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FLEXNER, ABRAHAM

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Flexner in recapitulating his studies and consultations which preceded his policy memorandum of September 26, 1931, presented to the Trustees' meeting October 13, 1931:

"To my request for constructive ideas, the response was different. Men knew more or less clearly what they would like or needed; but as no one had supposed that an institution of the kind described was likely to be established, no one was prepared to be definite in his immediate recommendations. In informal talk, often occupying many hours, we browsed over the whole field; frequently, before we parted, I was promised a memorandum which would embody deliberate observations as to procedure, personnel, subjects, etc. In what I now write, I am drawing upon these informal conferences, upon such notes and reflections as I made at the time and subsequently, and upon the memoranda which have come to me from America, England, France, Germany, and Italy. I am indebted, very deeply indebted, to all who gave me freely of their time, thought, and experience; and yet I should be at a loss to assign responsibility, if I were asked as to any particular item."

I Remember, by Abraham Flexner, pp. 363-4

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