

Country House Shop

# COUNTRY HOUSE SHOP

NEW HOPE, PENNSYLVANIA

June Twenty-first.

My dear Miss Bailey,

I am enclosing, for your files, a memo of the things I have ordered for Dr. Lewis Stuever. May I ask you to sign and return one copy to me for our files.

1 large Oak table 9'x4' \$180.00

This price includes the delivery.

Estimate on Curtains, Rods, etc.

Two groups of two windows each

10 yds of material @ .95 \$9.50

Making of Curtains supplying rods, trawis-coods and hanging.

10.50

Three pairs of curtains split width

5 2/3 yds of material @ .95 5.59

Making Curtains supplying Rods & Hanging 6.00

Two tight stretched curtains for Hall 2.95

Includes making - Rods and Hanging

1 pair Bathroom curtains .75

4 pairs Marguerite tailored curtains 4.96

4 pairs Rods @ .10 .40

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40.65

Kearfax Fire and Menth proof. K. 107  
Rugs and Hall Runners.

This particular order will take the price of \$4.00 per square yard as quoted but in the future or when you put up the new building if you can give us a contract for two or three hundred square yards we will be pleased to give you a ten percent discount. We will also be pleased to consider this immediate order as part of the larger order and to issue credit at that time, covering the difference in discount.

Reg	9'-0" x 13'-6"	\$ 57.90
Small	" 3'-0" x 8'-0"	11.25
"	9'-0" x 12'-0"	49.75
Hall Runners -		
	11'-6" x 27"	11.57
	14'-0" x 27"	14.45
Sewing Runners together & carrying all.		5.00
		\$ 149.95

I hope you will have a pleasant summer and I look forward to seeing you in the fall. Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely -  
Mary Lee Porter.



*Congrès International des Sciences  
Anthropologiques et Ethnologiques*  
**CONGRÈS INTERNATIONAL DES SCIENCES  
ANTHROPOLOGIQUES ET ETHNOLOGIQUES**

Quatrième Session, 1.- 8. Septembre 1952, Vienne (Autriche)

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INSTITUT FÜR VÖLKERKUNDE,

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Zl. 702

Vienna, March 6, 1952.

The Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton

Dear Sir,

The Organizing Committee has the honour to  
invite the Institute for Advanced Study to send an  
official delegation to represent your Institute at the  
Congress.

For the Committee,

Yours faithfully

*Wilhelm Koppers*

Wilhelm Koppers  
Secretary

*Robert Heine-Geldern*

Robert Heine-Geldern  
Vice-President



# INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL AND ETHNOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Fourth Session, Vienna, September 1st to 8th, 1952.

Second Circular,  
January 1952.

The Organizing Committee of the 4th session wishes to thank all those who in reply to their first circular have in great number (almost one thousand) announced their intention to enrol as members.

It is now requested that those who plan to attend the Congress, *including those who have already sent in their preliminary announcement-cards* should fill in the enclosed form sending it to:

The Secretary, Wilhelm Koppers  
Institut für Völkerkunde  
Neue Hofburg, Corps de Logis  
Vienna I., Austria.

Libraries, Museums, Academies etc. may enrol as institutional members in order to obtain the Proceedings and other publications of the Congress.

The titles of papers to be read at the Congress should reach us by April 15th, 1952, abstracts of the papers by June 15th. These abstracts should not exceed one type-written page (double-spaced) per paper. They will be mimeographed and distributed to all members at the beginning of the Congress. Except in special cases, the time allotted to each paper will be 20 minutes plus another 10 minutes for discussion.

According to the rules of the Congress papers may be read in English, French, German, Italian, or Spanish.

Apart from anthropological and ethnological subjects in the strict sense, papers may deal with questions of applied ethnology, demography, sociology, psychology (as referring to ethnological problems), science of religion, linguistics, folklore, prehistory, palaeoethnology, and the origin and distribution of cultivated plants and domesticated animals.

Prospective members who do not intend to read papers are likewise asked to send their enrolment form as soon as possible to enable the reservation of rooms and the printing of their names in the membership list.

The membership fee is Austrian schillings 200.— or \$ 8.—. All members will receive a copy of the Proceedings. Each member may register one or two relatives as Associate Members. The fee for Associate Members will be Austrian schillings 100.— or \$ 4.—. They may attend the meetings, excursions, and receptions, but may not speak or vote and will not receive the Proceedings.

The membership fee may either be paid in Vienna at the beginning of the Congress or sent in advance to

Creditanstalt-Bankverein, Vienna I, Austria, Account-Number: C-395  
"Congrès International des Sciences Anthropologiques et Ethnologiques"

The prices of rooms mentioned in the first circular have meanwhile undergone some changes. The present prices which probably will not be further changed, are as follows:

First class hotels: single rooms Austrian schillings	75.— to 175.—	
double rooms Austrian schillings	125.— to 265.—	
Second class hotels: single rooms Austrian schillings	30.— to 80.—	
double rooms Austrian schillings	40.— to 150.—	
Students' Hostels: single rooms		} Austrian schillings 8.— to 10.— a bed.
double rooms		
rooms with more than two beds		

Please indicate in the enclosed form the category of rooms required and the approximate price, in order to enable us to reserve rooms. Advance payment for one day should be transmitted to our Bank account mentioned above by June 15th. In case of subsequent cancellation the sum will be refunded, provided that we are informed of the cancellation before August 15th.

Further information as to the sections of the Congress, receptions and excursions will be given in our next circular.

On behalf of the Officers of the Permanent Council:

Sir John L. Myres, H. J. Fleure,  
Kaj Birket-Smith, Frans M. Olbrechts,

On behalf of the Austrian Executive Committee:

Wilhelm Schmidt, Robert Heine-Geldern,  
Wilhelm Koppers, Josef Weninger.



**CONGRÈS INTERNATIONAL DES SCIENCES ANTHROPOLOGIQUES ET ETHNOLOGIQUES**  
**Quatrième session, Vienne (Autriche) — 1-8 septembre 1952**

**Anmeldeformular - Bulletin d'adhésion - Membership form**

Familiennamen:

Nom:

Family-Name:

Titel — Titre — Title of Position:

Adresse — Address:

Vorname:

Prénom:

Christian Name:

Ich komme in Begleitung von

Je serai accompagné par

I shall be accompanied by

Ich melde einen Vortrag (Vorträge\*) an über:

Je présenterai une communication (des communications\*)

ayant comme titre(s):

I shall offer a paper (papers\*) on:

\*) Höchstzahl der Vorträge für ein Mitglied ist drei.

Pas plus de trois communications peuvent être présentées par un membre.

No more than three papers to be read by any single membre.

Ich werde Diapositive zeigen, Format:

Je présenterai des projections, format:

I shall use lantern slides, size:

Ich benötige einen Episkopapparat:

J'ai besoin d'un épiscopes:

I shall need an episcopes:

Ich werde einen Film vorführen über:

Je présenterai un film (sujet):

I shall show a film (subject):

Filmbreite und -länge:

Largeur et longueur de la bande:

Width and length of the band:

Ton- oder Stummfilm:

Sonore ou non:

With or without sound:

Ich werde Schallplatten vorführen:

Je présenterai des disques:

I shall present records:

Mitglieder, die als offizielle Vertreter von Regierungen, Universitäten, Museen, sonstigen wissenschaftlichen Anstalten oder wissenschaftlichen Gesellschaften teilnehmen werden, sind gebeten, dies hier anzugeben:

Les membres qui représenteront comme délégués officiels des gouvernements, des universités, des musées ou d'autres institutions scientifiques sont priés de bien vouloir l'indiquer ici:

Members who will take part as official delegates of Governments, Universities, Museums or other Scientific Institutions or of Scientific Societies are requested to indicate this here:

Ich ersuche um Reservierung von Quartier: ja — nein

Je vous prie de réserver un logement: oui — non

Please reserve accomodation: yes — no

Gewünschte Kategorie und beiläufiger Preis (siehe beiliegendes Zirkular):

Zahl der Zimmer und Betten:

Catégorie choisie et prix convenant (voir la circulaire ci-jointe):

Nombre de chambres et de lits:

Category and approximate price (see enclosed circular):

Number of rooms and beds:

Datum — Date:

Unterschrift — Signature:

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, N. J.  
RECEIPT

Nº 6334

DATE RECEIVED		RECEIVED FROM
10/31/63		Congress for Cultural Freedom
IN PAYMENT OF:		ACCOUNT NUMBER
Transcribing fee paid to Eliza Hobson		95
AMOUNT IN WORDS		AMOUNT IN FIGURES
Forty one & 25/100 dollars		\$ 41.25
POSTED BY		RECEIVED BY
DATE	INITIALS	
		M. J. J. J.
		SIGNATURE

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, N. J.  
**RECEIPT**

Nº 6335

DATE RECEIVED		RECEIVED FROM
10/31/63		Congress for Cultural Freedom
IN PAYMENT OF:		ACCOUNT NUMBER
Office supplies		1016
AMOUNT IN WORDS		AMOUNT IN FIGURES
Fifty-eight & 75/100 dollars		\$ 58.75
POSTED BY		RECEIVED BY
DATE	INITIALS	
		Amzelenski
		SIGNATURE

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, N. J.  
**RECEIPT**

Nº 6336

DATE RECEIVED		RECEIVED FROM
10/31/63		Congress for Cultural Freedoms
IN PAYMENT OF:		ACCOUNT NUMBER
Director's Office Salary		1004
AMOUNT IN WORDS		AMOUNT IN FIGURES
Five hundred dollars.		\$ 500.00
POSTED BY		RECEIVED BY
DATE	INITIALS	
		J. Modzeleski
		SIGNATURE

*Inst Gen - Congr. for Cultural  
Freedom*

31 October 1963

Memorandum to Mr. Morgan:

The attached check from the Congress for Cultural Freedom for \$600. is reimbursement of our expenses in copying, transcribing and mailing out tapes and transcripts of talks at the Seven Springs, Mount Kisco meeting last June. Please credit as follows:

Congress for Cultural Freedom 95 (transcribing fees paid to Eliza Hobson)...	\$ 41.25
Director's Office supplies (tapes, stationery, postage).....	58.75
Director's Office salaries.....	500.00
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Total	\$600.00

Verna Hobson



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PUBLISHERS OF  
CONGRESSIONAL DAILY

April 29, 1953

Dr. R. Oppenheimer, Director  
Institute For Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Foundations and other tax-exempt organizations are faced with a possible two-pronged Congressional investigation into their activities in the immediate future.

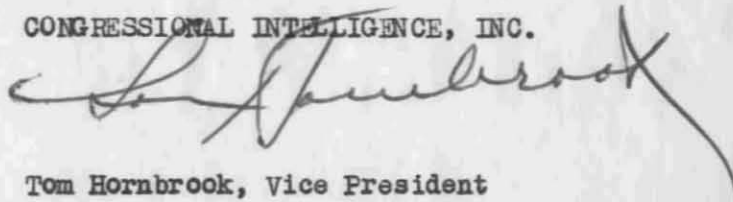
1. Staff investigators for Senator McCarthy's Investigations Subcommittee are now studying the problem of picking up where the Cox Committee left off in its hearings of last year.

2. Congressman Reece (R-Tenn.) has introduced House Resolution 217 setting up a new group to succeed the Cox Committee. The contention of Mr. Reece is that the Cox Committee failed to dig into evidence of subversive, un-American, propaganda, political and legislative activities of the various groups investigated and also failed to make use of the documentary evidence that was in its possession.

We have arranged to keep you informed, on request, on all developments on both sides of the Congress on this important question. The charge for this service will be \$30.00. The fee would include: (1) keeping you advised on plans of the McCarthy group; (2) keeping you advised of legislative progress on the Reece resolution; and (3) daily reports on the first five days of the hearings by the first group to take testimony. Daily reports on testimony taken by either group following this initial five-day hearing period will be charged at the rate of \$5.00 per hearing day. This service will start upon receipt of your order.

Very truly yours,

CONGRESSIONAL INTELLIGENCE, INC.



Tom Hornbrook, Vice President

TH:am

83D CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. RES. 217

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## RESOLUTION

Creating a special committee to conduct a full and complete investigation and study of educational and philanthropic foundations and other comparable organizations which are exempt from Federal income taxation.

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By Mr. REECE of Tennessee

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APRIL 23, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Rules

83D CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. RES. 217

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 1953

Mr. REECE of Tennessee submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

## RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved*, That there is hereby created a special com-  
2 mittee to be composed of five Members of the House of  
3 Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker, one of  
4 whom he shall designate as chairman. Any vacancy occur-  
5 ring in the membership of the committee shall be filled in  
6 the same manner in which the original appointment was  
7 made.

8 The committee is authorized and directed to conduct a  
9 full and complete investigation and study of educational and  
10 philanthropic foundations and other comparable organiza-  
11 tions which are exempt from Federal income taxation to  
12 determine if any foundations and organizations are using

1 their resources for purposes other than the purposes for  
2 which they were established, and especially to determine  
3 which such foundations and organizations are using their  
4 resources for un-American and subversive activities; for  
5 political purposes; propaganda, or attempts to influence  
6 legislation.

7 The committee shall report to the House (or to the  
8 Clerk of the House if the House is not in session) on or  
9 before January 3, 1955, the results of its investigation and  
10 study, together with such recommendations as it deems  
11 advisable.

12 For the purpose of carrying out this resolution the  
13 committee, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is  
14 authorized to sit and act during the present Congress at  
15 such times and places and within the United States, its  
16 Territories, and possessions, whether the House is in session,  
17 has recessed, or has adjourned, to hold hearings, administer  
18 oaths, and to require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attend-  
19 ance and testimony of such witnesses and the production of  
20 such books, records, correspondence, memoranda, papers,  
21 and documents, as it deems necessary. Subpenas may be  
22 issued under the signature of the chairman of the committee  
23 or any member of the committee designated by him, and  
24 may be served by any person designated by such chairman  
25 or member.

1       Upon the passage of this resolution, the Sergeant at  
2   Arms of the House is authorized and directed to ascertain  
3   the location of all books, papers, files, correspondence, and  
4   documents assembled by the former select committee under  
5   H. Res. 561, Eighty-second Congress, and take same into  
6   his custody, depositing such records with the Clerk under  
7   rule XXXVII. The Clerk of the House is hereby au-  
8   thorized to loan such records and files to the special com-  
9   mittee established by this resolution for the official use of the  
10   special committee during the Eighty-third Congress or until  
11   January 3, 1955, when they will be returned in accordance  
12   with said rule.



*Lib of Congress*

19 June 1953

Dear Mr. Hoskins:

In Dr. Oppenheimer's absence I  
am acknowledging your request of June 15th.

The Institute does not have an  
organized research program in the field of  
contemporary international affairs. Its  
members in the School of Historical Studies  
are free to follow whatever researches they  
choose, and the fields represented include  
Greek archaeology and epigraphy, Greek  
philosophy and philology, palaeography,  
mediaeval history and the history of art,  
modern history, politics and economics, the  
history of mathematics and the sciences.

Sincerely yours,

Rosanna W. Jaffin  
Secretary to the Director

Mr. Halford L. Hoskins

Library of Congress  
Washington 25, D. C.



# THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE

June 15, 1953

Dear Sir:

A Congressional Committee has requested the Legislative Reference Service to make a down-to-date survey of United States resources in the way of organized research facilities and activities in the general field of contemporary international affairs.

To this end, it will be very much appreciated if you, or someone authorized by you, will kindly state on the accompanying form(s) what provisions exist in your institution or organization supported by either private or public funds, or both.

The Committee's interest extends to any phase or aspect of contemporary international affairs or any current international or foreign situation. This does not call for the listing of individual research projects. It does call for the identifying and characterizing of programs, institutes or other organized forms of systematic and interrelated studies involving extensive and original research.

Since this information is desired by the Committee before the close of the present legislative session, it is strongly hoped that you may find it possible to respond promptly to this inquiry.

For the Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Halford L. Hoskins".

Halford L. Hoskins

Senior Specialist

in

International Relations

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer  
Director  
The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

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I told Mrs. Conner that she was welcome to come in Saturday afternoon to look around, adding that no one would be around of staff and that she would be on her own. She will show her friends the common room, library and a sample office.

Would you return to me for file please? Kay

Conner, Mrs. Don R.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

April 30, 1952

BUREAU OF ALUMNI RECORDS  
121 Pyne Administration Building

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The Institute for Advanced Study  
Olden Lane  
Princeton, N. J.

Gentlemen:

On Saturday, May 2nd, in the afternoon I will have visiting me a member of the faculty of the University of Pittsburgh who, with his wife, are desirous of paying a visit to the Institute for Advanced Study because in Pittsburgh they have heard about the work going on there.

I am writing to ask, if I bring them out to the building on Saturday afternoon, if they will be able to see some of the rooms.

I will appreciate hearing from you, either at this address, or by telephone.

Most sincerely yours,

*Roberta S. Conner*

Mrs. Don R. Conner,  
Director.

Just Jew Conrath

December 12, 1962

Dear Mr. Conrath:

Thank you for your letter of December 3d.  
We are enclosing a booklet which we hope will  
answer most of your questions. Please do not  
hesitate to let us know if it does not. We have  
no picture file.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. William Grandner)  
Office of the Director

Mr. James P. Conrath  
127 Indiana Street  
Rapid City, South Dakota

Enclosure



From the Shelby White and Leon Levy Archives Center, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, N. J., USA  
Princeton, N. J., USA  
CONRATH  
127 Indiana St.,  
Rapid City, S. Dak.

Dec. 3, 1962

Institute of Advanced Studies  
Princeton University  
Princeton, N. J.

Gentlemen:

I am writing an article on the Institute. I'd appreciate it very much for you to send some background information. Kindly include information on the History of the Institute, information on past projects (archeological and other studies), photographs of phases of these studies and information on future projects.

Cordially yours;

*James P. Conrath*

James P. Conrath

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we hope that this will  
answer most of your  
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hesitate to let us know  
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CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

DECS/1/HASL/hw SECRÉTARIAT GÉNÉRAL Strasbourg, August 13 1963

Project 16: Organic means of University Cooperation

Dear Mrs. Hobson,

I offer my apologies for replying so late to your kind letter dated June 25 to which you attach, as requested by me, a copy of the charter and further general information on the Institute for Advanced Study. I have been absent for several weeks lecturing in Japan and Australia.

Thank you again.

Yours sincerely,



H.A. Schwarz-Liebermann,  
Head of the Division for  
Higher Education and Research.

Mrs. V. Wilder Hobson,  
The Institute for Advanced Study,  
PRINCETON. New Jersey.

*Dust Jew*

*Conseil de l'Europe*

25 June 1963

Dear Dr. Schwarz-Liebermann:

In response to your enquiry of June 18th, we are sending you, enclosed, a copy of our charter and a brief booklet about the Institute. If you have more specific questions, we would be glad to respond to them.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Dr. H. A. Schwarz-Liebermann, Head  
Division for Higher Education and Research  
Conseil de l'Europe  
Strasbourg  
France

# CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

## SECRÉTARIAT GÉNÉRAL

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Strasbourg, 18th June 1963

Subject: PROJECT 16: ORGANIC MEANS OF UNIVERSITY CO-OPERATION

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Dear Sirs,

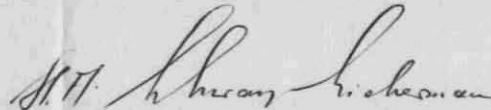
The Committee for Higher Education and Research of the Council of Europe, in which the senior representatives of higher education in the respective ministries of member countries and of the National Rectors' Conferences are being represented, has at a recent meeting decided to consider through a special study group ways and means to increase organic co-operation between universities in Europe. In this context it has been felt that one of the most important measures would presumably reside in the creation or development of appropriate permanent centres of confrontation and research where members of the teaching staff of European universities could pursue for a certain length of time research work freed from routine duties, these centres being equipped on a co-operative basis and offering notably also a possibility for exchanges on harmonious standards and approaches in teaching.

On this occasion the wish has been expressed to receive reliable information on all fundamental aspects of the charter and work of the Institute for Advanced Study, notably its financial background, the principles governing admission of members, selection of research topics to which they devote themselves, etc.

May I therefore address myself to you today asking you to be good enough to let me have as soon as possible whatever documentation you consider relevant in the given context.

With the anticipated expression of my gratitude, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,



H.A. SCHWARZ-LIEBERMANN  
Head of the Division for  
Higher Education and Research

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

Coolidge Foundation

April 15, 1946

Harold J. Coolidge, Esq.  
Coolidge Foundation  
Room 302, 722 Jackson Place, N.W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Coolidge:

In reply to your letter concerning field research in any part of South Eastern Asia, I can report for the Institute only remote connections. We have, however, at the Institute the Gest Oriental Library. A recently published statement from the Library is enclosed. The possible place of the Gest Oriental Library in the Institute is at present under study so that it is difficult to formulate our final objectives. When Dr. Aydelotte returns from his duties with the Anglo-American Palestine Commission he will be able to give you further information with regard to the Gest Oriental Library.

Yours sincerely,

Marston Morse  
Chairman of the Standing Committee

Enc. 1



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70 PINE STREET  
NEW YORK 5, N.Y.

822 CITIZENS NATL. BANK BLDG.  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

11 April 1946

Mr. Frank Aydelott, Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Aydelott:

The Coolidge Foundation is assembling information about the plans of Universities, Colleges, and Organization in the United States for field research especially in the physical, medical, and natural sciences (including man) in any part of South Eastern Asia during 1946, 1947 or 1948.

Most projects for definitive field work in the Philippines, Malaysia, Burma, Siam, Indo-China, and Indonesia divide themselves into two categories:

1. those for which funds are available or can be reasonably anticipated as being available to meet the expenses of a given research..
2. those plans which the university or organization or members of its faculty or staff would like to undertake if they could obtain additional financial support for this purpose.

Will you cooperate with us by sending in information in both these categories, as well as the names of individuals or departments with whom we might further correspond in order to obtain more detailed information on Far Eastern projects in the area of our interest. Negative information will also be useful for this survey.

It is well known that political upheavels, problems of rehabilitation and reconstruction as well as post war transportation difficulties have greatly changed conditions that formerly existed in South Eastern Asia. At the same time there is an ever increasing interest here in the United States with regard to that once remote part of the world. This is a logical result of our war in the Pacific and the post war problems with which we are faced, as well as such developments as the rapid growth of air transportation and the wider news and radio coverage on day to day events.

We sincerely hope that as a result of this information survey, in which we are asking for your help, it may be possible to develop additional sources of financial support, and new fellowship funds to further science and research in various parts of South Eastern Asia.

Sincerely yours,

Harold J. Coolidge

Reply address:

COOLIDGE FOUNDATION  
ROOM 302 - 722 JACKSON PLACE, N.W.  
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

encl.

Coombs

23 August 1955

Dear Mr. Coombs:

Thank you for your letter of August 22nd. Enclosed you will find copies of our informative booklets. The Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs is at Princeton University, which is not affiliated with the Institute for Advanced Study.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. James Beacham)  
Office of the Director

Mr. Neal Coombs  
128 Jackson Street  
Rochester 21, N. Y.

August 22, 1955

Director, Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I should greatly appreciate receiving information  
on the Schools of the Institute, particularly as  
they relate to the Woodrow Wilson School of Public  
and International Affairs.

Sincerely yours,

*Neal Coombs*

Neal Coombs  
128 Jackson St.  
Rochester 21, N.Y.

Copland, D. B.

D. B. Copland

The Australian National University

Box 4

Canberra, A.C.T.

Australia

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Send anything we can to help.

"difficulties in the development of the  
organization of the social sciences."

"problems of administration"

Bulletin if any

Miss Blake:

Did you receive a letter  
from Corbacho of December 13th?

not having received  
from Corbacho or  
Miss Dulac's  
GB

Kay R.

Corbacho, José

Translation:

Gentlemen:

On Dec. 13, 1948 I wrote a letter to you and up to now have not received an answer.

I have always felt admiration and even love for the American people. The principal reason for this has been the seriousness, rapidity and universal fraternal spirit with which the Americans answer all their letters, even though they are from the most insignificant individual in any part of the world.

But for this same reason, your silence has been for me a serious pain.

I wrote you on December 13, and repeat it now that I have written a booklet titled "New Conception of the Structure and Mechanism of the Universe from the Infinitely large to the Infinitely small".

I told you that I wanted to send this booklet by certified mail to Prof. Albert Einstein, I will thank you to give me his address so that I may have the maximum of security that it will reach him.

I feel strong to refute the objections that any man on this earth might raise against my theory.

What I want, is that you send me if you can, said address.

Yours truly,



LUN 28 MARZO, 1949.

INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES,  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY,  
U.S.A.

MUY SEÑORES MÍOS:

EN DICIEMBRE 13, 1948, ESCRIBÍ A USTEDES UNA CARTA, Y HASTA AHORA NO HE RECIBIDO CONTESTACIÓN.

SIEMPRE HE SENTIDO ADMIRACIÓN, Y HASTA AMOR, POR EL PUEBLO AMERICANO. - Y LA CAUSA PRINCIPAL HA SIDO EL HABER VISTO LA SERIEDAD, RAPIDEZ Y ESPÍRITU DE FRATERNIDAD UNIVERSAL CON QUE LOS AMERICANOS CONTESTAN TODAS LAS CARTAS, AUNQUE VENGAN DEL MÁS INSIGNIFICANTE INDIVIDUO DE CUALQUIER PARTE DEL MUNDO.

PERO, POR ESO MISMO, EL SILENCIO DE USTEDES HA SIDO PARA MÍ UN SERIO DOLOR.

LES DECÍA EN DICIEMBRE 13, Y LES REPITO AHORA, QUE TENGO ESCRITA UNA LIBRETA TITULADA: "NUEVA CONCEPCIÓN DE LA ESTRUCTURA Y MECANISMO DEL UNIVERSO DESDE LO INFINITAMENTE GRANDE HASTA LO INFINITAMENTE PEQUEÑO."

LES DECÍA Y LES DIGO QUE QUIERO ENVIAR ESA LIBRETA POR CORREO CERTIFICADO AL PROFESOR ALBERTO EINSTEIN, Y QUIERO AGRADECER A USTEDES QUE ME DICAN LA DIRECCIÓN A QUE DEBO DIRIGIRLA PARA CONTAR CON EL MÁXIMUM DE SEGURIDAD DE QUE MI LIBRETA LLEVE A LAS MANOS DEL PROFESOR EINSTEIN.

ME SIENTO FIRME PARA REFUTARLE A CUALQUIER HOMBRE DE LA TIERRA LAS OBJECIONES QUE SE PONGAN A MI TEORÍA.

LO QUE DESEO, SI USTEDES PUEDEN, ES QUE ME ENVIEN LA DICHA DIRECCIÓN.

DE USTEDES ATENTAMENTE,

*José Corbacho*  
JOSÉ CORBACHO.

MARIG N° 9,  
ENTRE ARMANDO Y CALZADA,  
REPARTO SANTA AMALIA,  
BARRIO ARROYO APOLO,  
HABANA.- CUBA.

J. Pedro Cordero A.  
Max-Planck-Institut für Physik.  
Böttlingerstrasse 4  
(20b) Göttingen. Deutschland.

*Cordero J. Pedro*  
*H.F.*  
*Sent 2/3/52*

Göttingen, 29.3.52.

Mr. Secretary of  
Institute for Advanced Study.  
Princeton, New Jersey. U. S. A.

Dear Sir:

I write to you because I am interested in having a reprint of following paper, that Prof. Dr. M. Fierz (Universität Basel) has published in Helvetica Physica Acta : "Über die Bedeutung der Funktion in der Quantentheorie der Wellenfelder". H.P.A. 23, 731 (1950); and Prof. Dr. M. Fierz wrote to me letting me know that he has no reprints, because he had sent 50 of them to the Institute for Advanced Study, and that, perhaps, I could obtain it writting to you.

I should be very grateful to you, if you would be kind enough to send to me, if available, the above mentioned paper.

Hoping not to cause to you too much trouble  
I remain sincerely yours

*J. Cordero*

*Coronet Magazine*

May 20, 1947

Miss Marilynn Moehlenbrock  
Coronet Magazine  
366 Madison Avenue  
New York City, New York

Dear Miss Moehlenbrock:

Dr. Aydelotte has received your telegram and  
has asked me to say that he could answer it better  
if you could send him a few paragraphs of context  
of the statement about which you ask him.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson  
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte

*Prof. Volkmann  
Dr. Delatorre asks if  
you can make any thing  
out of this*

TELEGRAM

Received May 20, 1947

From New York City

Institute for Advanced Study

Would greatly appreciate advice if there is any  
exception to the rule to be stated in Coronet that  
everything dead or alive regardless where always  
takes up time and space and always will do so.

Marilynn Moehlenbrock  
Coronet Magazine  
366 Madison Avenue  
New York, N. Y.



Cot, Pierre

December 20, 1940

Memorandum for Professor Earle

I have consulted Professors Stewart, Warren, and Riefler concerning the proposal to elect Pierre Cot to membership in the Institute for this academic year without stipend and am happy to report that they all approve. I stand ready to write him the usual letter whenever you see fit.

PA:ESB

*Coulborn,*

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

March 14, 1945

Memorandum for Dr. Aydelotte:

Mr. Coulborn is hardly suitable for appointment as a member of the Institute on two grounds. First, that there is no one here who is in a position to supervise or collaborate in his work. We should not depart from our usual rule requiring some faculty member to sponsor a member's researches. Second, the project itself will, according to Mr. Coulborn, require an unspecified number of years, but certainly more than two, for completion. We must always avoid memberships for so considerable a time, particularly where the person concerned does not have an academic post to which he could return.

Although I am sufficiently familiar with the situation at Princeton University to believe that there is little hope that they could use Mr. Coulborn--or indeed that he would wish to undertake the heavy teaching load which Princeton would require--you might, if you choose, send this letter on to Professor Joseph R. Strayer for comment.

*E.M.E.*

Edward Mead Earle



*Council on the Junior Year Abroad*

January 29, 1951

Dear Dean Rogers:

Your good letter of invitation to Dr. Aydelotte and the members of our Faculty to attend the luncheon meeting of the Council on the Junior Year Abroad has been referred to this office for reply. It is with regret that our Director and the members of our Faculty are not able to attend the luncheon; and we therefore cannot delegate an official representative from the Institute. But I know that Professor Ruth Dean, who is a Visiting Member in our School of Historical Studies this year, is very much interested in the work of the Council. We would be pleased if Miss Dean could attend the meeting, and if you would wish to extend to her an invitation.

Sincerely yours,

Katherine Russell,  
Secretary to the Director

Francis M. Rogers, Dean  
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences  
Harvard University  
Cambridge 38, Mass.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. Donald J. Shank, Vice President  
Institute of International Education  
2 West 45th Street  
New York 19, N.Y.

The following members of my staff, and I, will attend the Junior Year Abroad luncheon meeting on February 16, 1951, at 1:00 P.M. at Town Hall Club, 123 W. 43rd Street, New York City.

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Institute of International Education

January 19, 1951

Dear Dr. Adeylotte:

The annual general meeting of the Council on Junior Year Abroad will be held Friday February 16, 1951, at 1:00 p.m. This will be a luncheon meeting at the Town Hall Club, 123 West 43rd Street, New York City.

In this crucial period of world history, we feel it is more important than ever to continue this program which contributes inestimably to fostering mutual confidence and understanding between our country and those countries participating in this program.

We extend a cordial invitation to you, and such faculty members who may wish to come (perhaps those in the Modern Language Department) to attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend, we hope you will designate a representative of your institution to participate in the meeting.

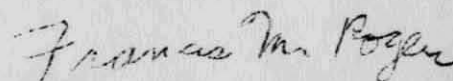
Enclosed is a self-addressed postal card for your reply. We would appreciate your returning the card not later than February 1, 1951.

The price of the luncheon, including tax and gratuities, will be \$2.50. The luncheon will be held in the North dining room of the Town Hall Club.

Enclosed is a copy of the agenda for the meeting. It is anticipated that the meeting will be adjourned shortly after 3 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you on February 16.

Sincerely yours,



Dean Francis M. Rogers  
Chairman

COUNCIL ON THE JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD  
2 West 45th Street      New York 19, N. Y.

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SEVENTH ANNUAL JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD GENERAL MEETING  
Town Hall Club, New York City, 1:00 P.M., February 16, 1951

AGENDA

1. Current Developments in Junior Year Abroad Programs -  
    A Report..... Francis M. Rogers, Dean of  
  the Graduate School of Arts  
  and Sciences, Harvard  
  University
2. What Foreign Study Means to Our Campuses  
    ..... Anne G. Pannell, President,  
  Sweet Briar College
3. Foreign Study for World Leadership ..... Kenneth Holland, President,  
  Institute of International  
  Education
4. General Discussion



Courant, Ernest

May 29, 1952

Dear Mr. Courant:

I am enclosing a copy of Dr. Pais' paper "On the V-Particles". Since this paper has not as yet been published, I only have it in the mimeographed form, but if you would like me to send you a reprint, when it is published, I shall be glad to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Kostue  
Director's Office

Mr. Ernest Courant  
Brookhaven National Laboratory  
Upton, Long Island, New York

Enclosure



*Cowell, Olive Thompson*

March 11, 1947

Mrs. Olive Thompson Cowell  
Professor of International Relations  
San Francisco State College  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Cowell:

I have your letter of February 25th and regret to say that the Institute for Advanced Study does not offer any work in international relations as such. As you will see from our Bulletin, a copy of which I am sending you under separate cover, The Institute offers students who have received the doctor's degree an opportunity to do advanced research in three fields, mathematics, humanistic studies and economics and politics.

It is possible that you could get the information you wish from Princeton University. I suggest that you write directly to Professor D. G. Munro, Director of the School of Public and International Affairs, S.P.I.A. Building, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson  
Assistant Secretary

**San Francisco State College**  
**San Francisco, California**

Feb. 25th, 1947

Institute of Advanced Studies,  
Princeton, N. J.

Gentlemen:

I am interested in announcements of courses in international relations, both graduate and undergraduate as it is possible that I may have students interested.

I should appreciate being placed on your mailing list for your announcements; also for your publications.

Very truly yours,

*(Mrs) Olive Thompson Cowell*  
Professor of International relations

Cowherd, R. G.

June 26, 1946

Dear Dr. Cowherd:

I have your letter of June 15, and hasten to say that I am myself very much interested in your book on Dissenters, and my son Bill has told me of his interest in what you have already written on this subject. I am sorry to say, however, that it falls entirely outside the research program of the Institute for Advanced Study at this moment. We have a rigid rule not to invite anyone to membership unless there is work going on here in his field, so that we would have something to offer him. I hope you will find elsewhere the opportunity which you are seeking. Have you thought of the possibility of applying for a Guggenheim Fellowship?

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dr. R.G. Cowherd  
Kalamazoo College  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

FA:nh

June 17, 1946

Dr. R. G. Cowherd  
Department of History  
Kalamazoo College  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Dear Dr. Cowherd:

Thank you for your letter of June 15th to Dr. Aydelotte applying for assistance from the Institute for 1946-1947 in completing your book on the political influence of the English Dissenters during the 19th century. Dr. Aydelotte is out of town at present, but I shall be glad to bring your request to his attention as soon as he returns.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson  
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte





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June 15, 1946

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

Dr. Conyers Read has urged me to complete a book which I have been writing concerning the political influence of the English Dissenters during the nineteenth century. I hope that I may obtain help from the Institute for Advance Study to do this writing during the next school year, 1946-47.

I finished my work for the Ph. D. degree in 1940 at the University of Pennsylvania. From that time until I came to Kalamazoo College in 1945, I was doing research at the University. This work was aided by a grant from the Council of Learned Societies. During the past two years my teaching schedule at Kalamazoo has been so heavy that I have been unable to do any further research or writing.

Dr. William Aydellote, Trinity College, is familiar with my doctor's thesis on the social and political influence of the English Dissenters and has written me a note of commendation on it.

Sincerely yours,

*R. G. Cowherd*  
R. G. Cowherd

Coyle, Dan D.

Copy to Miss Miller

March 24, 1947

Dear Mr. Coyle:

This photographer of yours is about the most successful of anybody we have had around. I am doubling the check and should be grateful if you would send me another set of these pictures to display on our bulletin board.

Will you let me know at the same time what the price is of individual prints? I am sure a good many people around here will want them.

Yours sincerely,

FA:kr  
Dan D. Coyle, Esq.  
Department of Public Relations  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

Frank Aydelotte



Crane, Robert T.

April 18, 1945

Dear Dr. Crane:

Many thanks for your letter. What Miss Swann needs is advice, and I appreciate very warmly your willingness and that of Mr. Clough to see her. I will ask her to get in touch with you directly to arrange a convenient time.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dr. Robert T. Crane  
Social Science Research Council  
230 Park Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

FA:KK

Copy to Miss Swann

March 25, 1941

Dear Mr. Crane:

I am very eager to talk up our conversation where we left off the other day in Princeton and to get your ideas about the American Committee on International Studies. I have to be in New York Thursday for a meeting of Dr. Duggan's Emergency Committee at one o'clock at the Chemists Club. These meetings usually finish by about three o'clock. Would you be free if I called at your office immediately after? I could say definitely that I could come to your office at three whether Duggan's Committee is through or not.

Since the time is short, perhaps you would be kind enough to send me your reply, either by a telephone message or a telegram, to the Harvard Club, 27 West 44th Street. I am going over for the Council of Foreign Relations dinner to Lord Halifax tomorrow evening and shall sleep at the Harvard Club and find your message there.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Robert T. Crane, Esq.  
Social Science Research Council  
230 Park Avenue  
New York City

FA/MCE

C O P Y

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL  
230 Park Avenue  
New York City

March 12, 1941

Dr. Walter Stewart  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Stewart:

Utterly aside from our business, I enjoyed our day yesterday and the opportunity to know you and Warren a little better. As I have thought the Economic History matter over, I feel a little bit keener about Cole than I did. I had not known him until this thing came up and I like the way he has moved since it was first initiated. That is something that we can go into later.

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Sincerely yours,

Robert T. Crane

Robert T Crane  
230 Park Ave  
Soc Sci Res  
Council



Crawford

12 July 1955

Dear Mr. Crawford:

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of June 30th and the enclosed statement, which have arrived in Dr. Oppenheimer's absence. He is spending the summer in the West Indies, and we shall be glad to hold your letter for his return to Princeton in late August. I am sure that he will be very pleased to hear from you, and would wish you to have word of his warm thanks.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Mr. Alfred R. Crawford  
President  
Crawford Company, Inc.  
52 Vanderbilt Avenue  
New York 17, New York





52 VANDERBILT AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

MURRAY HILL 6-0342

June 30, 1955

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

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

I recall with pleasure our few brief contacts during the Harvard Foundation Campaign of 1949-50.

The enclosed brings word of the start of a new venture in the field of aid and counsel to gift-supported institutions. It is our belief that their time of greatest growth and usefulness lies ahead. We hope to have a share in helping some of them.

George Kennan is, so far as I know, the only member of your staff aware of this new venture.

Sincerely yours,

Alfred R. Crawford  
President

ARC:PC



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May 23, 1961

Mrs. Hobson  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Hobson:

It was very pleasant talking with you on the phone today and I am enclosing the material I mentioned on the telephone. For a long time parents and teachers have urged us to make our school type of play materials available to parents and to conduct educational programs that will focus attention on sturdier and more creative play materials for the home. We are convinced that this parent education program will get a successful send-off from college bred women and college educated couples. From the support of such a group we will gather momentum and support for a nation-wide education program.

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Sincerely,

CREATIVE PLAYTHINGS, INC.

*Joyce E. Schanck*

Joyce E. Schanck (Mrs.)

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5/23/61

Creative Placings, Cranbury, N.J. called. They are interested in a list of our alumni to help them with a test program they are starting. Told her about the Institute (postdoctoral level, etc.) Said she would send some information explaining this further in the mail and if we felt it appropriate we could send her a list of last year's members.

Creel, H. G.

May 24, 1945

Lt. Col. H. G. Creel  
1108 South Thomas Street  
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Colonel Creel:

Dr. Aydelotte asks me to thank you for  
your letter concerning Professor Dodds and  
to say that he will get in touch with Mr.  
Marshall as you suggest.

Yours sincerely,

Jane S. Richardson  
Secretary to Dr. Aydelotte

1108 S. Thomas Street  
Arlington, Virginia  
May 22, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

According to Mr. Graves,  
Professor Dodds is probably in Boston, on  
the point of leaving there for New Haven.  
From New Haven he plans to return to New  
York, and from there he will go west.

Probably the best way to reach  
him is to get in touch with Mr. Marshall  
of the Rockefeller Foundation, who apparently  
has his itinerary.

Sincerely yours,

  
H. G. Creel



Just Gen

Crick, dinner  
for

2/2/62

Fresco called. He has heard from Crick, confirming his visit.

1. Crick will arrive either on the afternoon of the 21st or the morning of the 22nd.
2. He will give a seminar. Title: SUPPRESSOR MUTATIONS AND THE GENETIC CODE. ~~Enim~~ Fresco estimates the audience at 100-120, and therefore suggests that it be held on the campus (either in Chemistry or McCosh Hall). Fresco will send out the notices.
3. For the small dinner you suggested here at the Institute, he gave the following names: Pittendrigh, Biology; Walter Kauzmann, Chemistry; and (if he is here, which he may be that day) Horng. Fresco has not spoken to any of them about it. Among physicists, he supposes that you will be considering Wigner, Dyson, and perhaps Wheeler. Pardee will be out of town that day.
4. Fresco wants to entertain at his house after dinner. He suggests that seminar and dinner here be early. Thinks seminar could be at 4, so as to be over by ~~4~~ 5:30. (Or earlier, if necessary).

Fresco would like to hear your reaction to all this. He can be reached any day next week except Friday, and will be in Washington for part of the following week. I said we would probably call him early next week.

By  
Pai  
Lee  
Ström

Ro called Fresco 2/6

Croce, Benedetto

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

February 23, 1946

Dear Morse,

I tried to get in touch with you Saturday morning in order to read to you the text of the night-letter to Benēdetto Croce, but you were away. Considering that the birthday is on the 25th, I thought the letter should be sent today without further delay. It runs as follows:

Benedetto Croce  
Filosofo  
Naples

To the philosopher critic, historian of world eminence, and to the dauntless fighter for human liberties we send greetings and felicitations on his eightieth birthday.

Albert Einstein  
Elias Lowe  
Marston Morse  
Oswald Veblen

Professors Institute Advanced Study  
Princeton 25 Febr. /46

Yours sincerely,

E. A. Lowe

file  
382 Osceola Avenue  
Kingston. Pa.

March 9, 1940

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:-

Your courteous note of February 29 should ~~have~~  
have been answered before this date. I have been struggling  
with an attack of grippe and <sup>have</sup> not had an opportunity to catch  
up with my correspondence until today.

*Another copy sent Mar. 11. M.C.*

The Institute Bulletin has not, apparently, reached me to date, but I shall be happy to see one at your leisure. It is rather difficult to make any final judgment until I see what type of expert advice and help the Institute offers. My own immediate interest lies in obtaining the means whereby I can ask for leave of absence to write. The two particular fields are those of social conflict and labor problems; in the former consisting of an analytical study of the Wyoming Valley, and in the latter a complete revision of my work on the General Strike, with the idea of placing that labor weapon in relation to other modes of direct action such as the "sit-down", the "slow-down" and sabotage.

Sincerely yours

*Wilfrid H. Crook*  
Wilfrid H. Crook

February 29, 1940

Dear Mr. Crook:

Dean Speight handed me your letter of February 11.

I do not know that there is anything at the Institute for Advanced Study which would be of advantage to you in your researches. I send you under separate cover a copy of the bulletin of the Institute for this year, and I shall be glad to send you the new one as soon as it is off the press about six weeks hence. You will be able to judge from the membership of our School of Economics whether the advice and help you would get here would be useful to you or not. I am afraid we are rather specialized in the field of public finance. If, however, you come to the conclusion that this is the place where you ought to work and will write me a letter to that effect, I shall be glad to pass it on to the School of Economics for consideration.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

(Please excuse typed signature.  
Right arm in plaster cast.)

Willford H. Crook, Esq.  
382 Osceola Avenue  
Kingston, Pennsylvania

FA/MCE

February 14, 1940

Memorandum to President Aydelotte:

The man who writes me the attached letter has been well-known to me since Oxford days. He taught at Bowdoin before going into the junior college field. He has been a keen student of labor problems and did a good deal of work on the general strike in England. He is now anxious to go further with his studies and raises a question in his last paragraph which concerns the Institute. I have told him that the intention of the Institute is to draw people from the strong graduate institutions, primarily, who have already produced evidence of their unusual competence. Nevertheless, I send this on to you because Crook is a man who has something quite definite to give in the field of the Social Sciences. He would still have been in senior college teaching, I am sure, had it not been for a second marriage which alienated the people at Bowdoin College. That was several years ago, and I have seen him occasionally and feel that he is a stable person now & quite happily married, and that the prejudices he aroused were not entirely fair.

I am not recommending Crook because I have not an adequate basis of judgment, but I am at least passing on his stated desire to bring before you his concern.

H. E. B. S.



382 Osceola Avenue  
Kingston. Pa.

Feb. 11, 40

Dean H. E. B. Speight  
Swarthmore College  
Swarthmore. Pa.

Dear Dean Speight:-

I am much pleased and intrigued to see that you are to coordinate the new scheme for training of N.Y. State teachers. If the normal college products are anything like those in this State, then more power to your elbow....most "Teachers Colleges" would not be missed by real education if they were closed !

We are still remembering with warm appreciation the address you gave to our young people at convocation more than a year ago. We need your type of mind in this Valley very sorely.

This semester will see six continuous years of very hard teaching work on my part in the Junior College. I have been studying the valley as a strangely unusually center of social conflict, during these years, and have collected much material. It has been my hope to write it up in book form. A preliminary paper was read a year ago to the campus faculty and received from my sociological and psychological colleagues who heard <sup>earnest</sup> requests to publish. That cannot be done, yet, for several reasons.

Bucknell is not like Smith, Bowdoin, Swarthmore etc and cannot afford to pay for sabbatical leave...which is really what I need for the work on the book. I could get leave of absence I know, for a year, but the salary would not be forthcoming.

Evelyn and I have an elderly mother whom we naturally have to help, and we have no capital lee-way in which to take a year for literary work...so there seems to be stalemate. My age, 52 this May, militates against fellowships from such organizations as the Social Science Council or even the Guggenheim.

I wonder what you can tell me of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton ? Does that in any way meet a case like mine ? I am eager to bring my "opus" on the General Strike up to date and convert it into a popular book on labor struggles, including the Sit-down and the Slow-down, but again this desire can be met only with aid of adequate university library facilities and leisure.

I write to you rather than to Dr Aydelotte with these queries, because you know me of old, and also my work at Bradford, and perhaps to some extent here. You will, therefore, be better able to evaluate my situation and tell me if there be any possibility of solving my problem by way of the "Institute".

Warmest greetings from us both.

Cordially yours

Wilfrid H. Crook

ONE WESTCOTT ROAD  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Croust, Louis

Dear Mr Aydelotte

I am sorry that news of the Institute man hand subscription reached me just a day too late to get into our story in this week's paper - It will go into our final story on August 1.

Thank you for the part you evidently played in getting this credited to Princeton.

Yours very truly  
Louis Croust

Crown Publishers

August 7, 1952

Dear Mr. Michelman:

Your letter of July 29th has come to this office. We do not have any photographs of Dr. Flexner that we can send you, nor can we give you permission to reproduce one in your book. I am, therefore, taking the liberty of forwarding your letter to Dr. Flexner at 522 Fifth Avenue in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Kestue  
Director's Office

Mr. Herbert Michelman  
Administrative Editor  
Crown Publishers  
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*Cruz, Salviano*

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Secretary  
ALEXANDER LEITCH

December 8, 1941

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

I enclose a copy of a rather long letter from Dr. Salviano Cruz, Dean of the Instituto de Altos Estudos Em Ciencias Economicas, Políticas e Sociais in Rio de Janeiro.

In case you do not have time to explore this letter thoroughly, the gist of it would seem to be, so far as the Institute for Advanced Study is concerned, that Dean Cruz would like to be put on the catalogue mailing list of the Institute and also to receive any publications on economic, political, and social subjects which the Institute would be able to send him without charge.

Sincerely yours,

*Alexander Leitch*

Alexander Leitch

AL:LC  
Enclosure



(COPY)

INSTITUTO DE ALTOS ESTUDOS EM CIÊNCIAS

Liceu Literario Portugues, Rua Senador Dantas

Rio de Janeiro

Dr. Harold W. Dodds, President  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey  
United States of America

Dear Sir:

The Instituto de Altos Estudos em Ciências Econômicas, Políticas e Sociais is an institution for graduate studies and scientific research in the Social Sciences which was formally founded in Rio de Janeiro on July 26th of this year. In the interest of intellectual cooperation and on behalf of this new institution, as Dean of the Faculty here I wish to communicate to American scholars the existence and program of the Instituto de Altos Estudos em Ciências Econômicas, Políticas e Sociais.

The orientation of the program of this new institution is based upon the educational philosophy and practice of the outstanding universities and graduate schools of the United States. The Instituto has been privately organized by the spontaneous action of prominent Brazilian scholars and government officials who, recognizing Brazil's limitations and needs in the educational realm, wish to create the means of bridging the gap in achievement and development in the social science field between Brazil and the United States. It is the intent of the founders that this institution perform a unique function, therefore, among the institutions of higher learning in Brazil: that this institution provide the facilities, guidance and impetus for the development and more general and accurate application of social science methodology here, for the training of scholars for research and of men competent and scientifically equipped to observe, and seek understanding and solution of, administrative, legal, social, cultural and commercial problems, and to carry on the executive and administrative work in each of these branches of activity. Founders and Faculty members of this institution believe with the scholars of the United States and their colleagues here that the existence of graduate institutions of the nature of this institute in Latin-American nations is fundamental to the establishment of the Pan-American ideal as a practical, effective reality, for it is only through the existence and functioning of such graduate institutions that an equality of intellectual attainment on the Pan-American Continents will be made possible, and that Pan-Americanism



will thus be placed on a more sound, scientific basis than exists at present or ever can exist where emphasis is solely on the commercial and political aspects of the problem. Brazilian scholars are therefore looking to this institution to provide scientific development, stimulate cultural and scientific interchange with the institutions of higher learning and the scholars of the United States, and to contribute to the development of a scientific, effective Pan-Americanism, through its provision of a link between the educational centers of the United States and Brazil.

The essential features of the program through which these objectives are to be attained are as follows:

1. The provision in each of the Divisions: International Economy and Foreign Policy; Pure and Applied Economics; Advanced Philosophy; Historical Studies; Geographical Studies; Geology and Paleontology; Political Science and Public Administration; Anthropology; Sociology and Social Administration; Law, of a basic course providing the requisite scientific orientation and fundamental background for advanced study on the level of the graduate courses of the outstanding universities and graduate faculties of the United States.
2. The initiation of a co-requisite seminar on the Methodology of Social Science Research, offered jointly by members of the Faculty, each of whom will base his lectures upon the practical problems encountered and the methodology applied in his individual program of research.
3. The provision for each of the Divisions of a course on bibliography and guides to bibliography.
4. The offering of a series of courses on statistical methodology and its application to Social Science Research.
5. The offering of a program of advanced courses in each Division, with emphasis on seminar and individual research work.
6. The establishment of a Research Division in which competent members of the student body are to take an extensive part, under the guidance of appropriate Professors, in carrying on a comprehensive program of social research, studies on individual subjects to be published as ready.
7. The publication of a scientific review at quarterly intervals: outstanding Social Scientists of the world are invited to contribute to this publication.
8. Emphasis on research projects relative to national, Latin-American, and Pan-American problems, in order to develop over a long time period a body of systematic

scientific knowledge concerning such problems, their origins, implications, and consequences, and the possible and attempted solutions.

9. Extensive cooperation with the Social Science Departments of the institutions of higher learning of the United States, and with the graduate social science faculties, for the interchange of ideas, knowledge, and experience, and of students and Faculty members, and for the purpose of assisting this institution's efforts, concretely, to provide scientific training for students here which will reduce to a minimum their now exceedingly great problems of adjustment to the curriculum, standards, and methods of the universities and graduate schools of the United States, thus increasing the benefits and value derived and given by exchange students from Brazil as a result of their experiences as advanced students in the United States, and providing for students to whom the opportunity for study elsewhere is not granted a scientific background and a sound knowledge in the Social Science in which they chose to specialize.

We realize that, if the Instituto is to achieve a scientific contribution to the Social Sciences, the assistance of capable, experienced scholars from the United States and abroad is decisively necessary. There is equal awareness here of the essentiality to the achievement of the Instituto's aims of the possession and preservation of freedom for teaching and research conducted under its auspices. Assurances of the essential scholastic freedom have already been given by the proper authorities: its retention must be zealously guarded to guarantee the carrying out of the Instituto's scientific program. It is essential, therefore, that the Instituto not be financially dependent on any government in such fashion that political control may result. The Instituto must, therefore, turn to the private foundations, institutions of higher learning, and scholars of the United States and Brazil for assistance in building up a technical library, in providing scholarships and fellowships for deserving, mature students, exchange and national, in bringing to our aid here in the development of a scientific research and teaching program outstanding social scientists, in permitting the acquisition by the Instituto of the technical equipment for a social science laboratory, and in the provision for the interchange of scientific knowledge with the scholars and institutions of higher learning of the United States. On behalf of the Instituto de Altos Estudos em Ciências Econômicas, Políticas e Sociais, I am therefore asking the assistance of Princeton University, and the Faculty thereof, in the building up of our technical library and technical laboratory equipment, and in the working out and provision of funds for a program of exchange fellows and Professorships. These beginning years are the crucial years for this Instituto, as for any institution of this nature: it is now, therefore, that we most need every assistance American scholars can give.

The Instituto de Altos Estudos em Ciências Econômicas, Políticas e Sociais extends to all American universities and Graduate Schools reciprocal cooperation to the fullest extent our facilities permit. In the near future, the first issue of this Instituto's scientific quarterly will appear: the Instituto would like to establish an exchange of such publications, and likewise of special studies, as our monographs will be published here in both English and Portuguese. Our Faculty is now preparing a monograph evaluating the Social Sciences in Brazil, which will be made available to the Social Scientists of the United States.

This institution is glad to extend to the Princeton University the full cooperation and assistance of our Faculty and full access to the facilities for research we have available here. In the near future, a copy of the catalogue of this Instituto will be sent to Princeton University: comments, criticism, and advice on our program will be heartily welcomed, as will be donations of technical books or funds for their purchase, and all other assistance and cooperation scholars of Princeton University may find it possible to give this new institution.

I should appreciate greatly your communicating the contents of this letter to the Faculty and Administrative Officers of Princeton University.

Very sincerely

Salviano Cruz, Dean  
Instituto de Altos Estudos  
Em Ciências Econômicas,  
Políticas e Sociais

The Instituto de Altos Estudos em Ciências Econômicas, Políticas e Sociais would like to be placed on the catalogue mailing lists of Princeton University, the Institute for Advanced Studies, and the School of Public and International Affairs.



Culbertson William S.

Copy to Professor Hitti

14 August 1942

Dear Colonel Culbertson:

In reply to your letter of August 6th I wish to say that there are a number of people in Princeton who might be of use to you in supplying information about various phases of the Mohammedan world.

Your first source of information should certainly be Professor P. K. Hitti. Professor Hitti has on his staff a young man by the name of N. A. Faris who would also, I think, be extremely useful. Professor Ernst Herzfeld of the Institute knows Persia as few men do, and would, I am sure, be happy to place his knowledge at your disposal at any time. There is in addition a young man by the name of C. H. Gordon who has been working at the Institute and who is now at 3143 Dumbarton Street, Washington, D. C., who has been a good deal in the Near East.

I should say that if you want to ask one of these men to go to Washington it would be best to invite Professor Hitti since he would know all the others and would, I think, be most widely informed about the kind of problem on which you would be seeking information.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Lt. Colonel William S. Culbertson  
Military Intelligence Division G-2  
War Department, Washington, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION G-2  
WASHINGTON

August 6, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Aydelotte:

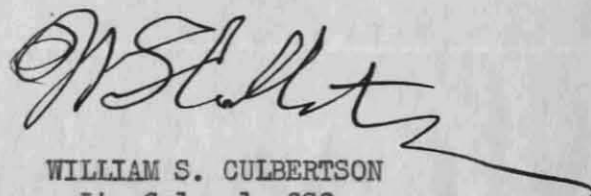
I am making, at the present time, a special study on certain phases of the Mohammedan World. May I inquire what specialists are available at Princeton on this subject.

I am not sure whether I would be able, at this time, to make a trip to Princeton, but I might be able to outline the information which we need and, if it seems desirable, arrange for a trip to Washington of anyone whom you might recommend.

I appreciate very much the cooperation which I am receiving from you and from the members of your staff.

With personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



WILLIAM S. CULBERTSON  
Lt. Colonel, GSC

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Fraser  
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*Inst Gen - Current Biog*

9 January 1957

Dear Miss Candee:

We regret that we do not have material such as you request on Faculty members of the Institute for Advanced Study. We have no file of photographs or news releases that we could send you. As to biographical information, I believe your best source would be such reference books as Who's Who, American Men of Science, etc. I am enclosing a copy of our informative booklet, which contains a full listing of our Faculty members. Jean Piaget, who appears on the list you sent us, was a temporary member of the Institute. He holds professorships at the University of Geneva and the Sorbonne.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Wilder Hobson)  
Secretary to the Director

Miss Marjorie Dent Candee, Editor  
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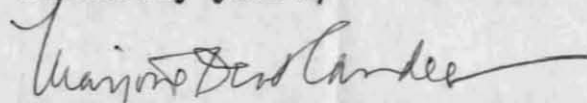
Gentlemen:      Attn: Public Information Office

We are planning to prepare an article on the life and work of scientists listed on the attached sheet \* for an early issue of CURRENT BIOGRAPHY. This is a standard reference periodical published since 1940 and widely used in public, school and college libraries. Newspapers, radio and television stations and government agencies also refer to it frequently for accurate information on people in the news.

We would appreciate receiving from you news releases, biographical information and a photograph and a recent annual report of your organization.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

  
Marjorie Dent Candee, Editor  
CURRENT BIOGRAPHY

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Hassler Whitney

Kay:

Irene left this on my desk, without comment. As far as I can see, no recent reprints have been received. It may be worth your while to ask Miss Blake or Miss Iglehart as reprints are under their jurisdiction. Mr. Curry may <sup>also</sup> have addressed the material to an individual rather than to the Institute or Institute Library.

JES



Henri.

Have you received  
them?

Kay

Curry, Haskell

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE  
School of the Liberal Arts  
State College, Pennsylvania

Mathematics

May 20, 1949

Dear Friend:

Under separate cover I am sending you a shipment of reprints.

In connection with these reprints an unfortunate situation has developed. It turns out that I do not have enough reprints to send a copy of all the papers to everyone who has expressed an interest in them. This is partly due to the fact that an insufficient supply of the reprints was ordered in the first place. But apparently some reprints were sent out before or during the war without adequate records being kept, so that possibly duplicates have been sent to certain persons.

In view of this situation, I have taken the following action. In the case of reprints of which the supply seems to be ample, I have sent copies to all who have expressed an interest. In the other cases I have been a little conservative and have sent them only in cases where they are especially requested. Even then I have sometimes not sent them in cases where my record shows there is someone else in the same general locality who has a copy. This situation is one about which I feel extremely embarrassed; but it is the best I can do.

Under these circumstances, I would appreciate it if you would examine your stock of my reprints in connection with this new shipment. If you find you have duplicates or items you have no use for, it might help someone else if you will return these to me or get in touch with me about them. Likewise, if there are papers of which you do not have copies but would like to have, you might get in touch with me about them also. I have retained a few copies for just that purpose.

I should be glad to receive reprints from you in return. During the war I had to abandon research along foundational lines altogether, and I have not yet caught up fully with what went on when I was out of the picture. I should be glad to hear about your researches, lectures you are giving, your new books and projects, and so on.

My best wishes to you for success.

Yours very sincerely,

Haskell B. Curry

HBC:MMF

BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
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DEPARTMENT OF ANATOMY

BOSTON 18, MASS..

February 2, 1931

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

My dear Doctor Flexner::

I have read with great interest your timely book  
"Universities, American, English and German" for which you  
deserve the commendation of all in America who are interested  
in establishing and maintaining high standards in University  
education. You are especially to be commended for actually  
setting the standard by interesting Mr. Bamberger and Mrs. Fuld  
in founding the Institute for Advanced Study. I wish the  
Institute great success.

I believe you are right in regarding the German univer-  
sities as most nearly conforming to the highest standards. In  
the organization of the Institute for Advanced Study you are,  
however, overlooking the source of their strength and excellence,  
namely, entire control of academic affairs by the faculty. In  
your organization the faculty is a submerged fifth, with a long  
line of officials holding power over them; they are actually  
called employees in Section 1, Article VII of your by-laws. Your  
Institute will never enjoy the academic atmosphere which prevails  
in the German and Scandinavian universities. While in Europe last  
year I talked with one Norwegian and two German professors who had  
recently refused offers of high-salaried positions in two of our

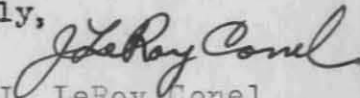
Dr. A. Flexner -2

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best universities, principally because here they would not have the academic privileges that they enjoy at home.

It seems unfortunate that in starting a new institute to emulate the German universities you are not using their plan of organization, but are adopting the American plan which, I believe, is the cause for many of the deplorable conditions you expose in your book, in that directors, deans and presidents, holding almost absolute power over the faculty, must make reports favorable to a supreme board of trustees, thereby advertising their institution and themselves, which is usually the more important to them. The members of the faculties are under pressure by directors, deans, and presidents to produce papers for advertising purposes. Under your plan of organization your faculty will be living in the same kind of academic atmosphere as is present in our universities and institutes.

Very respectfully,



J. LeRoy Conel  
Professor of Anatomy

JLC:EMP

February 4, 1931

Dear Professor Conel:

Your letter of the second is gratifying and helpful. It is impossible to organize an American university in imitation of the German university, because in Germany there is a ministry which we do not have in the United States. My notion is that the Board of Trustees should perform some of the functions performed in Germany by the ministry, and I am also hopeful that the members of the faculty will be so helpful that their number on the Board will be gradually increased. You must realize that we are making an experiment. Nothing is easier than to change by-laws in an evolutionary spirit.

The word, "employees", in the section of the By-Laws which you cite has no reference whatsoever to the faculty. It applies to the employees of the Board, not to members of the teaching staff.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor J. LeRoy Conel  
Boston University School of Medicine  
East Concord Street  
Boston 18, Massachusetts

AF:ESB



*Mr. Cohen*

April 24, 1934

Dear Morris:

I have your very interesting letter of April 22nd. It opens an extremely interesting vista. The Institute has just received an anonymous gift of \$1,000,000 to make a start in the field of the social sciences. If the Institut für Sozialforschung could combine with us on the same level at which we are doing mathematics, very notable results might ultimately be obtained.

I can meet you and Professor Gumpertz, either in New York or here, at almost any time in the near future. I suggest that after conferring with Professor Gumpertz you get in touch with me by telephone at my office, 20 Nassau Street (Princeton 497), any week-day between 10 and 1 o'clock or between 3 and 4:30. I can also be reached at Princeton Inn (Princeton 1020) between 6 and 7 any day.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

**ABRAHAM FLEXNER**

Mr. Morris R. Cohen  
854 West 181st Street  
New York City

AF/MCE

854 W 187<sup>th</sup> Wg.

M. R. Cohen April 22/24

Dear Flexner:

I spoke the other day with  
Julian Sumpter of the Institut für  
Sozialforschung and he told me that the  
Institut is seriously considering transferring  
its funds and organization to this country.  
As the idea of the Institut is somewhat  
similar to your own Institute, and supple-  
ments it by concentrating on economic  
studies I suggested to him that you  
might write him in some way (I  
understand that their endowment if  
transferred to this country would be over  
one million dollars and a half).

Are you sufficiently interested  
to meet him and discuss the matter?

We can meet in New York either at my  
house or in your office.

With kind remembrances

Cordially yours

Morris R. Cohen

854 W 181<sup>st</sup>

Dec. 5/31

Dear Flepner:

I did receive the confidential report which you were kind enough to send me. But as I have not been in a position to write out my impressions concerning it - I have to write everything by hand - I have failed to acknowledge your courtesy in sending it to me. I think I could give you my ideas - or lack of them - really if we had an opportunity to get together.

With kind remembrances,

Sincerely yours

Morris R. Cohen

December 7, 1931

Dear Morris;

Thank you for your kind letter. I am fairly well tied up this week, but I shall have leisure next week, and I shall call you by telephone in the hope that we can get together at luncheon.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Morris R. Cohen  
854 West 181st Street  
New York, N. Y.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB



M. R. Cohen

December 2, 1931

Dear Cohen:

I wonder whether you received the copy of the confidential report which I mailed you on November 5. There is no particular hurry about it, but I should like to make sure that it reached you.

Very sincerely yours,

Professor Morris R. Cohen  
854 West 181st Street  
New York, N. Y.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

November 5, 1931

Dear Cohen:

Felix was telling me about the Memorial Volume gotten up on your 25th anniversary and calling my attention to one article in particular. Where can I get the book?

I am venturing to ask you to read a confidential memorandum which I have prepared and which I send you herewith. Comment on the margins or back of the sheets and return it with your suggestions. It represents only a start. I have an idea, which I discussed with Felix, that in time the conception of these two schools should be so broadened as to include the philosophy of science in connection with mathematics, and law in connection with economics - not a law school, however. What do you think of this?

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,  
ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Morris R. Cohen  
854 West 181st Street  
New York, N. Y.

AF:ESB

JACOB BILLIKOPF  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Morris R. Cohen

THE FEDERATION OF  
JEWISH CHARITIES OF PHILADELPHIA  
330 SOUTH NINTH STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

October 22, 1930.

Dear Dr. Flexner:

Last summer, while in Knollwood, (Saranac Lake) Dr. Edwin Kohn, of Harvard, and I spoke with enthusiasm about the Institute of Advanced Study, made possible by Mr. Louis Bamberger and Mrs. Felix Fuld. Both of us felt that unhampered by any of the traditions which govern other colleges and universities, the Institute will be of inestimable value to the country at large.

In the course of one of our conversations, Dr. Edwin Kohn remarked: "What a wonderful thing it would be if Prof. Morris R. Cohen could be induced to join the staff of the Institute. His is the kind of academic mind that fits admirably into the scheme outlined by Dr. Flexner, and as for Morris Cohen, he would be in a position to continue to do the creative work for which he is so wonderfully fitted."

I was so enthusiastic about Dr. Kohn's suggestion that I am writing to you, in the hope that you will view it with favor. Of course, you are familiar with the position Morris Cohen occupies in the academic world. Nevertheless, let me recall to you what Judge Cardozo said on the occasion of the testimonial dinner given to Cohen by students and friends on October 15th, 1927:

"I went over some of Morris Cohen's papers last summer while I was doing some work upon pseudo-philosophic lectures. I was amazed at the range of his erudition alike in law and in philosophy, at the keenness of his perceptions, at the freshness and vigor of his thought, and at the compelling and arresting charm and incisiveness of his literary style. Sooner or later he will articulate his thoughts into a volume, and then his power will be felt in every law school in the land."

And in an equally significant message Justice O. W. Holmes said:

"I am proud that Cohen calls me friend. I envy the youth who sit at his feet."

Incidentally, Morris Cohen just completed his magnum opus, on which he has been working for fifteen years, dedicated to Justice Holmes, and which is now in the hands of Harcourt, Brace & Company. It is entitled, REASON AND NATURE.

I wonder, by the way, whether you have seen in book form the tributes paid to Cohen on the occasion above mentioned? If so, you must have been impressed with the extraordinary Bibliography of Cohen's published writings, in the American Law Review, the American Political

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Science Review, the Columbia Review, Harvard Law Review, International Journal of Ethics, Journal of Philosophy, etc.

With best wishes for the success of the Institute and  
with kind regards,

Cordially yours,

*Jacob Billikoff*

Dr. Abraham Flexner.

October 23, 1930

Dear Mr. Billikopf:

Thank you very much for your kind note of the 22nd. I know Dr. Morris Cohen very well, for I spent a year at Harvard while he was there and we were both working in the Department of Philosophy. I have a very high admiration for him, and I know his repute in this country and in Europe.

We have not yet reached the stage of appointments, but I shall not lose sight of Cohen if it is decided to embark on his subject.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Jacob Billikopf  
330 South Ninth Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB



November 17, 1936

Dear Alfred: *Cohn*

Thank you very much for your special delivery letter. Acting on your suggestion, I am writing Professor Duggan a letter which he will receive tomorrow (Monday) morning. I think when you see my letter you will understand the service which Herzfeld is in position to render American scholarship, and fortunately there is a relatively young man at Princeton who has been extremely anxious to enter the field in which Herzfeld has worked so successfully.

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. Alfred E. Cohn  
Rockefeller Hospital  
66th Street and York Avenue  
New York City

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

# The Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced German Scholars

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*Please address all Communications to the Secretary*

Rockefeller Hospital  
66th Street and York Avenue  
New York.

November 16th, 1935.

Dear Abe:

There will be a meeting of the Emergency Committee next week, perhaps as early as Tuesday. I wonder whether you would think me a nuisance if I suggest that a request for a grant for Professor Herzfeld should be written directly to Doctor Stephen Duggan, Chairman of the Committee. I think he would appreciate it.

Very sincerely yours,

*Alfred E. Cohn* EC.

Mr. Abraham Flexner,  
The Institute for Advanced Study or the Princeton Inn,  
Princeton, N. J.

AEC:EC.

October 17, 1938

Dear Professor Morey:

Many thanks for sending me the results of your inquiries regarding Dr. William Cohn. I wish very much there were an opening for him, but at the moment we are at the end of our financial rope, so that despite the favorable reports of him I do not see how I can do anything.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Professor C. R. Morey  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

ESTHER S. BARLEY

AP:ESB

October 17, 1938

Dear Dr. Cohn:

I have your very interesting letter of September 8, and I have spoken with some of my associates in regard to your work in the field of Oriental studies. Everything that I have heard from them is in the highest degree satisfactory. Unfortunately, however, at the moment our budget for the year has been made up and consumes all the income that we can safely count on. It is therefore with the keenest regret that I am compelled to say that there is nothing that I can do now. I shall, however, bear your name and application in mind and, if any opportunity offers, I shall communicate with you.

I have been told that a museum in Seattle, Washington, is almost exclusively filled with Far Eastern objects, and it might be worth your while to address a letter to the Director of the museum there.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. William Cohn  
Südwestkorsø 71  
Berlin-Friedenau, Germany

AF:ESB

P.S. The address is  
Dr. Richard E. Fuller  
Seattle Art Museum  
Seattle, Washington

OF THE INSTITUTE FOR  
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Berlin-Friedenau, September 8th, 38  
Südwestkorso 71

To the Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

Dear Sir,

I beg to apply to you for admission to your esteemed Institute. You may gather from the enclosure, which contains a selected bibliography and topics of researches, all necessary details. Let me add that it is impossible for me to continue my studies and researches here. From your Bulletin I learn that, so far, Far Eastern art and culture are not yet included in your program. Be it as it may, I should greatly appreciate to do research work in this field at your Institute and to lecture there or to conduct a seminary. Several people in your country know me, for example Mr. Alan Priest (Metropolitan Museum, New York), Mr. Langdon Warner (now in San Francisco), Mr. Coomaraswamy (Museum of Fine Arts, Boston), Professor Richard Goldschmidt (Berkley University). Besides Prof. Adolf Goldschmidt (Berlin), will be glad to give you any details wanted.

You know the situation here. Perhaps you can help me to leave this country in order to enable me to continue my work, calling me to your Institute or giving me a stipend.

With anticipated thanks for your troubles

I am, dear Sir,

Yours very truly

*William Coen*



William Cohn, Ph.D.

Born at Berlin (Germany), June 22nd, 1880. Married to Isa Nathan

Pre-University Education at Berlin, Friedrich Werdersches Gymnasium

University Education:

History of Art, Archaeology, Ethnology (Professors  
Woelfflin, von Luschan, Kalkmann, Kekulé, Goldschmidt,  
Wilamowitz-Moellendorf, Bulle, Collignon and others) in  
Berlin, Paris, Erlangen. Degree of Ph.D. in 1905.

Journeys for the purpose of studies in Italy, Spain,  
Greece, England, France and Germany.

Career:

- |         |   |                              |
|---------|---|------------------------------|
| 1909/10 | studying-sojourn  | in Japan and China           |
| 1912    | "   | in U.S.America               |
| 1913/14 | "   | in British India and Ceylon. |
| 1912    | he founded together with Prof. Otto Kummel the <i>Ostasiatische Zeitschrift</i> and edited it to the present (June 1932).<br>23 volumes.  |                              |
| 1919    | Assistent-Curator at the Department of Far Eastern Art at the Staatliche Museen in Berlin.  |                              |
| 1921    | he started the book-series: <i>Die Kunst des Ostens</i> (11 volumes), partly translated in French.<br>Collaborator of Brockhaus' <i>Konversationslexikon</i> .<br>Lecturer at the Lessing-Hochschule, Berlin. |                              |
| 1925/26 | studying-sojourn in British India, Birma, Siam, Java, China, Japan, U.S.America.  |                              |
| 1929    | Curator at the Staatliche Museen in Berlin.   |                              |
| 1929/33 | Lectures in Kopenhagen, Amsterdam, Vienna, Zurich, Basel and in many towns of Germany.  |                              |
| 1933    | Dec. 31st after 15 years activity at the Staatliche Museen in Berlin dismissed.<br>Corresponding Member of the Dutch and Austrian Society of the Friends of Far Eastern Art.                                  |                              |
| 1934    | <del>to the present</del> Permanent Secretary of the <i>Gesellschaft für Ostasiatische Kunst</i> . 1938 May 1st dismissed.  |                              |

Subjects of Special Study, Topics for Possible Lecture Courses.

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The Buddhist Art in India and in the Far East. .  
The Ink-Painting in China and Japan.  
Archaic Chinese Bronzes. - The Development of South-Indian Art.  
The Development of Chinese Ceramic Art.  
Chinese Porcelains. The continuance of the archaic ornament in the later Chinese Art.  
Chinese Lacquer-Art.  
The Essence of the Chinese Writing.  
Japanese Art in its Relation to the Japanese Civilisation.  
The Yamato-ye. The Sonji Monogatari in the Art.  
The Japanese Painting of the last Centuries.  
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Fake and Original in the Far Eastern Art.  
The Essence of Indian Art.  
What is Japanese in the Japanese Art?  
The Japanese Handicraft,  
etc., etc..

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DICTIONARY OF ISLAMIC ARTISTS

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October 7, 1938

Professor Charles R. Morey,  
Princeton University,  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Morey:

Dr. William Cohn was formerly Curator of the Far Eastern Department of the State Museum, Berlin. He is the author of several books and he was for many years the editor of the 'Ostasiatische Zeitschrift'. As far as I know, he is very well known outside Germany and he had, of course, a very fine reputation in the old Germany. I never met Dr. Cohn personally.

Dr. Salmony used to teach at Mills College; he resigned from that post some time ago and, as far as I know, nobody else has been chosen to fill that vacancy. I wonder whether there is an instructor in the field of Far Eastern art at the University of California. As Berkeley and Oakland are only a few miles apart, there might perhaps be a possibility of teaching at both universities, in case neither of them wants to give a full time job to Dr. Cohn. There is a decided interest in Far Eastern art at the West Coast, though the general standard does not seem to be very high.

The Museum in Seattle, Wash. is nearly exclusively filled with Far Eastern objects; though I do not know the situation there, as far as the staff and vacancies are concerned, I am inclined to think that there might be a possibility, for Dr. Cohn.

As the University of Michigan appointed Mr. Plumer as instructor in the field of Far Eastern Art some time ago, no suitable position is now available in Ann Arbor.

I shall keep the problem in mind and as soon as I hear of even the slightest possibility of an opening for Dr. Cohn, I shall inform you at once. Would Dr. Cohn be interested in lectures?

With best wishes for a pleasant term in Princeton,  
sincerely yours,

*Riland E. Hughes*



American Institute for Iranian Art and Archaeology  
724 Fifth Avenue  
New York City, N.Y.

October 8, 1938

Dear Professor Morey:

"I have your letter of October 6. As for your inquiry about Dr. William Cohn, I have known him off and on for fifteen years and know him for a serious and competent, industrious scholar. I should think he was clearly one of the best men in the art of the Far East, an important subject in which we are definitely weak in this country. I believe he would be a valuable addition to our intellectual resources. Perhaps I should qualify my approval by saying that I am only an amateur in the arts of the Far East and that my interest and affection for them are in no sense matched by my knowledge.

"I do not believe, however, in recommendations between colleagues in matters of this sort that are wanting anything of frankness. I have seen misfits, disappointments, as you no doubt have, too often not to realize the danger of the commendable virtues of generosity and enthusiasm. Retracting nothing of what I have said in favor of Dr. Cohn, I should also say that he seems to me not a really distinguished scholar, able though he is. Intellectually, he is not in a class with men like Herzfeld, Panowski or Heine-Geldern, or the two geniuses, Professor Geiger and Dr. Grünebaum, of the University of Vienna, whom we have just added to our staff. As an addition to this country's intellectual resources, he would not compare in value, in my humble opinion, with a man like Monneret de Villard. But I would hate to have any word of mine throw a feather's weight in the scale of judgment against any opportunity for him. I know too well the living intellectual death to which he will be condemned in Berlin, and if he could be saved for work in this country, it would be excellent."

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Sincerely yours,

(signed) Arthur Upham Pope



September 13, 1941

Dear Professor Cole:

I was very much disappointed not to have a round of golf with you and Johnson.

I hereby send you a raincheck and express the hope that it will not be long before your Committee meets in Princeton again.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Professor Arthur H. Cole  
Box 37  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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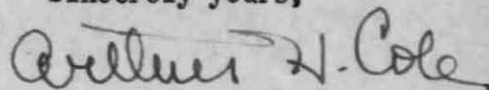
President Frank Aydelotte  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Aydelotte:

I am sorry indeed to have run off the other day without the game of golf to which you were good enough to invite Mr. Johnson and me. After several days of convention and conference I fear I was in no shape to play golf anyway, and for the same reason I was rather anxious to get home before nightfall instead of spending the night on a train.

I hope we can have another committee conference at Princeton, and then I shall put on the agenda an afternoon of golf with you!

Sincerely yours,



Arthur H. Cole

AHC/w

Excerpt - letter from Mr. Arthur H. Cole to Mr. Warrent

. . . . I wanted to send you the enclosed documents and thank you for your share in the pleasant day that I had at Princeton. I am glad I came, and I hope that some way may be found whereby your Institute may become the center for an important share in the investigations sponsored by our Committee. If you could add a younger man to your group who would carry the main burden of fact gathering, you and Dr. Stewart would be free to devote yourselves to the larger aspects. Anyway, I am hopeful of the situation at Princeton."

March 18, 1941

Dear Dr. Cole:

Many thanks for your letter.  
I am asking our Treasurer to pay your bill of \$40.10 immediately and hope you will let me know if you do not receive a check some time within the next week.

Certainly we must find such a young man as you suggest. Have you any one in mind? We very much enjoyed your visit and look forward eagerly to hearing the results of the deliberations of the Committee on March 21st.

Kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dr. Arthur Cole  
Box 37  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

FA/as



ARTHUR H. COLE, BOX 37, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

March 13, 1941

President Frank Aydelotte  
Institute of Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear President Aydelotte:

Please accept my cordial thanks for the very pleasant and to me profitable visit at your Institute. I am glad to learn that you, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Warren are all so interested in the prospective research in economic history, and I believe something can be worked out which will insure a cooperative effort by your group and our Committee. In addition, I have you to thank for a very pleasant sojourn in Princeton. I am transmitting my expense account herewith, although I am doubtful whether you should bear all this cost, even after I have trimmed it somewhat.

I venture to suggest one matter on which I am also writing to Dr. Warren. If there were to be such a cooperative endeavor as I have just mentioned, I hope you might find it possible to add an energetic and competent young man to your Staff. I am sure there would be many minor jobs of the fact-finding variety which Dr. Stewart and Dr. Warren could best place on his shoulders, while he could act as general foreman if a clerical group became essential. Undoubtedly, it is too early now to select the individual, since his choice would be in some degree affected by the work on which he would be engaged, but perhaps you would find it possible to look around during the next few months and have certain individuals lined up. My chief thought is that the men now available at your Institute ought not to have too much of their time taken up with details.

Trusting you will not hesitate to write me upon any matters concerned with our Committee's work, and thanking you again for your hospitality, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Arthur H. Cole*  
Arthur H. Cole

Enclosure  
AHC/sp



W.D. Coleman

Kalamazoo, Michigan,  
December 13, 1932

The Registrar,  
Institute for Advanced Study,  
Princeton University,  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I would like to find out what requisites are required from prospective students at this Institute: also what will be the amount of the tuition, etcetera.

I received an "A.B." from "Western State Teachers College" in 1929, I majored in English. I returned to the college in 1930-31 and picked up Calculus, General Physics, German and several minor things some of which have escaped my memory.

If this background would enable me to enter with you in further study, I still would probably be unable to attend due to lack of finance.

However, I thought I would write and attempt if possible to find a loophole ~~someplace~~.

I don't know what my "I. Q." is, but from tests taken in psychology classes have decided it about 165 rating the average college student at 100. However, this may be slightly exaggerated.

I am neither brilliant or clever, but will defy anyone to give me a problem in mathematics workable or not which I can not prove solvable or insoluble if I can have unlimited time.

Yours Sincerely,  
Ervin D. Coleman,

708 Ampere Ave.,  
Walamoog, Mich.

December 16, 1932

Dear Mr. Coleman:

I have your kind note of December 13.

The Institute for Advanced Study will open  
a School of Mathematics next autumn. The fee will be low -  
\$100.00 per annum - but only those will be admitted who have  
already exhausted the opportunities of our best graduate schools.

*Sept 16/33*  
I am sending you under separate cover a pamphlet  
of the Institute, and I shall put your name on our mailing list  
so that you will receive a second bulletin to be issued shortly.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Ervin D. Coleman  
708 Appenee Avenue  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

10 April 1937

Department of Classics

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I have just read the Sixth Bulletin of The Institute for Advanced Study and I wish to thank you for your courtesy in sending it to me. A few years ago I asked to be put on your mailing list for the Bulletins and I always read each Bulletin with great interest in the work which you are doing.

Yours faithfully,  
P. R. Coleman-Horton

April 16, 1937

Dear Professor Coleman-Norton:

Thank you very much for your courteous note of April 10. It gives me great pleasure that you are interested in the work of the Institute. Some day at your convenience I should be very happy if you would drop in at 20 Nassau Street for the purpose of a chat on the subject.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor P. R. Coleman-Norton  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

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L. F. Coles

2074 Madison Avenue  
New York City  
Dec. 10, 1932.

Dr. Abraham Flexner  
100 East 42 Street  
New York City

Dear Dr. Flexner:

I was indeed glad to learn that you and Dr. Jacob Billikopf, together with the other trustees have given Howard University a new setting "as it were". I think the reorganization of Howard University came at the right time. As I told you some time ago, I have great faith in you and Dr. Billikopf.

I wrote you twice recently bringing to your attention that I was glad that you were going to bring Dr. Einstein to this country, but I stated that I was sorry that your school of Physics and Mathematics is to be located at Princeton, which is the most prejudice ridden university this side of the Mason-Dixon lines. In fact no Negro can go ~~there~~ to any department except the Department of Theology. He must also be a light Negro. Only one can be admitted in three years, that is, to say, the first Negro must have graduated or must be in his graduating year before another Negro can be admitted.

Despite the fact I wrote you twice, I did not get a reply. However, this is no indictment against you, for you can run a school wherever you so desire, but knowing your stand on right and wrong, I brought the matter to your attention, and had hoped that you would have given it consideration.

Yours very truly  
  
L. F. COLES

December 12, 1932

Dear Dr. Coles:

Many thanks for your kind note.

I regret very much that through inadvertence  
your previous communications were unacknowledged.

*sent  
12/17/32*

I am sending you under separate cover Bulletin  
No. 1 of the Institute for Advanced Study. You will notice  
that it is specifically provided that no distinction shall  
be made on the basis of race, color or sex.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. L. F. Coles  
2074 Madison Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

AF/D

*Alan C. Collins*

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GARDEN CITY, N.Y.

Please reply to  
New York Office, 244 Madison Avenue

April 25, 1934

Dear Dr. Flexner:

We have recently published a book entitled EMPIRE IN THE EAST edited by Joseph Barnes. The book has received really notable reviews not only from the reviewers but from the recognized authorities in the field of foreign relations. Professor Tyler Dennett of Princeton University is one of the contributors.

I wrote Professor Dennett asking him if he would bring the book to the attention of Professor Einstein and he told me that the right road to Professor Einstein lay through you. I may say that the book has been widely acclaimed as offering the only peaceful solution to the difficulties in the Far East. As one of the great authorities on the subject of world peace, it seems to me that Professor Einstein would be interested in this book. It is my hope, of course, that he would read it and then speak of it or allow himself to be interviewed on the subject. The thought also occurs to me that a nation-wide radio broadcast could be arranged.

All of this is no doubt leaping far into the future, but in writing this letter I thought you ought to know exactly what I had in mind. Should you care to bring the book to Professor Einstein's attention, I shall of course be glad to mail you a copy immediately.

Very truly yours,

*Alan C. Collins*

Alan C. Collins

Dr. Abraham Flexner  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

ACC:K

April 26, 1934

Dear Mr. Collins:

I regret to say that I have had to make  
it an absolute rule, to which I have made no exceptions,  
not to approach Professor Einstein in any matter that  
does not lie in the field of the School of Mathematics  
of the Institute for Advanced Study.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Alan C. Collins  
Doubleday, Doran and Company, Inc.  
244 Madison Avenue  
New York City

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Mr. Edgar Rickard, President,  
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request the pleasure of  
Dr. Abraham Flexner's  
company at dinner to meet  
Professor Jacques Errera,  
of the University of Brussels,  
C.R.B. Visiting Lecturer,  
on Monday, October 21st,  
at 7:30 P.M.  
on the 65th Floor, R.C.A. Building,  
30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York.

Please reply to:  
Perrin C. Galpin  
420 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

The guests will  
assemble in The  
Rainbow Room  
Lounge - 65th Floor  
Black Tie.



November 10, 1939

Miss Bertha A. Spieler  
F. E. Compton & Company  
Editorial Department  
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Spieler:

I have your letter of the eighth and  
wish to call your attention to the fact that the  
Institute is now housed in its own building so that  
the address is simply

The Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton, New Jersey

The Institute has three schools:

School of Economics and Politics  
School of Humanistic Studies  
School of Mathematics

*Bull. n. 1*  
I am sending you under separate cover the  
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Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BARLEY

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Secretary

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November 8, 1939

The Office of the Secretary  
Institute for Advanced Study  
20 Nassau Street,  
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Sir:

We wish to bring up to date our entry on the Institute for Advanced Study for the forthcoming edition of Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia. We would like to know particularly, the schools which the Institute now contains. Would you be so kind as to send us this information? We would also appreciate a catalogue or any available literature on the Institute.

Very truly yours,

F. E. COMPTON & COMPANY

*Betha A. Spiller*

Editorial Department

December 6, 1936

Mr. F. A. Comstock  
Rosedale Road  
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Comstock:

A question has arisen in connection  
with Professor Panofsky's garage, and I wonder if  
you would be good enough to come to see me sometime  
when you are in the neighborhood of 20 Nassau Street.  
A definite appointment may be made if you will call  
my secretary by telephone - 497.

With much appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

*Eg Conklin*

*Department of Biology*

December 2nd, 1930.

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

My dear Doctor Flexner:

I thank you for your kind letter of November 28th, and shall be delighted to see you whenever you come to Princeton. I am almost always in my laboratory, 201 Guyot Hall, between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M., but if you would drop me a line before you arrive I would be more certain to be able to make connection with you.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

EGC:R

*Eg Conklin*

E. G. Conklin

November 28, 1930

Dear Professor Conklin:

I am sorry to have been so slow in acknowledging the receipt of your pamphlets and in thanking you for them, but during the last few weeks I have been having a hectic time resulting in sadly subordinating the mail. Please accept my thanks for your courtesy. I shall read the papers with keen interest.

Some day in the near future I shall be coming to Princeton to discuss with you and some of your associates the plans for the Institute for Advanced Study.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Edwin G. Conklin  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

AF:ESB



V. P. Conklin  
49 GROVE STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

Dear Dr. Huxton,

Last summer I wrote  
to you, asking if there would be  
any opportunity for work in the  
administration office of the Institute  
for Advanced Study, and your secretary  
wrote me that there was no opening in the  
"immediate future". I was not looking  
for immediate work and in fact  
have only just finished the project  
I was then carrying out at Pellmar-  
Ypsville South Demonstration. I should

be glad to have a few weeks to my-  
self. but hope to be settled by the  
first of March or shortly thereafter.  
Though if course I am free at any  
time - I should like very much to  
be connected with the Institute, and  
would appreciate it if you would  
be willing to consider me if any  
chance should occur. I am enclosing  
my record of training and experience  
in case you may not have it on  
file.

With Thanks for your attention,  
I am,

Very sincerely yours,

January 23rd, 1931, Viola Grey Franklin

**Viola Percy Conklin**

**49 Grove Street, New York City**

**Telephone - Spring 7-3221**

**Education**

**Graduate - Smith College, B. A.**

**Special Courses**

**Columbia University**  
**Financial Statistics - One year**  
**Accountancy - One year**

**Teachers College**  
**Social Statistics - One semester**

**New York University**  
**Social Statistics - One year**

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**Institutional and Municipal Accounting - One course**

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January 30, 1931

Miss Viola Percy Conklin  
49 Grove Street  
New York City

My dear Miss Conklin:

Dr. Flexner asked me to thank you for your letter of the twenty-third which came just as he was leaving the city. It will be some time before the actual work of the Institute begins, so that Dr. Flexner does not now need additional help. He has requested me to file your letter and record, and he will be glad to communicate with you if there is a vacancy at any time in which he thinks you will be interested.

Very truly yours,

Assistant Secretary

V.P. Conklin

49 GROVE STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

ack. ✓  
July 10  
C.S.B.

Dear Mr. Fisher,

I have been very  
much interested in reading of  
the Institute which Mr. Baumbach  
is founding, and am wondering  
if there would be any chance  
of my having a position in its  
administrative office. I talked  
with Miss Felt about it, and  
she advised my writing directly  
to you. I am enclosing my



record of training and experience, and  
if you think either or both would  
fit me for work of this kind, perhaps  
you would let me come to see you  
to talk the matter over.

Of course I know that a university  
does not spring into being overnight,  
but I assume that you will have  
some sort of a preliminary office  
in the fall, which will later on be  
a part of the school itself. I am looking  
for work which would begin about  
the first of October, but I could wait  
longer, or start earlier if necessary.

I should particularly like to  
have connection with the sort of  
an institution I think this is  
going to be, and would very  
much appreciate your giving  
me a chance to apply.

With many thanks for your  
attention, I am,

Very truly yours,

Vida Gray Conklin

July 8th, 1930.



265 HENRY STREET

NEW YORK CITY

June 28, 1930

Dear Dr. Flexner,

Your new adventure sounds very interesting and you must feel that you are participating in another manifestation of creation. Good luck to you!

I am off to Europe this afternoon, but before I go I would like to suggest, if you are looking for experienced people in your personnel, that you meet Viola Conklin, who will write to you for an interview. Your sister Mary can tell you of knowing her at the Settlement.

Miss Conklin is about to finish a piece of work, and is looking for a proper engagement. And it may be that you have use for her particular equipments.

Dr. Abraham Flexner  
150 East 72nd Street  
New York City  
LDW R

Very cordially yours,

Lillian S. Wald

Viola Percy Conklin

49 Grove Street, New York City

Telephone - Spring-8221

Education

Graduate - Smith College, B. A.

Special Courses

Columbia University

Financial Statistics - One year

Accountancy - One year

Teachers' College

Social Statistics - One semester

New York University

Social Statistics - One year

New York School of Social Work - Summer Course

Bureau of Municipal Research

Institutional and Municipal Accounting - One course

Experience

New York Charity Organization Society

Investigator and Assistant Agent

One and one-half years

Henry Street Settlement

Secretary and Treasurer - Fourteen years

Cardiac After-Care Committee of Irvington House

Executive and Statistician - Three years

Bellevue-Yorkville Health Demonstration

In administrative charge of three special projects  
One year

Until September 1st, 1930 -

Business address - Bellevue-Yorkville Health Demonstration, 325 East 38th St

Telephone - Lexington-2440

October 8, 1938

Mrs. B. Conner  
43 Palmer Square  
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Mrs. Conner:

At Dr. Flexner's request I am happy to  
send you the following names of our faculty members  
who are German:

Prof. Ernst Herzfeld, 10 Bayard Lane (has  
not yet returned)  
Prof. Erwin Panofsky, McCormick Hall  
Prof. John von Neumann, Fine Hall (has  
not yet returned)  
Prof. Hermann Weyl, Fine Hall

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSEER

MCE



YALE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, SOCIOLOGY, AND GOVERNMENT  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

November 20, 1930.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
Institute for Advanced Studies,  
Newark, N. J.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

The statement in the press today concerning your Institute of Advanced Studies interested me very much indeed. Consequently I am writing to see if I might have more information concerning it. I feel that you are striking at the vital defect in our American educational system. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me any published literature concerning your proposed Institute that might be available either now or in the future.

Very cordially yours,

*Milton Conover*

MC:HN

Associate Professor of Government

December 3, 1930

Dear Prof. Conover,

I have your kind favor  
of November 20. The initial statement  
in regard to THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED  
STUDY will be sent you as soon as it is  
issued.

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Milton Conover  
Dept. of Economics, Sociology, & Government  
Yale University  
New Haven, Connecticut

AF/EMR

Ellen Cope

Jenkintown, Pa.  
November 16, 1932

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

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Years ago when your Jean was old enough "to choose her own hats"-perhaps a little older; and suffrage for women was not yet taken for granted, I had the pleasure of meeting you in one of the great institutions of this country. You looked at me with curious, incredulous eyes, as apparently I did not measure up to your idea of the species that I claimed to represent. To some extent I think my own group is also curious today.

Sunday last, I was talking with a Swarthmore professor, Dr. Jesse Holmes, in regard to a project that I am working on. He asked whether I had written to you in regard to it. He thought that you would be sympathetic, and might see some way to its achievement which he was unable to suggest.

In the few moments that I had before train time, I stopped in the college library to read at least the titles of some of your books and articles. The one I chose to take out was, "Do Americans value Education?" I have since studied your two articles in the April and May numbers of the Atlantic Monthly to see how we may be related and whether I have any claim upon your sympathy.

Of one thing I am sure-that if I should ask to talk with you, you would not turn me away simply because I have not a list of degrees, or may not be working for a degree. You might not ~~even~~ approve of the thought I had a number of times last year at Columbia-that degrees ought now to be awarded only for real service. I wonder whether I am attributing an inadequate philosophy to you when I say that it seems to me that back of all you say about the remuneration of those engaged in education, and in regard to the function of the university as compared with the college, there is the belief that the human race will be free and happy when it knows the Truth in its completeness. Perhaps you think that Truth is higher than Happiness-a discussion as unending as "which is higher-Science or Religion, if it is not the same problem. Well, whether equal or lower, it is with the problem of human happiness that I am most concerned, and since I do not believe that happiness is possible without knowledge of the Truth, I am going to assume that we have some relationship.

It does not seem quite courteous to plunge into my story without your permission for a conference. I believe that you would grant it if you have the time; and so assuming your willingness, and leaving to the Fates the question of time, I enclose as brief as possible a suggestion of what I am trying to do.

Sincerely, Ellen Cope

You may not remember - I was Hampton 1914-15

The three projects which I seem to have carried nearly as far<sup># 2</sup> as my own resources permit, are these:

1. The publication of a book of Greek history stories for children, which, by two progressive educators, has been called, "the textbook of the future."

2. The completion of my research into source material for a similar book on American history, constructed on the same cultural or religious principles. (Wanderlust, the Period of European Expansion is the first of these studies)

3. The complete proof and exposition of the following thesis:-  
(Hoping that my lack of degrees might be overlooked I have been applying for a Guggenheim Fellowship in order to complete the work begun on "Wanderlust") I quote from my application:

"The search for psychological justification of the procedure used in selecting material for "Stories and Pictures of Greek Life," led to the comprehension of some interesting relationships. Although the thesis has not been approved by educators, psychologists, erotologists, criminologists, neurologists, philosophers, except as their writings seem to support it, it seems reasonably safe to assert that the principles of education basic to the cultivation of attitudes conducive to world peace, would likewise contribute to the achievement of a number of socially desirable conditions:

- I. Individual enjoyment of life-use of leisure time,
- II. Happier relations between men and women-the natural method of checking divorce,
- III. The religion of the future-"true religion" with a scientific basis(in psychology)
- IV. Inter-racial & inter-class understanding,
- V. The checking of insanity and nervous diseases,
- VI. The prevention of Crime,
- VII. The antidote for Greed & Selfishness,
- VIII. The substitution of Service for the Exploitation of the Weak by the Strong,
- IX. Culture-the way out of Materialism(prophecy of Edward Bellamy)
- X. The development of the 'Eros' principle in Civilization, Freud's equivalent for Culture, and the essential mate of Science, (Freud's Death Instinct)
- XI. To some extent, pre-vocational guidance.

To those who believe that Religion is a force of equal and indispensable value with Science in Civilization, the claim to such omnipotence will not seem too great. Rabindrinath Tagore, in his recent book, "The Religion of Man", parallels statement after statement of the educational psychologists who formulated the principles adopted by the writer in the selection of source material; but the philosopher goes further in showing convincingly that such education not only contributes to the greatest enjoyment of life, but is also the foundation of true progress for the Human Race.



Sigmund Freud has recently expressed a conviction common to some of the world's great thinkers; "The fateful question of the human species seems to be whether and to what extent the cultural processes developed in it will succeed in mastering the derangements of communal life caused by the human instinct of Aggression & Self-destruction....it may now be expected that the other of the heavenly forces, 'eternal Eros', will put forth his strength, so as to maintain himself alongside his equally immortal adversary....'Eros' which aims at binding together single human individuals, then families, then tribes, races, nations, into one great unity, that of Humanity." It is thru Tagore's book that one gains the conception that in their effect upon Society, Culture and Religion are one and the same.

And so I believe that as students of Law are coming to the conclusion that Crime can only be eradicated by education, so all of our social ills must be dealt with in the same way; and the psychologists and philosophers have shown us that each successive step in the ladder of this education is appreciation of some ever higher and higher form of Beauty. If it is true, the story that is told of Las Casas' conquest of the fierce Quiché Indians illustrates the potency of Beauty as compared to Force. I believe that when we have the children of the world studying the common cultural history of the human race, and learning to appreciate the achievements in the arts and sciences, and the finest ideals of character and service of all races and peoples, we shall have laid the foundation for permanent peace, and be preparing ourselves in the best sense for Evolution as against Revolution."

The comprehension of the above relationships came:

I. Chiefly thru a comparison of principles in books which, in a sense, came to hand one after another, purely accidentally.

(1921) How to Teach-Strayer & Norsworthy, MacMillan '18

(1929) A Plea for Monogamy-Wilfred Lay, Boni & Liveright '23

(1931) The Religion of Man-Rabindrinath Tagore, MacMillan '31

II. Checked further by reference to:

Man and Woman-Havelock Ellis

The Book of Marriage-Hermann Keyserling, editor

Sex and Character-Otto Weiniger

The Dominant Sex-M. & M. Vaerting

Civilization and Its Discontents-Sigmund Freud.

Report of the III International Congress for Sexual Reform

Sex and Youth-Sherwood Eddy

Marriage and Morals-Bertrand Russell

Education-Herbert Spencer

Psychology of Adolescence-Fowler D. Brooks

A Word to Women-J. Albert Nock Nov. '31 Atlantic Monthly

The Making of Citizens-Chas. E. Merriam (notice of the book)

Civic Attitudes in American School Textbooks (conclusions)



Source Book of American History-Albert Bushnell Hart  
The Teaching of History-Henry Johnson  
Everyman His Own Historian-Carl L. Becker AM. Hist. Rev. Dec. '31  
Education, World Unity and International Cooperation-A. P. James  
World Unity, Jan '32

How Can an Educator Help to Combat Crime-Francis B. Sayre address  
before Harvard Teachers' Association, Mar. 29 '31

Motion Study-Frank B. Gilbreth  
The Manhood of Humanity-Alfred Korzybski  
Equality-Edward Bellamy

Reclaiming a Commonwealth-Cheesman Herrick  
What I Believe-Bertrand Russell  
A Search for the Center-Prof. Charles A. Beard-Scribners Jan. '32

Symposium-Plato

III. Additional confirmation-articles in the New York Times, and the  
United States Daily 1931-1932 relative to sermons, commencement  
addresses, welfare conferences, letters, direct communications, etc.,  
by:

College presidents,  
Professors,  
Teachers & educational administrators,  
Statesmen,  
Philosophers,  
Pope Pius XI, preachers, rabbis, church officials,  
Psychologists,  
Psycho-analysts,  
Neurologists,  
Criminologists,  
Research workers,  
Welfare workers & administrators,  
Journalists,  
Lawyers,  
Patrons of Art.

J. Albert Nock in his "Word to Women" which I have but just read  
(Nov. '32) asserts what I had assumed to be true from Havelock  
Ellis' "Man and Woman", Freud, Lay, etc. altho none of them state it  
outright, that the peculiar sphere of Woman in Civilization is the  
cultivation of Culture or Religion-

"One may easily see how our society, if it had to, might get on  
without women lawyers, physicians, stockbrokers, aviators, preachers,  
telephone operators, hijackers, buyers.... I do not say we should get  
on without them... I say only that we could get on. We cannot get on,  
however, without woman as a civilizing force. We cannot get on-at  
least, I see no way whereby we can get on-unless women apply the  
faculty which they have, and which apparently men have not, to the  
task of civilizing our society."

November 18, 1932

Dear Miss Cope:

Thank you for your very kind letter of November 16,  
with its enclosure.

You are quite right in saying that I would not turn  
you away because you do not possess a lot of degrees. I happen not  
to possess them myself, which fact makes me extremely sympathetic with  
others who are in the same boat.

I should be very glad indeed to talk with you any time  
that you happen to be in New York.

The field in which your interest lies, however, is very  
different from that in which the Institute for Advanced Study will begin.  
We have determined to make a very modest start in a very remote field -  
namely, mathematics. When we have developed a mathematical group that will  
command respect, we shall go on to some other subject, and I do not know  
myself what it shall be, but I shall keep your memorandum on file in the  
hope that the day may come when it may be extremely useful to us.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Miss Ellen Cope  
Jenkintown  
Pennsylvania

January 20, 1940

Dear Professor Corwin:

I am asking just a few people to  
lunch with me at the Princeton Inn on Friday,  
January 26, at one o'clock, to meet Professor  
Beard. It would give me great pleasure if you  
could join us.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK AYDELOTTE

Professor E. S. Corwin  
115 Prospect Avenue  
Princeton, New Jersey

FA/MCE

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>

My dear Dr. Flexner — E.S. Corwin

Department of Politics

I am enclosing data, according  
to your request, regarding Dr.  
Marx. I have also asked him  
to telephone you. Let me take  
this opportunity to reiterate  
my strong impression of Dr.  
Marx's unusual ability,

of his talent & engagement  
for research in the field  
of Politics.

Yours Sincerely,  
Edward S. Corwin



January 26, 1935

Dear Professor Corwin:

Many thanks for your kind favor of  
January 23 in regard to Dr. Marx. I have now  
received a letter from Dr. Marx stating that he  
is in Princeton, and I shall arrange to see him  
in the very near future.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Edward S. Corwin  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

*E. S. Corwin*

January 17, 1935.

Department of Politics

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
Institute of Advanced Study,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

In view of the possibility that the Institute may be planning to add some political scientists to its staff in the near future, I wish to direct your attention to a young German scholar who is on the staff of this Department this year, Dr. Fritz Morstein Marx. I believe his qualifications and promise as a scholar, particularly in the field of Continental Public Law and Administration, to be outstanding. I should be glad to furnish further particulars.

Yours faithfully,

*Edward S. Corwin*

Edward S. Corwin.

ESC:EVD

January 18, 1935

Dear Professor Corwin:

I do not know myself how the three young political scientists are going to plan the development of the school, but I shall be very glad to speak with Dr. Marx, and I would suggest that he make an appointment by telephone to see me. It will be helpful too if you will furnish me such information about him as you possess.

With much appreciation,

Very sincerely yours,  
ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Professor Edward S. Corwin  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

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PROFESSOR DR. RICHARD COURANT

GÖTTINGEN, DEN  
WILH. WEBER-STR. 21

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Zürich, 17. Juli 33.

Lieber, verehrter Dr. Flexner!

*2. Brief  
an Flexner  
17. Juli 33*

-inen ganz kurzen Aufenthalt in Zürich - nach wenigen Stunden muss ich wieder nach Deutschland zurück - möchte ich dazu benutzen, um Ihnen etwas freier ein paar persönliche Zeilen zu senden. Vor allem in der Angelegenheit Weyl, über die wir ja seit vorigem Sommer so viel mündlich und schriftlich diskutiert haben. Es war für mich eine grosse Freude - sowohl ~~ich~~ in Weyls, als auch in Ihrem Interesse - als ich hörte, dass jetzt doch wieder die Möglichkeit besteht, dass Weyl an Ihr Institut kommt. Wie ungeheuer gross der Fehler war, den Weyl damals im Januar mit seiner Absage unter Eindruck einer akuten Depression begangen hat, das hat sich ja mit grässlicher Deutlichkeit für alle Beteiligten gezeigt. Manche von uns haben damals ernstlich gefürchtet, dass Weyl dauernd seelisch geschädigt aus dieser selbstverschuldeten Enttäuschung hervorgehen würde. Glücklicherweise aber hat sich gezeigt, dass Weyl doch ein sehr gesunder und widerstandsfähiger Mensch ist. Wir haben uns alle beinahe darüber gewundert, wie er nach einer Erholungszeit im April nach Göttingen zurückkam und im Kampfe mit den zum Teil unerhörten Widerwärtigkeiten seine innere Stabilität behielt und sogar festigte. Also, Sie brauchen jedenfalls in diesem Punkte, der ja für Sie so wesentlich ist, keine Besorgnisse zu haben. Wenn Sie Weyl jetzt holen, so werden Sie einen innerlich klar entschiedenen mit seiner Frau einigen glücklichen Menschen gewonnen haben.

Dass er by all means von Deutschland wegstrebt, ist ja selbstverständlich. Es ist wirklich für einen Menschen von seiner Einstellung fast unerträglich, wie ich Ihnen wohl kaum näher zu begründen brauche. Glücklicherweise hat Weyl vom Ministerium den Urlaub zu den Swarthmorevorträgen<sup>h</sup> eben erhalten, sodass er in ganz legaler Weise hinüberfahren und seine

*Richard Courant*



*offen* Angelegenheiten regeln kann. Es erscheint seinen Freunden und auch ihm selbst als ganz klar, dass er seinen sowieso etwas vagen und nur als letzte Reserve gedachten spanischen Reiseplan bedingungslos zu gunsten der Amerika-reise aufgibt. Jetzt wo~~x~~ formal seine Reisemöglichkeit nach Amerika gesichert ist, fällt ja jeder *g* Grund zur Komplikation seiner Pläne fort. Also hoffentlich läuft diese Angelegenheit zur beiderseitigen Befriedigung glatt.

Ich selbst habe Ihnen noch für den freundlichen Brief zu danken, den Sie hierher für mich nach Zürich gesandt haben, den ich allerdings nicht persönlich bekommen habe. Meine Situation ist natürlich weiter und in wachsendem Masse unbehaglich. Meine Beurlaubung ist zwar noch nicht in endgültige Entlassung verwandelt worden; aber auch, wenn ich formal wieder in mein Amt eingesetzt werde, fürchte ich angesichts der allgemeinen Zustände und der speziellen Entwicklung an den Universitäten, dass es unmöglich sein wird, das Leben und die Arbeit während der nächsten Jahre in Deutschland weiter zu führen. Natürlich fühle ich mich moralisch der Rockefellerfoundation gegenüber verpflichtet, das Göttinger wissenschaftliche Zentrum bzw. seine *Mühle* Trümmer solange zu verteidigen, als es physisch möglich ist. Aber, wenn nicht eine unerwartete Wendung eintritt, so sehe ich mehr und mehr die Hoffnungslosigkeit der Aufgabe. Leider sehe ich bis jetzt noch keinen *für mich* Ausweg.

Der Winter kann unter Umständen eine grosse Verschärfung der Lage mit Unruhen und möglicherweise auch blutigen Ereignissen bringen, was mir im Hinblick auf meine Kinder Sorgen macht. Das Manuskript des zweiten Bandes meiner "Methoden der mathematischen Physik" hoffe ich, bis dahin im wesentlichen noch fertig machen zu können.

Ich denke jetzt oft an die schöne Zeit vor einem Jahre zurück und besonders an die wundervollen Tage bei Ihnen in Canada. Hoffentlich kommt noch einmal eine Zeit, wo ich dort wieder mit Ihnen fischen und Holz sägen kann.

Für heute viele sehr herzliche Grüsse und Wünsche an Sie und Ihre Familie einschliesslich Ihrer Sekretärin

Ihr

*R. Courant*



September 12, 1933

Dear Professor Courant:

Your letter of July 17 reached me duly, but I could not answer it at the time, for I had to undergo a slight surgical operation. I say "slight", for there was no danger involved, but I have been suffering from its consequences all summer. However, I am once more quite myself, so that there is no occasion for worry or anxiety.

I have no words adequate to express my appreciation of the generous way in which you and your associates write to me about Weyl. I have never had, as he will tell you, the slightest feeling of resentment, because I appreciated perfectly well what was involved last year in changing his home and the environment of his wife and children. It is a matter of the greatest satisfaction to me that he has not only recovered but that he has stood the pressure of these hard times in Göttingen so well. He will himself tell you in due time of such further communications as have passed between us.

I have, despite the fact that I have been ill, been making every effort to find a permanent post for you in America. The difficulty at the Institute is that, in Veblen's judgment, your field lies outside that which the School of Mathematics is undertaking to cover, also that the funds available for mathematics are exhausted. The difficulty in the country at large is altogether financial. Our endowed institutions depend upon the income from their securities, and there is hardly an institution in this country - certainly none to which I would send you - which is not laboring under a deficit. I have endeavored through the Rockefeller Foundation

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and the so-called Duggan Committee to find the funds which will create a place for you, but so far I have been unable to get an assurance <sup>for</sup> longer than one year. I have not, however, relaxed my efforts, and I feel no doubt that either in this country or in England an opening suited to your talents will ultimately be found.

The summer in Canada was very lovely, though I myself was physically unable to enjoy anything more than the sunshine and the air, but in these last two weeks I have made a great gain, so that I am beginning to resume my normal activities.

Let me assure you that what happens to you is of the utmost concern to me. I may add that scores and scores of my German friends, who have been relieved of their posts, have written to me and that I am doing everything in my power to lighten their burden.

With highest regard and all good wishes, believe me

Your friend,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Herrn Prof. Dr. R. Courant

AF:ESB

P.S. September 13

Since dictating the above, I have cabled Professor Bohr of Copenhagen as follows:

"Can obtain invitations for Courant for next year. Six thousand dollars salary, half time at Princeton, half time at some other Eastern university. Warmest regards."

A.F.

February 18, 1933

Dear Professor Courant;

I appreciate very highly indeed the motive which prompted you to write me on February 4. But let me assure you with the strongest possible emphasis that I have never for a moment thought that Professor Weyl's colleagues or the gentlemen in the Prussian Ministry had put the slightest pressure upon him. As a matter of fact, I myself put no pressure upon him. I ought to tell you confidentially how it happened that I invited Weyl to come to the Institute. About a year ago, one of Weyl's colleagues in America showed me a letter written by Professor Weyl in which he said that in view of the unrest in Germany he had often wished that he might reconsider a previous invitation which he had had to come to America. Acting on this expression which he had made to another person, I went to Göttingen and told him what I was proposing to do. I made him no definite proposition, but during the summer President Aydelotte of Swarthmore College, who was in Berlin, met Professor Weyl and cabled me to the effect that Professor Weyl wished a definite proposition. I thereupon sent him a cabled invitation. He replied, after a reasonable delay, that he would "accept in principle". From that

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time on, he fluctuated in his decision. In every letter which I wrote him I urged him not to come to America unless he and his family would be happy to do so, so that not only you and the gentlemen in the Ministry exercised no pressure, I myself exercised none beyond the fact that at his suggestion I sent him a definite invitation.

Now let me make another point clear to you and your associates and to Professor Weyl. I am deeply and genuinely distressed to learn that he has suffered so severely, and that he has in his own family experienced such serious losses and troubles. I have nothing but the kindest and most sympathetic feelings in the world to him and his family, and do not blame him in the slightest degree, and I have said nothing to him in any letter which I have written to him which was of a harsh or reproachful nature. You can give him and his family every assurance of the esteem and regard in which I hold him; you can tell them that they have been in no wise affected by his declination, and under no circumstances would my opinion of his high character and his great ability be in the slightest degree affected. Also, assure him and his family, please, that the development of the Institute is going ahead smoothly and that he has been responsible for no difficulties of any kind. I know of your interest in the enterprise and I shall certainly keep you and your associates informed of every step we take. I shall feel it a great privilege to visit you again in Göttingen, and I hope very, very much that we may have the pleasure of greeting you in Princeton or in Canada, or, better still, in both.

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In these sad times which dim America as they do the rest of the world, those who are devoted to learning must stand together and help one another. My wife and children, and Mrs. Bailey, my secretary, join me in warmest greetings to you and your associates.

Ever sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Prof. R. Courant  
Institute of Mathematics  
University of Göttingen  
Bunsenstrasse 3/5  
Göttingen, Germany  
AF:GB



Mathematisches Institut  
der Universität

Göttingen, den 4. Februar 1933  
Bunsenstraße 3/5

Herrn Dr. Abraham Flexner

Institute for advanced study

New York City  
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Ihre Zeichen

Unsere Zeichen

Lieber verehrter Herr Dr. Flexner,

Vor kurzer Zeit, unmittelbar nachdem ich von Weyls ganz unerwartetem Entschluss, nun doch auf die Position in Ihrem Institut zu verzichten, gehört hatte, habe ich einige Zeilen an Veblen geschrieben. Vermutlich werden Sie diesen Brief gesehen haben.

Ich fühle trotzdem das Bedürfnis, auch noch Ihnen einige Zeilen zu senden; denn ich kann mir sehr gut vorstellen, dass auf Ihrer Seite eine gewisse Enttäuschung oder Missstimmung entstanden ist, die sich auch gegen Weyls Kollegen oder die Herren aus dem Preussischen Kultusministerium richten könnte. Daher möchte ich Ihnen gegenüber nochmals betonen, dass von keiner Seite, weder von uns aus noch vom Ministerium, irgend ein Druck auf Weyl ausgeübt worden ist. Man hat natürlich Weyl gesagt, dass man sein Hierbleiben begrüßen würde, aber weder hat das Ministerium für diesen Fall ihm ein wesentliches materielles Entgegenkommen gezeigt, noch haben wir hier etwa Weyl einen Rat in dieser Richtung gegeben. Im Gegenteil, wir fühlten, dass wir Weyl seinen Entschluss allein überlassen mussten. Im übrigen waren wir

seit Dezember fest davon überzeugt, dass Weyl sich endgültig für Ihr Institut entschlossen hätte.

Das Überraschende Verhalten von Weyl zum Schluss und seine Absage an Sie ist nur zu verstehen auf Grund eines ernstlichen physischen und psychischen Zusammenbruchs, den Weyl erlitten hat. Seine ganze Familie wurde plötzlich von der Grippe-epidemie erfasst, seine Schwiegermutter starb dabei; und in diesem Moment, wo Frau und Kinder mit hohem Fieber im Bett lagen, versagten plötzlich Weyls Nerven vor dem Entschluss der Übersiedlung. So entstand anscheinend das Absagetelegramm an Sie.

Weyl befindet sich seitdem in einem Zustand tiefer Depression. Er hat seine Vorlesungen hier abgebrochen, Urlaub genommen und sich in ärztliche Behandlung begeben. Der Arzt hat ihm eine Ruhe von mehreren Monaten verordnet, sodass Weyl auch die sowieso beabsichtigte Reise nach Amerika absagen musste. Die gegenwärtige politische Situation in Deutschland wird vermutlich nicht zu einer raschen Behebung von Weyls Depression beitragen.

Sie sehen also, dass Weyl sich in einer bedauernswerten Lage befindet und dass man daher sein Verhalten nicht hart beurteilen sollte. Es würde mich sehr freuen, wenn auch Sie angesichts dieser Situation Weyl Ihr Vertrauen nicht entziehen würden.

Hoffentlich sind durch diese ganze Entwicklung für Ihr Institut keine ernstlichen Unbequemlichkeiten entstanden.

Mathematisches Institut  
der Universität

Göttingen, den 4. Februar 1933  
Bunsenstraße 3/5

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Ihre Zeichen

Unsere Zeichen

Ich benutze die Gelegenheit, um Ihnen nochmals zu sagen, wie aufrichtig ich Ihnen beim Aufbau Ihres Institutes im allgemeinen Interesse weiteren Erfolg wünsche.

Für heute verbleibe ich mit vielen sehr herzlichen Grüßen, auch an Ihre Familie und Ihre Sekretärin

Ihr sehr ergebener

R. Courant.

R. Courant

February 1, 1933

Dear Professor Courant;

Professor Veblen has kindly sent me your letter of January 21. May I assure you and Professor Weyl in all sincerity that absolutely no feeling of resentment exists on this side of the water? It did not occur to me for a moment that you or your colleagues had put any pressure upon Professor Weyl. I realized that he was of a vacillating nature, and this fact plus the complication due to the death of his mother-in-law easily account for his several changes of mind. As far as I can recollect, in every letter I wrote him I assured him that I wished him to do nothing that was not for his own good and his own happiness. I have the same feeling about the whole matter at this time. His happiness, his wife's happiness, his family's happiness ought to come first, and it is far better that he should realize this situation before coming to America rather than feel himself bound by an acceptance which he was likely to regret. You can assure him, if you have the opportunity, that I am profoundly sorry that he has been so greatly disturbed and that neither Veblen nor I entertain the slightest feeling on the subject. As far as the Institute is concerned, as you well know, no one is ever indispensable, and, though Weyl would undoubtedly have added great strength, I am sure that in the long run we shall find or develop someone who will be equal to our needs. My one wish now

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is that Professor Weyl should recover his health and vigor and that he should be troubled by no regrets or remorse, in so far as I am concerned.

This letter you are free to show him, for it represents the feeling of our entire group.

We begin now, as the winter draws to its close, to talk about Canada. I wish very much that good fortune would bring you across the Atlantic in order that we might renew our associations and give you a second lesson in the art of fishing. Your stay with us was altogether too brief and must be repeated before we get too old to enjoy ourselves in this way.

Please give my cordial greetings to your associates, and believe me, with all good wishes,

Sincerely your friend,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

P.S.

My wife and children would wish to be included in my greetings to you and your family if they knew that I am writing to you. A.P.

Herrn Prof. Dr. R. Courant  
Mathematical Institute  
University of Göttingen  
Bunsenstrasse 3/5  
Göttingen, Germany

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Courant

Director  
Institute for Advanced Study  
Princeton University  
Princeton, N.J.

December 14, 1932

Dear Professor Courant:

You need have no fear that I misunderstand in the slightest degree the candor with which you wrote me under date of December 2. On the contrary, I am very deeply grateful to you not only for the interest which you take in the Institute but for the freshness and freedom with which you have discussed the problems peculiar to a theoretical science as distinguished from an experimental science. The Institute is so conceived and so organized that every individual on its staff will be free to follow the methods which he himself finds most stimulating and productive. Professor Veblen's inclination is to work with individuals or with a small group, but the proximity of Princeton University makes it perfectly possible for Professor Weyl, whenever he so chooses, to pursue a different method and to assemble all those at Princeton who are engaged in advanced mathematical work. There can be no possible difficulty about this, inasmuch as we have agreed with Princeton that the students of Princeton University and the Institute can without payment of additional fee avail themselves of any of the opportunities offered by the other institution for which they are fitted. It will be extremely interesting, I think, to observe how different individuals work out for themselves different methods of procedure. I hope very much that you will continue your close interest in the Institute and your observation of

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the results which it obtains so that you may feel free at any moment to give me the benefit of criticism and suggestion based upon your great experience, your splendid training, and your effective work.

I feel that the Institute is greatly honored by the action of the Göttingen Faculty in conferring upon Professor Weyl the title of Honorary Professor, and I beg you to express to your colleagues my deep appreciation of their action.

I am glad that you revived the matter of bringing Professor Windelband and Professor Rottenburg to America. Mr. Rosenwald who offered the funds for this purpose a few years ago died last year, but I shall make every effort to find some other method of accomplishing the result. I thoroughly understand that internal problems prevented action at the time when the suggestion was made. I cannot but believe that in the long run we shall accomplish most for science, most for Germany, and most for the United States if the most intimate relations of this character can be continued.

My wife, my daughters, and Mrs. Bailey join me in hearty good wishes for you and your family.

With deep appreciation,

Sincerely your friend,

Herrn Prof. Dr. Richard Courant  
Mathematical Institute  
University of Göttingen  
Göttingen, Germany

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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Herrn Dr. Abraham Flexner

Institute for advanced Study

100 E 42 Str.

New York City

Lieber verehrter Herr Flexner,

Schon lange hatte ich Ihnen schreiben wollen. Aber ich mochte es nicht tun, solange die Weyl-Angelegenheit in der Schwebe zu sein schien und dabei meine innere Einstellung gewissermassen geteilt war. Auf der einen Seite hatte ich als Mitglied der Fakultät natürlich die Pflicht, hier alles zu tun, was Weyl sein Hierbleiben erleichtern konnte - dass sein Weggang für uns hier einen schweren Schlag bedeutet, wissen Sie selbst ja sehr gut - . Auf der andern Seite fühlte ich mich durch das Interesse an Ihren Plänen und Ihnen selbst gehindert, Weyl aktiv einen Rat zum Hierbleiben zu geben, zumal ich im Grunde meines Herzens doch zu der Ansicht neige, dass von Weyls Standpunkt aus die Annahme des Rufes an Ihr Institut für ihn das Richtige ist.

Nun hatte sich grundsätzlich Weyl auch in diesem Sinne entschieden, und ich konnte mir eigentlich nicht denken, dass die Vorbehalte, die er macht, faktische Hinderungsgründe sein werden. Aber ich höre eben von Weyl, dass Ihr letzter Brief, der sich mit seinem Telegramm gekreuzt hat, eine gewisse Unsicherheit in ihm erweckt hat. Ich bin überzeugt davon, dass es sich dabei im Grunde genommen um ein Missverständnis handelt, welches real gar keine Rolle spielt. Sie werden mir aber vielleicht erlauben, dass ich Ihnen heute (übrigens ganz spontan, ohne mit Weyl gespro-

chen zu haben) ein paar Zeilen zu dieser Frage schreibe. Ganz abgesehen von dem speziellen Falle Weyl schreibe ich über diesen Punkt auch gerade wegen meines allgemeinen Interesses für Ihr ganzes Unternehmen, dem ich von Herzen einen möglichst reibungslosen und glänzenden Start wünsche.

Der Punkt, um den es sich handelt und dessen Bedeutung für Ihr ganzes Institut mir, je länger ich darüber nachdenke, umso deutlicher wird, ist der grundsätzliche Unterschied zwischen einem reinen Forschungs-Institut experimenteller oder medizinischer Art und einem theoretischen, z.B. mathematischen Institut. - Die Arbeit eines experimentellen Forschers besteht zu einem überwiegend grossen Teil in dem mit Umsicht, technischen Fertigkeiten und häufigen kleinen Einfällen durchgeführten Einzelversuchen. Die eigentlich schöpferischen Triebkräfte der experimentellen Forschung treten aber wesentlich immer nur in grossen zeitlichen Intervallen in Erscheinung, und die Haupttätigkeit ist und bleibt die Durchführung, welche aber das schöpferische geistige Zentrum im allgemeinen nicht beansprucht. Wissenschaftlicher Unterricht und wissenschaftliche Erziehung in einem solchen Institut ergeben sich völlig zwanglos durch die Natur der Zusammenarbeit. Ähnliches mag wohl auch für historische Forschung gelten, wo Sammlung, Durcharbeitung und Ordnung eines grossen Materials und Darstellung der Zusammenhänge den Hauptinhalt der täglichen Tätigkeit ausmachen.

Bei einer rein theoretischen Wissenschaft wie Mathematik oder theoretische Physik jedoch liegen die Dinge ganz anders. Entscheidende Einfälle sind hier im Grunde genommen auch



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nicht viel häufiger als bei einer experimentellen Wissenschaft. Selbst für einen Mann wie Einstein oder Hilbert gilt dies. Unter allen Umständen aber gibt es bei jedem in eine theoretische Wissenschaft verstrickten Menschen, wie überhaupt für jeden produktiven Menschen, zwischen den Höhepunkten der Produktivität lange - den überwiegenden Teil der Zeit ausfüllende - Intervalle. Wenn ein solcher Mensch, mag er noch so hohe Gipfelleistungen aufweisen, psychisch für sein Gefühl der Existenzberechtigung völlig auf das Bewusstsein seiner Produktivität angewiesen ist, so führt dies zu schweren inneren Konflikten. Ich habe solche Konflikte sogar bei experimentellen Forschern, wie dem Physiologen und Nobelpreisträger Otto Meyerhof erlebt, daneben immer wieder zahlreiche weniger wichtige Fälle. Es kommt also darauf an, dass der theoretische wissenschaftliche Forscher in seinem Leben einen hohen Grad von Möglichkeit besitzt, den Schwerpunkt seiner Tätigkeit gewissermassen von einem Bein aufs andere zu verlegen; d.h. von der wirklich produktiven Forschertätigkeit auf irgend etwas damit Zusammenhängendes, aber dem Willen im täglichen Leben mehr Unterworfenen. Eine solche Möglichkeit gibt zum Beispiel die Darstellung der Wissenschaft, etwa das Schreiben von zusammenfassenden Büchern. In vorbildlicher Weise ist das Problem an den deutschen Universitäten gelöst durch die Wechselwirkung zwischen Forschung und Lehre. Hierbei bedeutet Lehre nicht irgend eine Art des mehr oder weniger höheren Unterrichts, wie es sich in Amerika weitgehend entwickelt hat; vielmehr ist zum Beispiel in Deutschland das ganz eigenartige höhere mathematische Vorlesungswesen eigentlich das Fundament für die Entwicklung der



Mathematik im 19. Jahrhundert geworden. Die geformte Darstellung eines mathematischen Gebietes, gerade eines solchen, das sich in Bewegung befindet, und die unmittelbare persönliche Wechselwirkung mit verständnisbereiten und spontan reagierenden Zuhörern ist z.B. bei Dirichlet, Weierstrass, Kronecker, Hilbert unentbehrlich für ihre wissenschaftliche Betätigung geworden. Gewissermassen das grosse Schwungrad, das die Maschine immer wieder in kontinuierlich gleichmässigem Gang hielt, auch wenn die treibenden Explosionen der einzelnen Einfälle nur diskontinuierlich wirkten.

Es gibt natürlich auch einen Typus von Forschern (wie Veblen), dem die ganz zwanglose persönliche Einwirkung auf einen oder zwei Menschen mehr adäquat ist. Aber im ganzen glaube ich, dass Ihr Institut eine grosse Chance für die theoretischen Wissenschaften in Amerika eröffnen würde, wenn es Spielraum für diesen europäisch-deutschen Typus wirklich hoher Vorlesungen liesse.

Was Weyl anbetrifft, so hat sich in den Jahren hier immer mehr gezeigt, dass für ihn das adäquate kontinuierliche Verhalten weniger der täglich nahe Kontakt mit einzelnen anderen Mathematikern ist, als gerade dieser Typus höherer Vorlesungen, in denen er vor andern ein Bild wissenschaftlicher Dinge entwickelt und dabei auch für sich selbst neue und weiterführende Aspekte entdeckt. Weyl hat diese Art seiner Tätigkeit gelegentlich sehr treffend charakterisiert mit dem Ausdruck "Samen in die Luft streuen", ohne lehrhafte Einwirkung auf einen einzelnen Menschen aber in der Hoffnung, dass der Samen irgendwie und irgendwo fruchtbar weiterwirken wird. Ich meine nun, dass nicht nur in Weyls Interesse sondern gerade im Interesse Ihres Insti-

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tuts und Ihrer ganzen Bestrebungen für Weyl eine adäquate Form des Wirkens nicht ~~nur~~ gestattet sondern geradezu ermuntert werden sollte, und dass jedenfalls dabei kein Widerspruch zu Ihrer ganzen Tendenz besteht, eine Stätte für die Wissenschaft und nicht für Unterricht und Erziehung zu schaffen. Ich könnte mir gerade bei den Weylschen Vorlesungen vorstellen, dass von ihnen mittelbar eine grosse Wirkung in Amerika ausgehen wird.

Jedenfalls bitte ich Sie sehr, meine Ausführungen nicht als eine unberechtigte Einmischung in die Angelegenheit Ihres Instituts zu betrachten. Sie haben mir ja im Sommer gestattet, auch ohne besondere Aufforderung an Sie zu schreiben und gut gemeinte Ratschläge zu geben, wenn ich glaubte, zur ganzen Problematik Ihres Instituts etwas sagen zu sollen; und ich finde wirklich Ihnen ganzen Plan und Ihr Ziel so ungeheuer wichtig, dass ich mich berechtigt fühle, mein Interesse durch solche Meinungsäusserungen zu bekünden.

Übrigens werden Sie es doch verstehen, dass unsere Göttinger Fakultät nicht gern die Verbindung mit Weyl gänzlich verlieren will. Selbstverständlich muss Weyl, wenn er zu Ihnen kommt, seine Professur hier aufgeben. Aber wir wollen seine innere Zusammenhängigkeit mit Göttingen durch die Verleihung des Titels "Honorarprofessor" manifestieren, und wir hoffen, dass Weyl in seinen Ferien sich möglichst regelmässig hier in Göttingen aufhalten und an unserem wissenschaftlichen Leben weiter teilnehmen wird.

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Im übrigen habe ich noch eine andere mehr persönliche  
Angelegenheit zu erwähnen: Ich habe gelegentlich mit den Herren  
Windelband und von Rottenburg vom "Tisch" über die Notwendigkeit  
gesprochen, dass sie unbedingt möglichst bald einmal sich in  
Amerika persönlich orientieren müssten. Beide Herren hegen eben-  
falls sehr stark diesen Wunsch, und es stellte sich im übrigen  
beiden Unterhaltungen heraus, dass seinerzeit die Antwort auf  
Ihre freundliche Einladung nach Amerika im Ministerium durch  
irgendwelche nicht ganz klare interne Hemmungen verzögert oder  
ganz verbummelt wurde. Windelband und v. Rottenburg legen offen-  
bar grossen Wert darauf, dass Sie wissen, dass keiner von  
beiden die Verzögerung der Antwort damals verschuldet hat und  
dass beide nach wie vor gern jede mögliche Gelegenheit zu einer  
solchen Reise ergreifen würden.

Für heute verbleibe ich mit vielen sehr herzlichen  
Grüssen, auch an Ihre Familie und Ihre Sekretärin

Ihr

R. Courant



Berkeley, Calif. Faculty Club. 15. Juli 32.

Sehr ~~ver~~erter Herr Dr. Flexner!

Bei meinem letzten Besuche in Ihrem Office in New-York waren Sie so freundlich, mich zu einem Besuche in Ihrem Canadischen Landhause aufzufordern. Nun ist es mir leider bisher nicht gelungen, an Hand der Fahrpläne der Canadian Pacific Ihren Platz geographisch ausfindig zu machen, und ich weiss daher noch nicht, ob irgend eine Möglichkeit besteht, meine Reiseroute von Vancouver nach Chicago mit einem solchen Besuche zu kombinieren. Aber ich möchte nicht gern Amerika verlassen ohne einen Versuch, den Kontakt mit Ihnen irgendwie wieder aufzunehmen.

Ich habe von Ihren Ideen und Plänen wirklich einen tiefen Eindruck empfangen und in der Zwischenzeit viel darüber nachgedacht sowie allerlei Eindrücke von amerikanischen Universitäten gesammelt. Es wäre eine grosse Freude für mich, wenn ich irgend eine Gelegenheit fände, Ihnen behilflich zu sein. Ich will von hier etwa am 4. August abreisen, mich etwas in den Canadian Rockies aufhalten, in Chicago und New York kurz Halt machen, und von New York entweder am 18. oder am 20. August abfahren mit dem Norddeutschen Lloyd, am 28. August in Bremen sein, und am 2. September in Zürich. Hoffentlich entschliessen Sie sich ebenfalls zur Teilnahme an dem internationalen Mathematikerkongress und fahren mit demselben Boot wie ich.

In jedem Falle wäre ich Ihnen sehr dankbar, wenn Sie mir hierher eine Nachricht zukommen lassen könnten.

Mit freundlichen Grüssen Ihr aufrichtig ergebener

*R. Courat*  
R. Courat

Magnetawan, via Burks Falls  
Ontario, Canada  
July 19, 1932

Dear Professor Courant:

Your air-mail letter of July 15 was forwarded to me here, and I need not tell you how delighted my wife and I would be if you could find it possible to visit us before returning to Europe. It will not, however, be easy for you to arrange this on your present time schedule. You can go from Chicago to Toronto - a night's ride - and from Toronto to Burks Falls the next day (trains running, however, only Monday, Wednesday, and Friday). It would take twenty-four hours to return to New York from Burks Falls, which is the railroad station where we meet the trains. If you can arrange your trip in this way, it would give us great pleasure even if you could come for ever so short a period.

I am greatly pleased to know of your continued interest in my project, and I should like very, very much indeed to obtain from you your impressions of American universities while they are still fresh in your mind. I am sure we could spend a day or two together here most helpfully, and I know that you would enjoy the sight of the primeval forest.

With all good wishes and very high regard,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

P.S.

You can wire or write me your decision.

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Professor R. Courant  
Faculty Club  
Berkeley, California

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
ANN ARBOR  
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

November 11, 1932

Dr. Abraham Flexner  
100 East 42d Street  
New York City

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I am writing to inquire whether you do not need some one to work out for you the implications of the laws of growth, which I consider I have discovered.

I appreciate the fact that you are working only with top-notchers, but I am hoping that the supply of Einsteins will be sufficiently limited so that you will be forced to take people on the lower level. Even though a man may not be so important himself, he may land upon discoveries whose value makes up for his own deficiencies. You know me too well for me to attempt to put anything over on you about myself, but I am sending you under separate cover a copy of the lessons I used with my class this summer on The Measurement of Growth. You may remember I had a conference with you once on this matter in the early days and you sent me to Rummell, who did not think very highly of my supposed discoveries. I have, however, industriously acted upon my own convictions and in this volume you will find a large quantity of evidence which it ought not to be possible for an individual to disregard. I regret to say, however, that so-called educational scientists and even many of those in the psychological and biological fields do not prove to be as open to evidence as I once thought they would be. Consequently, I have the problem on my hands of selling my discoveries to the established authorities and I am finding the selling process a bit tough.

I shall be very glad indeed if you can take the time from your many duties to appraise what I am sending you, and to give me the benefit of your advice as to how I ought to proceed. I am, of course, making progress slowly. I am carrying forward experimental work and am writing articles as time permits, but I have to earn my own living, and bread and butter seems to come before research.

I am sure you will be greatly interested in one of my ventures, for which you are in part responsible. During the Gary Survey you once made the suggestion that you would like some time to test European and American schools on a comparable basis, but you did not see how a comparable basis could be established. A

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knowledge of the laws of growth, however, enabled me to express in comparable units data from tests in different languages. Accordingly, I spent my sabbatical leave, from February 1931 to August, in Europe and succeeded in measuring 14,000 children in all, about 4,000 each in Italy, Switzerland, London, and Scotland. My measurements were made not for the purpose of comparing the efficiency of instruction but for the purpose of determining the effect of variation in climate, culture, etc. upon individual differences and averages. Boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 18 years were measured with respect to height; weight; standing broad jump; cutting of permanent teeth; and five mental tests of a new type in spelling.

I spent between \$15,000 and \$20,000 of which the University supplied approximately \$4,000. The rest has come from my own savings and from the contributions of friends. I have completed the conventional tabulations of means and sigmas but would need about \$10,000 more to complete the analytical studies which I had planned. Once before, you helped me secure money from the Commonwealth Fund. Perhaps you will be able to suggest at this time the best foundation for me to besiege with this new request.

As I had comparable measures of about 15,000 children in Detroit as a basis of comparison, I have been able to reach a number of important conclusions. One of these days I shall give myself the pleasure of sending you a popular account of these conclusions. Just at present I am too busy with my regular classes to take time for continuous production.

Trusting that your interest in the larger research fields has not weakened your interest in educational research, and with best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

*S. A. Courtis*

S. A. Courtis

SAC/ML

November 15, 1932

My dear Curtis:

I have yours of November 11 and the manuscript on Growth. I appreciate the difficulties under which you have labored and the sacrifices which you have made, and I do think that one of the foundations should enable you to go ahead with your work. Is it not possible that on the basis of the showing which this volume makes, the Commonwealth Fund would give you another grant? If not, perhaps the General Education Board. The difficulty of procuring funds in New York now is enormous. Incomes - personal and foundation - have been greatly reduced so that both individuals and foundations are endeavoring mainly to keep alive activities to which they have already committed themselves, but I should think this inquiry of yours might well come under that category.

My interest in your work has suffered no diminution, and my respect for your abilities and devotion have increased - if that were possible.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Professor S. A. Curtis  
School of Education  
University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

T. Conker

1275 Third Avenue, San Francisco, California  
22 February 1931

The Institute for Advanced Study  
Dr. Abraham Flexner, Director  
100 East 42d Street  
New York, New York

My dear Doctor Flexner:

An announcement in the new *Freeman* last week of the recent founding of The Institute for Advanced Study under your directorship engaged my immediate attention, because of the extraordinary interest aroused by your new book on American and English universities. Perusal of the Institute's first *Bulletin* has but confirmed as justified my first enthusiasm over the prospect of an institution to be devoted solely to advanced scholarship and research. I am writing to inquire, if I may, if definite plans are yet under way for the establishment of a library in the Institute and, if so, if my qualifications would permit your consideration of me for your staff.

Doubtless you are already being besieged by interested persons who wish in one way or another to take advantage of the Institute's unique benefits. At the risk, however, of seeming hasty I will outline briefly my capabilities and point of view. I am 33 years old, and married. In 1915 I was graduated valedictorian from the Westfield, Massachusetts, High School, and in 1919 A. B. "with distinction" from George Washington University, having majored in science and German. For a year I taught mathematics, German and English in a boys' tutoring school in Washington, but I decided in 1920 I should enjoy library work more.

In November of that year, accordingly, I entered the U. S. Department of Agriculture Library. There I was periodical assistant and later chief of binding. Having meanwhile taken the course in cataloguing in the Graduate School of the Department, I left in February 1923 to accept a position as cataloguer in the Henry E. Huntington Library in San Marino, California. There for three years I was successively cataloguer, assistant to the curator, and executive assistant to the librarian, and in the course of my work was responsible for designing and installing much of the routine for running the interdepartmental



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activities of the Library.

I left in March 1926 for reasons of health and was not employed again until September 1927, when I accepted the post of educational adviser for Columbia University's Home Study Department in northern California. I found adult education to be an excellent theoretical talking-point but unfortunately, since this venture was operated on a purely commission basis, it was necessary for me constantly to sacrifice my notion of adult education to the practical obligation of earning a livelihood. I gave up the work before many months, and in June 1928 took the position of assistant (and acting) librarian at the California Academy of Sciences here, where I now am.

At the Academy I am just completing a thorough reorganization of the library, including inventory and revision of the shelves, installation of adequate records and routines, and am about to start re-cataloguing. A year ago last month I commenced graduate study at the University of California part-time. Though my intellectual interests are in general quite broad, I have become deeply absorbed in the history of science, its bibliography in especial, and wish to pursue study toward the doctorate in that field. There is probably opportunity at this university to accomplish my end, as there are two private collections on the Campus of really extraordinary scope and suitability for such work, but the prospects for a satisfactory professional career at the Academy are at present, unfortunately, not promising.

At the moment I am compiling the text of a manual to the bibliography of English literary history in collaboration with a professor of English of the University, and have under way an annotated bibliography of the secondary sources of the *Physiologus* as well as a bibliography of type-specimen nomenclature in systematic biology. For the master's degree I have in mind the preparation of a handbook to the bibliography of science and for the doctor's the compilation of a bibliography of bibliographies in the field of biology. Two years ago my wife and I prepared the first draft of a bibliographical checklist of the Bender Collection of fine printing in the Mills College Library, now about to be printed, and we are now finishing a catalogue of the Templeton Crocker collection of Californiana at the California Historical Society.

Incidentally, I am president of the Special Libraries Associ-



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ation of San Francisco and a member of the editorial board of *Special Libraries* as also of a committee on a proposed survey of the libraries of American museums of art and science to be conducted by the Museum Group of the national Special Libraries Association. My chief extra-professional and extra-curricular activity at present is being secretary of The Roxburghe Club of San Francisco, a small group of collectors and craftsmen devoted to the study and enjoyment of typography and bibliography. My wife is likewise a professional librarian; A. B. and Phi Beta Kappa, University of Chicago, 1917, with major in social science, and graduate from the Library School of the Cleveland Public Library, she has had experience in the public libraries of Cleveland, Pasadena, Los Angeles, and Oakland, California. Her interest is in the more human aspect of library work, such as extension of the therapeutic values of reading to inmates of hospitals and correctional institutions.

In short, I am primarily interested in the scholarly side of librarianship, but am also capable of administrative work when creation of and setting in smooth motion a detailed routine are required. I am of course adept at the typewriter, read German and French with comparative ease and am familiar with Latin, Italian and Spanish. As references I may mention:

Miss C. R. Barnett, librarian, U. S. Department of Agriculture Library, Washington, D. C.;

Leslie E. Bliss, Esq., librarian, Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino, California;

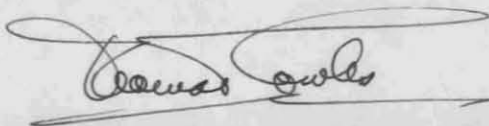
Miss Helen E. Haines, 1175 North Mentor Avenue, Pasadena, California;

Dr. Barton W. Evermann, director, California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, California; and

Prof. Sydney B. Mitchell, director, School of Librarianship, University of California, Berkeley, California.

If there is likely to be an opening in the new Institute's library, such as assistant librarian or bibliographer, which my qualifications would entitle me to hold and which would allow me some time and opportunity for continued pursuit of my plans for graduate study, I should be happy to hear from you at your convenience. Meantime, may I request a copy of *Bulletin* no. 1 and receive future numbers as issued?

Respectfully yours



March 4, 1931

Mr. Thomas Cowles  
1275 Third Avenue  
San Francisco, California

My dear Mr. Cowles:

In Dr. Flexner's absence in Europe permit me to thank you for your letter of February 22 making application for a position in the new Institute's library. As he sailed <sup>only</sup> last Wednesday, he will not return for several months. I may say for your information that no decisions will be made in the near future regarding a staff or subjects and it will be some time before the actual work of the Institute is started. When Dr. Flexner returns, I shall bring your application to his attention, and I am sure that he will keep you informed as the project develops. In the meantime, as you request, I am sending you Bulletin #1, the only publication of the Institute, and am placing your name on the mailing list.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

October 23, 1936

Messrs. Cram and Ferguson  
248 Boylston Street  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Sirs:

I have your kind note of October 21  
and I regret to say that we have at present  
no expectation of building in the immediate  
future.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

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CRAM AND FERGUSON  
ARCHITECTS  
248 BOYLSTON STREET

RALPH ADAMS CRAM    FRANK E. CLEVELAND  
CHESTER N. GODFREY    ALEXANDER E. HOYLE

BOSTON

October 21, 1936

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

Dear Dr. Flexner:

It has been reported from time to time that you were interested in a new university project and that some time new buildings would be required. Perhaps you know something of the work of this office. We have designed school and college buildings for many of the well known institutions throughout all parts of the United States during the many years that we have practiced architecture.

The exact nature of the work proposed to be performed in the new institute has not been revealed to us. It has been suggested that you may be especially interested in international relations. A short time ago we were in California in connection with the new library building designed by us at the University of Southern California. The question of a new group of buildings devoted especially to the subject of International Relations, was discussed, and we made some preliminary sketches for them. The matter has not advanced for the same reason, we assume, that many projects of this kind have been temporarily abandoned in recent years.

We pass through Princeton occasionally, just now in connection with work we are doing for Dr. Aydelotte at Swarthmore College, and we should be very glad indeed if you would permit us to call upon you, that we may show you something of our accomplishments in the way of educational buildings and, if the time is ripe, discuss your proposed new buildings with you.

Very truly yours,

CRAM AND FERGUSON.

Dict.  
C.N.G.

BY *C. N. Godfrey*

Dinner Saturday Evening  
September 29, 1934

Dr. Flexner

Mr. Gerould

Professor Thorp

President Dodds

Mr. Craster

Mr. Hill

Mr. Young

Mr. Heyl



Crafter

Monday

Oct. 15 1934



ON BOARD R.M.S. "MAJESTIC"

Dear Flexner

I had fully intended writing to you well before now, but New York, New Haven and Boston drove me hard and reduced my correspondence to the barest minimum. Here in the restfulness of mid-Atlantic I can carry my mind back over the various incidents of my tour, and it rests with peculiar pleasure upon my stay with you at Princeton. Although I had

visited a number of Universities  
on my trip before I came to  
you, yours was the first in  
which I found an academic  
calm, and I understand  
your selection of it. I am  
so glad to have seen Fire  
Hall. Its beautiful library  
will always stand out in  
my mind. Commend me  
to Professor Wertenbaker.  
The Battle of Princeton stands  
upon my shelf. For the moment  
I have put it aside for the  
Education of Henry Adams,  
but the reading of it is merely

a pleasure deferred

A few hours after we  
Waved goodbye to you upon  
the platform, Hill and I  
were having a very pleasant  
tea with Mrs. Flexner and  
your daughter. Give them  
our kind regards.

I will give you messages to  
Lionel Curtis and to Woodward.  
With the best of thanks from  
both Hill and myself for  
making such an enjoyable  
visit possible for us, and  
looking forward to seeing you  
in Oxford, believe me  
Yours sincerely  
Hill & Charter

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
THE LIBRARY  
PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

*Craster*

September 26, 1934

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

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Confirming our conversation a moment ago, may I suggest  
that you ask to meet Dr. Craster and Mr. Hill

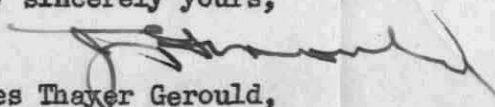
Mr. Lawrence Heyl  
9 College Road

Mr. M. O. Young  
80 Alexander Street and

Professor Willard Thorp  
142 Nassau Street.

*Invitation  
sent  
Sept 27 -  
L.L.B.*

Very sincerely yours,

  
James Thayer Gerould,  
Librarian.

Craster

September 26, 1934

Dear Professor Thorp:

Mr. Craster, the librarian of Bodley,  
and Mr. Hill, the secretary of the library, are  
dining with me at the Princeton Inn Saturday  
evening, the 29th, at 7:30. I would be very happy  
if you could find it possible to be present also.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM F. FOWLER

Professor Willard Thorp  
142 Nassau Street  
Princeton, New Jersey

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DR. ABRAHAM FLEXNER  
INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY  
20 NASSAU STREET  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

CRASTER AND HILL ARRIVE TRENTON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

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FRANK AYDELOTTE

Please reply to  
The Librarian



*Craster*

Bodleian Library  
Oxford

25 August, 1934

Dear Flexner,

I sail for America on Thursday next, August 30, and am much looking forward to my stay with you and Mrs. Flexner at Princeton, on or about September 29. My time-table may undergo a little modification, which I shall not find out until I get to the other side. I propose to be in Chicago September 15-17, stopping at the Shoreland Hotel, and will write to you from there suggesting a time on my arrival.

I am sure that I shall learn a great deal upon my visit that will be of value to us here in Oxford.

Yours sincerely,

*AH Craster*

May 13, 1929

Dear Craster:

Thank you for your kind note. I can appreciate thoroughly the difficulty you encounter in trying to answer my question. Nevertheless, the variety of possibilities is in itself significant - is not this true? Should not organization, catalogue, etc. be independent of precisely the variety of contingencies that you mention?

Don't trouble to answer unless you think I have gone off in the wrong direction.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

H.H.E. Craster, Esq.  
Department of Western MSS.  
Bodleian Library  
Oxford

AF:ESB

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1929

Answer

PLEASE REPLY TO  
THE KEEPER OF WESTERN MSS.

DEPARTMENT OF WESTERN MSS.,  
BODLEIAN LIBRARY,  
OXFORD.

Dear Fleener

I have been considering your question, but do not see how I am to find an answer to it except by inducing some reader to put it, and that is not so easy. For the trouble is that the answer might be so various. It is really, you see, not a question of library management but of bibliography. And much would depend on who put the question. I should expect a professor of his subject to be able to tell or at least to suggest the title of a work in which the text of the American constitution could most easily be found. If an undergraduate came to me with the question, I would probably tell him to start by finding out from the tutor or professor whose lectures he was attending the book that was most suitable for studying the document. But the demand would in fact almost certainly be made to some subordinate member of the staff, and the answer would depend on the experience of that member. It might be made at a time of day when an experienced assistant

was in attendance, or it might be made when the staff was at a minimum or occupied. In point of fact the imaginary questioner might be met by having the book he wanted (but the title of which he did not know ~~to~~ — for that, I take it, is the point ~~to~~ —) brought to him. Or (2) he might be referred to some printed bibliography and advised to search for the title in it, or (3) he might be told to try the catalogue himself under the title America, United States of. It would all turn on whether he happened to tackle a member of the staff with greater knowledge than his own.

Yours sincerely

AH E Crader



Crawford

Hun Junior School  
Princeton, New Jersey  
October 5, 1933

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

At the suggestion of the secretary in your office with whom I had an interview last week, I write to ask to be considered for a position in the School of Advanced Study.

My experience has been varied and I have thought that when the new institution has its own building there would be a place for some one who could combine a number of things. I am a graduate of Vassar and have taken advanced courses in writing at Columbia University. I have had some experience in editing with my husband, Dr. Douglas Gordon Crawford, instructor of English at Andover, later professor at Boston University until his death a few years ago. Since then I have been employed in the office of Phillips Academy, Andover and now here at the Hun Junior School, at Edgerstoune, Princeton, where I live with my boy. Here I have combined the work of assistant and hostess, planning the meals, supervising the servants, receiving guests, correspondence and some direction of the boys. But I have continued to write and study.

I think that scientific research requires much writing of data and reports of investigations. This I feel qualified to do. If there is anything that I could do which would be helpful by way of preparation I should be very glad to undertake it.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Douglas Gordon Crawford)

Douglas G. Crawford

October 10, 1933

My dear Mrs. Crawford:

Thank you for your kind letter of the fifth. I regret to say that there is no vacancy on the staff of the Institute at the present time. If you will telephone me (497), I shall be very happy to make an appointment for you with Dr. Flexner, although it is only fair to you to say that I do not know when there will be an opportunity for the kind of activity which you describe.

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Mrs. Douglas Gordon Crawford  
Hun Junior School  
Princeton, New Jersey

*Mrs. D. Crawford*

Hun Junior School  
Edgersteune  
Princeton, New Jersey  
January 27, 1932

Mr. Abraham Flexner  
100 East 42nd Street  
New York City

My dear Mr. Flexner:

If there is a position for anyone of my ability at the Institute of Advanced Study in Princeton, I should like to be considered as an applicant.

Since graduating from Vassar College I have taken advanced courses in writing at Columbia University and I have had experience in editing with my husband, Dr. Douglas Crawford of Andover and Boston University, so that I feel qualified to be a writer's assistant.

If desired I could combine such work with some other - perhaps social - which might be necessary at the outset of a new institution and I could take some course to help prepare myself if it would be useful. For the past few years since my husband's death I have been an assistant in the Hun Junior School of Princeton, of which the headmaster, Dr. John Gale Hun, is my brother-in-law. Here I live and take charge of a variety of duties including both domestic and social. I have to receive guests of the school constantly and to explain its purpose.

As I have not discussed this matter with Dr. Hun, I shall appreciate it if it remain confidential. But Mrs. Eisenhart with whom I have talked, will I think, be glad to tell you of me, if you care to make inquiry, and I should be glad to come to New York for

a personal interview.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Douglas Crawford

*Frances T. Crawford*

January 30, 1933

Dear Mrs. Crawford:

Thank you for your kind note of  
January 27. The Institute for Advanced Study  
will open next autumn with a small School of  
Mathematics to be housed in Fine Hall. I am sorry  
to say that there will be no opportunity for the kind  
of activity which you describe.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Douglas Crawford  
Hun Junior School  
Edgerstouns  
Princeton, New Jersey

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB



Henry Cremer

Aug. 31, 1932.

Dr. Flexner,  
The Institute for Advanced Study,  
New York City,  
N.Y.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

On my return from Porto Rico, I called at your office in New York recently. I was disappointed in finding your office closed for the summer. I had hoped to have an interview with you about the future work of the Institute.

My plans for the coming year will probably take me to Europe for a part of the time. I shall be glad to hear concerning the progress of the Institute organization. I have intimated that I have an interest in the work of the institution as it develops.

You may address me at my address below for the time being.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

*Henry Cremer*  
Henry Cremer,

6906--55th. Ave. South,  
Seattle, Wash.

September 8, 1932

Mr. Henry Gremer  
6906 - 55th Avenue South  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mr. Gremer:

In Dr. Flexner's absence from  
New York your letter of August 31 has been referred  
to me for reply. Your name is on the mailing  
list of the Institute and you will be kept informed  
as the project develops. The actual work will not  
start for some time.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY  
Assistant Secretary

H. Cremer

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June 23, 1932.

The Institute for Advanced Study,  
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Flexner:

I wish to thank you for the Bulletin No 1.

In the meantime, I am making a statement of my interest and qualifications to serve with your institute when it gets under way.

I hold A. B., A. M., and Ph.D. degrees in Education, Psychology, History, and Political and Social Science from the University of Washington, Seattle, Wash. After nine years as principal and superintendent of public and private schools in the State of Washington, I came east to serve as visiting professor of Education in West Virginia University, professor of Education in the State Teachers College, Indiana, Pa., visiting professor of Education in the University of Pennsylvania, and Head of the School of Education at Rider College, Trenton, N. J., and visiting professor of Educational Psychology in the summer session of the University of Porto Rico, Rio Piedras, Porto Rico. I shall be in the last institution from July 5 to August 18.

During the past few years I have done some publishing. I am a member of the American Association of University Professors.

Being a man of thirty-seven years, I enjoy good health.

It will be a pleasure to hear from you from time to time as your organization gets perfected. I shall be pleased to submit credentials

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

*Henry Cremer*  
Henry Cremer,

294 Spring St.,

Trenton, N. J.

N. B. Address until August 18, University of Porto Rico, Rio Piedras, Porto Rico

Permanent address; 6906--55th. Ave. South, Seattle, Wash.

(I shall be here the last of August and Sept.)

I shall be back in New York August 22.

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June 25, 1932

Dr. Henry Cremer  
294 Spring Street  
Trenton, N. J.

My dear Dr. Cremer:

Dr. Flexner wishes me to thank  
you for your letter of the twenty-third with  
enclosure, which he asks me to place on file.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY  
Assistant Secretary



H. Cremer

June 14, 1932.

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
Institute of Advanced Study,  
Newark, N. J.

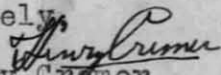
My dear Dr. Flexner:

I am interested in knowing something about  
your institution as to its aims, work, etc.

I have been Head of the School of Education at  
Rider College, Trenton, N. J. for the past year. I shall serve as  
visiting professor of Educational Psychology in the summer session  
of the University of Porto Rico at Rio Piedras, Porto Rico from July  
5 to August 18. I have my Ph.D. degree from the University of Washington,  
Seattle, Wash. I have taught in some of the leading higher institutions  
of the country.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Henry Cremer,

294 Spring St.,  
Trenton, N. J.

June 18, 1932

Dr. Henry Gremer  
294 Spring Street  
Trenton, N. J.

My dear Dr. Gremer:

In Dr. Flexner's absence your inquiry of the fourteenth has been referred to me for reply. I am sending you under separate cover Bulletin No. 1 which describes the purpose of the Institute for Advanced Study. The actual work of the Institute will not start for a year or more. I am therefore placing your name on our mailing list that you may be kept informed as the project develops.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY  
Assistant Secretary

APARTMENT 610  
BANCROFT HALL  
509 WEST 121ST STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

October 22, 1936

Dear Mrs. Bailey:

May I thank you  
and Dr. Hexter for your  
courtesy to me yesterday?  
I appreciated it more than  
I can tell you.

If you ever feel that it

would be well for me to  
take up some form of  
library work, I should be  
grateful if you would write  
me of this.

Sincerely Yours,  
Allen Crissay

*Crissey*

October 19, 1936

Dear Dr. Pearson:

Thank you very much for your kind note of October 18 in reference to Miss Crissey. I am very glad indeed to have your commendation of her. I have an appointment to see her on Wednesday afternoon. At the moment there is no opening, but we keep a list of eligible persons in case a need for assistance unexpectedly arises.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Henry C. Pearson  
The St. Moritz  
50 Central Park South  
New York City

AF/MCE



October 18, 1936



Dear Dr. Flexner,

While I have been in New York City for several days, I have learned that Miss Helen Crissey, who was my invaluable secretary while I was principal of Horace Mann School, has been given an appointment to see you with reference to the possibility of some opening for her in your new institute at Princeton.

I am venturing, therefore, to write you briefly regarding her qualifications. I cannot speak too highly of her as an administrative and secretarial associate. She is competent, discreet, wise, and loyal. In all my administrative experience I have never had a helper who

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was her equal.

She is thinking of leaving the Horace Mann School solely because her close friend, with whom she has been living for many years, is advised to leave the city because of a sinus trouble and would like to occupy the house in Princeton near your institute that they built two years ago.

If it is possible for you to find an opening for her in the near future, I am sure you would acquire a most efficient and loyal member for your staff, especially in view of her long experience in school and university matters.

Sincerely yours,  
Henry C. Pearson

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NEW YORK CITY

October 13, 1936

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

Thank you for your  
note. I will plan to call at  
your office on Wednesday the  
21<sup>st</sup> at three o'clock and  
shall look forward to it with  
much pleasure.

Sincerely Yours, Helen Cissney

HORACE MANN SCHOOL  
 TEACHERS COLLEGE  
 NEW YORK

October 10, 1936

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

Thank you for  
 your note of yesterday. I can  
 postpone my visit quite as  
 well to next Friday afternoon,  
 or to any afternoon of the  
 following week, after Tuesday, <sup>Wed. Oct 21</sup>  
 as may prove most convenient  
 to Dr. Flexner and to you.

Sincerely yours,  
 Helen Crissey

October 12, 1936

My dear Miss Crissey:

I have your note of the tenth.

Dr. Flexner will be very happy to see you on  
Wednesday afternoon, October 21, at three  
o'clock, at his office at 20 Nassau Street.

I look forward to meeting you at  
the same time.

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Miss Helen Crissey  
Horace Mann School  
120th Street, West  
New York City



Friend of mine, the late R. Richards

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NEW YORK CITY

October 8, 1936

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

Would it be convenient to Dr. Hefner and to you if I should plan to call at your office next Wednesday afternoon, October fourteenth, between two and

three o'clock? If this is not  
a good time, I will follow  
any suggestion that you make,  
except that it would be difficult  
for me to get away on Tuesday.

Hoping that I may have the  
pleasure of meeting you next  
week,

Sincerely Yours,

Allen Crissay

October 9, 1936

Miss Helen Crissey  
Apartment 610, Bancroft Hall  
509 West 121st Street  
New York City

My dear Miss Crissey:

I have your note of the eighth  
and am very sorry to say that Dr. Flexner has an  
out-of-town appointment on Tuesday, October 13,  
and fears that he will not be able to return  
until Thursday. Won't you suggest another time  
when you will be in Princeton?

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

ESB

Nelson Crissey  
Mahopac Hills,  
Lake Mahopac,  
New York

September 3, 1936

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

Thank you for  
your cordial note of September  
1<sup>st</sup>, and I shall look forward  
with much pleasure to calling  
at your office some time  
in October. I'll plan to

Get in touch with you in ad-  
vance so as best to meet  
Dr. Hefner's Convenience and  
Yours.

I shall be glad to pass your  
message on to Mrs. Richards  
when I see her at the end  
of the month.

Sincerely yours,  
Alan Crissey



September 1, 1936

Miss Helen Cressey  
Mahopac Hills  
Lake Mahopac, N. Y.

My dear Miss Cressey:

Returning to Princeton, I find your very interesting letter of August 28. At the moment there is no opening in the Institute, but in a growing institution one never knows when an opportunity such as you seek may occur. I would suggest that, if you are ever in Princeton, after October 1, you call at 30 Nassau Street. Both Dr. Flexner and I would be very happy to meet you. He unfortunately will not return to Princeton until the end of September.

May I ask you to extend our kind regards to Mrs. Richards when you see her?

Sincerely yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

*Helen Crissey*  
Mahopac Hills,

Lake Mahopac, N. Y.

~~APARTMENT 610  
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NEW YORK CITY~~

August 28, 1936

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

My dear Mrs. Bailey:

I am uncertain whether I should trouble you with the questions which I have to ask or should address some other member of the official staff of the Institute for Advanced Study, but if I am in error perhaps you will be good enough to hand this letter to the person concerned.

I am looking ahead a year or two in asking whether it is probable that in your Institute's expansion you will need more people in an administrative or secretarial capacity? For the past thirty years I have been connected with Teachers College and the Horace Mann School, Columbia University, for a number of years having been executive secretary of the School. From 1906 to 1912 I was with Professor Richard E. Dodge of Teachers College who was then editor of the Journal of Geography. I took charge of the business side of this magazine and did much other work both of a personal and college nature for Professor Dodge. In 1912, Professor Henry Carr Pearson, for twenty-five years Principal of the Horace Mann School, offered me a position in the School and there I met parents, cared for applications, took charge of correspondence, and did the many other things connected with the work of such an office and the numberless needs of a large body of teachers and pupils. We have always had a very close connection with Teachers College so that the work of the school involves daily contact with the College departments and its students.

Since Dr. Rollo G. Reynolds succeeded Professor Pearson as Principal of the School in 1928, I have had charge of the budget, have done all ordering for the school, have watched equipment needs, cared for the many visitors to the School, and have done the many things impossible to enumerate which arise in an office such as mine.

I am very much interested in the School and hold a permanent appointment, so that I would not consider leaving were it not that the friend with whom I live, who has also been at Teachers College in an administrative and teaching capacity for thirty years, will shortly reach retirement age and both she and I are very anxious to live

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outside of New York City. Several years ago we purchased a lot on Springdale Road, Princeton, and two years ago we built a house which ever since completion has been rented through the Hubbard Agency. It adjoins the property which your Institute has purchased.

I have no degrees, not having taken consecutive college work, and must rely on my experience and the recommendations of those with whom I have worked. I am not young, but have had occasion in my work to adapt constantly --- and possibly a sense of humor may be considered an asset to list in making an application!

I am fifty-three years of age and have received a salary of \$3000 for ten months' work, though our salary cut of three or four years ago reduced this to \$2800. I receive the benefit of payments by the College to the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America and also to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. I should be glad, however, to carry a little less responsibility than has fallen to my lot for a number of years, though an annual examination by my physician proves that I am in perfect health.

May I refer you to the following people who know my work:

Dr. R. G. Reynolds,  
Principal of the Horace Mann School

Professor Henry Carr Pearson,  
Former Principal of the Horace Mann  
School; 72 Rutland Square, Cam-  
pello, Massachusetts

Professor Richard E. Dodge,  
Dean of Storrs Agricultural College,  
Storrs, Connecticut

Dr. Charles W. Hunt,  
President of the Oneonta State Nor-  
mal School, Oneonta, New York

Professor John J. Coss,  
Director of the Summer Session,  
Columbia University

Professor Roy W. Hatch,  
Montclair Normal College,  
Montclair, New Jersey

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If it should prove that there were occasion to refer to Dr. Reynolds, I should appreciate knowing of this so that I might personally give him my reasons for wishing to resign. I would never feel that I could make such a change, in any event, without notifying the School at least six months in advance.

I am sorry to have taken so much of your time and I am afraid that you must be very tired of me long before you reach this paragraph, but I felt that I should tell you these facts before asking whether I may make an appointment to call upon you? I could drive to Princeton at any time before September 12th, when I will return to the College. I should very much appreciate this opportunity of meeting you, even though you may not see any definite occasion to consider my application.

Your name was given to me by my friend Mrs. Charles R. Richards, though she tells me that you knew her principally through her husband.

Trusting that I may look forward to meeting you, when I shall hope not to impose upon your time again to this extent,

Very sincerely yours,

*Alan Crissey*

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY  
THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

*F. Crowninshield*

L. P. EISENHART  
*Dean*

Princeton, New Jersey

March 30, 1934

My dear Dr. Flexner:

Here is a letter which President Dodds  
has referred to me, but I think it really should  
go to you.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*L. P. Eisenhart*

Dr. Abraham Flexner,  
20 Nassau Street,  
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Dear Dr. Dodds,

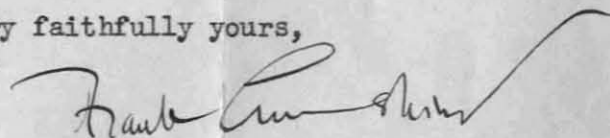
I am wondering if you could do me, and Vanity Fair, a little favor? I have a very good portrait of Professor Einstein which I would like to publish in Vanity Fair. I would like to accompany it by an intelligent caption - a caption of, say, 500 or 600 words.

In this caption I would like to explain to our readers what particular problems are now engaging Professor Einstein's attention; I mean to say, what divisions of his theory is he working on; what subjects, specifically, is he lecturing about; which of your professors, if any, are aiding him; is he writing a book; how much of his time does he give to the college; how much to his individual researches; is he keeping up his interest in the violin; how much longer will he be at Princeton; does he mingle a good deal with the other professors, or does he keep a little aloof.

Can you tell me the name of someone at the University who could write me such a caption? I would be glad to pay \$40 for it.

I have not met you since our talk at the Dutch Treat Club. I must apologize for troubling you in this exigency, but I do not know where else to turn for information and light.

Very faithfully yours,



Dr. Harold Willis Dodds,  
The President's House,  
Princeton University,  
Princeton, New Jersey.

April 2, 1934

Dear Mr. Crowninshield:

Your letter to President Dodds and your subsequent telegram have been forwarded to me by Dean Eisenhower.

Beyond the fact that Professor Einstein's appointment in the School of Mathematics of the Institute for Advanced Study is a permanent one, I do not myself know who could answer your questions.

I regret very much indeed that I am unable to be of assistance to you.

Very sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. Frank Crowninshield, Editor  
Vanity Fair  
420 Lexington Avenue  
New York City  
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March 14<sup>th</sup> 1938

675 Madison Avenue  
New York

Dear Dr. Fleener,

Thank you very much  
for your letter of March 7<sup>th</sup>.  
I will visit Princeton on Wednesday  
& call at the Institute at about  
11 am, & will hope to find you in.

Yours sincerely,

J. G. Crowther.

Dr. A. Fleener

The Institute of Advanced Study  
Princeton N.J.

March 7, 1938

Dear Mr. Crowther:

I have your note of March 6, with a letter of introduction from Dr. Weed. As far as I can now see, March 16 or some day thereafter would be more convenient for me than March 15. I could see you at any time during the morning. The mathematicians here are probably equally available on any day.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Mr. J. G. Crowther  
675 (2B) Madison Avenue  
New York City

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675 (2B) Madison Avenue  
New York City

March 6th 1938.

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

Dear Sir,

I would be very grateful if I could meet you and visit  
the Institute at Princeton. Would March 15th, or thereabouts, be a  
convenient date?

Yours sincerely,

*T. G. Arrowood*



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LEWIS H. WEED, M.D., DIRECTOR

February 8, 1938.


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

My dear Mr. Flexner:-

This note will serve to introduce to you Mr. J. G. Crowther, who for the past ten years has been scientific correspondent of the Manchester Guardian. Previous to his association with this newspaper he was in the mathematics group of Trinity College, Cambridge. He is the author of a large number of important books, including "Men of Science" and other stimulating studies in the history of science.

Mr. Crowther is at the moment on a lecture tour in the United States and is eager to see the work in mathematics of the members of the Institute for Advanced Study. I shall appreciate it if you will put him into contact with the proper members of the staff.

Very sincerely,



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Aug. 30, 1937

Collector of Customs  
Customs House  
New York City

Dear Sir:

The post office here is holding a package (Mail Entry No. 411624, August 26) from the British Museum in London, addressed to Professor Benjamin D. Meritt. This package contains paper impressions of Greek inscriptions, known as squeezes. As this material is intended for the library of the Institute for Advanced Study and is to be used by Professor Meritt, a professor of the Institute, in his work here, we believe it should come in free of duty, under Mr. Morgenthau's ruling regarding such material for the Institute, as have all previous shipments of similar material. In this case the material is addressed to Professor Meritt instead of the Institute, but it is strictly Institute property.

We will appreciate anything you can do to facilitate the release of this material without the payment of customs duty.

Very truly yours,

MARIE C. EICHELSEER