

3/17/54

World Telegram has rumor coming from Princeton area that Einstein wrote a letter to Norman Thomas renouncing the 75th anniversary party given him and renouncing all solicited communist reports, and being sharply critical of many of the left wingers who were trying to tie themselves to him.

Telegram would like to know if letter was written and would like the contents.

William Michaelfelder, Barkley 7-3211

Miss Dukas said that Professor Einstein had written a private letter to Norman Thomas in answer to one received from him. She could not understand the rumor coming from this area, and doubted that Norman Thomas was releasing the letter, since it had not been very complimentary (but not in the tone construed by the rumor). She hoped it would just be dropped.

KR telephoned WM of the Telegram, saying that there had been private correspondence between the 2, but that we did not have the letters, that perhaps it would be best just to drop the matter. Explained that Miss Dukas said the letter to Thomas was not very complimentary, but that she did not understand the rumor nor the tone of it. WM agreed that the matter should be dropped since they could not get hold of the letter or any accurate information as to its contents (they tried N. Thomas). I suggested that possibly their informant was not too accurate on the basis of what Miss Dukas told me, and WM agreed that that was possible.

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COMMENTARY

*Doc
Einstein
Present
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September 19, 1950

Mr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Oppenheimer:

Attached is a copy of the September issue of
Commentary, containing an article of mine on Einstein.
You might find it interesting.

Sincerely yours,

Irving Kristol

Irving Kristol
Assistant Editor

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Einstein
Mrs. Jacobs*

August 11, 1949

Dear Mr. Ward:

Your letter of July 24th enquiring about photographs and press releases of Professor Einstein has been referred to this office for reply. I have talked with Professor Einstein's personal secretary; and she informed me that they do not have photographs for distribution, nor do they have press releases which might be sent. Her suggestion is that you try to obtain the material from a central news bureau. Photographs may be obtained from Mrs. Lotte Jacobi-Reis, 46 West 52nd St., New York City; Mrs. Jacobi-Reis, I believe, has a file of photographs, and prints may be purchased from her. I am sorry we at the Institute cannot be of more help, and hope that you will be successful in obtaining the material you wish.

Yours sincerely,

Katherine Russell,
Director's Office

Mr. K. C. Ward
YEAR Incorporated
548 Crestline Drive
Los Angeles 24, California

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY
Department of Public Relations

August 3, 1949

Mr. K. C. Ward
Editorial Board
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Los Angeles 24, California

Dear Mr. Ward:

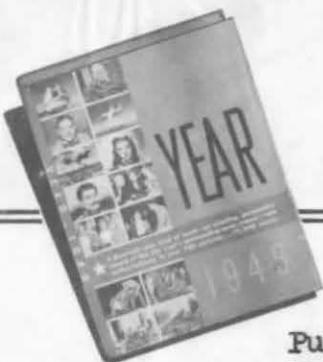
Your letter requesting glossy prints of Albert Einstein has been referred to Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director of the Institute for Advanced Study, which is located in Princeton but has no connection with Princeton University.

This is a mistake generally made.

Sincerely yours,

Edmund S. DeLong
Director

ESD:bjb
cc - Dr. R. Oppenheimer ✓



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REPLY TO:
548 CRESTLINE DRIVE
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July 24, 1949

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Gentlemen:

Would you kindly send us by airmail, for editorial use with proper credit, a selection of glossy prints of :

ALBERT EINSTEIN

Also, if available, please include covering press releases.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

K. C. Ward

K. C. Ward,
Editorial Board.

kcw/bh

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

October 21, 1948

Dear Mr. Jalbert:

Thank you for your letter of October 8th and your thoughtfulness in telling us about the picture of Professor Einstein. I have informed all those whom I thought might be interested, including Professor Einstein's personal secretary.

Yours sincerely,

Katherine Russell,
Director's Office

Mr. R. R. Jalbert
Esquire Magazine
Esquire Building
Chicago 1, Illinois

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October 8, 1948

Public Relations Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Sir:

The outstanding photograph of Albert Einstein, as "A Man of Achievement" is about to be published in the December Esquire.

In a series of portraits by Yousuf Karsh, Esquire has chosen Professor Einstein as the first to be shown. The editors declare that it is appropriate to portray the great scientist in Esquire's Christmas issue because he is above all a man of simplicity, a man of good will.

The deepest character of Einstein is brought out so vividly in this Karsh camera portrait, in a large picture 10" x 13", that I felt you would want to know about this picture and bring it to the attention of his friends and admirers. For their information, the December Esquire will be available on November 10th.

Cordially yours,
ESQUIRE, the magazine for men
R.R. Jalbert
R.R. Jalbert

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Einstein

Don Goddard, ABC television, called to ask about possibilities of getting some of Prof. Einstein's friends to record birthday message for John Daley show on Monday. KR referred him to Prof. Courant and Mrs. Artin. He may call back to ask if RO will participate.

RO said no

May 14, 1947

Miss Berenice S. Cook, Field Secretary
Vermont Forums, Inc.
Proctor, Vermont

Dear Miss Cook:

I have your letter of May 12th and regret to say that it would be quite impossible for Professor Einstein to undertake the speaking engagements you suggest. His health is not too robust and he is eager to devote all the strength which he has to his researches which he still continues. A public speech of five or ten minutes such as he sometimes makes to a small group here at the Institute is a great effort for him and it would be quite out of the question for him to undertake to address your Forums in Vermont.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte
Director

May 13, 1947

Dear Miss Dukas:

Dr. Aydelotte has written what he thought you would like him to say. If you approve of the letter, please let it go.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte

May 6, 1947

Mario Llerena, Esq.
Princeton Theological Seminary
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Llerena:

I showed your questions to Professor Einstein, together with your request for an interview and a picture. Professor Einstein asks me to express his very great regret that he cannot comply with your request. His health is not good and to make sincere and thoughtful answers to the questions you suggest would involve a longer time and more effort than he could possibly afford.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte
Director

Copy to Miss Dukas

A. EINSTEIN,
112, MERCER STREET,
PRINCETON,
NEW JERSEY, U.S.A.

May 3, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Professor Einstein is of the same opinion
as you expressed in your letter and would be very
much obliged if you would be good enough to answer
the young man from Cuba accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Dukas

Helen Dukas
Sec'y to Prof. Einstein.

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Prof. Einstein:

I cannot tell how much I appreciate this privilege that means so much for me. It is through kindness of Dr. Aydelotte that these questions come to you. I realize how much you are continually being troubled about these things. Only let me tell you that I am not professional news man. This is a very special case in which the people of Cuba is given the opportunity of knowing something about your thinking directly. I am a student at the Seminary and a teacher at the University, and for a long time I have looked forth to the privilege of meeting you, and having your opinion on a few general questions to be published in Spanish in Cuba.

The name of the publication is BOHEMIA, and my contribution is entirely non-commercial. I expect no economic remuneration at all, but the satisfaction of publishing something of positive interest for my people.

Thank you so much.

MARIO LLERENA

These are the questions:

Do you expect physical science to develop much more that it has done so far?

Do you think that human progress in science will ever reach a limit?

In what way can science contribute to the establishment of international peace and wealfare?

How would you explain the fact that an era of tremendous scientific achievement coexists with a world troubled by wars, injustices, and all sorts of misunderstandings among men?

What is your idea of history? Do you believe in a purpose in history, — or events are merely the result the laws of cause and effect without any other spiritual or moral implication?

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A further request: Your autograph with the words "To the people of Cuba".

With many thanks and appreciation

Mario Llerena

May 1, 1947

Dear Miss Dukas:

A Cuban student at the Seminary came in to see me yesterday to ask whether Professor Einstein would give him an interview for publication in Cuban papers. I replied that Professor Einstein was not very well and that I did not think he would be able to comply with this request.

Senior Llerena then asked whether I would be willing to submit some written questions to Professor Einstein for reply. I said I would submit the questions, but would not promise that Professor Einstein would reply to them. I enclose the list of questions herewith. They are typically Latin-American and they are questions to which in my opinion no one knows the answer.

If Professor Einstein is interested to answer them, I shall of course be glad to transmit his replies to Mr. Llerena, but if he wishes to ask to be excused, I should consider it entirely justifiable and I will make the suitable explanations.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:kr
Miss Helen Dukas
112 Mercer St.
Princeton, N. J.

*Mario Llerena
22 Bank St
Princeton*

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May 2, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

We are enclosing the picture of Dr. Einstein which you so kindly loaned us and a marked copy of CURRENT SCIENCE AND AVIATION in which the photo appeared.

The picture is a beautiful one and we know it is valuable to you. We sincerely appreciate your allowing us to use it.

Yours very truly,

Ruth A. Wolfe
Editorial Department

28 March 1947

Dear Miss Wolfe:

Dr. Aydelotte has asked me to reply to your letter of February 25th and to say that he takes pleasure in sending you a photograph of Dr. Einstein, which you are free to use.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. H. M. Jenkins
Secretary

Miss Ruth A. Wolfe
American Education Press, Inc.
400 South Front Street
Columbus 15, Ohio

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February 25, 1947

Director of Public Relations
Princeton University
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Sir:

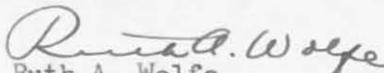
We should like very much to use a biography and photo of Dr. Einstein in an early issue of our high school science paper, CURRENT SCIENCE AND AVIATION. We are interested in the more human side of Dr. Einstein and would appreciate releases which touch on this side of the man. If possible, we should like to secure an informal photograph of him.

As you may know, we are publishers of 12 weekly school newspapers widely used in grades one through twelve throughout the United States. Our editors are constantly in search of new and accurate stories and pictures for use in these papers.

All photos will carry credit lines and we shall send copies of the papers in which they appear. If suitable, the material will be carried in a number of our publications.

We will appreciate any consideration you can give our request.

Sincerely yours,


Ruth A. Wolfe
Editorial Department

RW:ME

April 17, 1947

Dear Mr. Herman:

I have your letter of April 11th and have talked the whole matter over with Professor Einstein. He is not well and is not equal to the strain of making such a movie as you are kind enough to suggest. He asks me to say to you very regretfully that he thinks the whole project would be impossible.

Yours sincerely,

FA:kr

Frank Aydelotte

Justin Herman, Esq.
Paramount Pictures, Inc.
Times Square
New York 18, N. Y.

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April 11, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Due to the phone strike, I was unable to call you beforehand for an appointment, and so, on April 9th, happening to be in Princeton on other business, I visited the Institute hoping to discuss with you the possibility of Paramount making a single reel motion picture record of Dr. Einstein. In your absence, I spoke with Miss Richardson, who has no doubt already indicated to you the general nature of what I should herewith like to propose in greater detail.

The basis of my thinking in this matter is essentially as follows: Dr. Einstein is a world figure in whom there is tremendous interest today, and one whose stature will increase as the years go on. It seems to me that, with outstanding motion picture facilities only a few miles from the community in which Dr. Einstein works and resides, future generations will consider it inexcusable that no film document was ever made of one of the dominant personalities of our time.

While it is true that occasional glimpses of Dr. Einstein have been presented on the screen, nevertheless there is, to my knowledge, no complete reel that will serve to perpetuate his personality, disclose his mode of life and work during these American years, and simultaneously indicate his past achievements and expound his humanist philosophy.

I believe that a ten-minute film, although obviously brief, can be a successful vignette, encompassing all of the above. While I realize that Dr. Einstein is a modest man, perhaps, looking at my proposal objectively, he may see some virtue in it; especially as, to my mind, a vital part of the picture would be the forceful presentation, by him, of the idea that atomic energy must be outlawed as a materiel of war.

If the film can be made, it will be shown throughout the world upon its completion. The master negative will be retained in the Paramount archives, thereby assuring available prints for posterity.

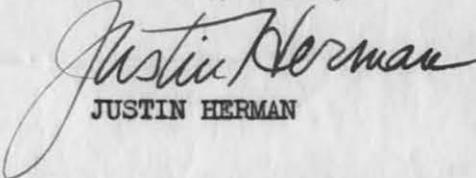
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Until we are fortunate enough to receive Dr. Einstein's reaction, I shall merely add now that all photography and sound recording can be done in Princeton at Dr. Einstein's convenience, and that the editorial treatment of the picture and the handling of all details will be carried out with dignity and in good taste.

Miss Richardson has told me that you will be kind enough to take up this matter with Dr. Einstein. Most appreciative of any aid you choose to give me in bringing the project to fruition, I am,

Sincerely yours,


JUSTIN HERMAN

JH:mg

Letter from Justin Herman
Paramount Pictures
Times Square
New York 18,
sent to Miss Dukas

April 16, 1947

Dear Miss Dukas:

I enclose a letter which I have just received from Paramount Pictures and should be grateful if you would discuss it with Dr. Einstein.

Personally, I see no reason why he should subject himself to the fatigue of making this movie, but the decision is of course one for him to make.

Yours sincerely,

FA:kr
Miss Helen Dukas
112 Mercer St.
Princeton, N. J.

Frank Aydelotte

May 4, 1946

Dear Major Consadine:

I showed Einstein the script and he objects to it very strongly on the ground that it does not conform to the facts. I think your script writer had better consult Professor Wigner of Princeton University and get the facts about Einstein's participation in the atomic bomb straight.

That participation took two forms. In the first place the whole theory of the atomic bomb is based upon Einstein's equation of 1905 which indicated the enormous force which would be available if matter could be converted into energy.

In the second place, Einstein did take the matter up with President Roosevelt and his action impressed the President sufficiently to cause the Government to undertake atomic research.

Einstein would very much prefer that these matters should be brought in by personal conversation between other scientists rather than to represent him personally in the film. I am inclined to think myself that if you kept Einstein out of the film but only talked about his theories it might be a more impressive way of doing it.

I wish you would think that matter over and consult Professor Wigner about it.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte
Director

Major William A. Consadine
744 Broad Street
Newark, N. J.

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PARAMOUNT NEWS

544 West 43d Street

New York City 18

Correspondence re Prof. Einstein with E. P. GENOCK
Assignment Editor

Telephone conversation with Mr. Holdsworth
MEDallion 3-4300

D A Y L E T T E R

November 9, 1945

Mr. E. P. Genock
Paramount News
544 West 43d Street
New York City

Professor Einstein has just returned and has read your letter of October 29th. ~~He asks me to say that~~ He greatly regrets that it would be impossible to give you ~~the~~ interview suggested. Professor Einstein has not been well and finds himself compelled to decline all such invitations.

Frank Aydelotte

Institute for Advanced Study

October 30, 1945

Dear Miss Dukas:

I enclose a letter from Paramount News which I mentioned to you yesterday. Will you please consult Professor Einstein and let me know whether he cares to take advantage of this invitation. If you or he would prefer that I should reply to the letter, I should be glad to do so, or you could write to Mr. Genock direct.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Miss Helen Dukas
112 Mercer Street
Princeton, N. J.

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Enclosure

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October 29, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Pursuant to your conversation this date with our Mr. Holdsworth regarding Professor Einstein's statement about the atomic bomb, I shall outline briefly what we should like to have from the Professor.

Since the first official announcement of the bomb and its peace-winning place in world history, we have through the media of our newsreel attempted to put before the public the tremendous importance of the development. We have shown motion pictures of the bomb exploding, we have devised animated charts depicting in lay manner how it works, where the energy comes from, etc. We now are contemplating further pictorial treatment of the subject and, so long as Professor Einstein has released his views on the affect of the bomb in the years to come, we would appreciate the privilege of sharing them with the daily press.

As you know, newsreels are legitimate news organs. However, because we show in pictures what newspapers convey in print our approach to this type of story is sometimes difficult. In the instance of the Professor, we desire to film a sound statement along the same theme as his release to the daily press. His international fame as the leading scientist of our era would greatly augment the atom subject we propose to do.

In his own words, we would like him to tell the newsreel public precisely what he has already told the newspaper readers. We are entirely at the Professor's disposal, the talk may be filmed any place and time he chooses, and the whole process won't take up more than one half hour of his time. The theatre-going people of North America would, I'm certain, know a lot more about this miraculous creation of Man's Mind if they heard about it from the lips of perhaps the greatest living exponent of that Mind.

I know that the Professor is a busy man, but if he would be gracious enough to comply with our request we'd like to arrange to meet with him at his earliest convenience.

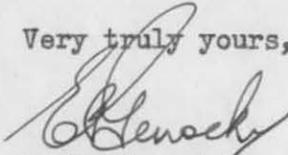
PARAMOUNT NEWS

Dr. Frank Aydelotte, Director

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October 29, 1945

May we have the Professor's reaction, through you, by collect wire,
please?

Very truly yours,

E. P. Genock
Assignment Editor

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March 31, 1947

Bartow H. Underhill, Esq.
Assistant Chief, International Press
and Publications Division
Office of International Information and
Cultural Affairs
Department of State
250 West 57th Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Underhill:

I showed your letter to Professor Einstein and he very much regrets that he is not in a position to give an interview to Mr. Geddes da Filicaia. As I said to you before, Einstein is not well and an interview of this kind requires a great deal of effort. I think Mr. Geddes da Filicaia can find out all he needs to know about Einstein from published sources.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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Dear Miss Richardson: here is the correspondence
we talked about over the phone. As I told you the
answer is no. Thanks for the trouble. Sincerely,

Helen Dukas

March 27, 1947

Miss Helen Dukas
Secretary to Professor Einstein
112 Mercer Street
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Miss Dukas:

I enclose a letter which I have had from Mr. Underhill of the Department of State, together with a copy of my reply. Would Professor Einstein care to give an interview to Mr. Geddes da Filicaia or would he prefer not to? I have made no promises on his behalf. I should be grateful if you would talk to him and return the letter with his comments.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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March 24, 1947

Dear Mr. Underhill:

Your letter of March 19th to Mr. Osborne has been referred to me. I hasten to say that Professor Einstein has no connection with Princeton University. He is a professor in the Institute for Advanced Study and you should make that point clear to the Italian correspondent in whom you are interested. I am sending you under separate cover a bulletin of the Institute which you might pass on to Mr. Geddes da Filicaia.

Meanwhile, I shall consult Professor Einstein and see whether it is possible to arrange an interview. I regret to say that Professor Einstein has not been well lately and he is compelled to be careful to conserve his time and strength.

I think it would be a good thing if Mr. Geddes da Filicaia would take the trouble to prepare himself a little bit about Einstein's life and work. Probably the best source would be the recently published Life of Einstein by Philip Frank, published by Knopf.

Yours sincerely,

FA:kr
Bartow H. Underhill, Esq.
Off. of Intern'l. Inf. & Cult. Aff.
Department of State
250 West 57th St.
New York, N. Y.

Frank Aydelotte

Referred for reply to Institute for Advanced Study



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NEW YORK, N. Y.

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

250 West 57th Street
March 19, 1947

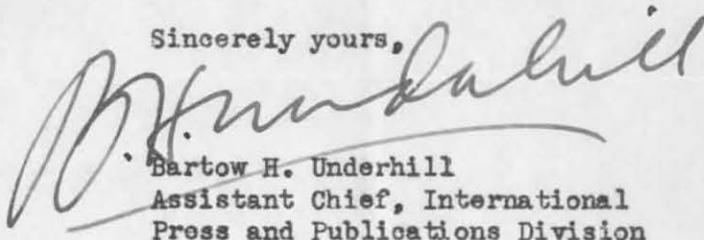
Dear Mr. Osborne:

Giorgio Geddes da Filicaia, an accredited Italian correspondent who represents Agenzia Nazionale Stampa Associata, the largest Italian news agency, would like a brief interview with Professor Albert Einstein.

Mr. Geddes da Filicaia is interested in writing a feature article on Dr. Einstein, what he is doing at the University, how he lives, etc. He would not take up very much of the Professor's time, but would like to see him to obtain personal impressions. I am sure you will be able to give him all the background material he will need. Mr. Geddes da Filicaia will be glad to come to Princeton whenever it is convenient for Dr. Einstein.

As you know, this office assists foreign correspondents in obtaining information on the American scene for publication in their newspapers abroad. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely yours,


Bartow H. Underhill
Assistant Chief, International
Press and Publications Division

Mr. Frederick S. Osborne
Publicity Director
Princeton University
Princeton, N.J.

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answer*

March 29, 1947

Donald W. Griffin, Esq.
Secretary of the Graduate Council
Nassau Hall
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Griffin:

Mr. Cooper has referred your letter of March 18th to me. The fact is that Professor Einstein is not at all well. He is now retired and he is at the same time working desperately to try to finish the solution of a very important problem before his working days are over. For this reason we all of us consider it our duty to save him as much effort as possible. Do you know what Mr. McIntire and Mr. Leh wish to talk to him about? If they merely wish to meet him socially that would be one thing but if they have some concern which they want him to consider, I think they ought to give him an advance notice of it.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Copy to Mr. John G. Cooper, Jr.

March 18, 1947

Arthur A. Kalman, Esq.
245 West 52nd Street
New York 19, New York

The J. Arthur Rank Organization, Inc.

Dear Mr. Kalman:

I received your letter of March 13th enclosing the script of your proposed educational motion picture on the subject of atomic energy and have showed it to Dr. Einstein.

I am glad to say that Dr. Einstein approves of the obvious accuracy and sincerity of your script and if his health allows he would be glad to appear in the first part of it which represents his own contributions to the subject. He has some hesitation, however, about the part which deals with the future. I think the script could readily be modified so as to leave him out of that. I return the manuscript to you herewith and suggest that you conduct your further negotiations directly with Miss Helen Dukas, Professor Einstein's secretary.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte
Director

FA:jsr

Copy to Professor Einstein

The J. Arthur Rank Organization, Inc.

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TELEPHONE
CIRCLE 6 - 4472

March 13, 1947

Dr. Frank Aydelotte
Institute of Advance Study
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Reference is made to our phone conversation regarding the educational motion picture short subject we are producing which deals with atomic energy. We would indeed be grateful if arrangements could be made to include a short film sequence with Dr. Einstein.

In accordance with your suggestion, we are enclosing a script in which we have indicated scenes numbered 179 and 225 as the ones in which we would like Dr. Einstein to appear. As this is our only copy, we would appreciate your returning the script to this office after you have had an opportunity to peruse it.

You will find that the scenes referred to are quite brief and will not entail any elaborate preparations or rehearsal. As we are most anxious to accomplish this special filming with Dr. Einstein as quickly as possible, we would appreciate hearing from you at an early date.

Thank you for your consideration and cooperation in this matter.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


Arthur A. Kalman

AAK:mp
Enc.

February 11, 1947

Charles A. Kent, Esq.
Oskaloosa
Iowa

Dear Mr. Kent:

I have your letter of February 1st and am sorry to say that we do not have a copy of the Pathfinder picture in this office. I have no doubt that you could get one by writing to them. The Pathfinder is published by The Farm Journal, Inc. which has offices at 228 North La Salle Street, Chicago 1, Illinois.

Professor Einstein is not very well at present and I do not believe he would be able to look over your sketch about him. It has, however, been read by other scholars here at the Institute and seems to them to be inaccurate in one or two respects. They have suggested that you consult the latest biography of Einstein written by Phillip Frank and published by Knopf. You may be sure that the information contained in this volume is accurate.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Assistant Secretary

Oskaloosa, Iowa, February 1, 1947.

Miss Jane S. Richardson,
Assistant Secretary,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

Dear friend:

More than a year ago you kindly sent me an autographed photo of Professor Einstein which I appreciate very much. Following more than one subsequent period of illness, only now am I caught up with my work on what I now have hopes will be a book, on twenty-one selected MEN OF SCIENCE,--alphabetically already completing my contributions on Bell, Burbank, Carver, A. H. Compton, Edison and Einstein,--working ahead today on Langmuir,--recently finishing Ericsson, Ford, Mergenthaler and Pasteur. Others skipped over temporarily, waiting for more material, would be Faraday, Firestone and Kettering before Langmuir were called for. I enjoy the task, but anemic hands compel me to turn to my typewriter for most of my recent writing.

I am enclosing a copy of my "Einstein" sketch and I wish he might be willing to read it through, correcting or otherwise altering the theme, for which I have typed the lines double-spaced to facilitate his offering suggestions.

About the time--November 26, 1945--that you sent me Einstein picture, the Washington D. C. "Pathfinder" ran a portrait of him on its cover showing him holding a pen in his hand,--a most expressive likeness of Mr. Einstein. Last August our second son, Col. H. W. Kent, graduate of Northwestern University, took charge of the noted Kamehameha system of private schools in Hawaii. I could wish I had a print from the "Pathfinder" picture for my MEN OF SCIENCE, and send the one I have to him with instructions that it be framed and put in the science department of their high school, if I ask not too much. The kindly face alone is an inspiration to young as well as old.

T h a n k i n g y o u .

C H A R L E S A . K E N T

From Charles A. Kent,
Oskaloosa, Iowa.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

To the Office of the Director,
The Institutr for Advanced Study,
P r i n c e t o n ,
N E W J E R S E Y .

Attention:
Jane S. Richardson.

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From the Shelby White and Leon Levy Archives Center, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, N.J., USA

Dear friend: Thank you for the excellent photo and signature of Professor Einstein, AND the little brochure giving the scope of the work of your Institute. I too, had I a million dollars, would delight in supporting such a high-grade movement.

I was a Chicago principal for thirty years, returning here two years ago. Out of my school salary wife & I have been able to give a set of chimes to our local church, and our three sons possess university diplomas two from Northwestern; one from the University of Chicago.

I shall write for other contributions to my ALBUM, - Mr. Einstein, C. F. Kettering and Ottmar Mergenthaler already arrived. I shall see that these men are done ample justice and publicity in my beloved project.

Again thanking you, Charles A. Kent

Nov. 24, 1945.

From Charles A. Kent,
Oskaloosa, Iowa.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

To the Director of Publicity,
~~Princeton University,~~ *Institute for*
Advanced Study
Princeton, (~~Princeton Street~~).
NEW JERSEY.

Oskaaloosa, Iowa, Nov. 10, 1945

Dear sir:

In my retirement from thirty years as principal in the Chicago schools, I have returned here to my birthplace, and am encouraging the development of a local historical society, with the hope that a historical museum may eventuate.

For the assemblage of exhibits I am planning a "de Luxe" ALBUM of "Twelve Learners of Science," and I am writing to ask if you would supply a portrait of Albert Einstein for such purpose? I should like and plan that each were about 8" x 10" as to proportions. Could there be a bit of material from which I could glean a sketch of modest acclaim for this man Einstein, for whom millions of people in all walks of life "take off their hats" in admiration?

Thank you.

C h a r l e s A . K e n t



November 20, 1945

Charles A. Kent, Esq.
Oskaloosa
Iowa

Dear Mr. Kent:

I have received your postcard and take pleasure in sending you under separate cover a photograph of Professor Einstein for your Album.

I note that your postcard was addressed to Princeton University. As a matter of fact Professor Einstein is not connected with Princeton University but is a professor in the Institute for Advanced Study which is a separate institution with its own endowment funds and its own Board of Trustees. The most recent Bulletin of the Institute which I am also sending you under separate cover will give you an idea of its character.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Assistant Secretary

Sep. cov. 1

CROSS REFERENCE

Date: November 4, 1946

FILE: Albert Einstein Interviews, Publicity, Invitations
to Speak, etc.

RE: Film "The Beginning or the End"

SEE: Walter Lippmann

October 1, 1946

Miss Margot Einstein
112 Mercer Street
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Margot:

Here is the material which I want your father to see. It is then for him to say whether he wants his name added to the others who are signing this advertisement and whether he is willing to send them a picture. Personally I hesitate to give your father advice except to say that I have a feeling that his statements are more effective when he makes them individually rather than as a member of a group.

The World Federalists would like to have a reply as soon as possible by telephone to Mr. Ogilby or Mr. Griessemmer in New York at Rhineland 4-8931. If you or Miss Dukas care to telephone them this evening no matter how late after your father arrives, they would appreciate it, or if you care to have me, I will do the telephoning. If you want me to pass the message on to them, please call me at my house.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:jar
Enc.

TUFTS COLLEGE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

MEDFORD 55, MASSACHUSETTS

August 26, 1946

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of August 20, and especially for your kindness in transmitting to Dr. Einstein the invitation to speak at Tufts College. While we are of course disappointed that he cannot accept, I am sure we understand his position in regard to such invitations.

May I take this opportunity to send you very best personal greetings.

Sincerely yours,



Leonard Carmichael

LC:P

August 20, 1946

Dear Leonard:

I received your letter of August 13th and have consulted Einstein about the possibility of making an address at Tufts College. He asks me to say that it would be impossible for him to do so.

Einstein is not as young as he once was, his health is none too robust, he has, as you may imagine, hundreds of invitations of this kind, and he has been compelled to adopt a policy of refusing to make public addresses, even on subjects in which he is most interested.

With many regrets, I am

Yours sincerely,

FAskr

Frank Aydelotte

President Leonard Carnichael
Tufts College
Medford 55, Mass.

TUFTS COLLEGE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

MEDFORD 55, MASSACHUSETTS

August 13, 1946

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

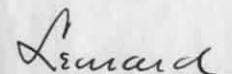
Tufts College has an active student club known as "The Student Federalists." The members of the club are interested in a sensible way, it seems to me, in promoting world government. The head of the group, Eugene Lyons, came into my office this morning and said that the group had decided that it would like to have a convocation on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, November 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, or 21, and that they very much wish that Dr. Albert Einstein of your faculty might be induced to make the address of the occasion on "World Government and Atomic Energy." They would be delighted to pay an honorarium of \$200 and traveling expenses.

It is planned to have the address at eight o'clock in our large gymnasium, which can be arranged to seat 3000 individuals. Students of the other colleges in Greater Boston will be invited and it is also hoped that the address may be broadcasted. The auditorium is arranged with amplifiers so that speaking to a large group is no inconvenience.

I am writing to you rather than directly to Professor Einstein because I thought you might be willing to tell him that you knew me and that you felt that the location of our college is such that he might well find an address of this sort to be one which would be rather widely noticed. I feel that it is important at the present time to do everything we can to see that our students are really well informed on the great problem that we hope Dr. Einstein will speak about.

I am sorry to bother you concerning this question, but I thought you might be willing to help me in this matter, which seems very important.

Sincerely yours,



Leonard Carmichael

LC:M

August 14, 1946

Mrs. Ruth Cranston
Hotel Wentworth
59 West 46th Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Cranston:

Dr. Aydelotte has asked me to thank you for your letter of August 12th. Professor Einstein has prepared a brief statement for the September 8th meeting which I take pleasure in sending you herewith.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte

Enc. 1

August 14, 1946

Security through world government is the most important and pressing problem in our time. From a preliminary country-wide poll it seems that more than sixty percent of the American people are ready for a partial transmission of the sovereignty of the state to a world government, to a degree that will guarantee the peaceful solution of international conflicts. The present Senate, however, has declared itself opposed to any restriction of sovereignty.

The question is now: Are the people determined to exercise a decisive influence? In my opinion everyone should make his vote for his senator or representative depend on whether the candidate has expressed his position in this most important issue with complete clarity.

Albert Einstein

RUTH CRANSTON

Hotel Wentworth
New York, Aug. 12, 1946

Dear Dr Aydelotte,

It was tremendously good of you to persuade Dr Einstein to send a message for our Sept. 8 meeting. I am so very sorry to hear of the anxiety and trouble he is going through - and of course will mention it to no one. I do feel that what we are doing at this meeting is of vital importance, or I would not ask him.

I wondered if it would make things any easier for him to see the Ten Points that our Round Table discussions have disclosed as basic to all Religions, and that we are stressing in our meeting, as basic to our world life and to the work of the United Nations and any concerted world effort today. Every one of the representatives of the various Faiths represented at our Round Table has said "Yes - each of these points is taught by my religion"; and though many people declared that it would be impossible to find a spiritual world platform on which all peoples could agree, these same people now say that we have found one.

You would be surprised - and I know pleased - to hear how many schools, colleges, and churches are asking for these World Faiths Round Tables, and wanting to incorporate them in their studies for next year. I have been requested to train speakers to introduce them in the women's clubs (these represent four million American women), and also to start a correspondence course so that people all over the country can pursue the studies individually. We expect to develop a more extensive program especially for teachers and educators, after the September meeting.

With warm thanks for your very kind help, and looking forward to seeing you at the meeting,

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Cranston

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

If you think this would be troublesome rather than helpful to Dr E. dont give it to him. I just thought it might make it easier for him to have something specific to talk about, and to endorse, if he agrees with the Ten Points. You will know much better than I whether or not to show this to him R.C.

SPEAKERS - Sept. 8

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|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| HINDUISM | Dr Nikhilananda |
| CONFUCIANISM | Dr Lin Yu Tang |
| JUDAISM | RABBI GOLDENSON Temple Emman-U-El |
| ISLAM | Mrs Bernaet Enata * |
| CHRISTIANITY | Dr Joseph R. Sizoo |

* Mrs Enata is the daughter of a celebrated Turkish national poet, who was exiled for fighting for Democracy

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WORLD FAITH PLATFORM

- Please do not show
refuse Sept 8 - except to
Dr. Einstein -*
1. The Unity of All Life: The Interdependence and Brotherhood of All Men.
 2. Cooperation - Not Rivalry - As The Natural Law of Human Relationships
 3. Love and Service to Fellow-Man: no domination or attempted power over him.
 4. Non-Violence and Non-Injury: No More War or Killing;
No More Exploitation - which is a form of war
 5. Help - Not Enslavement - of The Weak and Backward
 6. Purity - and Personal Disinterestedness
 7. The Basis of Life is Spiritual - Not Material

The object of life is not a mad race for the accumulation of money or material things. The goal of life is the fullest development of the individual and the attainment of man's highest powers- mental, moral, and spiritual. Society and all its institutions must be organised to promote this development.

8. The Worth of Individual Man and the ability of every man to attain to states of development far above those he is now experiencing. Discipline and purity of life are necessary for this attainment: the leaving of a lesser life to gain a greater.
9. The Immortality of The Soul - and ultimately:
10. The Union of Man With God; [★] the final truth of every religion.

* In the sense of the "cosmic religious experience" described by Einstein

August 9, 1946

Mrs. Ruth Granston
Hotel Wentworth
59 West 46th Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Granston:

I have dragooned Einstein into making a statement for you but I was really ashamed to do it. He is staying here this summer because of the serious illness of his sister. She slipped the other day getting out of bed and the question now is whether she can be expected to live long enough for these bones ever to mend. Naturally Einstein is deeply concerned and spends all his spare hours away from work with her. Nevertheless he will try to put something together and I will post it off to you immediately. *and broke her leg*

Please understand that all this information about the Einstein household is personal and not for publication.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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W. O'Brien, City Editor

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D A Y L E T T E R

May 25, 1946

Professor La Barthe
Hotel Roosevelt
Madison Avenue and 45th Street
New York City, New York

(Telephone Butterfield 8-0256)

Could you call on Professor Einstein ^{in Princeton} ~~at his office~~
~~some day next week~~ ^{perhaps}
~~in the Institute at twelve o'clock on Monday, May 27th?~~

Please wire.

FRANK AYDELOTTE
Director, Institute for Advanced Study

Charge to Institute for Advanced Study

Copy To Prof. Einstein

TIME

THE WEEKLY NEWSMAGAZINE

TIME & LIFE BUILDING
ROCKEFELLER CENTER
NEW YORK

EDITORIAL OFFICES

April 18, 1945

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

It was very kind of you to help our researcher, Miss Terry Colman, with information about Dr. Einstein and the Institute. We were really sorry the story was crowded out of the new TIME, but we had to make changes throughout the issue to devote space to our report on the death of President Roosevelt.

We know the information you gave us will be most useful later on. Our sincere thanks to you again for your interest and cooperation.

Cordially,

Elizabeth Snowden
Elizabeth Snowden
For the Editors

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

April 15, 1946

Mr. Erney C. Prince
Feature Editor
International News Photos
235 East 45th Street
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Prince:

Thank you for your letter of April 10th. I have just consulted Professor Einstein about the possibility of having his picture taken by one of your color photographers and regret very much to tell you that he does not find it possible to grant your request. Professor Einstein's scientific work is very demanding and he does not feel that he can spare the time to have his picture taken.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Secretary to the Director

235 EAST 45th STREET
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS PHOTOS

A UNIT OF KING FEATURES SYNDICATE.

April 10, 1946

Office of the Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

One of our clients has made a request for a few color photographs of Professor Einstein at home - reading, relaxing, etc. We discovered that we have not a good photo either in color or in black and white of Professor Einstein in our files. Therefore we are taking this opportunity to request permission to assign one of our able color photographers to take several shots of the Professor at home.

These pictures can be taken in a very short time as we use flash bulbs rather than bulky photographic lights.

If we could be granted about one hour anytime of the day or evening with Professor Einstein I'm sure that we will be able to obtain the desired photos.

Of course all photographs made will be sent back to you for approval prior to their release.

May we hear from you soon regarding this request?

Very truly yours,

Erney C. Prince
Feature Editor

ECP/I

December 7, 1945

Mr. Johnson Garvis, Picture Editor
Coronet Magazine
366 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Garvis:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 3rd and to say that I have consulted Professor Einstein about the possibility of photographing his favorite room for your magazine feature. I am very sorry to have to say to you that Professor Einstein does not wish to have any publicity concerning his personal life and that consequently he must refuse your request.

I am very sorry that we cannot be of assistance to you in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Secretary to the Director

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

December 6, 1945

Dear Miss Richardson:

Enclosed I return the letter of the
Coronet Magazine. Professor Einstein suggests
as the reason for his refusal that he does
not like publicity about anything connected
with his personal life.

Thanks again,

sincerely,

Helen Ancker

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CORONET
MAGAZINE
NEW YORK CHICAGO

366 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

December 3, 1945

Secretary to the Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

Coronet Magazine is building one of its finest pictorial features around the idea of the favorite rooms of famous people, all leaders in fields of outstanding endeavor.

We will feel honored if the opportunity is extended to us to photograph, in color, the favorite room of Professor Einstein. The choice of room will be his.

Can you assist me in proposing this matter to the Professor? I can arrange the visit of a skilled photographer at any time and without inconvenience to him or anyone concerned. I hope Professor Einstein will favor us with his consent.

With thanks for every consideration, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Johnson Garvis".

Johnson Garvis
Picture Editor

JG:m

November 27, 1946

S. S. Smith, Esq.
Hotel Lafayette
New York 3, New York

Dear Smith:

I have your letter and hasten to say that Einstein has not been well and is still confined to his bed. I will take the article round as soon as I can get a moment to do so and find out whether he is able to read it and willing to approve the remarks which you have put into his mouth. You may expect to hear from me within two or three days' time.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:jsr

November 15, 1945

Charles Handel, Esq.
Photo Editor
Acme Newspictures, Inc.
401 Eighth Avenue
New York 1, New York

Dear Mr. Handel:

In reply to your letter of November 13th I wish to say that Professor Einstein is now sufficiently recovered to return home but he asks me to say that he regrets very much that it would not be possible for him to hold the interview which you suggest. He has been compelled to refuse all invitations of this character. He must save his strength for his own work.

With many regrets, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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ACME NEWSPICTURES, Inc.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 461 EIGHTH AVE. • • • TELEPHONE BRYANT 9-6914
NEW YORK CITY 1, NEW YORK

November 13, 1945

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

Dear Mr. Aydelotte:

Thank you very much for your letter, following our recent phone conversation.

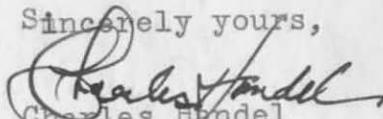
We hope that you can persuade Professor Einstein to grant us an interview and permit us to make a new set of photos and sketches.

Both as an editor and a citizen of the world, I feel that the views of Professor Einstein on the atomic bomb cannot be too widely disseminated, especially at this critical time.

For our part, we would distribute the photos and story to hundreds of newspapers served by Acme and other Scripps-Howard organizations. Also, through our overseas connections, the material would be released to numerous foreign outlets throughout the world.

We sincerely hope that Professor Einstein's health will permit him to grant our request.

Sincerely yours,


Charles Handel
Roto Editor

CH:ABB

November 2, 1945

Dear Mr. Handel:

Professor Einstein has been away undergoing treatment. I had expected him back today but I just learned from his house that he will not return until next week.

When he returns I shall be glad to take up with him the question of an interview and pictures which you mentioned over the telephone this morning. His secretary tells me, however, that he has steadfastly refused other requests of this kind and she feels that he is really not well enough to do it.

I shall, however, as I say, take the matter up with Professor Einstein when he returns.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Charles Handel, Esq.
Acme News Pictures
461 Eighth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

FA:KK

October 30, 1945

Mrs. Jeanne W. Ramsey
Kelvyn Park High School
4343 Wrightwood Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Ramsey:

Thank you for your letter of October 26th. I take pleasure in sending you the enclosed photograph of Professor Einstein which I hope will be large enough to serve your purpose. We are very glad to know that this picture will be placed in your collection of pictures of scientists after the assembly program has been presented.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Assistant Secretary

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KELVYN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

ROSE A. PESTA, PRINCIPAL
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4343 WRIGHTWOOD AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 26, 1945

Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

I am a mathematics teacher at Kelvyn Park High School. I will soon give an assembly program where my high school students will present a biography of Professor Einstein and some of his simpler theories.

I am seeking a photograph or print of him that is large enough to be seen across the assembly hall. Later, the school wishes to have it put in its collection of pictures of scientists.

Will you please advise me as to how I can accomplish this?

Sincerely yours,

Jeanne W. Ramsey
Mrs. Jeanne Ramsey

JR:jk

Photograph obtained from Miss Dubas
10/30/45
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October 19, 1945

Mr. Clarence D. Randall
Americans United for World Organization, Inc.
465 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Randall:

Thank you for your letter of October 18th. Professor Einstein is away and will not be back until early next week. I have, however, consulted the members of his family and they ask me to say that they feel perfectly certain that Professor Einstein would not be willing to have a moving picture made of him reading his statement. He always refuses requests of this character and I felt as I said to you over the telephone that there would be very little chance that he would be willing to accept in this case. Professor Einstein would prefer to have his statement read by anyone whom you may designate.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:jer



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October 18, 1945.

Dr. Frank Aydelotte
The Institute For Advanced Study,
Fuld Hall, Princeton, N.J.

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

You may assure Dr. Einstein that there will be no confusion because of his letter to me and his statement to Mr. Swing. The latter will be in charge at the dinner and hence in control of anything concerning Dr. Einstein's statement.

Relative to our discussion about a moving picture of Dr. Einstein reading his statement, my pen blushes at my temerity in disagreeing with you in that this may be theatrical in a politician's idea of publicity.

To have Dr. Einstein consent to this movie we would be using one of science's most effective ways of transmitting a message to the public - an appeal to the eye as well as to the ear. Of course it is theatrical but in the same way as the theatre has given to the world the plays of Shakespeare and other authors with immortal messages to humanity.

Dr. Einstein's statement is so important that every means should be used to bring it to the public at large, and as Justice Roberts will be one of our Speakers his position and dignity will assure Dr. Einstein of like treatment of his statement.

I am thankful that you agreed to help in having this done, but I will be proud as well as deeply grateful to you if you succeed.

With every good wish and deep appreciation for all that you are doing, I am

Yours sincerely,

Clarence D. Randall

Clarence D. Randall

for

Americans United for World Organization.

October 16, 1945

Dear Mr. Randall:

When Einstein got home yesterday afternoon and reported to his secretary the statement which he and I had agreed upon and which I sent to you, she immediately reminded him that he had given an interview to Raymond Gram Swing and that Mr. Swing had asked permission to quote from this interview at the dinner at the Waldorf.

Einstein is entirely willing to have you use the message which I sent, or to have Mr. Swing quote him. His only concern is that you do not create a ridiculous situation by quoting two messages from him sent through different routes.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Swing and shall leave it to you to settle with him the way in which you wish Einstein's contribution to be reported.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Clarence D. Randall, Esq.
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465 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

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September 27, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

If I have shown in the past any unwelcome pressure upon you, please forgive it. All my actions have been prompted by a most sincere desire to help in a movement which may be of great value to all. I deeply feel that this time it will not be "condemned to penury and woe" as Senator Ingalls wrote in his "Opportunity", but will be chaos and oblivion should the great nations fail in harmonious organization in this new age of the atomic power.

All will welcome the draft of the statement to be prepared by Professor Einstein and yourself. In whatever manner it may be used, I am sure that I will not read it as we will have a choice of outstanding men at this dinner who would add to the power of Professor Einstein's statement.

Should you be willing to arrange an interview with Professor Einstein for Mr. Cherne along the lines stated in the latter's letter to me which I left with you, both Mr. Cherne and I will be gratified.

Yours sincerely,

Clarence D. Randall

CR:fws

October 15, 1945

Mr. Clarence D. Randall
Americans United for World Organization, Inc.
465 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Randall:

In reply to your inquiry I can only repeat the statement I have made at various times that in my opinion the only way in which mankind can save itself from destruction is by the organization of a world government. The weapons of modern warfare have developed to such a degree that it seems probable that in another world war the victor would suffer only less than the vanquished. As long as there are sovereign states with their separate armaments, the prevention of war is well nigh impossible. It is my belief that most of the people of most of the countries of the world would prefer peace and security to the preservation of the unrestricted national sovereignty of their respective countries. The only way of realizing that world-wide aspiration is by the creation of a world government which would inaugurate a reign of law around the earth.

Yours sincerely,

ALBERT EINSTEIN

September 24, 1945

Mr. Clarence D. Randall
Americans United for World Organization, Inc.
465 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Randall:

It is not in the least necessary for you to come down to Princeton to get Einstein's statement. I will assist him in preparing it and shall be glad to send it to you by mail. I am not quite sure whether I can attend the dinner to read it myself but if I cannot, I think that you should read it. I have not yet had time to go into the thing with Einstein but I think he can make a better statement than the one which was printed in the newspapers. I expect to discuss the matter with him later this week and shall send you a draft of what we are able to produce.

At the same time I will take up with Einstein the question of whether he wants to see Mr. Cherns and shall let you know his reply.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

FA:jsr



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

Dear Doctor Aydelotte:

Enclosed I send you, in accordance with my promise, the clipping of an interview with Doctor Einstein, entitled "Einstein for World State", which was published in the New York Herald-Tribune, last Saturday, September 15th.

Doctor Einstein expresses in few words a conclusion which all must accept if we are to survive - namely a World State.

Some things are so important that we can insist with a "must" and to have you and Doctor Einstein at our proposed dinner is one of these "musts". I, therefore, leave it to you.

Cordially yours,

Clarence D. Randall,

for

AMERICANS UNITED FOR WORLD ORGANIZATION.

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

Dear Doctor Aydelotte:

Thank you, again, for your kindness yesterday.

I enjoyed the beauty of Princeton, and the feeling of peace and security refulgent there. When I left I could not entirely overcome a feeling of sadness as I realized that this security and peace were far remote from the campuses and colleges of Europe and Asia, in years past - and will be remote both here as well as there, unless we do our part to end in embryo the seeds of war and hate.

Equipped as you are with the power of trained minds, in your great Institute, you can do many things for this sad, battered, old world. And, as you struggle ever forward, I hope, at least, to applaud from the side lines, if nothing else.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence D. Randall

Clarence D. Randall.

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September 11, 1945

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

Dear Doctor Aydelotte:

As a postscript to my letter just sent you,
I now send you an editorial entitled "Modern Man
is Obsolete," written by Mr. Norman Cousins, one
of our Directors.

Mr. Cousins is editor of the Saturday Review
of Literature and, like Mr. Cherne, a very bright
and talented man.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence D. Randall
Clarence D. Randall.

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Encl.

September 21, 1945

Dear Mr. Randall:

Professor Einstein returned yesterday and I put up to him this morning the question of attending the dinner at the Waldorf on November 28th and making such a statement as the one quoted in the Herald Tribune.

Professor Einstein is very sorry indeed that he does not feel equal to attending the dinner. Making even a brief public statement takes a good deal more out of him than you can imagine. Furthermore, his accent deserts him on such an occasion and it is very difficult for him to make himself understood.

If you would care to have Professor Einstein make a statement which could be read at the dinner, he would be very glad to do that. It seems to me on the whole that this is the best solution.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Clarence D. Randall, Esq.
Americans United
465 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

FA:KK

September 7, 1945

Mr. Clarence D. Randall
465 Fifth Avenue
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Randall:

Dr. Aydelotta has asked me to tell you that
he will be very glad to see you at his office
at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton
on Monday afternoon, September 10th at 3:30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotta

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To Dr. Everett R. Clinchy

October 11 1945

Care of or Apt. No. National Conference of Christians and Jews

Street and No. 381 Fourth Avenue

Place New York 16, New York



Dr. Aydelotte away until October 15. Forwarding
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Jane S. Richardson
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Received October 11, 19 45

To Dr. Frank Aydelotte

Care of or Apt. No. The Institute for Advanced Study

Street and No. _____

Place Princeton, New Jersey



Can you get Einstein's consent today to speak
O'Connor dinner? Please wire collect.

Everett R. Clinchy

The National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc.
381 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Sender's name and address
(For reference only)

Sender's telephone
number

Received Oct. 10, 1945

ONE TWENTY FIVE PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK

OFFICE OF
SAMUEL D. LEIDESDORF

October 8, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Just a reminder - have you
spoken to Dr. Einstein about the Basil
O'Connor Dinner on November 29th?

With kindest personal regards,

I am

Sincerely,



Einstein has not been well feels
he must refuse O'Connor Dinner
But will ~~be~~ discuss matter
of an hour in New York

June 27, 1946

Samuel D. Leidesdorf, Esq.
125 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Leidesdorf:

I have your letter of June 25, and had a talk this morning with Einstein about Judge Goldstein's request that Einstein speak at the meeting of the Council of Fraternal Organizations in New York in October. Einstein asked me to say that he very much regrets that he could not possibly do it.

Einstein has to be careful of his health and strength. Furthermore, he does not know anything about the Council of Fraternal Organizations, and it would be somewhat artificial for him to work up the subject and prepare a speech. He feels very strongly that it would be better for Judge Goldstein to find a speaker who has taken an active part in the movement. The effort which Einstein would have to make would be out of all proportion and really more than the present state of his health makes it advisable.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Aydelotte

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ONE TWENTY FIVE PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK

OFFICE OF
SAMUEL D. LEIDESDORF

June 25, 1946.

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I am enclosing herewith copy of a
letter I just received from Judge Goldstein.

Would you be good enough to ask Dr.
Einstein whether he would consent to speak
at the Convention in question? It is a most
worthy organization.

With kindest personal regards, and
appreciation of anything you can do in this
connection, I am

Sincerely,



enc.

Federacion, Fraternal Organizations

Chambers of Jonah J. Goldstein
Judge of the Court of General Sessions
100 Centre Street, New York

June 18, 1946.

Mr. Sam Leidesdorf,
125 Park Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sam:

Federation's Council of Fraternal Organizations is now preparing to hold its annual Fall Convention in October. As you know, this traditional event serves a twofold purpose, to launch the Council's campaign in support of Federation's fund-raising drive; and to provide the impetus and inspiration so necessary to a successful campaign effort among the various societies and organizations.

This event, which we plan to hold in Temple Emanu-El, will be in a sense an expression of thankfulness by the people of the community for the existence of Federation as a refuge for those who are in need of comfort, guidance and healing. At the same time, it will serve as a reaffirmation of our determination to maintain, protect and expand this citadel of community service.

It is imperative to the general success of our campaign that the greatest possible number of representatives of fraternal groups hear this message. We feel that a truly great figure as guest speaker would be instrumental in achieving a really large turnout. Our guest speaker should be a person who has the love and respect and admiration of everyong, who can bridge the many differences of opinions and thoughts held by so diverse a group as ours.

Such a person is Albert Einstein. His beloved name and abiding prestige would invest the occasion with special significance for each of the representatives. Dr. Einstein has seen or experienced distress and trouble in many parts of the world. He could make them see clearly what a miracle the Jews in our community have wrought in building the great bulwark against hardship that is Federation.

We would deeply appreciate and be ever grateful if you would consent to use your good offices in securing Dr. Einstein for the Convention. We have purposely left the date of the Convention open, depending upon which of the following dates is most convenient for Dr. Einstein - October 13th or October 20th.

Every measure will be taken to assure his comfort and convenience. We shall pick him up by car, have a hotel room available for him for Saturday and Sunday evening, if he so desires, and shall return him to his home by car.

I hope you can get the Professor to say yes.

My warmest thanks in advance for your cooperation. With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Jonah

JJG:s

September 17, 1946

Mr. B. H. Underhill
250 West 87th Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Underhill:

I have consulted Professor Einstein about your request to grant an interview to a representative of "La Prensa" and regret to say that Professor Einstein does not find it possible to make a statement for the press at this time.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte
Director

TELEGRAM

June 3, 1946

Professor Rudolph Bennitt
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri

Warmest thanks for your telegram. Shall
follow arrangements as planned.

Frank Aydelotte

Pay Letter
~~TELEGRAM~~

Norman Cousins
The Saturday Review
25 West 45th Street
New York City

Showed Einstein interview yesterday. He has
some question about it in view of his later
~~stat~~
statements over radio. Is writing directly
to you today.

Frank Aydelotte

The Saturday Review

OF LITERATURE

25 West 45th Street

New York 19, N. Y.

Norman Cousins,
Editor

June 1, 1946

Dr. Frank A. Aydelotte
Olden Lane
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Herewith the statement for Dr. Einstein's signature.

We hope to be able to run it in the issue of June 15 -- so that if you can phone us any time today,* with Dr. Einstein's comments and your own, we shall be grateful.

I hope we aren't putting you to too much trouble.

Very sincerely,



Norman Cousins

NC:ej
Enclosure

* Monday

May 15, 1945

Dear Kallen:

I had a talk with Einstein about your invitation. He considered it most sympathetically but he is sorry to say that it is just impossible for him to do it.

Such a public address takes a great deal out of him, and he has so many invitations that he feels that his only possible course is to refuse them all.

He would like in some way to testify to his admiration for Alvin Johnson. Would it add anything to the occasion if he were to prepare a statement about Alvin Johnson's work and send it over to be read? I am sure that he would be glad to do that, and we could help him a little bit in putting it into English.

Yours Sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dean H. M. Kallen
Graduate Faculty of Political and Social Science
The New School
66 West 12th Street
New York 11, N. Y.

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THE GRADUATE FACULTY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

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66 WEST 12th STREET . NEW YORK 11 . GRAMERCY 7-8465

May 14, 1945.

Dear Aydelotte:

I am just back from Winnipeg, Canada, and find your letter of May 7 re: Kann. As soon as I have had a chance to see Johnson I will write you about the matter, but I don't feel very hopeful.

Meanwhile, may I bespeak your judgment and help in this: As you probably know, Johnson is retiring this year. The news cannot be made public until his successor is released by the State Department, where he is Chief of the Division of Cultural Relations. His name is Bryn J. Howde -- a historian who has specialized on the Scandinavian countries, an authority on housing, and a bit of the Veblenian. As this will be Johnson's last commencement, we have thought of asking Einstein to make the commencement address. Let him say what he will. I know how reluctant he is to make public appearances, but this is a rather special occasion, and if he would make an exception it would be very deeply appreciated. I don't want, however, to approach him cold, and am therefore asking your good offices. The date we have tentatively set is Monday, June 11, but Friday, June 15 would do as well. He could talk, if he wanted to, about the method of science and its bearing on human knowledge and human relations.

I should be grateful for a word at your earliest convenience.

Cordially yours,

H. M. Kallen

H. M. Kallen, ~~Dean~~

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

September 30, 1944

Dear Mr. Leidesdorf:

I will be glad to take up with Einstein again this question of appearing in a movie sponsored by the National Refugee Service. In my opinion, however, it would be simply impossible unless the scenario were completely rewritten. They propose to photograph Einstein first of all on the campus of Princeton University and all their references to him assume that he is a Princeton professor. There is no mention of the Institute. In the second place their proposal is that he go out to some farm and watch boys in swimming. If they were going to use Einstein in this picture they ought to use him as a scholar and the picture should show him at work among his colleagues at the Institute. Unless the scenario could be made to show Einstein (1) as a professor of the Institute for Advanced Study and (2) as a scholar rather than as a farmer or sportsman, I do not see how we can possibly ask him to take part in it. The scenario as submitted to me falls very far short of representing Einstein's significance in American life, and before I take the matter up with him, I wish you would talk to your friends in the National Refugee Service about that point.

Yours sincerely

Frank Aydelotte

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

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ONE TWENTY FIVE PARK AVENUE
NEW YORK

OFFICE OF
SAMUEL D. LEIDESDORF

September 29, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I am enclosing herewith copy of a letter I received yesterday from the National Refugee Service, Inc.

I understand that you spoke to Dr. Einstein once about this, and that he is rather reluctant to do what they ask. Will you please approach him again, and tell him that I think he should do it.

I am very much in sympathy with the whole project, and I feel that the picture would have real value with Dr. Einstein in it. The force of his fine personality and the benefit of his excellent reputation would mean a great deal for the success of the undertaking. I would not trouble him if there was anyone else who came anywhere near him in this respect.

If you would prefer to have me call Dr. Einstein directly, I would be glad to do so. In either case, please let me hear from you about this at your earliest convenience.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,



Enc.

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NATIONAL REFUGEE SERVICE, INC.

139 Centre Street

New York 13, N. Y.

September 26, 1944

Mr. S. D. Leidesdorf
1 Pershing Square
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Leidesdorf:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, I cannot possibly over-emphasize the tremendous importance and urgency of Dr. Einstein's participation in the Pathe film.

The film is one of the "This is America" series produced by Pathe, of which Mr. Frederick Ullman is the executive producer. Briefly, the film tells the story of the adjustment and Americanization of the 290,000 refugees who have entered the United States during the past decade on permanent visas, and who have become citizens of this country; it will underscore their contribution to our economic and cultural activities and their loyal participation in the war effort. The film will be released and distributed through the channels of RKO some time in December and will be shown in several thousand theatres throughout the country. It is estimated that the film will be seen by close to ten million people.

The project is on an irreproachable educational and civic level. From a public relations point of view the film will constitute the most dramatic and sympathetic statement in a decade of the benefits our country has derived from the presence of the refugees. It will be entirely non-controversial and for that reason all the more effective as an antidote to xenophobia.

We need hardly stress Dr. Einstein's significance in the mind of the American public as an incomparable representative of scientific, democratic and human values. He is by all odds the most distinguished new American citizen of the past decade.

His participation would immeasurably enhance the effectiveness of the film and constitute a great service to the cause of Jewry.

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In accordance with the script, a copy of which was left for Dr. Einstein with Dr. Aydelotte, Dr. Einstein's participation would entail, at the most, about three hours of his time. Should you be successful in persuading Dr. Einstein to give his consent, all of the necessary arrangements will be made with a minimum of inconvenience.

I cannot express enough my gratefulness to you for your offer of help in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) Ephraim R. Gomberg

Ephraim R. Gomberg

P. S. As soon as you have persuaded Dr. Einstein to cooperate in the project, we shall make the necessary arrangements with the Pathe company as to time and place. The script, which by now should be familiar to Dr. Einstein, describes the locale where the sequences will be shot - a farm not far from Princeton. The chosen locale, with the small lake, is essential to the story. That is why it is important for Dr. Einstein to approve the scene in the script.

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To Maurice Spector

September 20, 1944

Care of or Apt. No. National Refugee Service



Street and No. 139 Centre Street

Place New York City, New York

Professor Einstein regrets he cannot take part in proposed refugee moving picture. He admires work of National Refugee Service but would prefer to support it in some more solid and less public way.

Frank Aydelotte

Copy to Helen Dukas

Sender's name and address
(For reference only)

Institute for Advanced Study

Sender's telephone number

September 20, 1944

Dr. Leslie Pinckney Hill
Training School for Teachers
Cheyney, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Hill:

Professor Einstein has just returned to Princeton and I have had a talk with him about your proposed meeting at the Academy of Music on Sunday, October 29th. Professor Einstein regrets very much that it would be impossible for him to speak at the meeting. He has uniformly declined every such invitation for reasons of poor health and it would be impossible to make an exception in this case without subjecting himself to reproaches from others and to demands beyond his strength.

If you will let me know whether you think it will be useful to have some statement by Professor Einstein read at the meeting I will suggest that he prepare something for you. It would be a good thing if you would tell me as fully as you can the nature of the other talks which you are expecting and just what line you would like such a statement to take.

I am very sorry that Professor Einstein cannot appear in person but I must say that I agree fully with his reasons for declining and I am sure you would do the same if you understood all the circumstances.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

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Copy to Helen Dukas

September 14, 1944

Dear Dr. Hill:

I have your letter and as soon as Dr. Einstein returns I shall be glad to present your request to him. He has not been very well, and I am not sure whether he will feel able to make the speech which you request, but I shall be glad to talk the matter over with him and let you know his reply.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dr. Leslie Pinckney Hill
Teachers College
Cheyney, Pennsylvania

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

CHEYNEY TRAINING SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS
STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE
CHEYNEY, PENNSYLVANIA

September 7, 1944

Dr. Frank Aydelotte
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Doctor Aydelotte:

During all the years you lived almost next door to us at Cheyney, we never had the opportunity of your presence or word. And although we both belong to Harvard 1903, our paths in this community have scarcely met. That is not as it should have been.

At this long last, therefore, you may possibly be willing to let me ask of you a very great favor. It is that you help me personally to get Dr. Einstein to Philadelphia for either the last Sunday afternoon in October or the first in November, for a very brief appearance and equally brief word on the importance to minority groups in this country of their full support of our war effort. The occasion is a grand public rally at the Academy of Music. I know very well that if I should write to Dr. Einstein directly my letter would have small chance of any success. Your word, on the other hand, will be instantly respected.

The great annual War Chest Campaign in Philadelphia is well known to you. It is to support not only our essential home agencies but also services to our men and women in the armed forces. This year the goal for the city is \$9,500,000.

On Sunday, October 29 or Sunday, November 5 the Cooperative Committee of the Campaign, of which I am chairman, is endeavoring to hold a great public meeting in the Academy of Music to rally the support of the people, with special reference to minority groups. In Philadelphia there is more than a quarter million Negroes, for instance, in whom the Committee is particularly interested, and a large population of Jews, Italians, Greeks and Russians.

Could Dr. Einstein be persuaded to come as our guest, with all accommodations and safeguards provided by the Campaign, to speak briefly on Why Minority Groups Should Give Full Support to the Campaign and War Effort. The meeting will not be long, with only brief reporting and

Dr. Frank Aydelotte - 2

September 7, 1944

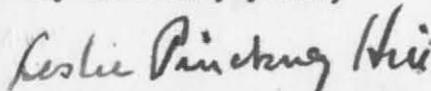
some excellent music. It would be Dr. Einstein's presence not only as a world-famed scientist but still more as a great humanitarian that would crowd the Academy of Music and advance the whole Campaign. He would be making a great contribution not only to the successful prosecution of the war, but even more significantly to the peace that is to follow.

A reply at your earliest convenience will greatly help our Committee in this gigantic and merciful endeavor.

Perhaps your secretary has told you that I tried to reach you by telephone.

I am, with deepest respect,

Very sincerely yours,



Leslie Pinckney Hill, Chairman
Cooperative Committee of the
United War Chest Campaign

LPH:ehs



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION
224 WEST 57TH STREET
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

March thirteen
1944

Dear Dr. Aydelette:

We greatly appreciated your cooperation with our effort to honor Professor Albert Einstein on his 95th birthday. Your comment will be extremely useful for overseas use along with background material.

Sincerely yours,

R. Edgar Moore

Basic News Division

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

The American people are indebted to Adolph Hitler for a great enrichment of our cultural resources. Especially in scholarship, German refugees are making a contribution the importance of which it would be hard to over estimate. Conspicuous among them is Albert Einstein, ^{whose 65th birthday was Oct 14 and} who has been since 1932 a professor in the School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Professor Einstein is now an American citizen who does his part not merely as a scholar among his colleagues but also as a public-spirited member of the community. He has earned the respect and affection of all who come in contact with him. He avoids publicity, works daily at his own researches, has undertaken an important investigation for the Navy, and quietly lends his support to many good causes. Einstein's experience is typical of the way in which the narrow racism of the Nazis has impoverished Germany. It illustrates also the way in which the traditional broad, democratic hospitality of the United States operates to widen and deepen ^{the intellectual and spiritual foundations} our own national life.

~~Einstein~~, and all ~~the rest of the refugees~~ ^{even the Christ saints & kids}, and now come to live in a country in which freedom of thought & expression ^{is} ~~is~~ denied, without such freedom no culture is possible which could command the loyalty and cooperation.

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IN CONNECTION WITH ALBERT EINSTEIN'S 65TH BIRTHDAY MARCH 14,
 COULD YOU SEND US FOR USE OVERSEAS A 200 WORD STATEMENT
 PAYING TRIBUTE TO EINSTEIN AND CONTRASTING INTELLECTUAL
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 UNDER NAZI REGIME. WOULD APPRECIATE STATEMENT AS SOON AS
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 MANY THANKS.=

R EDGAR MOORE ASSIGNMENT EDITOR NEWS AND

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Telegram

New York, N. Y.
April 3, 1944

Dean, Princeton University

For my column in Collier's would appreciate having you wire me collect to the address below tomorrow Monday if possible if the following statement is true quote After Dr. Albert Einstein of Princeton University has given a chalk talk on an intricate mathematical problem the blackboards are taken down, varnished, and filed away for posterity unquote

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Regret spoil your story Statement entirely false Einstein's
blackboard erased like anybody else's.

Frank Aydelotte

Sender's address
for reference

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number

September 24, 1943

Dear Mrs. Collins:

I am sorry to have been so slow in writing you in response to your telephone message some days ago regarding an appointment with Professor Einstein. On talking with him I found, as I expected would be the case, that Professor Einstein is so tied up with his war work that it is difficult for him to give time to personal appointments. He says, however, that if you have some specific questions to ask him he would be very happy to have you write him and if he feels then that he could be helpful to you in any way he will be glad to make an appointment to see you.

Yours sincerely,

MARIE C EICHELSEER

Mrs. Evelyn Collins
International House, Room 825
503 Riverside Drive
New York City

November 3, 1942

Mr. John Hix
6362 Hollywood Blvd.
Hollywood, California

Dear Mr. Hix:

Dr. Einstein is not a member of the Princeton University faculty but of a separate institution, the Institute for Advanced Study, which is located in Princeton. I am accordingly referring your inquiry about Dr. Einstein's blackboards to the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

FREDERICK S. OSBORNE

FSO:ah

November 4, 1942

Dear Mr. Hix:

Mr. Osborne has forwarded me your letter of October 30th concerning Professor Einstein's blackboards. I am sorry to say that this story, like so many legends that have grown up around Einstein, is actually without foundation. The blackboard which Professor Einstein uses is cleaned off regularly by the janitors, just like anybody else's, and if he wants to preserve any calculations he has made he notes them down on paper.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Mr. John Hix
6362 Hollywood Blvd
Hollywood, California

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WASHINGTON WAS NOT BORN ON FEBRUARY 22 AND HE WAS NOT THE FIRST UNITED STATES PRESIDENT *WHITE MEN ARE COLORED *BLACK MEN ARE NOT *THE PRAIRIE DOG IS NOT A DOG *THE BIRDHAWK IS NOT A HAWK AND IT DOES NOT FLY AT NIGHT *COMA*H IS MADE OF TWO DEADLY POISONS *A QUART OF MILK CONTAINS 14 DIFFERENT METALS *THERE ARE ONLY 44 STATES IN THE UNITED STATES *YOU DO NOT SEE WITH YOUR EYES *THE EARTH IS NOT ROUND *SEA LEVEL IS NOT LEVEL *AL SINGER WON AND LOST THE SAME CHAMPIONSHIP IN THREE MINUTES *BEETHOVEN COULD NOT HEAR HIS OWN MUSIC *HAIR CAN BE GROWN ON A BILLIARD BALL *IT TAKES SEVEN CENTS TO SEND A ONE-CENT MONEY ORDER *CLARENCE KENNEDY BROKE A 90-YARD HURDLE RECORD WHILE RUNNING WITH A BROKEN LEG *RICE PAPER IS NOT MADE OF RICE *THE MOST MARRIED WOMAN IN THE WORLD WAS NEVER DIVORCED *THE MOST DIVORCED MAN WAS NEVER MARRIED *IT TAKES 25 MINUTES TO GROWN BUT ONLY 11 TO SMILE *IT TAKES LONGER TO GET AN AIRPLANE ACROSS HONOLULU THAN FROM CHICAGO TO MINNEAPOLIS *A CHINA FLASK CIRCUMNAVIGATED THE WORLD IN FIVE MINUTES *RUBBER IS MORE ELASTIC THAN STEEL *THE MOST ELASTIC SPAIN *LITTLE ROCK ISH ONCE MOVED FIVE FEET IN ONE YEAR *KIDNAPERS MORE FASTER LOOKS THAN ENGLISH *THE SUN IS CLOSER TO THE EARTH IN WINTER THAN IN SUMMER *CATS CANNOT SEE IN THE DARK *ANY FOXES HAND IS FOUR TIMES AS BARE AS A ROYAL FLUSH *ORANGES AND APPLES TAIVE EXACTLY ALIKE *KING ARTHUR WAS NOT A KING *BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WAS THE YOUNGEST SON OF A YOUNGEST SON OF A YOUNGEST SON *BLACK IS NOT A COLOR *SILK IS NOT SILK *MUST MEN ARE NAMED MOHAMMED *THAN JOHN OR WILLIAM *MERO DID NOT PEAK A FIDDLE WHILE BOMB BURIED *THE LION IS NOT THE KING OF THE JUNGLE *MADRID GOOSE WAS A STEEL PERSON *THE PIG IS HIS MACE OF COVETISE *FISHING WAS NOT IN COMMAND OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE WORLD WAR *NO TWO PEOPLE EVER SAW THE SAME RAINBOW *THE EGYPTIAN KALE OF BIBLE DECLARES WAR ON HIS NEIGHBORS EVERY MORNING BEFORE BREAKFAST *RICE IS A LUXURY IN PARTS OF CHINA *THE CITY OF LONDON IS NOT THE CAPITAL OF ENGLAND *THE FARM RIVER IS 1000 MILES LONG BUT HAS NO MOUTH *YOU ARE TAKING LIVING DOWN THAT STANDING UP *CAPTAIN KID WAS NOT CHANGED FOR BIRAC *THERE ARE MORE ANCIENT PYRAMIDS IN OHIO THAN IN EGYPT *ENGLISH FIGHTER AL BROWN WON A KNOCKOUT VICTORY WHILE UNCONSCIOUS *ORANGES ARE BERRIES *THE FIRST MOTION PICTURES WERE ANIMATED CARTOONS *OIL AND WATER WILL MIX *A FUNKY GROWN PERSON IS NOT AT HEAVEN *AT A BIRTHDAY SOLEMN SMOKE HAND HAS BEEN USED FOR 1000 YEARS *LIP CRENDS SUGAR SWEETS TRENIGHT *HARDY TOGA *A LEU FLAME IS HOTTER THAN A YELLOW FLAME *A YELLOW FLAME BURNSTAYS MORE HEAT *GEORGE WALKER STUBBED HIS TOE ON \$10,000,000,000 WORTH OF GOLD *THE WORLD'S BIGGEST ANIMAL CANNOT WALK *THE WORLD'S BIGGEST BIRD CANNOT FLY *FRAYS CAN DIGEST STEEL *THERE IS NO VACUUM IN A VACUUM *CLEANER *BLUE EYES ARE COLORLESS *RADIUM IS NOT LUMINOUS *LUTHER BUEHLER WAS GRANTED SEVEN PATENTS AFTER HE WAS DEAD *LESS THAN ONE-FIFTH OF THE SILVER PRODUCED TODAY COMES FROM SILVER MINES *A 1000-TON SHIP WEIGHS LESS GOING EAST THAN IT DOES GOING WEST *THE SOUND OF A BIRD-PING-PIN TRAVELS AS FAST AS A CANNON BOAT *WILLIAM BISHOP DID NOT DRINK WATER FOR 100 YEARS *SHARON IT WAS CROWNED KING BEFORE HE WAS BORN *SHAKES NEVER CLOSSE *HIS EYES *HONATHAN WOULD NOT TORIOUS GANGSTER OF 200 YEARS AGO IN ENGLAND WAS HANGED FOR FAILING TO REPORT HIS INCOME *BY *MARTIN PREACHED HIS OWN FUNERAL SERMON *UNITED STATES PRESIDENTS ARE NOT ELECTED IN NOVEMBER *THE AUTHOR OF "HOMER WITTE HOPE" WAS A HORRIBLE MESS *BODY OF ALL AMERICANS LIFT IS ON THE TOP OF THE WING *KING CAROL SUCCEDED HIS SON TO THE THRONE OF ROMANIA *WOOD WILL NOT BURN *PENNSYLVANIA WAS NOT NAMED FOR WILLIAM PENN. IT'S FOUNDER *THERE IS AN EARTHQUAKE SOMEWHERE EVERY 10 SECONDS *THE COLDEST PLACE IN THE WORLD IS JUST ABOVE THE EQUATOR *THE HIGHEST AND THE LOWEST POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES ARE IN THE SAME COUNTY OF THE SAME STATE *THE BATTLE OF BUNKER HILL WAS NOT FIGHTED AT BUNKER HILL *THE MOON APPEARS LARGER WHEN IT IS FARTHEST AWAY *ICE TODAY TRAVEL FASTER THAN THE WIND *THE WIND TRAVEL FASTER *THE ANCIEN MAMMOTH WAS NOT AS LARGE AS THE MODERN ELEPHANT *JULIET WAS ROMEO'S SECOND CHOICE *GOETHE SPENT 62 YEARS WRITING HIS IMMORTAL FAUST *BALBOA TOOK POSSESSION OF TWO-THIRDS THE WORLD WITHOUT KNOWING IT *THE AMERICAN FLAG IS NEVER RAISED TO HALF MAST *CHRISTIAN IX OF DENMARK IS THE FATHER OR GRANDFATHER OF EIGHT KINGS AND QUEENS *CATHERINE THE GREAT OF RUSSIA WAS NEITHER RUSSIAN NOR NAMED CATHERINE *A LONE SENTRY AT ST. PETERSBURG GUARDED A NON-EXISTANT FLOWER NIGHT AND DAY FOR SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS *THE MAN WHO FINANCED THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WAS LATER JAILED FOR HIS DEBTS *C*ARLES V RULED HALF THE KNOWN WORLD WHEN HE WAS 20 YEARS OLD *ICEBERGS ARE DRY *MAN EATS MORE GRASS THAN ANY OTHER FOOD

BY
JOHN HIX

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October 30, 1942

Mr. Frederick S. Osborne,
Director of Public Information,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey

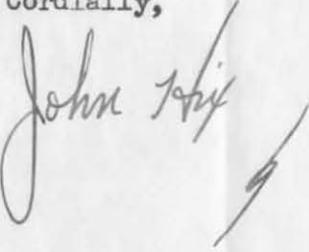
Dear Mr. Osborne,

In doing research for my nationally syndicated newspaper feature, STRANGE AS IT SEEMS, I came across this item, upon which I would appreciate your verification:

After Albert Einstein has given a chalk-talk, the blackboards are removed, varnished and filed away !

Is this true? How many blackboards have been filed? What does Princeton plan to do with them? Has such a procedure ever occurred before with other notable speakers and thinkers? Do you have a picture of Mr. Einstein that I might use for illustrating such a story?

My grateful thanks for any favors you can do me in this matter.

Cordially,


JH/mm
Enc.

6362 Hollywood Blvd.
Hollywood, California

October 1, 1941

Dear Professor Einstein:

I was approached in New York yesterday by a representative of the American Jewish Committee, who informed me that on October 12th the National Refugee Service, in cooperation with the non-sectarian refugee groups, is planning a radio program on the National Broadcasting Company network. I understand that the purpose of this program is to interest the general public in support of activities on behalf of refugees. They are planning to have a number of distinguished speakers, including President Neilson, formerly of Smith College, Thomas Mann, and others, and they would like very much to have a few remarks from you.

I told them that you were not well and their reply was that they would want you to speak only for about two minutes, that they would be willing to give you a general indication of the line they would like you to take, and that it could be arranged for you to make these remarks from your home in Princeton. I promised to put the matter up to you and to let them know your reply. Could I have a word with you about the matter at our house tomorrow either before or after luncheon?

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Professor Albert Einstein
Fuld Hall
Princeton, New Jersey

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September 26, 1941

Dear Sam:

Just a line to confirm my telephone request to you today in connection with Albert Einstein. The facts are as follows:

On October 12th the National Refugee Service, in cooperation with the non-sectarian refugee groups, is planning a radio program on a National Broadcasting Company network. They are planning to have a number of distinguished men on the program including Neilson, formerly of Smith, Thomas Mann and others. Among these they want to include Albert Einstein for just a few remarks which I understand they will be glad to prepare for him -- a minute or two in all. They understand that Professor Einstein has not been well, but it can be arranged for him to speak from his home in Princeton.

This is a program in which the National Refugee Service is particularly interested, and we want to do everything we can to help them work it out.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Rothschild

Mr. Samuel D. Leidesdorf
1 Pershing Square
New York City

RCR/ss

May 14, 1941

Mr. Kenneth Nelson
235 South Erie Street
Mercer, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Nelson:

Your letter of May 10 to
the Bureau of Information, Princeton University,
has been referred to us for reply. You will find
information about Professor Einstein in a book by
H. G. Garbedian entitled "Albert Einstein, Maker of
Universes", published by Funk and Wagnalls Company,
1939.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

235 South Erie Street
Mercer, Pennsylvania

May 10, 1941

Princeton University
Bureau of Information
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I should like to have some information about the life of Dr. Einstein.

I am preparing a speech for the date May 29, 1941. The trend of my speech is to be the benefit that America has received by having such men as Dr. Einstein come to America. I have been unable to secure any adequate information, especially concerning his persecution and his reasons for leaving Germany.

I shall appreciate very much any material you have available.

Very truly yours,
Kenneth Nelson

May 13, 1941

From Dept. of Public Information
Princeton University

Mr. Kenneth Nelson
235 South Erie Street
Mercer, Penn.

Dear Mr. Nelson:

Dr. Albert Einstein is not connected with Princeton University but is a member of the Institute for Advanced Study, located at Princeton, N.J. We are, therefore, forwarding your special delivery letter at once to the Institute so that you may receive your material for the speech on May 29th.

Sincerely yours

Audrey Jackson

For Mr. Osborne

December 20, 1940

Dear Angell:

I talked the matter over with Einstein at length this morning. He asks me to convey to you his very warm appreciation of your suggestion and to say at the same time that he regrets he feels he ought not to accept. The demands upon him at the present time are tremendous and he goes out of his way to do anything he can which promises to be of service to the country or to the British war effort, and beyond that he refuses everything which is merely a matter of personal interest or of pleasure. I am very sorry that he is not able to go, but I told him I was sure you would understand.

I am delighted to hear that you are putting on this television show and I hope it will not be long before you have a system which will stretch as far as Princeton.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Dr. James R. Angell
National Broadcasting Company
R.C.A. Building, Radio City
New York City

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Dec. 16-40

Dear Sydeblatt:

On January 24th the National Broadcasting Co. is entertaining the Federal Communications Commission with an exhaustive demonstration of television in all its aspects — scientific, practical, entertainment, etc. Is there any chance that Professor Einstein would listen to an invitation to come up here for lunch, see the entire demonstration and meet our scientific staff and the members of the Commission? The extraordinary things which radio and television are doing to space and time — those twin buddies of Einstein — would seem to offer something of interest to him.

A proper invitation will go forward to him, if you encourage it. He would have all his expenses met and, if that would weigh with him, I doubt not an honorarium could be arranged. The

show is a damned good one and we
should be delighted to have you come
if you could do.

Best wishes for the holidays -

Ever sincerely

John R. Oppenheimer

Mrs. Frank Aschelt
Princeton - N.J.

July 20, 1936

Mr. Michael Howath, Jr.
2614 West 18th Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Howath:

Your letter of July 16 has been referred to us by Princeton University. Professor Einstein is a professor of the Institute for Advanced Study. He has gone away for the summer but will return to Princeton in the autumn. Any letter addressed to him in care of the Institute will be delivered to him.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C EICHELSER

2614 W. 18th St.,
Chicago, Ill.,
July 16, 1936.

To whom it may concern:

The information
you inquiring from you
may be out of line from
your regular business.
But it seems to me you
would be the only one
I could ask for this
information.

The information you
asking for is about Prof. Albert
Einstein, is he still teaching
at the University, granting
that he is, how can I
get in touch with him
personally by letter.

Sincerely yours,
Michael Howard Jr.,
(OVER)

02-15

P.S. Enclosed you will find
a self addressed envelope.