

Rosenwald, William

March 7, 1941

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Dear William: I have written to Dr. Joseph L. Johnson, Acting Dean of the Howard University Medical School, sending on the correspondence about Mr. Stavitsky's nephew. I know Johnson personally, and I am sure he will give this matter sympathetic attention. As you doubtless know, Howard is already under some attack for the number of non-Negro students in its enrollment, especially in its Medical School. Since it receives government funds for the explicit purpose of providing education for Negroes, it finds it necessary to keep the non-Negro students at a minimum. However, a small number are still admitted each year.

I should think it might be a good idea for you to send a note to Mordecai Johnson, the President of Howard. This would at least call the attention of another high official to this candidate.

With cordial greetings,

ERE:JW

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

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Rosenwald, Wm

June 5, 1941

Dear William: It was a pleasure to hear your voice over the telephone the other day. While we devote a considerable part of any such conversation to jocularity, I want you to know in all seriousness how much I appreciate the work the Family Association and you personally are doing in the terribly difficult field of constructive aid to refugees.

Also translating our joking into sober English, I do feel, as I have said to you before, that the Family Association has a special obligation to Mr. Rosenwald's interests in Chicago. A misfortune of such a city as this is that after fortunes are made here they tend to move quickly to New York. The most notable examples are in the case of the Rosenwald and Marshall Field families. This leaves Chicago denuded both of the funds and of the leadership which it should have. It seems to me reasonable that members of the given families should keep this in mind as they dispose of funds which originated here and as they serve as trustees of men whose careers and interests were here.

As to "policy", Mr. Rosenwald and I agreed upon a division of labor which seemed to both of us sound. That was that a foundation by its very nature could most effectively engage in concentrated programs in limited fields and that private fortunes could be more effective by the very opposite policy - that is, of considering projects on their merits and avoiding the building up of too definite a policy or even too definite or limited areas of interest. I still think this is a wise differentiation.

My greetings and best wishes. I know enough about the difficulty of giving money wisely to sympathize with you and your brother and sisters in administering the funds left in trust by your father. It is simply in an effort to be helpful - not to be meddling - that I continue to give my opinions and my personal recommendations from time to time.

ERE:JW

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

Very truly yours,
EDWIN R. EMBREE

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.

November 12, 1941.

Miss Julia Waxman,
Julius Rosenwald Fund,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Waxman:

Mr. Rosenwald is compiling a list of those to whom he may wish to send greeting cards at the end of this year, such as the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund, whom he knows personally. For this purpose, will you please send him, as soon as you conveniently can, a complete record of the names and addresses of these persons, to help in building up the list. In addition to this formal list, Mr. Rosenwald would also appreciate having the names and addresses of any other people closely associated with the Institute whom you think he might wish to consider in compiling his list - for example, key people on the staff or on affiliated committees.

Will you please send this information to my attention. With thanks in advance, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Steiner

Margaret Steiner
Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald

Rosenwald, William

November 17, 1941

Dear Miss Steiner: I am enclosing the list requested in your letter of November 12. I have included all the trustees and officers, except for the members of the Rosenwald family, and have checked in ink those newcomers to the Board and staff whom Mr. Rosenwald may not know.

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Miss Margaret Steiner
Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

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**Former staff members of the Fund whom Mr. Rosenwald knows

Note: The members of the Rosenwald family, also Trustees of the Fund, have been omitted from this list.



WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 14, 1942.

Mr. Edwin R. Embree,
Julius Rosenwald Fund,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

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<u>STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL</u>				

Dear Edwin:

In recent years there has been better administrative control at Tuskegee Institute. During the last few years steps have also been taken to "tighten up" on the controls over the consumption of "materials and supplies". However, you may have heard that there was embezzlement at Tuskegee recently in connection with the Savings Bank (and that the Institute's cashier may have been involved). The office of the new Treasurer is behind in its work (and the old Treasurer is in charge of "production activities", I believe).

The Board of Trustees of the Institute has asked the auditor to make a more complete study of the entire matter than he has been doing, and to report back to the Finance Committee.

The airport, which the Julius Rosenwald Fund financed, is increasing its activity. In view of what is mentioned above, the thought arose: maybe the Fund ought to investigate to see whether any "army" net proceeds are being used for any purposes other than to repay the Fund. If you want to review this point (or any other points), the name of the Institute's auditor is Mr. William Boynton. He is associated with the firm of Charles F. Rittenhouse and Company, 1 Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill

cc: Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald



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I have been even more concerned about the educational "integrity" of the Institute. As happens at most colleges, white or colored, there is a tendency for each division to think of itself as an autonomous unit and to build up its own programs and personnel without regard to the general needs of the student. We have worked over this problem with President Patterson for several years. If we cannot make more headway in the near future toward real reorganization and integration, I do not believe that I will be willing to recommend the continuation of the very substantial contributions which the Fund has been making to Tuskegee's School of Education.

ERE:JW

EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

WILLIAM ROSENWALD
~~122 EAST 42ND STREET~~
NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 7, 1942.

Mr. Edwin R. Embree,
Julius Rosenwald Fund,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Edwin:

Thanks very much for your letter of April 17th. With reference to the second paragraph of it, if you are going to be in New York some time, do you think that it would be possible for you to sit down with Dr. Schieffelin, Dr. Patterson, and me to discuss the matter? Dr. Schieffelin has indicated that he will be glad to participate in having the matter reviewed, with a view toward making the headway toward reorganization and integration which your letter indicates is necessary.

If you could, as far in advance as possible, let me know on what dates you plan to be available in New York (before June 12th, when Dr. Schieffelin leaves for the summer), I could see if Dr. Patterson could arrange to be here on one of those dates. Or, if you could make a trip on any one of several dates, could you let me know when they would be so that I could try to fit them in with whatever engagements President Patterson may have?

With kind regards, and looking forward to hearing from you, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill

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May 12, 1942

Dear William: I think it would be a good thing to have the talk you suggest in your letter of May 7. It would be especially useful if Edmund Day of the Tuskegee Board could be in on it since Mr. Day probably knows educational programs better than any of the Tuskegee trustees and represents a somewhat younger and fresher approach than Mr. Schieffelin. I haven't any plans for a New York trip just now, but I probably will be there before June 12 and will let you know well in advance.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:JW

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

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ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

DATE: May 28, 1942

FROM: Mr. William Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

How does this fit
in with your own plans?

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TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE

Office of the President

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Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dr. William Jay Schieffelin
620 Park Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Schieffelin:

My only engagement between now and June 11 is in Langston, Oklahoma on May 27. This will probably require May 26 and 28 in transportation. Other than this I am free for a conference with you, Mr. Embree and Mr. Rosenwald in New York at any time you suggest. Any time during the first week in June would seem to be entirely satisfactory to me.

Very truly yours,

(signed) F. D. Patterson

President

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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

June 1, 1942

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

Could join Patterson and you and Schieffelin any time Monday or Tuesday June 8 or 9. These only days available this month. Believe Edmund Day essential to constructive conference. Greetings

Edwin R. Embree

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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

June 3, 1942

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

Will join Tuskegee conference your office Monday at eleven
Greetings

Edwin R. Embree

Rosenwald Fund
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Rosenwald, William

June 16, 1942

Dear William: You will be glad to know that our Executive Committee voted \$2,000 toward the costs of the special issue of Survey Graphic on color and democracy. It was clear that if we were to help at all we must make a prompt decision. Our Trustees at their recent meeting expressed greatly increased interest in the general subject of race relations, set aside some funds for exploring the field more broadly than heretofore, and authorized the Executive Committee to make additional appropriations as promising ventures came up. Under this general authorization our Committee was glad to aid in this special issue of Survey Graphic which is right down the alley of our interests. It will not be necessary, therefore, to ask you to help with pressure on any of our Trustees. It was very helpful of you to get Kellogg and me together so promptly. I think we can all be proud of our association with this project.

I thought that was an excellent meeting we had in your office. As I explained, we had already ironed out almost all of our present differences with President Patterson. I was eager therefore to use the meeting in your office chiefly to acquaint the Chairman of the Board with the work that was going on and to seal the interest in Tuskegee of President Day. I am sure that Day can be most helpful if he will continue his interest in the educational aspects of Tuskegee. I hope that in the not distant future your group may be able to find a more vigorous and more realistic chairman of the board.

It was a pleasure to be in active work with you again.

ERE:JW

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 22, 1942

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Edwin:

The prompt action of the Julius Rosenwald Fund in behalf of Survey Associates, and your thoughtfulness in writing at once, were deeply appreciated. Paul Kellogg also told me how much he enjoyed meeting with you.

You know that I value your judgment highly, and, in view of that, it was gratifying to learn your reaction to the small meeting that was held in my office concerning Tuskegee Institute.

It was very kind of you to let me have two copies of your timely book, entitled "American Negroes." Your inscription on one of them was most flattering. No doubt, you are sending (or will send) copies to the main "staff" people, to the trustees of Survey Associates and of Tuskegee Institute (my main connections), and, of course, all the family.

With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Edwin:

This will acknowledge, with thanks,
your "news letter" of June 23rd.

It is enjoyable to glance through
the reports of the Julius Rosenwald Fund once in
a while.

Your "oddity stories" are great!

Cordially,

Bill

P. S. Many thanks, also, for sending me the
three sets of paintings that have appeared in
Fortune and Life, and which are most interest-
ing. The J.R.F. can indeed be proud of "Fel-
lows" of the type of Messrs. Lawrence, Alston,
and Lea.

ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

(Spec. Del.)

(Confidential)

DATE: July 3, 1942

FROM: William Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Leonard M. Rieser

Please thank Dick Gutstadt.

While talking with Edwin R. Embree on the phone, we thought it might be better not to do anything now, and, also, to suggest to Dick that his representative do nothing more about this matter at this juncture.

CC: Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓
Mr. Nathan W. Levin

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122 EAST 42ND STREET
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DATE: July 8, 1942

FROM: William Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

You may find the attached of
some interest.

For your confidential information: The Independent Jewish Press Service once was inimical to me -- now is unaggressive; however, I don't trust them too far, nor do I favor them.

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This refers to Mr. Gustadt's letter of June 30th,
which Mr. Rosenwald discussed with you.

C. Sondheimer

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July 2, 1942

Mr. William Rosenwald
CHANIN BUILDING
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

In view of the fact that Bishop Charles L. Russell is
a protege of the Rosenwald Foundation, we thought you
might be interested to see this interesting article on
his latest achievement.

Sincerely yours,

Harold U. Ribalow

Harold U. Ribalow

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Wm Rosenwald

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Release: Friday, July 10, 1942

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* NEGRO SCHOLAR OF THE TALMUD *
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* A Tribute to Bishop Charles L. Russell *
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* By SOLOMON KERSTEIN *
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One of the most remarkable personalities of our time is Dr. Charles L. Russell, who has just published a significant work on the Talmud. The story of this Negro churchman, whose contribution to Jewish scholarship is in a sense repayment for the efforts of the Rosenwald Foundation among Negroes, is told by Mr. Kerstein, well-known Jewish bibliophile. . . . The Editor

Some years ago the writer had occasion to publicize the eminent Christian scholar, Professor Edward P. Arbez, who holds the chair of Talmud and Old Testament in the Catholic University of Washington. Professor Arbez astounded a special conclave of the Histadrut Ivrit (Hebrew-speaking Federation) with his knowledge of Hebrew and the Bible.

Now it is a pleasurable task to present another extraordinary Christian divine and Hebrew scholar, Dr. Charles L. Russell, presiding bishop of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, also of Washington, D. C. His work, "Maor Hatalmud," or "Light from the Talmud," has just been published by the Bloch Publishing Company of New York.

Frequently we discover non-Jewish scholars who engage in studies of the Hebrew tongue and literature, but it is amazing to see this Negro bishop actually produce a volume on the mazes of the Talmud. This is unquestionably the first work of its kind by any member of Dr. Russell's race.

The work is primarily a compilation of three hundred proverbs, parables, legends, anecdotes and ethical precepts from Talmudic and Midrashic (homiletic) literature. Not only these sources, including both Babylonian and Palestinian Talmuds, were used, but also such works as the commentary of Rashi, "Aboth di Rabbi Nathan," "The Zohar," "Mibhar Hapeninim" and other esoteric works. There are added citations from Jewish folklore. All quotations appear in the original Hebrew or Aramaic with source; Dr. Russell's translations are printed on the opposing pages.

There is no set order in the compilation -- for, says the author in his Preface: "In writing this book, I have in mind primarily those gentile people
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who have not taken time to make a study of the Hebrew language and literature to such an extent as to be able to get the fundamental principles of the language and a proper appreciation of the Jewish people."

Bishop Russell has not alone culled gems from the Talmudic treasure-house, but has added over fifty pages of historical material in English. In this the author displays most surely his grasp of Judaic literature, and his love and appreciation of Judaism's contributions to world culture. The introduction will prove helpful to Jew and non-Jew alike.

"In this book," proceeds the Preface, "I have given a historical sketch of the Hebrew Talmud which will be information to the gentile not well-versed in the language and consolation to the Jew whose heart is in the teaching of the Talmud." And further: "The Talmud is the mother of Judaism, the key that unlocks to its philosophy and forms of things, the fire that burns on its altars -- which produces a light that illumines and cheers 'the children of the Book,' though they be in different parts of the world."

Most books of this nature, even by Jews, are printed from left to right, English fashion. The bishop has had his book go from right to left, even the English introductory portion. In a characteristically Jewish manner, the quotations begin with the ethical precept: "If thou canst be good do not be bad," and end with another Talmudic moral adage: "Who is a hero? He who subdues his passions."

The historical account is remarkably lucid and thorough. The entire development of the Talmud is covered, through the Mishnah in its several Orders, the Tannaim and Amoraim, the ultimate redaction, and even the apocryphal treatises. The understanding and erudition displayed are noteworthy.

Undoubtedly the most interesting fact about this book is the impulse that led to Bishop Russell's profound interest in Jewish lore. His own words give utterance to the abiding affection he bears the people and its literature.

Hebrew Study

"I began the study of the Hebrew language," he writes, "twenty-four years ago in Thomasville, Georgia, under the tutorship of Rabbi I. Rosenbloom. I did not know a letter of the Hebrew alphabet, and he knew but little English. So we agreed to teach each other. He would teach me Hebrew one day and I would teach him English the next day. . . . We kept this up for three years, after which I moved to Washington, D. C., and matriculated in the Hebrew School of Washington, of which Moses M. Frelicoff was principal. After three years of study in this school I graduated with honors. . . . My next step . . . was taken when I matriculated in the Talmud Torah School of Washington, of which Rabbi J. T. Loeb was principal. In this school I received my first lesson in the Talmud. Rabbi Loeb is an authority in Talmudic literature and one of my best friends among the rabbis in Washington. I spent three years in this school, after which time I was advised by Rabbi Loeb to apply to Dr. Israel Schapiro, the noted Hebrew scholar and chief of the Semitic Division of the Library of Congress."

"Dr. Schapiro gave me my first instruction in the scientific subjects, in the Semitic languages and literatures. At the end of eight years I was prepared for matriculation in the Dropsie College. I owe Dr. Schapiro a debt of gratitude that I cannot repay. . . .

"When I presented myself for matriculation in the Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning, in Philadelphia, for the doctor's degree in philosophy, it was the first time that I saw the late Dr. Cyrus Adler. . . . I told him that I was seeking more light in the field of Hebrew language and literature. His mellow voice, pleasing smile, and striking personality welcomed me to the college. . . . I found an atmosphere of unsurpassed welcome from the president, faculty, student body, and governors of the college during the four years in which I attended the institution."

Bishop Russell continues with a touching eulogy of Dr. Adler, and then enumerates his honored teachers -- Professors Max L. Margolis, Solomon L. Skoss, Solomon Zeitlin, Joseph Reider and Abraham A. Neuman, the present President. He ends with praise for the aid and self-abnegation of his wife, Lillian M. Russell.

The bishop was born in Campbell, Alabama fifty-two years ago. He was graduated from universities in Alabama and Georgia, and later the Frelinghuysen University of Washington, where he taught Hebrew and theology. He served a number of southern churches and joined various movements to combat racial hatred, including anti-Semitism. Throughout his studies he maintained his interest in Jewish law, lore and linguistic studies.

Of prime interest also is Dr. Russell's dedication of his volume to the great Jewish benefactor of his race: "A donor of wealth for the education of the neglected descendants of Ham, I know no man who has done so much for them as Julius Rosenwald, a descendant of Shem, to whose memory the author dedicates this book."

Mr. Rosenwald, who was a patron of learning in his time, could little have thought that his munificence would lead to a work on the Jewish Talmud by one of those aided by his philanthropy.

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Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald
C.S.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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August 6, 1942

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
1302-18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Lessing:

You will, no doubt, want to know
of the following situation:

Some weeks ago, I received a
letter from Richard E. Gutstadt, Director of the
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, advising
that Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia planned
to circulate anti-Rosenwald propaganda as part
of a political campaign stunt (specifically, the
claim was to be made that Mother was a negress).
I phoned Leonard Rieser at that time (and spoke,
too, with Edwin Embree, who is in close touch with
the Georgia situation). We decided to do nothing.

*Letter
not
enclosed*

This week, Richard Gutstadt wrote
me the letter (enclosed in this envelope), which
is being sent to Leonard Rieser through you, for
handling. As you will note, the letter advises
that an anti-Rosenwald song is being circulated
throughout Georgia.

Devotedly,

Sis
William Rosenwald

cc: Mr. Leonard M. Rieser
Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓
Mr. Nathan W. Levin

Please do not bother to
acknowledge or return

Mr. Rosenwald regrets that he was
unable to sign this personally.

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October 2, 1942

ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

DATE: November 13, 1942

FROM: (William) Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

The attached is self-explanatory.

Perhaps you will care to communicate with Mr. Blattner.

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

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November 13, 1942

Mr. Jerome Blattner
343 South Jameson Avenue
Lima, Ohio

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Dear Mr. Blattner:

This will acknowledge your letter of recent date, in which you give information concerning the Bradfield Center Community (of which you are a director) and its need of funds.

Regrettably, it is impossible for me to be of assistance to you in this connection. However, your letter is being forwarded to a fund which may be interested in the activities you described. If this should be the case, you will hear from that organization directly.

For your information, our family's interest in negro work is manifested mainly (if not entirely) through the fund to which your request is being referred.

Cordially yours,

Wm. Rosenwald
C.S.

c.c.(blind): Mr. Edwin R. Embree,
Julius Rosenwald Fund.

Please do not bother to
acknowledge or return
Mr. Rosenwald regrets that he was
unable to sign this personally.

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JEROME BLATTNER
343 S. JAMESON AVE.
LIMA, OHIO

November 10, 1942

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 E. 42nd St. Channin Bldg.
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

Last week I was in Cleveland visiting my father-in-law Mr. Henry Sulka and while there spent some time with Mr. Sam Goldhammer. During the conversation he mentioned that he had seen you recently, and it is upon his suggestion that I am writing you.

I have been a director of Bradfield Center Community for several years. This community center is a center for colored people. Lima has a population of about 1800 negroes with a possible growth of about 300 during the last few months because of the defense work that has been going on here. Our facilities are inadequate. We are housed in a small old frame house which cannot draw or accomodate enough people. We planned to stage a campaign in order to raise enough to build a new building but the war stopped that. The Lima Community Fund has given us their permission to have our drive as soon as the war is over. In the meantime we simply can't get along and do the right type of work with our present facilities. We are trying to obtain another house but we don't even know whether we will be able to raise the money for that.

The Rosenwald Foundation used to give large sums for worthy causes such as that outlined above and I wonder whether this is still in existence and if so if the or any money is available for this purpose? If so I would appreciate it if you would consider this situation. Mr. Atwell of the National Recreation Board is well acquainted with our situation here in Lima and could give you any detailed information on it that you may require.

May I hear from you soon.

Yours very truly

Jerome Blattner
Jerome Blattner

JB:RT

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November 16, 1942

Dear William: This is general acknowledgement of a number of memoranda that you have forwarded to this office. May I congratulate you on the success with which you convey information without "committing" the individuals or organizations to which you refer material.

May I make a suggestion, namely, that you establish as office routine the capitalizing of the word "Negro". It is customary to use a capital in most racial designations. I think those of us who are closely concerned with Negro work should be doubly careful to do so in this case.

I have just seen the first copies of the special Survey Graphic issue on "Color". I think it is a fine job. I am delighted that you helped us get into this project.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:JW

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City



ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

DATE: Nov. 17, 1942

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FROM: Wm. Rosenwald

TO: E.R. Embree

I know nothing about this organization, and no reply has been made.

Please handle any way you see fit, and if you do write them, a blind carbon copy for my information would be appreciated.

NOV 12 1942

THE GREENWICH CENTER FOR CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICE

MERGER OF THE CHILDREN'S CENTER AND SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE

MRS. REGINALD G. COOMBE, *President*

MISS JEAN L. GREGORY, *Executive Secretary*

40 ARCH STREET

GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

TELEPHONE GREENWICH 4848

FROM THE OFFICE OF NATHAN W. LEVIN

Nov. 11, 1942

Rosenwald Fund Asso.
570 Lexington Ave.
New York City

WR
Office

Dear Sirs:

We are interested in getting some data on institutions such as boarding schools, orphan asylums ect. for negro children. We would like catalogues if any of these places, especially those who would accept Conn. children. We are compiling a resource file for Social Workers and would very much appreciate your sending us this information.

Very truly yours,

The Greenwich Center For Chi

Child and Family Service

per - F.R.A.

Please do not bother to
acknowledge or return

Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald

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MEMBER AGENCY OF COMMUNITY CHEST AND COUNCIL OF GREENWICH, INC.

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ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

DATE: Dec. 16, 1942

FROM: William Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

The attached was sent to
me by Nathan Levin.

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Wm R

New York Times
Dec. 12, 1942

recently have been published:

UNIVERSAL JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA

—This monumental work of reference, published at 130 Clinton Street, Brooklyn, has now reached its eighth volume, with two volumes still to come. The latest installment contains 672 pages and 241 illustrations, some in color, with 1,200 articles contributed by 150 experts. It is dedicated to the memory of Julius Rosenwald, whose broad humanitarian outlook on civilization is expressed under the editorship of Rabbi Isaac Landman.

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Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald (R.N.)

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FIRM NAME OR SUBJECT	ROSENWALD, WILLIAM	FILE NO.
DATE 3/25/43	REMARKS Mr. Rosenwald refers inquiry re NEGRO DIGEST from Mr. Robert	
	Lang of the U. S. Committee for the Care of European Children, Inc.	
	to us.	

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 ROCHESTER, N. Y.



May 11, 1943

Dear William: Since I know of your interest, I am enclosing copy of the letter that I have just sent to President Patterson about the proposed appropriation by the State of Alabama to Tuskegee. It seems to me that the "militant" northern Negroes have made a mistake in attacking this project. Of course the proposed gift is within the framework of segregation, but so were all of the private funds given to Tuskegee in earlier days and for that matter, so are the suits brought by the NAACP to compel equal salaries and equal facilities for Negro schools in the southern states.

The more I think of it, the more I am convinced that those who are willing to accept nothing from the South this side of pure democracy are saying that they will accept nothing this side of a revolution. I do not favor a revolution if for no other reason than because I believe a revolution at present in America would result in a fascist, rather than a liberal victory. This side of revolution, the best strategy seems to me to be demanding and welcoming every step forward, meanwhile building directly on one advance toward the next step. This is not revolution, nor Utopia, but it is democracy.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:SO
Enc.

Mr. William Rosenwald
Chanin Building
122 East Forty-second Street
New York, New York

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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May 18, 1943

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Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Edwin:

Thank you for your letter of May 11th, in which you enclosed a copy of the letter you sent to President Patterson with reference to the proposed appropriation by the State of Alabama to Tuskegee Institute. It was very kind of you to send me this correspondence.

Before voting (as a trustee, at the last meeting) on the question, I had asked Claude Barnett whether he had spoken with you. Your action is most helpful, indeed.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours, \

Bill

Please address any reply concerning
this to Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

ROSENWALD FAMILY ASSOCIATION

570 LEXINGTON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD, PRESIDENT
NATHAN W. LEVIN, SECRETARY

[illegible]

Mr. Edwin R. Embree, President
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Edwin:

The enclosed letter from Mr. William J. Shroder, regarding a plan to purchase and remodel the former home of Harriet Beecher Stowe, is self-explanatory.

There is no interest in this matter on my part, aside from my close personal friendship for Mr. Shroder. He is the outstanding Jewish leader in Cincinnati, a city where the Jewish community has an exceptionally fine record, in every regard. It would be much appreciated if, in this instance, you would yourself write to Mr. Shroder, handling the matter in whatever way you think best. It would, also, be appreciated if you would send me a carbon copy of whatever is written on this matter. A blind carbon copy of my letter to Mr. Shroder is enclosed, for your information.

With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

William Rosenwald, President
ROSENWALD FAMILY ASSOCIATION

WILLIAM J. SHRODER

312 WEST NINTH STREET
CINCINNATI, OHIO

June 15, 1943

Mr. Wm. Rosenwald,
122 E. 42nd St.,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Bill:

There is in Cincinnati in what was once a fine suburban area the home of Harriet Beecher Stowe. This home is now in the heart of a very congested negro area, with all the conditions implied in the surroundings. A number of citizens with high ideals and very little money have organized to save this building as an historic monument and to use it in some way for the betterment of the negro people in the neighborhood. There is a division of opinion as to whether it should be made an historic museum or be converted into a community center for the negro people.

Knowing your father's interest in negro betterment, and being fully aware of the difficulties this little group will have to raise the money necessary for the purchase and remodeling of the structure, I thought it might be a basis for my submitting the matter to the Rosenwald Family Fund for its consideration. The group has an option to purchase the property for \$8,000, and it will cost approximately \$12,000 to remodel it for either use. Of course if they are to add a gymnasium and other center facilities, it will cost a great deal more. Also, it will be up to the local community to provide for operating expenses.

Our Mayor asked me to see him and some of the members of the committee yesterday afternoon and the group was rather hopeless about the possibility of raising the money both for purchase and remodeling, and for operating in the local community. It was I who suggested that the project might appeal to you and I promised to write to you and submit the matter. If you are at all interested and wish for further detail, I am sure I could secure that from the committee having the matter in hand. I might say that I am not a member of this committee. Please let me hear from you one way or the other.

With kindest regards and best wishes to Mary,

Sincerely yours,



WJS:AP

Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald
C.S.

Please address any reply concerning
this to Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

ROSENWALD FAMILY ASSOCIATION
570 LEXINGTON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 22, 1943

Mr. William J. Shroder
312 West Ninth Street
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Will:

Your letter of June 15, with regard to the proposed purchase and remodeling of Harriet Beecher Stowe's former home, has been received.

Regrettably, the project outlined in your letter does not fall within the scope of the present program of the Rosenwald Family Association. In view of your own apparent espousal of the plan, it is doubly regretted to have to give you this negative reply.

However, your letter is being forwarded to a fund which may be interested in the conversion of this home into a local Negro community center. If this should be the case, you will, no doubt, hear directly from that organization.

As a point of information, the Rosenwald Family's interest in activities in behalf of Negroes is manifested mainly (if not entirely) through the fund to which your communication is being referred.

With kind personal regards to you and Mrs. Shroder, I am,

Cordially yours,

ROSENWALD FAMILY ASSOCIATION

The original of
this was signed by
William Rosenwald
William Rosenwald,
President.

cc(blind) Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓
Mr. Nathan W. Levin

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June 25, 1943

Dear Bill: The proposal to make the former home
 of Harriet Beecher Stowe into some
sort of Negro center seems to me tops. I happen
to have had, through my abolitionist grandfather,
a good deal of interest in the Stowe family and in
the Lane Theological Seminary with which the family
was associated in Cincinnati.

While I think this is not a matter
that the Fund should touch, I have written Mr. Schroder
of my personal interest. I feel that we should en-
courage, in every way we can, people who go out of
their way to take an interest in Negroes.

*see
Schroder, Wm. J.*

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:SO

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East Forty-second Street
New York, New York

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June 30, 1943

Mr. Edwin R. Embree, President
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

*see ERE's letter
to him 7/9/43*

Dear Edwin:

You will, no doubt, find the enclosed letters from Mr. (Max) Gottschalk and Miss Gennie M. Young self-explanatory.

done These letters are being sent to you, as it occurred to me that you might have some "connections" who would be interested in contacting Miss Young. Anything you might be able to suggest would, of course, be appreciated. Should you prefer to write to Mr. Gottschalk directly, please do so, saying that you are writing at my suggestion. In that case, a "blind" carbon copy of your letter would be appreciated.

With thanks, in advance, for whatever consideration you may give this matter, and with kind personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill

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720 FORT WASHINGTON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 22, 1943

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

A few months ago I spoke to you about a young Negro woman who had served as maid in our household and who had done some work toward a graduate degree. Since that time she has received an M.A. Degree from New York University in the field of English Education.

Never did I said see!

When last we spoke of it, you promised to take an interest in her case. She is hopeful not only of being placed in a system which will pay her a decent salary that would permit her to study during the summer, but also a position which will help her realize the assurance of security and permanence when the war is over. With the problem thus, do you think it would be possible to recommend her for a permanent position in a High School as a teacher of either English or History, preferably in any of the following localities: St. Louis, Mo., Jefferson City, Mo. anywhere in the states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or New York, or their equivalent?

At present, she is employed by the War Department in Washington, but is primarily interested in the teaching profession toward which all of her efforts, time, and money have been directed.

Thank you for your interest in Miss Young, and for any assistance you may give her.

Sincerely yours,

Max Gottschalk
Max Gottschalk

Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42 Street
New York, N.Y.

Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald (R.N.)

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

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June 30, 1943

Mr. Max Gottschalk
720 Fort Washington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Gottschalk:

This will acknowledge your letter of June 22 (referring to Miss Gennie M. Young), with Miss Young's own "background" report attached.

Both your and her letters are being forwarded to the person who I feel would be in the best position to help her. It is possible that you may hear from him directly.

Hoping that it will be possible to give Miss Young some assistance, I am,

Cordially yours,

The original of
this was signed by
William Rosenwald

cc(blind) Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓

927 "S" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern:

This note is for the purpose of supplying background information concerning Gennie M. Young, and it is not to be considered as an autobiography.

I was born in the State of Arkansas of a family whose chief interest for many years had been that of buying and selling cotton and timber. When my mother's health failed, my father moved to Pueblo, Colorado, where I attended eight years of Grammar School; I was graduated in 1930 from Centennial High School with the idea of taking a pre-medical course at Howard University; however, more family illness caused me to remain out of college five years; during that time, I took extension, correspondence, and evening courses to retain my interest in school work.

At the end of that time, I had saved exactly Five Hundred Dollars, the rest of the money having been used to save the life of my relative. With fifteen hours credit and a goodly amount of nerve, I entered Howard as a plain Liberal Art student, having selected English and History as major and minor subjects respectively. On the campus I worked for my room and board; off campus I earned a little cash between times. Although I carried a heavy academic schedule, often I had the pleasure of participating in school activities of interest to me, such as editing the education newspaper, leading coffee hour discussions, and working in the Wesley Foundation.

I did my practice teaching during my last semester at Howard. After being graduated in June, 1939, with an A. B. Degree in Education, I returned to Pueblo to earn a year's salary toward expenses for an M. A. Degree. In June, 1940, I went to New York University and registered as a graduate student in the field of English Education and was graduated with an M. A. For lack of funds, several times I stopped class to work either as tutor or maid. It was in the latter capacity that I came to know M. and Mme. Max Gottschalk. While in their employ and since leaving I found them to be exceedingly helpful, kind and understanding at all times.

My experience as a teacher has been limited to practice teaching, one semester of Substitute teaching in the Junior and Senior High Schools of Washington, D. C., and one month of substituting at Palmer Memorial Institute at Sedalia, N. C. in 1941. At present I am connected with the Climatic Research Laboratory of the Quartermaster General's Office as a Junior Cartographer.

It is always possible to contact me in Washington, D. C. or through my parents at the following address: 1921 N. Santo Fe Ave., Pueblo, Colorado.

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Sincerely yours,

Gennie M. Young (Miss)

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122 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

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(we have another
copy up
here)

This is to advise you that, under the new postal regulations, 122 East 42nd Street is within Postal Delivery District Number 17. You will probably want to include this number when addressing mail to this office in the future.

Several copies of this memorandum are enclosed so that you may pass them on to the members of your staff who have occasion to write to this office.

William Rosenwald

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September 1, 1943.

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Miss Julia Waxman,
Julius Rosenwald Fund,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Waxman:

Once again Mr. Rosenwald is compiling a list of those persons to whom he may wish to send greeting cards at the end of this year. To help in building up the list, it would be appreciated if you would send him, as soon as you conveniently can (but, no later than October 1st) a complete record of the names and addresses of the Trustees and Staff of the Julius Rosenwald Fund. It would help considerably if the list were alphabetically arranged and indicated members of the armed forces and current addresses; also if it contained suggestions of names of persons other than the above-mentioned to whom Mr. Rosenwald possibly ought to send a card.

Will you please send this information to my attention, by the above-mentioned date. With thanks in advance, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Carolyn Sandheimer

Carolyn Sandheimer
Secretary to Mr. William Rosenwald

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September 27, 1943

Dear Miss Sondheimer: I am enclosing a sheet
which may be helpful to
you in compiling names for Mr. Rosenwald's
Christmas list. If there are changes of title
or address during the next few weeks, I shall
try to bring you up to date in time for mailing
the greetings.

Sincerely yours,

JULIA WAXMAN

Miss Carolyn Sondheimer
Secretary to Mr. William Rosenwald
122 East 42nd Street
New York 17
New York

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MR. WILLIAM ROSENWALD'S CHRISTMAS LIST

Dr. and Mrs. Will W. Alexander
Cosmos Club
Madison Place and H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Arna Bontemps
Fisk University Library
Nashville, Tennessee

Lt.-Col. M. O. Bousfield
Base Hospital No. 1
Fort Huachuca, Arizona

Mrs. J. K. Bown (Miss Dorothy Elvidge)
1369 Hyde Park Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Chief John K. Bown
Mobile Base for Landing Ships
Navy 60
Care Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Embree
Hotel Shoreland
55th Street and the Lake
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ethridge
Prospect, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Field
740 Park Avenue
New York City

Mr. and Mrs. A. Richard Frank
1540 North Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. William C. Haygood
5427 University Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Pvt. William C. Haygood
Sig. HQ & HQ Co., AWS
XIV Ftr. Command
Drew Field
Tampa, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Johnson
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. H. Scudder Mekeel
3518 Blackhawk Drive
Madison, Wisconsin

Dr. and Mrs. Franklin C. McLean
5545 University Avenue
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University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rieser
1525 Dean Street
Highland Park, Illinois

The Most Reverend B. J. Sheil
31 East Congress Street
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sulzberger
1015 Hyde Park Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Wale
1124 Tower Road
Winnetka, Illinois

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DATE: Sept. 29, 1943

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

FROM: William Rosenwald

Please be good enough to
handle this in the manner
you deem most advisable.

No reply has been sent.

*Rosenwald,
William*

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Norma, Rosenwald.
 Rosenwald, Fund
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of Mr Edwin R. Embree.
 Sir.

I know if your late great
 father was living he would
 stand for this. Please see
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 job. he wants to work. they
 pay to ~~do~~ for help + but
 because the man is Col
 they wont employ him.
 they cant get white help men +
 women + they run children.
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 the poor man cant help it
 because he is Colored.

Some smart people white
 men poor told he this + I
 see rich men dont know
 about it.

she stop like long list of diff
 colored people. I can help them get the
 story straightened out new way
 if I get a good story from the
 Gene on school Ave.

Reply in mail Please
Thurs

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Chas S Sherry

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down at Sugar Hill
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William Rosenwald --

- a) for release to Mr. Bynum, Tuskegee Institute -- letter (dated 10/9/43) commenting on the annual report 1942-1943;
- b) carbon copy of letter -- for release to President Patterson;
- c) "Blind" carbon copy of letter -- for Mr. Embree's files.

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October 7, 1943

Mr. C. H. Bynum
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bynum:

Thank you for letting me see a copy of the mimeographed "Annual Report of the President of Tuskegee Institute, 1942-1943". After perusing it, the following comments occurred to me:

1) On page 6, paragraph #2 begins as follows: "We have paid the Rosenwald Fund loan. The payment of the loan ..." This is to suggest that the following changes be made: the words "paid" and "payment" should be preceded by the syllable "re", and the word "Julius" should precede the words "Rosenwald Fund". In other words, the section should read as follows: "We have repaid the Julius Rosenwald Fund loan. The repayment of the loan ..."

2) President Patterson may care to add a statement to the effect that a compulsory contributory pension plan has been inaugurated (and that virtually all of those eligible have applied for policies thereunder).

3) Near the end of the last complete paragraph on page 12, the report mentions that the governor of Alabama is entitled to appoint six trustees (to the board of Tuskegee Institute). President Patterson may wish to add that the state already had the right to appoint three trustees (although this right had not currently been exercised). (Furthermore, President Patterson may wish to consider stating that certain minor technical details, concerning state-appointed trustees, represent improved arrangements.)

It will be a pleasure to receive a copy of the final report.

Cordially,
this was signed by
William Rosenwald
William Rosenwald

Please do not bother to acknowledge or return c.c.: President F. D. Patterson
c.c. (blind): Mr. E. R. Embree

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No Negroes for Sears-Roebuck

William John, 1382 E. 24th street, read an advertisement in one of Sunday's metropolitan papers pleading for men to apply for work as truckmen and warehousemen. The Sears and Roebuck store at Olympic and Boyle streets had placed that ad. However, when John applied for one of the jobs over his telephone early Monday morning he was simply told that store did not want Negroes for the jobs. John telephoned the Sentinel, stating the fact that Sears and Roebuck gladly take the thousands of dollars Negroes of Los Angeles spend in this one store alone.

9-23-43

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

October 28, 1943.

Mr. Edwin R. Embree,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago 15, Ill.

and

Mr. Nathan W. Levin,
570 Lexington Avenue,
New York 22, N.Y.

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Dear Edwin and Nathan:

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Mr. James N. Rosenberg, 165 Broadway, New York 6, N.Y. telephoned the other day and told me he had met a man of wealth who has (so far, on a small scale) created a foundation. This man does not have much experience in these matters and, in Mr. Rosenberg's opinion, has failed to select a strong group as members of his "board". Mr. Rosenberg may be in a position to pass along some helpful information before this individual makes his major gift to the new foundation, so that the donor may, when making this larger grant, take such steps as he can to insure its being used to the best advantage.

Mr. Rosenberg recalled that Father had arranged for some interesting material to be gathered (and for some articles to be published) on "what could be done to prevent a foundation from defeating its own purpose". In this instance, Mr. Rosenberg is especially interested in that aspect of the subject which shows how trustees of a philanthropic fund tend to be self-perpetuating and tend to "hang on" to the money and, in the long run, to spend it somewhat unwisely - rather than spending it rapidly and wisely. Mr. Rosenberg is especially interested in Father's idea of having each generation provide and use its own philanthropic funds (rather than try to provide funds, now, for future generations).

Mr. Rosenberg hopes that, through the presentation of this material, he may (among other goals) be able to influence this wealthy man to make his anticipated future major gift in a form which will require the disbursement of part of the capital every year.

Any material which is conveniently available and which you could send to Mr. Rosenberg would be helpful to him in this effort. Time is not particularly of the essence as the gentleman referred to will probably be away from New York for some time.

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Mr. Embree and Mr. Levin.

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October 27, 1943.

It is Mr. Rosenberg's hope (and mine) that there may be some extra copies of this material available which you can send to him to pass on to the man in question.

Thanks in advance for whatever help you may be able to furnish in this matter.

Cordially,

Bill

cc: Mr. James N. Rosenberg

Rosenwald, Wm.

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November 5, 1943

Dear Mr. Rosenberg: At the suggestion of Mr. William Rosenwald, I am sending reprints of three articles which Mr. Julius Rosenwald and I published several years ago in the Atlantic Monthly and Harper's. I hope these may be of some service in connection with your friend who has created a foundation.

If there are any ways in which I can further help you or him, please feel free to call upon me.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. James N. Rosenberg
165 Broadway
New York 6, New York

Reprints: THE TREND AWAY FROM PERPETUITIES - Julius Rosenwald
PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC GIVING - Julius Rosenwald
THE BUSINESS OF GIVING AWAY MONEY - Edwin R. Embree
cc Mr. William Rosenwald

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Rosenwald, Wm.

JAMES N. ROSENBERG

165 BROADWAY

NEW YORK 6

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November 8, 1943

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago 15, Illinois


Dear Mr. Embree:

Many thanks for your letter of
the 5th and the enclosures.

There are some current matters
developing which are of great interest and which
I know will be deeply interesting to you. I am
wondering when you are next going to be in New
York; do let me know. I am anxious to have a
talk with you.

*shall add to my
Eastern trip list*

Sincerely yours,



JNR:ef

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JAMES N. ROSENBERG
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November 8, 1943

Mr. Edwin R. Embree
Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
Chicago 15, Illinois

Dear Mr. Embree:

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Mr. Rosenberg added a postscript to the letter sent to you today which I neglected to include. It is as follows:

I am happy to have those articles which I have put into the hands of a friend of mine and I shall be very happy to have a duplicate set of them for my own files as they are very valuable and important articles.

will send so

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Fischer

Secretary to Mr. James N. Rosenberg

ROOM 3400
122 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK, 17. N.Y.

DATE: November 11, 1943

TO: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

FROM: William Rosenwald

The attached correspondence is self-explanatory. As usual, please send me a "blind" carbon copy of whatever you may write to Mr. Livingston. (He should, as far as possible, be treated cordially!)

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Any consideration you may give the matter will be sincerely appreciated.			

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

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November 11, 1943

Mr. Julius C. Livingston
Oklahoma State Jewish Electoral Conference
P. O. Box 1797
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Julius:

This will acknowledge your letter of
November 5, regarding the program of the Tulsa
Y.M.C.A. in behalf of local colored people.

Your letter is being forwarded to an
organization which, of late, has been mani-
festing the Rosenwald family's interest in
Negro activities. If the Tulsa project falls
within the purview of this group, you will,
undoubtedly, hear directly.

Mary joins in sending greetings to you
and to Gertrude. It would be nice to be able
to see you both again.

Cordially,

The original of
this was signed by
William Rosenwald

c.c. (blind): Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓

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TED GREENBERG, TREASURER

November 5, 1943

TULSA OFFICE:
P. O. BOX ~~300~~ 1797
OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:
305½ WEST GRAND

Mr. Wm. Rosenwald
122 E. 42nd St.,
New York City

Dear Bill:--

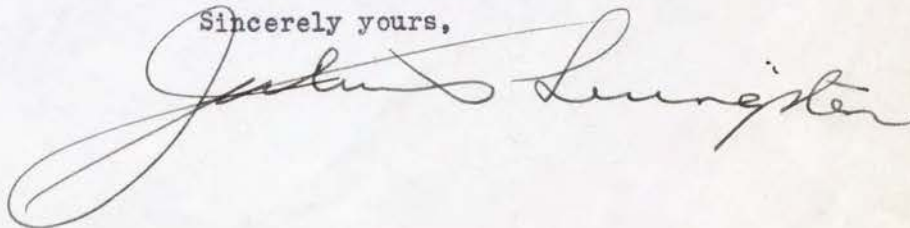
I have tried to contact you on various times when I was in New York recently, but you have always been away. I do hope you and Mary and the family are in good health.

For the past 12 years I have been a member of the Board of Directors of the Tulsa Y.M.C.A. and during that period of time have served two terms as vice-president. Last year we began a program in behalf of the colored people in our community, who number more than 20,000. They have a branch Y.M.C.A. and Secretary, and have a large number of fine citizens doing everything possible to improving their living and cultural conditions.

Bill, could you advise me whether the Rosenwald Foundation interested in promoting colored Y.M.C.A.s is still in operation, and if so, what channels we should go through to try to obtain their cooperation for our community. If this could be done it would mean a fine thing and real cultural advancement for the colored people throughout the Southwest.

With very best wishes from my wife and myself, I am,

Sincerely yours,



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Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald

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Rosenwald Wm.

Sent by William Rosenwald

Florida Normal and Industrial Institute

WM. H. GRAY, JR., PRESIDENT

SAINT AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

November 15, 1943

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Mr. W. M. Rosenwald
122 E. 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

I am writing this letter of formal appeal to you for some assistance to our college. I need not tell you that our needs are very great, due to conditions over which we have no control.

Our school is Christian and is supported by organizations and friends. The great changes in recent years have necessitated many of these donors to cut off a portion and in some cases all of their annual donations.

Thus, it is to this end that I am writing you to assist in tiding us over this period.

On December 7, we hope to raise ten thousands dollars in celebration of the 51st Anniversary of the founding of the college. The money is to be used to repair the heating plant and fix the roofs on the buildings that are in great need of repairing.

Whatever you can do to help will be gratefully appreciated.

Under separate cover I am mailing you a bulletin of the institution.

Yours with faith,

Susie C. Halley,
Susie C. Halley
Field Agent

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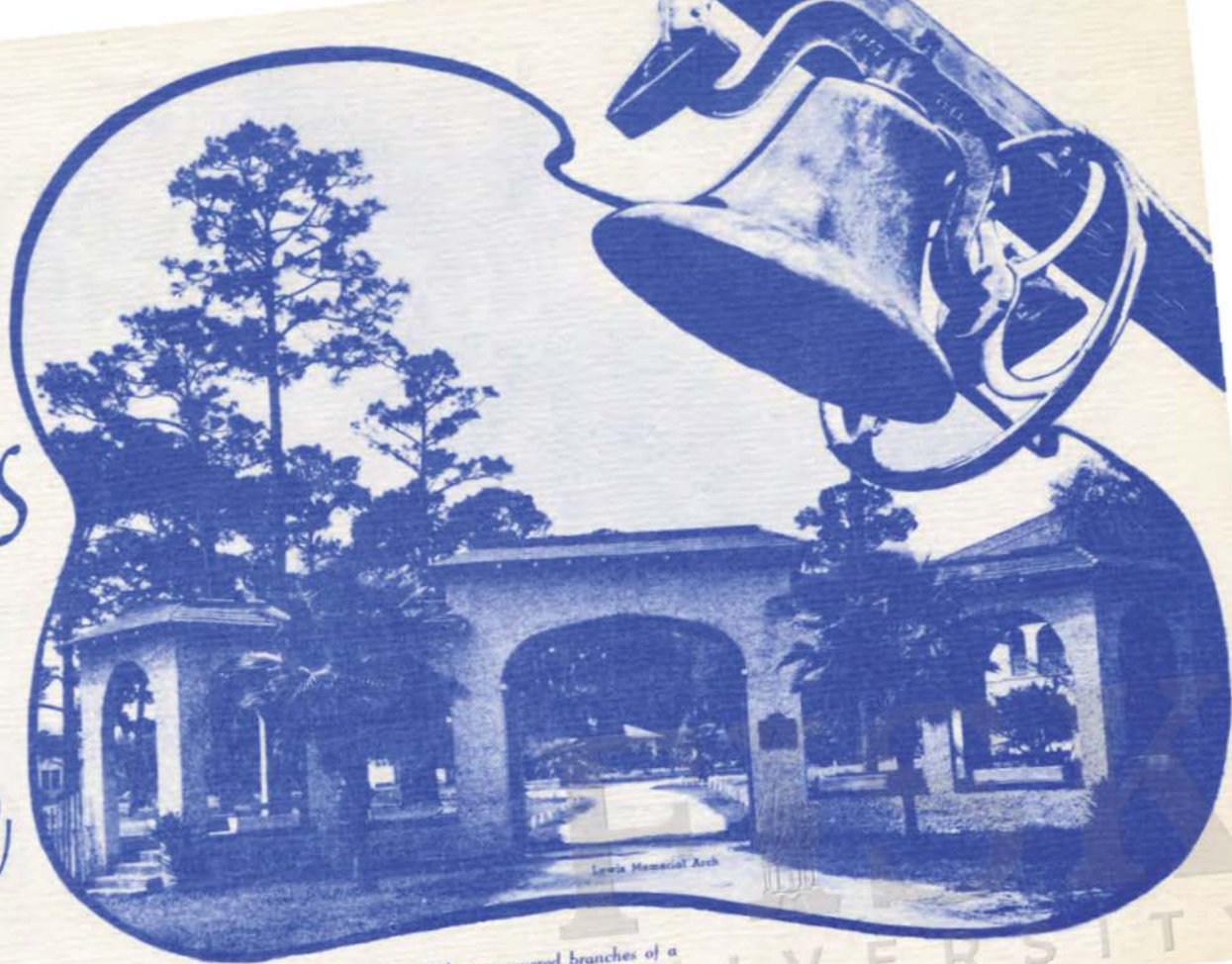
Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald

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The Angelus for Peace



The angelus hanging high amidst the beautiful moss covered branches of a tall and stately oak announces at mid-day the time for prayer and meditation.

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THE ANGELUS FOR PEACE

"... the Lord will bless his people with peace." EDUCATION and PRAYER are coagents in the world's great struggle for freedom; in the task of teaching the basic principles of tolerance and love for all mankind, so necessary in an understanding for peace.

THE TRIPLE "V" PROGRAM For God For Country For Race

As in the past wars, likewise in this, the student body of the Florida Normal and Industrial Institute has responded to the call to arms. Realizing, that America is the last line of defense for Democratic nations, Florida Normal has not only embraced the single "V" for Victory, but has also inaugurated a program which triply concert her efforts ... A Triple "V" Program ... VICTORY for the Nation, VICTORY for the Race and VICTORY for God.

To assume its share of responsibility in the defense efforts of our Nation, to teach the principles of Universal Brotherhood and Democracy, the entire instructional program at Florida Normal and Industrial Institute has been geared to meet these contingencies and emergencies created by World War II.

Situated only three miles west on King Street of the Oldest City in the United States, Florida Normal stands as a landmark of an old sugar and indigo plantation. A site which once perpetuated indolence and ignorance now fosters industry and enlightenment.

Under the leadership of the late Reverend Matthew W. Gilbert, a dream of a great institution in the state of Florida had its inception. The man to catch this dream was a man of action, the late president—Doctor Nathan White Collier. The woman to inspire and help guide the destiny of this educational enterprise is Miss Sarah A. Blocker, who after 50 years of untiring service remains with the institution as a beacon light for the education of Negro boys and girls.

Today there has emerged out of the fruitful struggles of these pioneers a Junior College, with four year terminal courses; accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Department of Education of the State of Florida; and the National Conference of Church-Related Colleges.

The program of study includes courses in: Carpentry and Boat Building, Sheet Metal, Electricity, Foundry and Forging, Brick and Stone Masonry, Printing, Horticulture, Commercial Education, Hairdressing, Home-making, and Home Economics, Elementary Teacher-Training, and courses leading to the Bachelor's Degree in arts and sciences. The daily school activities aim to promote the Christian way of life and also develop competent leadership for home, school, church and community in a Democratic Society.

THE PANORAMA

These scenes purport to give a panoramic view of life at Florida Normal. FOR DEFENSE AND THE NATION, skilled hands are trained for the arsenal of Democracy, at the lathe, on the farm and field and in laboratory. Girls too contribute their bit—food conservation—renovation and rehabilitation. On the first line of Defense Florida Normal students and graduates shown here are now ready for combat duty. On the second line, school executives develop civic morale in students and citizens throughout the southland.

Looking beyond the present emergency, NEGRO students are helped in finding themselves a place in society after their service to National Defense is fulfilled. — A full rich life is planned for all. One that develops the whole personality—healthy bodies build strong minds; while leisure time activities contribute to the manhood and womanhood of the next generation: football, basketball, tennis, swimming, reading—all help develop wholesome personalities.

Religion too lives at Florida Normal. The normal life of the student is intricately bound up with Christian activities, Religious exercises and chapel, Sunday School, Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. are a few of the activities designed to teach reverence to GOD and love for all mankind.



BUY BONDS FOR FLORIDA NORMAL

Maintain our way of life and an institution of Democracy — Give defense bonds and stamps to Florida Normal's 50th Anniversary Fund.



AN AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Florida Normal is distinctive as an agricultural and industrial junior college for Negroes, emphasizing terminal programs as well as teacher-training and liberal arts and sciences. The school has two divisions, the lower, comprising the eleventh and twelfth grades, and the upper, comprising first and second year college courses leading to degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Sciences or Associate of Arts.

FACULTY

Florida Normal has an unusual faculty and staff composed of thirty-four persons selected because of their superior training and Christian-like character. Three members of the faculty have completed the residence requirements for the Ph.D. degree, one holds the Ph.D. degree, while fourteen have attained Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The college has a varied program of extra-curricular activities, which includes varsity football, boys' and girls basketball, tennis and track teams; well organized intra-mural athletics; dramatics; creative arts; religious clubs; swimming; school paper; and music. The Florida Normal singers are nationally known. The a capella choir, male quartette and female trio make annual tours of the state and have also filled regularly guest engagements in the New England and Mid-Western states.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For catalogs, application blanks or specific information concerning courses and entrance requirements, students may write any of the following persons:

Wm. H. Gray, Jr., Ph.D., President
H. R. Barksdale, M.S., Dean
J. W. Drake, B.S., B.D., Business Manager
St. Augustine, Florida

Contributions to the COLLIER MEMORIAL FUND for MAINTENANCE ENDOWMENT are welcomed. This institution being an educational and non-profit corporation, a gift to it is subject to exemption of income and inheritance taxes.

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November 19, 1943

Dear Mr. Livingston: Mr. William Rosenwald has forwarded to me your letter to him of November 5. Unfortunately, this Fund is no longer assisting Y.M.C.A. branches for Negroes. As you know, Mr. Rosenwald personally did this for a number of years, and for a short time the Fund carried the program along. We have felt, however, that the movement was so well launched that we could hereafter use our resources more strategically in other directions.

I am delighted to learn of the work you are doing in connection with the betterment of Negro conditions in Tulsa. I hope it continues to meet with the success it deserves.

Very truly yours,
EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:SO

Mr. Julius Livingston
Oklahoma State Jewish Electoral Conference
P. O. Box 1797
Tulsa, Oklahoma

cc Mr. William Rosenwald

[Handwritten signature and initials]

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Rosenwald, Wm.

December 17, 1943

Dear Mr. Freedheim: Mr. William Rosenwald has forwarded on to me your letter of December 7 concerning Mr. Harry E. Davis's manuscript, "The Negro in Cleveland". I wish I could make some suggestions that would be helpful in the publication of this work. The question of subsidies for the writing and publishing of books is one that comes up most frequently before all philanthropic boards. Such a project, however, falls completely outside the scope of this Fund. Our Trustees have selected for us programs in rural elementary education in the South, a program of race relations, and graduate fellowships for Negroes and white Southerners. We do not have at our disposal funds which may be used for other purposes.

I am sorry to have to send a disappointing reply, but I am sure you will understand and appreciate our position. I hope Mr. Davis may be able to obtain from other sources the necessary funds to publish his manuscript.

Very truly yours,
EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. Eugene H. Freedheim
Mooney, Hahn, Loeser, Keough & Freedheim
National City Bank Building
Cleveland 14, Ohio



December 13, 1943

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: This will acknowledge
 receipt of your note of
December 10 to Mr. Embree, together with the two
enclosures concerning Mr. Freedheim's request.
Mr. Embree is out of the city for the week, and
as soon as he returns, I shall call his early at-
tention to the correspondence.

Very truly yours,

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Secretary to Mr. Embree

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Mr. William Rosenwald
Room 3400
122 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

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122 EAST 42ND STREET
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DATE:

Dec. 10, 1943

To: Mr. Edwin R. Embree

FROM: William Rosenwald

The attached correspondence is self-explanatory. Please handle the matter in whatever way you see fit.

Mr. Freedheim is a friend of mine - very active in philanthropic work in which I am engaged. He is on the Board of Directors of the National Refugee Service. He has been the active leader of all refugee work in Cleveland.

WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

COPY

December 10, 1943

Mr. Eugene H. Freedheim
National City Bank Building
Cleveland 14, Ohio

Dear Gene:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 7, with reference to the monograph entitled "The Negro in Cleveland" (written by Mr. Harry E. Davis) for whose publication financial backing is sought.

Your letter is being forwarded to the president of the fund through which, of late, the Rosenwald family's interests in Negro activities have been manifested. If he is interested, you will, no doubt, hear from him directly.

Kind regards.

Cordially,

The original of
this was signed by
William Rosenwald

The following was added by Mr. Rosenwald, in ink:

"It was good news to hear that I may look forward to seeing you in Chicago on the sixteenth. Best to you and yours."

c.c. (blind): Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓

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December 7, 1943.

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Mr. William Rosenwald,
Chanin Building,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Bill:

At the request of Mr. Clarence Metcalf, Librarian of the Cleveland Library, I have read the manuscript of a monograph entitled "The Negro in Cleveland" written by Harry E. Davis, a colored Cleveland lawyer of distinction and a former member of the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Metcalf referred the book to me at the suggestion of Philip Bernstein who thought that after examining the manuscript, I might recommend it to you for examination by the officials of the Rosenwald Foundation, with the end in view of publication, backed by the Foundation.

Of course I am totally unfamiliar with the manner in which the Foundation works, but having read the manuscript and found it a very interesting history of the Negro, not only in Cleveland but in the so-called "Western Reserve", I am passing the information on to you. If you or any of the officers of the Rosenwald Foundation would be interested in examining this manuscript, I shall be glad to ask Mr. Metcalf to send it along.

I am expecting to be in Chicago for the meeting of the Financial Planning Committee on December 16th and I am hoping to see you there.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,


Eugene H. Freedheim.

EHF:MPR

Noted:

Wm. Rosenwald
C.S.

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