

December 3, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

Some time at your leisure, when you are passing 20 Nassau Street, won't you stop in and give me an opportunity to talk with you for a moment about a scholar, A. R. Nykl, who has been brought to my attention?

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
10 Bayard Lane
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MCE

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October 12, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

The enclosed reached me last spring from Professor Poole, one of the University faculty, and I am sending it to you for your consideration, as I promised Professor Poole that I would do.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MCE

Letter regarding Dr. Iwan Iljin

Herzfeld

October 5, 1936

Dear Professor Cook:

I have been wondering in connection with Professor Herzfeld's salary if it would not simplify matters if New York University and the Emergency Committee would send their checks directly to the Institute for Advanced Study, Professor Herzfeld receiving his monthly salary in one check, and the Institute making the proper contributions to the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America for him. Won't you let me know if this is feasible?

Professor Panofsky has told me something of the ghastly experience you had in Spain. I am so relieved to know that you are safely back in America.

With all good wishes and very high regard,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Walter W. S. Cook
New York University
Fine Arts Graduate Center
29 East 83d Street
New York City

AF:ESB

file
Dear Dr. Flexner:

Prof. Herzfeld says that M. Thureau-Dangin is the world's leading Assyriologist; that there is no one in Germany, England or anywhere else that can compete with him.

Prof. Lewy was a pupil of Prof. Herzfeld. He was a privatdozent in Berlin and is a very fine man.

M.C.E.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

October 3, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

I wonder if you happen to know anything about the writer of the enclosed letter, one of many of the same kind which I constantly receive. I do not see how we can at present enter into the Semitic field, but I should like to know something more about Monsieur Thureau-Dangin before replying to his letter. A brief note from you will be enough to give me the necessary information.

Ever sincerely,

Abraham Thureau

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
McCormick Hall
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MCE

21 Mars 1936

11. RUE GARANCIÈRE, - 6^e

Monsieur,

Veuillez excuser la liberté que je prends de vous écrire sans avoir l'honneur d'être connu de vous. Je suis, comme beaucoup de mes confrères en Assyriologie, fort préoccupé de la situation d'un éminent représentant de nos études, le professeur Julius Lewy. Depuis qu'il a été obligé de quitter l'Allemagne, J. Lewy a, d'abord, séjourné en France où il a professé pendant une année à l'École des Hautes Études, puis il s'est rendu aux États-Unis où, depuis deux ans, il partage son temps entre Johns Hopkins et l'Hebrew Union College de Cincinnati. A Johns Hopkins il supplée le professeur Albright de septembre à janvier. Il passe le reste de l'année scolaire à l'Hebrew College où on l'emploie à un enseignement très aborbant qui n'a que peu de rapport avec l'assyriologie et lui laisse bien peu de loisir pour

ses études. Il serait hautement désirable qu'il
pût trouver une situation stable qui lui permit
de poursuivre ses recherches dans le domaine
assyriologique où il a déjà rendu de si remar-
quables services et fait oeuvre de pionnier,
notamment en ce qui concerne l'interpré-
tation des plus anciens documents en
langue assyrienne. Je serais particulièrement
heureux qu'il pût trouver place dans
l'"Institute for Advanced Studies" que vous
êtes sur le point de créer à Princeton.
Je connais assez l'homme et le savant
pour pouvoir attester que, si vous faites
appel à lui, il fera honneur à votre
institut.

Veuillez, je vous prie, Monsieur, agréer
l'expression de ma haute considération

F. Thureau-Dangin

membre de l'Institut de France

Julius Levy a publié il y a quelques mois la seconde et
dernière partie d'un important travail entrepris il y a des années
avec la collaboration du juriste Eiser (Die altassyrischen
Rechtsurkunden vom Kültepe). Comme je l'ai écrit dans un
compte rendu de ce volume, paru dans le dernier fascicule de
la Revue d'Assyriologie, aucune autre classe de textes cunéiformes
n'a été jusqu'ici l'objet d'une étude plus complète et plus approfondie

April 7, 1936

Dear Monsieur Thureau-Dangin:

I have your letter of March 21.

It deals with a field in which at present we have no one who is competent to judge. I shall keep it until the autumn to show it to Professor Herzfeld of Berlin, who will at that time join the staff of the Institute for Advanced Study.

I shall write you as soon as possible thereafter.

Sincerely yours,

Monsieur F. Thureau-Dangin
11, Rue Garanciere, 6^e
Paris, France

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Sept. 28th, 1936

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Miss Esther S. Bailey, Secy.
Institute for Advanced Study,
20 Nassau St.,
Princeton, N.J.

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld, Princeton, N.J.
One liftvan household effects and 75 cases
household and personal effects, ex ss
"American Banker", entry #317273.

Dear Madam:-

We wish to confirm our telephone advice to you this morning at 9:45 A.M. Incidentally we had just drafted and were on the point of dispatching a wire to you giving you this information. This morning the Appraiser received from Washington authority to effect examination of Prof. Herzfeld's effects at Princeton. Accordingly Examiner McKenzie was immediately dispatched to Princeton from U.S. Appraisers Stores. As the writer is not familiar with the train schedule to Princeton you can doubtless determine with greater accuracy exactly when this morning Examiner McKenzie is to be expected there.

We trust that Mr. McKenzie will be able to complete the examination today. It is possible that he will assess duty on the van, but unless he advises you or Prof. Herzfeld to that effect, we will not know until he returned the invoice to the Custom House. This feature, however, is of minor importance and can be worked out later.

RMC:MAL.

Very truly,


R.M. CRAVENS
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Professor Ernst Herzfeld
Hotel Gladstone
114-122 East 52nd Street
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September 24, 1936

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Abraham Flexner

(Charge Institute for Advanced Study)

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Sept. 26th, 1936

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

Miss Esther S. Bailey, Secy.
Institute for Advanced Study,
20 Nassau St.,
Princeton, N.J.

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld, Princeton, N.J.
One liftvan household effects and 73 cases
household and personal effects, ex ss
"American Banker", entry #317273.

Dear Madam:-

We regret to advise you that at the present writing Customs examination on Monday does not seem likely. The Appraiser at New York took up with Washington by mail on the 22nd to secure authority for examination at Princeton. This was apparently necessary as Princeton may be classified as coming within the territorial jurisdiction of the Collection District at Philadelphia. The Appraiser here did not anticipate any delay in the authority being received from Washington, but up to the close of the Customs day, 12 o'clock today, such authority has not been received. If the authority is received early Monday morning, the Appraiser promises to delegate an Examiner to ~~make~~ the examination on Monday, but it would ~~even~~ be near noon when he reached Princeton. If such authority is received Monday in time to arrange examination on Monday, we will immediately dispatch a wire to you.

We exceedingly ~~exceedingly~~ regret this delay but trust you will realize it is occasioned by circumstances over which we have no control.

We are sending a copy of this letter by special delivery mail to Prof. Herzfeld at his New York hotel.

Very truly,

[Signature]
R.M. CHAVEN'S MGR. CUSTOMS DIV.

RMC:MAL.

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Sept. 24th, 1936.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Customs-1399-Herzfeld.

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld,
Gladstone Hotel,
114 East 52nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

One liftvan household effects and 73 cases
household and personal effects, ex ss
"American Banker", entry #317273.

My dear Professor Herzfeld:-

I finally got a hold of Mr. Pfeiffer in charge of outside examinations and he advises that it will be quite impossible to have your goods examined on Saturday, but he has agreed to have an Examiner at Princeton between 9 and 9:30 A.M. on Monday morning. It will, of course, be advisable for you to be present.

We are giving a copy of this letter to the Institute for the attention of Miss Bailey, as it will of course be necessary for them to have men on hand to unpack the van and the cases for Customs examination.

Should it be necessary for the Appraiser to change his plans for any reason, we will of course dispatch a wire to the Institute and will also notify you, but we do not anticipate any such contingency.

Very truly,

R.M. CRAVENS
MGR. CUSTOMS DIV.

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CC to Miss Esther S. Bailey, Secy.
The Institute for Advanced Study,
20 Nassau St., Princeton, N.J.
The foregoing is, we believe, self-explanatory.



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Sept. 23rd, 1936

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Customs-1399-Herzfeld

Institute for Advanced Study,
20 Nassau St.,
Princeton, N.J.

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld, Princeton, N.J.
One liftvan household effects and 73 cases
household and personal effects, ex ss
"American Banker", entry #317273.

Gentlemen:-

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your wire of even date advising that delivery and examination of the goods may be effected in McCormick Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J. We also wish to acknowledge your two telephone conversations with the writer.

We are arranging to deliver the liftvan and the 73 cases to McCormick Hall on Friday, the 25th. It is, of course, understood that they must not be opened or the cords and seals broken until the Examiner arrives there. In view of the fact that you advised the writer by telephone the college opens on Monday and that is a very inconvenient day for either delivery or examination, we are planning to have the Customs Examiner effect examination on Tuesday, the 29th. Would appreciate it if you will advise by return mail that this is satisfactory.

Very truly,


R.M. CRAVENS
MGR. CUSTOMS DIV.

RMC:MAL.

Goods - Friday

Examination - Monday or earlier if possible

September 23, 1936

Refer to Customs - 1399 - Herzfeld

Mr. R. M. Cravens
Customs Division
American Express Company
65 Broadway, New York City

Dear Sir:

We have received your special deliver letter
of September 22 regarding the goods of Professor Herzfeld
and have just telegraphed you as follows:

"Regarding Customs 1399 Herzfeld
please deliver goods to McCormick
Hall Princeton University Princeton"

Very truly yours,

Secretary

September 23.

Gladstone

Herzfeld

114-122 East 52nd Street, at Park Avenue

New York

Dear Dr Flexner,

I arrived Monday, 21st,
and got at once into touch
with the Amer. Express for
the transport of my library etc,
and with A. Cooke & Adams
about my lectures in New York.
Part of my things have been
brought to the Metropolitan
Museum & there will be a

Visit by the custom's officer
to-morrow. The library etc
shall probably go to Prince-
ton on Monday 28th, and
I thought to come the
same day. But if you would
advise me to come sooner,
I could do so.

The first lecture at New York
is fixed for October 1st. If
it could be done, I ought to
unpack part of my material
before; if not, it would not pre-
vent me from lecturing.

Looking forward to meet you soon
in Princeton

Yours, sincerely yours

Ernst Herzfeld

Herzfeld

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Sept. 22nd, 1936

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Customs-1399-Herzfeld.

Institute for Advanced Study,
20 Nassau St.,
Princeton, N.J.

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld, Princeton, N.J.
One liftvan household effects and 73 cases
household and personal effects.

Gentlemen:-

Professor Herzfeld arrived on the ss "Queen Mary" yesterday and is at present in the office as I dictate this letter to you. We are endeavoring to enter this shipment so that Customs examination may be effected at Princeton. This will necessitate cartage of the liftvan and the 73 cases from New York City to Princeton, N.J. under Customs cord and seal. The transfer of the goods to Princeton will take up the better part of the day and hence it will be impossible to have the Customs Examiner visit Princeton before the following day at the earliest. Consequently, it will be necessary that a place be designated where the van may be unloaded from the truck and also the 73 cases and held till the next day or possibly the day following, held in any event until the Customs Examiner calls to release the goods. The Customs cords and seals on the van and on the cases must be left intact until the Customs Examiner reaches Princeton.

In addition to a place be designated at Princeton, preferably some reliable warehouse there, it will of course be necessary that men be available to open and unpack the van and the cases for Customs Examination.

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9/22/36.

Professor Herzfeld is at present staying at the Gladstone Hotel, 114 East 52nd St. (telephone number Plaza 3-4300). As it will be necessary that we be in position to designate to the Customs on entry of the goods the exact location of the point of examination in Princeton sometime Thursday morning, we trust you will lose no time in endeavoring to locate a place and advise both the writer and professor Herzfeld of the address of such place.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, we remain

Very truly,



R.M. CRAVENS
MGR. CUSTOMS DIV.

RMC:MAL.

CC to Prof. Ernst Herzfeld,
Gladstone Hotel,
114 East 52nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

If the Institute communicates the information direct to you will you please immediately get in touch with me by telephone..

Dr. Herzfeld

August 10, 1936

Mr. G. E. Giese, Import Agent
American Express Company
65 Broadway
New York City

Re: Customs - 25050
Princeton

Dear Sir:

I am attaching the forms as requested in your letter of August 6th, 1936. These forms have been signed by Mr. G. C. Wintringer, Controller of the University, since the shipment from Dr. Herzfeld is being sent to the Marquand Library of the University.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

H. M. W.

*These have been received at
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Herzfeld

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Aug. 8th, 1936

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Customs-25050-Princeton

Marquand Library,
McCormick Hall,
Princeton University,
Princeton, N.J.

2 cases photographic plates,
ss "Deutschland" 8/7/36.

Gentlemen:-

The above consignment as described in quadruplicate copy of consular invoice attached, has arrived through our medium and in order that we may arrange Customs entry and prompt reforwarding to you it will be necessary the attached Customs forms be executed by the President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasury of Princeton University, before a notary public, and returned to us.

Immediately following Customs release we will arrange reforwarding to you at the above address via express.

Very truly,

G. E. Giese
G. E. GIESE
IMPORT AGENT

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MS.

London 5th August 1936
E.C. 4.

The Secretary,
Institute for Advanced Study,
20, Nassau Street,
Princeton,
New Jersey.

Dear Madam,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 27th
July enclosing draft for \$316.66 for credit to the account of
Prof. Ernst Herzfeld.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
Sub-Manager.
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LOWELL INSTITUTE
BOSTON, MASS.
U. S. A.

A. LAWRENCE LOWELL, TRUSTEE
WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, CURATOR


North Conway, N.H.
August 5, 1936

Dr. Abraham Flexner
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Flexner:

Thank you for your word in regard to Dr. Herzfeld's Lowell Institute lectures. We are assigning these definitely to Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning Wednesday, November 4, omitting Wednesday, November 11 and ending Wednesday December 2.

Sincerely yours,



W. H. Lawrence

August 7, 1936

Dr. William H. Lawrence
North Conway, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Conway:

Your letter of August 5th in regard to Dr. Herzfeld's Lowell Institute lectures has come while Dr. Flexner is away on his vacation. It will be brought to his attention when he returns in the autumn.

Very truly yours,

H.W.

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Herzfeld

Canada
August 3, 1936

Miss Gertrude Wolf
Department of the History of Art
New York University
29 East 83rd Street
New York City

My dear Miss Wolf:

For your information I am sending
you herewith a copy of a letter which Dr. Flexner
has just written Mr. Lawrence regarding the dates
of Dr. Herzfeld's lectures next fall.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

Canada
August 3, 1936

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Your correspondence with the Fine Arts Graduate Center of New York University in reference to the dates of Dr. Herzfeld's lectures has been forwarded to me here. I am very much gratified that Dr. Herzfeld has been invited by President Lowell to lecture at the Lowell Institute next autumn. In so far as the dates are concerned, anything that is agreeable to Dr. Herzfeld and to the Fine Arts Graduate Center of New York University is entirely agreeable to me.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. William H. Lawrence
Kearsarge Hall
North, Conway, New Hampshire

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

July 31, 1936

Miss Gertrude Wolf
New York University
29 East 83rd Street
New York City

My dear Miss Wolf:

Thank you for sending all of the correspondence in the Herzfeld matter, about which we talked over the telephone yesterday. I have taken the liberty of copying these letters, as I wish to take the matter up by mail with Dr. Flexner, who will, I am sure, write to Mr. Lawrence promptly.

I am returning your material herewith.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSER

COPY

LOWELL INSTITUTE

Boston, Mass.

A. Lawrence Lowell, Trustee
William H. Lawrence, Curator

July 25, 1936

Fine Arts Graduate Center
29 East 83rd Street
New York City

Dear Sir:

Dr. Ernst E. Herzfeld has accepted an invitation from Dr. A. Lawrence Lowell to give a course of eight lectures under the auspices of the Lowell Institute next fall. Mondays and Thursdays at eight o'clock in the evening, beginning Thursday, November 5, omitting Thursday, November 26, and ending Thursday, December 3, have been reserved for these lectures.

Dr. Herzfeld has asked me to communicate with you in order that the dates reserved for his Lowell lectures should not conflict with the dates for his lectures at New York University.

Will you please let me know as soon as possible if the suggested dates are satisfactory as far as your arrangements are concerned. I understand that Professor Walter Cook has immediate charge of Dr. Herzfeld's lectures and that Professor Cook is at present in Spain. The Lowell Institute schedule is practically complete for next season and it is very important that the dates as listed above be reserved if possible. Dr. Herzfeld suggested that this could be arranged by writing directly to you.

Please address me at Kearsarge Hall, North Conway, New Hampshire.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. H. Lawrence

REPLY

July 27, 1936

Mr. William H. Lawrence
Lowell Institute, Boston, Mass.

Your letter of July 25th has just been received and I hasten to say that Dr. Herzfeld's course for us in the first term is scheduled for Thursday afternoons from 3:00-4:40, as you will see from the enclosed pamphlet. I do not see, therefore, how he could possibly manage to give his lectures for you at 8 o'clock that same evening on Thursdays. Could his Thursday evening lectures for you possibly be changed to a Friday or some other day of the week? Our announcements have now all gone out, and the arrangement is a definite one. Regretting this, but trusting you may see your way clear to make a satisfactory adjustment, (Gertrude Wolf, Secretary Dept. of History of Art

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LOWELL INSTITUTE
Boston, Mass.

North Conway, N. H.
July 29, 1936

Gertrude Wolf, Secretary
Department of the History of Art
New York University
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

I regret that Friday evening is not available. We could assign Dr. Herzfeld's lectures to Mondays and Wednesdays, either at five o'clock in the afternoon or at eight o'clock in the evening, beginning Wednesday, November 4, and ending Wednesday, December 2, omitting the lecture on Wednesday, November 11.

Will you please let me know as soon as possible if this arrangement would be satisfactory, and whether the afternoon or the evening hour would be the better.

Please address me at

Kearsarge Hall
North Conway, N. H.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. H. Lawrence

REPLY

July 30, 1936

Mr. W. H. Lawrence
Lowell Institute
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Lawrence:

Replying to your letter of July 29th, let me say that as far as we are concerned, as long as Dr. Herzfeld is in New York in time to keep his Thursday afternoon 3:30 lecture engagements at the Metropolitan Museum, it would be satisfactory. I wonder, however, if you know that Dr. Herzfeld is on the staff of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N. J.? I am forwarding your letter to them, and you will probably hear from someone in authority there very shortly.

Very truly yours,

Gertrude Wolf, Secretary
Department of the History of Art

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July 27, 1936

Imperial Bank of Iran
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Dear Sirs:

We are sending you herewith a bank draft for
\$316.66 (U. S.), for deposit to the credit of Ernst Herzfeld.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

July 27, 1936

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
11, Weymouth Court
1, Weymouth Street
London, W. 1, England

My dear Professor Herzfeld:

Doctor Flexner has suggested that it may be more convenient for you if we send your salary for the months of July and August now instead of sending your August salary at the end of that month. We are therefore forwarding directly to the Imperial Bank of Iran a draft for \$316.66, salary for two months less payments towards retirement allowance.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

July 6, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

Miss Whitworth has referred to me your letter of June 20 in reference to your library problem. I would suggest that you confer with the American consul in London and with the American Express Company about the possibility of sending your books to Princeton in bond. In that case you will not have to be present in New York when the cases arrive. They will be held in Princeton safely until you reach Princeton and one of us will be there - either I myself or the secretary of the Institute, Mrs. Bailey - to help you with all the technicalities.

I have never been sure that you and the books could both be most advantageously accommodated at the Marquand Library, though Professor Morey has been extraordinarily generous in undertaking to do it. There are several alternatives. The question is not one which needs to be decided before you reach Princeton and have yourself an opportunity to survey the different possibilities and to select a place of living. In all these matters Mrs. Bailey, who is thoroughly conversant with the various possibilities, will place her services at your disposal. I am sure that we can finally find a convenient place both for your work and for your home so that all the conditions necessary to productive work and to congenial living may be satisfied.

Meanwhile, please accept my best wishes for a happy summer, and believe me

Sincerely yours, ABRAHAM FLEXNER

COPY

London, June 20, 1936

Miss Whitworth
Librarian of the Marquand Library
Princeton University

Dear Miss Whitworth:

Professor Morey wrote to me about my library, that you advised to have it sent to Princeton so as to arrive there about September 1st. After having asked the Consulate and the American Express Co, I am sorry to say that that seems to be unfeasible. It seems to be necessary that I shall be present in New York when the cases arrive.

There is another point which troubles me, and which possibly can only be arranged when I am there. I must be able to work in my library during the late hours. If my books were housed, as I hope, in the Marquand Library, I ought to stay somewhere near it, for I imagine it would be rather difficult to have a walk of more than a mile in December between 1 and 2 o'clock in the night. And lastly: I need a room where - this would be at more decent hours - one can make large drawings etc., and that ought to be in connection with the books.

I hope these problems will solve themselves all, once I shall be there with all my material; but it might be unwise to make a final arrangement for the books before the connected questions are answered.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Ernst Herzfeld

11, WEYMOUTH COURT,
1, WEYMOUTH STREET, W.I.

Telephone LANGHAM 1587.

London, June 20., 1936

Dear Dr Flexner,

many thanks for your kind
letter of June 9. There are no
questions at present; my letters to
Professor Murray and Cook reached
them just before they left and
were answered. I had the visit
of Professor Low shortly ago &
hope to see him once more before
he goes to Italy.

Have I ever written to you
but how keenly I look forward
to see you in September!

Yours truly
Ernst Herzfeld

June 9, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 15 and for the enclosed papers which are in good order.

I hope that you will have no trouble regarding the immigration visa. We shall be looking for you in September shortly after the twentieth of the month. If you will go to the office at 20 Nassau Street, we shall be glad to do everything we can to assist you in finding comfortable lodgings.

I am very much pleased that you are willing to fall in with Professor Morey's wishes in respect to the subject of your lectures. I want you also to feel absolute freedom to pursue whatever course is best for your work.

Looking forward with great confidence to our happy relationship in the future, I am, with all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
11, Weymouth Court
1, Weymouth Street, W. 1
London, England

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date

11, WEYMOUTH COURT,
1, WEYMOUTH STREET, W.I.

London, May 15, 1936

Telephone LANGHAM 1587.

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

Dear Dr. Flexner,

at last I am able to send back the papers re-
garding my retirement allowance, hoping to have avoided mistakes.

During these days, I am applying for the immigration visa. I
have well noticed your advice to get a quota-number, not only a
professor's visa. According to the information received at the
Consulate, the quota is not closed and there will be no difficulties.

The British Association for the Advancement of Science have in-
vited me to be their guest at the meeting held on September 9th,
and I have arranged for my passage to New-York for september 16th.

Many thanks for your letter of April 30., which answers my ques-
tions about my library and lodging. Today I received a cable from
professor Morey, who offers room in McCormick Hall, which I have ac-
cepted. The library has meanwhile arrived and is stored by the Am.
Express til the date of its shipping.

I understood what you say about the nature of my lectures at
the Institute, and have written in that sense to prof. Morey.

There are some problems regarding my relations, now severed,
to Chicago and Berlin, about which I may speak to you occasionally
in Princeton.

Yours very sincerely

Ernst Herzfeld

TEACHERS INSURANCE AND ANNUITY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
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4. Where Born State or Country Germany
5. When Born* Month July Day 23 Year 1879
6. Male [] Female []

7. Addresses: State both and place a cross (X) in [] for address to which mail shall be sent.
A. Residence [] Number Street City or Town State
B. Business [X] 20 Nassau Street Princeton New Jersey

8. Present Position Institution Title Date of First Appointment Duties
Professor Institute for Advanced Study July 10th 1936 professor

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16. Kindly designate how initial remittance will be made. 1. Attached herewith \$..... or 2. By Institute for Advanced Studies Institution

I hereby apply to the TEACHERS INSURANCE AND ANNUITY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA for a deferred annuity upon my life, according to the terms and provisions of the Association's Deferred Annuity Policy, Teachers Retirement Plan. I hereby agree, both for myself and for any person who may have or claim an interest in the policy applied for, that, in consideration of the Association binding itself to pay the annuity as provided in the policy, all premiums paid become the property of the Association.

I further agree that all annuity payments are contingent upon my survival to the dates when such payments are due, and that the annuity shall cease with the last periodical payment preceding my death, and that there shall be no return of premiums or other benefit at death, except as stipulated in the policy in the sections provided for certain payments to be made in event of the death of the annuitant before the payment of the annuity has begun, or under an alternative form of annuity as provided in Option A or in Option B of the policy applied for. I understand that the policy will have no provision for cash surrender and that the Association will not make a loan with the policy as security, but that in case of premium default the policy will become paid-up for a reduced benefit.

Dated at London, England this twelfth day of May 1936

County of London } ss. Ernst Emil Herzfeld
State of England } Full signature of applicant

being first duly sworn, according to law, on oath deposes and says: that he is of full legal age and is the person who, as Applicant, made and executed the foregoing Application for an Annuity; that he has read the foregoing questions propounded by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, and the answers thereto, and that said answers are full, complete and true, and are made as a basis for the Annuity above applied for, and to induce said Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America to enter into a contract to pay such Annuity.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this twelfth day of May 1936 [Signature of Notary Public]

To be sworn to and subscribed before a Notary Public and his official seal to be affixed. Kindly review your application carefully and see that all questions have been answered by words or crosses in appropriate squares.

*Evidence of Age. It is of fundamental importance that the correct date of birth of the annuitant be established. An official certificate, either birth or baptism, giving the date of birth, is the best form of evidence. The date of birth can also frequently be established by an extract from a family record of births, passport or similar document. Any copy of such document should, of course, be certified as correct either by a notary public or by an administrative officer of the institution by which the applicant is employed. Evidence of age should be submitted directly to the Association. If no evidence of the kind described above is obtainable, the following statement from an administrative officer will serve as prima facie evidence.

I hereby certify that in the records of this institution the date of birth of the above named applicant is given as..... 36

Name of Institution Administrative Officer Title

May 6, 1936

Professor Walter W. S. Cook
New York University
Fine Arts Graduate Center
29 East 83d Street
New York City

My dear Professor Cook:

Doctor Flexner has asked me to
thank you for your letter of April 23 and
to say that he was very glad to send to
Professor Herzfeld in duplicate a letter
certifying to his appointment to the
Institute for Advanced Study.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Secretary

Herzfeld

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
FINE ARTS GRADUATE CENTER
29 EAST 83D STREET
NEW YORK

TELEPHONE: BUTTERFIELD 8-8349

April 23, 1936

Dr. Abraham Flexner,
150 East 73rd Street,
New York City

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I have just received a letter from Dr. Herzfeld, stating that in order to obtain the proper visa on his passport, it will be necessary for him to have a letter of appointment in duplicate from some American institution, stating that he has such an appointment for the coming academic year. He mentioned in his letter that he did not wish to bother you about such a trifle, but I am taking the liberty of writing, as I think it is more important than he considers it to be. I have written him a letter in duplicate stating that he has been appointed Lecturer on Fine Arts for the coming year at New York University.

If you would be so kind as to have your secretary write such a letter in regard to the Institute for Advanced Study, he would then be able to present the two letters to the American Consul in London and have no difficulty in regard to the visa.

Sincerely yours,

Walter W.S. Cook
WALTER W.S. COOK
Chairman

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that
Dr. Ernst Herzfeld has received a permanent
appointment as professor in the School of
Humanistic Studies of the Institute for
Advanced Study, located at Princeton, New Jersey,
effective July 1, 1936.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Director

Dated at Princeton, New Jersey
April 30, 1936

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

April 30, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

I have in my hand your letter of April 12 to me, a letter of the same date to Professor Hitti, your letter of April 13 to Professor Morey, and Professor Morey's reply to you, dated April 23.

Should your library and scientific collections arrive in Princeton before you get here, they will be placed either in McCormick Hall or at 20 Nassau Street where they will be cared for. Professor Morey thinks that McCormick Hall will accommodate your material and provide you with an office. If, however, it should prove to be the case that the space at McCormick is inadequate, we have a whole house at our disposal, any part of which you can use for your material, your office, and your work.

As far as living quarters are concerned, I believe it would be better for us to do nothing until you and your sister, if she comes with you, have arrived. Mrs. Bailey, the Secretary of the Institute, has a list of available locations and will be very glad to accompany you and your sister so that the labor of finding a suitable location close to your working quarters will be reduced to the minimum. Princeton is, as you know, a small town. I feel sure that, if you reach Princeton about the middle of September, you will be able to find comfortable quarters.

Both Professor Morey and Professor Panofsky have the feeling, which

Professor Herzfeld

April 30, 1936

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Professor Morey expressed in his letter to you, that in place of the formal lectures which you suggest informal guidance of a few very promising young men in the field of Islamic archaeology would fit better the needs of Princeton and the Institute and would probably be more interesting to you.

I have seen Mr. Jurgi, and I am hopeful that I may be able to procure the money needed to obtain him next year so that you may have the advantage of his knowledge and so that he may get the inspiration and guidance which he hopes for from you.

With all good wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
11, Weymouth Court
1, Weymouth Street, W. 1
London, England

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P.S.

I am enclosing in duplicate letters certifying to your appointment as professor in the Institute for Advanced Study which you may find useful in procuring the proper visa. By all means ask for a number on the quota rather than a mere professor's visa, which has to be renewed annually. If you have a number on the quota, you will not have to give yourself any further concern in regard to immigration formalities.

A.F.

11, WEYMOUTH COURT,
1, WEYMOUTH STREET, W.I.

Telephone LANGHAM 1587.

London, April 12, 1936

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

Dear Dr. Flexner,

I beg your pardon for having kept you waiting for my reply to your letter of March 20.- One reason was that I had to write to Germany to get a birth certificate, with other papers, and that I still must go to a notary public for the signature of the Insurance papers.

The second reason was that I wanted to give you the more exact date of my arrival in Princeton, which depended upon the problem of the transport of my library and scientific collections from Persia, and that I was unable, until 4 days ago, to get any definite answer from there. At last a telegram came ~~saying~~ that the entire transport (of more than 90 cases) has left. It will arrive here at the end of May and be transshipped to America, according to the advice given by the American Consulate and the Express Cy., in such a way as to synchronize with my arrival there, which means in the course of September. I have been in great anxiety about the fate of that transport, but now I hope to come with everything, as a matter of fact with a little 'Archaeological Institute'.

As for your question of my giving an informal lecture at
11, WEYMOUTH COURT, Princeton University, I shall be glad to do so. I am busy
1, WEYMOUTH STREET, W.I. preparing the two courses for the New York terms, on
Telephone LANGHAM 1587.

"Ancient "Oriental Archeology", getting together a great number of
slides from the great European museums and some private collec-
tions. The Princeton lectures might, partly, deal with the same
subject, but instead of being bound to a fixed program, they
would better follow the special needs of the students and the
knowledge they already possess. Therefore, they might be called
"Selected chapters from Old-Oriental Archeology".

Answering the last point of your letter, I should be grateful
if you would have my checks sent to my account with the

Imperial Bank of Iran
36 King William Street
London E.C.4

I had a letter from professor Hitti about a young scholar
Mr. Jurji, and I have answered that I should have a great amount
of work for a man who is capable of translating entire chapters
of old Arabic historical works into a European language; I have fu-
rther use for such a scholar in discussing really difficult points
in Arabic epigraphy.

Believe me yours very sincerely

Ernst Herzfeld

COPY

April 23, 1936

Dr. Ernst Herzfeld,
11, Weymouth Court,
1, Weymouth Street, W.1,
London, England.

Dear Dr. Herzfeld:

I am very glad to get your letter of April 13th and to learn that your library is finally on the way and safely out of Persia. We have assigned an office to you convenient to the Marquand Library in McCormick Hall which, I think, you will find satisfactory. It is not one of our largest offices, but it has a good north light and is quiet. So far as your library is concerned, Professor Stohlman, supervisor of the Marquand Library, has already made arrangements for shelving it in the Marquand Library if you so desire. This would have the advantage of convenient shelving and cataloguing, and would make it available to your students without inconveniencing you. Both the library and the office are open all day and all night if you wish.

As to the house problem, I suppose this is a matter for the Institute and not for us, and I am sending your letter in any case to Dr. Flexner with particular reference to this point.

I cannot tell you how chagrined I am about the drawings. They evidently were put away so carefully that they cannot be found. As to replacing them, the good draftsman of which you speak will, as a matter of fact, be available in the person of Donald Wilber, a field architect of many years experience and a graduate of our School of Architecture. Wilber is one of the group which is gathering in anticipation of your coming, and he is a man who has gone far in Near Eastern archaeology in the field of architecture and has just been appointed ^{to} a grant from the Institute for next year, mainly for work on the Antioch drawings, but also, I believe, with reference to pursuing his studies in Persian archaeology with you, and also to help you out in just such matters as the reproduction of these drawings. I feel certain that you will find him a competent assistant in such matters.

Other men who expect to get your guidance in their work are Starr who has had considerable experience in field archaeology, Glidden who is reputed to be Professor Hitti's foremost pupil in Semitics, Faris, another of Hitti's pupils, and possibly two other students. These all seem to be men of exceptional quality, but all of them are orienting themselves in the direction of Islamic archaeology. It would be of the greatest help, therefore, to our situation, if the Institute would arrange and you would be willing to conduct a seminar for these men in that subject. We are particularly anxious to see Wilber and Glidden evolve into competent scholars in that field.

Dr. Ernst Herzfeld

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April 23, 1936

The Department wishes to put every facility at the disposal of the Institute and at your disposal to make your work at Princeton agreeable and satisfactory to you, and I feel sure you will be surrounded from the start by sympathetic colleagues and a very stimulating group of students.

I am sailing for Syria on May 26th but will be back by the first of October, and am looking forward very much to seeing you then. In the meantime we will keep looking for those photographs!

Sincerely yours,

CRM/EB

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Herzfeld

11, Weymouth Court
1, Weymouth Street, W. 1

London, April 13, 1936

Professor C. R. Morey
Department of Art and Archaeology
Princeton University

Dear Professor Morey:

I am sending a long delayed answer to your kind letter of February 7. The reason was mainly the uncertainty about the fate of my library and all my other working material, which, although Erich Schmidt had told you and others so, had not been sent off from Persia. I was in great anxiety and made enquiries through the German Legation, the Bank of Iran, various shipping agencies etc. At last, the 90 and odd boxes were found in Bushire, and it was only 4 days ago that I received a telegram that they were shipped on the 8th of April. I have entrusted the whole affair now to the American Express, and they shall be forwarded to Princeton so as to arrive there in September. May I use the McCormick Hall as an address?

Another question: I used always to have my library at home and to work late in the evening and night. But about 6000 volumes and many other collections require a lot of room. Will that be possible in Princeton in a private house or lodging, or will there be a kind of office, to keep that library and the other collections, - which as a matter of fact constitute a little "Arch. Institute", - where I could work late, having at the same time a lodging not far away? Without that library I need, when my sister comes over, two bedrooms and 2 (or 3) living rooms. With the library one of the living rooms ought to be very large, or there ought to be one more (3 or 4). Could you kindly write me something regarding these questions?

As for my drawings and photos which I left with you, it is not impossible to replace them, but it would mean a great work, and I should need a clever draughtsman to do them again. Some of them had been made by a very gifted architect. I sincerely hope the drawings will still be found, as they were rather voluminous and are unlikely to disappear completely. The photographs, of course, are of no importance: I have the plates.

I had many kind letters of congratulation, from various sides and also already some letters of young scholars who hope to study in Princeton. It sounds all so very promising. Dr. Flexner wrote to me about an informal course of lectures at the University, which I shall give with pleasure; I proposed "Selected chapters of Old-Oriental Archaeology", which would be a seminary course according to the needs and knowledge of the students.

With many kind regards, also to Mrs. Morey, I am

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Ernst Herzfeld

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11, Weymouth Court
1, Weymouth Street, W. 1

London, April 12, 1936

Dear Professor Hitti:

Many thanks for what you write concerning Mr. E. Jurji. I believe that he might be of great help to me. Among the items of my program is the study and translation of the Arabic literature concerning Samarra, e.g. Ya'qūbī's description of the town, which together with the survey of the ruins will give a marvellous picture of that capital and also of the entire chapters referring to that short period in al-Tabāri. I started that work years ago, but it is extremely difficult. There are amazingly interesting parts in it, e.g. the original documents of al-Mutawakkil dividing the empire and arranging the succession of his three sons, or his edicts concerning a sort of Christian ghetto! At that time, I had several times asked Becker, Littmann, Goldziher and Wensinck, and there were passages which even they did not completely understand. I want to say I shall have a lot of work for a scholar of the type of Mr. Jurji.

I beg you to tell Dr. Flexner that the presence of Mr. Jurji would probably be a great help for my work.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Ernst Herzfeld

March 20, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

I am sending you herewith certain blanks which have to be filled out in order that all of the formalities may be complied with regarding your retirement allowance when the date of your retirement arrives.

Professor Morey and his associates are very happy indeed that you are going to come to Princeton. Professor Morey has raised the question as to whether you will be willing to do as Professor Panofsky is doing, namely, give an informal lecture or conference to a few advanced students of Princeton University, not exceeding one hour a week. We are attempting to effect a very close union between the Institute and Princeton University so that anything that you may be willing to do will aid in bringing about the cooperation and collaboration which we are desirous of obtaining. I may add that you have no duties of this kind in connection with the Institute until the time comes when you yourself feel that you would like to have one or more young workers associated with you.

Would you also please let me know the address to which your checks should be sent at the end of July and August?

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
11 Weymouth Court
1 Weymouth Street
London, W. 1, England

February 21, 1936

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
11 Weymouth Court
1 Weymouth Street
London, W. 1, England

My dear Professor Herzfeld:

In the absence of Doctor Flexner, who is in the West, I have received your letter of the ninth of February and the reprint of Der Tod des Kambyaes. Doctor Flexner will write to you promptly upon his return about the middle of March.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

February 20, 1936

Dear Professor Wilson:

I beg you to accept my very heartiest
thanks for your kind note of February 18. I am
delighted that you have already written to Professor
Herzfeld. His appointment in Princeton begins with
the next academic year, October 1st.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor John A. Wilson
The Oriental Institute
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
FINE ARTS GRADUATE CENTER
29 EAST 83D STREET
NEW YORK

TELEPHONE: BUTTERFIELD 8-8349

February 19 , 1936

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

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I thank you for your letter of the 15th notifying me that Dr. Herzfeld has cabled you his acceptance of your offer on the basis of the arrangement which you and I discussed,- namely, that the Institute would provide \$2000. toward his salary next year, the Emergency Committee \$2000. and New York University \$2000., and that he will give one graduate course in our department throughout the year.

I congratulate you on the splendid work you have done in this matter, and can assure you you have added a great scholar to your staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Walter W. S. Cook
WALTER W.S. COOK
Chairman

Herzfeld

THE ORIENTAL INSTITUTE
THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

February 18, 1936

The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

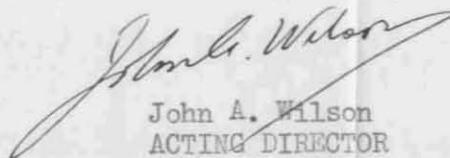
Sirs:

We learn with pleasure from the Princeton Alumnae Weekly (February 7, 1936) that Professor Ernst E. Herzfeld is to be associated with the staff of the Institute for Advanced Study.

Professor Herzfeld is at present Editorial Consultant for the Oriental Institute publications of Iranian excavations. We have known that he had before him the possibility of a position in the Institute for Advanced Study. This is our first information that his appointment has been effected. We congratulate the Institute for Advanced Study on the acquisition of a scholar, pre-eminent in his field.

We are writing today to Professor Herzfeld conveying to him our congratulations and good wishes. Meanwhile, may we ask you the terms of this appointment and the date at which Professor Herzfeld will be actively associated with the Institute in Princeton?

Sincerely yours,



John A. Wilson
ACTING DIRECTOR

JAW:HMJ

February 15, 1936

Dear Professor Cook:

I have a cable acceptance from Professor Herzfeld on the basis of the arrangement that you and I decided upon, namely, that the Institute would provide \$2,000 towards his salary next year, Duggan's Committee \$2,000, and New York University \$2,000 and that he will give one graduate course in your Department of Fine Arts through the year.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Walter W. S. Cook
New York University
Fine Arts Graduate Center
29 East 83d Street
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Professor Herzfeld
Twenty Queen Street
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11 Weymouth Court
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Dr. Abraham Flexner
Institute for Advanced Study
20, Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey.

2/9/36

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I gladly accept the election to be a professor in the School of Humanistic Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study, under the conditions offered in your letter of January 28, 1936, beginning with July 1st.- One of the conditions is to give one course of lectures every half-term at the New York University, the details of which professor Cook explained to me in a letter received at the same time. I have not yet received the Bulletin of the Institute, but understand your remarks about the terms in the light of the same letter of professor Cook. I also notice and appreciate what you say about a future increase of salary and about the system of pension.

For details of my coming to Princeton and of directing to the USA the transport of my scientific material and great library, which are on their way from Persia to England, and to which I shall add some of the material I have with me in London, I am in communication with professor Cook and professor Morey.

I beg you to accept the expression of my sincere gratitude for having helped me, by your offer, in one of the most difficult periods of my life.

Very sincerely yours,

Ernst Herzfeld

February 3, 1936

Dear Professor Cook:

I am returning to you herewith
Herzfeld's letter, which you were kind enough
to lend me when I was last in New York.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Walter W. S. Cook
Fine Arts Graduate Center
29 East 83d Street
New York City

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January 28, 1936

Dear Professor Herzfeld:

Professor Walter W. S. Cook, of New York University has showed me your letter of December 23. He and I have reached an understanding on the basis of which you have been elected to be a professor in the School of Humanistic Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study at a salary of \$6000, towards which New York University will contribute \$2000 and the Emergency Committee also contributes \$2000.00. As a return for this action on the part of New York University you will be asked to give one course at that University, which will mean leaving Princeton early in the morning once a week, giving a lecture, and returning in the afternoon. I hope that on this basis you may begin an American career, and I can give you the assurance that as the resources of the Institute for Advanced Study increase, as we have every reason to believe they will increase, your salary will be raised. The amount now promised you, however, will enable you to live in comfort and dignity in Princeton.

A pension is provided by an arrangement with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, according to which the professor pays 5% of his salary monthly and the educational institution with which he is connected pays an equal sum. These combined sums increase at compound interest and form the basis of a retiring allowance at sixty-five years of age or later,

Professor Herzfeld

January 28, 1936

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if it is acceptable to the trustees of the institution.

Your appointment will begin July 1, 1936, and your salary will be paid to you monthly at the close of each month, if you accept this invitation. Checks will be mailed to you during the summer at any address that you desire.

I am forwarding to you under separate cover the latest bulletin of the Institute. You will observe that the term begins on October 1 and ends on May 1. I hope that, like Professor Panofsky, you will find Princeton an agreeable, happy, and congenial place in which to carry on your work. You are fortunate in the fact that Princeton University possesses an unusual group of humanists, with whom you, Professor Panofsky, and your future associates will be at work in the happiest cooperation.

Trusting that I may hear from you affirmatively in the near future, I am, with great respect and all good wishes,

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ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Ernst Herzfeld
20 Queen Street
London, W. 1, England

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Professor Ernst Herzfeld
20 Queen Street
London, W. 1, England

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January 24, 1936

Dr. Stephen Duggan, Secretary,
Emergency Committee in Aid of
Displaced German Scholars,
2 West 45th Street,
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Duggan:

With reference to the application of New York University asking for funds to enable us to bring Dr. Ernst Herzfeld to New York next year, I write to say that I have today seen Dr. Abraham Flexner, of the Institute for Advanced Study. As a result of our conversation I wish to withdraw our application to your Committee and sincerely hope that you will make this grant to the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, New Jersey. I am happy to say that Dr. Flexner and I will be able to co-operate to the fullest measure, inasmuch as Dr. Herzfeld, if this grant is made, will live in Princeton and will also give one course for us each term one day a week at New York University.

Such a solution seems to me perfect, both from the point of view of the Institute for Advanced Study and from that of New York University, as well as from Dr. Herzfeld's standpoint. I might add that Dr. Herzfeld has also written that such an arrangement would be highly agreeable to him.

Faithfully yours,

WALTER W. S. COOK
Chairman, Committee on Graduate Studies

Copy

January 25, 1936

Chancellor Harry Woodburn Chase,
New York University,
Washington Square,
New York City

My dear Chancellor Chase:

I am happy to inform you that the Herzfeld situation has finally been solved, and the final solution was in accordance with our recent conversation.

Yesterday I had a conference with Dr. Abraham Flexner and find that he would be very glad to bring Dr. Herzfeld to the Institute for Advanced Study for the Fall of this year. Dr. Flexner will co-operate to the fullest extent, and it will be possible for Dr. Herzfeld to give one course each term for us in New York. This is really all we wished Dr. Herzfeld to do for us, and he will then be free to spend the remainder of his time on his research and publication in Princeton. This arrangement is identical with that in the case of Dr. Panofsky, which has proved so highly satisfactory this year.

I saw Dr. Duggan of the Emergency Committee for Displaced German Scholars, and he is also very pleased with this arrangement. I formally withdrew our application to the Committee for assistance in the case of Herzfeld, so that the Committee will now make the grant to the Institute for Advanced Study.

Dr. Flexner asked me to send you his kindest personal regards, and I would appreciate it very much if you would drop a line to Dr. Flexner, Director, Institute for Advanced Study, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, N.J., thanking him for his co-operation in this matter, and informing him how highly pleased we are with this arrangement.

Cordially yours,

WAITER W. S. COOK
Chairman

C O P Y

20 Queen Street, London, W. 1
December 28, 1935

Professor Walter W. S. Cook
Chairman of the Fine Arts Graduate Center
New York University

My dear Professor Cook,

I am afraid you may have been astonished that I have delayed my answer to your letter so long. It was partly because my time was almost entirely filled with the difficult arrangement of my affairs in Germany. It has been possible to sever my relations to Berlin in a sort of friendly way: my professor^{ship} has been cancelled to make retrenchments, and I am now 'professor emeritus' with a small salary paid in Germany, which I try to utilize in some way. I hope that my residence in a foreign country will be officially acknowledged. At any rate I need not to go back, on the contrary I got another intimation that a man from the secret political Police has said I would do better not to come back. My sister and her son are, too, in London and all the belongings which I wanted to keep are also here. Hence, that chapter is closed.

I carefully read your letter and shall act accordingly. The more I studied the program of the lectures, the more I saw that I shall need the summer to prepare everything, the courses themselves and the slides. I am not yet sure, but I hope to receive my library, photos etc. meanwhile. The Persian Government have given their consent to the export even of the remainder of my collections of antiquities and I have paid the export duties. If I have not yet got the transport, it is entirely the fault of my successor Erich Schmidt, who simply did not send them off and, now, has left Persia for Philadelphia, without authorizing somebody there to transship the cases. It is difficult to believe that this was done by thoughtlessness only. But I hope to get the whole transport in February or March.

As for the lectures, I shall prepare the 5 courses, "Ancient Art in Western Asia" (seminary), "Art of the Ancient Near East" and "Early Art of Persia"; for the

slides I shall get into touch with the man who does the slides for the Courtauld Institute; besides, I have a good firm, Fleming, here. A considerable number of photos and drawings I have here with me. Of others, which ought to be made from books, I shall send you an exact list in due time.

Whatever you are writing about the Bamberger Institute etc. I consider as confidential. I feel, you exactly understood my position and my aim: to be able to publish the material collected and at the same time to train a limited number of young scholars in that branch of work. This can always be combined with courses of lectures given to a wider audience on general topics to which the special studies belong. I hope we agree about all the essential questions.

In a few days I go to Leiden and Paris for my lectures there and I shall be back at January 22nd. In case my address would change after that date, I shall let you know; besides, you can always use "c/o Imperial Bank of Iran, 33 King William Street, London, E.C. 4."

With many kind regards and best wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

(signed) ERNST HERZFELD

Herzfeld

November 12, 1935

Dear Alfred:

My mistake. For the moment it seems to me more important for Herzfeld to get a position than to have his books printed, for the latter will inevitably follow the former. If in making out your budget, you can include a grant for him to the Institute for \$2,000 for each of two years, I am sure that the Institute will meet the grant, and this ought to be the beginning of a permanent position for a very distinguished scholar.

Many thanks for your trouble.

With all good wishes,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Alfred E. Cohn
Rockefeller Hospital
66th Street and York Avenue
New York City

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Please address all Communications to the Secretary

Rockefeller Hospital,
 66th Street and York Avenue,
 New York.

November 11th, 1935.

Dear Abe:

A misunderstanding has, I fear, arisen. My letter to you of November 6th, concerned whether Professor Herzfeld might look to you for aid in the publication of the results of his recent excavations and discoveries. If he might not do this, his next question is whether you have any other suggestion to make to him. But then I think my first letter speaks for itself.

You ask whether our "Academic Assistance Council can cooperate for a period of two years" in your desire to invite Professor Herzfeld to become a member of your Institute. I should point out that the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced German Scholars - not the Academic Assistance Council - operates on a formula which is now, as things go, hoary in tradition. Our Committee makes grants in response to requests for them from institutions of learning. We are making out budget for next year now so that there is every reason why a request from you to our Committee should be made at once. So far no grants have been made to The Institute for Advanced Study but I do not know why one should not be made.

If I can be of further use to you, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Mead

Mr. Abraham Flexner,
 The Institute for Advanced Study,
 20 Nassau Street,
 Princeton, N. J.

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
Princeton New Jersey

November 11, 1935

Dr. Abraham Flexner
The Institute for Advanced Study
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Ernst Herzfeld is recognized as the foremost scholar in the field of Islamic Archaeology of the present day, and also is one of the best of the explorers in the field of Persian Archaeology. His position is undisputed because of his extraordinary command both of the languages involved in the field and of the archaeological methods which he learned from Sarre, his teacher. He has made a survey of the Islamic monuments in Mesopotamia, Persia, Syria and Palestine, which when published will be almost as much of a fundamental corpus as the Corpus of Greek Inscriptions. At present he has in hand the first two or three volumes in which he expects to embody the results of a life time spent in the exploration of Islamic lands. There has probably never been so happy a combination of philologist and archaeologist as in the case of this scholar. His researches based on the sound knowledge of the inscriptional and literary evidence bearing upon his archaeological finds have put Islamic archaeology on an entirely new basis.

It is to be hoped that he will be able to train up a group of men of the younger generation to perfect themselves in his methods and absorb his extraordinary knowledge of the field so that this combination will be continued in American scholarship in the future. Herzfeld's library, himself and his immense material in preparation for publication are all at present unlocated, so that the settling of this great scholar in some place where he can finish his work in the course of the next ten years would seem to be one of the outstanding desiderata of the learned world at present.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) C. R. MOREY

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