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Dr. Einstein's file ✓
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December 12, 1967

Mrs. Dezso Szigeti
508 Park Avenue
Hopewell, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Szigeti:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 26th. Please accept our apologies for the delay in replying; it was caused by several factors, one of which was that the University had to forward the letter to the Institute, which has never been part of the University.

Your information is correct. Dr. Flexner was the first Director of the Institute and the negotiations undertaken to bring Dr. Einstein to the Institute (and this country) were Dr. Flexner's endeavors.

Perhaps you would be interested in having a copy of the most recent revision of the Institute's descriptive booklet. One is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Smith
Office of the Director

Einstein

April 17, 1967

Miss Lola Stein
241 West 97 Street, Apt. 8-K
New York, New York 10025

Dear Miss Stein:

Your letter of April 4 has come to my attention inasmuch as Dr. Kaysen is at present the Director of the Institute for Advanced Study and Dr. Oppenheimer has been dead for several months. The Institute is not interested in purchasing the letter you have from Professor Einstein, but we understand your feeling that it might be wanted here.

Sincerely yours,

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

11 April 1967

Dear Ruth:

I had sent this letter on to Miss Dukas, who returned it to me. Miss Dukas had phoned me, to say that she was not interested in purchasing the letter.

Liz

CK agrees.

L. Stein

241 West 97 Street, Apt. 8 K
New York 25, N.Y.

April 4, 1967

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

Dear Professor Oppenheimer !

I have a personal genuine letter from ALBERT EINSTEIN, former address:
Princeton, N.J. , which Albert Einstein wrote to me, and I would like
to sell this letter, which is written in German.

Kindly let me know, if you are interested to have this letter for
yourself or for "Institute, for Advanced Study, in Princeton, N.J."

Kindly let me know, if you are interested to buy this letter from
Albert Einstein. Thanking you and awaiting your kind reply, I am

Yours truly,

Lola Stein.

Institute For Advanced Study

Princeton University

Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir,

I am curious to know who is taking Einstein's place at the present. If so I would like to know who it is. So that I would like to correspond with this person.

As to different types of Tensors in relationship to both the Physical + Natural world.

I was thinking in the mathematical sense as to the Velocity of Light being relative in magnitude and direction. I would like to work on this with some assistance from the Institute.

I believe that I have come across mathematically some rather amazing properties of Electricity.

Such as electricity being relative. So that we may treat electricity as a kind of chemistry. In this way we will find sub-electronic elements. This I think will put the picture of Matter together.

I will go further from the mathematical point of view when I receive a reply. From the proper source at the Princeton Institute of Advanced Study.

Yours truly,

Mr. Nathan Trachtman

(NATHAN TRACHTMAN)

11-15 F.D.R. Drive

N.Y. Zone 9

New York, N.Y.

May 23 '66

20 May 1966

Dear Mr. Kluger:

After receiving your letter of May 7th, we have explored a little the question that you ask, as to whether responsible work on a definitive biography of Albert Einstein is in progress. We know of none.

I should think that if you wish to consider this undertaking further, you should be in touch with Miss Helen Dukas, Einstein's secretary, who has charge of his archive here in Princeton, and with Gerald Holton of Harvard, who has expressed an interest in a better public understanding of Einstein's life and work.

With good wishes,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Richard Kluger
Simon and Schuster, Inc.
630 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10020

cc: Miss Dukas
Dr. Holton

5/20/66

Dear Miss Nielsen,

to the best of my knowledge no work on a definite biography of Prof. Einstein is in progress. Nor could I think of anybody at this time to undertake such a book.

Sincerely,

Helen Dukas

H. Dukas



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May 7, 1966

Miss Dukas

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

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

You were very kind to me a dozen years ago when I was an undergraduate at Princeton and a staff member of the Daily Princetonian. I should say that is no good reason to bother you again now but I would be grateful for a moment or two of your time and advice.

I recently left the position of book editor of the New York Herald Tribune (in which capacity I edited Book Week, the Trib's Sunday literary supplement) and have come to work here to publish good books. Simon & Schuster struck me as a singularly energetic and imaginative publisher during my years at the Trib.

A book that I am anxious to set in motion is the definitive biography of Dr. Einstein. I suspect, though, that such a work may well be in progress. I am writing primarily to ask you if you are aware whether some one is in fact already doing such a book.

If no one is, I'd be grateful for learning what you think of the project. While I have a number of names of possible authors in mind, I would be additionally grateful if the name of an ideal author crosses your mind.

Finally, I am wondering whether you would be available to help the author we might select for this project if you felt he was a responsible and seriously dedicated writer. I think your availability for such an important project would be a critical factor in its chances of succeeding.

Yours sincerely,
Richard Kluger
Richard Kluger
Senior Editor

Annapolis, Illinois
July 20th 66.

Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton, New Jersey.

Dear Sirs:

In the early 1950's I saw an equation of life
by Dr. Einstein published in a news paper, and I was wondering
if the Institute could send me a copy of this Equation or let
me know where I could obtain a copy.

Sincerely

Claude Gower
Annapolis, Illinois.

December 5, 1966

Miss Netta Zweig
611 Briar Hill
Toronto 12, Canada

Dear Miss Zweig:

Replying to your letter of December 1:
the Institute does not have pamphlets or
booklets available that would help you in
preparation of your project. Our only
suggestion would be for you to contact
your local library.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Smith
Office of the Director

Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey
U. S. A.

611 Buar Hill
Toronto 12, Ont.
Dec. 1, 1966

Gentlemen:

I am ten years old and I am in Grade six at North Preparatory School in Toronto. In my Social Studies program I have to do a project on a famous person and I have chosen Albert Einstein. I have a book called "The Young Einstein" by Patrick Pringle and I can get more information on his life at the library.

My father tells me that Mr. Einstein worked and taught at your university for many years. Do you have any pamphlets or booklets that will help me understand the work that Mr. Einstein did and the contribution he made to the world.

The project is to be handed in by

December 19, 1966 and I need at least a week
before that to put everything together. If you
can help me, I would be very happy.

Yours sincerely
Netta Zweig

Jac Einstein F

3941 Cross Keys Rd.
Collegeville, Pennsylvania
November 23, 1965

Dear Sirs:

I am in the tenth grade at Methacton High School. Currently doing a term paper on Albert Einstein, I find it necessary to seek other sources of information. I have learned that Einstein did much of his work at Princeton University. I would appreciate it if you would send me any data you might have about his life, teachings, or theories. Other sources would be appreciated too, provided that they are local.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas McGinniss

Thomas McGinniss

Joseph Webster
Pleasant Mills R.D.1.
Hammonton, New Jersey
November 5, 1965

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Dear Sir,

I am looking for information about Dr. Einsteins work, on Relativity, his universal theory, his mathematical formula ($E=MC^2$), which resulted in the formation of a team of scientists that developed the atomic bomb.

I'm also looking for information on his last work before he died in 1955, and what happened to his body and his brain which he willed to science.

I would deeply appreciate it if you would send me this information which I require so much in my research on Dr. Albert Einsteins lifes works, thank you for your cooperation and time.

Sincerely yours,



Joseph Webster

For Einstein

LEON FORER
158-39 JEWEL AVENUE
FLUSHING 65, N. Y.

May 18-65
Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton, N.J.

Gentlemen:

Ten years ago, the greatest
Scientist since Newton - I mean,
of course, Einstein - died. He was
the most illustrious of all the
members of the Institute. Besides
science, his expressions on civil rights,
against racism, for academic freedom,
and especially on war and peace -
are so exquisitely germane to our
immediate times.

Are you planning a commemoration
of some sort? Respectfully
Leon Forer

Einstein

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

22 October 1965

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

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Today I talked with our very good mutual friend, Dick Feynman. As a matter of fact, we had a festive luncheon to celebrate his winning of a Nobel Prize.

This last year, I have gradually "oozed" to Geneva and plan to live there for awhile. In Geneva, as you probably know, there is an excellent small scientific museum which has been founded primarily with the funds and the effects of De Saussure who, as you may remember, was the first man to climb Mont Blanc and collect samples of air, etc. at high altitudes.

Although some parts of the museum are excellent, the museum basically needs a *raison d'être*. It occurred to me, in conjunction with this thought, that there should be a museum containing the effects of Albert Einstein before his letters, notes and other works are scattered to the four winds and end up in attic shoeboxes.

I talked with Dick about creating an Albert Einstein Museum to collect and keep together these various effects. I would like to spearhead the creation of such a museum with its situs in the Museum of Science in Geneva. It seems entirely fitting that the museum be located there. Dick has suggested that I write to you and find out whether or not there are any other museums similar to this which have been created and whether

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Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
22 October 1965
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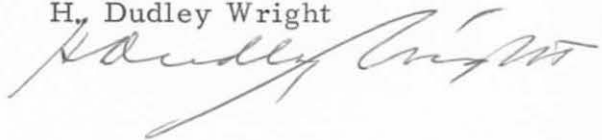
I would have a great deal of competition in creating such a museum.

There must be an enormous amount of Einstein's notes, letters and other work at Princeton and it was my hope that such works would find a final resting place in a museum dedicated to Einstein.

I will be in New York on Monday and Tuesday, the 25th and 26th of October, and I would like to telephone you to discuss this suggestion. I hope you will have a few minutes for me.

Sincerely yours

H. Dudley Wright

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. Dudley Wright".

will talk

Einstein

16 August 1965

Dear Professor Yourgrau:

We have just received your letter of August 12th. In response to your enquiry about Dr. Einstein's heirs, the person for you to get in touch with is the executor of the estate: Dr. Otto Nathan, 55 East 10th Street, New York City.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carol Nielsen
Office of the Director

Professor Wolfgang Yourgrau
Department of Philosophy of Science
University of Denver
University Park, Denver, Colorado 80210

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August 12, 1965

Mrs. Carol Nielsen
Secretary to Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

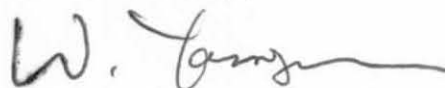
Dear Mrs. Nielsen:

I am most anxious to hear from you who the heirs of Albert Einstein are, i.e. his sons or his daughter. Please, if they are the official heirs, give me the address of either of them.

A friend of mine from Cornell succeeded in purchasing a very important letter of Einstein's, dated September 18th, 1939, while we were attending an international Colloquium in London. He is very anxious to use this letter, since he is an historian of science at Cornell University.

I should appreciate very much if you could help me without delay, since I am leaving to lecture behind the Iron Curtain on August 22nd. Thus, matters are very pressing. With many thanks,

Yours sincerely,



Wolfgang Yourgrau
Professor, Philosophy of Science
Member, Denver Research Institute

WY/dla

*exec. of estate
Dr. Otto Nathan
55 5 16 St.*

28 April 1965

Freerk Simons
8 Moser Street
Tel Aviv
Israel

Gentlemen:

Your letter of March 31st has been sent on to us by Princeton University, since Professor Einstein was a member of the Institute and not of the University.

The Executor of the Einstein Estate is Dr. Otto Nathan, 55 East 10th Street, New York City 10003.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)
Secretary to the Director

FREERK SIMONS

8 MOSER ST.

TEL AVIV

31 March 1965

Princeton University
Princeton, N.J.

Gentlemen,

Preparations are being made to establish a multi-million dollar Foundation for the promotion of scientific research in Israel.

This Foundation will be non-sectarian and provide facilities and financial assistance for scientists and students from all over the world.

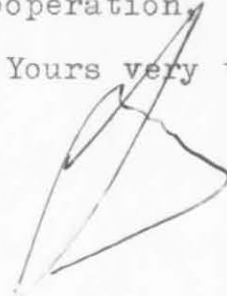
It is the desire of the founder to name this Foundation after the late Professor Albert Einstein.

I would be very grateful, if you would let me know the address of the Einstein family or the administrators of the estate, so that we may apply to them for permission to use the name.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you for your cooperation,

Yours very truly,



*Executor of Estate
Dr. Otto Nathan*

10 March 1965

Director, Department of Physics
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

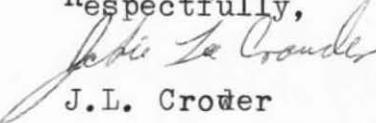
Sir,

I am in need of Dr. Einstein's Unified Field Theory. I would also like to obtain his other published theories, for use as references. It is necessary that I obtain these publications as he wrote them, and not with some other person's editorial handicraft.

I would highly appreciate your sending me any information you have as to the name(s) of the publisher(s) of these theories.

Jack Crowder
207 Lincoln St.
Jerseyville, Ill.
62052

Respectfully,



J.L. Crowder

Route 1
Lincolnton, N.C
Jan. 15, 1965

Institute for Advance Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sirs:

I am writing for any information that you can give me on Albert Einstein. I would appreciate deeply on any help that you could give me. The reason I want information is because I have to do a term paper on the marvelous Einstein, I've COLLECTED books on him. their very interested. And I would like to know more about him. Thank you for reading my letter. And taking the time to read this.

I would like this back as soon as possible, if it's not inconvenient.

If you have the time, I would appreciate it.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, FOR TAKING TIME TO READ THIS.

MY ADDRESS:

Sincerely Your,
SUE BLACK

SUE BLACK
ROUTE 1
LINCOLNTON, N.C.
28092
c/o Cliff H. Black

P.S.

The

Post Office Box 392
The Pas, Manitoba,
February 22--- 1965

The Dean,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dean;

Many years ago you had, on your faculty of teachers a professor known as Albert Einstein. This man was, and is highly esteemed in the scientific world, and to day is best known for his formula $E=mc^2$. This man may have been a great mathematician, I do not know as I have only a grade eight education myself, however I do know that he was NO physicist.

If you will sacrifice just a few minutes of your time I will prove conclusively that the formula $E=mc^2$ is false and meaningless.

Since c^2 is a fixed quantity it is possible to multiply the unit for E by c^2 and obtain an new unit for E . The formula would then read $E=m$. If Einstein had done this it would be very difficult to prove that his figures were not correct as we would not know what he was thinking about. He made his mistake by relating mass- energy to the speed of light.

Place a mass of matter on the table and take a good look at it. We know that it contains a certain quantity of locked in energy(potential energy) due to internal atomic forces. If you want to assume that the energy it contains is in the form of kinetic energy (motion) within the matter this will not alter your conclusion. The point is that it contains a certain quantity of energy. Now mentally reduce the speed of light to one half of of what has been established for the velocity of light. You can see that the matter sitting on the table has not changed. The same forces are still present and i t still contains the same potential energy. Even if there was no such thing as light the potential energy would still be there. It is like relating mass - energy to the speed of a passing automobile.

I realize that for you to admit this drastic error

which , I believe occurred within your organization would be degrading your university. My only reply to this would be. " This above all to thine own self be true, and it shall follow as the night the day thou cans't not then be false to any man. I' m sure you would agree that universal truth is of far greater importance than the reputation of princeton University.

I feel certain that you and your colleagues will give this observation careful consideration and reply accordingly.

Yours truly



R. J. Newstead

P.S.

I think what the formula $E=mc^2$ really means is Einstein equals man crazy squared.

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M^r le Professeur

Moscou, le 7 décembre 1964.

Robert OPPENHEIMER

Institute for Advanced Study

Princeton, N.J. USA.

Cher Monsieur le Professeur,

A la fin du décembre je partirai en nombre de quelques professeurs de Moscou aux USA, 30-XII-2-I nous serons à New-York et à un de ces jours nous visiterons l'Institut des Hautes Etudes. Je voudrais bien d'avoir l'honneur et le plaisir de vous voir et de discuter quelques problèmes sur des études einsteiniens.

En attente, je vous prie, Monsieur le Professeur, d'agréer l'expression de mes sentiments les plus respectueux.

Sincèrement votre

Boris Kouznetsov

did not call

November 24, 1964

Dear Mr. Gaughan:

We have received your letter of November 9 requesting information on Dr. Einstein. I am sorry to say we cannot be of help in this matter and would suggest that you consult your local public library.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carol C. L. Nielsen
Office of the Director

Mr. William Gaughan
450N Black Harte Pike
Blackwood, New Jersey

450N Black Horse Pike
Blackwood, New Jersey
November 9, 1964

Institute for advanced study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

our class is now studying about matter and energy.

Could you please send me some information
on Albert Einstein's prediction on the relationship
between matter and energy?

Very truly yours,
William Daughan

form
11/21/64
W.D.

May 14, 1964

Institute For Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

I am a seventh grade student at Samuel Taylor Junior High School, Millbrae, California, and am making a report, for literature, on an extremely famous man, Albert Einstein.

I understand that he had worked for the Institute for Advanced Study, in New Jersey, for the latter part of his life.

Could you, if possible, send me some pamphlets or information on his life and writings.

Sincerely yours,

Karl Vorsatz
Karl Vorsatz
1355 Murchison Dr.
Millbrae, Calif.

*no material
suggest his local public library*

Einstein

July 30, 1964

Dear Mr. Farhood:

In reply to your letter addressed to Princeton University and forwarded to us, I am sorry to write that we have no such material available. Your local public library may be of help to you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. J. R. Haymes, Jr.)
Office of the Director

Mr. Lewis Farhood
10960 Saint Real Street
Montreal 12, Quebec
Canada

10960 Saint Real Street,
Montreal 12, Quebec, Canada.

The Institute of Advanced Study
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey.

Name as Lawphere

To whom it may concern:

More than three months ago, I wrote to Princeton University seeking information about Professor Albert Einstein's Unified Field Theory and I did not receive a reply. In the possibility that this letter was misplaced, I am re-stating my requirements.

Enclosed in my previous letter was an old clipping ^{from} of a magazine entitled "Science Digest". This article dealt with Einstein's presentation of the Unified Field Theory in which only one person, William Graves, an English teacher, understood. There were only two equations visible in the article, and these were as follows:

$$E = MC^2$$
$$G = X \cdot MC^2$$

I would be extremely grateful if you would forward the remaining equations dealing with this theory.

Thank you for your kind attention,

Lewis Farhood.

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*will not do
no answer*

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Monsieur le Professeur R. OPPENHEIMER
Institute for Advanced Study
PRINCETON (U.S.A.)

Genève, le 27 Juillet 1964

Monsieur,

Lors du Xe Congrès International d'Histoire des Sciences, qui s'est tenu aux Etats-Unis à Philadelphie (Pa.) en 1962, plusieurs participants avaient formulé le vœu qu'une collaboration internationale s'établisse sur le double plan historique et scientifique afin d'organiser et de promouvoir une vaste étude d'ensemble de l'oeuvre einsteinienne.

Depuis lors, l'Union Internationale d'Histoire et de Philosophie des Sciences a décidé de patronner officiellement et de soutenir financièrement la réalisation de ce projet et le Comité Exécutif de la Division d'Histoire des Sciences de l'U.I.H.P.S. a désigné le Bureau du Comité Albert Einstein, en lui confiant des tâches bien définies.

Par la présente lettre, nous avons l'honneur de vous demander si vous voulez bien accepter la nomination comme membre du Comité Albert Einstein.

Votre grande compétence et autorité dans le domaine de la théorie de la Relativité et de son développement historique apporteront au sein dudit Comité, l'aide indispensable et efficace dont il a besoin; et même si celle-ci devrait se trouver limitée par vos multiples obligations, nous sommes convaincus que vos conseils éclairés lui seront toujours extrêmement précieux.

L'année prochaine se tiendra à Varsovie, du 24 au 29 Août, le XIe Congrès International d'Histoire des Sciences. Dans le cadre de ce Congrès, un Symposium Einstein est prévu pour commémorer le 10e anniversaire de la mort d'Einstein et le 50e anniversaire de la Relativité générale, et le Comité Albert Einstein est

chargé d'organiser un Colloque international sur les différents aspects de la pensée et de l'oeuvre d'Einstein et de ses prolongements. Il discutera, à cette occasion, de l'opportunité de la publication d'Etudes einsteiniennes consacrées à l'analyse de tout ce qui concerne la Relativité, à la recherche de documents, à la constitution d'archives, etc. Ce sont là ses buts immédiats et lointains.

Nous sommes évidemment à votre entière disposition pour tout renseignement complémentaire. D'autre part, nous pensons que vous avez reçu l'invitation officielle de la part du Comité d'organisation du Congrès de Varsovie.

En espérant vivement que vous voudrez bien nous faire parvenir prochainement une réponse positive, nous vous prions d'agréer, Monsieur, l'expression de notre parfaite estime et considération.

Le Secrétaire :

P. Speciali

Pierre SPEZIALI

Einstein

May 1, 1964

Dear Mr. Soucek:

In answer to your letter of April 19,
Dr. Einstein was cremated. Therefore, there is
no place of interment.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. J. R. Haynes, Jr.)
Office of the Director

Mr. Gordon W. Soucek
8404 Garfield Blvd.
Cleveland 25, Ohio

Thank you very much!

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Heleen Duker

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RAAD VAN BESTUUR

Prof. C/AR

May 11, 1964

Miss Dukas -
pl. keep the
attachment &
return this letter
Thank you
Verna H.

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

Dear Mr. Oppenheimer,

Cohen was very grateful for the information I am enclosing
a copy of Einstein's letter.

Kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



Prof. Dr. H.B.G. Casimir.

Dear Mrs. Hobson: I had some correspondence with Mr. Hunter who wanted authentic literature by and about Professor Einstein and I gave him information. He then wrote me about his intended visit and asked whether he could see me, the house etc. I told him that the house is not open to the public but that he might be able to have a look at the Institute and that he should enquire. I am ready to see him and show him the office etc. (within limits).

Regards,

Helen Dukas

Miss Dukas -

Dr. Oppenheimer thinks that this man means by "Library" your archives. Let me know if you would like me to do anything about this letter.

Thanks,

Verna Hobson

1424 Portal Street,
Ottawa, 8, Ontario,
Canada,
14 April 1964.

Miss Dukas

The Director,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

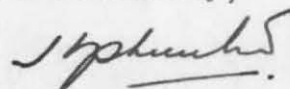
May I introduce myself as a retired Naval Officer who is now studying Physics at Carleton University in Ottawa.

During the course of my studies I have naturally become more deeply appreciative of the profound influence that Professor Einstein has had upon modern thought, and of his qualities as a person.

Toward the end of May I hope to be able to visit Princeton to meet Miss Dukas, and I would be most grateful if permission could be given for me to visit the Library of the Institute, and the room that Professor Einstein formerly used as an office, at that time.

With very many thanks for any consideration that you may be able to give my request, I am, Sir,

Yours sincerely,



(H. J. Hunter)

3-2-64

10:45

Mr. Edward Hingers of National Educational Television called to speak to Verna about information on Albert Einstein as they are considering doing a program on him. He said he would call back as VH was out of the office.

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1790 Bdeway
N.Y.

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LT1-8640

I referred Hingers to Miss Dukas, but said that she would probably not be back from the hospital for 2 or 3 weeks. He did not seem to be in a hurry.

Told him that we had no film or picture material here; that CBS had made a broadcast from here at the time of Professor Einstein's death. Sent H. a booklet, with indication of which fac. members were already at Inst. before Prof. Einstein's death. He may try approaching some of them individually.

Stockholm den 9/8 - 64
Fae Einstein

Dear Friend of Einstein.

Einstein, a great genius, was born in a little town in Germany 1879.

In the year 1933 he emigrated to the U.S.A. He made the famous theory of relativity, which made many problems clear.

This is what a 16 years old boy in Sweden knows about Albert Einstein. Now I asked you, who knew Einstein personally. How was Einstein in the everyday life? How were his opinions of the religion?

I will be very glad if you answered my letter.

My adress is

Claes-Göran Ingestedt
Stövelvägen 17
Hägersten
Sweden

Dallas 21, Texas,
P. O. Box 3015,
April 11, 1964.

Department of Physics,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey,

Gentlemen:

Under date of March 17, 1964, I wrote a letter to the Department of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts, a copy of which is hereto attached.

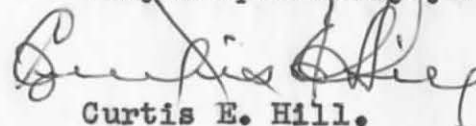
In response to same said school recommended "The Principle of Relativity" by Einstein, Lorentz, Weyl and Minkowski which was published by Dover Publications, Inc. of New York in 1951 and I have obtained the permission of such publisher to make the use of copies of such publication which is indicated in my letter without risk of infringement.

In such response such school did not make reply to my inquiry contained in this sentence: "Also I must consider and determine whether I attach to the same brief the same kind of statement of the work which he did during the last several years of his life with respect to field and/or quanta physics."

Since Doctor Einstein worked in connection with your school and perhaps, to some extent with your department, during the last years of his life, it has occurred to me that you may be able to help me in connection with the problem stated.

Thanking you, I am, Sirs,

Very respectfully yours,


Curtis E. Hill.

Dallas 21, Texas,
P. O. Box 3015,
March 17, 1964.

Department of Physics,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
Boston, Massachusetts,

Gentlemen:

Your advice will be appreciated in connection with this problem: Very soon I must file a brief in the Supreme Court of the United States to which I wish to attach what is considered to be a standard statement of Einsteins General Theory of Relativity in the original statement thereof in terms of theoretical physics and abstract mathematics without the efforts which are commonly made by writers to transform same into language understandable to persons who are laic to abstract mathematics and theoretical physics. Also I must consider and determine whether I attach to the same brief the same kind of statement of the work which he did during the last several years of his life with respect to field and/or quanta physics. Several copies of such works will be required for the purposes which I have in mind.

Will you please advise me from what source I may obtain copies of the mentioned works, which I expect to purchase in the number of copies needed if the cost is not too high, or in one copy with permission to reproduce if the latter is feasible and more economical.

Thanking you, I am, Sirs,

Very respectfully yours,

Curtis E. Hill.

Dr. Holton stopped in Monday to let this office know that the Xerox company will be here for some days (not less than 4, or more than 10) to microfilm the Einstein papers. He said that someone would be with the man or men at all times in the vault.

They will make four copies of the film, and he hopes that one will be for us.

5/20/64

Einstein

6167 N. Bay Ridge
Milwaukee 17, Wis
Dec 5, 1963

Princeton University
Institute for Advanced Studies
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sirs:

My friend and I are very interested in Einstein's Theory of Relativity, and in relativity itself. We are mostly interested in the effect of ultra-speed on clocks and rods, clocks being slowed down and rods changing their length. Could you please give us some "figures" on how to predict the effect. Could you also give us an explanation of the fourth dimension.

Thank you for all the information you can give us.

Sincerely,
David Felson
Paul Stewart ^{the great}

P.O. Box 243
Windermere, Fla. 32786
November 9, 1963

The Secretary
Institute of Special Studies
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I am studying "A Report to the Vestry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, on the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America" which is an attack on the National Council. It is published by St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 908 Rutherford, Shreveport, Louisiana, and dated May, 1961. Over 79,000 copies of this report have been distributed in this country and abroad.

On page xx in the appendix of my copy, it says: "Albert Einstein, the noted mathematician and scientist, was a self-professed Communist, and Thomas Mann was identified as a Communist supporter in various governmental committee investigations, including those by the California House Un-American Activities Committee."

I wish to check the truth of the statement about Dr. Einstein. He may be a self-professed Communist, or rather was. I never heard anything about his politics and I would appreciate your telling me what you think of the quote. As I know he was associated with some branch of the University for many years, I felt that you could tell me the truth.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours,

Robert G. Vanderlip

Robert G. Vanderlip

Einstein

R. J. Bailey
33 W. Hillside Ave
White Plains, N. Y.
November 1, 1963

Institute of Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

I have just read a book
"Albert Einstein", by Arthur Beckhard.
I would like to know when he
came to Princeton, and did he speak
English, or did he need an interpreter?

Thank you.

Yours, truly,
Harry Friedman
6-6 Mrs. Greene

July 31, 1963

Dear Miss Hahn:

Thank you for your letter of July 23rd, concerning Professor Einstein and Dr. Placzek. Unfortunately, we do not have the information that you need in our files, but we are glad to refer you to others who may be able to help you.

Professor Einstein's secretary is still here at the Institute, and you could try writing her.

Miss Helen Dukas
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

We are enclosing a copy of Dr. Placzek's published works, but all other information will have to be obtained elsewhere. Mrs. Placzek is still living and perhaps could help. Her address is Chalet Pheonix
Crans-sur-Sierre
Valais, Switzerland.

We hope these references will be of help in completing your project.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grandner)
Office of the Director

Miss Hannelore Hahn
History Project, Assistant
American Institute of Physics
335 East 45 Street
New York 17, New York



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July 23, 1963

Department of Public Information
Institute of Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

The American Institute of Physics is assembling a collection of accurate biographical and bibliographical information gathered from important contributors to nineteenth and twentieth century physical science in the United States.

Professor Albert Einstein and Dr. George Placzek, deceased members of the Institute of Advanced Study, have been included in this project. May we ask for your help in sending us the following:

- (a) biographical information and/or an obituary of these men. The name and address of a surviving family member of Dr. Placzek would be especially helpful. *! Mrs. still alive*
- (b) a bibliography of each man's published work.
- (c) a personal photograph of each man and /or photographs showing the laboratory, apparatus, etc.
- (d) information concerning the location of each man's manuscripts and correspondence.

This information will provide source material for documenting the history of recent physics in the United States, and will be preserved in the Historical Archives of the American Institute of Physics (brochure enclosed). It will be made available to all those interested in carrying out research in this field.

We thank you for your cooperation and are looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Hannelore Hahn
History Project, Assistant



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August 16, 1963

Mrs. William Grander
Office of the Director
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Grander:

We wish to thank you for your letter of July 31, pertaining to our request for bio-bibliographical information on Drs. Albert Einstein and George Placzek.

Thank you very much for Dr. Placzek's bibliography and for the address of Mrs. Placzek. We have, in the meantime, contacted Mrs. Placzek.

We shall also follow-up our request for information on Dr. Einstein.

Thank you very much for your helpfulness.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Hannelore Hahn
History Project, Assistant

11 June 1963

Dear ter Haar:

We have asked V. Bargmann to prepare Einstein's collecta for publication. The work has gone slowly, but I am confident that it will one day be a magnificent collection. For the most part, it contains only published work. I think that you would do best to communicate directly with Bargmann.

There may be a problem of copyright. Dr. Otto Nathan, 55 East 10th Street, New York City 3, is the Executor of the Estate.

I am delighted to hear of your projects.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Oppenheimer

Dr. D. ter Haar
Clarendon Laboratory
Parks Road
Oxford
England

cc: Dr. V. Bargmann, Princeton University

Miss Dukas says that she cannot answer this. She does not know how the Bargmann work is progressing. She says that the only question that would have to do with the Estate is that of copyright.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD
DEPARTMENT OF THEORETICAL PHYSICS

M. D. Haar
CLARENDON LABORATORY
PARKS ROAD · OXFORD
Telephone 59291

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Dear Dr Oppenheimer,

Recently I agreed to edit a series called "Selected Readings in Physics" for Pergamon's Commonwealth and International Library. This will be a paperback series aimed at undergraduates at a reasonable price. I enclose for your information a pamphlet describing this series.

I have now decided to have as part of the series a division "Men of Physics" where the topic of the paperback will not be a subject, but a famous physicist such as Kramers, Ehrenfest, Lorentz, Fermi, von Laue, Kelvin, Bohr, ... In that case the choice of papers will be those where the physicist in question has made the most significant contributions to physics (excerpts instead of complete papers will sometimes be more suitable). I am hoping to teach in this way present-day undergraduates a better sense of the importance of the historical development of their subject.

One man I should like, of course, to be represented is Einstein, and I wondered whether you could advise me whom I should approach to write this "annotated ~~ix~~ scientific biography" of Einstein. I take it that plans are already well in hand to have his Collected Works published. If not, I am sure that Pergamon would be only too delighted to arrange for that publication as well. At the moment Pergamon is publishing the Collected Works of Landau where all papers are translated into English, and I feel sure that they would be willing to do the same for the Einstein papers. You know no doubt that they have done, among others, Hevesy's, von Neumann's and Whitehead's Collected Papers. Please let me know your views on these matters.

With best regards,
Yours sincerely,

D. ter Haar
D. ter Haar.

May 2, 1963

Dear Mr. Haar:

This is to acknowledge your letter which has arrived in Dr. Oppenheimer's absence from Princeton. He will return by the end of May and will see your letter at that time.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Mr. D. ter Haar
University of Oxford
Clarendon Laboratory
Parks Road
Oxford, England

sent to Miss Dukas.

507 West Road
Ridley Park, Pa.
April 6, 1963

Institute of Advanced Study
Princeton
New Jersey

Dear Sir:

May I have any information and
pictures on Albert Einstein for a
High School German II project,
that you have available. Thank
you.

Truly yours,
John Tani

April 9, 1963

Dear Mr. Tani:

Thank you for your letter of April 6th. We are sorry to say that we do not have a picture file and cannot, therefore, send you the requested photograph.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Mr. John Tani
507 West Road
Ridley Park, Penna.

Former Fac Einstein

6912 North 46TH Place
Crystal, Minnesota
April 29, 1963

Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

I am preparing in my sixth grade class at Forest School, a research paper on Einstein's Theory of Relativity. I would appreciate any free material, advice, or help you can give me, as I know Professor Einstein was a life member at your fine Institute for Advanced Study.

Yours sincerely
Brian Le May
age 11

Einstein 63

April 21, 1963

Dear Sirs:

I have just finished reading a book about Albert Einstein and his many accomplishments. I'm very interested in math and physics and was wondering if you had any information, you might send me on Einstein or about physics. I will be very grateful for any information. Thankyou very much.

Sincerely yours

John Selby

Fac Einstein

April 18, 1963

Dear Mr. Witt:

Thank you for your letter requesting information on Albert Einstein's works. Unfortunately we cannot send what you requested because we do not keep such material on file. We are returning your dollar, and we can only suggest that you consult a library for the information.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Mr. William H. Witt
Company D
Culver Military Academy
Culver, Indiana

Enclosure \$1.00

William H. Witt
Co. D
Culver Military Academy
Culver, Indiana

Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir,

My name is William H. Witt and I am a student at Culver Military Academy. I'm writting my annual term paper on Albert Einstein and I am having a little trouble finding ample information about the following:

- a) his explanation and formula for the Brownian movement.
- b) law of photoelectric effect.
- c) the influence of gravity on light propagation.
- d) complete information on Einstein's general and special theories of relativity.
- e) statistical mechanics and quantum mechanics.
- f) quantum theory and the quantum theory of radiation.

I am enclosing money for mailing because I need the information as quickly as possible.

Thanks,



William H. Witt

Star Route # 4

Lutesville, Missouri

April 16, 1963

Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sirs:

Please send me any free information that you may have on the life of Albert Einstein. This work is needed for a report on this famous scientist.

I shall appreciate any material that you may send.

Yours truly,
Donald Cook



THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

March 13, 1963

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Since writing to you in February I have received a letter from Dr. Holton. Given the situation he detailed, I am inclined to hold off on any formal or informal approach to Dr. Nathan by the Library.

Unless you feel otherwise, no action will be taken by us until after Dr. Holton is at the Institute and we can have a meeting to determine future steps.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nathan Reingold".

Nathan Reingold
Senior Research Specialist
(History of Science and Technology)

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

Randy Grossman
North Country School
Lake Placid, New York
Jan. 22, 1963

Dear Sirs:

Our English class is in the process of writing term papers. Since I am very interested in science and math I am doing a paper on Einstein's theory of relativity.

I would be very appreciative if you would send me as fast as possible, an explanation of the theory of relativity, that is what it is. I would like it if you would send me something on how this theory has changed our modern world, and some information on Albert Einstein.

Sincerely Yours,

Randy Grossman

Don't believe it says!

Princeton Institute of Advanced studies
Princeton, New Jersey
of the University of Princeton

3-20-63

3963 Bensen Ave. No.
St. Pete, 13, FLA.
March 20, 1963

Princeton University
Princeton,
New Jersey

Dear gentlemen:

I am studying with my class
on Mr. Albert Einstein. I understand his
laboratory was there until his death. Will
you please send me any material
that is free on this subject. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Terryl Lynn Fyzalko

Myra Forsberg
4740 - 25th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg
Fla.

Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sirs;

I would appreciate if
you would send any free
pictures, information illustration
or other material on Albert
Einstein. I am doing a project
on him and find his works
interesting

Thank You!
Sincerely
Myra J. Forsberg

March 6, 1963

Dear Mr. Klatsky:

Thank you for your letter of February 25th. We are very sorry, but we do not have any photographs of Albert Einstein or any biographical material. May we suggest that you go to a public library where you will surely find some information for your report.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Mr. Herb Klatsky
4 Plymouth Place
White Plains, New York

February 26, 1963

Princeton University
Princeton,
N.J.

Gentlemen:

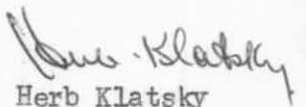
I am in the midst of preparing a report on Albert Einstein.

I am wondering whether you might have any information (Biography, Photographs, etc.) regarding him.

If so, I would certainly appreciate your sending me whatever is available.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely yours,


Herb Klatsky
4 Plymouth Place
White Plains, N.Y.

Ten Commandments of Einstein

We say without joke that Einstein seemed to have departed ^{in his youth (1916)} from ^{early} Egypt crossing the red sea through waters. He wandered ^{with his group of research} in the Arabian wilderness long through forty years. Sometimes we heard that they took manna from the sky.

However, he could not reach the land of object and left perhaps ten Commandments behind.

First Commandment: M. Faraday was asked by the famous minister what the research on electricity is profitable to the practical use. Today even the physicists would have asked Einstein what the general relativity or unified field theory would be profitable. Since we find the first commandment that the fundamental principle is profitable to the practical use.

As memorial monument of Einstein, we propose here to find the other nine commandments.

Nagatohi Tama 211101

February 18, 1963

Dear Mrs. Schenck:

Thank you for your letter of February 7th. We are sorry to say that we have no films or other visual aids about Dr. Einstein's theories. However, you might try writing to Miss Helen Dukas here at the Institute, although we doubt she will know of any such films.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Mrs. John T. Schenck
100 Hampton Road
Syracuse 6, New York

Mrs. John Tyler Schenck
100 Hampton Road
Syracuse 6, New York

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Feb 7, 1963

Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Memorandum:

Is there available any film or other visual presentation of the theories of Dr. Albert Einstein?

Early in March I am scheduled to report to my "Yadies Circle" on this subject. Obviously, it is bigger than all of us. The more I read the more certain I am that some visual aid is desperately needed. My goal is not understanding - but only to arouse interest, awareness, curiosity.

If you can give me any suggestions or help, I will be most grateful.

Very truly yours.

Harriet B Schenck

Einstein

PRISCILLA LOWE

Welster Hotel
2150 N. Lincoln Park
Chicago 14, Ill -
Feb 7, 1963

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute for Advanced Studies
Princeton New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer -

Upon your return to this
country it is my most sincere hope
that you will feel called upon to
speak in Dr. Einstein's name
as to the correlation between
testing and the world weather
conditions -

He certainly spelled it
out so many years ago, and

I am confident you agree with
me that men should be reminded
he was right.

Yours sincerely
Pascual Lame

Einstein

Box 476

Vanderbilt, Texas

February 6, 1963

Institute of Advanced Study
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I am working on a theme for my English class. I would like some of the information you have about Albert Einstein. If there are any pictures available, I would appreciate them. I would like to add this information to what I already have.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Yours truly,
Sandra Sumpter

Einstein

February 27, 1963

Dear Miss Kramer:

Thank you for your letter of
February 22nd. We are sorry to say that
Mrs. Einstein has been dead for some time.
In fact she died quite a few years before
he did.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Miss Jacqueline Kramer
400 East 20th Street
New York City 9, New York

400 E. 20th St.
New York City
February 22, 1963

Princeton University
Personnel
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Sirs:

I wonder if you could please advise me as to where the
widow of Prof. Albert Einstein now resides.

A return envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

(Miss) Jacqueline Kumer

*deceased -
some years
before him.*

Einstein '62

January 4, 1963

Dear Miss Guilfoyle:

Thank you for your letter of December 26th. Unfortunately, we do not have any of the material which you want in our office. However you might get in touch with Miss Helen Dukas here at the Institute. She may be able to help you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grander)
Office of the Director

Miss Ann Guilfoyle, Associate Editor
Rowman and Littlefield, Inc.
84 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, New York

Israel M Einstein

339 Wayneport Road
Macedon, New York
January 3, 1963

no an.

Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I have read that Albert Einstein did quite a bit of work at your school. I was wondering if you could send me some information on his Theory of Relativity for a ninth grade science project. Any information will be appreciated.

Sincerely,
David Doyle