

November 18, 1936

Dear Dr. Billikopf:

I am told that there is a Coordinating Committee, of which you are Executive Director and which is interested in foreign refugees. I should like to enlist your interest, if possible, in the case of Dr. Martin H. Stobbe, a young mathematical physicist, who happens not to belong to the category of persons with whom the Emergency Committee is dealing. Dr. Stobbe is about thirty years of age and was when Hitler came into power a privatdozent at the University of Göttingen. He is 100% Aryan and could perfectly well have remained and received promotion under the Hitler regime, but he was so outraged by the way in which his Jewish teachers and colleagues had been treated that he refused to take advantage of the opportunities created by their dismissal. He is now in Princeton, where he has been for something over a year.

The California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, of which Professor Millikan is the head, is greatly desirous of procuring his services, but as their funds have shrunk they have no means at their disposal. If a grant of \$1000, or preferably \$1200, a year could be made to the California Institute of Technology, they would at once employ Dr. Stobbe, and I am sure his ability and scientific value are such that he would retain his post there.

If your Committee is in a position to contribute this sum you will have done a splendid thing for a man who has shown high character and idealism when it would have been to his personal interest to have done precisely the opposite.

Dr. Billikopf

November 18, 1936

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I hear from time to time from Hungate and I am delighted to know that Howard University is doing well.

With all good wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. Jacob Billikopf
Coördinating Committee
221 West 57th Street
New York City

AF/LCE

Stobbe
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October 26, 1936

Dear Duggan:

A young and very promising mathematician, 100% Aryan, who was an assistant in Göttingen when Hitler came in, threw up his post because of Hitler's treatment of the mathematical faculty there. He has been here at the Institute for two years. His ⁱⁿ grant has expired, and he is/need of a subvention of perhaps \$100.00 a month for the next year. Our own appropriations for this year exhaust our available resources, else I should take special action to have an appropriation made for it. Do you think you could manage Dr. Stobbe's case? I am sending you his account of himself which I am told by Professor Weyl is entirely accurate.

Always sincerely,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Dr. S. P. Duggan
Institute of International Education
2 West 45th Street
New York City

AF:ESB

Princeton, N.J.

June 12, 36

Dear Dr. Klesner,

I am leaving the United States to-morrow, and I should like to thank you once more for the many advantages and the help I have received during my carrying out my work in the Institute for Advanced Study.

I should also like to thank you for the trouble you have taken about my obtaining a sailing-permit. When I explained to the official, that the stipend is a gift, and that I have earned no money, I had finally to

pay no income tax. I had to leave
a letter from the Institute, saying that
I have rendered no service for compensa-
tion, and that I had received from
Miss Lidelser, at the Customs office.

Yours very truly

Martin H. Stobbe.

May 28, 1936

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that since his entry into the United States two years ago Dr. Martin H. Stobbe has received a stipend of \$1500 a year from the Institute for Advanced Study to enable him to carry on his research work in its School of Mathematics. He has rendered no services for compensation.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Director

May 27, 1936

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which came today from Mr. Wagner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington. You will doubtless hear from him soon if you have not already had a letter.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

ADDRESS REPLY TO COMMISSIONER OF
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
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May 26, 1936

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

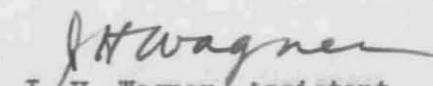
Dear Mr. Flexner:

I wish to refer to your letter of yesterday which
accompanied the application for reentry permit of Dr. Martin
Hermann Stobbe.

I am pleased to inform you that a reentry permit has
been issued today to Dr. Stobbe and sent to the office of
this Service at the Barge Office, Battery, New York City,
for delivery to him. He is being appropriately notified.

Cordially yours,

By direction of the Commissioner:


J. H. Wagner, Assistant.

May 25, 1936

Mr. J. H. Wagner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
U. S. Department of Labor
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Thank you very much for sending me so promptly
the application blank for a re-entry permit for Dr. Martin H.
Stobbe.

I am returning herewith the application executed
by Dr. Stobbe, together with two signed photographs and a postal
money order for \$3.00.

I shall appreciate it if you will give this applica-
tion your prompt attention.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLENNER

HCE

May 21, 1936

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

We have had a very prompt reply from the U. S. Department of Labor. I am sending you the letter and application for re-entry which came in this morning's mail.

If we can help you in any way in connection with this application, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Very truly yours,

COPY

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Washington, D. C.

May 19, 1936

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

Dear Mr. Flexner:

I have your letter of May 18, 1936, relative to Martin H. Stobbe who wishes to leave the United States in June for a trip to England for about six months.

I am pleased to enclose application for a re-entry permit, which Dr. Stobbe may execute and file in accordance with the instructions attached thereto. A re-entry permit is valid for a period of one year from date of issuance and on good cause being shown may be extended for periods of six months.

Upon receipt of the application for re-entry permit of Dr. Stobbe together with the necessary two signed photographs and a fee in the sum of three dollars (\$3.00) made payable to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization at Washington, D. C., I shall be pleased to give the case prompt attention.

Cordially yours,

By direction of the Commissioner:

(Signed) J. H. Wagner, Assistant

Enclosure

May 18, 1936

Mr. J. H. Wagner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
U. S. Department of Labor
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe, who is a member of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, now finds it necessary in connection with his studies to do some research work at Cambridge University, Cambridge, England. Dr. Stobbe is an alien, a German citizen with a French quota immigration visa, and he desires a permit to re-enter the United States after the completion of his work in England, which will require about six months. Would you be good enough to send to me the application blanks and prescribed regulations, that Dr. Stobbe may comply with the laws of the United States?

As Dr. Stobbe wishes to leave the United States in June, it would be very helpful if I could have a prompt reply.

With much appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

MCE

August 28, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
c/o Professor Panofsky
114 Prospect Avenue
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending to you herewith check
of the Institute for Advanced Study for \$125.00, the
August 1935 installment on your grant for the year
1935-1936.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

June 26, 1935

American Consul
Montreal, Canada

My dear Sir:

I have the greatest pleasure and confidence in commending to you Dr. Martin H. Stobbe, who will hand you an official letter from me regarding his work in England and at Princeton. Dr. Stobbe has been an advanced worker in the Institute for Advanced Study during the last year and has received a fellowship to enable him to continue his investigation next year.

I shall be deeply grateful to you for any assistance you may grant him in his effort to obtain American citizenship.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

June 24, 1935

To the American Consul

Montreal, Canada

My dear Sir:

As you may know, a generous American philanthropist has established at Princeton the Institute for Advanced Study, to which young men of unusual competence have been attracted from various parts of the world. A few of them have been so attracted by opportunities in America that they have decided to become American citizens and thus far the number has been so small that the American consuls who were in Canada or Bermuda have readily given them the necessary papers. In the course of the next few days one of them, Dr. Martin H. Stobbe, will present himself to you with a letter of commendation from me and from one of the distinguished American mathematicians. Dr. Stobbe spent three years at Bristol and Cambridge, England, doing advanced mathematical work before coming to America, and his work here last year was so satisfactory that his fellowship has been renewed.

Young men of this type are badly needed in the upbuilding of our American colleges and universities so that it is in our interest, as well as in Dr. Stobbe's, that he should be enabled to become an American citizen. I should appreciate it very highly indeed if you would cooperate with us to the end that he may remain permanently in this country. There is no danger that persons of

To the American Consul, Montreal, Canada

June 24, 1935

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his calibre will interfere in the slightest degree with well-trained Americans seeking to make academic careers. There is indeed a distinct shortage, which we are endeavoring to supply at the highest possible level.

With high regard, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

June 24, 1935

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the bearer of this document, Dr. Martin H. Stobbe, has held a research fellowship in the Institute for Advanced Study during the academic year, 1934-1935, and on the basis of his excellent research work in mathematical physics the fellowship has been renewed for the academic year, 1935-1936, at a stipend of \$1,500 for the year.

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

Director

Attest:

~~LEWIS B. BENTLEY~~
ROBERT B. BENTLEY
Assistant Secretary

June 29, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe

I am sending you herewith check of the
Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the final
installment on your grant for the present academic
year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER B. WILEY
Assistant Secretary

May 31, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of
the Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the
May 1935 installment on your grant for the present
academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

Stobbe

April 30, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of
the Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the
April 1935 installment on your grant for the present
academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

March 30, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of
the Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the
March 1935 installment on your grant for the present
academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

February 26, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check
of the Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00,
the February 1935 installment on your grant
for the present academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

January 28, 1935

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of
the Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the
January 1935 instalment on your grant-in-aid for
the present academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

December 27, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of the
Institute for Advanced Study for \$135.00, the
December 1934 installment on your grant-in-aid for the
present academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

December 14, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Stobbe:

On the recommendation of the professors of
the School of Mathematics I take pleasure in informing
you that a grant-in-aid of \$1,500 will be made to you
that you may be associated with the School of Mathematics
of the Institute for Advanced Study during the academic
year, 1935-1936.

Looking forward with great pleasure to the
association with you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:ESB

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Fine Hall, December 13, 1934

Dear Doctor Flexner:

At a meeting of the professors of the Institute yesterday, it was voted to make a Grant-in-aid of \$1500 to Dr. Martin H. Stobbe for the year 1935-6.

You may like to write Dr. Stobbe officially to this effect.

Yours sincerely,



Hermann Weyl

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, N.J.
HW:GB

November 28, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of the
Institute for Advanced Study for \$155.00, the November
1934 installment on your grant-in-aid for the present
academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. RILEY

Assistant Secretary

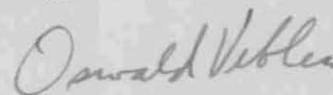
THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS
FINE HALL
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

May 21, 1934

Dear Doctor Flexner:

Miss Blake has just called my attention to the correspondence between Professor Weyl and Dr. Stobbe who is to be offered a grant-in-aid of \$1200. Professor Weyl's letter said definitely that Dr. Stobbe could soon expect a letter from you offering him the grant-in-aid. As this was agreed to by the professors, will you not write Dr. Stobbe such a letter? I enclose herewith a copy of Weyl's letter.

Yours sincerely,



Oswald Veblen

Dr. Abraham Flexner
20 Nassau Street
Princeton, N.J.
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October 26, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of the Institute for Advanced Study for \$300.00, the October 1934 installment on your grant-in-aid for the present academic year.

I am informed that your grant has been increased to \$1,500 and am therefore arranging that payments be as follows:

1934		
September	\$100.00	Paid Sept. 27, 1934
October	300.00	Paid Oct. 26, 1934
November	135.00	
December	135.00	
1935		
January	135.00	
February	135.00	
March	135.00	
April	135.00	
May	135.00	
June	135.00	
Total	<u>\$1500.00</u>	

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY

Assistant Secretary

October 2, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
11 Park Place
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

Recurring to our conversation this
afternoon regarding the payments on your stipend
of \$1,200 for the year 1934-1935, I am happy to
report that we shall be able to grant your request
and you will receive installments as follows:

October 31	\$300
November 30	100
December 31	100
January 31	100
February 28	100
March 30	100
April 30	100
May 31	100
June 29	100
	<u>\$1100</u>

If you prefer some other arrangement,
please let me know before October 15.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER B. SMLEY

Assistant Secretary

Form 513

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
~~IMMIGRATION SERVICE~~
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
DIST. NO. _____

No. 98524/384

Place Ellis Island

New York Harbor

Date September 27, 1934

NOTICE OF ADMISSION OF ALIEN UNDER SECTION 4 (e)

~~Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization,~~
~~COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF IMMIGRATION,~~
WASHINGTON, D. C.

The following information is furnished concerning the alien named below, who was admitted *to-day* under Section 4 (e) of the Act of 1924:

Name of student Stobbe, Martin

Country of origin Germany

Country of birth Metz, France Race German

Date and number of visa August 28, 1934 - #65 Consulate London

Ship or other means of arrival Bremen - September 27, 1934

Name of a friend or relative in this country of alien if shown by papers Friend

Prof. Weyl

Address of friend or relative Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton, N.J.

Educational institution to which destined Princeton University

Princeton, New Jersey.

A duplicate of this form is being mailed to-day to the educational institution to which the alien is destined. The school is requested to make all reports to the ~~Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Washington, D.C.~~ ~~Commissioner General of Immigration, Washington, D.C.~~

Admitted until October 1, 1935

PP expires February 25, 1936

BYRON H. UHL
District Director
New York District
(Title)

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By

C. Chapman Dwyer
Inspector in Charge, Record Division.

September 27, 1934

Dr. Martin H. Stobbe
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I am sending you herewith check of The Institute
for Advanced Study for \$100.00, the September 1934 instalment
on your grant-in-aid for the present academic year.

Very truly yours,

ESTHER S. BAILEY
Assistant Secretary

M. H. Stobbe
Paris V^e

Paris, June 8, 34

M. H. Stobbe

Dear Professor Flesher,

I thank you very much for your letter (AF:ESB) of May 22, with the information, that a grant-in-aid of \$1200 for the academic year 1934-35 has been made to me, enabling me to work in the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, N.J.

I am very glad about this possibility of coming to Princeton, which I appreciate very highly, and I should like to thank you very much for giving me this opportunity.

I shall discuss the work I shall be doing in Princeton with Prof Veyl, when I arrive. At the moment I am interested in the quantum mechanical theories of the many-electron-atoms, on this subject I am writing a book for Julius Springer (Collection

M. Born, J. Franck).

I have already seen the American counsel
about my obtaining a student's visa, and I don't
think there will be any difficulty of getting one
by producing your letter.

Thanking you once more for the interest
you have taken in the matter, I beg to remain

Yours very sincerely

Martin H. Stobbe.

May 27, 34

M. me Toullier

Paris 1^{re}

Dear Professor Flemer,

I thank you very much for the telegram of May 24th, in which you confirmed a grant given to me for the next academic year Oct. 1934 - May 1935. I think, that the letter with the official statement you have written to me will soon come into my hands.

I should like to add, that I am very glad about the possibility of coming to Princeton and to have the opportunity to work in that famous Institute.

Thanking you for the great interest you have taken in my case, I beg to remain

Yours very truly

M. H. Stobbe

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Telephone Your Telegrams to **Postal Telegraph**

May 22, 1934

Dr. M. Stobbe
c/o Professor M. Born
246 Hills Road
Cambridge, England

My dear Dr. Stobbe:

I have pleasure in informing you that upon the recommendation of the Faculty of the School of Mathematics and Mathematical Physics of the Institute for Advanced Study a grant-in-aid of a sum not to exceed \$1,200 has been made to you for the academic year, 1934-1935. Remittances will be made to you at the end of the month, the first payment being made at the end of September.

It will be advisable for you to obtain a student's visa and, if asked by the immigration authorities upon reaching America, you should state that you are coming here on a fellowship and that you are not being paid to do any work whatsoever.

Sincerely yours,

ABRAHAM FLEXNER

AF:BSB

COPY FOR DR. FLEXNER

Stobbe

April 30, 1934

Dear Doctor Stobbe:

I take pleasure in advising you that our Institute will give you a "grant in aid" of \$1200 for the next academic year, October 1, 1934, to May 3, 1935. This means nearly the same thing as a fellowship. You will have no lecturing or similar duties, but the intention is that you can continue your work here by making use of the facilities of the Institute and the University, and of the close contact with the members of our staff and that of the University, - Einstein, von Neumann, Dirac, etc. I expect that you will very soon receive formal affirmation of the appointment from the Director of the Institute, Dr. Flexner.

After our attempt to co-operate in Göttingen under the most unsatisfactory conditions, I look forward to this new opportunity here under the most favorable conditions.

You must understand of course that neither the Institute nor any one of us personally can take the least responsibility for a future opening for you in this country.

Dean Eisenhart told me that you applied for a Proctor Fellowship. Because the application came too late and for other reasons, it was quite impossible for the University to consider it, but there is a possibility that you might find living accommodations in the Graduate College of the University if you should apply.

Please tell Professor Born about this. With best greetings to you and Professor Born.

Dr. M. Stobbe
Care Professor M. Born
246 Hills Road
Cambridge, England

Yours,

(Signed) H. WEYL