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Historical Studies - Social Science Library

ITEMS REMOVED : ERNST KANTOROWICZ - PROF. H.S. 1951-1963

1) "Prof. Ernst H. Kantorowicz, 68, of Advanced Study Dies,"
New York Times, September 10, 1963.

2) Obituary, Town Topics, September 12, 1963.

3) "Kantorowicz Dies Suddenly at Home, " The Princeton Packet,
September 12, 1963.

4) "Princeton Historian, Deaths Elsewhere," The Washington Post,
September 11, 1963.

CROSS REFERENCE

FILE: KANTOROWICZ, Ernst (Former Faculty)

RE: Disposition of remaining library

LETTER DATED: Memox of Oct. 13, 1971 from Prof. Setton

SEE: Historical Studies School files - "Hist.Studies / Library Committee"

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Dean of Faculties
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

April 17, 1968

Gentlemen:

We have received a report of the death of the individual listed on the attached postcard. He is scheduled for inclusion in the DIRECTORY OF AMERICAN SCHOLARS.

Since it is our policy to include only biographies of those living, it is necessary that we obtain confirmation of this report. We cannot print obituary lines without confirmation.

Your prompt reply with dates on the return postcard will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
The Editors
The Jaques Cattell Press

PO Box 5001
Tempe, Ariz. 85281

Kantorowicz

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY 08540

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer,

This "article" has not been much appreciated by Eka's colleagues here, but the subject makes it worth reading. The author, "Y.M." is Malkid at Berkeley, whom you probably know because — as I understand — he is difficult to avoid.

Ragna Greig

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Former Fac Kantorowicz

6904 Ziegelhausen b. Heidelberg
Stift Neuburg, Germany
Oct. 12, 1964

Dear Professor Oppenheimer:

Some days ago I received the two offprints of the late Professor E.H. Kantorowicz's articles "Oriens Augusti" and "Puer exoriens". It was very kind of you to send these last works of my benefactor and friend to me and I am very glad to possess them. Therefore accept my kindest thanks for these precious gifts.

I was extraordinarily shocked when I heard last fall about Prof. Kantorowicz's sudden death. It must have been a terrible and irrecoverable loss for the Institute.

I shall never forget him.

With my best compliments and wishes,

yours sincerely,

Fr. Leo Eizenhöfer O.S.B.

(Fr. Leo Eizenhöfer O.S.B.)

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
THE LIBRARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

August 5, 1964

The First National Bank of Princeton
Princeton, New Jersey

Attention Mrs. Elizabeth Van Sciver

Dear Mrs. Van Sciver:

Many thanks for your letter of July 31 concerning Professor Kantorowicz's subscription to:

Realexikon für Antike und Christentum.

The Institute Library already subscribes to this work (through an agent in England) so that, unfortunately, we cannot use Professor Kantorowicz's copy.

The Realexikon is a continuation work which may not be completed for many years. It might be helpful to ask Hiersemann to acknowledge the cancellation and thus to prevent them from sending future fascicules and volumes.

Sincerely,

Judith E. Sachs

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PRINCETON

PRINCETON, N.J.

ELIZABETH VAN SCIVER
TRUST OFFICER

July 31, 1964

Institute for Advance Study
Olden Lane
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen: Re: Estate - Professor Ernst Kantorowicz

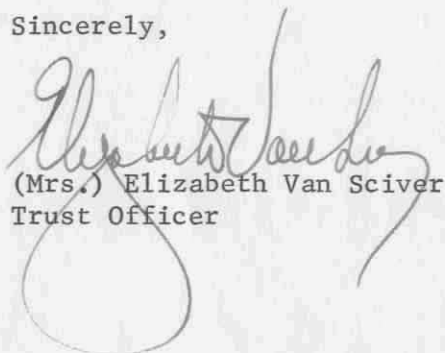
Attn: Dr. Judith Sachs

We have received a work from Anton Hiersemann, Stuttgart, entitled REALLEXIKON FÜR ANTIKE UND CHRISTENTUM, addressed to Professor Kantorowicz, together with a bill for DM. 20.00.

On July 15 we received a bill from this firm for DM. 20.00, and we wrote to them saying that Professor Kantorowicz died last September and asked them to cancel the order. Apparently our letter crossed this package in the mail, and we are writing to ask if you would have any interest in this publication for your library at this price. If so we shall be glad to forward it to you together with the bill. If not, we shall return it as planned.

We mention this merely because we, of course, know nothing of this publication and it may or may not have value to you. It contains 159 pages.

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Elizabeth Van Sciver
Trust Officer

EVS/mf

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

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PRINCETON, N. J.

ELIZABETH VAN SCIVER
TRUST OFFICER

June 23, 1964

Dr. J. E. Sachs
Institute for Advanced Study
Olden Lane
Princeton, New Jersey

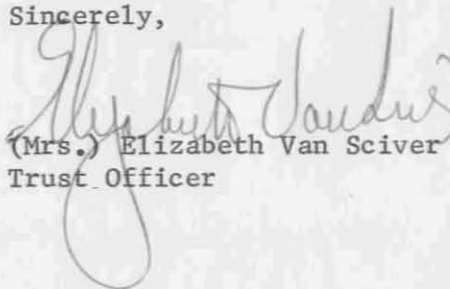
Dear Dr. Sachs:

We would like to thank you again for your courtesy in translating the letters from Verlag Helmut Kupper and from Dr. Kantorowicz, addressed to this firm.

We would like to send you a check to cover this service to us, and we would not have imposed upon your busy time had we not expected to provide compensation. We hope that you will name a figure for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Elizabeth Van Sciver
Trust Officer

EVS/mf

*Prof. Kantorowicz's dedication
inscription for the Eka volume.*

D.M.

ERNESTI H. KANTOROVVICZ

Magistorum magistri

Discipulorum discipuli

Amicorum amici

Vitam amavit mortem non timuit

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12 December 1963

Dear Mr. Sales:

Thank you for sending me your article.
You had a beautiful theme, and you wrote a
beautiful piece.

With good wishes,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Grover Sales, Jr.
1403 Kearny Street
San Francisco 11, California

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December 9, 1963

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute For Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

I am taking the liberty of mailing you an article in the San Francisco Chronicle, Sunday, December 8, on the death of Ernst H. Kantorowicz.

The passing of this great teacher and scholar was originally noted in the Bay Area in 3½ inches of garbled print on page thirty-four; his name was reported as "Ernest H. Catorowicz."

As a former student, I felt he deserved far more than this, and persuaded the Chronicle to rectify this oversight.

Sincerely,


Grover Sales, Jr.

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PRINCETON, N. J.

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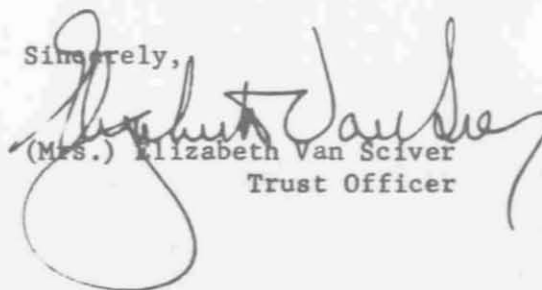
November 13, 1963

Dr. Judith Sachs
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Sachs:

We have received a letter from Dr. Beate R. Salz suggesting that should you find, in sorting the books left to the Institute by the late Professor Kantorowicz, any personal and non-professional correspondence which has no value to you nor to Doctors Giesey and Cherniazsky, that you might be willing to drop them into a cardboard carton rather than to destroy them so that she could examine them when she comes to Princeton sometime around the Holiday Season. It is possible that you will be doing nothing with the books prior to that time but she has made the suggestion and we are glad to pass it along, although Dr. Salz emphasized that she is interested only in such media as that which you might be inclined to otherwise destroy.

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Elizabeth Van Sciver
Trust Officer

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UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA 19104

The College

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

October 21, 1963

Miss Judith E. Sachs, Librarian
Institute for Advanced Studies
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Miss Sachs,

As a former student of Professor Kantorowicz, I know that all the members and the staff of the Institute will miss him very much. His death is a great loss to all of us.

I was not surprised to hear that he left his library to the Institute, since I remember that to some degree he considered your library and his complementary. I wonder if it would be possible for me to acquire from you some of his books which you may wish to dispose of, if there are any such? This would mean a great deal to me, for both scholarly and personal reasons.

Sincerely yours,



John F. Benton
Assistant Professor
of History

JFB/t

P.S. I can give Ralph Giesey or Professor Strayer as references, if this is of any use to you.

Signed in the absence of Dr. Benton

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

October 12, 1963

Dear Robert,

Attached is a copy of the Table of Contents of the volume of selected essays which Eka had made. I think that you should have it as an appendix to the minutes of the last meeting of the School and for your information in discussing the publication of the volume with Giesey and Cherniavsky, to both of whom I have written a letter to acquaint them with the second item of those minutes.

Yours,

Harold

Returned with many thanks,

J.E.S.

Kantorowicz
please return
R.O.

ERNST H. KANTOROWICZ: SELECTED ESSAYS

In German:

1. "Petrus de Vinea in England," Mitteilungen des Osterreichischen Instituts für Geschichtsforschung, LI (1937), 43-88
2. Die Wiederkehr gelehrter Anachorese im Mittelalter (Stuttgart, Kohlhammer, 1937), 13pp.
3. "Kaiser Friedrich II. und das Königsbild des Hellenismus," Varia Variorum: Festgabe für Karl Reinhardt (Münster-Köln, 1952), 169-193
4. "Zu den Rechtsgrundlagen der Kaisersage," Deutsches Archiv, XIII (1957), 115-150

In English:

1. "The Este Portrait by Roger van der Weyden," Journal of the Warburg and Courtauld Institutes, III (1939-40), 165-180 7 figs.
2. "Plato in the Middle Ages," The Philosophical Review, LI (1942), 312-323, a Review of Raymund Klibansky, The Continuity of the Platonic Tradition during the Middle Ages (London, 1939)
3. "Anonymi 'Aurea Gemma'," Medievalia et Humanistica, I (1943), 41-57
4. "An 'Autobiography' of Guido Faba," Mediaeval and Renaissance Studies, I (1943), 253-280

5. "The Problem of Medieval World Unity," American Historical Association, Annual Report for 1942, III (Washington, 1944), 31-37
6. "The 'King's Advent' and the Enigmatic Panels in the Doors of Santa Sabina," Art Bulletin, XXVI (1944), 207-231. 48 figs.
7. "How the Pre-Hitler German Universities were run," Western College Association (Fall Meeting, November 10, 1945, at Mills College, California), 3-7.
8. "The Quinity of Winchester," Art Bulletin, XXIX (1947), 73-85 40 figs.
9. "Pro patria mori in Medieval Political Thought," American Historical Review, LVI (1951), 472-492
10. "Dante's 'Two Suns'," Semitic and Oriental Studies Presented to William Popper (University of California Publications in Semitic Philology, XI; Berkeley and Los Angeles, 1951), 217-231
11. "Deus per naturam, deus per gratiam: A Note on Mediaeval Political Theology," Harvard Theological Review, XLV (1952), 253-277
12. "CYNΘPONOC ΔΙΚΗΙ," American Journal of Archaeology, LVII (1953), 65-70
13. "Inalienability: A Note on Canonical Practice and the English Coronation Oath in the Thirteenth Century," Speculum, XXIX (1954), 488-502

14. "Mysteries of State: An Absolutist Concept and its Late Mediaeval Origins," Harvard Theological Review, XLVIII (1955), 65-91
15. "The Carolingian King in the Bible of San Paolo fuori le mura," Late Classical and Mediaeval Studies in honor of A.M. Friend (1955), 287-300 3 figs. *
16. "The Prologue to Fleta and the School of Petrus de Vineia," Speculum, XXXII (1957), 231-249
17. "On Transformations of Apolline Ethics," CHARITES: Studien zur Altertums-wissenschaft [Festschrift Ernst Langlotz], ed. by Konrad Schauenburg (Bonn, 1957), 265-274
18. "The Archer in the Ruthwell Cross," Art Bulletin, XLII (1960), 57-59
19. "Kingship under the Impact of Scientific Jurisprudence," Twelfth-Century Europe and the Foundations of Modern Society, ed. M. Claggett, G. Post, and R. Reynolds (Madison, Wisconsin, 1961), 89-111
20. "The Sovereignty of the Artist: A Note on Legal Maxims and Renaissance Theories of Art," De Artibus Opuscula XL: Essays in Honor of Erwin Panofsky, ed. by Millard Meiss (New York, 1961), 267-279.
21. "Gods in Uniform," Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society, CV (1961), 368-393 . 47 figs.

11 October 1963

Dear Dr. Caspari:

At Professor Kantorowicz' request, no services were held. It is possible that a selection of articles chosen by Professor Kantorowicz will be published as a memorial.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)
Secretary to the Director

Dr. Fritz Caspari
5261 Independence Avenue
New York 7, New York

TO THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE WILL OF ERNST KANTOROWICZ

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Please contact either:

Professor Beate R. SALZ, College of Social Science
University of Puerto Rico. Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico

or

MRS. H. P. KENT % Prof. H. P. KENT
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
SASKATOON. SASK. CANADA.

Thank you!

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Sept. 22nd 1963.

Fac - Kantorowicz

Jean Gottmann

3 Avenue Pierre I de Serbie
Paris 16, France
September 21, 1963

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

It was only two days ago that a telephone call from Homer Thompson told me of the sudden passing away of Kantorowicz. It makes me very sad to think I shall not see Eka any more. He was a good friend and a great scholar. Every encounter with him was pleasant and stimulating.

I do not know anybody of his family, if he had any left, and felt I wanted to tell you how sad I am at his untimely disappearance.

We shall be returning to New York in the first days of December and hope we may see you shortly afterwards.

Bernice joins me in warm regards and best wishes to you and Kitty.

Very sincerely yours,

Jean

CROSS REFERENCE

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Kantorowicz - Former faculty

RE:

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Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Permit me to express to you my deep sorrow over the loss which the Institute for Advanced Study has sustained in the death of Professor Ernest H. Kantorowicz. His brilliant achievements, to say nothing of the distinction of his personality, shed lustre during his lifetime upon the School of Historical Studies of which he was a member. His name will always be held in honor, and all of us who shared the privilege of his friendship shall always remember him with admiration and affection.

With warmest personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Anselm Stittmatter,
O.S.B.

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer,
Director,

The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey

Kantorowicz

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Sept 15, 1963

Dear Dr Oppenheimer:
I write in response to the melancholy news that
Ernst Kantorowicz is dead.
I am certain that the Institute where he did his
final work mourns him also.
I wonder what scholarly memorial is now
contemplated.

Respectfully Yours,
Robert G. Colodny
(Kantorowicz pupil, U of California, Berkeley
1946-1950)

held until
Oct 25

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Sat. evening, 14 Sept.

Judy,

I've left. Although I've run out on several commitments, such as the one to help ~~xit~~ Allen on Tuesday, my usefulness in these affairs is not really very great. My despair, meanwhile, does not abate. I need to put a great deal of distance ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ between myself and ~~the~~ Princeton, and much time between the moment of Eka's death and any return to the house to tend to his affairs. The Institute's care of the premises allows me to escape. By December, when I return, I will feel warmth where now I feel pain in the presence of Eka's world.

In 204D, the outer office, ~~there~~ are three notes for you one top of books on the desk. Each is self-explanatory. Don't hesitate to write or phone me if there is some problem you think I can help with.

Ralph

Kantorowicz

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA

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

14 September 1963

My dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Yesterday, quite by chance, I learned of the death of Professor Ernst H. Kantorowicz, the distinguished medievalist whose studies are celebrated throughout the world wherever there is interest in the European Middle Ages. I join in your sorrow at his leaving our midst, but I shall ever consider it as my very good fortune that I came for a brief two years (at the Institute for Advanced Study) under his wise counsel and inspiring personality.

Yours very sincerely,

George A. Fowler, II
Professor of History

For Kantorowicz

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from San Juan, P.R., received 9/12/63

Please cable arrangements my uncle's funeral only if any. ^{*}To Institute, your friends, colleagues, profound sympathy for loss Ernst beloved by all of us Kantorowicz.

Beate Salz
Social Sciences
University Puerto Rico
Rio Piedras

** turned this request over to
Turner, 1st Nat Bank, who
is executor.*

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I AM SHOCKED AND SADDENED TO HEAR OF THE SUDDEN DEATH OF PROFESSOR KANTORWICZ WHOSE PASSING IS A GREAT LOSS TO THE INSTITUTE AND TO SCIENCE GENERALLY I SEND YOU AND PROFESSOR KANTOROWICZ ASSOCIATES MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY=

HERBERT H LEHMAN=

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FROM: New York City

RECEIVED: September 10, 1963

TO: Dr. Oppenheimer

I am shocked and saddened to here of the sudden death of Professor Kantorowicz whose passing is a great loss to the Institute and to science generally. I send you and Professor Kantorowicz's associates my deepest sympathy.

Herbert H. Lehman

(P)

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FROM: Madison, Wisconsin

RECEIVED: September 10, 1963

TO: Dr. Oppenheimer

As a friend of Kantorowicz and of the Institute I wish to express my deep regret for his death and to join in commemorating his greatness as a scholar.

Gaines Post

Kantorowicz

UNIVERSITÉ DE NOTRE-DAME

NOTRE DAME, INDIANA U. S. A.

A. L. GABRIEL * 

CORRESPONDANT DE L'INSTITUT DE FRANCE

(Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres)

DIRECTEUR DE L'INSTITUT MÉDIÉVAL

*with his most sincere
condoleances upon the
death of late Professor*

Kantorowicz, illustrious
member of the
Institute for Advanced
Study

Sept. 11, 1963.

7:

Prof. Ernst H. Kantorowicz, 68, Of Advanced Study Institute Dies

Special to The New York Times

PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 9—Dr. Ernst Hartwig Kantorowicz, a professor in the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study, died of an aneurism last night at his home, 22 Alexander Street. He was 68 years old.

Dr. Kantorowicz, a native of Poznan, Poland, attended the Auguste Victoria Gymnasium there and the Universities of Berlin and Munich. In 1921 he received his Ph.D. degree in history from Heidelberg University.

In 1930 Dr. Kantorowicz joined the faculty of the University of Frankfurt, and four years later he became a visiting professor of history at Oxford University. From 1939 through 1951 he taught at the University of California at Berkeley.

attaining the rank of professor of history in 1945.

After a brief stay at Dunbarton Oaks as a visiting scholar, Dr. Kantorowicz came to the Institute for Advanced Study as a professor of history in 1951.

In 1959 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by Lawrence College and in the same year he received the Haskins medal of the American Medieval Academy.

Dr. Kantorowicz held membership in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Historical Association and the American Renaissance Society. His published works include "The King's Two Bodies: A Study in Medieval Political Theology" and "Frederick II."

He leaves no survivors.

NY Times
9-10-63

Kantorowicz Dies Suddenly At Home

Kantorowicz
9-10-63

Renowned medieval scholar, Ernst Kantorowicz, professor in the school of historical studies at the Institute for Advanced Study, died suddenly Sunday night at his home, 22 Alexander St.

Prof. Kantorowicz, who is listed in Who's Who In America, was born in Posen, Germany in 1895, the son of Clara Hepner and Joseph Kantorowicz. He studied at the Auguste Victoria Gymnasium and at the Universities of Berlin and Munich.

He received his doctorate degree from Heidelberg University in 1921 and a honorary law degree from
(Continued on page 12)

Lawrence College in 1959. He was taught at the University of Frankfurt, Oxford University, the University of California at Berkeley, was a visiting scholar at Dunbarton Oaks, and was professor of history at the Institute since 1951.

He was the recipient of numerous honors for his work on the Middle Ages. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and his books include "Laudes Regiae: A Study in Liturgical Acclamations and Mediaeval Ruler Worship" and "The King's Two Bodies: A Study in Mediaeval Political Theology."

Princeton Packet
9-12-63

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Washington Post
9-11-63

Deaths Elsewhere

Princeton Historian

Herald Tribune News Service

PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 10—Ernst Hartwig Kantorowicz, 68, professor in the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study, died Sunday at his home.

A native of Posen, Germany, Kantorowicz attended the Universities of Berlin and Munich and received his Ph.D. degree from Heidelberg University in 1921.

After serving on the faculty of the University of Frankfurt for four years, he joined Oxford University in 1934 as a visiting professor in history. He taught at the University of California at Berkeley from 1939 through 1951. He came to the Institute for Advanced Study as a professor of history in 1951.

Recipient of the Haskins Medal of the American Medieval Academy in 1959, he also received an honorary doctor of law degree from Lawrence College the same year. His published works include "The King's Two Bodies: A Study in Medieval Political Theology."

Obituaries

Ernst Hartwig Kantorowicz, 68, of 22 Alexander Street, died September 8 following an aneurism. He was a professor in the school of historical studies at the Institute for Advanced Study.

Born in Posen, Germany, he studied at the Universities of Berlin and Munich and received his Ph.D. degree from Heidelberg University in 1921. During the 1930's, he was professor at the University of Frankfurt and visiting professor at Oxford University, England.

Dr. Kantorowicz came to this country in 1939 as a lecturer at the University of California at Berkeley where he was a professor of history from 1945 to 1951. In the latter year, he was a visiting scholar at Dunbarton Oaks and took his appointment at the Institute.

In 1959, he received the Haskins Medal from the Mediaeval Academy of America, of which he was a fellow. Among his publications are Kaiser Friedrich der Zweite; Laudes regiae: A Study in Liturgical Acclamations and Mediaeval Ruler Worship; and The King's Two Bodies: A Study in Mediaeval Political Theology.

Cremation was under the direction of the Mather Funeral Home.

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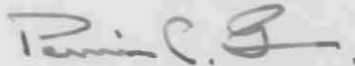
September 10, 1963

Dear Robert:

It was sad news that your telegram and the newspapers report of the death of Ernst Kantorowicz.

There will be an empty place among the Historians which cannot easily be filled. I always looked forward to seeing him on my infrequent visits to The Institute.

Sincerely yours,



PERRIN C. GALPIN

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
The Institute for Advanced
Study
Princeton, New Jersey

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CARROL M. SHANKS
PRESIDENT

September 10, 1963

Dear Bob:

It was sad to hear of Professor Kantorowicz' death. It is a great loss to all.

Yours,

Carrol M. Shanks

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dr. Fritz Caspari.

5261 Independence
Avenue
New York 71, N.Y.

The Secretary
Institute for Advanced Studies
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Sir:

I should be grateful if you could let me know whether a memorial service for the late Professor E.H. Kantorowicz has been, or will be, held, and whether any other forms of memorial is being contemplated.

Thanking you for your kind

attention to this inquiry,

Yours very truly,

Eric Caspary.

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Dear Mrs. Hobson,

Eka named three relatives as principal beneficiaries of his estate, and they are ^{the} people I presume you wish to send official condolences to. They are:

Vera M. (Mrs. Ernest J.) Peters (cousin)
747 North American St.
Stockton, California

Dr. Beate R. Salz
University of Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Judith S. (Mrs. Peter) Kent
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

} (Nieces, children of his late sister.)

I am sorry not to have more precise addresses for the two nieces. For the first, the University address will surely be sufficient anyway, and for the latter I can also provide a phone number: 345-6507, which should help you get the precise street address.

Yours,

Ralph Greney

Kantorowicz

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to Trustees

9/9/63

WITH GREAT REGRET MUST TELL YOU OF THE SUDDEN DEATH OF PROFESSOR
KANTOROWICZ LAST NIGHT.

ROBERT OPPENHEIMER

The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

9 September 1963

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univs. of Berlin and Munich; Ph.D., Heidelberg U., 1921; L.H.D., Lawrence
Coll., 1929. Honorarprofessor, U. Frankfort, 1930, Ordentlicher professor,
1932, emeritus, 1934; vis. prof. Oxford, 1934, U. Cal. at Berkeley, 1939,
lectr., 1940-45, prof. history, 1945-51; vis. scholar Dumbarton Oaks,
1951; prof. history Inst. Advanced Study, Princeton, 1951--. Recipient
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Am. Numis. Soc., Deutsches Archäolog. Inst., Am. Acad. Arts Scis.,
Real Acad. de la Historia, Madrid (corr); mem. Dante Soc., Renaissance
Soc. Am., Am. Hist. Assn., Coll. Art Assn., Archaeol. Inst. Am., Inst.
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ERNST H. KANTOROWICZ

Born Posen, May 3, 1895

Ph.D. Heidelberg, 1921

Professor of History, Frankfurt, 1930-1934

Visiting Professor, Oxford, 1934

Professor of History, University of California, Berkeley,
1939--

Visiting Professor, Harvard University (Dumbarton Oaks
Research Institute), 1950

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Date of Death 9-8-63

Kantorowicz, Prof. Ernst Hartwig - Ph.D, Heidelberg, 21.

Prof. hist, Univ. Frankfurt; Ger, 32-34, emer. prof, 34-, prof,
Inst. Advan. Study, 51-63

*Returned
4/19/68*

Signed: Murat C. Korpucij
Dean of Faculties, Inst. for Advanced Study

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Fac

Kantorowicz

GERHART B. LADNER
131 PATTON AVENUE
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

November 17, 1962

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer ,

The list which I enclose
has become longer than I thought. It is, of course,
tentative in more ways than one.

Yours sincerely

Gerhart Ladner

Sir Maurice Bowra, Oxford : Greek Poetry
Ernst Langlotz, Bonn : Greek Art
Homer Thompson, Princeton : Greek Archaeology
Erich Böhlinger, Ammersee : Greek Archaeology
Robert Böhlinger : Greek Art and Thought
Harold Cherniss, Princeton : Platonism
* Otto Neugebauer, Brown University : Ancient Science
Alexander Graf Schenk von Stauffenberg, Munich : Greek History
Andrew Alföldi, Princeton : Roman History

Lynn White, University of California, Los Angeles : Mediaeval Technology
Bernhard Bischoff, Munich : Mediaeval Palaeography or Literature
Theodor Klauser, Bonn : Mediaeval Liturgy
Marie-Thérèse d'Alverny, Paris : Mediaeval Thought
E.F. Jacob, Oxford : Late Mediaeval Thought
Johannes Straub, Bonn : Early Christian Political Thought
Percy Ernst Schramm, Göttingen : Ruler Worship in the Middle Ages
Ralph Giesey, University of Minnesota : Mediaeval Political Thought
Isaiah Berlin, Oxford : Modern Political Thought
Brian Tierney, Cornell University : Mediaeval Law
Stephan Kuttner, Catholic University of America : Mediaeval Canon Law
Gaines Post, University of Wisconsin : Mediaeval Corporations
Joseph Strayer, Princeton University : Mediaeval Institutions
Gerhart Ladner : Mediaeval "Renovatio"
Friedrich Baethgen, Munich : Age of Frederick II or Age of Dante
Gerald Campbell, S.J., Baltimore : Age of Louis IX
Thomas S.R. Boase, Oxford : Late Mediaeval Culture
Lawrence Stone, Oxford : Late Mediaeval or Renaissance History
Felix Gilbert, Princeton : Renaissance History
Otto Maenchen, University of California, Berkeley : Early Mediaeval Art
Walter Horn, University of California, Berkeley : Mediaeval Art
Michael Stettler, Bern : Mediaeval Art
Millard Meiss, Princeton : Late Mediaeval or Renaissance Art
Erwin Panofsky, Princeton : Mediaeval and Renaissance Art

Francis Dvornik, Dumbarton Oaks : Byzantine History
Ihor Ševčenko, Columbia University : Late Byzantine History
Michael Cherniavsky, University of Chicago : Russian History
G. Alef, University of Oregon : Russian History
Sirarpie Der Nersessian, Dumbarton Oaks : Byzantine History or Art
André Grabar, Collège de France : Byzantine Iconography
Kurt Weitzmann, Princeton : Byzantine Art
Otto Demus, Vienna : Byzantine Art
Ernst Kitzinger, Dumbarton Oaks : Byzantine and Western Art
Anselm Strittmatter, O.S.B., Washington : Byzantine Liturgy

* Ludwig Edelstein, Johns Hopkins University : Ancient Medicine

June 21, 1962

Professor Ernst Kantorowicz
The Institute for Advanced Study

Dear Professor Kantorowicz:

Dr. Oppenheimer has asked me to write you about your pension arrangements. At the meeting of the Board of Trustees held in Princeton on April 6 and 7 the Board voted to increase faculty salaries to \$25,000.

The standard 5% contribution by the professor matched by a 5% contribution by the Institute on the new salary level will come to \$2,500 a year, or \$208.33 per month. This will mean that we will be withholding \$104.16 from your monthly salary to cover your contribution.

Will you please let me know if this is satisfactory to you.

You should know also that the Major Medical contract with TIAA has been modified to reduce the deductible after Blue Cross from \$200 to \$100.

Cordially yours,

Minot C. Morgan, Jr.
General Manager

MCM: lw

Prof. Kantorowicz
Betty Kantorowicz

Pl. return P.O.

AGNES B. SHERMAN

Canal Road
Griggstown
New Jersey

11 June, 1962

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer;

Thank you very much for your letter of June 7 in which you offered me the appointment of Research Assistant to Professor Kantorowicz for the year 1962-1963.

I am very happy to accept, and I am looking forward to working for Professor Kantorowicz starting September 1.

Sincerely yours,

Agnes B. Sherman

Mrs Michael Sherman

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Fac Kantorowicz

cc Prof. Kantorowicz
Mr. Morgan
Mrs. Barnett
Miss Horton

7 June 1962

Dear Mrs. Sherman:

On the recommendation of Professor Kantorowicz, I am pleased formally to offer you an appointment as Research Assistant to Professor Kantorowicz in the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study for the academic year 1962-1963. We understand that you will be working half-time for ten months beginning September 1, 1962, and can make available to you a salary of \$210. a month for that period.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mrs. Michael Sherman
Canal Road
Griggstown, New Jersey

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 5, 1962

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Director's Office

Dear Robert:

Since Margaret Peacock is leaving me in order to concentrate on the education of her son, I had to look out for a replacement. I think I have found a good assistant for next year who studied classical archaeology and art history at Bryn Mawr and Barnard. She is:

Agnes (Mrs. Michael) Sherman
Canal Road
Griggstown, New Jersey.

She would also be able to work for me half-time only, and I would be grateful if you would appoint her as my assistant, beginning September 1 to the end of the academic year, at the rate of \$240.00 a month.

I thank you very much.

As ever yours,

EKa.

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

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Fae Kantorowicz

YR Fae (declined)

Bischoff

Sept. 10, 1961

Dear Robert, On my arrival yesterday in Paris, I found some mail and in it the bad news that you had an accident in St. John and cut a tendon. Those things heal badly and are painful, but I hope you are all right again - did not suffer too much from it. - On my way back from Rome I stopped for 36 hours in Munich and dined two days ago with Bischoff who, a day before we met, finally got the answer from the Ministry of Education which he had been waiting for. The result is that he will not come to the Institute. You may, by now, have received his letter. His reasons had nothing to do with pensions, but they

were partly a matter of family considerations, although a modus vivendi had been worked out, and partly technicalities of his work: the photos he is working with belonged partly to the University & partly to the Bavarian Academy both of whom wanted to hold Bischoff à tout prix and therefore did not let the photos go. But I shall report details on my return, probably on the 18th or 19th of September. It is very bad because now we are again where we were a year ago and no real hope to improve our conditions. - I also met Miss d'Alverny who will be in Princeton by the end of the month. Homer, whom I saw very often in Athens, will arrive also 18th/19th of September. So we shall all be together again within a week or two.

All my best to Kitty. I hope you & she had a good time despite your misfortune.

Yours, as ever,

EKa.

Fac Kantorowicz

cc Professor Kantorowicz
Mr. Morgan
Mrs. Barnett
Miss Horton

23 June 1961

Dear Mrs. Peacock:

On the recommendation of Professor Kantorowicz, I am pleased formally to offer you an appointment as Research Assistant to Professor Kantorowicz in the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study for the academic year 1961-1962. We understand that you will be working half-time, and can make available to you a salary of \$2,400 for the year.

With all good wishes,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mrs. John Peacock
30 Olden Lane
Princeton, New Jersey

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 11, 1961

Dear Verna:

I am not sure, but I believe that the Director will have to make the appointment of Margaret Peacock. She should rank, as she did when working with Professor Cherniss, as "Research Staff" and this appointment might be made through the business office. But I am not sure about the correct way, whereas you would know better.

Sincerely

EKa.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 11, 1961

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
The Director's Office

Dear Robert:

As you may happen to know Mrs. Lilo de' Negri unfortunately is leaving me as my assistant because Professor de' Negri has accepted an invitation to Berkeley.

In her place, however, Harold's former assistant Margaret K. (Mrs. John) Peacock is willing to work for me half-time in the afternoon, which would suit me perfectly. Mrs. Peacock knows the ways of the Institute very well indeed and she would be definitely useful to me.

I would therefore be very grateful to you if you would be kind enough to appoint her for the next year as my assistant. Her address is 30 Olden Lane. Her salary should be \$2,400, a little more than 50 percent of the normal full-time salary of \$4,200. But then she has to hire a baby sitter for the afternoons, and at a lower rate it would be hardly worth her while taking the job at all.

I wonder whether the margin of \$1,800 could be "converted" for our school fund. But this would be a matter of secondary importance.

Thank you very much.

Yours as always

EKa.

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

cc Mr. Morgan

20 April 1959

Dear Professor Kantorowicz:

The Trustees of the Institute, meeting on April 18th, have fixed your salary, and that of your colleagues, at \$22,500 a year, starting July 1, 1959.

I am glad to tell you the good news.

Very sincerely,

Robert Oppenheimer

Professor Ernst Kantorowicz
The Institute for Advanced Study

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

April 20, 1959

Dear Robert:

This is to thank you for your communication of today. While in all sincerity I may assure you that I do not deserve a salary of that kind because I simply cannot live, or work, up to the expectations which that new salary demands, I understand nevertheless that in order to meet the competition some adjustment had to be made. Hence, I feel that I am a victim of that adjustment.

I was sorry that I could not join your Faculty-Trustees party the other night of which I had some glowing reports. But I had quite a pleasant time at Toronto at the meeting of the Mediaeval Academy.

As ever yours

EKa

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
The Institute for Advanced Study

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

10 July 1957

Dear Mr. Leidesdorf:

In the process of putting together the new pension policy, Dr. Oppenheimer and I had several discussions with Professor Kantorowicz with regard to the funding of a minimum pension of \$6,000. You may remember that he is now the only bachelor on the Faculty, that he came to the Institute rather late in life, and that he has no immediate family except a sister who is a good deal older than he. The funding of his pension would have cost the Institute something over \$4,000 a year between now and the time of his retirement, and Dr. Oppenheimer instructed me to pursue two alternate courses in an effort to reduce this amount:

1. To explore with T.I.A.A. the possibility of a funded pension with no insurance benefits. (This proved to be impossible.)
2. Failing the former, to suggest to Kantorowicz that he make the Institute the beneficiary of his policy if he should die before age 70. (This he was unwilling to do as long as his sister was living.)

Just before Dr. Oppenheimer left on vacation, he and I reached the conclusion, subject to your approval, that Kantorowicz should be eliminated from the new pension program, and simply be given a firm commitment that the Board would supplement his T.I.A.A. pension up to \$6,000. This arrangement is similar to those made with Veblen, Einstein, Lowe, etc. This would mean a possible future commitment from general funds, but we would not be paying in the meantime such an exorbitant premium, including death benefits where there are no dependents.

The above, incidentally, is entirely satisfactory to Kantorowicz.

Cordially yours,

Minot C. Morgan, Jr.
General Manager

Mr. S. D. Leidesdorf
125 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Copy to Mr. Galpin
Mr. Linder

Copy to Dr. Oppenheimer

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Copy to Mr. Linder

Fac Kantorowicz

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 8, 1957

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
The Director's Office

4000 for year

*353.33
per mo.*

Dear Robert:

✓ This is to ask you whether again I could retain my present assistant, Dr. W.M. Bowsky, through the month of July. We still have to work on the Index of my book in the Princeton Press, and there are other things to be wound up which during the semesters had to be postponed. I do not believe that this would encroach upon the "converted assistant salary" which is less anyhow than Bowsky's salary was.

*Each year
2nd 3000*

Also, I thank you very much for your letter concerning my pension. This does not look too bad; but I confess I feel sorry for our trustees who have to put up that much money to keep me swimming after my academic death.

✓ From Dom Eizenhöfer I had a letter mentioning that he had been too late for securing the Fulbright travel grant. I assume we will have to send him the \$500 some time before Christmas.

Very sincerely yours

EKa.

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

Kantorowicz

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

3 June 1957

Dear Eka:

As you know, the Trustees have been going over the arrangements for retirement and pensions, and have decided to extend to the June 30th following a professor's 70th birthday the time of retirement. Even with this change, the accumulations in T.I.A.A. from your payments and the Institute's would only give you a retirement income of some \$2,750. The Institute is therefore going to put about \$4,100 a year more into your retirement fund, in order to bring your retirement benefits up to \$6,000, exclusive of Social Security for which you will also be eligible.

The Institute will allocate the maximum that it may, which is fifty per cent of the total annual contribution that you and the Institute make toward your retirement, to College Retirement Equities Fund. This fund has been established in order that beneficiaries may be provided with a hedge against inflation, through investment in equities whose value and whose income have increased with the years in the past, and are expected to increase in the future. The Trustees are aware of the fact that benefits from C.R.E.F. vary as provided in C.R.E.F. contracts, and are not guaranteed as those accruing under T.I.A.A.; but they believe that, under the C.R.E.F.-T.I.A.A. arrangement, your total retirement benefits will not be less than \$6,000, but more.

Within the next months you will receive a new contract from T.I.A.A. describing the provisions under which your retirement benefits will be paid. Should you have any questions about that contract or this letter, or the matters touched upon in it, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Very sincerely,

Robert Oppenheimer

Professor E. Kantorowicz
Institute for Advanced Study

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Kantorowicz

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

March 29, 1957 ✓

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
The Director's Office

Dear Robert,

At our Faculty Meeting I voted, if somewhat hesitatingly, for the appointment of Professor André Weil, because I felt that the positive aspects outweighed the negative ones.

This was before you informed us about the report you received from Chicago, which, I admit, was of a somewhat shocking unpleasantness to me. Moreover, while discussing later in the afternoon the revision of the minutes with Morse, Selberg, and Woodward some other features of Dr. Weil's character were mentioned, until in the course of our conversation, I think, we all agreed that so far nothing agreeable has been mentioned about Dr. Weil with the exception of his professional efficiency.

The antinomy of highest professional efficiency and deficiency of character is something not unfamiliar to me. After all, I lived for six years in Nazi Germany. I detest this human combination to such an extent that I would be untrue to myself as well as to my colleagues and to you if I omitted to pass on this information to you.

For that reason I wish to abstain from a vote in favor of Dr. Weil.

As ever yours

EKa.

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

Copy to Mr. Morgan
Mrs. Barnett
Miss Horton
Prof. Kantorowicz

10 June 1955

Dear Mrs. Sevchenko:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that you have been appointed as Assistant to Professor Kantorowicz at a salary of \$300 a month for ten months starting with September 1, 1955.

Robert Oppenheimer

Mrs. Thor Sevchenko
1223 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

June 9, 1955

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

Dear Robert:

This is to inform you that my present assistant, Dr. Ralph E. Giese, is unfortunately leaving me to accept a teaching position at Vassar College. As his successor I wish to suggest Mrs. Margaret Sevchenko, the wife of Professor Ihor Sevchenko, the Byzantinist, who is going to start his membership at the Institute in fall. She was a former student of mine at Berkeley and is well equipped for the job.

I would like Giese, however, to wind up his work on my manuscript during July and August and to draw his normal salary during these two months. Mrs. Sevchenko then would take over his job - and salary - in September and could get her appointment on a 10-months basis. The salary rate is \$3500; were it \$3600, it would probably simplify matters, because in that case Mrs. Sevchenko could get her appointment at \$3000 for 10 months. But I leave that to you. I should like to mention that Mrs. Sevchenko has approved of that arrangement.

Sincerely yours

Eka

Ernst H. Kantorowicz

F Kantorowicz
new folder?

Dr. Ralph E. Giese
19 Bank Street
Princeton, New Jersey
14 January 1954

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
97 Olden Lane
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer,

This letter is addressed to the friends of Ernst H. Kantorowicz, concerning a project for the commemoration of his 60th birthday (3 May 1955), to which you are asked to give your support. The writer, a former student of Professor Kantorowicz, is now his assistant at The Institute for Advanced Study.

A group of Professor Kantorowicz's friends, both colleagues and former students, here in Princeton and elsewhere, has agreed that a gift of a very specific and personal character should be presented him on his 60th birthday. A Festschrift was seriously considered, but because of excessive publishing costs, it has virtually been abandoned. Besides, it was thought that a collection of writings offered by eminent colleagues was more in appearance than in actuality a personal honoring of Professor Kantorowicz. Much more fitting would be a portrait, or a bust, but either of these would indeed be prohibitive in cost. Along this line, however, and quite within reasonable limits of financing, there is another possibility, perhaps the most appropriate in view of Professor Kantorowicz's fond interest in this form of art: a medal.

A medal of Professor Kantorowicz would be fitting also for other reasons: first, his very profile lends itself to a representation of this kind; secondly, the reverse of the medal offers the opportunity of symbolizing his dignitas as scholar; thirdly, the medal itself will be possessed and, it is hoped, enjoyed by everyone who contributes to its making.

Preliminary enquiries have been made as to where the striking of the medal would be best done, and the Mint of Paris was found to be the most reliable and reasonable. It quoted a price of \$125.00 for the reducing of the artist's model to the desired 50 mm. size, and the cutting of the die. An example in gold, to be presented to Professor Kantorowicz, will cost about \$175.00. Thus, \$300.00 will be the cost exclusive of the artist's fee.

The selection of the artist is, of course, the most essential decision, for the quality of the portrait has to be the prime concern. Of a half dozen American and French artists so far approached, the works of a well-known French medalist, M. Henry Dropsy, was considered to be the most impressive, and the fee he quoted happened also to be one of the most reasonable: \$450.00. Thus, the total cost of making the gold medal for Professor Kantorowicz, including artist's model, cutting the die and minting the gold coin, will be \$750.00.

It is proposed to raise this sum in the following manner. Each subscriber will agree to purchase either a bronze example of the medal at \$10.00, or a silver example at \$12.50. The actual cost of the bronze and silver medals, quoted by the Mint of Paris, is 50¢ and \$3.00 respectively, so that in effect each subscriber will be giving \$9.50 towards the defraying of the \$750.00

general cost. In this way, the expenses would be covered by 80 subscribers. If more subscriptions were to be received, the individual share could be reduced proportionately. The die of the medal will be destroyed afterwards, thus guaranteeing that the personal value of the medal will not be belittled by subsequent cheap sale.

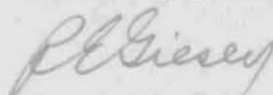
You are kindly asked to promise your support of the plan, i.e., to pledge to purchase either a bronze or a silver copy of the medal at \$10 or \$12.50. I would appreciate your signing the form enclosed with this letter and sending it to my residence, 19 Bank Street, Princeton. Please do not write c/o The Institute for Advanced Study; my mail there arrives in the same box as Professor Kantorowicz's, and any bulky correspondence received by me might lead him to suspect some project being kept secret from him.

Since a surprise is highly desirable, you are asked not to mention the matter to anyone not concerned. Of course, if you know anyone who you think might be interested, please do mention the project to him, and ask him to communicate with me. We doubtless have overlooked some of Professor Kantorowicz's friends.

The day of presentation of the medal is yet a long way off, more than fifteen months. Many decisions are yet to be made, above all the selection of the artist. At the moment, however, it is very important to receive pledges of support, in order that the exact amount of individual contributions can be fixed, and then collected. Do not send money now, however.

Any suggestions or criticisms regarding the plan will be most welcome.

Sincerely yours,



R. E. Giesey

RO said would support - 1/21/54

April 27, 1953

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter will introduce to you Professor Ernst Kantorowicz who is a Professor at The Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. We ask you to extend to him the privileges of your library.

Robert Oppenheimer

copy to Miss Trinterud

April 6, 1953

Dear Professor Kantorowicz:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Institute for Advanced Study on April 3, 1953, it was voted:

(1) To make available to you, as to all members of the Faculty, \$1,000 a year as a fund for your professional travel. This fund, if not required by you in any one year, may accumulate, but will not at any time exceed \$3,000. It is to be available to you only for these purposes, and only as long as you are a member of the Faculty of the Institute;

(2) To alter the provisions for your retirement--as for all members of the Faculty--in that retirement, which has until now been mandatory as of the June 30th following your 65th Birthday, will now become optional with you from your 65th Birthday on, and will be mandatory only as of the June 30th following your 68th Birthday.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Oppenheimer

Professor Ernst Kantorowicz
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N. J.

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1703 THIRTY-SECOND STREET, WASHINGTON 7, D.C.

May 7, 1951

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Dear Miss Russell:

I thank you very much for your letter of May 5, 1951. The letter for Mr. Cherniavsky has been forwarded to his present address: 1510 Oxford Street, Berkeley 4, California. I have mentioned his name to Mrs. Leary and I hope it will be possible for her to put him up in one of the Institute houses.

I am certainly most grateful to Professor Oppenheimer for having appointed Mr. Cherniavsky as my assistant, and I am sure that he will be of great help to me.

Sincerely yours

Ernst Kantorowicz

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Miss Katherine Russell
Office of the Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

*For
Kantorowicz*

May 5, 1951

Dear Professor Kantorowicz:

Dr. Oppenheimer has asked me to send you a copy of our letter of appointment to Mr. Cherniavsky, whom you would like to have as your assistant next year. Since we do not have an address for Mr. Cherniavsky, would you be kind enough to forward his letter of appointment to him?

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Russell,
Secretary to the Director

Professor Ernst Kantorowicz
Harvard University
Dumbarton Oaks Research Library
1703, 32nd St.
Washington 7, D. C.

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May 2, 1951

Professor J. Robert Oppenheimer
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Professor Oppenheimer:

Before the beginning of the new academic year I should like to discuss with you, quite briefly, the question of the Research Assistant whom, as I understand, the Institute allows its professors to suggest for appointment.

I am thinking of a very able young man, Mr. Michael Cherniavsky, who is to receive his Ph.D. at Berkeley by the end of this semester and whose presence, for the coming year, at Princeton would be very useful to me.

Mr. Cherniavsky began his studies with me in 1941, before he joined the U.S. Army with which he was fighting in the South Pacific until 1945. He is 28 years old. He was born in China; Russian is his native language. He is a mediaeval historian, specialized in Eastern European history. He is submitting a dissertation on the Byzantine backgrounds of Russian rulership (13th to 16th centuries), emphasizing therein the changes which Byzantine institutions were subjected to in Russia. Not to mention the fact that Mr. Cherniavsky is very well acquainted with all the problems which keep me busy at present, he knows all the Slavic languages which, unfortunately, I do not know, and which are so important to Byzantine studies. He is married and he has no children.

I wonder if you would agree to an appointment of Mr. Cherniavsky for one year as my Research Assistant. I do not know anything about the financial conditions of the Assistants but I am sure that they would be satisfactory to all parts.

Mrs. Leary was kind enough to find me a rather nice apartment on Alexander Street. So I am looking with confidence into the future.

I remain, with the best wishes for the summer vacation,

Sincerely yours

Ernst Kantorowicz
Ernst Kantorowicz

January 31, 1951

Dear Dr. Stanley:

Thank you for your good letter of January 29th, which interested me greatly. I am glad that our invitation to Kantorowicz had been a source of support to you and your friends in Berkeley. When we made the decision to invite Kantorowicz, we were of course guided only by our interest in him as a scholar and by the appropriateness of his work to the general interests of the Institute. It is hard to write conjectural history; yet it is clear to me that we would have offered this appointment with equal enthusiasm had there been no difficulties at all in California, or had Kantorowicz been in no way involved in them. In fact, I made clear representations to the Trustees of the Institute that this appointment was not to be construed as an identification on the part of the Institute itself with any interest, any faction, or any view of the many controversies which have raged within the University of California.

You know of course that as a Faculty we do have views, and can rightly assume that they are very close to yours. What I do not think I am at liberty to do is to use any privileged document of the Kantorowicz history in support of views which in other contexts we have supported and would gladly continue to support. For that reason, and perhaps in an excess of conscience, I cannot send you the words of praise which as a matter of fact I did present to the Trustees in support of this appointment.

With every warm good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Dr. W. M. Stanley
Department of Biochemistry
University of California
Berkeley, California

Copy to Mr. Herbert H. Maass
Mr. Lewis L. Strauss

cc to Fleming

December 29, 1950

Dear Professor Kantorowicz:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to you, asking you to join the Faculty of the Institute for Advanced Study as a Professor in the School of Historical Studies. I do this on unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of the Institute, and with the unanimous concurrence of its Board of Trustees.

The terms of the appointment are simple. The appointment runs from July 1, 1951 to June 30th of the year of your retirement,--by present Institute rules, the fiscal year in which you have reached your 65th birthday. The salary has been fixed at \$18,000 a year; and the Institute is prepared to make a contribution of 5% of this salary to the purchase of a retirement policy, and asks that you make a similar contribution yourself.

As you know, a Professorship at this Institute implies no fixed duties of instruction, and its principal purpose is to permit you, alone or in consort with your colleagues, to pursue studies of your own interest. We do hope that you will be in residence during the academic terms, which occupy some 25 weeks between October and April. We do hope that you will participate with your colleagues in determining the modest questions of academic policy for the Institute and in helping to select the Members who work and study here. These duties have not proved burdensome.

There will be many questions that you may wish to put to us, and I can anticipate only a few. We make provision for an assistantship for each Professor; we have at the Institute a seminar library, which you will no doubt find at least initially quite inadequate for your purposes, but which we shall be glad to try to enrich; we have of course the complete use of the University library, which is reasonably adequate.

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You must feel free to write to me of any questions, an answer to which would be helpful. Your colleagues here extend a warm welcome to you, and hope very much that you will want to join our community. I speak not only for the members of the Institute, but for many of our friends in the University as well. If you come to Princeton, you will find a deep appreciation of the work that you have done in the past and a great hope for the work that you may do in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Oppenheimer

Professor Ernst H. Kantorowicz
1421 Euclid Avenue
Berkeley 8, California

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY
BERKELEY 4, CALIFORNIA

January 29, 1951

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

The Committee on Academic Freedom of the University of California is preparing a report for the Senate on the consequences to date of the abrogation of tenure at this University resulting from the special oath situation. The report is a factual one, contains much documentation and runs to well over fifty pages. One section having to do with a description of the loss of faculty members reads as follows,

"The brilliance and renown of the 26 has been amply described in the earlier report of the Committee on Privilege and Tenure, and further emphasis on the point might seem superfluous. One Regent, however, speaking of a world-famous historian among the group, Professor Kantorowicz, confessed that he had no knowledge of any lustre reflected on the University by this individual. Professor Kantorowicz has in the past few days been called to a permanent appointment at the Institute for Advanced Study.* Now since a very guardian of the University admits ignorance of the renown of one of the most distinguished members of the faculty, it is perhaps desirable to remind all concerned that among the 26 ejected are included figures of international reputation in psychology, history, mathematics, philosophy, physics, classics, for example, as well as younger men whose brilliance and promise is known widely in their professional areas. Another of this group, Professor Winkler, has, for example, recently been appointed Visiting Lecturer in Government at Harvard. In announcing his appointment his Chairman declared that 'although the Department was merely picking the best available man, it was glad to give refuge to one of the California dissenters.' "

I am writing you to inquire if you have made a statement to your Trustees or to the press regarding Professor Kantorowicz which might be incorporated in the above paragraph at the place marked by the *. I have in mind something like,

"Director Oppenheimer in welcoming Professor Kantorowicz has stated (or written), 'The Institute is delighted to have

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer

January 29, 1951

this world renowned medieval historian in its midst.'"

If you can provide me with something along this line from among the statements which I am sure you must have made to your Board of Directors or to others it would, of course, be quite useful. Similar quotes are being used in connection with other persons.

We hope to get this report out to the Senate and to interested persons in the very near future and expect that it will have a beneficial effect. Needless to say, I shall be glad to see that a copy comes to you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Stanley

W. M. Stanley, Chairman
Committee on Academic Freedom

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

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December 29, 1950

Mr. Lessing Rosenwald
Jenkintown, Pa.
Telephone Ogontz 0141

Thank you for your telegram. You will be glad to know that the Board unanimously approved the confirmation of the appointment.

Robert Oppenheimer

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December 18, 1950.

To the Board of Trustees of the Institute
for Advanced Study

Gentlemen:

Inasmuch as the members of the Faculty had already read the pamphlet of which the enclosed is a photostat, before recommending the appointment of Professor Kantorowicz, it is deemed advisable that the members of the Board also familiarize themselves with the pamphlet before the meeting to be held December 29th, at 10 o'clock, at the office of Samuel D. Leidesdorf, 125 Park Avenue, New York City.

It is hoped that as many members of the Board of Trustees as possible will make it a point to attend this meeting.

Very truly yours,

HHM:g
Enc.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Dec. 17, 1950

Dear Robert,

A letter written to me on
December 15, 1950 by M. L. W. Laistner,
Professor of History at Cornell
University, contains the following
paragraph, quite unsolicited, of
course:

"What an ungodly mess the
U. of California has got itself
into. I suppose you have read
Kantorowicz's pamphlet; it strikes
me as a masterly performance."

This comment may only
indicate some characteristic
peculiar to historians generally;
but I think that it may also

be of use to you as evidence
of the fact that not all sane
and respectable people regard
Kantorowicz's performance
as unseemly. Kaistner is
certainly neither a "fine-eater"
nor a savage.

Yours,

Howard

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The Warden's Lodgings,
Wadham College,
Oxford
November 17th

My dear Ben,

Theodore tells me that you are making enquiries about Ernst Kantorowicz, and I thought you would not mind if I wrote to you about him. He is an old and very close friend of mine, and you must bear this in mind in assessing anything I see about him. None the less I think that my judgment of his worth is well founded on close knowledge and experience. He is a very clever and gifted man, who is not only learned in a wide field - which includes Greek and Latin at a high level - but he has a remarkably original mind which opens up many new avenues of enquiry and pursues them with great brilliance and learning. His "Frederick II" was a youthful book and does not show his full worth, but in recent years a series of articles and at least one book prove his power and range and originality. He is a mediaevalist who knows the worth of the ancient world and never forgets its relevance, and his recent incursions into Byzantine history are the natural development of this. That these have enriched his study of mediaeval western Europe nobody could deny. As a man, he is quite delightful, full of humour and fancy, extremely good to his pupils who are devoted to him, courageous - as his behaviour at Berkeley shows -, very sensible and wise. His vitality is perhaps rather too much for the congenitally stodgy and the professional stuffed shirt, but any human scholar is bound to like it and profit by it. He is extremely loyal to his friends and pupils and has the highest standard of academic honour. He resisted the Nazis with the utmost courage, although he has always been a man of the right. I commend him to you with all the warmth at my command and hope very much that you will be able to do something for him.

Yours ever

(Signed) Maurice Bowra

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Jac
Kantorowicz

Oct. 10, 1950

2.40 P.M.

Dear Robert,

This is interesting
in view of our conversation
this noon. The combination
of names makes me wonder
whether Olschki may not
have suggested this move to
Friedländer.

Paul

Chemists

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS
LOS ANGELES 24, CALIFORNIA

2012 Camden Avenue
Los Angeles 25, Cal.
October 7, 1950

Professor Robert J. Oppenheimer
President of the Institute
for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Professor Oppenheimer:

I am sure I am not telling you anything new, and I hope I have not to apologize for making an unwanted suggestion, when I mention to you the fact that

Professor Ernst H. Kantorowicz at Berkeley, one of the non-signers of the loyalty declaration, is a man of the highest calibre of historical research. His studies are very advanced indeed.

The same, I think, holds good of another non-signer:

Professor Leonardo Olschki.

But he, I am afraid, has reached or will soon reach, that strange point in Academic life called the retirement age.

Very sincerely yours,

Paul Friedlander

Ernst

ERNST H. KANTOROWICZ

Education Ph.D., Heidelberg, 1921

Honors

Corresponding member: Monumenta Germaniae Historica; Deutsches Archäologisches Institut. Fellow: American Numismatic Society; Mediaeval Academy of America. Honorary member: Phi Beta Kappa (1951)

Career Professor of History, Frankfurt, 1930-34; Ordentlicher professor, 1932; Visiting professor, Oxford University, 1934; California, 1939; Professor of History, University of California, Berkeley, 1940-51; Visiting Professor Harvard University (Dumbarton Oaks), 1950. Permanent professor, School of Historical Studies, since 1951.

Career Honorarprofessor, University of Frankfurt, 1932; ordentlicher Professor für mittelalterliche und neuere Geschichte, 1932-34; Professor emeritus, 1934--; Visiting Professor, New College, Oxford, 1934; University of California, Berkeley, 1939-40; Research Associate in History, 1940-45; Professor of History, 1945-51; Visiting Professor, Harvard University at Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, 1950. Professor, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study since 1951.

Ernst ^HR. Kantorowicz 55

Born Posen, May 3, 1895

Ph.D. Heidelberg, 1921

Professor of History, Frankfurt, 1930-1934

Visiting Professor, Oxford, 1934

Professor of History, University of California, Berkeley,

1939 --

Visiting Professor, Harvard University (Dumbarton Oaks
Research Institute), 1950