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EMIGRÉES

Academic Personnel

✓BORN, MAX

Biographical

POLANYI

FLEXNER, A.

Veblen (Hancock County, Maine) to Flexner:

Ladenburg writes from Switzerland that considerable number of German scholars have been invited to England. Max Born (Göttingen) invited to Cambridge for 3 years. Polanyi appointed to permanent chair of chemistry at Manchester. "His case is highly analogous to that of Weyl, for he had been offered this chair more than a year ago, had made a lot of difficult conditions, and then, finally, last winter or spring had declined the chair. Taylor told me just before he sailed that the Manchester people were disgusted and said they were not going to have anything further to do with Polanyi ..."

File IV-19

1950

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GENERAL

Facilities

FOUNDERS

Corporation

✓ BRADLEY

Biographical

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Report: path Fuld Hall to Trolley seeded and paths
through woods 75 per cent cleared of brush and undergrowth.
Bridge #1 completed; Bridge #2 partly.

D, Buildings and Grounds, Miscellaneous

1950

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SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

Academic Organization

✓ BROWDER, FELIX

Biographical

Witold Hurewicz, Professor of Mathematics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology to Oswald Veblen, recommending highly Felix Browder as an outstanding researcher and analyst in mathematics post-doctoral. Browder had secured his ~~doctorate~~ Ph. D. in Princeton ^{after} graduating from M. I. T. in 1946. (That was Ph. D. in 1948). Browder is 23, has excellent potentialities of future scientific development. He is broadly cultured and widely read. He has a pleasant, quiet personality and one of the best conversationalists I have met. It is a sad fact that he cannot secure a post because of his father's political activities.

W (Weyl) File Bran-

1936

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✓ BOUCKAERT, LOUIS

Biographical

C.R.B. EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.

Foundations

P.C. Galpin (C.R.B. Educational Found., New York) to Flexner (Princeton):

"During the present academic year Mr. Louis Bouckaert, a C. R.B. fellow of this Foundation worked at the Institute and received the courtesies which you were good enough to extend to him.

"We have decided to grant to Dr. Bouckaert a renewal of his fellowship to continue his work at Princeton under the direction of Professor Wigner to complete his research in the theory of solids and allied problems.

"May I ask if it would be possible for you to extend to Dr. Bouckaert the facilities of the Institute for the year 1936-1937?"

Flexner to Galpin (C.R.B. Educational Found., New York):

"I have your kind note of March 27. I am certain that the members of the School of Mathematics will be delighted to know that the C.R.B. grant to Dr. Bouckaert has been continued. He has made many friends here and won their respect for genuine ability."

File II-24

✓ BOYD, JULIAN

Biographical

Librarian, Historian

Education: A. B., Duke University, 1925
A. M., Duke University, 1926

Honors: Dr. Literature, 1939

Career: Assistant Instructor, University of Pennsylvania, 1927-28
Editor Wyoming Historical and Geographical Society, 1928-32
Director New Hampshire Historical Association, 1932-34
Director Pennsylvania Historical Association, 1934-5
Librarian, Princeton University, 1940-

Now historian, the sole research man doing no teaching at
Princeton University, collecting and editing and publishing the
Jefferson Papers which will take him the rest of his life to do.

Who's Who in America

1930-1944 1950

ARCHEOLOGY (MIDDLE AMERICAN)

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

LIBRARY

SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES

GARRETT, ROBERT

✓ BOYD, JULIAN P.

OPPENHEIMER, ROBERT

Academic Activities

Relations *W. A. I.*

Facilities

Academic Organization

Biographical

THIRXIX as a result of Oppenheimer's acceptance of Miss Sach's recommendation May 23, 1949, the collection was turned over to Princeton Library during Mr. Boyd's absence:

"While I was away last summer, Mr. Heyl, Associate Librarian, acknowledged the 'gift' of the Mayan manuscripts presented to the Institute by Mr. Robert Garrett. Inasmuch

as Mr. Garrett gave these manuscripts to the Institute with a reversionary condition, I am sure you will agree that they should be recorded as a gift from Mr. Garrett rather than from the Institute. I am, therefore, correcting our records to indicate this.

"I have recently had a letter from Mr. Garrett in which he apparently assumed that the manuscripts were still at the Institute. I told him about our conversation and ~~him~~ about the subsequent transfer of the collection. I also apologized for both of us, assuring him that you had assumed I would inform him, and I/^{had} assumed he already knew about it, so that neither of us did anything about it. It doesn't really matter, except that Mr. Garrett is the kind of man who likes to be informed."

This is a sad end to a very intensive correspondence between Gates and Flexner, and between McComas, Garrett, and Rydelotte about the main Gates collection which was ultimately purchased by the Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah in October, 1946, leaving somewhat over \$11,500 worth of still very valuable, unique and useable material for sale.

(Charles A. Musas to Adyelotte, October 25, 1946, *ibid.*)

Copies of letters of May 23, 1949 from Miss Sachs to Oppenheimer, and September 14, 1944, from Adyelotte to McComas, are filed in Chronological file with this memorandum under 1930-1950.

D File, Garrett, Robert - Gates Collection

1946

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FULTON, JOHN F.

Biographical

✓ BOYD, JULIAN

Biographical

LEWIS, WILMARTH

Boyd was discussed by Wilmarth Sheldon Lewis and Fulton for the Directorship. (Letter from Lewis to Fulton, November 6, 1946).

Lewis tells Fulton that Boyd was offered the Librarianship of Congress, but chose to stay at Princeton, after which his position was impregnable. He doesn't think he would do as Director of the Institute.

John F. Fulton, I. A. S., 1942-47

1947

SINOLOGY

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

GEST ORIENTAL LIBRARY

FULTON, J. R.

AYDELOTTE, P.

SCHAAP

✓ BOYD

DUYVENDAK

Academic Activities

Relations WPAI

Facilities

Biographical

Flexner to Aydelotte, 10/6/47. If well rounded studies in
on Far East can be undertaken (financially) at IAS Gest Oriental
Library should stay Princeton. Otherwise go to another
institution. Defers to Oppenheimer's consideration which
Aydelotte suggested letter 10/4. Schaap's notes to Maass 4/9/47
as member of Committee on Gest Oriental Library.

1947
Notes on conference 4/4/57. Stenographic. Important
and extended--Duyvendak's recommendations of 1946 repeated by
him. Boyd spoke, Lattimore, etc.

A, 10/18/56, Board of Trustees, October 9, 1947

1947

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GEST ORIENTAL LIBRARY

Facilities

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Relations WDAI

✓BOYD, JULIAN

Biographical

LEWIS, WILMARTH

Boyd's letter to Lewis regarding Library and Oriental Studies.

Filed in Chronological file under 1947, 1/8.

A, Gest Library Committee, 10/17/56 Home

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

✓BOYD

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Relations WOI

Biographical

Firestone Library opened September 15, 1948.

D File, Firestone Memorial Library

1949

GEST ORIENTAL LIBRARY

Facilities

SWANN

Biographical

OPPENHEIMER, H.

✓ BOYD

Dr. Swann complained of the fact that some of the cabinets belonging to the Gest Oriental Library had been taken on their arrival at Firestone and turned over to the Industrial Relations Department. She also complained about the lack of care with which the collection was being handled, the fact that it did not have an appropriate space for shelving and place for objects d'art, etc. There is no letter from Oppenheimer in these files to Boyd, but there is a letter from Boyd saying somewhat casually that if anyone thinks the Industrial Relations Section can't make as good use of the cabinets as can the Gest Oriental Library, they will, of course, be returned.

Gest Oriental Library--Vault, Miscellaneous Correspondence A - L

1949

10/26

GEST ORIENTAL LIBRARY

Facilities

BOYD, JULIAN P.

Biographical

SWANN, NANCY LEE

Boyd to Oppenheimer, October 26, 1949.

"I have talked with our own staff, and also with some members of the Faculty about Dr. Swann's letter on the Gest Library.

"Those who were responsible for moving the books tell me that all books are in precisely the same order in which they were moved from 20 Nassau Street. Some of the massive furniture and objects we have had to store temporarily on Floor B. The volumes that were boxed and found on the floor by Dr. Swann were being unpacked and placed on the shelves when Dr. Swann happened to observe the process and protested even more vociferously than she did in her letter. This surprised me, for I thought we were trying to do what she herself had advocated. Nevertheless, we shall follow her advice in the matter, recover the cases from the Industrial Relations Section which were made for these books, and install them on the second floor.

"Incidentally, do you know why none of the Institute's bookplates have never been placed in any of the Gest books that are bound in the Chinese manner? I enclose a copy of your bookplate. Dr. Swann informs me that it would be unthinkable to affix a bookplate containing a nude figure to a Chinese work of scholarship!"

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GENERAL

Personnel

BRADLEY, WM. (Supt. Bldg. and Grds.)

Biographical

William Bradley was to start work on Dec. 17th as the new Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. Because of his Army and construction experience, and Mr. Leidesdorf's favorable impression of him, the Director felt sure he would prove useful in the running of the mechanics of the Institute plant.

Tr. Min. 12/16/47 p. 8

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS
(BRANCH OF MATHEMATICS)

Academic Organization

AYDELLOTTE, F.

Biographical

SIMPSON, W.

✓ BRAKELY
BRANLEY

Aydelotte's memo on plan to bring section to Princeton--
Correspondence with Avenel.

Filed in Vertical File under "A" for School of Economics
and Politics.

F. A. papers, 1/6/57

1948

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LIBRARY

Facilities

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Relations WCAI

✓BRAKELEY, GEORGE A. (Vice-President and
Treasurer of Princeton University)

Biographical

Brakeley to Aydelotte, January 26, 1948.

"Thanks very much for what you have done in relation to the payment of the Institute's Library pledge. Dr. Oppenheimer brought the check over to Harold Dodds last Friday. Everything is in order and the money is proving most useful.

"If you are still in the South, I hope your visit has been pleasant and that you will come back refreshed and rested. Rumor has it that you might become a candidate for the Senate from New Jersey. If so, you will certainly need plenty of strength and health."

A Aydelotte to Brakeley, February 27, 1948.

"Many thanks for your letter of January 26th which reached me in Florida. I am delighted that the Library matter is settled. It was not,

as you may imagine, the easiest thing I ever put through our Board of Trustees but I am firmly convinced that it was one of the best justified appropriations we ever made and I look forward with great enthusiasm to working in the new Library when it is finished.

"I think I would rather use my efforts in influencing the Senators from New Jersey rather than being one myself."

A File, I. A. S.

1945

9/26

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

Academic Organization

SIEGEL, CARL L.

Biographical

✓ BRAUN, HELENE (DR.)

PAULI

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Mathematics faculty heard Aydelotte report Seigel was still considering whether to accept the professorship offered him by the Institute and that Pauli felt himself under obligation to return to Zürich for a short stay before accepting a permanent position here. Aydelotte felt he might ask the Executive Committee to offer Pauli a temporary professorship pending the departure of the latter for Zürich.

Aydelotte reported that Dr. Helene Braun was still having transportation difficulties and admission ~~axtine~~ problems to the United States.

It was voted to recommend to the Faculty and Trustees that Oppenheimer be offered a chair in the School of Mathematics. Von Neumann and Einstein appointed to draw up a biographical report on Oppenheimer for presentation to the Faculty.

Minutes, School of Mathematics, 9/26/45

1948

1/11

✓ BRAUN, HELENE

Biographical

Cable regarding immigration .

See Source.

FA (Elsa Jenkins), 3/19/57, File No. 3.

1936

6/10

ARCHAEOLOGY

Academic Activities

GOLDMAN, HETTY

Biographical

✓ BREASTED

FLEXNER, A.

Goldman to Flexner, August 10, 1936.

"You will, perhaps, remember that a good many years ago, you were kind enough to arrange for me to meet the late Prof. Breasted. Our meeting took place on the platform of a train in the Grand Central Station and although it was very brief, it was long enough for an interesting exchange of ideas. He told me then that he hoped sometime to excavate a site at which the Hittite civilization met the Greek and that if he did so, he would like to call upon me to head the undertaking. His intention, which remained unfulfilled has now actually been fulfilled by our work at Tarsus. For we found this year a sealed deposit in which there were both Hittite royal seals, a Hittite royal deed and Mycenaean pottery, much of which was imported from the Greek mainland. This is what archaeologists have been eagerly expecting of Tarsus and I think on the whole that it represents the most significant contribution of the 1936 campaign."

D File, Goldman, Hetty, 1936-1944

1941

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NAME

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Facilities

✓ BREASTED

Biographical

Marie C. Richelser to Aydelotte regarding above headings.

See Source.

PA (Elsa Jenkins) 3/19/57, File No. 4.

1941

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SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES

Academic Organization

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Facilities

GENERAL

Personnel

BLACK

Biographical

✓ BREASTED
BREASTED

Maria C. Nicholas to Adelotte, January 23, 1941, covering
the above headings.

See source.

PA (Elsa Jenkins) 3/19/57, File no. 4.

1940

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GEST LIBRARY

Facilities

✓BRITTON, ROSWELL

Biography

EAGLETON, CLYDE

Clyde Eagleton (New York Univ.) to F. Aydelotte (Swarthmore) 3/23/40

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"For your information, and as my good deed for the day, I pass along a conversation I had the other day with a fellow at N.Y.U. named Roswell Britton. He is supposed to be a pretty good sinologue or sinologist or whatever they are called--Moe would know about that end of it better than I. At present, Britton is living a frustrated sort of a life teaching Mathematics at N.Y.U. because there are no jobs for scholars of ancient Chinese. He says that in connection with the Gest Library at the Institute, Flexner invited him to apply for membership, and that with Flexner's withdrawal he was left up in the air. He does not seem to be aggrieved or to feel that any promises were broken; he just had some hopes which are now suspended. If there are any opportunities in that field I think he would deserve consideration."

Aydelotte (Princeton or Swarthmore) to Eagleton (New York Univ.) Mar. 30, 1940

"...

"I talked Roswell Britton's case over with Dr. Flexner and got a somewhat different impression of the situation. Dr. Flexner feels, in the first place, that Britton is not a specialist in Chinese studies, but rather an amateur who has an interest in the subject but no scholarly credentials anything like up to the standard which we require here at the INstitute. I understand from Dr. Flexner that there was absolutely no commitment of any sort on the part of the Institute. If we are able to develop Oriental studies here, it may be that Britton would find it a useful place to work, but if we go into that subject we ~~w~~ought, in accordance with our program, to get men who either are or promise to be leading scholars in the world in that field."

Eagleton (NYU) to Aydelotte (Princeton) Apr. 8, 1940

"...

"I am afraid I left the wrong impression as to Britton. He does not feel any claim as against the Institute--he merely had a vague hope; nor, I think, does he aspire to be one of the big men, but merely to assist. On the other hand, I had the impression that he is a promising young Sinologist--you probably know more about that through the Guggenheim Foundation. On still another hand, I don't see why the Institute should spend its money (unless there is plenty) on such work as this, as there are far more important studies that need to be made.

"..."

File II-15

1940

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CARNEGIE CORPORATION

Foundations

LAUTERBACH, ALBERT

Biographical

✓ BRODIE, BERNARD

Dollard to Aydelotte, November 18, 1940.

The Corporation has appropriated \$1,000 and \$1,800
for Lauterbach and Brodie respectively in Earle's seminar.

Committee also approved a grant for Herbert Rosinski;
also participating in the seminar.

1956

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PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

WILSON, WOODROW

✓ BROGAN

Academic Personnel

Biographical

Brogan in a lecture on Wilson as a figure in domestic politics in the United States said it was commonly assumed that Wilson was a professor and university president, was a neophyte in politics. Nothing could be further from the truth, Brogan said; Wilson had spent his life as an academician; first in Georgia, and then in other places, finally in Princeton University. Brogan said that anyone who has gone through and survived the usual routine of academic politics has nothing to learn and nothing to fear from political life in the service of any level of government. He knows it all, and he cannot be frightened or disappointed by any new techniques or phenomena.

Professor Black, History Department, Princeton University, is going to call me when the Brogan speech in text comes in. The statement was far more appogramatically made than as reflected
speech given by Brogan above.

1945

April

SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES

Academic Organization

✓ BRONEER, THEODORE OSCAR

Biographical

Papers covering recommendation of Broneer/~~as~~ ^{for} appointment
as archaeologist and classicist.

A, 10/18/56, Theodore Oscar Broneer

✓ BRONK, DETLEV

Biographical

WEED, LEWIS H.

Weed described a speech by Bronk which Bronk read. He said that if he closed his eyes he thought it was Gabriel Heater speaking.

Fulton - Lewis Weed

1946

DIRECTOR

Administration

MOE, HENRY ALLEN

Biographical

PANOFSKY

STEWART

✓ BROOK (BROOK)

RIEFLER

Panofsky suggests Moe for Director (3/9/46); Stewart transmits appraisal of Brook showing he is out of depth when out of his science 3/6/46. Stewart suggests Riefler 2/28/46. Low suggests (1) Sigerist of Johns Hopkins, (2) Shapley of Harvard, (3) Meritt of I. A. S. (2/9/46); Panofsky suggested Morse (2/11/46); Meritt preferred Riefler (2/12/46).

Earle, I. A. S., 1944-5

1946

FILED

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DIRECTOR
OPPENHEIMER

Administration
Biographical

✓ BRONK

VEBLEN

STRAUSS, L. L.

Veblen to Strauss, April 12, 1946.

"Von Neumann told me about his conversation with you in which the names of several candidates for the Directorship of the Institute were brought up. Of these names it seemed to us on further consideration that Bronk and Oppenheimer are ~~xxxx~~ the only possible ones. All of the others are too old except Condon, whom we both know very well and do not consider temperamentally or intellectually suitable for the job.

"Oppenheimer seems to me to have so many of the qualifications that I would have very little misgiving about the future of the Institute if he were chosen. Von Neumann is not as favorable to Oppenheimer as I am, although he has great admiration for him as a scientist. The general opinion

among the faculty is that Oppenheimer would be very welcome as a colleague.

"Both von Neumann and I would be very happy to see Bronk chosen. In the first place he has, like Oppenheimer, already achieved a pre-eminent position as a creative scholar. We would rather take our ~~chances~~ chances with such a man than with one who lacked the qualifications even though he had the other desirable qualities. In the second place, Bronk has shown good capacity as an administrator and getting along well with other people. We have particularly flattering testimony as to his success in working ~~with the Army~~ for the Army. In the third place, Bronk is the foreign secretary of the National Academy of Sciences, and will be on this account in close touch with Washington and with international questions of a kind significant to the Institute. We are convinced that in the future the Institute must depend to a very considerable extent upon the national government for support.

"After saying this, I am going to take the chance of weakening it by the suggestion that it might be wise to

experiment with the continuation of the type of administration which has been in effect during Aydelotte's absence; namely, to vest the functions of the Director in the hands of a 'standing committee.' This method of administration seems to us to have been very satisfactory. The only drawback has been a certain disinclination by the standing committee to make decisions in the Director's absence which might seem to infringe on his prerogatives. The chairman of such a committee might be called, following European precedence, the Rector rather than the Director. He should not serve for more than two years. It would be an essential part of such a scheme that the President of the Institute should, like Mr. Maass, continue to take an active interest in its administration.

"Quite apart from this particular suggestion, I think it would be desirable for the members of the standing committee to attend meetings of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee of the Board; and also for the president and perhaps other members of the Board to attend meetings of the faculty. There are no differences in interest

between the Trustees and faculty, but there are sometimes difficulties in mutual understanding.

"In this connection I may remark that I think the suggestion reported by von Neumann that the Institute ought to keep one or two rooms available for Trustees visiting in Princeton is an excellent one. May I add that I should be very happy to reserve a room for you at the Nassau Club if you will let me know when I may expect your long-promised visit to Princeton. The accommodations at the club are rather austere, but it is a good center from which to see Princeton.

"Von Neumann asked me to say that he intends to write you before very long. In the meantime, he agrees substantially with what I have said."

Veblen's files

1946

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DIRECTOR

Administration

FULTON, JOHN

WEED, LEWIS H.

VEBLER, O.

✓ BRONK
BROOK

Fulton to Vebler, November 20, 1946, regarding his
suggestions for the new Director.

Fulton to Vebler, December 3, 1946. with an additional
suggestion.

Letters filed in Chronological file under 1946, 11/20.

John Fulton's Files, I. A. S., 1942-4

1947

DIRECTOR

Administration

BLECH, THOMSON CHRISTIAN

Biographical

OFFENHEIMER, R.

Biographical

✓ BROOK, DETLEV WOLF

MASON, EDWARD SACHENDORFF

PAULING, LINUS CARL

WOLFERS, ARNOLD OSCAR

Biographical data from Who's Who in America regarding
the above-named men.

Filed in Chronological file under 1947.

Harle, E. A. S., 1944-5

1957

4/15

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY (1)

Educational Institutions

ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL
RESEARCH (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

Foundations

NAKK

CORNER

Biographical

WEED (1, 6)

FLEXNER, ABRAHAM (1, 4)

FLEXNER, SIMON (1, 4, 5)

✓ BROOK (3, 5)

Interview with Dr. George Corner, April 15, 1957.

Filed in Vertical File under Corner Interviews.

1950

9/26

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

Academic Organization

POLICIES

Administration

✓ BROWDER

Biographical

Mathematics Faculty decided "his case not strong enough to make it in the interests of the Institute to grant him a membership."

School of Mathematics Minutes, (D Office)

✓ BROWDER, FELIX

Biographical

VEBLEN, O.

STRAUSS, L. L.

Excerpts from a mimeographed, "Confidential
Memorandum to the Trustees of the Institute for Advanced
Study."

Since the Board meeting of April 3 on which the
Browder matter was not resolved, Oppenheimer and von Neumann
have called upon Admiral Strauss. Oppenheimer reported that
the Guggenheim Foundation would probably act on Dr. Browder's
application for stipend, which would then put the Institute
on the spot to admit him as a member. Oppenheimer brought
recommendations from scholars.

The reason for the Board's considering the admission
of a short-term member is the fact ~~that~~ of the relationship.
Columbia University dropped consideration of Browder as
teacher or professor "for reasons of policy."

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~~Veblen's files~~

Straus suggests further meeting might not be necessary
if the Trustees would write him as to what they would do:

- (1) If Browder obtains a Guggenheim grant, and
- (2) If he does not.

Veblen's Files

1953

4/10

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

TRUSTEES (PRESIDENT)

✓ BROWDER, FELIX

Academic Personnel

The Corporation

Biographical

Lewis Strauss' memorandum on Felix Browder.

Filed in Vertical File under P, Participation in Administration.

A File, Lewis W. Strauss

1953

NOTES

4/13

✓ BROWDER, FELIX

Biographical

VEBLÉN, O.

STRAUSS, LL.

Veblen to Strauss.

Transmits his recommendation and that of Aydelotte, two non-voting members of the Board, for the appointment of Browder on the basis of the recommendations that indicate that he is a thoroughly qualified mathematician.

Veblen's Files

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Biographical

Interview with Mr. Stewart, September 25, 1956.
Filed under Stewart Interviews in Vertical File.

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CONTRACTS

APPLIED MATHEMATICS (E.C.P.)

ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

RCA RESEARCH

GOLDSTEIN, H.H.

DICKSON, J.

BURKE, A.W.

POINCARÉ, J.

Government Relations

Academic Activities

Foundations

Relations W.O.A.I.

Biographical

See Report on E.C.P.

Navy giving \$100,000. Rockefeller Foundation contribution uncertain. RCA assisting with new type vacuum tubes. Title in IAS absolutely.

Exec. Comm. Mtg. 3/19/46 Appendix

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DIRECTOR'S FUND

Finance

KLIOT, T.S.

Biographical

FERGUSON, FRANCIS

BURKE, KENNETH

RADIN, MAX

"The Director reported that at present the chief use of the Director's Fund had been to continue the line of appointments started with Blackmur in literature and criticism: T. S. Eliot, Francis Ferguson, Kenneth Burke are General Members under this grant. The Director proposed to suggest to Mr. Eliot that he return to the Institute when he can. An invitation has been accepted by Professor Max Radin for two terms during the academic years 1948-1949 and 1949-1950. Professor Radin's plan is to complete several books on the history of the law during his stay."

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FLEXNER, ABRAHAM

Biographical

AYDELOTTE, F.

✓BUSH

ROSENWALD, ADELE

Flexner to Aydelotte, February 16. Suggests that Aydelotte see Miss Eichelser or Mrs. Bailey on the exchange of cards for catalogs between Princeton Library and Fuld Hall. This has been going on, but should be continued.

Flexner has a throat ailment, and asks Aydelotte to talk to Bush for him. He also wants Aydelotte to talk to Capps and Tedesco. "I want to plant a seed that will be a few years maturing about money. It would be an advantage if we could see him for a talk before you and I met; but perhaps you and he have already met.

"Panofsky representing the Faculty, did a touching thing this week; but ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ this you must see."

A. File, Flexner, Abraham

1939

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SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS

Academic Organization

✓ BUTLER, HAROLD N.

Biographical

FLEXNER, A.

Butler to Flexner. Announces the appointment of the first 12 fellows to Muffield College, and his plan to come to America early in 1950. Asks whether it would be better to arrive at the end of March or the beginning of April in the matter of getting the contacts he wants. Main goal to visit the Institute. Suggests Institute to pay half is expenses, evidently a matter discussed between Flexner and Butler when Flexner was in England or Geneva. Gives list of the twelve fellows which is in the file: six are public figures, not academic; six are academicians in politics, political science, economics and public administration.

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ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION
(GENERAL EDUCATION BOARD)

Foundations

FLEXNER, A.

Biographical

BUTTRICK, WALLACE

Flexner went to the General Education Board in 1913 just as he finished his study of prostitution in Europe.

The General Education Board was founded in 1902, the first of the great American strictly educational foundations. It had ~~garnished~~ been preceded by the Peabody Education Fund created by George Peabody, an American banker living in London, greatly interested in Southern education following the Civil War, also by the Southern Education Board, consultative body without financial resources, but by no means without influence; by the Slater Fund, devoted to improving the condition of Negro schools, and by one or two other similar bodies. Rockefeller was a Baptist, and had been making contributions to colored schools and Baptist colleges through an agency known as the Baptist Education Society whose funds were supplied by Mr. Rockefeller. Later Rockefeller gave funds to the General Education Board--the University of

Chicago, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. In doing this, he had divested himself of all responsibility which thereafter rested upon the officers and trustees of these organizations.

Frederick T. Gates, young Baptist clergyman, had been Mr. Rockefeller's most important counsellor and agent. Gates was a great executive, a large scale operator, with an original and creative mind. He chose for his assistant, Dr. Wallace Buttrick, who had been a fellow student at the Baptist Theological Seminary at Rochester, New York. ~~xxxxx~~ Buttrick complimented Gates' qualities. Buttrick was slow and gentle. He had been a railway mail clerk, and then had gone to the Theological Seminary. They were complete contrasts. Gates was incisive, and at times emotional. Buttrick was shrewd, diplomatic, canny and humorous, and could bide his time.

It was Buttrick who reached for Fleanor.

"When I joined the General Education Board, its work was practically confined to the increase of college endowments,

farm demonstrations, the improvement of Negro education, and the development of state departments of education in the southern states competent to discharge andx their varied and important functions." There was not a full-time Superintendent of Education in any southern state at that time. There were no southern public school systems of the kind which exist now, or existed then north of the Ohio River.

"Dr. Buttrick treated me first as an equal, then afterwards as a son." (page 214) Though he had been there a short time, Flexner's salary at Buttrick's insistence was made equal to his.

In order to familiarize himself with the work of the General Education Board, Flexner undertook to write a history of it from 1902-1914. Buttrick aided him. There is no mention in his memoir of his urgency of annual reports. (See his interview in November, 1955).

Staff of the General Education Board when Flexner went in in 1913 consisted of Dr. Buttrick and W. W. Brierly, then

Buttrick's secretary, and now Secretary to the General Education Board, Dr. Sage and two colored boys, later Wycliffe Rose, Raymond B. Fosdick, George E. Vincent, who had been an important figure at the University of Chicago, in Harper's time, in 1917 became President of the Rockefeller Foundation. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Rose had been Professor Philosophy in Tennessee, head of the Peabody and Slater Funds, organizer of victory in the campaign against hookworm in the southern states. Fosdick had written a book on European police systems. He knew President Wilson well, and Wilson used him to organize training camp activities W. W. I. Fosdick became powerful advocate of America's entry in the League of Nations. He was made President of the Rockefeller Foundation.

I Remember, by Flexner, pp. 185-233

While he was at the General Education Board, Flexner's interest gravitated toward medical education. "For a while, medical education was our most active interest."

I Remember by Abraham Flexner