Although there is a fundamental difference in point of view between a mathematician and a philosopher, yet some philosophers, from Descartes and Leibniz down, have made real contributions to mathematics; and mathematics is capable of exercising a profound influence of Philosophy. Mathematics will benefit both by what it receives and by what it gives.

Let us therefore have your active support in this enterprise. It certainly will be of great value to mathematical logic, and so to mathematics itself; and it can help to extend the influence of mathematics in other fields. Since the number of persons working in the field of mathematical logic is not large, the aid which you can give to the development of the subject by becoming a member of the Association is greatly needed. If you are willing to help in this way, you will find a convenient form below.

Haskell B. Curry  
Vice-President  
(Department of Mathematics,  
Pennsylvania State College,  
State College, Pa.)

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Professor C. A. Baylis, Secretary-Treasurer  
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C. A. BAYLIS

June 1, 1936.

Miss Esther S. Bailey, Secretary  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Miss Bailey:

May I take this opportunity to express to the Institute for Advanced Study the appreciation of the Association for Symbolic Logic for the generous support it is lending to the publication of the Journal of Symbolic Logic by taking out an institutional contributing subscription of \$25.00.

Sincerely yours,

*C. J. Ducasse*

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THE important bearings of symbolic or mathematical logic on certain aspects both of mathematics and of philosophy have become increasingly recognized in recent years and interest in the subject has been growing correspondingly among both philosophers and mathematicians. The articles that have been published in this field, however, have been rather widely scattered, some appearing in periodicals not found in the libraries of most institutions, or in periodicals not commonly read by both mathematicians and philosophers. Both philosophical and mathematical journals, moreover, being already pressed for space, have in many cases accepted articles on symbolic logic only with some reluctance, as being of interest to but a limited portion of their readers.

It is believed that a journal specially devoted to studies in symbolic or mathematical logic and questions immediately related thereto would remedy this situation and would tend to bring more closely together, and thereby to stimulate, the mathematicians and philosophers working in this field. A group of interested persons therefore decided some time ago to found an Association for Symbolic Logic, having as its object the furtherance of studies in that field, chiefly through support of a periodical devoted to the purpose.

The plan is for a quarterly journal, to be called "The Journal of Symbolic Logic," the size of which would be determined by the amount of acceptable material submitted for publication and by the number and amount of the membership fees and subscriptions received. However, issues averaging some forty-eight pages each are contemplated to begin with. The first number is expected to appear during the first half of 1936.

The editors are to be Professor Alonzo Church, of the department of mathematics at Princeton University, and Professor C. H. Langford, of the department of philosophy at the University of Michigan.

Contributions submitted for publication should be sent either to Professor Church at Princeton, or to Professor Langford (who is in Europe this academic year) in care of Professor A. E. Duncan-Jones, University of Birmingham, England.

In addition to articles, it is planned to publish, in instalments through the first few numbers of the journal, a full bibliography of symbolic logic from Leibniz's *De Arte Combinatoria* to the present. It is also planned to list in each number of the journal all books and articles on symbolic logic that have appeared since the previous number, with a brief signed review of each.

Whether or not yourself working in the field of logic, you are invited to lend your active support to the proposed journal by becoming a member of the Association for Symbolic Logic. Members will receive free of charge the journal that the Association publishes. The dues for the several classes of membership are as follows:

Ordinary membership	\$3.00 yearly
Contributing membership	10.00 yearly
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Single copies of the journal will be \$1.00 each.

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Inasmuch as the \$3.00 membership fees and subscriptions will not suffice to meet the cost of publication, you are invited to become if possible a contributing, sustaining, or life member, and if you are connected with a college or university, to urge it to aid in the enterprise by taking out a \$25.00 contributing subscription.



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DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

June 5, 1936.

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

My dear Dr. Flexner:

The purpose of this communication is to solicit from The Institute for Advanced Study a moderate temporary subvention, - which I am endeavoring to have matched by a number of universities, - for the purpose of enabling the newly founded quarterly Journal of Symbolic Logic to get on its feet. The amount solicited is \$100.--, with the possibility that renewal of it may be requested for one or two years.

On the title page of the Journal a caption would appear, to the effect that it is being published with the aid of certain institutions whose names would be listed, - those, namely, who may grant the requested subsidy. A copy of the first issue of the Journal is enclosed.

The financial condition of the Journal at present is as follows:

Total number of subscriptions so far received	140
(of these 125 are of \$3.00, 8 of \$10.00, 7 of \$25.00)	
Total amount so far subscribed and contributed	\$635.64
(\$528.09 actually received; \$107.55 receivable)	
Disbursements:	
Cost of circularizing some 3000 members of the mathematical and philosophical associations	\$119.70
Stationery	10.00
Cost of printing first issue of Journal	285.07
(This includes a number of non-recurrent items such as the fee for 2nd class mailing privileges.)	
Total disbursements	\$414.77
Balance (including subscriptions receivable)	\$220.87
Estimated normal cost of each issue about \$250.00	
i.e., yearly about \$1,000.00	

The fact that, even prior to appearance of the first number, more than half of the estimated normal cost of a year's publication had been subscribed is ground for believing that, if the Journal can be kept going for two or three years, the income from subscriptions by that

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time will come so near to costs that continuance of publication will be assured. Subscriptions have already come in not only from this country and from Europe, but from as far away as Japan and China; and additional ones keep coming in slowly.

The editors and contributing editors of the Journal, whose names are listed on the title page, are men whose standing as logicians insures a periodical of highest quality. The purposes of the Association for Symbolic Logic, which publishes the Journal, are described on page 1 of the Journal, and the members of the Association's governing Council are listed there also.

The important bearings of symbolic or mathematical logic on certain aspects both of mathematics and of philosophy have become increasingly recognized in recent years, and interest in the subject has been growing correspondingly among both philosophers and mathematicians. The articles that have been published in this field, however, have been rather widely scattered, some appearing in periodicals not commonly read by both mathematicians and philosophers. These periodicals, moreover, are already pressed for space.

It is believed that the new Journal, by adding to the existing avenues of publication for such articles, by bringing together more closely the mathematicians and philosophers working in this field, and by stimulating mutual criticism among its various schools, fulfills a function which is now important and which will become increasingly so in the immediate future. The aid of The Institute for Advanced Study to the Journal at this time is therefore earnestly requested.

Sincerely yours,

*C. J. Ducasse*

C. J. Ducasse  
President, Association for Symbolic  
Logic.

P.S. I may say that I have already approached the administration of Brown University with a request for such a subvention, and that they are disposed to consider it favorably.

June 12, 1936

Professor C. J. Ducasse  
Department of Philosophy  
Brown University  
Providence, Rhode Island

My dear Professor Ducasse:

In Dr. Flexner's absence I acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 5, in regard to a subvention for the quarterly Journal of Symbolic Logic. I shall bring your letter to Dr. Flexner's attention when he returns to Princeton next week.

Very truly yours,

Marie C. Eichelser

*Sydney, University of*

June 28, 1950

Mr. Bly Newman  
Department of Aeronautical Engineering  
The University of Sydney  
Sydney, Australia

Dear Mr. Newman:

Many thanks for your inquiry of June 20, 1950 regarding research positions at the Institute in the field of aerodynamics. While no experimental work is being done in this field here, there are several groups in the Princeton University which are actively engaged in both experimental and theoretical research in aerodynamics.

May I suggest you communicate directly with Prof. Walker Bleakney in the Department of Physics or with Mr. Frank Parker at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

Eleanor Leary,  
Aide to the Director

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# The University of Sydney

DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING

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The Public Relations Officer  
Princeton Institute of Advanced Study

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty of writing to you for information. Is it possible for me to obtain a research post in your institution? I am a British subject & have been engaged for the last three years in post graduate research at Sydney University. Prior to this, that is in 1947, I graduated from Cambridge University, England, with a double first in the Mechanical Sciences Tripos.

The research I am doing is in the field of aerodynamics & concerns the separation of the turbulent boundary-layer. I wish to continue doing research in this science & , if possible , to do some work on high speed flow. Unfortunately I am ignorant of the aerodynamic research which is being done in your institution & would be very grateful for this information.



shall be leaving Sydney University at the end of this year when I hope to submit a thesis for the degree of Ph.D.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours Faithfully

By Newman

Research Fellow.

Syz, Hans

January 20, 1941

Dr. Hans Syz  
The Lifwynn Foundation  
27 East 37th Street  
New York City

My dear Dr. Syz:

In Dr. Aydelotte's absence I have received your letter of January 9, as well as the articles which were sent to him from the Lifwynn Foundation. These will be brought to Dr. Aydelotte's attention when he returns next week.

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Secretary to Dr. Frank Aydelotte

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Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

In a day or two several articles will be sent to you from The Lifwynn Foundation. We hope that they will be of interest to you, and are taking the liberty of sending you this note in advance to insure the material's reaching your desk.

Sincerely yours,

*Hans Syz.*

Hans Syz, M.D.  
Secretary  
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Institute for Advanced Study  
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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

October 18, 1935

Dear Doctor Flexner:

Dean Eisenhart and we have just arranged for a visit here from Professor Szasz, one of the displaced German scholars, who is making a lecture tour under the auspices of the Emergency Committee. He is to be here during the week of November 4-9, and we have arranged to put him up at the Nassau Club as the guest of the University and of the Institute jointly. He will give two lectures during the course of the week. His stipend is paid by the Emergency Committee, so that this will be merely a minor charge against our fund for occasional lectures.

Very sincerely yours,  
*John von Neumann*

John von Neumann

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

October 24, 1935

Dear Professor von Neumann:

In consequence of the accumulation of mail due to my cold last week, I failed to answer your note of the 18th, with reference to Professor Szasz. Anything on which you and your associates agree with reference to him has, of course, my approval.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor John von Neumann  
Fine Hall  
Princeton, New Jersey

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COPY FOR DR. FLEXNER

October 11, 1935

Dear Miss Waite:

I have spoken with Dean Eisenhart and we should like to invite Professor Sease to spend a week in Princeton as the guest of the University and of the Institute for Advanced Study jointly. As I understand the matter, we are to provide for his board and lodging while he is here, and his stipend is to be taken care of otherwise.

We should prefer to leave the subject of his lectures to his own choice. Since our schedule is rather crowded we think that one or two lectures in the course of the week would be sufficient.

As to the time chosen for the visit, we think that almost any week during the period when the Institute and the University are both in session would be suitable. Perhaps you might suggest a time and I will check up on its availability. We are in session between October 1 and December 14, and between about the middle of February and the 1st of May.

Yours sincerely,

Oswald Veblen

Miss Mary L. Waite, Executive Secretary  
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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

May 18, 1933.

Mr. Abraham Flexner,  
Bamberger Institute for Advanced Studies,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Flexner:

I have just received the inclosed pitiful letter from Mrs. Szasz. You may obtain from your mathematical department and that of Princeton all necessary information concerning Szasz' scientific standing. Suffice it for me to say that he is about fifty years of age; speaks some English but not perfect English; is of an extremely agreeable and collaborative disposition, and would be rated I believe as one of the better, but not the best, German analysts. He is a Hungarian Jew and has held only a titular professorship at Frankfort. This means that he has not been in a position to save up any money, and has been subject to instantaneous dismissal. He is far too valuable a fellow to lose, and even an assistantship, or something of that sort, at your institution would be a way of saving him.

Sincerely yours

Norbert Wiener

Norbert Wiener,

Professor of Mathematics.

N. Wiener

re Szasz

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Frankfurt am Main  
Vom Rathstr, 21

May, the 5th, 1933.

Dear Professor Wiener:

Please excuse these lines. But my husband has lost his post at the university here from one day to another, - being Hungarian by birth, and we really don't know from what to live on the next time. Do you know perhaps a possibility for him somewhere at an American university to teach? He is a mathematician and he lives for it and nothing else, and teaching is for him all he needs. If he has only an "Existence minimum" that would be quite sufficient for him. He does not know that I am writing to you, for he is sitting all day long in a chair and saying "I am dead, I must learn now that I am dead, and I don't see a chance to rise from the dead." I cannot stand that any longer. Perhaps you can help me.

I hope that your family is all right. Will you please give my kindest regards to your wife and to your sisters, whom I have never forgotten. Believe me

Yours very sincerely

(signed) Hannah Szász.



*L. Szekeres*

February 7, 1947

Dear Professor Cairns:

I have your letter of January 27th and hasten to say that our experience is that it is very difficult for a foreign scholar to obtain a visa for the United States without active cooperation on this side of the ocean.

I think you ought to take the matter up with the Division of Cultural Relations of the State Department. We have at the Institute a number of Chinese mathematicians who have recently come to this country and we have found the Division of Cultural Relations very cooperative in the matter of assistance for visas.

Whether there are any complications in the case of a Hungarian residing in China, I do not know, but you can find that out in Washington. I imagine the matter would depend somewhat on the kind of passport he holds, how recently it was granted, and by what government. In any case, I am sure you will find it important to get the approval of the State Department and to have them send instructions that the visa should be granted.

Incidentally, I have found that it works well to request the State Department to cable such instructions at our expense. They seem ready to send such cablegrams

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provided they are paid for by the individual who requests them and it is my experience that cablegrams receive more attention than letters.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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Syracuse University  
Syracuse 10, New York

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January 29, 1947

Dear John:

I enclose a letter which I have just received from the Chairman of the Department of Mathematics at Syracuse. Do you know Szekeres and have you any suggestions as to what steps I ought to take to help Syracuse get him into this country? Please return the letter with your reply.

Yours sincerely,



Frank Aydelotte

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Professor John von Neumann  
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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

January 27, 1947

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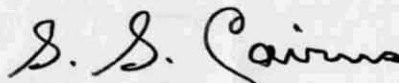
Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Syracuse University has just offered an Instructorship to a Hungarian refugee mathematician, Mr. Szekeres, now in Shanghai, China, with his wife.

I have sent Szekeres several copies of a letter setting forth the offer and expressing the hope that he will have no difficulty arranging for visas for himself and his wife who is also a mathematician and competent to teach college mathematics.

I am writing to you to see whether you have any suggestions of steps which ought to be taken to facilitate negotiations on the part of Szekeres to obtain entry into this country. Dr. von Neumann knows something about Szekeres, and I would be glad to supply any information that might be required.

Very sincerely yours,



S. S. Cairns, Chairman  
Department of Mathematics

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Yours sincerely,

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