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May 10, 1941

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Professor Erwin Panofsky holds a permanent professorship in the Institute for Advanced Study, located at Princeton, New Jersey, at a salary of Ten thousand five hundred Dollars ($10,500.00) a year, and that said professorship began on September 1, 1935.

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 10th day of May, 1941

Notary Public of the
State of New Jersey

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April 19, 1941

Dear Panofsky:

I send you my warmest thanks for your generosity. The handsome Leonardo book was waiting for me here this morning and I look forward with the keenest interest to reading the one on The Meaning of the Humanities when it comes.

I appreciate more than I can tell you all this assistance you are giving me in the preparation of my report for the Board. I do not know how much the Board will get out of these reports of mine, but the by-product in the shape of an improvement of my understanding of the work of the Institute is very valuable to me.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Professor Erwin Panofsky
97 Battle Road
Princeton, New Jersey

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July 22, 1940

Mr. L. R. van de Velde
D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc.
250 Fourth Avenue
New York City

Dear Sir:

Professor Panofsky is a professor in the School of Humanistic Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study, which is not a part of Princeton University. His address is

Professor Erwin Panofsky
97 Battle Road
Princeton, New Jersey

Professor Panofsky is now on vacation and can be reached at Holliday House, Wellfleet (Cape Cod), Massachusetts.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. [illegible]
Secretary

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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

April 17, 1941

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Since Miss Eichelser informed me that you do not possess the volume The Meaning of the Humanities, I take pleasure in sending you a copy through the Princeton Press.

The introduction and conclusion of my essay may seem a little incongruous in connection with a specialized subject. But it so happened that my essay opened the whole series when given as an actual lecture, so that some more general remarks on Humanism seemed to be indicated. When the talks were printed their sequence was rearranged, but the editor preferred to print the text itself as delivered.

Very sincerely yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

Dr. Frank Aydelotte
Fuld Hall
Princeton

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April 5, 1941

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I enclose for your confidential information a report which I presented to the Board of Trustees at their meeting in February on the work of the School of Economics and Politics. I wish to write a similar report for the next meeting on the work of the School of Humanistic Studies and should be grateful if you would supply me with similar background information concerning your own work. I know a good deal about it already, but I think it would be better if you could assume total ignorance on my part and write me a memorandum which would describe your own studies and their relation to humanistic scholarship in general. It goes without saying that I should be glad to have you cover in your report the work which is being done by Weitzmann, Swarzenski, and de Tolnay.

It would be a great convenience to me if I could have this letter sometime next week. I apologize for the trouble which I am asking you to take, but I am sure that the Institute as a whole has everything to gain from making the work which is being done here clearer to the founders and the members of the Board of Trustees.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

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July 16, 1940

Secretary
Institute of Advance Study
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I would like to communicate with Dr. Panofsky but have misplaced my card with his name on it and do not know his first name. Can you help me by giving me his full name and present address?

Yours very truly,

L. R. van de Velde

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Apr. 13. 1940

Miss Hetty Goldman,
Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton,N.J.

Dear Miss Goldman,

Concerning people who might be interested in the Bulletin, I can only give you the names of such Heads of Departments of Art etc. as come to my mind.

Prof.Georg Boas, Johns Hopkins,Baltimore.
Paul J. Sachs,Harvard.
Miss M.Lawrence,Barnard.
William B.Dinsmoor,Columbia.
Rensselaer W.Lee,Northwestern.
Miss S.Der Nersessian,Wellesley.
U.Middeldorf,Chicago.
Walter W.S.Cook, N.Y.U.
Clarence Ward,Oberlin.
Miss Agnes Rindge,Vassar.
W.Horn, Univ.of California,Berkeley.
Churchill Lathrop,Dartmouth.
Miss Dorothy Miner,Walters Art Gallery,Baltimore.
" Belle da Costa Greene,Morgan Library.

As for the tea,I should like to propse the following :

Miss Greene,ut supra.
Prof.Cook,ut supra.
Mrs.Eleanor C.Marquand,Princeton,N.J.
Mr.Fiske Kimball,Director,Pennsylvania Museum of Art,Philadelphia.
Prof. Morey, Princeton.
Alfred H.Barr,Jr. ,Director,Museum of Modern Art,11 West 53 St New York City.
Roger Sessions,Princeton,Carter Road.

Cordially yours,

E. Panofsky.

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February 23, 1940

Dear Panofsky:

In this year's bulletin a certain amount of space is being given to the work done by members of the Institute who are here on grants. Under these circumstances I wish you would give me two or three sentences each about the work which Dr. Downey and Professor Stillwell are doing and what Professor Forsyth did the first term of this year. If you come to Mrs. Bailey's office, she will show you what we are saying about other members, and you can make the same type of statement. You may have some reason for thinking it inadvisable to say anything, but at any rate I wanted you to know just what was being included in the bulletin, so that you can decide about it.

Very sincerely yours,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

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September 27, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Mrs. Bailey has reported to me the extremely generous suggestion you made to Professor Meritt in offering Professor Broneer the use of your room for the current year. I am really made very happy by this evidence of good will and coöperation, and I thank you most heartily and sincerely for it. In general, I am inclined to think that professors' rooms should be reserved for them, but in these early days any act of generosity and coöperation such as yours helps us in getting settled, but what is more important it shows the right spirit and attitude.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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September 25, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

On reaching the Princeton Inn last night I was greeted by the sight of your recently published volume containing the Mary Flexner Lectures. Please accept my warmest thanks for your kindness in sending me this book and for the inscription which gives an added value to my possession of it. Certainly no one who has ever worked in the Institute has shown keener appreciation of the opportunities which we are trying to provide than you have, and I shall see to it that Mr. Bamberger and Mrs. Fuld are duly informed. I wonder whether it has occurred to you to send them a copy of your Mary Flexner Lectures. I think they would be very much pleased to receive one from the author.

I do not know what I can do in the matter of Dr. Edward Capps, Jr. The Institute funds are exhausted, but it may be possible that I can secure an outside grant if only a modest sum is involved. I wonder whether you can find out through Professor Morey what is the minimum on which young Capps could come here for the second term, and I will then make inquiry as to the possibility of finding funds for him.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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September 12, 1939

My dear Professor Panofsky:

Dr. Flexner is very sorry that it will not be possible for the appropriation released by Mr. Robinson to be transferred to Professor Frankl, as it was made by the Carnegie Corporation, and unfortunately cannot be transferred again.

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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July 29, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have just written a lett r to Dr. Robinson, of which I enclose you a copy. A grant of $1,500 is the amount which is released by the fact that Heckscher will remain abroad until he can come to America on the quota number.

I am extremely sorry that I could not find the funds for Frankl as well as Robinson, but, as I suspected, the foundations make these grants to young men rather than to men who have already passed the better part of their career.

I hope very much that Heckscher will receive his quota number by the end of the year so that he can immigrate to America, become an American citizen, and resume the work which he began so auspiciously with you two years ago.

My wife joins me in warmest greetings to you and Mrs. Panofsky. I hope that you are going to escape the Princeton heat long enough to put you in first-rate condition for your winter's work.

With all good wishes and warmest greetings,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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July 19, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have yours of the thirteenth, and I have been scratching my head so hard in reference to it that the little hair which I have left has almost disappeared. Meanwhile, I have written the Carnegie Corporation, which made the Heckscher grant, and it may be that their reply will be conclusive. I shall communicate with you just as soon as I hear.

I hope that you and Mrs. Panofsky and the boys are having a fine vacation and that the Princeton weather is behaving itself. We had three very hot days here in early July, then a week of cold weather, the coldest we have ever experienced at this season. Now, however, the weather has struck its pace, and mild summer days follow one another as they have been in the habit of doing.

With all good wishes to you, Mrs. Panofsky, and the boys from Mrs. Flexner and myself as well as Mrs. Bailey, who is with us now, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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July 8, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Mrs. Bailey has handed to me your two letters of July 5 regarding Dr. Heckscher as well as the letter to you from Dr. Heckscher, which I am returning herewith. It is too bad that Dr. Heckscher is having difficulty in obtaining a visa, but I do think it inadvisable for him to take any steps that will interfere with his number on the quota.

The grant for Dr. Heckscher was secured from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, and it will be necessary to ascertain whether or not this grant may be transferred. Professor Morey urged the Institute to renew the stipend to Mr. Francis W. Robinson for the coming year, and I have been endeavoring to secure the necessary funds, but thus far in vain. Which, in your judgment, is preferable in case it can be accomplished - a grant to Professor Frankl or a grant to Mr. Robinson? Won't you let me know? In either case I suggest that you send me a statement containing the curriculum vitae - as nearly as you know it - of Professor Frankl which I may submit to the Carnegie Corporation, for, even if you consider that Mr. Robinson has prior claim, I am not sure that the Carnegie Corporation after financing Mr. Robinson this past year will make a new grant.

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

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

P.S.
Mrs. Bailey received your property tax bill and has already forwarded it to the Treasurer for payment.

A.F.

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

July 5th 1939

Mrs.Esther S.Bailey,
Magnetawan,via Burks Falls,
Ontario,Canada.

My dear Mrs.Bailey,

after having dispatched Dr.Heckscher's letter to you this morning I had an afterthought which I should like to submit to you. In case Dr.Heckscher really cannot get his Visa it would be very sad if the group of art-historians,already somewhat weakened in comparison with the year 1938/39 ,should suffer a further loss. Thus I should like to propose that,in case Dr.Heckscher should really be prevented from coming to this country in time, an invitation might be extended ,not to Dr.Nordenfalk who has now made his plans in accordance with the negative decision of the Institute,but to Professor Paul Frankl who is,as far as I know,still available for the coming year. Professor Frankl who was here in the fall for a joint lecture and,I believe,also called on Dr.Flexner in person,is a really great scholar and one of the most original and productive minds of his generation.His qualities are manifested not only by his works but also by his influence on others,and it was with full justification that he was entrusted with Adolph Goldschmidt's chair at the University of Halle.The profundity of his thought and linguistic difficulties make it difficult for him,at least for the present,to obtain a position involving Undergraduate instruction.But he would be excellently suited for a membership with the Institute where he could devote his time to writing ,or rather completing,his most interesting and necessary book on Gothic architecture.

I know that grants are not transferable as a rule.But in a case where only an "act of God"(meaning the American Consul in London) would have prevented the original grantee from coming it might perhaps seem justified to use the money for the purposes of the same branch of research for which it had been appropriated.

With my very best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

July 5, 1939

Dear Mrs. Bailey:

I received the enclosed letter from Dr. W. Heckscher saying that he had been told, presumably at the American Consulate in London, that he could not get his visa before the end of 1940. This means, of course, that he would have to forfeit his stipend, although he claims that he applied for the visa at the earliest possible moment. Now I don't know much about visa regulations but I seem to remember that persons who come to this country as grantees of an institution might possibly get a non-quota visa in the capacity as students or the like, but as I said, I am not very familiar with the regulations and have no possibility of finding out more about them. Thus I take the liberty of sending you Dr. Heckscher's letter in the original, hoping that you or Dr. Flexner may know a method of mending the situation.

I am very sorry to trouble you with this and wish you a very good summer in every other respect. With my very best wishes for you and for the whole Flexner family,

Very sincerely yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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Mrs. Esther S. Bailey
Magnetawan
via Burks Falls
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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

May 27.1939

Mrs.Esther S.Bailey,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
2o Nassau Street,
Princeton,N.J.

Dear Mrs.Bailey,

I thank your very much for your letter of yesterday concerning the grantees for the coming academic year. I am very appreciative of the kindness with which my suggestions have been received and have been complied with to as large an extent as could be expected in view of the circumstances.

You would greatly oblige me by expressing my gratitude to Dr.Flexner whom I do not like to bother with a personal letter.

I have extenied my personal congratulations and good wishes to Messrs.Forsyth,Meiss and de Tolnay,but shall withhold any communication to Professor Nordenfalk until a final decision has been reached.

With my very best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
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Princeton, New Jersey

May 26, 1939

Professor Erwin Panofsky
97 Battle Road
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Professor Panofsky:

I have pleasure in informing you that stipends have been granted for the year, 1939-1940, to the following persons in whom you are interested:

Dr. James H. Breasted, Jr.
Dr. Charles de Tolnai
Dr. Glanville Downey
Prof. George H. Forsyth, Jr. (first term)
Dr. Wilhelm Heckscher
Prof. Millard Meiss (second term)
Prof. Richard Stillwell

I have notified them regarding their grants.

Dr. Flexner is still hoping that funds may be procured to enable the Institute to invite Mr. Francis W. Robinson and Professor Carl Nordenfalk to be members next year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

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This letter was sent to all professors of the School of Humanistic Studies

January 25, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I should like to have a meeting with the faculty of the School of Humanistic Studies within the next week or two. I suggest that you let Miss Eichelser know on what afternoons you are available at, let us say, three o'clock. We can then discuss the question of stipends for next year, considering the question in so far as each member is concerned.

I should like you to bear in mind that the income of the Institute has declined during the first six months of this academic year, as securities paying higher rates of interest have been called and reinvestments had to be made at a lower rate of interest. While I shall try to get outside help, I do not know the extent to which I shall be successful. It will therefore be necessary for us to follow a conservative course until there has been an upswing in general business, reflected in increased dividends.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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January 21, 1939

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Many thanks for your very kind and helpful letter of January 19.

I have spoken with Herzfeld about Levi della Vida and he tells me that Levi della Vida is a man of the highest scholarly accomplishment. In addition to that he has a fine personality, as you yourself discerned after a very brief acquaintance.

I am afraid that there is nothing I can do for Dr. Macku, for popular lectures on the subject would have to be given by an American.

I am still hoping that Cook will be able to find an opening for Dr. or Mrs. Giese.

Kapp makes, of course, a strong appeal to me on account of his antecedents as well as his own scholarship. I shall discuss him with the Princeton classicists. We might perhaps bring him down here for a brief visit, which would give us a chance to see him. That might conceivably lead to something.

I am so glad that you did not misunderstand my talk with you yesterday. I have only one care and concern, namely, that you and your wife should continue to love America as you have hitherto done and that you may be correspondingly loved by all who come in contact with you, as

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you both deserve to be. I hope that you will get an opportunity to keep up your relations with my brother and sister, for I know what high regard they entertain for you both and how sorry they are on account of this miserable Oxford Press business.

With all good wishes,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

January 19th 1939

Dr.Abraham Flexner,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
2o Nassau Street,
Princeton,N.J.

Dear Dr.Flexner,

I am returning the letter of Professor Levi della Vida and the papers concerning Dr.A.Macku.

Concerning Levi della Vida I cannot presume to say anything about his scholarly accomplishments which are entirely out of my province,but I know that he is generally considered as one of the best Arabists alive.Moreover I can say that I attended a lecture which he gave here about one year and a half ago,and that this lecture made the best of impressions ,not only on me(which would not mean much)but also on more expert listeners. Levi della Vida struck everybody as a first-rate scholar and as a personality which may best be described by the word noble.

Dr.Macku is unknown to me,and it seems that he has devoted most of his time,not to research but to lectures of a more popular type.I do not look down upon this kind of activity (to give a good popular lecture is perhaps the most difficult thing in the world), but I should be at a loss as to where and how Dr.Macku's talents may be used in the institutions of learning known to me.

I spoke to Dr.Weitzmann,without mentioning your name,about Dr.Leopold Giese's command of the English language.Dr. Weitzmann said that he had not seen the Gieses for several years and could therefore hardly answer this question. He knows that Mrs.Giese can satisfactorily express herself in writing,but as far as Mr.Giese is concerned he is not even sure of that. This does not mean,of course,that Mr.Giese does not speak English,but only that Dr.Weitzmann cannot be positive about it.

As you have been so kind as to show me Professor Levi della Vida's letter I take the liberty of calling your attention to another case which is not within my province either although I know a little more about it than about the oriental field. The man in question is Professor Ernst Kapp (grandson of Friedrich Kapp who came to this country after the abortive German revolution of 1848),formerly full professor of classics in Hamburg. Kapp, who was dismissed on account of a half-Jewish wife(and perhaps also because of his outspoken liberalism)is a man of rare charm

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and even rarer genius. He has revolutionized the interpretation of Aristotle's Logic and is, just at present, engaged in doing the same thing with Aristotle's Aesthetics, which brings his work in some contact with my own. In both cases his argumentation was so conclusive that his views had to be accepted by the leading men in the field as is illustrated by the enclosed opinions the writers of which are doubtless well known to you, except perhaps Mr. von Fritz (now Professor of Greek at Columbia), Prof. Snell (still at Hamburg) and Prof. Wolff (also still at Hamburg and a very brilliant man indeed).

I do not know whether there might be a chance of asking Mr. Kapp to the Institute for a year. I personally feel that this would be marvellous for him and, perhaps, for many others as well, because there is a certain lack of philologists who combine the qualities of a linguist with those of an interpreter. But this is, of course, not for me to suggest. I only beg of you to read the enclosed testimonials and to advise me whether you think that something could be done for Mr. Kapp or if you might like to see him some time. He stays with Professor von Fritz at Larchmont, N.Y., and he speaks English very well because he has spent half a year or so at Oxford and also some months in Texas, long before the war, because some descendants of Friedrich Kapp still live there.

With my sincere thanks for your kindness in listening to my side of the case in re Oxford Press,

Very respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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Panofsky

December 14, 1938

Dear Professor Koch:

I am deeply grateful to you for your kind letter of December 12 and very happy indeed that Professor Panofsky's lectures proved such an admirable success. He is indeed an extraordinarily gifted man, a great scholar, and a human being with a rare sense of humor, which, fortunately, has not been impaired by the harsh treatment which he and his family have received from their native country.

The Institute is delighted to coöperate on a scholarly basis with the universities in this fashion. Should you therefore be fortunate enough to procure another invitation for Professor Panofsky or indeed for any of his colleagues, we shall have the greatest pleasure in making every effort to coöperate with you.

With all good wishes and very deep appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Theodore W. Koch, Chairman
N. W. Harris Lecture Committee
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

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December 12, 1938

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I want to express on behalf of the N. W. Harris Foundation our very sincere appreciation of your gracious coöperation in permitting Professor Panofsky leave of absence to give the annual course of six lectures. His selection of Albrecht Dürer as a topic was a most happy one. It was a great boon to our Art Department to have the lectures this year come within their own field. Professor Panofsky is such an excellent lecturer that the audiences kept up throughout the series. We only hope that we may have the good fortune to have Professor Panofsky here again, possibly to give his lectures on the development of landscape painting. Unfortunately, however, the Harris Lecture Foundation expressly precludes inviting a lecturer a second time, but there are other foundations in Chicago that I hope may see their way clear to having him come out here some time in the future.

With renewed thanks, I am,

Gratefully yours,

Theo. W. Koch

Chairman,
N. W. Harris Lecture Committee

TWK:RJ

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November 19, 1938

Dear Dr. Flexner,

This is only to thank you very much for your letter of November 16th and for the two trees which arrived yesterday and look very pretty. Mrs. Marquand has given us some other trees of much smaller size and the rest of the planting, except for the lawn, will be done next week.

I felt very flattered by Miss McDonald's letter to you, which I herewith return. I think quite honestly that it is very kind of people to write such letters. It seems to me that even the most conceited person can't help enjoying an occasional sign of responsiveness.

Respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

Erwin Panofsky

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey
EP:C

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November 16, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Thank you very much for your letter of the 15th, enclosing a check from The Frick Collection for $100.00, representing the honorarium for a lecture given by you last Sunday. I am turning this check over to Mrs. Bailey, who is familiar with the circumstances surrounding it.

I am enclosing a letter which I have just received from one of the assistants at the Rockefeller Institute, who was apparently completely "bamboozled" by your lecture at the Frick Museum. I shall have to try to learn your technique. She is a very charming young woman, but I think Mrs. Panofsky is nevertheless quite safe, even though you may not be immune.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
97 Battle Road
Princeton, New Jersey

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West Battle Road,
Princeton, N.J. August 25th 1935

Dear Doctor Flexner,

I should have thanked you for your great kindness in not only giving but even wiring me your permission to accept the invitation to Northwestern University, if we had not been in the throes of moving into what you once called our sky-scraper. The worst is now over, and you, dear Doctor Flexner, are now the first of our friends to receive a letter from Battle Road. I shall not say anything about the house because we hope to have you and Mrs. Flexner at our dinner table very soon. It was great fun to participate in the transformation of Chaos into Kosmos, and we have all done a good deal of actual work. Needless to say how happy and grateful we are to have a home which, in our estimation, is very handsome and certainly extremely well suited to our needs. It is a queer and somewhat embarassing thought how much we have benefited by the same event that has spelled disaster to so many thousands.

With my renewed thanks for your most recent kindness and our very best wishes for you and all your family,

gratefully and respectfully yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

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Magnetawan, via Burks Falls
Ontario, Canada
July 17, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Thank you very much for your kind note of July 11. I am cleaning up my accumulated mail by dictating to Miss Eichelser here at Magnetawan. She was kind enough to leave the heat and humidity of Princeton to come up here after I had assured her that I was in danger of being asphyxiated by the mail that had accumulated over my prostrated body.

We are very happy to know that you have found so charming a place at which to spend your vacation, and we can realize your pleasure in the company of the boys, as both our girls are now with us. I have no idea that they will "vanish from your range of vision for good" - or ill. They are not going to vanish at all; they are going to keep in close touch with their parents, and summer after summer, as long as you live, they will spend their vacations, or part of them, with you. Life prepares different kinds of satisfactions for us as we grow older. We have one kind when the children are always with us, as they grow up, and now we have another kind that they have reached maturity and can spend only a few weeks with us; but they are precious weeks, full of fun and interest, and I should be hard put to it to decide from which form of association we derive the greatest pleasure and satisfaction.

I wish it were in my power to transfer part of the Heckscher stipend to Swarzenski, Senior, but at the meeting of the Board at which the budget was adopted we were confronted by a decreasing income and increasing demands and it was unanimously resolved that if any stipend was released it should be returned to the treasurer in order to assist in avoiding a possible deficit. We shall have to sail close to the wind next winter in every respect, and you and your colleagues will find Mrs. Bailey as hard as nails on the subject of petty cash until there is an upturn in the stock market and a return to normal dividends.

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The Saxl matter I should allow to wait until the autumn. You are on vacation, just as Saxl will probably be, and I really do not know what is involved in his proposition, except, of course, that his offer is a very kind and thoughtful one. We can talk it over as soon as we meet in Princeton.

Mrs. Flexner joins me in warmest greetings and all good wishes to you and Mrs. Panofsky and the boys.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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ANTIQUES

Bancroft House
NELLIE SHEEHAN
KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE

July 16th 1938

Dear Doctor Flexner,

Please accept my cordial thanks for your kind letter of July 12th. It is more than good of you to think of my little book in the middle of what we all hope to be a most pleasant and undisturbed vacation. In point of fact, if something goes wrong with the linguistic and typographical aspects of the book it will be due to an excess, rather than to the absence of "native" assistance. The typescript has been revised by Mrs. Margaret Barr (wife of the Director of the Museum of Modern Art) and by a nice young man of the Oxford Press whom I have met several times, at close range I cannot remember. The galley proofs are being read by our excellent Miss Cutler and by Dr. Helen Rand who is Miss Greene's assistant and, by a curious, presumably masochistic, perversion loves to read proof.

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And the whole thing will be subjected to the house-rules of the Oxford Press which include such unfathomable peculiarities as the use of single quotes for normal quotations, and of double quotes for quotations within quotations. Thus all possible precautions have been taken, and the main danger consists of a disagreement between the various experts, even within the Oxford Press itself. Thus far, no agreement has been reached as to the spelling of the Neoplatonics, or Neo-Platonics, or neo-Platonics, but somebody will put his foot down in the end. A really serious problem is, of course, that of my English as such. I am absolutely certain that all my friends and collaborators will not be able to purge my style from a certain "foreign" and perhaps basically Un-English flavor. But the other alternative would have been to write the whole thing in German and to have it translated by an American scholar. And this, it seems to me and to several friends with whom I have discussed the question on principle,

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would have been even worse. Translations, even if "correct" from a purely factual point of view, always change the meaning, however subtly, and either destroy the personal character of the original altogether or replace it by a different one.

Please forgive my logorrhoea. But the problem of English has worried me, and keeps worrying me, a good deal. To a physicist or to a mathematician it does not matter so much as to a humanist, who finds himself in a real quandary. With him the stylistic formulation is an integral part of the meaning he tries to convey. Consequently, when he writes himself in a language other than his own, he will hurt his reader's ear by unfamiliar words, rhythms and constructions; when he has his text translated, he will address

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his audience wearing a ~~wig~~ wig and a false nose.

With the very best wishes from all of us,

ever respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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July 11, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am forwarding your nice letter of July 8 to Dr. Flexner, who finally got off to Canada last Thursday evening, after a busy time here and in New York going over the accumulation of nearly seven weeks. You may not hear from him very promptly, for he will be without secretarial help until the 1st of August and he is in need of a complete rest.

I am sure he would not want you to do anything about the Warburg catalogue cards until you return to Princeton.

You are very fortunate to find such a delightful place for your vacation, and I trust you are all enjoying it to the utmost.

With best wishes to you all, I am

Sincerely yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
Bancroft House
Kennebunkport, Maine
AF/MCE

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Kennebunkport, Maine, Bancroft House
July 8th 1938

Dear A. Flexner,

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your kind letter! We were sorry not to have greeted you at Princeton, but I think Mrs. Bailey was very wise in protecting you from all ovations. In point of fact we heard of your return only after we had left Princeton, and had dropped in - en cheval de Troie - at your brother's and sister's in Nt. Kisco. Owing to the intuition of our son Hans we have discovered a wonderful summer-paradise here: a little house of 1790 which we have quite for ourselves, and are waited upon by a funny elderly Irishwoman who has inherited the whole thing from a lady with whom

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she served as companion for twenty years, by her niece who looks like an angel from the school of Leonardo da Vinci, and a fat fat New England cook. It is very nice for us to spend a few weeks with the boys who in August will vanish from our range of vision for good. They are really good, unpresuming kids, and the more we enjoy their "success", the more we are grateful to you, who have made it possible for us to live in Princeton and to give our boys a decent education.

Hedwig had already written me about his troubles, and I advised him to approach you and to do whatever you would decide. It is a pity

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that he could be with us next year, and that nobody else can benefit by his misfortunes. Would it perhaps be possible to use a few hundred dollars released by his dropping out to increase the stipend of Mr. Svarzenski's Senior? This could, perhaps, not be considered as a "new" appointment, and $1000.— is really very little for a man of his distinction.

I am happy to convey the piece of good news, a rare occurrence in this day and age: young Dr. W. Horn, in whom you, Mr. Koppel and myself were so much interested, has received an appointment to the University of California (Berkeley); it is a nice coincidence that my last "Doctor Phil."

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goes to the same place as my older son.

Finally, I received the enclosed letter from D. Saxl, and should like to know whether you wish me to take action right away or to wait until my return to Princeton where we shall be at the end of the month.

With our very best wishes for your summer, and our regards for you and Mrs. Flexner,

very respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

Please forgive me for bothering you with a hand-written letter. In Kennebunkport there is no typewriter.

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July 2, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Please accept my thanks for your kindness in sending me the report of the Worcester Art Museum and the reprint. I have read them both with great pride and pleasure.

I had an excellent trip abroad and accomplished the purpose for which I went. Now I have been back in America a few days and have come down to Princeton to see how Mrs. Bailey behaved in my absence. I also want to look at the Panofsky skyscraper to see that it does not too largely overshadow the other buildings at Wits' End.

May I congratulate you and Mrs. Panofsky on the success of your two boys? I envy you the pride that you must both feel in the splendid records which they have made.

In London I saw William Heckscher, who, I regret to say, is not in good health. He is in the hands of a physician and thinks he has improved in recent months. He will not, however, be able to return to Princeton next year. In accordance with the resolution passed by the Board at its last meeting, no appointment can be made to take the place of any appointment which is released. I saw also William's brother,

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Henry, a most attractive young boy, and I introduced him to a business friend in London, who will, I hope, succeed in procuring him a post over there.

With all good wishes for you and your family, and looking forward to seeing you happily installed in your new home next autumn, I am

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
Bancroft House
Kennebunkport, Maine

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THE WARBURG INSTITUTE
Imperial Institute Buildings
South Kensington
London S.W. 7

24th June 1938

Dear Panofsky:

Dr. Flexner was kind enough to give me your letter of May 6th about signatures on our catalogue cards. Of course, we shall be pleased to add all the signatures if you will send us the cards. Dr. Flexner wanted us to give you first an estimate of the cost of the work - in this connection I think it would be simplest if you were to send us a certain percentage of the cards to be marked - not too few, say 10% - so that we could calculate the cost of the whole work. I don't think the charge will be excessive.

Flexner's visit was delightful, and it was a great pleasure to hear about you through him.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) F. Saxl

Professor Erwin Panofsky
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N. J., U.S.A.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Professor Erwin Panofsky holds a permanent professorship in the School of Humanistic Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study, located at Princeton, New Jersey, and that he receives an annual salary of $10,000.00. He accepted the appointment and began work in Princeton in September, 1935.

ESTHER B. BARLEY

Secretary

Dated at Princeton, New Jersey
June the eighth, nineteen hundred thirty-eight

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June 3, 1938

My dear Professor Panofsky:

I send you herewith a letter from Mr. Foster with enclosures regarding increase* of insurance on your property. If you approve, will you please sign your name as indicated on the bill and return all the material to me.

Let me thank you in behalf of Dr. Flexner for the following, which he will greatly enjoy reading:

"The First Two Projects of Michelangelo's Tomb of Julius II";

"The Discovery of Honey by Piero Di Cosimo".

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

*Authorized by me over the telephone subject to your consent

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May 4, 1938

My dear Professor Panofsky:

In Dr. Flexner's absence let me thank you for your two letters of May 3, which he will be very glad to have.

I am notifying Dr. Weitzmann and Professor Georg Swarzenski of the arrangements for next year which you recommend.

Sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

May 3, 1938

Dear Dr. Flexner,

I take the greatest of pleasures in thanking you for your letter of April 20, which is renewed proof of your kindness towards those who "artes historiae studio operam dant".

There is only one point which I should ask you to reconsider. Professor George H. Forsyth, Jr. has received a grant for the first term of the academic year 1938-39. Upon conversation with Professor Morey and with Mr. Forsyth himself I feel that the interests of the Institute as well as of the Department would be better served if this appointment were postponed until the year 1939-40, and if the amount of $1500 were put to the following uses:

1) $1000, to be given to Dr. Weitzmann so that he might join Professor A. M. Friend on his expedition to Mt. Sinai which is of primary importance for the completion of the corpus of Byzantine book illumination (cf. Dr. Weitzmann's application of April 11, 1938).

2) $500, to be used for an invitation to be extended by the Institute and the Department of Art and Archaeology to Professor Georg Swarzenski, formerly Director General of the museums of Frankfurt on the Main, for the second term 1938-39.

These two proposals are connected with each other in as much as Professor Friend will go to Mt. Sinai during the second term of 1938-39, and the presence of Professor Georg Swarzenski is urgently desired by the Department for the purpose of advanced work in medieval book illumination. Consequently this redistribution of the $1500 would both enable Dr. Weitzmann to join Professor Friend in his expedition, and would fill a gap in

I and myself and associates,

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the curriculum of the Department and of the Humanistic School of the Institute. Mr. Morey has committed the Department to match our contribution towards the remuneration of Professor Swarzenski, and Mr. Forsyth has said that the postponement of his term with the Institute will in no way impair his work on S. Martin d'Angers and its place in Carolingian architecture. Thus I hope that this redistribution, which does not involve any additional expense for this and the coming year, will meet with your approval.

Respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

Erwin Panofsky

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey
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April 27, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am enclosing you a letter which I had this morning from Keppel, with the substance of a memorandum which he received from Paul Sachs.

Some day when you are in the office I wish you would remember to speak to me of Horn and of the possibility of placing him in the United States.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey
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ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

Dated at Princeton, New Jersey
April 25, 1938

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

April 21st 1938

Dr.Abraham Flexner,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
2o Nassau Street,
Princeton,N.J.

Dear Dr.Flexner,

following your suggestion I have made preliminary and informal enquiries regarding Drs.Millard Meiss (Columbia University) and Carl Nordenfalk(Göteborg,Konstmuseum), who had been suggested as possible recipients of grants for one term in the academic year 1939/40.

I am enclosing ;first,the letter received from Dr. Nordenfalk(enclosure A);second,a copy of my answer to Dr.Nordenfalk(enclosure B);third,a letter from Professor Dinsmoor concerning the problem of a leave of absence for Dr.Meiss (enclosure C).

As it appears from Professor Dinsmoor's letter that a leave of absence would be possible only without pay,the expenditure involved in the case of Dr.Meiss would amount to $ 1800.- ,his annual salary being $ 3600.-,while in the case of Dr.Nordenfalk,in which a contribution of the Carnegie Foundation would be out of the question,a grant of about 1000.- or 1200.- would be about right.

Both scholars are extremely desirable additions to our group ,and Dr.Meiss would be of especial value for the work I plan for the coming years,so that I should be particularly happy if these two invitations would prove feasible. I shall take the liberty of approaching you on the subject in the Fall, when a definite decision can be made.

In the mean time I beg you to accept my deep gratitude for the great kindness which you have again shown to my associates and myself.

Respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

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April 20, 1938

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Professor Panofsky:

I have pleasure in informing you that at a meeting of the Trustees of the Institute for Advanced Study held on April 18, 1938, your salary was increased to $10,500, effective July 1, 1938.

I am notifying Dr. Swarzenski that he has been appointed Research Assistant in the School of Humanistic Studies for 1938-1939 and the following that they will receive grants in 1938-1939:

Dr. Glanville Downey
Professor George H. Forsyth, Jr. (first term)
Dr. Harold W. Glidden (July, August, 1938)
Dr. Wilhelm S. Heckscher
Professor George Rowley (first term)
Professor Richard Stillwell
Dr. Donald M. Wilber

Dr. Weitzmann's appointment as Field Mediaevalist is continued so that it is not necessary to write to him.

The following have already been informed by Dr. Flexner regarding their stipends for next year:

Dr. Rensselaer W. Lee (second term)
Professor David M. Robb
Mr. Francis W. Robinson
Mr. Carson Webster (first term)

Very truly yours, ESTHER S. BAILEY
Secretary

ESB

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C.

Columbia University
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS AND ARCHAEOLOGY

April 12, 1938

Professor Erwin Panofsky,
Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Professor Panofsky:-

With regard to the question which you raised on your recent visit, I have made inquiries and find that there is no way in which a leave of absence, with pay or with partial pay, can be arranged independantly of the regular sabbatical periods. A semester's leave of absence without pay would be possible, if we could so arrange the Department's program that no disastrous interruption would be created. In the specific case that you mention, I think that the leave could be obtained but it would be, unfortunately, without salary.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

William Bell Dinsmoor

W. B. Dinsmoor,
Executive Officer.

WBD/PSW

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April 6, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Mr. Robinson of the Cincinnati Art Museum has written me that the Museum is unable to make any financial contribution towards the leave of absence for which he asked. His salary for half a year is $1250. I Have sent him a telegram and a letter, copy of which I enclose.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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B.

26.März 1938.

Herrn Dr.Carl Nordenfalk,
Konstmuseum,
Göteborg, Schweden.

Sehr verehrter Herr Dr.Nordenfalk,

Nehmen Sie meinen besten Dank für Ihren freundlichen Brief vom 9.März.Ich freue mich,dass Sie,wenn es sich ermöglichen lässt, Sie hierher einzuladen,bereit sein würden,einer solchen Einladung Folge zu leisten,und habe sofort mit Dr.Flexner,dem Direktor des Institute for Advanced Study,Rücksprache genommen.

Es ist leider nicht möglich,Sie schon für den zweiten"term" des Jahres 1938 aufzufordern,da über die diesjährigen Mittel schon disponiert ist.Dagegen dürfte - immer unter der Voraussetzung,dass keine unvorausgesehenen Schwierigkeiten eintreten - eine Einladung zum ersten "term" 1939 -,und eventuell auch eine solche für den ersten "term" 1940 sich ermöglichen lassen.Nur lässt sich natürlich die Situation für 1940 noch viel weniger voraussehen,als für 1939, und ich möchte Ihnen daher in Ihrem eigenen Interesse doch dringend raten,auf jeden Fall schon 1939 zu kommen ,wenn es sich von hier aus arrangieren lässt.Es wäre doch sehr schade,wenn der ganze Plan möglicherweise daran scheitern würde,dass eine 1939 noch bestehende Möglichkeit im Jahre 1940 nicht mehr bestehen sollte.In einer so unsicheren Zeit wie der unsrigen soll man,glaube ich, möglichst wenig auf die weitere Zukunft verschieben.Ich werde also,Ihre Zustimmung voraussetzend,versuchen,die Einladung für den ersten "term" 1939 (September-Januar)zu erreichen.

Vorläufig danke ich Ihnen noch schönstens für Ihren ausgezeichneten Artikel über den neuen Van Dyck.Ich wusste garnicht, dass Sie sich auch für diese Dinge interessieren,und erhoffe mir umsomehr persönlichen Gewinn von einer Zusammenarbeit in Princeton.

Was die zwei weiteren Steinzeit-Bilder des Piero di Cosimo betrifft,so muss ich gestehen,sie nicht einmal aus der Literatur zu kennen,- es sei denn,dass es sich um die beiden Bilder handle

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die früher in der Sebright Collection in Beechwood waren, und von denen das eine sich jetzt im Worcester Art Museum befindet. Diese beiden Tafeln sind auch "primitivistisch", gehören aber einer andern Folge an (Inhalt : die Entdeckung des Honigs und das Missgeschick des Silen nach Ovids Fasti), und ich werde sie im Worcester Museum Annual publizieren. Es würde mich sehr interessieren, ob es sich etwa bei den von Ihnen erwähnten zwei Bildern um diese beiden Stücke handelt, oder ob es in der Tat mir unbekannt gebliebene Stücke sind.

Im nächsten oder übernächsten Jahr einmal nach Schweden zu kommen, wie Sie so freundlich anregen, hätte ich grosse Lust, da ich Ihr Land noch garnicht kenne. Aber das sind wirklich spätere Sorgen. Zunächst müssen Sie einmal hierher kommen!

Mit den besten Grüssen, auch von Hanns Swarzenski, und vielen Empfehlungen an Ernst Cassirer und Frau,

Ihr sehr ergebener

Erwin Panofsky.

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KONSTMUSEUM

GÖTAPLATSEN
GÖTEBORG

9.III.38

A.

Sehr verehrter Herr Professor Panofsky,

mit Ihrem Briefe haben Sie mir eine ungemein große Freude bereitet. Sie können versichert sein, daß ich der Einladung, die Sie mir in Aussicht stellen, mit der größten Dankbarkeit nachkommen werde. Es gibt wenige Sachen, die ich mich mehr wünsche, als einmal nach Amerika hinüberfahren zu dürfen.

Sie fragen mich vorbereitungsweise, ob ich entweder ab Sept.1939 oder ab Jan.1940 kommen könnte. Auf die letztere Alternative muß ich sofort verzichten. Mein Chef Professor Romdahl wird im März 1940 sein sechziges Geburtsjahr feiern. Da er ein im ganzen Schweden sehr populärer Mann ist, wird zu diesem Feier besondere Festlichkeiten gehören, und es wird mir obliegen, die Vorbereitungen dafür zu treffen. Sept-Dez.1939 dagegen steht es mir frei wegzufahren und ich würde mich sofort für diese Möglichkeit entscheiden, wenn es nicht unsicher wäre, daß ich dann meine Frau als Gefährtin mitnehmen kann. Da ich dies sehr wünsche, möchte ich in der Hoffnung, daß Sie es nicht allzu anspruchsvoll finden, doch zuerst fragen, ob es vielleicht auch denkbar wäre, daß ich zu einer anderen Zeit hinüberkäme, nämlich entweder Jan.-Mai 1939 oder auch Sept.-Dez.1940? Ich vermute zwar, daß ich nach jener Möglichkeit zu spät, nach dieser wiederum zu früh frage,

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möchte es doch nicht versäumen, mich darüber zu erkundigen. Meine Antwort ist also diese: ließe es sich ebenso leicht arrangieren, daß ich entweder das erste Halbjahr 1939 oder das zweite 1940 hinüberkäme, so würde ich eine dieser Möglichkeiten vorziehen. Sollte es aber unsicher oder schwierig sein, bin ich mit Dankbarkeit und Freude bereit, mich für das zweite Halbjahr 1939 zu entschließen. Ich wäre Ihnen sehr verbunden, wenn Sie mit Ihre Meinung in dieser Angelegenheit sobald wie möglich mitteilen könnten, da gewisse Verpflichtungen hier in Göteborg, die von der Eventualität einer Amerikareise abhängen, auf eine Entscheidung drängen.

Leider kann ich Ihnen nicht mit Bestimmtheit sagen, ob ich für den Fall einer Amerikareise einen Teil meines (an sich recht bescheidenen) Gehaltes behalten darf oder nicht, da dies von der Entscheidung des Vorstandes der vereinigten Museen Göteborgs abhängt und solche Angelegenheiten von Fall zu Fall verschieden beurteilt werden. So viel ich verstehe, würde ich in günstigem Falle, ein Drittel meines Gehaltes behalten dürfen, (was ca. 35:- pro Monat machen würde).

Ich hätte Ihnen längst für die freundliche Übersendung Ihres Aufsatzes über die Piero die Cosimo-Bilder mit Darstellungen der ältesten Geschichte der Menschen danken sollen. Ich habe damit gewartet, da ich hoffte, Ihnen gleichzeitig Aufnahmen nach zwei weitere Bilder der "Steinzeit-Serie" schicken zu können, welche ein ausgezeichneter Kenner, Herr Christian Faerber von der Galerie Matthiesen (ehem.Berlin, jetzt London und Göteborg), mir ins Aussicht gestellt hatte. Leider scheint es ihm nicht zu gelingen, sie zu beschaffen. Ich werde Ihnen jedenfalls später schicken, was ich an Notizen darüber bekommen kann.

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GÖTEBORGS
KONSTMUSEUM

GÖTAPLATSEN
GÖTEBORG

Wenn es die Auswirkung meines Studienaufenthaltes in Princeton erleichtern sollte, soll ich Ihnen vielleicht mitteilen, daß ich jetzt an der Abschließung einer größeren Untersuchung über die vormittelalterlichen Kanonestafeln arbeite, die hoffentlich am Anfang des Herbstes erscheinen wird. Das Bildband, das auf 160 Tafeln die erhaltenen Originaldenkmälern und Proben der wichtigsten mittelalterlichen Kopien bringen wird, dürfte schon vor dem Sommer fertig werden und könnte Ihnen, wenn es wichtig wäre, sofort zugeschickt werden. Anfang April hoffe ich für zwei Wochen nach London fahren zu können, um die Handschriften im British Museum noch einmal einzusehen und vor allem um die Probleme mit Professor Saxl durchzubesprechen, der sich bei seinem Besuch hier in Göteborg vor einem Jahre für die Untersuchung interessierte.

Zum Schluß möchte ich Sie aufrichtig für Ihre Initiative danken, die mir so viel früher als ich erwartet habe, vor der Möglichkeit einer Verwirklichung meines Wunschtraumes gestellt hat. Sollten Sie bei Ihrer nächsten Europa-Reise Gelegenheit haben, nach Göteborg zu kommen, würden wir uns alle mächtig freuen. Besonders glücklich wären wir, wenn es uns gelingen würde, Ihnen als Vorleser zu erwerben. Nur muß ich Sie darauf vorbereiten, daß hier in Schweden die Sommermonate bis etwa Mitte September als Ferien betrachtet werden. Vielleicht ließe es sich aber einmal so arrangieren, daß Sie

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von hier aus direkt nach Amerika zurückkehrten. Ich weiß auch, daß man in Stockholm sehr eifrig wäre, Ihnen als Gastvorleser zu bekommen. Professor Cassirers würden sich ja auch besonders freuen, Sie hier sehen!

Mit den besten Grüssen an Hanns Swarzenski und Dr.Weitzmann

Ihr ganz ergebener

Carl Nordenfalk

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March 2, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I received from Mr. Robinson this morning. Will you show it to Professor Morey? I enclose also a copy of my reply.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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Panofsky

THE PRINCETON CLUB
OF NEW YORK

February 17. 1938

Dear Dr. Flexner,

When boarding the train to New York I got a letter from Professor Robb of Minnesota, containing a copy of the letter he wrote to you and the information that he would be delighted to accept it he could get $ 2000.— on which he and his family could live from January of next year through the summer, so as to get his problem pretty well shaped up. In view of the fact that it seems really impossible for him to get a leave of absence on part salary, that he

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has a wife and three small children, and that the expenditure on Messrs. Lee and Webster has turned out to be smaller than was to be anticipated, I venture to suggest that the sum of £ 2000.– may be granted to him. I do not remember with how much he has been put down, but it was not much less, and if there should be a small difference, we could perhaps transfer it from the amount originally put down for Messrs. Lee and Webster. I do hope that the situation described in my

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Roth's letter will not operate as an obstacle against joining us for a half year.

Respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

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February 25th 1938

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

Dear Dr.Flexner,

please accept my warmest thanks for your kindness in re Robb. I can only answer by a quotation from Dante:

"La tua benignità non pur soccorre
a chi domanda,ma molte fiate
liberalmente al domandar precorre".

Having so much benefited,and still benefiting,by the "benignità" myself,I am all the more gratified to see it operate in favor of my younger colleagues.

Respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky.

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February 17, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am enclosing copy of a letter from Professor Webster, which you and Morey will be interested in.

I also have a letter from Robb. There is apparently some difficulty about his getting a release after only three years of service, but I have written to him asking some further questions and I am hopeful that we can surmount his difficulties. I shall let you hear from me on this again later.

Thus far we have heard nothing from Robinson.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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February 9, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have this morning a note from Professor Lee, accepting the invitation to work at the Institute for the second half of the academic year 1938-1939.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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February 5, 1938

Dear Professor Panofsky:

My brother has sent me yours of the 3rd regarding the preface. It would be better from our point of view, if it meets with the approval of President Park and yourself, to have the insert read as follows:

> "The lectures were, with the kind permission of President Park, repeated at Princeton under the auspices of the Institute for Advanced Study and the Department of Art and Archaeology of Princeton University."

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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BERNARD FLEXNER
40 EXCHANGE PLACE
NEW YORK

January 27, 1938

Dear Abe:

I had a talk with Mr. Willerts of the Oxford Press two days ago about the Panofsky lectures. He had finished his inquiries about the cost of the illustrations. The total cost was $1,200, but he agreed, after a talk with me, that if a contribution of $1,000 were made, the Oxford Press could handle the volume satisfactorily and keep down the cost. The format will be somewhat different from the old format.

When I last spoke to you in New York ten days or more ago, you indicated that the Institute would be willing to pay $500 towards these illustrations instead of $400 as heretofore agreed. I am writing Bryn Mawr today about the above arrangement with the expectation that they will pay out of the Fund $500. instead of $400. as agreed. It is not necessary to send the check at the moment.

Panofsky was greatly pleased when I told him a day or so ago that the arrangement had been consummated. It ought to make a handsome volume.

We have a good letter from Simon this morning. He delivered his first lecture on January 20.

Our love,

Bern.

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

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Panofsky

Princeton, January 29th 1938.

Dear Doctor Flexner,

I hardly know how to thank you for your kindness in granting me an increase in my salary which will cover the difference between our present rent and the expenditure for a house on the Institute's land. These fourty dollars mean, in point of fact, the gift of a house, with the feeling of independence and - Deo volente - security for our old age and the future of our boys. In accepting this gift, I feel rather embarrassed because I always told you that I did not need any more money, and still maintain that this is true. It is only because I had just taken out a life-insurance policy amounting to about thirty dollars per month that the difference between our present rent and our future

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expenses became a "problem". It would, of course, be possible for me to let the policy lapse, but Mr. Maass himself advised me very forcefully not to do that because he felt that, in the event of my death, a little cash could be needed just if the family would inherit a house which cannot be disposed of at short notice.

Thus I can do nothing but offer our heartfelt thanks – not only for the gift as such, but also for the thoughtful kindness which motivated it. I still do not know how we deserved it; but the sun of Grace shineth upon the righteous and the sinners.

With our very best wishes, and very gratefully,

yours

Erwin and Dora Panofsky.

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December 6, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have the enclosed letter from a prospective Ph.D. at the University of Michigan, and I am sending you also a copy of my reply. Should the thesis arrive I will send it to you and you can refer it to the person who is most interested in this field, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Mr. Argoe belongs in the Institute or the University, if either.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
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BERNARD FLEXNER
40 EXCHANGE PLACE
NEW YORK

February 2, 1938.

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Abe:

(1). Thank you very much for yours of the first enclosing me check for $41.54.

(2). Of course Panofsky will state in the preface that the lectures given under the Mary Flexner lectureship at Bryn Mawr were repeated at the Institute and Princeton University, but to be doubly sure, I shall write him. Bryn Mawr has sent its check for $500 for illustrations and you can send me or the Oxford Press the Institute's check at such time as suits your convenience.

Treas. check #1997 Feb. 17, 1938 Oxford University Press

(3). We know Joslin's book.

(4). Ascoli spoke to me last night about the young Italian whom you are considering and he knew of this. He asked me to say to you that he is "A-1" in every particular and he hopes that you will be able to do something for him.

(5). I have a very cordial note today from Neville Miller about a copy of "The Federalist." I want very much to see him and to meet Mrs. Miller upon the next visit that Mim and I make to Princeton.

I hope things are going well with you. We are going along as usual with the curve up and down. At the moment, it is pointed somewhat down for Mim.

Affectionately,

BF:c

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September 20, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have your letter of September 16. I should not, in your place, pay the slightest attention to Miss Frick's anti-German or pro-German views, for I do not think it matters to you or to me or to anybody how Miss Frick feels. It also seems to me to be a mistake to answer intolerance with intolerance. On the contrary, I should, as far as personal and institutional dignity allowed, show these people how much superior you are to the considerations which move them, and also, incidentally, how, with all their anti-German views, they cannot get along without either Germans or Jews. If it appeals to you or interests you I should advise you to accept Mr. Clapp's invitation in the same objective fashion in which he extends it, and to add to your acceptance that members of the Institute do not accept honoraria for an occasional lecture, which is a matter of courtesy between institutions. The result will be that you will have the run of the collection regardless of Miss Frick, and that is something that may prove worth while to you and your students.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Panofsky,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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September 2, 1937

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Allow me to thank you very sincerely for your kind letter of August 26. I have imparted to Mr. Morey its content concerning the possibility of inviting Professor Forsyth, and asked him to take the necessary steps. I am including a reprint of my latest article which is to reappear with some additions, and, I hope, in somewhat less objectionable shape, in the Bryn Mawr lectures. I am sending it only as a "Specimen gratitudinis".

My family is now reunited in Princeton, except for our son Wolfgang who is still engaged in physical research at New York and has been awarded the Wood Legacy Prize for the best member of the Junior Class.

We are all very happy that you and Mrs. Flexner had such a fine summer this year and are looking forward very much to seeing you when you return to these parts.

Yours as ever gratefully and respectfully,

Erwin Panofsky

Dr. Abraham Flexner
Magnetawan, via Burks Falls
Ontario, Canada

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September 15, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Your letter of September 2, with the enclosed reprint, reached me in Canada. I did not reply because at the time it arrived we were just getting ready to come home, and it always takes us a few days to say good-bye to our neighbors and close up the camp.

We had a beautiful summer - perhaps the most beautiful we have ever had in practically twenty years - no heat, no cold, and just enough rain to keep the woods green. We reached New York Saturday morning and I came to Princeton last night to spend this morning running through my mail. I have to return to New York this afternoon, but I am hoping to return to Princeton for good by the end of this week or the beginning of next.

Thank you very much for the reprint, which I read and enjoyed. It is extremely well written and is, like everything you write, a genuinely learned production.

I am glad that you and your family had such a charming vacation, and I congratulate you and your wife on the success of Wolfgang in winning the Wood Legacy Prize. You have two boys who will do you both infinite credit I am particularly happy that you had a pleasant vacation in this country. thoroughly agree with you that the older men who come to America in the

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expectation of making their careers here henceforth ought really to "learn America". They have nothing to learn in Europe under existing circumstances, though, of course, some of them have families and parents whom they must see from time to time.

Mrs. Flexner went to Salzburg for the last half of the Festival and had a glorious time. I had a cablegram from her this morning. She will be in New York next Monday and will be coming to Princeton with me.

With all good wishes to you and your family,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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P. S. I was very much pleased with the letter from Buenos Aires. Don't you and your family want to become South Americans?

A.F.

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London WC1, 3 Mecklenburgh Sqre.
29.8.37.

Liebe Panofsky!

Die Kunde Ihrer deutschen Zensur möchte ich benutzen, um Ihnen wieder einmal einen schönen Gruss zu senden. Sie haben ja von Kapp selbst gehört, dass er nun auch auf Ihren gehen muss, – und Sie haben ihm ja auch freundlich Ihre Hilfe zugesagt. Zunächst bleibt er in Hamburg wohnen, sucht sich für den Winter eine kleinere Wohnung und schafft das Dienstmädchen ab, und rechnet so ab, ob man ihn irgend wo brauchen kann. Nach Weihnachten kann er vielleicht einige Vorträge in Holland halten, im März vielleicht auch hier im Warburg Institut. Er will eifrig sein Englisch aufpolieren, denn er hält Amerika für den wahrscheinlichsten Ort seiner weiteren Tätigkeit. Ich bin auf dem Wg nach Oxford (dort ist Papyrologenkongress), und will mich dort auch umsehen, ob ich für ihn etwas finden kann, – aber die Engländer sind ja nicht gerade freigebig mit Damen-Anstellungen. – Ein anderes Hamburger Sorgenkind ist Heydenreich. Er hat zwar für das nächste Semester einen Lehrauftrag in Berlin, bekommt dort aber weniger Geld als bisher in Hamburg, – und ich halte es für so gut wie ausgeschlossen, dass er sich in Deutschland für die Dauer halten kann, da er durchaus nicht bereit ist, irgendwelche Konzessionen zu machen. Augenblicklich hat er allerdings eine grosse

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Chance, nämlich nach Basel berufen zu werden. Er steht dort in aussichtsreichem Wettbewerb. Es fehlt ihm dort augenblicklich nichts weiter als eine Empfehlung von Ihnen. Da Sie sein Lehrer sind, erwartet man gewissermaßen, dass, wenn es wirklich etwas taugt, dies auch von Ihnen bestätigt wird. Würde es wohl möglich sein, dass Sie, – trotz allem, was Sie bisher für die Wiederherstellung des Basler Lehrstuhls getan haben, – noch einmal speziell für Heydenreich ein gutes Wort einlegen? Wie begabt und nett er ist, wissen Sie ja. Und inzwischen hat er doch immerhin 4 Jahre erfolgreicher Lehrtätigkeit hinter sich, – und eine Charakterprobe hat er während dieser Zeit abgelegt, die nicht hoch genug bewertet werden kann. – Verzeihen Sie, dass ich Sie mit dieser Geschichte behellige, aber für Heydenreich steht so ausserordentlich viel dabei auf dem Spiel. —

Von uns persönlich ist wenig zu berichten. Meiner Frau und den Kindern geht es gut. Ich selbst strebe auch nachgerade aus Deutschland fort. In Kunst und Wissenschaft werden die Zustände immer trüber.

Meine Adresse vom 6. – 10. September ist London WC1, British Museum, Department of Manuscripts (ich will dort noch an einigen Papyri arbeiten), – aber bis dahin werde ich kaum von Ihnen hören können. Die besten Grüsse Ihnen und den Ihren

Ihr Bruno Snell.

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Magnetawan, via Burks Falls
Ontario, Canada
August 26, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have your very interesting letter of August 18, and I share your regret that Professor Lee was unable to accept your invitation.

I shall be very happy to have Forsyth as a member of the Institute, but I have an understanding with President Dodds that no appointment of a member of the Princeton faculty is to be made by the Institute without having first received his approval. This seemed to both President Dodds and myself a wise precaution, for otherwise we might easily and unwittingly disturb the teaching schedule of any department. I would suggest, therefore, that Professor Morey take the matter up with President Dodds and communicate to me any decision that President Dodds may reach and that no formal announcement be made to Professor Forsyth for the coming year until this formality has been complied with.

I am glad that you are enjoying your first American summer. I hope that you have not found the weather too hot. You were fortunate not to be in Princeton at the end of last week, for the weather in New York and its vicinity was intolerably and unusually warm at that time.

Mrs. Flexner, as I imagine you know, went to Salzburg on August 7 to hear the last half of the Salzburg Festival. We have news from her that all goes well with her. It has been a beautiful summer up here in the woods, one of the very finest we have ever had, and our faces, like yours, will soon be turned South. I shall

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probably be in Princeton, though not continuously, somewhere between the tenth and fifteenth of September, for I have a number of matters to attend to which will require me to spend part of the time in New York.

Please give my warmest greetings to Mrs. Panofsky and the boys, and believe me, with all good wishes,

Ever sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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HOLIDAY HOUSE
WELLFLEET, CAPE COD, MASS.

August 18th 1937.

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

Dear Dr.Flexner,

This morning I had a letter from Professor Lee to the effect that ,unfortunately,his University finds it difficult to relieve him from his academic duties during this year,because he had been forced by illness to take a leave of absence for one term of the preceding year.He had expressed himself as forcibly as he could ,in order to get permission to accept the Institute's invitation,but felt that he could not remonstrate when his autho-

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rities reacted as described.He hopes,however (and I most vividly share these hopes) that he might be considered for the following year.

As for the present year ,then,Professor Lee has to renounce,much to his regret,the opportunity of being with us,and I was thinking that,under these circumstances,it would be the next best idea, to dispose of the $ 1500.- originally granted to Dr.Heckscher in favor of Professor George H.Forsyth of Princeton.As you remember,Messrs.Forsyth and Rowley had been jointly proposed for a grant(or rather invitation) in Mr.Morey's and my joint memorandum; but as only one invitation was available ,only Mr. Rowley was invited with the understanding that Mr.Forsyth would be the next candidate.Now,as Dr. Heckscher's $ 1500,- are unexpectedly available, I feel that it might be advisable to use them for

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HOLIDAY HOUSE
WELLFLEET, CAPE COD, MASS.

Mr.Forsyth (the amount being,by accident,exactly right) who ,in this case,would not have to be considered next year.In effect,this proposition would amount to a simple exchange of terms between Mr. Forsyth and Mr.Lee who is not in a position to accept this year,as mentioned above,while Mr.Forsyt would be . This I know,because I happened to meet Mr.Forsyth on Cape Cod,and took the liberty of asking him,with all the necessary reservations, whether he would be free to accept an invitation to the Institute in case Mr.Lee should not be available,and in case you and the Trustees would agree.Mr.Forsyth was most agreeable surprised and said that he would be very anxious to be with the Institute during the first term of this year ,if it could be arranged.

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In view of this conversation,and with reference to the abovementioned memorandum,I venture to propose that Mr.Forsyth may be invited to join the Institute during the first term 1937/38 on a salary basis of $ 1500,-,and that an invitation on the same basis may be considred for Prof.Lee for the year following.

Our first summer in America was,or rather is,a wonderful experience.June and July in Princeton were quite tolerable,or even particularly nice with the general atmosphere resembling,I imagine, that on a very small island where twenty or twenty five passengers of a ship-wrecked ocean liner find themselves marooned. Then we had the good fortune of spending a perfectly delightful day with your brother and sister at Mt.Kisco, which we left deeply gratified by that feeling of warmth and goddness which emanates from them wherever they are.And

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HOLIDAY HOUSE
WELLFLEET, CAPE COD, MASS.

now we are staying in a very nice and unusual place on the Cape (a complex of 4 or 5 old little houses which has been converted into a kind of hotel with all the advantages,and none of the drawbacks, of a private country house). We shall be"back home" on September first and are looking forward to seeing you and Mrs.Flexner in the fall. My wife joins me in my good wishes for both of you,and in the hope that you,too,are having a fine and restful summer.

As ever,respectfully and gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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HOLIDAY HOUSE
WELLFLEET, CAPE COD, MASS.

August 17th 1937

Dear Miss Eichelser,

So many thanks for your kind letter! I think the easiest way to solve the big problem is to ask the First National Bank to send the money along .This I have done,increasing the amount by another 25,- Dollars in view of the fact that our son B who spends his whole summer in the Research Laboratories of the R.C.A.,poor thing (by "poor thing" I mean him,not the R.C.A.)is going to visit us over a week-end.He writes that his results will probably be published because they disprove the statements of a General Electric scholar.

The gentleman from Buenos Aires will certainly

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be overjoyed with the Bulletin of the Institute.As far as Art-History is concerned I have already told him as much as I could,but he seems to be a man whose interests are serious and somewhat broad.

I am including a letter to Dr.Fleyner concerning the Heckscher-Lee situation.Will you be kind enough to forward it ?

With my warmest thanks and best wishes from both of us.

Sincerely yours

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July 16, 1937

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Magnetawan, via Burks Falls
Ontario, Canada
July 21, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have your letter regarding Heckscher and Lee. The arrangement you suggest is entirely agreeable to me. Heckscher can be assured that his stipend will be renewed year after next, and you are authorized to write him to that effect. You are also authorized to invite Professor Lee for one term of 1938-1939, at a stipend of $1500.00. Simply notify Miss Eichelser if he accepts.

As to the two German scholars whom you mentioned, I shall have a talk with Professor Meritt and we will do all in our power for them.

We are having a lovely summer on our beautiful lake. I am sorry it has been so warm to the south.

Mrs. Flexner joins me in affectionate greetings to you and your wife and the boys.

Ever sincerely,

A. F.

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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May 28th 1937

Dear Mrs.Bailey,

I am returning Mr.Bernard Flexner's letter together with the answer of President Park. I have notified Professor Morey so that he can make the necessary arrangements.Please do not go to the trouble of returning President Park's letter.It may be just as well to keep it on your files with the rest of the correspondence.

With many thanks,

Yours as ever sincerely

Erwin Panofsky.

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May 3, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am very glad indeed to get your note of the first. Now don't let any great amount of grass grow under your feet, but make occasion to visit the Morgan Library in the near future in order to "consolidate" the present situation, which is so important both to the Library and the Institute.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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C O P Y

President's Office

Bryn Mawr College
Bryn Mawr
Penna.
May 25th, 1937

My dear Dr. Panofsky,

Thank you for your letter of May 22nd.

I am glad to hear of the suggestion that your lectures should be repeated at Princeton University. I of course approve.

Bryn Mawr will gladly accept the generous offer of the Institute to make the necessary slides; we should have been glad, however, as I wrote you earlier, to furnish them as part of the general expense for the lectures.

With pleasant anticipation of your coming to Bryn Mawr next fall, please believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Marion Park

Professor Erwin Panofsky
The Institute for Advanced Study
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey

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May 1, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

Thank you for your note of April 30 regarding the library offered by The XVIIIth Century Shop in New York.

I received this morning a circular regarding the Journal of the Warburg Institute. Of course we shall send in a subscription.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
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May first, 1937.

Dear Doctor Flexner,

when you were kind enough to discuss with me the "Belle Greene problem", I mentioned, I believe, that I, personally, was more than willin to solve this problem (the origin of which is still a mystery to me), that I had greeted Miss Greene about three weeks ago in the Morgan Libra ry, and that, in the mean time, I had sent some pho tostats of a manuscript which I had "discovered" in Paris and which, I thought, would interest Miss Greene in connection with one of the Morgan Manuscripts. I am very glad to enclose Miss Gree- nes acknowledgment of this little gift, for, to jud-

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ge from her postscript,she seems to be convinced of my intentions which have always been entirely peaceful.

Yesterday I met Mr.Bossi who with Latin exuberance expressed his happiness about your generosity which would enable him to be united with La Signora.I can understand his feelings, and when we went to see "The Tempest" in the evening,I could not help thinking that your reign in the Institute bears a remarkable similarity with that of Prospero.

Yours as ever respectfully

Erwin Panofsky

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P rinceton,N.J.,
114 Prospect Avenue,
April 23rd 1937

Dear Doctor Flexner,

Allow me to apologize again for having bothered you with the Weitzmann problem after you and the Trustees have treated my associates with so much generosity.When I spoke to you over the telephone I did not even know how far this generosity had gone,for it was not until a few minutes afterwards that Heckscher and Swarzenski appeared with beaming faces to tell me that their grants had been raised in an entirely unexpected fashion.On the other hand I felt that I could not refuse to inquire about the Weitzmann situation because Professor Friend who,in the absence of Morey,had supported my initial application for Weitzmann's appointment as Field Mediaevalist ,asked me about it,and because it is really my convictio that Weitzmann is the most important member of our little group from the point of view of cooperation with the Department. He himself would,I think, not even have mentioned the thing,although it will be a little hard for him to make the necessary arrangements for bringing over his wife and mother in law . I understand now even better ,that you found it impossible to raise his salary at once from $.3000.- to $ 4500, and that your decision was dictated not only by the interests of the Institute in general but also by those of the Humanistic School in particular.Thus let me thank you,and the Trustees, most humbly and sincerely for your kind sympathy with our work and our personal happiness .I trust that you will not think of me as an

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an ungrateful person because I could not help "asking questions" in that particular case while I had,and have,every reason to be more than satisfied,not only as a private individual - that goes without saying - but also as a member of the little group of art-historians. It is in both these capacities that I am particularly happy about the invitation extended to Mr.Rwoley and about the possibility of welcoming Adolph Goldschmidt as the first Visiting Member of our group.

With my very best wishes,I am,

Very gratefully and respectfully yours

Erwin Panofsky.

P.S. Allow me to add a special word of thanks for your kindness in leaving me the pleasure of notifying Professor Goldschmidt !

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April 20, 1937

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
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My dear Professor Panofsky:

Dr. Flexner has notified President Dodds that at the meeting of the Trustees of the Institute for Advanced Study held yesterday an appropriation was made which would enable the Institute to provide stipends for the following for 1937-1938:

Dr. Glanville Downey
Professor George Rowley (second term)
Professor Richard Stillwell

President Dodds will communicate with the recipients.

I am notifying the following individuals that grants have been made to them for 1937-1938:

Dr. Richard Ettinghausen
Dr. Wilhelm S. Heckscher
Dr. Edward J. Jurji
Mr. Richard F. S. Starr
Dr. Hanns Swarzenski
Dr. Donald N. Wilber

I am informing Dr. Kurt Weitzmann that he has been appointed Field Mediaevalist, beginning July 1, 1937.

Finally, an appropriation of $1,000 was made in order that in conjunction with Princeton University Professor Adolph Goldschmidt of Berlin might be invited for the first term of 1937-1938. I shall appreciate it if you will yourself notify Professor Goldschmidt of this action.

Very truly yours,
ESTHER S. BAILEY Secretary

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April 17th 1937

Dear Mrs. Bailey,

I am very grateful for you and Dr. Flexner's kindness in helping me to get the cards for the New York Public Library. The people there were very nice, and I had no difficulty to see some manuscripts without a card, but I was told that every "regular customer" should be provided with a card as a matter of form, so I am very glad that this could be arranged without much inconvenience for everybody concerned.

I am enclosing Mr. Lydenberg's letter.

With my renewed thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Erwin Panofsky

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April 15, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am sending you herewith letter from Mr. Lydenberg and the cards, which explain themselves.

I am thanking Mr. Lydenberg in Dr. Flexner's absence. Won't you please return Mr. Lydenberg's letter to Dr. Flexner at your convenience?

With much appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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April 15, 1937

Mr. H. M. Lydenberg
The New York Public Library
Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Lydenberg:

In Dr. Flexner's absence permit me to thank you for your letter of the thirteenth enclosing cards for Professor Panofsky - one for your manuscript room and the other for your reserve room. Both Dr. Flexner and Professor Panofsky will greatly appreciate your courtesy, as well as your coöperation.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
5TH AVENUE & 42ND STREET

New York, April 13, 1937.

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

In reply to your letter of April 9th:

It is indeed a pleasure to enclose cards for Professor Panofsky, one for our manuscript room and the other for our reserve room. I have made them out for the end of this year. Please tell Professor Panofsky they will gladly be renewed for as long as he needs them. Tell him too please I hope I shall have a chance to say that to him myself.

With kindest regards and with thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending the bulletin,

Truly yours,

H. M. Lydenberg,
Director

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Panofsky

April 9, 1937

Dear Mr. Lydenberg:

You may perhaps be acquainted with the fact that Professor Erwin Panofsky, who is one of the most distinguished of living mediaevalists, has been for almost two years a professor in the School of Humanistic Studies of the Institute of which I am director. Professor Panofsky has been utilizing for his studies the treasures both of the Metropolitan Museum and of the Morgan Library. He is anxious to have access to rare-book room and the manuscript room of the New York Public Library, both of which contain material important to his researches. I should be grateful to you if you would send Professor Panofsky a card such as will, on presentation, admit him to these collections.

We have just sent you two copies of the recent bulletin of the Institute, on page 15 of which you will find a brief description of the work in which Professor Panofsky is now engaged.

With all good wishes,

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March 31, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I have your letter regarding Dr. Folke Leander. The Institute grants are rigidly limited to the three schools which are in operation, and the total amount available for grants is really insufficient for the demands which are made by the schools in question. Under these circumstances I am sorry to say that there are no funds available for Dr. Leander, much as I should like doing anything that would bring him to Princeton. As a matter of fact the number of applications from highly qualified and unusual persons in other than the three fields in which we are now working would amaze you. I am reluctantly constrained to decline them all.

I should be extremely glad, however, to meet Dr. Leander, and I am obliged to you for writing me about him and for sending me Professor Scoon's note of introduction. Won't you arrange to bring Dr. Leander to see me sometime at our mutual convenience?

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March 30th 1937

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

Dear Doctor Flexner,

A few days ago Professor T.M.Greene of the Philosophy Department of Princeton University introduced to me Dr.Folke Leander who had taken his Ph.D.degree at Göteborg,Sweden,after having studied with Professor Ernst Cassirer and others,and is in Princeton for one term on a fellowship from the Scandinavian Foundation.He works on contemporary American philosophy and is especially interested in a "Kritik" of Dewey's system of philosophy. Mr.Greene asked me - probably in view of my old friendship with Ernst Cassirer ,and in view of my own youthful sins in quasi-philosophical fields - whether I thought that there might be a chance of Dr.Leander's being awarded a grant from the Institute ,so that he might stay here for some time after his Scandinavian fellowship will have expired. In view of our last group-meeting - and also in view of my opinion that it might be better,for the time being,not to branch out in many more fields than have already been entered - I said that I ,personally,should not feel very optimisti

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about such a plan,but that the matter was,of course,entirely outside of my province.

Today I received a letter from Dr.Leander accompanied by an introduction from Professor Scoon to you. I think,however,that I am in no position to discuss this matter with Dr.Leander ,and that the only thing for me to do is to submit his letter,as well as Professor Scoon's introduction,to you. I have taken the liberty of notifying Dr.Leander accordingly.

Yours as ever respectfully,

Erwin Panofsky.

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20 NASSAU STREET
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

March 26, 1937

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I thank you very cordially for your kind gift of Professor Adler's book, "Art and Prudence". It was a very funny coincidence that I was going to order this book, because Dean McKeon of Chicago had spent the whole afternoon with me yesterday in a lovely discussion of the humanities in general and the movies in particular, and he had told me that Mr. Adler's book (written, curiously enough, at the instigation of the movie industry, but having turned out, much to their astonishment, to be a very schweres Geschuetz), was the very thing to read. So I thank you with the special feeling of bliss which is characteristic of such happy coincidences, comparable to little smiles of fate.

Very gratefully yours,

Erwin Panofsky

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey

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March 24, 1937

Dear Professor Panofsky:

I am sending you herewith a book called "Art and Prudence", by Professor Adler of the University of Chicago. I have not myself read it, but I have looked at the Table of Contents, which would appear to indicate that there is some subtle connection between Plato, Christianity, Democracy and the movies. For quite obvious reasons I am therefore presenting the book to you.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

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Professor Panofsky

European trip - summer 1936

$1,000 authorized at meeting of Executive and Finance Committees, June 15, 1936

Professor Panofsky worked on orgins of Early Flemish and 15th century German paintings on the basis of the illuminated manuscripts preserved in the libraries and museums in

Holland
- Utrecht
- The Hague
- Leiden
- Haarlem

Belgium
- Brussels

France
- Paris (6)
- Tours
- Bordeaux
- Toulouse

from June 23 to September 11, 1936, with a rest of two weeks at St. Jean-de-Luz. As living is high on the Continent of Europe, he spent more than $1,000 for travel, hotel, and incidentals, during the period in which he was conducting his research work.

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February 5th 1937

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

Dear Doctor Flexner,

Kindly allow me to approach you with a whole bunch of thanks at a time; first,for your great kindness in "liquidating" the Weitzmann-situation in regard of which I have still a vague feeling of guilt though I do not know exactly why; second,for sending me the letter of Dr.Vagts and thus enabling me to sign the testimonial letter in memory of Professor Mendelssohn-Bartholdy of whose death I had been utterly ignorant; third,for causing your dear brother,Bernard,to inform me of the favorable action which the Emergency Committee has taken in the case of Richard Salomon. I am not sufficiently familiar with the whole situation to be sure that this decision settles all the difficulties,but my impression was that the Pennsylvania University contribution was the main,if not the only "hitch",and I am more than happy to know that this "hitch" has now been eliminated.A man as lucky as my-

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self cannot help comparing his own situation with that of others who deserve luck just as well, or even better, and this is certainly the case with Salomon.

With our very best wishes,

Respectfully and gratefully yours

Erwin Panofsky.

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Professor Panofsky

Letter from Professor C. R. Morey to Professor Panofsky, dated November 17, 1936, containing suggestions for cooperation between the Institute and Princeton's Department of Art and Archaeology.

See Humanistic Studies, School of

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C O P Y

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

WASHINGTON SQUARE, NEW YORK

29 April, 1935

Dear Doctor Panofsky:

As Doctor Flexner has told you, Professor Cook and I had a very good discussion of the whole situation at luncheon the other day and it was stressed on both sides that we wanted your cooperation as we shall want that of the other men who come into the School of Humanistic Studies. I believe that with Doctor Flexner's generous attitude both New York University and the School of Humanistic Studies should be able to develop a working relationship which will be splendid for them both. I am very happy that your own situation is so splendidly settled. I have at no time had any feeling that you were under any moral obligation to accept a permanent appointment at New York University and I am very delighted that the situation has developed for you in a way which still gives us contacts and cooperation with you.

Cordially yours,

CHASE

Chancellor

Dr. Erwin Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

Pencil notation: Referring to permanent appointment at $8,000 a year.

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C O P Y

20 University Hall

March 26, 1935

Dear Mr. Sachs:

I see no reason whatever why we should not wait for Professor Panofsky's decision until April 25th. It would be a pity to lose him in order to have a decision at an earlier date. I shall, however, be grateful if you will let me know at the earliest possible moment as to his decision.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Kenneth B. Murdock

Professor P. J. Sachs
Fogg Museum

Pencil notation: Re: Kuno Franke Professorship.