

February 11, 1938

Dear Dr. Riappo:

I have your kind note calling our attention
to the fact that our 1937 bulletin has not been received by you.
✓ I am sending you Bulletin No. 6 and placing your name on the
✓ mailing list that you may receive future bulletins when issued.

I am sending a complete set of bulletins to
the address you suggest.

We very much appreciate your courtesy in
sending us the journals of your institutes.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. A. Riappo
Chief of Foreign Acquisition Division
Academy of Sciences of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic
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March 15, 1938

The Secretary
Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton, New Jersey

Gentlemen:

We should appreciate receiving information
regarding the Institute, as well as a complete set of
the quarterly bulletins which are issued, if these are
available.

If there is any charge for these, would you
please enclose the bill.

Very sincerely yours,

Margaret R. Taylor

Margaret R. Taylor
Associate

Bulletins

1-6

March 16, 1938

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Київ, вул. Короленка, 58-а
Телеф. 3-21-47



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Kiev, Korolenko str., № 58-a.

Київ, 28/I 1938 p.

The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey, USA

Gentlemen,

By the annual revision of the state of our exchange it appeared, that your publications, published during last year are missing in our library. In view of the great interest of our collaborators in world scientific production, we ask you kindly to send us all the copies published. In case the publication has been discontinued, we should be grateful for the statement of this fact. Our works are sent to you, if you prefer to receive the works of an other field, please let us know it - our institutes are publishing journals mostly in quarters, all with summaries in one of foreign languages.

As the exchange gifts are to be forwarded to the Academy Institutes through the Library of the Academy of Sciences, we ask to address them as follows: Kiev, Korolenko street 58-a, library of the Academy of Sciences of the Ukr. SSR.

Thanking you in advance for a prompt information we remain

Yours very truly

/DIRECTOR of the LIBRARY

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CHIEF of foreign Acquisition Division

A. Riappo /A. Riappo/

June 3, 1937

Richard Shipping Corporation
Attention of Mr. A. R. Guttman
44 Beaver Street
New York City

Dear Sirs:

I desire to thank you for your letter
of the first enclosing your check for \$9.83 to
cover our claim for damage to a cabinet shipped
to us by the Warburg Institute of London, thereby
closing the matter.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Secretary

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PRINCETON, N. J., October 9 1936

Institute of Advanced Study
20 Nassau St.

To PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, Dr.

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PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO PRINCETON UNIVERSITY—MAIL TO OFFICE OF BURSAR

To repairs to cabinet in Marquand Library-

Repairs- \$ 9.83

Staining- 28.00

\$ 37 83

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
CASHIER No. 1

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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK

June 1, 1937

WHEN REFERRING TO THIS LETTER
PLEASE QUOTE

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

Gentlemen:-

We enclose herewith our check in the
amount of \$9.83 to cover your claim as per your
letter of April 30th, thereby closing the matter.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.

A. R. Guttman
A. R. Guttman
Mgr., Import Dept.

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Enc.

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May 5, 1937

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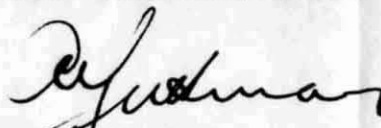
Institute of Advanced Study
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, N. J.

Gentlemen:-

We acknowledge your letter of April 30th in which you enclose a bill to cover repairs in the amount of \$9.83 on a cabinet. We are forwarding same together with a copy of your letter to the shippers in London so that the collection of a claim may be secured. We hope that we shall be successful in same and shall notify you as soon as we receive a reply.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.


A. R. Guttman
Mgr., Import Dept.

ARG:MM

April 30, 1937

Mr. A. R. Guttman
Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Guttman:

I refer to our correspondence of last summer, regarding damage to a cabinet shipped to us by the Warburg Institute of London. In your letter of July 23, 1936, you authorized us to proceed with the repair of the cabinet. We had this work done by a carpenter in the employ of Princeton University, and the charge was \$9.83, as shown on the enclosed receipted bill. As there was to be a small additional charge for some hardware which needed to be replaced, we have delayed forwarding this bill, but so much time has elapsed without the hardware being replaced that we are now entering our claim for the amount we have expended, \$9.83, which we will be happy to accept in full settlement for the damage done to the cabinet, and we will ourselves take care of any additional charge that is made.

The charge of \$23.00 on this bill, for staining, has no connection with our claim against your company. This staining work was authorized by us in order to have the cabinet match other furniture in the room where it is used.

We will appreciate it if you will take the necessary steps to have this claim put through promptly.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHENBERGER

To repairs to cabinet in Marquand Library-					
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Staining-	<u>28.00</u>			\$ 37 83	

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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK , July 23, 1936

WHEN REFERRING TO THIS LETTER
PLEASE QUOTE

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

Gentlemen:

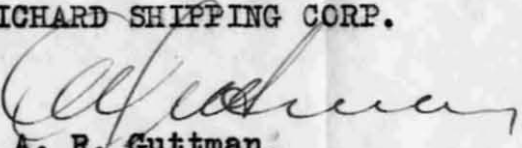
With further reference to the damage done to cabinet which we shipped to you, we wish to inform you that we have forwarded the necessary papers to the shipper requesting them to file claim with the insurance company in the amount of \$15.00 to cover the damage in the event that the cabinet was insured against the risk of damage. The forwarder to whom we are sending you claim is, Neale & Wilkinson, Ltd., 16 Camomile Street, London, E.C.3, England.

You may proceed to repair this shipment if you like.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.

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A. R. Guttman,
Mgr. Import Dept.

July 15, 1936

Mr. A. R. Guttman
Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Guttman:

In reply to your two letters of July 7, with reference to damage to the cabinet shipped to us by the Warburg Institute of London, I wish to report that we have had the cabinet examined by the head carpenter for Princeton University and he says that the work of repairing the damage and replacing the missing drawer could be done by his men at a cost of approximately \$15.00. If the drawer is located, the cost will, of course, be less. This is, we feel, a very reasonable figure for the amount of work involved, and is much less than would be charged by a person not in the University employ.

We do not have any correspondence from abroad which shows whether or not this cabinet was insured. The only way we could ascertain this would be by writing to the shipper.

Thanking you for your attention in this matter,

Very truly yours,

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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK , July 7, 1936

WHEN REFERRING TO THIS LETTER
PLEASE QUOTE

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

Gentlemen:

With reference to letter of July 1st we wish to inform you that our U.S. Appraiser Stores representative is communicating with the examiner to find out about the missing drawer and we shall report to you shortly.

With regard to the damage done to the cabinet, we suggest that you secure an estimate to cover the cost of repair and send this estimate to us so that we may file a claim for the damage in the event that the cabinet was insured against breakage. Upon receipt of this estimate we shall communicate with you again. Kindly let us know if you have any correspondence from abroad which shows that the cabinet was insured against the risk of breakage.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.

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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK , July 7, 1936

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

Gentlemen:

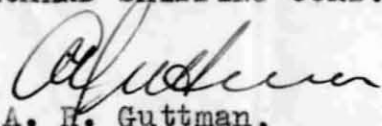
Since writing you as per the enclosed letter we have found that the Appraiser did not find the damage when he examined the cabinet, nor is the missing drawer at the U.S. Appraiser Stores. Therefore, you will kindly proceed with the requested estimate for repair, but the cabinet is not to be actually repaired before a surveyor authorizes us to notify you to proceed with the repair. We shall file claim with the railroad company for the damage, which is customary.

Please be sure to let us know if the shipment has been insured for our waybill from the shipper states something about a damage but the writing is not legible and as we desire to be safe we are making the foregoing request so that in the event that it is insured we shall have complied with all the necessary requirements.

Kindly let us hear from you.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.


A. R. Guttman,
Mgr. Import Dept.

ARG:CP

July 1, 1936

Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

Dear Sirs:

We have received the cabinet and library catalogue which was shipped to us by the Warburg Institute of London and we wish to report that there is one drawer of the cabinet missing and that the cabinet is damaged considerably. The back has come off two sections of the drawers, a number of the drawers are cracked, and practically all of the metal pulls are jammed in tight to the drawers.

We would appreciate your prompt attention in this matter. Is it likely that the missing drawer was taken out and not put back in its place when this shipment passed through the hands of the Customs authorities? If so, will you please take the necessary steps to recover it?

Very truly yours,

MCE

Secretary

Library

June 19, 1936

Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

Dear Sirs:

I am sending you herewith check
for the Institute for Advanced Study for \$75.38
for your statement of June 17, 1936, enclosed.

Kindly ship the cabinet to
McCormick Hall, Department of Art and Archaeology,
Princeton, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAKER
Secretary

Copy of enclosure

Telephone: Whitehall 4-0516

New York, June 17, 1936

The Institute for Advanced Study
20 Nassau St., Princeton, N. J.

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To RICHARD SHIPPING CORP., 44 Beaver St., New York

Marks and Numbers	Ref. No.	Ex.S/S	Entry No.
	221571	S. Trader	14484
<P.E.P.>	(1) Cabinet		
	Foreign Charges from Neale & Wilkinson Ltd.		\$67.13
	Custom House Entry		5.00
	Cartage		1.25
	Custom House Bond		2.00
	Duty free		
			<hr/> \$75.38

Attention Mr. A. R. Guttman

June 3, 1936

Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing a letter to the Collector
of Customs, which you request in your letter of
June 1.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Director,
Institute for Advanced
Study

AF:ESB

June 3, 1936

To the

Collector of Customs
New York City

My dear Sir:

I am informed by the Richard Shipping Corporation that a question has arisen regarding the free admission of a cabinet and file, presented to the Institute for Advanced Study by the Warburg Institute of London.

May I explain that this cabinet and file consist of a catalogue of books and that I have been previously informed by Mr. Morgenthau that material for the library of the Institute would be admitted duty free? This cabinet and its contents are upon the same footing as books since without it books are unavailable. It has absolutely no commercial value whatsoever, and its contents will be used solely for the purpose of education and research. I shall be happy to give you any further information that you desire.

Sincerely yours,

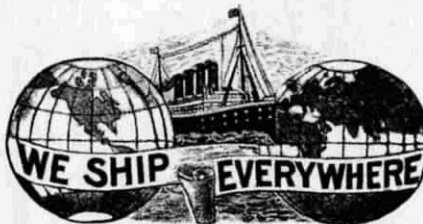
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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK, June 1, 1936

WHEN REFERRING TO THIS LETTER
PLEASE QUOTE

The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton
New Jersey

Gentlemen:

With further reference to your shipment which arrived on the S/S "American Trader", May 11, 1936, we wish to inform you that we are having difficulty in securing the permission to enter the Cabinet and File free of duty.

We suggest that you write a letter addressed to the Collector of Customs, sending same to us, explaining exactly what the merchandise is, that it is for the sole use of your Institution, and that you feel that it should be allowed entry free of duty. Also explain exactly what the shipment consists of.

Upon receipt of this letter we shall again endeavor to secure free entry.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.

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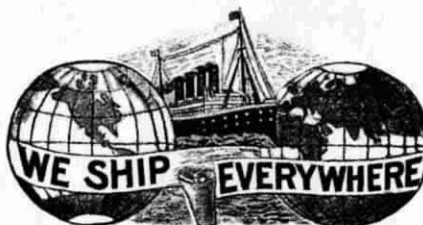
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44 BEAVER STREET

NEW YORK , May 11, 1936

WHEN REFERRING TO THIS LETTER
PLEASE QUOTE

Professor Erwin Panofsky
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

We wish to inform you that there arrived on the S/S "American Trader", one case in which there is packed a cabinet containing a library catalogue in the form of paper slips, which is being presented to you by the Warburg Institute of London. We will make Customs entry and if the merchandise is entitled to be entered free of duty it will be expedited in this manner. We request that you kindly fill in and have an executive officer of your Institute sign the enclosed affidavit, have it notarized and return to us.

After the Customs have released this shipment we shall forward it to you.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD SHIPPING CORP.

A. R. Guttman
A. R. Guttman,
Mgr. Import Dept.

ARG:CP
enc.

May 14, 1936

Mr. A. R. Guttman
Richard Shipping Corporation
44 Beaver Street
New York City

Dear Sir:

Professor Erwin Panofsky has referred to us your letter of May 11 regarding the cabinet containing the library catalogue which is being presented to the Institute for Advanced Study by the Warburg Institute of London. As this catalogue is being used for educational purposes only, it should be entered free of duty. I am enclosing the affidavit signed and notarized.

We shall appreciate it if you will ship the cabinet to McCormick Hall, Department of Art and Archaeology, Princeton, New Jersey. The bill/should be sent to The Institute for Advanced Study, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey.

Very truly yours.

ROBERT S. BULEY
Secretary

February 25, 1939

Dean R. G. D. Richardson
International Congress of Mathematicians
Low Memorial Library
531 West 116th Street
New York City

My dear Dean Richardson:

In the absence of Dr. Flexner, I
acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 14,
in regard to the International Congress of Mathe-
maticians. I shall bring it to his attention
when he returns about the 17th of March.

The document mentioned was not received
with your letter.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELBERG

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MATHEMATICIANS

LOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY, 531 WEST 116TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY, U. S. A.

R. G. D. RICHARDSON, SECRETARY
BROWN UNIVERSITY, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

February 14, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Since the Institute for Advanced Study is one of the patrons of the International Congress of Mathematicians, you may perhaps be interested to see from time to time the literature which we send out. Herewith is a copy of a document which was prepared in English and also a sample in one of the other four languages -- French, German, Italian, and Spanish. These documents in one of the five languages have been circulated to editors of mathematical journals and to secretaries of mathematical organizations.

Invitations to all the leading governments of the world to appoint delegates will be sent out within a few weeks. Late in 1939 information will be sent to individuals throughout the world, some three or four thousand mathematicians in foreign countries and some three or four thousand in the United States and Canada.

I have the honor to be

Sincerely yours,

R. G. D. Richardson
R. G. D. Richardson,
Secretary.

Received 2/27/39

From the desk of

Dean R. G. D. RICHARDSON

Omitted by error
from earlier
letter R.G.D.R.,

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MATHEMATICIANS

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.,
SEPTEMBER 4-12, 1940

On invitation by the American Mathematical Society, an International Congress of Mathematicians will be held in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1940.

Former Congresses

In connection with the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893 there was an International Congress of Mathematicians. The first congress in Europe was held at Zürich in 1897, and the most recent one met in Oslo in 1936. In the interim, with a few omissions necessitated by the World War, there have been sessions about once every four years. These have all been in Europe except that of 1924, which was at Toronto with the financial support of the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Ontario.

At recent congresses, the number of countries represented has been about 40, the number of members about 600, and the number of short papers submitted about 250.

Time and Place

The dates of the Congress have been fixed as September 4-12, 1940. The Society will omit its usual summer meeting in 1940. Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be the local hosts of the Congress. Mathematicians so desiring will be housed in the Harvard University dormitories at modest rates, and meals will be served at cost in the University dining rooms. There will be accommodations for members of families, special provision being made for the care of children. Those who prefer to live in hotels can be comfortably provided for in Cambridge or Boston. It is expected that the Society will be able to furnish room and

board without charge for a considerable number of foreign guests during the week that they are in Cambridge.

Organization

Plans for the scientific features of the Congress are well under way. Following precedent, there will be a score of invited addresses, each of an hour's length, and sectional meetings for the presentation of short papers.

An innovation will be Conferences, somewhat after the pattern of recent international gatherings in Moscow for Topology and in Geneva for Probability. Each Conference will be devoted to some field in which a vigorous advance has recently been made or is currently in progress. The purpose will be the exchange of information and opinion by specialists in the field, and the dissemination of new and important results among the mathematical public at large. This will be accomplished by a coördinated program of formal lectures and informal open discussion. Among the Conferences will be one on Algebra with Professor A. A. Albert as chairman, one on the Theory of Measure and Integration, Probabilities, and Allied Topics with Professor Norbert Wiener as chairman, one on Mathematical Logic with Professor H. B. Curry as chairman, and one on Topology with Professor Solomon Lefschetz as chairman.

Six sections are tentatively planned for the presentation of papers: (I) Algebra and Theory of Numbers; (II) Analysis; (III) Geometry and Topology; (IV) Probability, Statistics, Actuarial Science, Economics; (V) Mathematical Physics and Applied Mathematics; (VI) Logic, Philosophy, History, Didactics. These short papers will preferably be in one of the official languages of the Congress (English, French, German, and Italian), and will not exceed ten minutes in length.

The International Commission on the Teaching of Mathematics proposes to have a session in connection with the Congress.

Social Features, Excursions

There will be many interesting entertainment features provided—reception, garden party, symphony concert, and banquet. In addition there will be a number of automobile excursions.

Every effort will be made to facilitate the travel at reasonable cost of foreign participants while in the United States. Previous to the Congress, opportunity will be given them to see New York City under the guidance of some mathematician. It is expected that an international ex-

position will be in progress at that time in the city. Excursions to Washington, Niagara Falls, and other places will be arranged if there is demand.

Membership in the Congress

Membership in the Congress will be open to all persons, whether they are able to be present in person or not. For regular members of the Congress, the fee is \$10.00; these persons will receive the Proceedings of the Congress. Persons not participating in the scientific deliberations may become associate members, for whom the fee is \$5.00; they will not present papers nor receive the Proceedings but will be entitled to many of the other privileges of membership.

Financial Support

Besides the support from Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and other institutions in the neighborhood, generous subventions have been subscribed for the Congress by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the Institute for Advanced Study, the National Research Council, the Rockefeller Foundation and several private donors.

Information

Detailed information will be sent in due course to all members of the American Mathematical Society. Others interested in receiving information may file their names in the Office of the Society, and such persons will receive from time to time information regarding the program and arrangements.

Communications should be addressed to the American Mathematical Society, 531 West 116th Street, New York City, U.S.A.

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Section III Geometry and Topology: L. P. Eisenhart

Section IV Probability, Statistics, Actuarial Science, Economics: G. C. Evans

Section V Mathematical Physics and Applied Mathematics: F. D. Murnaghan

Section VI Logic, Philosophy, History, Didactics: Arnold Dresden

AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY
501 WEST 116TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

January 17, 1938

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I am instructed by the Council of the American Mathematical Society to extend hearty thanks to you for your generous subscription of \$2500 to the funds for the International Congress of Mathematicians.

The Institute for Advanced Study has had a very considerable share in the building up of mathematics in America to its present level and its members will doubtless play an important role in all of the undertakings of the Congress to be held in September, 1940 in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Not only has the Institute given ideal conditions for work to a large number of men, but it has influenced profoundly the attitude of other universities. American mathematicians are all proud of what the Institute is doing and are happy to have it share in the festivities connected with our projected Congress.

I have the honor to be

Sincerely yours,



R.G.D. Richardson,
Secretary.

R.G.D. Richardson

March 27, 1933

Dear Dean Richardson:

Now that the Institute has received its Certificate of Membership in the American Mathematical Society, Won't you be good enough to let me know when we should pay our annual subscription of \$200 to the Society?

With high regard,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dean R. G. D. Richardson
Brown University
Providence, Rhode Island

AF:ESB

January 13, 1933

Dear Dean Richardson:

At the meeting of the Trustees of the
Institute for Advanced Study held on January 9, I
was authorized to apply for membership in the American
Mathematical Society for the Institute, and an appropriation
of \$200 per annum was made for each of the next five years.

With all good wishes and high regard,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dean R. G. D. Richardson
Brown University
Providence, Rhode Island

AF:ESB

44 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

April 10, 1932

Dear Dr. Flyner:-

We are already looking forward
confidently and with great pleasure to
having you at Brown early next academic
year.

My engagements with the Teachers
Summit and Insurance Association
begin at 12.30 p.m. at the Century Club
in New York, later transferring to the offices
of the Association. If it is convenient
for you, I shall drop in to your office
about 10.30 am. Please let me know if
this is not convenient for you.

O.R. April 15

Ever Sincerely Yours

A.S. Richardson

Dr. Abraham Flyner.

AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY
501 WEST 116TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

R. G. D. RICHARDSON
SECRETARY

BROWN UNIVERSITY
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

March 31, 1932.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,
Institute for Advanced Study,
100 East 42nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Flexner:-

I have been out of town a great part of the time recently and have neglected my correspondence. You were very kind to write me as you did on March 21. I wish to thank you also for the check; I went to New York gladly on this mission with Professor Birkhoff with the expectation of being on my own charges. I am profoundly interested in this Mathematical Institute and am at your service at any time that I can be of assistance. I expect to be in New York again on April 15 at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Insurance and Annuity Association of America.

I was talking with Birkhoff in New York last Friday and so I was not surprised to hear later that he had declined appointment to your Institute. I think my good friend has made a mistake; and I believe also that his decision is against the best interests of American mathematics.

I am sending you by express copies of a letter and memorandum concerning the possible locating of your Institute at Providence. These letters are on their way to your office in sufficient numbers for distribution to your Trustees. This matter is of such concern to us at Brown that we would welcome an opportunity at any time to discuss possibilities. We do not wish to press our claims unduly, but we firmly believe that there are people who could be called to a city like Providence who would not be willing to locate in a rural district.

Tomorrow I hope to have the leisure to write you about the Convocation address. Certainly we must not embarrass your plans by asking you to adhere to the schedule we had made. But of this more anon.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

R.G.D. Richardson
R.G.D. Richardson,
Secretary.

April 1, 1932

Dear Dean Richardson:

Many thanks for your kind note of March 31 and for the copies of your brief in behalf of Providence. I shall place them immediately in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee on Site, who, I am sure, will distribute them to the other members of the Committee. I read the document with very great interest, and I appreciate the strength of your argument.

I value more than I can say your deep interest in the new Institute, and I shall expect to confer with you from time to time on problems as they arise. Won't you call me by telephone (Ashland 4 - 3775) when you are in town on the fifteenth in the hope that we may be able to have a chat or to lunch together?

My conscience smites me terribly in reference to the Convocation address. Let me repeat in all sincerity what I wrote, namely, that rather than inconvenience you I will shorten my trip, for you have treated me with so much consideration and kindness in this matter that I would not for the world embarrass you.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Dean R. G. D. Richardson
Graduate School
Brown University
Providence, R. I.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

March 21, 1932

Dear Dean Richardson:

Professor Birdhoff has sent me a statement of the expense you incurred in coming to New York, and I am enclosing a check covering the same. I do not feel that this remittance in any wise discharges my very great obligation to you. I cannot tell you how deeply I appreciate your interest and your willingness to advise with me in respect to the details of this enterprise. I am sure that I shall need your counsel, and I hope that I may feel free to seek it.

I am proceeding with the preparation of the speech for the Brown Convocation, and I hope most sincerely that nothing may interfere with my being present. The next few days should be decisive. If it turns out that I may have to go abroad and may be detained there, I have an alternative up my sleeve - better adapted to the occasion, in my judgment, than I am myself, for (if there were no other reason) everybody knows now what I think. It is going to be pretty difficult for me to say anything new.

With renewed appreciation and all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Dean R. G. D. Richardson
Brown University
Providence, R. I.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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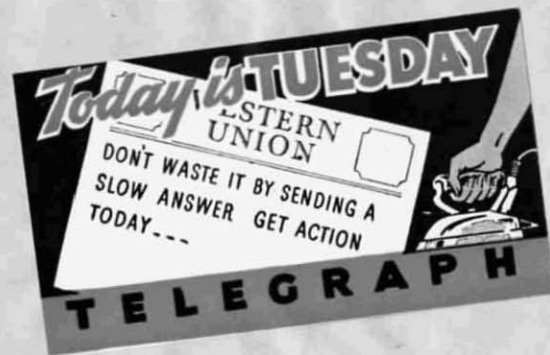
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March 15, 1938

Professor Werner Richter

Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Professor Richter:

I am sending to you herewith check of
the Institute for Advanced Study for \$100.00,
honorarium for your lecture on March 16, 1938.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BARLEY

Secretary

ESB

March 10, 1938

Dear Professor Richter:

Your telegram reached me this morning.

There will be no announcement of your lecture on the university calendar. The lecture will take place at five o'clock on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 16th - though your telegram said the 15th, but this is, I suppose, simply an error.

With all good wishes to you and your wife and Professor and Mrs. Ulich,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Werner Richter
c/o Professor Robert Ulich
113 Walker Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

AF/MCE

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DR ABRAHAM FLEXNER=

:20 ANSSAU ST PRINCETON NJ=

=GLAD TO DELIVER LECTURE ON GERMAN ROMANTICISM WEDNESDAY MARCH
FIFTEENTH PLEASE UNDERSTAND IF I ASK YOU NOT TO INCLUDE LECTURE
IN CALENDAR=

=WERNER RICHTER.

Telephone Your Telegrams to **Postal Telegraph**

March 7, 1938

Dear Professor Richter:

I received your note of the 5th this morning and at once consulted Professor Priest. He finds, after looking over the University calendar, that the best time for your lecture would be Wednesday afternoon, March 16, at five o'clock. The other desirable hours on Tuesday and Wednesday are already occupied. Should you decide on Wednesday, we hope very much that you and your wife can both be present, and we shall be very happy if you will consider yourselves our guests while you are in Princeton. If it is possible for you to spend the night, Mrs. Flexner and I will ask some of our friends to meet you and your wife at dinner at the Princeton Inn.

Of the subjects which you suggested, the German Department favors either "German Romanticism" or "The Religious Background in Goethe's Poetry". My own feeling is that "German Romanticism" will make the greater appeal. You will, however, yourself know which lecture has been the more successful with American academic audiences.

Another point has arisen. Every week the University prints a list of lectures of a general character to be given the following week. Is there any objection to including your lecture in this list, which is distributed to all the members of the University?

Will you please wire me immediately which subject you prefer and whether an announcement, which would be quite modest and inconspicuous, can be made in the University calendar? The calendar for next week goes to press on Thursday of this week.

Professor Richter

March 7, 1938

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I hope that you and your wife have had an enjoyable tour, and I look forward with the keenest pleasure to seeing you and to hearing your impressions of the American scene, academic and otherwise.

Remember me and my wife warmly to Ulich and his wife, to whom we are all very deeply attached.

With all good wishes for you all,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Werner Richter
c/o Professor Robert Ulich
113 Walker Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

AF/MCE

Chicago (Ill.)
4554 Greenwood Avenue.
c/o Dr. Werner Jaeger.

March, 5th

Dear Dr. Flemer,

Returning from California we are now staying at Chicago and shall start for Northampton to-morrow March 6th and for Boston March 9th.

I think it would be possible for me to give a lecture at Princeton on Tuesday the 15th of March or Wednesday the 16th of March.

Please, be kind enough
to write whether it will
be suitable.

My address will be
from 9th of march:

Dr. Robert Ulich

113. Walker Street

Cambridge (Mass.)

I am, very Sincerely

Yours,

Homer Richter

December 12, 1933

Dear Sir Walter:

I do not know whether it has come to your attention that two American philanthropists have recently endowed an institute for advanced study, of which for the present I am director. The Chairman of the Trustees is Mr. Houghton, formerly Ambassador to Germany and Great Britain. The Institute for Advanced Study will begin in October 1933 with a School of Mathematics and will admit a small number of well-trained, highly promising men and women. Its faculty up to date consists of Professor Albert Einstein, Professor Oswald Veblen, and Professor James W. Alexander, the two latter formerly members of the Princeton Faculty of Mathematics. One or two additional appointments of the same calibre may be expected within the next year. The Institute will be located in the neighborhood of Princeton, New Jersey, but it has temporary offices here in New York at present. I need not say that we should welcome any Commonwealth Fund fellows interested in mathematics.

With all good wishes and very high regard,

Very sincerely yours,

Sir Walter Buchanan Riddell
Hepple
Morpeth
England

AF:ESB

*Bull. 121 sent
to mailing list*

Riddell

February 1, 1933

Dear Sir Walter;

I am deeply touched by your extraordinarily kind note of January 23. I hope very much that ^{you}~~may~~ be able to carry out your plan to come to America in the coming fall. Should you come before the middle of September, let me suggest that you come via Canada and visit us at our Canadian camp. We will show you a side of American - rather Canadian - life which you are not likely to see - how we spend our summers in the depth of the Canadian woods, amid such beauty and quiet as are hardly obtainable elsewhere.

One word more, that is not relevant to our present correspondence - I have been trying to reassure my English friends in respect to the financial situation between America and Europe. The difficulties of getting anything reasonable done by a government so constituted as ours are unbelievably great. In my opinion, the French took the only practical course, and I cannot see that their credit or honor has suffered in the least by their taking the initiative in doing what is bound to be done. In the interest of world peace and world good will and world prosperity I hope that the present government will take the bull by the horns and follow the French example. There is not the slightest

Sir Walter B. Riddell

February 1, 1933

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chance, in my judgment, that our Congress and President will have the
courage and intelligence to do what must inevitably be done.

With all good wishes and very high regard,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Sir Walter B. Riddell

Hepple

Morpeth

England

AF:ESB

February 23rd 1933.

Please return.

Dear Dr. Flexner.

HEPPLE,
MORPETH

I am very much obliged for your letter of December 12th which I only received today.

I have followed with great interest the news so far as it touches us on this side of the establishment, by progress of the Institute for Advanced Studies. I can think of few benefactions more so valuable & of no one so fit to launch the enterprise as yourself. I am delighted to hear of the eminent appointment to

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hard fellow sufficiently equipped
to study under so distinguished a
staff we shall make every effort to
obtain his admission to the Institute.
I am long overdue for another visit to
the United States but conditions
have been so uncertain here as elsewhere
you know that I have not been able
to get away. I am hoping to come
next autumn if so I will, if I may,

HEPPLE,
MORPETH.

Ask your kind permission to pay a
call to see & hear more at first hand.
It would be a great pleasure.
The warnings given in your
book are gradually bearing fruit in
our University Institutions: & they
were needed.

Thanking you again for your very kind
suggestion which I shall submit
to my colleagues on the Commonwealth
trust Committee, & with every good
wish

NEPPLZ

MORPETH

Wish for the prosperity of the
Institute.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely

Walter B. McDowell

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Letter Sir Walter B. Riddell

Hepple,
Morpeth.

January 23rd, 1933.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

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I am long overdue for another visit to the United States but conditions have been so uncertain here as elsewhere as you know that I have not been able to get away. I am hoping to come next autumn and if so I will, if I may, ask your kind permission to pay a call to see and hear more at first hand. It would be a great pleasure.

I think the warnings given in your book are gradually bearing fruit in our University Institutions; and they were needed.

Thanking you again for your very kind suggestion which I shall submit to my colleagues on the Commonwealth Fund Committee, and with every good wish for the prosperity of the Institute, believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Walter B. Riddell

Rist

September 26, 1933

Dear Professor Rist:

I have just received your book on economic and monetary problems. I beg you to accept my thanks for the volume and for the charming inscription. Surely nothing could be more apropos at this time, for our Government cannot make up its mind what it wants to do with respect to the currency. A few months ago there was grave danger of inflation. Meanwhile, as the value of the dollar has declined without producing the beneficial effects of inflation, the danger of deliberate inflation on the part of the Government seems to be decreasing. We have, as you know, had previous experience with inflation, as, for example, during the Civil War, and again, President Cleveland had to fight a sound money campaign against Bryan. In the long run sound money will win, but in a democracy like ours in which, during the War, farmers went into debt in order to purchase more land for the produce of which they expected always to get war prices, this kind of madness is apt to recur from time to time.

I am living here at Princeton now, and getting ready to open next week the School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study. I hope, in the not too distant future, to open a second school devoted to economics and politics, and when that time comes, I trust that it will be possible for

Prof. Charles Rist - 2

September 26, 1933

you to come to the Institute, spending as much time as you can and delivering a course of lectures on post-War finance. I wish we were ready to ask you to do it today, when we need it so greatly.

Please give my warmest greetings to your wife and family, as well as to your brother and his family, and believe me

Very sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Prof. Charles Rist
18 Bis. Rue du Parc-de-Clagny
Versailles, France
AF:GB

Pittsburg Pa January 17/33
6523 Northum Ireland St.

Dr. Simon Flexner,
New York City.

C. Robbins

Dear doctor Flexner,

I hope you will pardon and forgive me for taking this liberty of writing to you, and trust that you will grant me the favor of acquainting you with my reason for doing so. I am enclosing some clippings which will better explain what is on my mind

In regard to my young son:-
this is his 2nd year at Harvard, having won two scholarships. The school is also assisting him in the way of employment whereby he earns part of his board. His father passed away four years ago leaving me with

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my young son and a little daughter
who is seven years old now. I have
no income whatever and tell now lived
in Atlantic City where I made some
sort of a livelihood renting rooms and
taking in boarders as it were. My health
is such now that I was compelled, owing
to a heart condition, to give up that
work and come here where I have a
sister who is giving us a temporary
home, till I am able to find some
kind of employment. Pittsburg is not
my home, having lived all my life
in a small town. My son entered
college in his junior year at high
school, as he did not wish to take
four years that he felt was too much
time wasted. He feels his responsibilities

keenly as I have no one whom I can depend on, nor it is only what he will be able to make of himself. To take him out of school, would break his heart, his life is his work at college and is so wrapped up in it, that I fear for the consequences should he not continue. Even with his scholarships and employment, it does not quite cover his expenses, as I have nothing that I can help him with. My parents have passed away in the last two years. I have no brothers or relatives that I can ask to help him. He is so outstanding in his work as you will notice. Is taking the most difficult course. My son does not know that I am writing to you dear doctor to see if God willing, perhaps I could

interest you or anyone else you might think of in his education. Isn't it possible that someone could lend him just a little to continue in his work. When I read of the new school of advanced science with which you are affiliated and that students may enter without thought of money, just to go on and study, how wonderful. Of course, my son is quite young. But his teachers tell me he is a genius. I am enclosing some of the remarks, so that you can judge for yourself. He is a very unusual boy. six foot in height, very handsome, sterling character. Oh I only wish you could talk with him dear doctor. Won't you, I beg of you, let him come to New York to speak with you. I know my son would re-

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sent my writing for him. But what else
can I do. I am so afraid his working
and trying to keep his high usage,
his health will suffer. He denies him-
self the proper food. He is not the
strong athletic type and I fear
he cannot continue to work as he
does over finances. Isn't it possible
to have him come in to New York
for an interview, just a word of
your advice and encouragement
will help him dear doctor. I can
furnish the list of references as to my
character, family and anything
that you may ask, if you care to
look into this appeal that I am
making for him. May God bless
you and reward you with many
years of health and happiness.

Most gratefully yours. Robbins
Mrs. Celia

Please return clippings. I value them so. Thank you.

February 8, 1933

Dear Mrs. Robbins:

I have your interesting letter this morning. The Institute for Advanced Study is meant only for a selected body of postgraduate students and will for the present deal only with mathematics. I regret to say that we have no funds applicable to scholarships in other institutions, but I feel sure that, if your boy has done so well at Harvard, the Harvard authorities will assist him to graduation. Should he be in this vicinity, I should be very glad indeed to advise with him, as you suggest.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Celia Robbins
6523 Northumberland Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
COLUMBIA

Robbins

GRADUATE SCHOOL
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

December 9, 1931

Dr. Abraham Flexner
150 E. 72nd Street
New York City, New York

Dear Doctor Flexner:

Knowing your interest in the encouragement of real research work and the advancement of science, I am venturing to call your attention to what I consider to be a primary need in the biological sciences.

I have the impression that at the present time the biological sciences are suffering from an accumulation of undigested data which are not sufficiently evaluated. I feel that there is a great need for the development of theoretical biologists who will give their major attention to the theoretical aspects of biology rather than to experimental work, duplicating for biology the situation which now exists in physics where we have theoretical physicists and experimental physicists. I am writing to you because you may find it possible to include in the organization of the Bamberger Institute one or more theoretical biologists. I should be glad to elaborate further on this matter if you find it of any interest.

With kind personal regards

Yours very truly

William J. Robbins

William J. Robbins
Dean

December 12, 1931

Dear Dean Robbins:

I am very grateful to you for the interesting suggestion contained in your letter of December 9, and I shall bear it in mind when we have reached a further point in the organization of the Institute.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Dean William J. Robbins
Graduate School
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

Department of
MATHEMATICS

May 3, 1937.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

As I mentioned to you the other afternoon, my old mentor, E. T. Bell, of the California Institute of Technology, is to be here for a Stafford Little Lecture the latter part of this week. I am planning a stag buffet supper on Friday evening in order that members of the mathematical staffs of the University and of the Institute for Advanced Study may have an opportunity to meet Bell informally. And I am hoping that you and President Dodds, as shepherds of the respective mathematical flocks, will also be able to come - at my home, 180 Prospect Avenue, at 7 P. M, Friday, May 7.

Sincerely yours,

Robertson

H. P. Robertson.

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

May 4, 1937

Dear Robertson:

Thank you very much for inviting me to join your stag party Friday evening in order to meet Professor Bell. I should be delighted to do both, namely, come to the supper and meet Bell -- not to say the others, yourself and your wife included. Unfortunately, I have to go to New York Thursday, and I doubt whether I shall be able to return to Princeton until Saturday evening. If by any chance I can come Friday I will "crash in" unless forbidden to do so.

With many thanks and all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor H. P. Robertson
Fine Hall
Princeton, New Jersey

May 14, 1934

Dear Professor Robertson:

I am sending you herewith a copy of
Claude Bernard's book on Experimental Medicine, which
I think will interest you as a study of the experimental
method, and you will also, I think, be interested in
Henderson's introduction.

Mrs. Flexner was very sorry to miss your
and Mrs. Robertson's visit yesterday, but she was sound
asleep during the entire time after a somewhat arduous
day with visitors from New York.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Professor H. P. Robertson
Fine Hall
Princeton, New Jersey

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:JEB

H. P. Robertson

April 20, 1934

Dear Professor Robertson:

At a recent meeting of a committee of the Institute for Advanced Study I took advantage of the opportunity to consult the counsel of the Board as to the rights of the officers and staff of the Institute in respect to the distribution of grants-in-aid. Two appropriations for grants-in-aid were made: one, specifically limited by the terms of the resolution to mathematics, and the other, limited in the same way to mathematical physics. It was the opinion of counsel that the officers of the Institute had no legal right to make a grant outside these two fields without express authorization of the Board. Inasmuch as I have consistently declined to present to the Board applications in a variety of things, many of which were undoubtedly meritorious, I do not see how I can take any further action in the matter of Dr. Voltman.

Will you please let Professor Greene see this letter, which I write with profound and genuine regret and sympathy?

Very sincerely yours,

Professor H. P. Robertson
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

ABRAHAM F. KAYNER

AF:ESB

November 3, 1920

Dear Professor Robertson:

Returning to New York, I find your letter of the twelfth of October suggesting that I inquire into your qualifications for a position in mathematics or mathematical physics on the faculty of the Institute for Advanced Study. The fields of study to be pursued have not yet been determined, but I shall be glad to communicate with you when the project develops.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor H. P. Robertson
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

AP:ESB

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

H. P. Robertson

Department of
MATHEMATICS

October 12, 1930

Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director
The Institute of Advanced Study
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

I should be very glad to have you inquire
into my qualifications for a position in Mathematics
or Mathematical Physics on the Faculty of the pro-
posed Institute of Advanced Study.

Very sincerely yours

H. P. Robertson

Assistant Professor of
Mathematical Physics.

Conway Robinson

May 28, 1934

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for yours of May 25th, which I appreciate, and which is so courteous and understanding. I am afraid that I shall be unable to do anything at this time with the paper entitled Matter and Force, inasmuch as the members of the faculty have left Princeton and I myself am leaving in a day or so to be gone until the autumn.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Conway Robinson
Monkton
Baltimore County
Maryland

AF/MCE

Monkton, Maryland.

May 25, 1934.

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I wish to thank you for your kind favor of May 12.

My idea was that you all might be sufficiently interested to make a preliminary investigation mathematically, based upon my conclusions or theories.

I appreciate, however, that you are already engaged on important mathematical problems and that any interruption would be objectionable.

You may be interested personally in a paper, which I send under separate cover by registered mail, entitled 'Matter and Force', under date of 1931.

This covers my conclusions at that time and outlines the further course, which I proposed to take. The theory as to the cause of gravity may be of primary interest.

If there be any truth in these ideas, or in any of them, and this be established by mathematical development and otherwise, it would of course be helpful to that extent in solving the ultimate nature of the various forces and their intrinsic relationship to each other and to matter. Possibly such further investigation would assist in showing what matter really is.

With much appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

Conway Robinson

Conway Robinson,

Monkton,
Baltimore Co.,
Maryland.

MATTER AND FORCE
BY
CONWAY ROBINSON

FIRST PAPER - - - PART 1

Conway Robinson

Monkton, Maryland.

May 4, 1934.

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

My dear Dr. Flexner:

For quite a number of years, I have been devoting myself in a rather practical way to an original research in respect to the ultimate nature of the so-called allotropic forms of the element carbon. This was undertaken with the approval and personal interest of the late Dr. C. P. Steinmetz and with the aid of the General Electric Co. in testing out my ideas through certain experiments made by me. After an interval of a few years due to our entrance into the World War the work was continued in association with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

In line with my original theory, made before starting any research or experimental work, I have produced a form of the element carbon in quite large masses with a naturally coherent structure throughout. Tests show that these masses of very pure carbon have metallic physical properties. Among the results, for example, are a heat conductivity even in the porous unwelded form twenty per cent above that of silver; a positive electrical resistance-temperature coefficient; high electrical conductivity; plasticity; and toughness.

The further development, that is, the making of specimens of drawn wire and industrial applications, such as an incandescent lamp to supersede tungsten, has been awaiting particularly the issuance of patents. There is pending before the Supreme Court of D. C. a decision upon the evidence and arguments presented about a year ago in regard to my request that the Patent Department be required to issue a patent to me upon my Parent Application, filed in 1921.

After the allowance of a large number of product claims about eight years ago, the Patent Office reversed its decision because of the adverse decision of the Court in the Coolidge tungsten case. However, from the viewpoint of my attorneys and myself, the two cases are fundamentally different though having certain similarities.

The prosecution of the patent applications on the new form of carbon and the process and apparatus for producing it has left me some spare time over several years, during which I have been engaged upon another research. This is a comparative study of the various phenomena of physics with the idea of possibly finding a clue to an ultimate, common cause or nature, which would eventually explain all of them in a satisfactory way and resolve them all to a single, ult-

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imate theory as to the cause in place of the various divergent ideas that have been advanced from time to time. My basic idea was, that it seemed reasonable to believe that all phenomena of physics and chemistry are definitely related and have a single, common, ultimate nature.

I believe that I have found the key, as the theory adopted seems to explain a considerable number of phenomena. For example, it offers a new, but apparently rational explanation of the causes of "attraction" through space, as exhibited by a magnetic field, an electrical charge, and by gravity.

I think this theory should be developed further by a graphical method in connection with representative phenomena to make it fully clear, and then mathematically. After this, all phenomena could be examined in accordance with the theory, and afterwards a final test should be made by determining and carrying out new experiments with a prediction of the results based on the theory.

All this may seem somewhat extraordinary, but if you are interested, I shall be glad to go into these matters further and answer any questions.

Yours very truly,

Conway Robinson.

Conway Robinson,

Monkton,
Baltimore Co.,
Maryland.

May 12, 1934

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for your letter of May 4th.

After conference with my colleagues, we have decided that we will not at this time embark on the type of work in which you are interested. We shall continue to limit our field to mathematics.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Conway Robinson
Monkton
Baltimore County
Maryland

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PALMER PHYSICAL LABORATORY
PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

May 10, 1934.

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I have looked through the letter which you have sent me of Mr. Conway Robertson from Monkton, Md. He deals with two questions, the first one concerns a more technical problem which perhaps will come out important. The special properties which he attributes to his new allotropic form of carbon look rather interesting, but I don't think that our department has special interest in it. The second problem seems to be a purely theoretical one. It is rather suspicious that the author believes to have found "the common cause or nature which will eventually explain all the various phenomena of physics in a satisfactory way". I do not think that we will lose anything if we do not ask him to go into these matters further.

Very sincerely,

R. Ladenburg

R. Ladenburg

RL/J

May 12, 1934

Dear Professor Ladenburg:

Many thanks for your kind favor of
the 10th regarding Mr. Robinson. I shall now
be able to answer him intelligently, and, of course,
I shall not mention the fact that I have communi-
cated with you.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor R. Ladenburg
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MCE

January 23, 1936

Professor David M. Robinson
The Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland

My dear Professor Robinson:

In the absence of Doctor Flexner permit
for
me to thank you/Die Ausgrabungen in Olynthos, a
monograph, which he will be delighted to have and
which he will read with much interest.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

RECORD OF STUDY OF FRANCIS WARING ROBINSON

Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn. 1920-24

Member of Cum Laude Society

Extra-curricular: Editor, "The Hotchkiss Record"

Member, Hotchkiss Dramatic Association

Princeton University. Undergraduate, 1925-29

In addition to courses in English, French, German, Greek, Latin, History, Physics, Geology, Anthropology, the following courses in the Department of Art and Archaeology:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Professor</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Ancient Architecture	E.B. Smith and G. Rowley	First Group
Medieval Architecture	" "	First Group
Ancient Art	G. W. Elderkin	First Group
Medieval Art	C. F. Morey; W.F. Stohlman	First Group
Italian Ren. Painting	E. DeWald; A.M. Friend	Second Group
Northern Renaissance	A. M. Friend	First Group
Ren. and Mod. Sculpture	Stohlman; Rowley	First Group
Modern Painting	E.B. Smith; A.M. Friend	First Group
Oriental Art	G. Rowley	First Group
Hellenistic Art	G.W. Elderkin	First Group

Junior theses: "Ancient Greek Culture and Excavated Sites - Knossos, Olympia, Pergamum, and Epidaurus"; "Monastic Art of the Middle Ages".

Senior thesis: "Artistic Style in Ancient Coinage - Greek, Roman, and Byzantine".

Award: Honorable Mention and Gold Medal in College Art

Association Comprehensive Examinations in the History of Art.

Final Standing: Final group in departmental work: First group plus. Average for Junior and Senior years: 1.15 group. General group at graduation - First. Graduated with highest honors. Member, Phi Beta Kappa Society.

Extra-curricular: Member, Theatre Intime

Princeton University. Graduate, 1929-31

<u>Course</u>	<u>Professor</u>
1929-30	
Early Florentine Painting: Giotto and Giottesque	F.J. Mather
Practical Archaeology	T.L. Shear
Spanish Art of the Middle Ages	E. DeWald
Greek Vase Painting	G.W. Elderkin
Greek Sculpture	G.W. Elderkin
1930-31	
Medieval Archaeology	C.R. Morey (two terms)
Medieval Psalter Illumination	E. DeWald
Greek Archaeology	G.W. Elderkin
Pagan Mystic Cults of the Graeco-Roman World	G.W. Elderkin
Greek Inscriptions	A.C. Johnson

Each graduate course occupied three hours weekly for a term of eighteen weeks. Graduate courses are not recorded on a basis of grading. All were successfully completed. Sustained examination in reading knowledge of French and German.

Fellowships: 1929-30: Fellowship in Art and Archaeology
 1930-31: Charlotte Elizabeth Procter
 Fellowship in Art and Archaeology
Degrees: June, 1930: Master of Arts (M.A.)
 October, 1935: Successfully sustained examinations
 for degree of Master of Fine Arts
 (M.F.A.). Diploma presented June, 1935

Harvard University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences,
Department of Fine Arts, 1931-32

<u>Course</u>	<u>Professor</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Museum Work and Museum Problems(15a)	P.J. Sachs	A
Art and Culture of Renaissance Italy (9a)	C.R. Post	Dropped for credit; attended all lectures.
Eastern Church Architecture (14k1)	K.J. Conant	A-
Early Art of Ireland (4b2)	A.K. Porter	A
Methods and Processes of Painting (15b2)	E.W. Forbes; G. Stout	A-

Audited the following courses:

Italian Painting of the Seventeenth and
 Eighteenth Centuries A. McComb
 General Theory of Representation and Design A. Pope
 History of Engraving P.J. Sachs
 Italian Baroque Architecture

Travel and Study in Europe

1924-25, year of travel in England, France, Switzerland, and
 Italy. Special study of Roman archaeology and topography
 in Rome, Naples, and Pompeii.
 1930, summer, travel in Holland, Germany, and Belgium.
 Studied in Summer School, University of Munich.
 1931, summer, fellowship from Institute for International
 Education for study in the summer school of the
Institute of Art and Archaeology of the University of
Paris. Courses: - Ancient Art: Classical Mediterranean
 Art in the Light of Recent Excavations. Hellenistic
 Sculpture. Medieval Art: Medieval French Painting.
 Modern Art: Survey of Architecture from the Renaissance
 to the Twentieth Century. French Painting of the
 Eighteenth Century. Professors: Picard, Focillon, Mercier,
 Lavedan, Lambert, Aubert, et al.
 1932, summer, similar fellowship for second summer of study.
Courses: Ancient Art: Problems of Architecture and
 Urbanism. Medieval Art: Medieval Art in Burgundy.
Degree: Brevet d'Histoire de l'Art de la Sorbonne.
 Travel in France, Switzerland, Italy, and Germany.
 Four months in Rome studying Christian Archaeology.
 Research on Early Christian Gold-Glass. Till June, 1933.

Appointed Assistant Curator of the Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati,
 Ohio. Assumed duties October 15, 1933.

February 19, 1934

Dear President Robinson:

I have spoken to Dean Eisenhart and Professor Veblen about your suggestion, and they think it is admirable. They are inviting Professor Reynolds and Professor Gill to come down to Princeton, at the expense of the Institute, in order to have luncheon and look over Fine Hall.

With all good wishes and high regards,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

President Frederick B. Robinson
The College of the City of New York
Convent Avenue and 139th Street
New York City

AF/MCE

February 6, 1934

Dear President Robinson:

Dean Eisenhart tells me that he has been in communication with you on the subject of mathematics. Without any desire whatsoever to influence your course of action, I think it would interest you to come down to Princeton some day - say Saturday next or some day that is convenient in the following week - to lunch with a few of the mathematics group here, to see Fine Hall, which is the mathematics center, and to get a first-hand idea of what it is that has made Princeton in a few years one of the great mathematics centers of the world.

I did this myself and subsequently made two trips, taking in all the mathematics centers from Pasadena to Budapest, with the result that I was persuaded that there are two or three mathematics centers in the United States which rank with the most eminent centers abroad. Let's have as many more as we can.

If you find yourself able to accept this invitation let me know the day and I will make the necessary arrangements. The trip is an easy one. You can leave New York at 10 o'clock from the Pennsylvania Station and reach Princeton within an hour, though I should meet you at Princeton Junction with a motor and thus save you a ride on a shuttle.

With all good wishes and high regards,

Sincerely yours,

President Frederick B. Robinson
The College of the City of New York
New York City

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

F. B. Robinson

February 2, 1934

Dear President Robinson:

Thank you very much for your very kind note of February 1st. I am delighted to feel that you take my suggestion in good part. As you know, I am not a mathematician and hence do not know the details of your mathematics department. I am going, however, to send your note to Professor Veblen and ask him to talk with Dean Eisenhart on the subject. Perhaps they can arrange a conference with you.

Believe me when I say that I have no selfish end in mind. I am simply anxious that in point of scholarship such institutions as the City College should be brought to the highest possible level. If you are there already, I am delighted.

With warm personal regards and all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

President Frederick B. Robinson
The College of the City of New York
St. Nicholas Terrace and 139th Street
New York City

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The College of the City of New York
Office of the President

ST. NICHOLAS TERRACE AND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH STREET

February 1, 1934.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

It was pleasant to receive your note with its friendly nudge. However, we had prided ourselves at The City College upon the strength of our Mathematics Department and upon the fact that we were bringing up a crop of young men who represent the most recent advances in mathematical science. Indeed, our students take first rank in the graduate schools and we have been commended for the excellence of our mathematical work both at home and abroad. Of course I may be mistaken, but I had the feeling that we had about as well equipped a mathematics department as any institution in the United States which deals with undergraduate instruction in pure mathematics and with the professional applications of mathematics in the fields of technology and business. Under separate cover I am sending you a catalogue, on pages 310 to 313 of which will be found a description of our courses. I will be glad to have any suggestions from you concerning additional courses which should be offered to undergraduates.

The administration of the Department of Mathematics will be continued by Professor Frederick G. Reynolds, who was for years the close associate of Professor Saurel. Advanced courses implying close touch with recent mathematical developments will be handled, no doubt, by one of the young men of the type I mentioned, namely Dr. Bennington Gill.

If you can suggest names to me of other strong men whom we could add to the department, I shall be glad to have them and consider appointment when financial conditions make new appointments possible. We are constantly on the lookout for able men in all fields and know where to look for them. I had thought we had been diligent in the Mathematics Department, but your implied friendly criticism makes me wish to redouble our efforts. Any concrete suggestions you can make will be welcome.

With kind personal regards,

Faithfully,

Frederick G. Robinson

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

January 31, 1934

Dear President Robinson:

I noted with regret in reading the Times the other day that you had lost your professor of mathematics.

Yesterday it occurred to me that you would not misunderstand a suggestion from me on the subject. We have in recent years made very great progress in this country in the field of modern mathematics, notably at Harvard and at Princeton. It seems to me of the highest importance that, as chairs fall vacant, they should be filled with younger men who represent the most recent advances in the mathematical sciences. You will be interested to know that in the School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study we have had during the last year five professors, working with 21 students, most of whom already hold important academic posts. You will find a development of the same character at Harvard and something of the kind in one or two other places. I think you will not misunderstand me when I say that I hope that so important an institution as City College may bring its department of mathematics into line by securing someone who has enjoyed the most advanced modern opportunities.

It is an open secret that New York University has invited a very distinguished German mathematician, Professor Courant, formerly a professor of mathematics at Göttingen and now visiting professor at Cambridge University, to come to New York University for a two-year period. There is a general movement

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in this direction to bring mathematics up to the level which it has reached in the most important centers in Europe.

With all good wishes and warm regards,

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

President Frederick B. Robinson
The College of the City of New York
Convent Avenue and 139th Street
New York City

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Rockefeller, John

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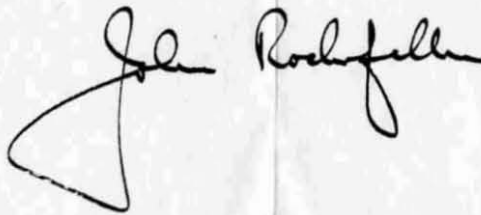
Dear Dr. Flexner,

Just a note to thank you for the several bulletins concerning the Institute which you were good enough to send to my room at the Inn. Coming up on the train last night I read them with a great deal of interest.

I did enjoy so much our hour together yesterday morning. Not only was it a real pleasure seeing you again but also I was terribly glad of the opportunity to learn more about the Institute and its work. It certainly has fascinating possibilities both by itself and in its relationship to the University.

Hoping that we may meet often on my occasional visits to Princeton, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John Rockefeller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "J" that extends downwards and to the left.

Dr. Abraham Flexner
Institute For Advanced Studies
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey

G. Roemmert

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF VISUAL INSTRUCTION
128 EAST 52ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

February 24, 1931.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,
Institute for Advanced Study,
100 East 42nd Street,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

At the risk of seeming to want your job instead of mine, which is far from the truth, (I am sure your worries must be almost equal to mine), may I call to your attention the fact that Prof. George Roemmert, M.D., Ph.D., is now in this country seeking some sort of satisfactory University or other connection. As you doubtless know, Prof. Roemmert is a micro-biologist of note in his own country and for a long time a member of the faculty of the Munich University. He has come to America at the suggestion I believe especially of Prof. Black of Harvard and has the hearty support of Columbia and Teachers College people. His specialty is micro-projection for biology instruction. He has lectured on this throughout European centers and is a recognized authority. His contribution seems to me unique, in that he shows students not dried specimens or drawings, but living organisms. Because he does not fit exactly into our cut and dried curriculum, it seems as though there is a likelihood of our students being deprived of this exceptional educational opportunity.

I shall be pleased to arrange for Dr. Roemmert to meet with you and discuss his work at such time as will suit your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Rita Hochheimer

(MISS) RITA HOCHHEIMER
Assistant Director of Visual Instruction.

RH:TH

March 2, 1931

Miss Rita Hochheimer
Board of Education
Office of the Director of Visual Instruction
128 East 52nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Hochheimer:

In Dr. Flexner's absence in Europe permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 24 offering to arrange a meeting between Dr. Flexner and Professor George Roemmert. Dr. Flexner will not return to America until June. It has not yet been determined whether micro-biology will be included in the curriculum of the new Institute, but if Professor Roemmert will be in New York in June and will care to call on Dr. Flexner, I am sure that he will be happy to meet him.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

July 31, 1940

Mr. Lewis Rohrbaugh
Room 304
Board of Public Education Building
21st Street on the Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Rohrbaugh:

Dr. Aydelotte asked me to thank you
for your letter of the twenty-eighth and to say
that there was no opening at the Institute now.
He will keep you in mind and if anything develops
he will not fail to let you know.

Very truly yours,

ESB

Secretary

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July 28, 1940

Dr. Frank Aydelotte
324 Cedar Lane
Swarthmore, Penna.

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I am wondering if your plans with respect to the Institute for Advanced Study may not indicate the need for a young assistant who can effectively carry for you such responsibilities as you might delegate to him? Should there be this opportunity, will you consider the contribution I believe I have to offer?

My experience has been almost entirely in the field of social group work, particularly in recreation and adult education. It has been many-sided, however, so that I could be of service to you in such varying functions as public relations, the development of materials, research, leadership training and general administration. I am attaching a brief summary of my educational and employment backgrounds, and am including the names of several persons who are familiar with the calibre of my work.

Since 1935 I have been with the Philadelphia Board of Public Education, in charge of the WPA Education and Recreation Division. My salary is paid by WPA and I am responsible both to the Board and to WPA. The Division includes a teaching staff of approximately eight hundred persons and an administrative staff of sixty. Activities in all phases of education and recreation are carried on in more than three hundred centers of varying types. I was brought in, by the Board, to organize and to administer this program, coming from another federal agency.

I would very much appreciate the opportunity to supplement the information in this letter by coming out to talk with you. Although I shall be working at a conference in central Pennsylvania for the next week or ten days, I can return for an interview within that period, should you so desire. Believe me, I should indeed welcome an opportunity to work under you. Will you please address me at my home, 2221 Pine Street, Philadelphia?

Sincerely yours,

Lewis Rohrbaugh

Lewis Rohrbaugh

Education

Dickinson College Ph.B., 1930 Psychology
Cornell University 1931-32
University of Pennsylvania 1932-34 Ph.D. (1939) Philosophy

Employment

October, 1935- Supervisor, Education and Recreation Division, WPA
- Sponsored by the Philadelphia Board of Public Education

July, 1934- October, 1935 Supervisor, Education and Recreation Department
Federal Transient Bureau, Philadelphia Area
-also, State Consultant in Education and Recreation

September, 1933- July, 1934 Social Service Secretary, the Christian Association
University of Pennsylvania

September, 1933- July, 1934 Assistant Headworker, and Director of Men's & Boys' Work
University Settlement House, Philadelphia

June, 1933- September, 1933 Council of Social Agencies, Community Fund of Philadelphia and Vicinity
-Director, in South Philadelphia, of a three-month experiment in community organization work with unemployed adults.

September, 1932- June, 1933 Director of Boys' Work, Webster Settlement House
Philadelphia

June to October, 1931 Associate Director of two boys' camps
Schenectady Y.M.C.A., Schenectady, N.Y.

September to June 1929, 1930, 1931 Williamsport Printing & Binding Co., Williamsport, Pa.
Salesman of printing contracts to college and high school annuals in Pennsylvania, New York and Maryland.

July, 1930- Jan., 1931 Scott Paper Co., Chester, Pa. At first mill hand, finally assistant purchasing agent. Left to go on with post-graduate work at Dickinson, graduate work at Cornell.

June to September, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929; June, 1930 Hudson River Day Line, New York City
Manager of store on steamer

General References

Eduard C. Lindeman, New York School of Social Work
William Henry Welsh, Assistant to the Supt., Philadelphia Board of Public Education
Louis Nusbaum, Associate Superintendent, Philadelphia Board of Public Education
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Edgar A. Singer, Jr., University of Pennsylvania
A.W. Castle, Bureau of Instruction, Penna. State Department of Public Instruction

April 17, 1939

Dear Miss Roll:

I have your charming note of April 16. Please do not believe that for a moment I thought your request out of place. On the contrary, if Professor Einstein were not so besieged I should have been glad to convey to him, and I think he would have been happy to comply with, your wish and that of your associates; but every time he makes any sort of appearance in public he is deluged with requests, so that for the sake of his health and his work he is bound to keep his appointments down to a minimum.

Should you be coming to Princeton at any time I, shall be happy to take you to see Professor Einstein if you have not already met him.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Rose Roll
Washington Irving High School
40 Irving Place
New York City
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TELEPHONE
ALGONQUIN 4-3776

April 16, 1939.

Dear Dr. Flesner,

I want to thank you for your kind letter of March 22nd. It conveyed more patience and sympathy than my foolish and thoughtless request, as I now see it, deserved. I must truly have been suffering with spring fever to expect Dr. Einstein to leave his work, more stupendous than ever, according to recent press reports, to think up something for a fair. I'm afraid I've been a little ridiculous. I hope that you in your generosity will pardon me for this error in judgment.

Sincerely yours,
Rose Roll.

March 22, 1939

Dear Miss Roll:

I am very happy indeed to hear from you once more and to realize that you have not forgotten me as I have not forgotten you or your associates. I wish very much that I felt in position to approach Professor Einstein in respect to the questions which you ask, but I have made it a rule by agreement with him that I would never ask him to do anything, and to that rule I have adhered ever since I came to Princeton six years ago. If I break over in one instance, I shall have to break over again, and I might find myself very much embarrassed. Under these circumstances I feel very certain that you will understand why I cannot bring your letter to his attention.

With all good wishes to you and to your associates,

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLENNER

Miss Rose Roll
205 East 78th Street
New York City

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March 21, 1939

Miss Rose Roll,
205 East 78th Street
New York City

My dear Miss Roll:

Your letter of March 19 has been received while Dr. Flexner is away from Princeton, and will be brought to his attention upon his return later in the month.

Very truly yours,

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March 19, 1939.

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

My dear Dr. Flexner,

You have on so many occasions been gracious and magnanimous to the Standing Committee on Mathematics in New York City, that I presume to turn to you again for advice and help.

I should like to address a question to Dr. Einstein and would beg you to do two things for me: 1) decide whether the question should be addressed to him at all, 2) present the question to him, if you will.

The subject of mathematics has been assigned a space (about $2' \times 1\frac{1}{2}'$) in the World's Fair educational exhibit, to show the mathematics of to-morrow. This is the question: Would Dr. Einstein have the time and the inclination to indicate a suggestion of his stupendous equation which is about to be devised which will unite time and space (said to be symbolized in the theme center)

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applicable alike to the microcosm and the macro-cosm! And thus we would have in our mathematics exhibit the greatest and most significant accomplishment of the world of to-morrow. Perhaps, I'm presumptuous in attempting to seek this mighty feat of the human mind and spirit for the mathematics exhibit, perhaps it ought to occupy somewhere an exalted and impressive position, all alone, since it has no peers.

I hope you will disregard all these queries if you consider them improper and inappropriate.

Respectfully yours,

Rose Roll,

Chairman of the Standing Com.

June 16, 1938

Miss Rose Roll
Washington Irving High School
40 Irving Place
New York City

Dear Miss Roll:

Your very kind invitation of June 13 to Dr. Flexner has come while he is in England, so that he, unfortunately, is unable to accept.

Professor Einstein has already left Princeton for the summer. I do not have his summer address, but if you send a letter to him to Princeton addressed-- 112 Mercer Street--please forward -- it would undoubtedly follow him. Whether his family would feel that he should interrupt his rest to return to the city at the end of June, I cannot say.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

ESB:MGH

Secretary

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ALGONQUIN 4-3776

June 13, 1938

Dr. Abraham Flexner
28 Nassau Street
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Flexner:

We would very much like to have you as an honored guest at the reception given to the officials and guests of the National Council of Mathematics Teachers by the mathematics teachers of New York City on June 28th from 4 to 6 P.M. at the campus of Barnard College, 118th Street and Broadway. We do hope you will have the time and inclination to be with us. The mathematics teachers of the nation will consider it a great honor to greet you on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Rose Roll.

Do you think it would be proper to ask Dr. Einstein to this garden party following the 2-4 P.M. session of the National Council of Mathematics Teachers? It would be so wonderful to have him but I'm afraid we might not to have the temerity to ask him. What do you think?

R.R.

March 4, 1937

Dear Miss Roll:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I wrote Dr. Tildsley as soon as I could after my return from Arizona. The dinner in Dr. Tildsley's honor was one of the few things that I sincerely regret to have missed.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Rose Roll
Washington Irving High School
40 Irving Place
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February 9, 1937.

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

Dr. John L. Tildesley who is about to be retired as Assistant Superintendent of High Schools is to be the honored guest at the winter dinner meeting, February 27th, of the First Assistant of the New York City High Schools (Heads of Departments). You must know how great would be his pleasure if you could find the time and the inclination to come up to New York City that evening to honor him with your gracious presence and bring the salutations of your great institution. Please try to come.

Very humbly yours,

Ree Rell.

February 11, 1937

Miss Rose Roll
Washington Irving High School
40 Irving Place
New York City

My dear Miss Roll:

In Dr. Flexner's absence I have received your letter of February 9 inviting him to a dinner on February 27, at which Dr. Tildsley is to be the honored guest. I am sure that nothing would give Dr. Flexner greater pleasure than to join in honoring Dr. Tildsley, but unfortunately he is in the West and will not return until the end of the month. He will write to Dr. Tildsley as soon as possible after his return.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Secretary

H. A. Rolnick

4802 McKean Ave.
Philadelphia, Pa.
Sept. 6, 1932.

Dr. Abraham Flexner
Director of the Institute for Advanced Study
New York City.
Dear Sir:

In a recent issue of Time, mention was made of Prof. Albert Einstein being made lecturer at the Institute of Advanced Study - of which you are director. This leads me to inquire whether the Institute's policies have been shaped definitely enough to provide for more participants. If so, I would like to record my interest in the work with a view of participating in it.

Your selection of Dr. Einstein points to the study of Physics as one of the subjects for advanced study. For this, I think I am well qualified. My training has consisted of the following: four years at Rutgers University (B. S. degree in 1925) where I majored in Physics and Mathematics; three years at Yale University (Ph. D. in Physics, 1930). At present I am employed by an industrial concern as a physicist.

Dr. L. W. McKeehan, of director of Sloane Physics Laboratory, Yale University, could supply you with other information about me which you may require.

Respectfully yours
H. A. Rolnick

September 9, 1932

Dear Dr. Rolnick:

I have yours of September 6. I am at present unfortunately unable to answer inquiries regarding the policies of the Institute for Advanced Study, but I hope that some announcement may be made in the course of the early winter. I shall keep your address and mail you any announcement that is made.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. H. A. Rolnick
4802 McKean Avenue
Philadelphia, Pa.

ABRAHAM FLENNER

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F. Roosevelt
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 4, 1933.

My dear Mr. Flexner:

The President has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter to him of November 3rd and to express to you his complete understanding of the situation with respect to Professor Einstein.

May I explain to you that the invitation which I extended so informally over the telephone to Professor Einstein's secretary was purely a personal one and was predicated on it being entirely convenient for the Professor and Mrs. Einstein to come down.

May I assure you that your letter of explanation is entirely satisfactory to the President.

Sincerely,



M. H. McIntyre
Assistant Secretary
to the President.

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

November 3, 1933

To the
President of the United States
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

With genuine and profound reluctance, I felt myself compelled this afternoon to explain to your secretary, Mr. MacIntyre, that Professor Einstein had come to Princeton for the purpose of carrying on his scientific work in seclusion and that it was absolutely impossible to make any exception which would inevitably bring him into public notice.

You are aware of the fact that there exists in New York an irresponsible group of Nazis. In addition, if the newspapers had access to him or if he accepted a single engagement or invitation that could possibly become public, it would be practically impossible for him to remain in the post which he has accepted in this Institute or in America at all. With his consent and at his desire I have declined in his behalf invitations from high officials and from scientific societies in whose work he is really interested.

I hope that you and your wife will appreciate the fact that in making this explanation to your secretary I do not forget that you are entitled to a degree of consideration wholly beyond anything that could be claimed or asked by any one else, but I am convinced that, unless Professor Einstein inflexibly

To the
President of the United States

November 3, 1933

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adheres to the regime which we have with the utmost difficulty established during the last two weeks, his position will be an impossible one.

With great respect and very deep regret, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

D. Rosenbaum

January 30, 1933

Mr. D. Rosenbaum
Keystone Printing and Systems Co.
200 Hudson Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

Will you kindly send to the Institute with
bill the following:

- 1,000 letterheads precisely like the
one on which this note is written
- 1,000 small envelopes, printing on flap,
precisely like the one enclosed
- 1,000 larger envelopes, precisely like
the larger one enclosed

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

February 15, 1932

Mr. D. Rosenbaum
Keystone Printing and Systems Co.
200 Hudson Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

Will you kindly fill for us the following
order:

1,000 sheets, American Trust Bond paper,
size and quality of sample enclosed
1,000 small sheets, printing, size and quality
of sample enclosed
500 envelopes to match small sheets, printing
on flap. Please note that in title
the letter f should be small -
The Institute for Advanced Study

If there is any question, kindly telephone
me - Ashland 4 - 3775.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

May 29, 1933

My dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

I send you herewith corrected proof.

Will you please send 100 copies to us here?

Thank you for sending the overprinted material which was received in good time for packing.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BARLEY

Mr. D. Rosenbaum
Keystone Printing and Systems Co.
200 Hudson Street
New York City

October 22, 1930

Dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

I myself like the second letterhead very much, but my wife - and one always consults one's wife - while approving the arrangement of the second letterhead prefers the type used on the letterhead of The American Dramatists which I enclose. Inasmuch as we shall stick permanently to any letterhead we now adopt, would it be too much if I ask you to set up one more proof, keeping to the arrangement of the second proof but using the type and paper of the Dramatists?

With much appreciation of your patience and courtesy, I am

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. D. Rosenbaum
Keystone Printing and Systems Co.
200 Hudson Street
New York, N. Y.

AF:ESB



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NEW YORK STATE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR BOYS
STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE
WARWICK, NEW YORK

May 4th, 1934.

ROBERT ROSENBLUTH
SUPERINTENDENT
WALTER R. MONTERER
CHARLES SCHROEDEL
ASST. SUPTS.
MAX WINSOR, M. D.
MEDICAL CENTER
HARRY W. COLLINS
SOCIAL WORK
JESSE FUNT
BUSINESS AGENT

R. Rosenbluth

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

If it is bad judgment to write you direct without the usual preliminaries of proper and influential introductions; then I am surely writing in a lost cause - assuming that there is a cause or that there is anything to lose.

In the papers I noted that a million dollars had been left to endow the work on politics and government under your direction.

If the door is open, even a crack, I would like to stick my foot into it and hold it open until I talk with you about the possibility of my getting in the rest of the way.

I could tell you a story that extends over thirty years' of experience working in the Federal Government, both in Washington and through the States; in New York State Government, both at Albany as Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Social Welfare and in the field service; in New York City service as Special Representative of the then Commissioner of Corrections, Katharine B. Davis, in the institutional service; in foreign service including Europe and the Far East; and two years as Assistant Director of the Institute for Public Service, including the training of a group of graduate students in the problems of government.

There are a number of other miscellaneous experiences, such as working on reorganization of State, City and County governments; front line experience during the World War, as Captain of Engineers; in charge of exhibits and publicity for various civic projects, etc.

Dr. Abraham Flexner

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5-4-34

In my present position as Superintendent of the New York State Training School for Boys at Warwick, there has been developed a rather notable connection with the Columbia University Medical Center and with Teachers College.

For example, on Tuesday Evening, May 15th, we are holding in the Board Room of the Neurological Institute, 168th Street, New York City at 8:15 o'clock, a meeting, at which there will be a discussion of our experiences with the following principal speakers:

Dr. Frederick Tilney, Director of the Neurological Institute and Chairman of our Committee;

Professor William H. Kilpatrick, Mr. James Marshall and others.

If, in your busy life, you could possibly attend this meeting, you could better estimate in one evening the type of work I can do, than many hours of talk or testimonials could show.

Needless to say, if you did desire testimonials, I could furnish them from very diverse and authoritative groups of people.

From the above, I take it that you realize I am talking about getting a job - it does not have to be a full time job, because I really have a very good position of my own. I would consider it a very great honor and fulfillment of one of my dreams, to be associated in such a project as yours. If it should develop that you need me for more than part time service, I would also be glad to consider it.

Very sincerely yours,



Robert Rosenbluth/le

May 5, 1934

Dear Dr. Rosenbluth:

Thank you for your kind note of May 4th.

I am extremely sorry that I shall not be able to be in New York on the evening of Tuesday, May 15th.

The present work of the Institute is limited to mathematics inasmuch as we have not yet secured what I consider to be adequate funds required for the organization of another school. I shall keep your letter on file and let you hear from me when the moment arrives.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Robert Rosenbluth
New York State Training School for Boys
Warwick, New York

AF/MCE

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

BALTIMORE, MD.

LEWIS H. WEED, M.D., DIRECTOR

October 2, 1935.

Mr. Abraham Flexner,
The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Flexner:-

This will introduce to you Dr. Hans Rosenberg, formerly of the University of Cologne and more recently of the University of London. Dr. Rosenberg comes to me very highly recommended by Dr. Kent Greenfield, Professor of History in the university here, as an outstanding young scholar in history in the broader sense. Dr. Rosenberg now has a two year appointment from the Emergency Committee in aid of Displaced German scholars, provided some American university makes formal application to the Committee for his services. Dr. Rosenberg has expressed a desire to learn of the developments of the Institute along humanistic lines, and may prove the kind of exceptional scholar in whom we would be interested. He is prepared to present to you his credentials and record.

Very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lewis H. Weed", written in a cursive style.

October 3, 1935
545 West 111 Street, Apt. 9 E
New York City.

Dear Dr. Flexner,

Taking the liberty of enclosing some papers for your perusal and a special letter of introduction that Dr. Reed was kind enough to write. Then I saw him yesterday at Baltimore. I wonder if you could make it possible for me to meet you at Princeton.

I should like to know what part historical research is supposed to play in the development of the Institute for Advanced Study and, on the other hand, I should like to ask you whether a historian of the younger generation who has devoted himself to the study of modern European history and, more particularly, to the history of ideas and to the economic and social aspect of history, might have a chance of joining the staff of the Institute.

Following an invitation from Dr. C. Becker, of Cornell University, I shall leave on Sunday for Ithaca, but I am returning to New York on Wednesday next. As my colleagues of the University of Philadelphia want to meet me on Friday next at Philadelphia I should be most grateful to you if you were to be prepared to see me on Thursday next (October 10).

from 11 a.m. onwards I could call on you at any
time that is most convenient to you. You will,
perhaps, be kind enough to let me have a note
in reply.

Sincerely yours

Isaac Rosenberg.

Curriculum vitae
of
Hans W. Rosenberg.

1927: Dr. phil. (University of Berlin).

1927/28: Research-Fellow of "Historische Kommission bei der Bayrischen Akademie der Wissenschaften."

1928/34: Research-Fellow of The Historische Reichskommission.

1932/33: Privatdozent for medieval and modern history at the University of Cologne.

1934: Fellow of The Royal Historical Society.

1934/35: Research-Fellow at The Institute of Historical Research (University of London).

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ne kritische Bibliographie. München 1935, 2 vol., pp. XIV, 999.

Vienna August 1, 1935.

Sir,

By the following lines I wish to draw your attention to Dr. Hans Rosenberg, a young German historian, who at present lives as one of the exiled German scholars in England.

Dr. Rosenberg's special great merit is his admirable familiarity with the history of German Liberalism in regard of both political and economic problems and principles. He has published 1933 a highly praiseworthy book on the true founder of North German Liberalism, Rudolf Haym. Dr. Rosenberg published in this year a big work on the first decade of Prussian history since Bismarck had become Prime Minister until the war of 1870. A great number of smaller publications of Rosenberg's illustrate the struggle between Western Liberalism and the Prussian tradition of the paramountcy of the royal power, based on the support of the feudal landowners and the military caste.

Dr. Rosenberg, who was a very prominent member of the seminar of that greatest living German academic historian, Professor Friedrich Meinecke, is an excellent German writer, at the same time he speaks and writes the English language very well. I wish to be helpful, if possible, to him in his endeavour to be called to a chair by an American university or college. I recommend Dr. Rosenberg most warmly for his rare capacities and for his great scholarly and educational qualities. As an old Harvard University Professor of Comparative Public Law I wish to say to my American colleagues and to Presidents of colleges, who know the writer of this letter and of his own long years teaching Political Science in the U.S.A. that I am convinced: Dr. Rosenberg will certainly show himself a most valuable teacher of modern European, especially of German history of politics and economics, when he would have the great chance to be called to a chair in one of the splendid American faculties of historical sciences.

Dr. Josef Redlich
Harvard University Professor
Honor Professor at the University of Vienna (Austria)

Berlin-Dahlem,
Am Hirschsprung 13.
9. September 1934.

Herr Dr. Hans Rosenberg, der sich an der Universität Köln habilitiert hatte, ist durch die Ariergesetzgebung genötigt worden, seine Existenz und sein wissenschaftliches Arbeitsfeld im Ausland zu suchen. Ich wünsche ihm hierfür den besten Erfolg, denn ich rechne ihn zu meinen tüchtigsten und aussichtsreichsten Schülern. Er begann mit geistesgeschichtlichen Interessen, wählte sich Rudolf Haym, den grossen Vertreter eines nationalen Liberalismus um die Mitte des 19. Jahrhunderts, zum Thema und hat sowohl durch die musterhafte Herausgabe seines Briefwechsels, die im Auftrage der Münchener Histor. Kommission erfolgte, wie durch die kürzlich erschienene Monographie über Hayms Entwicklung bis 1850 gezeigt, dass er ein bedeutendes Einzelleben in grossen geistigen und politischen Zusammenhängen zu erfassen versteht. Ich bin nicht mit allen seinen in dieser Schrift entwickelten Auffassungen einverstanden, rechne sie aber trotzdem zu den eindringendsten und lehrreichsten Beiträgen zur Ideengeschichte des 19. Jahrhunderts, die wir in den letzten Jahren erhielten. Philosophische Beschlagenheit zeigt auch seine Einleitung zu der Neuausgabe von Hayms grossem Werke über Hegel. Rosenberg blieb aber nicht bei der Geistesgeschichte stehen, sondern wandte sich, um das 19. Jahrhundert tiefer zu erfassen, auch sozial- und wirtschaftsgeschichtlichen Studien zu. Seine neueren Schriften darüber zeichnen sich wiederum durch die auf den Kern der Dinge gerichtete Energie der Forschung aus.

Seine umfassendste wissenschaftliche Leistung liegt bisher erst im Manuskript vor. Es ist die Kritische Bibliographie der nationalpolitischen Publizistik von 1858-1866, die er im Auftrage der Historischen Reichskommission und unter meiner Leitung in den Jahren 1928-1934 bearbeitet hat und die jetzt in Druck gegeben ist. Diejenigen Mitglieder der Histor. Reichskommission, denen ich Teile des Manuskriptes zur Prüfung vorlegte, sind mit mir der Meinung, dass hier eine ungewöhnlich schwere, viel Spürsinn und Auswahlkunst erfordernde Aufgabe so gelöst worden ist, dass eine

ganz wesentliche Bereicherung unseres Bildes vom Wollen und Denken der deutschen Nation zur Zeit der Reichsgründung dabei herausgekommen ist. Durch eine sehr geschickte Technik ist das Ermüdende einer blossen Bibliographie vermieden worden. Man liest die beiden starken Bände des Werks mit immer erneuter Anregung und oft sogar Spannung. Ich bin sicher, dass wir hier ein fortan unentbehrliches Standardwerk für die Geschichte der Reichsgründung erhalten haben. Möchte es auch dem Verfasser seinen weiteren Lebensweg bahnen helfen.

Professor Dr. Friedrich Meinecke.

Der Privatdozent für mittlere und neuere Geschichte an der Kölner Universität (-1933) Dr.phil. Hans Rosenberg hat sich bisher wissenschaftlich in der Hauptsache auf zwei Gebieten betätigt; er hat sich mit der politischen Ideengeschichte Deutschlands bis über die Mitte des 19. Jahrhunderts und mit der allgemeinen Wirtschaftsgeschichte der fünfziger Jahre des 19. Jahrhunderts befasst.

Dem ersten Arbeitsgebiet sind vornehmlich gewidmet die treffliche Ausgabe des "Ausgewählten Briefwechsels Rudolf Hayms" (Bd. 27 von Deutschlands Geschichtsquellen im 19. Jahrhundert, herausg. von der Historischen Kommission bei der Bayrischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, 1930), ferner der Aufsatz in der Historischen Zeitschrift Bd.141 (1929) über "Theologischer Rationalismus und vormärzlicher Vulgärliberalismus" und die Kölner Habilitationsschrift: "Rudolf Haym und die Anfänge des klassischen Liberalismus" (Beiheft 31 der Historischen Zeitschrift, 1933). An Hayms Beispiel erläutert Rosenberg anschaulich und klar die Entwicklung des deutschen politischen Denkens von der Aufklärung über die klassische Literaturperiode und die idealistische Philosophie zur praktisch-politischen Betätigung in gemässigt liberaler Richtung. Was in den grossen allgemeinen Linien, aber abstrakt theoretisch bekannt war, gewinnt hier Fleisch und Blut und wird in seiner individuellen Gestaltung erst voll verständlich, menschlich fassbar und nachföhlbar.

1935 veröffentlichte Rosenberg im Auftrage der Historischen Reichskommission Deutschlands ein zweibändiges Werk über "Die nationalpolitische Publizistik Deutschlands vom Eintritt der Neuen Ära in Preussen bis zum Ausbruch des Deutschen Krieges". Hier behandelt er das Wiedererwachen des politischen Lebens in Deutschland nach den Jahren der Reaktion und das erneute Ringen um die Fülle der politischen Probleme, die eine Lösung der deutschen Frage in nationaler und liberaler Richtung in sich schloss. Eine staunenswerte Arbeitsleistung ist hier vollbracht. Eine unendlich umfangreiche Literatur, Flugschriften und Zeitschriftenaufsätze, musste gesammelt, die Fundstellen für diese Literatur verzeichnet und der Inhalt möglichst knapp wiedergegeben werden, sodass der

Benutzer sich rasch über die Entwicklung der politischen Ideen in Deutschland von 1858-1866 nach irgend einer Richtung hin orientieren kann. Für keine schicksalsentscheidende Periode der deutschen Geschichte liegt auch nur annähernd die Möglichkeit vor wie hier, das gesamte politische Denken eines ganzen Volkes, aller Schichten aus Oesterreich-Ungarn, Preussen und den anderen Gebieten des Deutschen Bundes, in der Aussen- wie in der Innenpolitik bis in die letzten Einzelheiten zu überblicken.

In einem 1934 erschienenen Buch behandelt Rosenberg "Die Weltwirtschaftskrise von 1857-1859" (Beiheft 30 zur Vierteljahrschrift für Sozial- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte). Es ist die erste, gründliche, alle Länder der Erde berücksichtigende Untersuchung einer der grossen Wirtschaftskrisen der kapitalistischen Wirtschaft des 19. Jahrhunderts; sie legt auf breiter Grundlage die Entstehung der Krise in ihren wirtschaftlichen und politischen Ursachen, ihren Verlauf und ihre Folgen nach allen Richtungen dar.

Der Historiker der Neuzeit steht, wenn er seine Aufgabe voll erfüllen will, vor der gewaltigen Aufgabe, den mannigfachen und verwickelten geistigen, politischen, wirtschaftlichen und sozialen Kräften der von ihm behandelten Zeit gleichmässig gerecht zu werden; die meisten Historiker begnügen sich aber, da sie sich dieser Aufgabe nicht voll gewachsen fühlen, auf eines jener Gebiete das Schwergewicht ihrer Forschung zu verlegen. Rosenberg hat in seinen Schriften den Beweis geliefert, dass er den höchsten Anforderungen an den neueren Historiker gerecht zu werden vermag.

In seiner Probevorlesung vor der Kölner philosophischen Fakultät und in seiner Antrittsvorlesung als Kölner Privatdozent hat er die Fähigkeit bewiesen, grosse Gebiete und schwierige wissenschaftliche Probleme dem Hörer klar und lebendig vorzuführen. Man kann ihn als einen der Besten unter den jüngeren deutschen Historikern mit Recht bezeichnen.

Köln, den 21. Juli 1935.

Dr. phil. Johannes Ziekursch.

ord. Professor der neueren Geschichte an der Universität.

July 19, 1935.
44, Mecklenburgh Square
W.C.1.

I am glad to comply with the request of Dr. H. Rosenberg that I should say briefly what I know of his work, and of his suitability for an academic post.

Dr. H. Rosenberg is a scholar of high distinction and promise. As his published works show, he is thoroughly at home in the history of the nineteenth century, to the knowledge of which he has made important contributions. But he is very far from being a narrow specialist. He has a wide philosophical outlook, and combines in an unusual measure exacting standards of scholarship with a remarkable capacity for generalization and interpretation. He has been good enough to give some talks to a seminar conducted by myself, and his remarks have always been most suggestive and illuminating. I have derived much profit from conversation with him. He has the teacher's gift of arousing interest as well as imparting knowledge.

I am sorry that it has not been possible to retain Dr. Rosenberg in this country. I should regard any university which secured his services as extremely fortunate. He would win, I am confident, the respect and esteem of his colleagues and pupils.

R. H. Tawney

Professor of Economic History, University of London.

I should perhaps add that Dr. Rosenberg expresses himself well and fluently in English. His addresses to my seminar were models of lucidity.

July 18, 1935.
South Villa,
76, Campden Hill Road,
W.8.

Knowing Dr. Hans Rosenberg as I do, and being acquainted with the most important of his publications, I can warmly recommend him. He is a master of the political, economic, and intellectual history of modern Germany, and he possesses wide knowledge in other fields. He is a very energetic worker, with an accurate mind and a remarkable capacity for analysing ideas. He has already made his name as a historical writer. I have no doubt that he will go far, both as a teacher and a writer.

G. P. Gooch.

D.Litt., F.B.A., etc.

39 Brunswick Square,
London, W.C.1.
12 July 1935.

Dr. Hans Rosenberg is a historian of distinction who has been teaching history in Germany and who has in this country been attached to the Institute of Historical Research for the last eighteen months. I know him personally and can testify to the high quality of his work. He has an excellent knowledge of the English language. He would in my opinion make an excellent teacher at a University or High School.

Charles K. Webster

M.A., Litt.D., F.B.A.

Professor of International History
in the University of London.

University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.
July 29, 1935.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Dr. Hans W. Rosenberg personally since 1930. During the year 1930-31 I was repeatedly in his home in Berlin and became very well acquainted with him and his wife, and since then I have kept in close contact with them by correspondence. They are persons of high integrity and of absolute trustworthiness.

Dr. Rosenberg is one of the ablest of young German historians. He is the author of two first rate books, a large number of excellent articles, and has edited a thick volume of letters and a large two volume critical bibliography, all in his chosen field of modern European history. He has, therefore, already established an international reputation as a scholar and his services would be an invaluable addition to the staff of any university in the United States. He would undoubtedly contribute a great deal to the advancement of historical research and teaching in the United States because of his experience in Europe, more particularly as Privatdozent at the University of Cologne and as Research Fellow at the University of London and because of his knowledge of the continental historical methods in which he is particularly interested.

I feel sure that a scholar of Dr. Rosenberg's abilities will find no great difficulty in procuring a position in an American university because of the decided increase in interest in European history since the war, the number of positions for scholars in European history has rapidly grown, and when a person of Dr. Rosenberg's caliber is made available, I am confident that he will find a post. I feel all the more confident of this because in the past few years the American universities have taken a very considerable interest in German scholars.

In conclusion, since part of Dr. Rosenberg's research lies in the same field as my own and because of many discussions with him

I feel particularly convinced of his excellence as a scholar and of his making distinct contributions to American scholarship.

Eugene Newton Anderson.

Assistant Professor of Modern

European History

The University of Chicago.

February 17, 1939

Miss Helen S. Rosenberg
Chancellor Avenue School
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Miss Rosenberg:

In Dr. Flexner's absence I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th.

I wonder if it is not Princeton University which you are interested in seeing rather than the Institute for Advanced Study. Our Institute, which is entirely separate and distinct from the University, is comparatively new and we do not as yet even have a building of our own. Our members are scattered all over Princeton, so that there is really nothing we could show you that would be of interest to high school pupils.

If you are interested in seeing Princeton University, your request should be addressed to the University. I might add that your previous request was referred to us because Professor Einstein is one of our professors.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSEER

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EMMA LEHLBACH, PRINCIPAL

February 15, 1939

Mr. Abraham Flexner
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Flexner:

We are quite sorry that Professor Einstein cannot be introduced to us but we still wish to know if it is at all possible to visit your university.

We probably will only stop for a few moments so as to get an actual picture of a New Jersey University.

Thank you again.

Sincerely yours
Helen Rosenberg

February 13, 1939

Dear Miss Rosenberg:

Your kind inquiry of February 10 has been referred to me by the President of Princeton University. I regret very much to say that there is no possibility whatsoever of my introducing you to Professor Einstein, who indeed may not even be in Princeton on the date you mention.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Helen S. Rosenberg
Chancellor Avenue School
Newark, New Jersey

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EMMA LEHLBACH, PRINCIPAL

Feb. 10, 1939

President
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey
Dear Sir:

The Americanization group of this school has been studying about New Jersey. We are planning a trip to Trenton, Tuesday, February 21.

We would like very much to stop at your school as an example of New Jersey's educational facilities.

Is it at all possible to have the pleasure of being introduced to Professor Einstein. We have some German Refugees in our group.

Thank you for any courtesies you extend to us.

Sincerely yours,
Helen S. Rosenberg

Prof. Dr. Arthur R o s e n t h a l
Amsterdam, Linnaeusparkweg 57 (c/o Mr. Gazan).
December 18, 1939.

To Dr. Frank A y d e l o t t e,
Director of the Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton (N.J.).

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I thank you very much for your cable of the November 14, kindly renewing the invitation to your Institute for the year 1939-1940. In the meantime, my friend Prof. Weyl will likely already have delivered you my cordial Thanks for it. In consequence of your kind cable, I now have got renewed my non-quota-visa and thus I shall take passage for the USA rather soon.

But (as you certainly heard from Prof. Weyl) in the meantime I received an appointment as "Research Fellow and Lecturer in Mathematics" at the University of Michigan for one year. Therefore I shall at first go to Ann Arbor and so I regret to have not the possibility to work at your famous Institute in the first year. Yet if perhaps I shall have this opportunity later on, I shall be very glad to make good use of it. In every case, I reiterate my most sincere Thanks to you and to your Institute for the kind invitation and for your having smoothed the way for me.

Yours very faithfully

Arthur Rosenthal.

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To Artur Rosenthal _____ 19____
November 13, 39

Street and No. Linnaeusparkweg 57

Place Amsterdam

Having succeeded Doctor Flexner as director I hereby renew invitation to Institute
for year 1939-40

Frank Aydelotte

Charge Institute for Advanced Study

Sender's address
for reference

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Original sent to Professor Weyl, July 7, 1939

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Heidelberg, Anlage 17 (Pension Steußen)

June 25, 1939

Dr. Abraham Flexner

Director of the Institute for Advanced Study

Princeton, N. J.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Completing my letter of the 3d, I
inform you that now, in consequence of your renewed kind
invitation, I was successful in getting the non-quota-visa.
I am very glad of it and I return my repeated heartiest
thanks to you and to the Institute. Now I hope to come
in the next autumn to the U.S.A.

Yours very sincerely,

(signed) Artur Rosenthal

Heidelberg, Pension Steinben, Anlage 17.

June 3, 1939.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,

Director of the Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Dr. Flexner,

I thank very heartily to you and to the Institute
for your kind invitation to become a member of the
Institute for the academic year 1939-40 and I accept
this invitation with great pleasure, hoping that I this
time shall be able to get the American visa.

After some weeks I shall go to Holland, staying
there in the meantime till my voyage to the U.S.

With my reiterated many thanks,

Yours very sincerely

Abraham Rosenthal.

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May 15, 1939

Herrn Prof. Dr. Artur Rosenthal
Blumenthalstrasse 7
Heidelberg, Germany

My dear Professor Rosenthal:

On the recommendation of the professors of the
School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study
I have pleasure in inviting you to become a member of the
Institute for the academic year 1939-1940.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF/MCE

May 15, 1939

Dear Professor Weyl:

In accordance with your telephone
message I have written Professor Rosenthal
renewing the invitation previously sent.

Ever sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Hermann Weyl
Fine Hall
Princeton, New Jersey

AF/MCE

Heidelberg
Elmenthalstrasse 7.

Heidelberg, April 10, 1939.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,
Director of the Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton (N.J.)

My dear Dr. Flexner,

the second term of the academic year 1938-1939, for which I was invited by your Institute, is now being finished, but I am sorry that it has not been possible for me to make use of your kind invitation in this time, which I still hoped writing my letter of the December 28, 1938 to you. I think my friend Prof. Weyl has informed you of the reason of it: I could not get the non-quota-visa from the American Consul, in first line as the invitation of the Institute does not involve any income. Besides the formalities and preparations for the emigration took more time than at first expected.

When all this preparations will have been dispatched, I shall go to Holland for some time, having got a permit for a temporary stay there.

Yet because the invitation of your Institute is the only opportunity for me hitherto to come to the USA, I most respectfully beg you to maintain this invitation for later terms - though only in the same circumstances as yet, i.e. though without any salary. I would be very much obliged to you if you might continue your invitation; for in such a way I could hope to get if not a non-quota-visa yet a visitor's visa for the USA, perhaps for next autumn. Only if I can stay there for some time, I can expect to find again a permanent academic position in the USA.

Thanking you very much for your kind troubles beforehand, I am

Yours very sincerely

Arthur Rosenthal.

Heidelberg
Blumenthalstrasse 7.

Heidelberg, December 28, 1938.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,
Director of the Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton (N.J.), U.S.A.

My dear Dr. Flexner,

I thank you very much and most heartily for your invitation to the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton for the second term of the academic year 1938-1939. It is a special honour and joy for me to become connected with your so great and famous an Institute and I am very glad in this way to have the opportunity to come to U.S.A. - particularly after the disagreeable experiences of the last weeks.

As the papers sent by you to the Stuttgart American Consul General are not yet found there, it is not sure whether I shall get a visitor's visa or a professor's visa for immigration but I can hope to receive the latter. The formalities for the voyage and especially for the eventual emigration take very much time so that I think it will be hardly possible for me to come to Princeton in the beginning of the second term. By this reason I had telegraphed to my friend Prof. Weyl if I can come later. His answer by cable ("any time you can manage to come will suite us") was very agreeable for me, and so I shall come to Princeton as soon as the circumstances will allow it.

With repeated respectful thanks to you and the Institute,

very sincerely yours,

Arthur Rosenthal.

December 6, 1938

Prof. Dr. Artur Rosenthal
Blumenthalstrasse 7
Heidelberg, Germany

My dear Professor Rosenthal:

I have pleasure in informing you that
on the recommendation of the professors of the
School of Mathematics of the Institute for Ad-
vanced Study you are invited to become a member
of the Institute for the second term, beginning
January 17, 1939, of the academic year 1938-1939.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:GB

December 6, 1938

Hon. Consul General of the
United States of America
Stuttgart
Germany

Sir,-

I should like to engage your aid in forwarding the enclosed invitation to Professor Artur Rosenthal, and in helping him to get the necessary visa for entering this country. Professor Rosenthal's private address is Blumenthalstrasse 7, Heidelberg, Germany, where he has lived with his mother, Jette Rosenthal; but according to my information he may at present be in a concentration camp.

A friend of Professor Rosenthal has signed an affidavit for him which, for the sake of simplicity, I enclose with this letter. This is, of course, not a concern of the Institute, but if the law permits, a professor's visa for immigration would certainly be the most satisfactory solution.

Respectfully,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:GB

December 6, 1938

Dear Mrs. Rosenthal:

I wish to inform you that the letters
of which you will find copies enclosed, have been
sent to the American Consul General in Stuttgart
in behalf of your son, Professor Artur Rosenthal.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mrs. Jette Rosenthal
Blumenthalstrasse 7
Heidelberg, Germany
AF:GB

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Rosenwald

February 9, 1931

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

I should have written you long ago, but the fact is that this new Institute which I have undertaken to start has completely absorbed my time and energy for the last four or five weeks, and my lot has been somewhat complicated by the fact that at one and the same time Anne and I had the gripe - not serious - while Jean was in Baltimore, following Eleanor's example, having her appendix removed. You will agree, I am sure, that this made a pretty full agenda and is sufficient excuse for my failure to write family or friends. We are, however, all well once more. Jean came home for two weeks to recuperate and left for Washington with her husband at noon today, still somewhat thin, but in better health than she has been for some months past. From Eleanor we have the most satisfactory news. She loves Oxford, has entered thoroughly into the spirit of the place, and has been most warmly received by the friends whom Anne and I made while there a few years ago.

I am sending you under separate cover a little Bulletin describing in very general terms the ideal by which our early efforts are being guided. The Institute will, I hope, forever remain small and of distinctively high

Mr. Rosenwald

Feb. 9, 1931

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quality. Certainly it will be many, many years until the funds or the persons can be found in America to maintain an institution of this character at any such level. My hopes and ambitions would be more than justified if this example reacted upon American universities and helped them to discard what is trivial and to strive for what is worth while.

Within the next few weeks I shall visit Chicago, Harvard, and Yale, having already visited Princeton and Johns Hopkins, for the purpose of ascertaining what the best men in these institutions think of the new project and what they would do if they had both the responsibility and opportunity. I wish to propound the same question to scholars abroad, and for that purpose Anne and I are expecting to sail for Europe about March 1 to be gone a few months. I want in a word to gather the experience of others and to weigh it all carefully before taking actual steps whether it be in the direction of deciding upon subjects or in the direction of finding persons. It seems a little queer that a person who has just written a book on Universities should have to begin all over again to get advice before doing the thing, but it is one thing to watch these institutions as big machines and to find fault with them and quite another and a very different thing to build anew.

Anne and I have spoken often of you and Mrs. Rosenwald and expressed the hope that your sojourn may prove infinitely helpful to you both. Honolulu is strange to both of us, but we have always wanted to visit it. I hope that you are taking things very easily, enjoying the place, the climate, and the vegetation, and not requiring Mrs. Rosenwald to exercise too many police functions.

Anne is in splendid health and joins me in love and warmest greetings to you and Mrs. Rosenwald.

Affectionately yours,

Mr. Julius Rosenwald
Royal Hawaiian Hotel
Honolulu, Hawaiian Isles

ABRAHAM FLEXNER