

LESSING J. ROSENWALD
PHILADELPHIA

January 4, 1938

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Mrs. David M. Levy,
Mr. William Rosenwald,
Mrs. Edgar B. Stern,
Mrs. Marion R. Stern,
Mr. Edwin R. Embree-

At Mr. Rosenwald's suggestion, the attached letter from
Mr. S. L. Smith is being forwarded to you. Mr. Rosenwald
believed you would find this letter of interest.

Very truly yours,

M. T. Foulkes

M. T. Foulkes, Secretary

Att.

December 31, 1937
(Midnight)

Dear Lessing:

As the curtain drops on the last dramatic scene of seventeen years, six months and twenty-one days with Mr. Rosenwald and the Fund, I am making a back-stage exit, just as the clock is striking midnight and the bells and whistles are announcing the passing of the old year and the ushering in of the New Year. I have played my part as best I could with all the energy, enthusiasm, devotion and emotion I possessed. In the first acts of this play the applause was as faint and infrequent as those of an untrained, unaccustomed and unsympathetic audience to a grand opera or a great symphony. It is a joy and satisfaction to hear the loud outburst of applause and approval of the play as the curtain falls on the last scene of the last act. Without the wisdom, generosity and devoted spirit of the author and founder of the play who set the stage, selected the role, and directed the acts, it could not have succeeded.

The spirit and influence of Julius Rosenwald will live on and on "for the well-being of mankind", through his noble family and others who imbibed fully of his spirit. I shall always count myself most fortunate that I was selected to direct his southern program, which gave me an opportunity to know him and to appreciate his great philanthropic spirit. His great influence has changed and enriched my life.

I am writing this farewell letter to you, as you are the only member of the Board of Trustees who was serving when I took charge of the southern office, June 10, 1930. I hope I may keep in touch with and have the friendship of all the Rosenwald family as long as I live.

Your unique New Year's Greetings, centered around "The Big Apple of our Eyes" was read with much interest. In return I wish for you and yours a very happy new year!

Sincerely your friend,

Signed (S. L. Smith)
1218 - 17th Ave. South
Nashville, Tennessee

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January 14, 1938

Dear Lessing: I thought you might be interested in knowing how Fisk University handled the matching of our gift by the General Education Board as reported to me by President Jones in the attached notes. I should have preferred to see contributions by the GEB in common stock rather than preferred stock, but neither we nor Fisk were in a position to do more than make suggestions. At any rate, they have received stocks which are paying high dividends (a little more than 5% on the International Harvester and a little less than 6% on Ohio Oil) and these stocks may be expected to respond somewhat at least to changes in the general market.

Very truly yours,

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E. Embree

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Sears, Roebuck and Company
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Office of the President

January 6th, 1938

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

My dear Mr Embree:

Enclosed is a statement from the General Education Board, showing how they matched the shares of Sears Roebuck stock. We are putting these stocks in a special portfolio so as not to disturb the distribution of the remainder of our endowment between bonds, preferred and common stock, first mortgages, and real estate.

If the market recovers, we are in excellent shape; if it does not, we must take our licking along with every one else. At any rate, we feel satisfied that we did the right thing in matching your gift when Sears Roebuck stock was at about 53.

I expect to attend the meeting of the Association of American Colleges, Hotel Stevens, on the 20th of this month. If you are in Chicago at that time, I should like to have a nice chat with you.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Thomas E Jones
President

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GENERAL EDUCATION BOARD
New York

December 28, 1937

Mr. Charles E. Haydock, Treasurer of the
Board of Trustees of Fisk University,
c/o Parker, McElroy & Company
120 Broadway, New York City

My dear Mr. Haydock:

In accordance with instructions received from Mr. L. Hollingsworth Wood, we are sending you herewith stock certificates, in the name of Fisk University, as listed below. These certificates, together with the Board's check to the order of the University for \$39. also attached, are in full payment of the Board's pledge of \$263,125. to Fisk University for endowment. Will you be good enough to receipt the attached copy of this letter and return it to us?

943 shares International Harvester Company 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock at \$139.50 per share (average of bid and asked price at close of market 12/3/37	\$131,548.50
Certificates NH-8798-8801 and NH-8803-07, inc., each for 100 shares and NF-27979 for 43 shares	
1238 shares The Ohio Oil Company 6% Cumulative Preferred Non-Voting Stock at \$106.25 per share (average of bid and asked price at close of market 12/3/37	131,537.50
Certificates P-17496-507, inc., each for 100 shares and P-17495 for 38 shares	

Check	39.00
	<u>\$263,125.00</u>

Very truly yours,

(signed) L. M. DASHIELL,
Treasurer

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February 25, 1938

To the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund:

1. Announcement is made this week of recommendations by the President's Committee looking toward federal appropriations for the equalizing of educational opportunities throughout the nation. These recommendations have a direct bearing on the programs of the Fund since the chief effect of the proposed equalization will be to increase support of schools in the very areas in which we are most interested, viz. (a) in the South, (b) in rural districts, (c) among Negroes. A significant aspect is the recommendation that at the outset federal money be used for strengthening state departments of education and for support of state teachers colleges, the two agencies with which the Fund has been most closely working in its recent educational efforts.

There is, of course, no certainty that the recommendations of this Committee will be put into effect by Congress. But it seems increasingly likely that some form of general federal subsidy of schools will be adopted in the fairly near future. The very carefully prepared report of this Committee brings such action this much nearer. The implications of national equalization for our programs are: (1) Something nearer to proper support may become available to southern rural schools; (2) The reorganizations in the programs of state teachers colleges which we have been fostering may find unexpectedly prompt and substantial financial support. Thus our efforts in improving the quality of rural education and teacher preparation may have results far beyond anything we could have expected even two or three years ago.

2. On February 24 the Fund had as luncheon guest Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon-General of the United States Public Health Service. We invited a number of professors and doctors from the University of Chicago Clinics and Provident Hospital, and a

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few other guests to meet with him. There was an active discussion of Negro health in which Dr. Parran - and Mrs. Parran - have taken a definite personal interest which is having a gratifying effect in southern states and northern cities.

3. At the annual meeting of the Council of the University System of the State of Georgia, held February 17-20, the president of the Fund was guest speaker. The Council is composed of the presidents, deans, and representative faculty members of the seventeen colleges, white and Negro, which make up the State system of higher education under the Board of Regents. This Council of 120 persons met for three days to discuss the problems which are to some extent common to all the colleges in the state system. The meeting was held at Statesboro (the teachers college with which the Fund is most actively cooperating) and the central topic was the preparation of teachers. The influence of the Fund's program was evident throughout the meetings.

The elements essential to the education of Georgia's teachers - as outlined in my address and as discussed throughout the following sessions - were (1) sound general education, (2) technical skill in teaching the basic three R's, especially reading, (3) interplay between theory and practice, learning and experience, which in rural Georgia means emphasis upon rural conditions as learned through acquaintance with rural life arts and practice teaching under rural conditions.

4. The trustees are reminded that the spring meetings of the Board will be held in Atlanta on Saturday and Sunday, April 2 and 3, and that the visits to schools and colleges in Georgia begin Tuesday morning, March 29. The visits will start from Atlanta (not from Savannah as previously suggested). Trustees and their wives are asked to arrive in Atlanta early Tuesday morning. After putting up bags and getting a bit settled at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, we will start as early as possible that morning on a tour of visits that are planned to contain both profit and pleasure. Will trustees who have not yet done so let us know at once (a) if they will be at the Board meetings April 2 and 3 and (b) if they will make the tour of visits beginning March 29?

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD
DATE 4/30/38

Only question is why some of
the Negroes have to scholarship
abroad.

April 27, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I am enclosing a list of this
year's fellows who have been
recently selected by the Committee on Fellowships. More
detailed information about these people will be sent you
in the near future. Announcement of these selections
will be made this week.

We feel that the candidates
this year were on the whole superior to the 1937 group
and the task of selecting fellows was even more difficult
than last year.

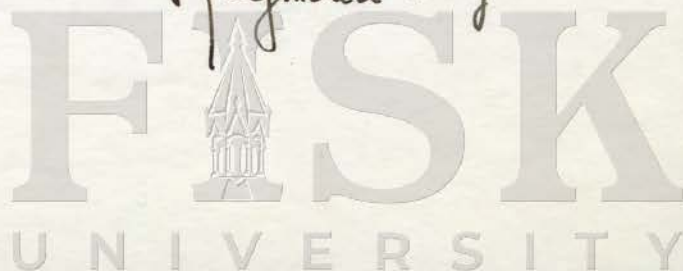
I shall be glad to answer any
questions that may occur to you with reference to the
fellowship program.

Very truly yours,

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD

DATE 5/10/38

May 4, 1938

My dear Lessing: I have your question about Negro fellows working in Europe. When we discussed this some time ago you made your point so clearly and effectively that I reported it to the fellowship committee and insisted that in each case of a proposal for European study we ask ourselves whether equally good instruction and experience could not be had in America. As a matter of fact, we turned two men from Europe back to the States. I am not convinced that we were right in doing this, but at any rate it is in accordance with your ideas.

Of the thirty-four Negroes who received fellowships, six are expecting to take all or part of their study in Europe - not a large per cent. Of these men, three - Kennedy, Knox and Parris - are working in French history or French literature. Quite aside from questions of libraries, original sources, etc., if these men are to have a proper background in French civilization they should have some experience of the country itself. Certainly no white scholar would have standing in such a field without a good deal of experience in the country and culture concerned. And one of our aims in the Negro fellowships is to give this group facilities comparable to those which are normally had by white students.

The fourth man, Ira Reid, is one of the very top men in sociology and economics. He and his advisers strongly recommended the London School of Economics and our committee heartily concurred.

The fifth man - Swanson - who looks as though he might be something of a genius in the composing of music was also recommended to instructors in Paris by the music jury which passed on his case.



In the case of Snowden, he has been invited by the American School of Classical Studies in Athens to take his doctorate in that institution. This is the first time in human history that a Negro has been invited to this institution.

This will explain the reasons for the various European appointments. You may not agree with us still. But at any rate you will understand that we have your point carefully in mind and have not made appointments for European study except on very careful consideration in each case.

Very truly yours,

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May 25, 1938

My dear Lessing: We continue to run into difficulties in the relationship of the University of Chicago to Provident Hospital. I do not know of anything you can do about it but at least I want you to know the situation and to share my worries.

In response to the letter which I sent in accordance with the vote of the Fund trustees to the General Education Board, the University, and the trustees of Provident inviting them to a conference on the future of educational work at Provident, the GEB replied that they were now prepared to turn over the pledged endowment of one million dollars to the University for the educational work at Provident if the University officially requested it and would agree to take responsibility for its administration.

This seemed to me to answer the main question since, as you remember, President Hutchins had said in our board meeting two years ago that the University was anxious to go forward but feared the GEB would not continue to supply funds, either interest or principal. However, now that the GEB has agreed to turn over the whole sum, the University seems unwilling to proceed.

The chief difficulty - in addition to the indifference of President Hutchins - seems to be that the heads of the several university medical departments are uninterested, some of them regarding the Provident relationship as a nuisance. Since the time of Dr. McLean, there has been no real head of the medical faculty. Hence each departmental chief is pretty much a law unto himself. Individuals such as Dr. Schlutz in pediatrics and Dr. Brown in ophthalmology are interested and have given fine cooperation, but most of the other departments have been lukewarm or worse.

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Contrary to what appears to be the official attitude, such University trustees as Laird Bell and Edward Ryerson are active members of the present Provident campaign committee. Mr. Benton, the new vice president of the University, is serving as publicity counsel for the campaign and individual members of the medical faculty are showing keen interest and taking part in the public meetings.

So far President Hutchins has not accepted the Fund's invitation to a conference on the future educational work at Provident. It seems impossible to get a clear statement from the University as to what it proposes to do. To my mind the University has a definite moral obligation to continue this affiliation which it undertook by vote of its board of trustees and on the basis of which large sums of money have been contributed by the Fund, Mr. Rosenwald personally, and citizens of Chicago. I am happy to find that Max Epstein shares this view. He was himself a substantial contributor to the earlier campaign and is prepared to fight any withdrawal by the University. Franklin McLean is doing yeoman's service in trying to persuade the medical faculty and the University authorities to stand by this difficult but important educational venture.

Important Negro institutions are built up with the greatest difficulty. In this instance we thought we had accomplished the major task when we helped reorganize the board of trustees and the management of the Hospital and persuaded the GEB to stand by with its large gift. As Edgar Stern points out, it is discouraging, after somewhat successful labors toward interracial cooperation in the South, to find so much indifference on the part of a great northern institution.

Very truly yours,
EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Company
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



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Executive Offices

Lessing J. Rosenwald
Chairman of the Board

Philadelphia, Pa.
June 22, 1938.

My dear Mr. Embree:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to attend a dinner which I am giving for two distinguished visitors, Mr. Albin Johansson and Consul General Josef Sachs. Mr. Johansson is president of the Kooperativa Förbundet and through that office is at the head of the Swedish Cooperative Movement. Consul General Sachs is Chairman of the Board of the Nordiska Kompaniet, the largest department store in Sweden. Both of these gentlemen are members of the delegation from Sweden to the Swedish Tercentenary Celebration commemorating the landing of the Swedes in this country. Other prominent delegates will also be among the guests. I am confident you will enjoy making their acquaintance.

The dinner is to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, at 7:30 P. M., on Tuesday, July 12th, 1938.

Rather than have the usual formal speeches, it has been felt that a series of questions and answers would be both more interesting and instructive, and I would ask you, therefore, to let me have any questions you would like to ask either of these gentlemen about conditions existing in their country. Will you be kind enough to advise me promptly whether or not I may have the pleasure of your company? I hope you can arrange to attend.

With very kindest regards and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Lessing J. Rosenwald

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

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June 28, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: It is with great regret that I must decline your gracious invitation to dine with your distinguished friends from Sweden. I would re-arrange any normal plans in order to be present, but it so happens that we are just beginning cooperation with Tuskegee Institute in our rural school program. The possibilities are so great at this historic institution that I have agreed to attend personally at the setting up of the first steps in the program. I am sure that you will agree that it is more important for me to be on the job in Alabama than attending dinners in New York. The loss is mine. I appreciate your thought in inviting me and I am exceedingly sorry to miss the dinner.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
~~Sears Roebuck and Company~~
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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June 30, 1938

LESSING J. ROSENWALD
DATE 7/17/38

My dear Mr. Varney:

I recently read your challenging article in THE AMERICAN MERCURY for June -- "What Can the Republicans Do?" and liked every point made in it except one.

For several reasons, I think you erred, seriously in your decision to leave all the Negroes to the New Deal, along with the relievers and the C.I.O.

In the first place, a state like Pennsylvania, for example, has, as I see it, no chance of repudiating the New Deal-Communist partnership as long as the bulk of the Negroes vote with the Democrats. Moreover, I believe not only in the necessity for the recapture of Negro allegiance by the Republican Party but also in the distinct possibility of such an achievement.

I call to your attention the fact that the Negroes, as a result of the widespread prejudice against them, which causes them, generally speaking, to be "the last hired and the first fired", are in a peculiarly vulnerable position and are, therefore, of all the elements of our population, the least able to resist the bait continually dangled before them by the Democratic politicians.

I submit that one of the most characteristic things about the Negro since he was brought to this country has been his persistent inclination to take his stand with the more cultivated and stable portions of white society, and if there have been signs of late of a tendency on his part to forsake this traditional position, let us not forget, among other things, that he is still taking advice from a white aristocrat!

Far too many white persons whose potential friend the Negro is (and who need him as never before, and who ought to be winning him to their side) are damning him without making a reasonable effort to understand him and his peculiar problems, chief of which is the problem of employment.

A vast preponderance of the Negro people, at least of those here in the North where their votes count, would far rather have a steady job than relief, and Republican leaders would, in my opinion, do well to study this particular angle of their plight and necessity.

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Mr. Harold Lord Varney

American Negroes are, in general, naturally religious, individualistic and conservative and I believe that their hearts are still with the Republican Party, roughly as it has used them and often as it has forsaken them in the past; and if the leaders of this party will begin to approach the Negro realistically and intelligently and in a spirit of fairness, I believe they will meet no insurmountable difficulty in bringing him back to the fold where he peculiarly belongs, for he is unquestionable and par excellence a proponent of the American way.

And now I will close with a statement, which is at once sound sociology and good Republican doctrine, and which comes from the mind and heart of that staunch Yankee, Hervey Allen, who wrote ANTHONY ADVERSE and ACTION AT AQUILA:

"No race has shown itself more capable of assimilating western civilization than the Negro. His advance in two generations from naked savagery to an indispensable place in a complicated community is an historical fact that should be carefully pondered. In this progress the Negro has only too often been deliberately harassed and retarded rather than nursed and aided, and much of what he has accomplished has been accomplished bravely alone."

Yours sincerely,

Henry C. Patterson.

Mr. Harold Lord Varney,
5630 Pershing Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

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July 14, 1938

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To the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund:

1. With the approval of the executive committee, the post of director for fellowships has been offered to Mr. George M. Reynolds and accepted by him. Mr. Reynolds is the son of the president of Hendrix College, Arkansas, one of the distinguished small colleges of the South. George Reynolds was graduated from Hendrix College and took his degree of doctor of philosophy in political science at Columbia University. He taught for a number of years at Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana, and has recently been serving as state director for Mississippi of the Farm Security Administration. Mr. Reynolds will begin his work with the Fund early in September. Raymond R. Paty, whose resignation was accepted with deep regret, took up his new duties as president of Birmingham-Southern College on July 1.

2. The Fund has begun cooperation with Tuskegee Institute in rural education. Tuskegee is the historic institution in the field of Negro education and rural life. It is fitting that any South-wide program of rural education should include this important school. Under the new president, F. D. Patterson, the Institute has been consolidating its work and directing it again toward the practical problems of rural life. President Patterson had declined to make any appeal to the Fund until he felt he had the Institute in proper shape to begin an effective program.

The executive committee has authorized a commitment of \$6,500.00 toward the development of rural education at Tuskegee for the current year, with the understanding that after this period of organization and trial a five-year commitment may be made next spring. The Fund's appropriation makes possible the development of guided experience to prospective teachers in two little schools right out in the country, quite comparable to the rural centers set up in connection with the normal schools at

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Statesboro and Carrollton. Our funds also provide for continuous study by students and teachers of the problems involved in giving vital education to country children. While our funds go directly to these aspects, our interest and cooperation are in the whole program in rural education. A notable feature of the proposals at Tuskegee is a new general education course to be taken by all students during the first two years, that is, during junior college. Sound general education, desirable for all students, is particularly required for prospective teachers who, whether colored or white, are often lacking in the fundamental subjects: English, history, mathematics, science, social studies. This program of general education for the first two years and of professional training with guided experience during the second two years will be watched with much interest for its bearing on teacher education generally.

3. In accordance with the suggestions discussed at the last meeting of the trustees, the nominating committee has asked Mr. W. L. Clayton of Houston, Texas, if he would accept membership on the board of the Julius Rosenwald Fund for the place which Mr. Arthur Page found himself unable to take. Mr. Clayton has said that he would be glad to accept and his name will be presented to the trustees for formal action at the autumn meeting.

4. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1938, the Fund expended \$866,563, including the payment in stock valued at \$335,000 made to the endowment campaign of Fisk University. Other chief payments of the year were to rural education \$107,134, to fellowships, \$89,644, and to Negro health, \$87,833 (including payment of \$40,000 on the pledge to Provident Hospital, Chicago). At the close of the year the Fund had \$648,190 in cash and 56,901 shares of Sears stock which had a market value at the close of the year of \$3,783,916. Outstanding appropriations on our books are \$1,052,768, of which \$833,768 is potentially payable during the next eighteen months and \$219,000 is payable not earlier than January 1, 1940.

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Very truly yours,



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August 2, 1938

Dear Lessing: I was tremendously interested
in the copy of the letter
you sent me from Henry C. Patterson to Harold
Lord Varney, bearing on the Republican Party
and the Negro. Who is this man, Patterson?
If he is as thoughtful and wise as this letter
implies, I should like very much to be acquainted
with him and to have the benefit of his thinking
and interest in the work that we are doing.

Very truly yours,

ERE:MCK

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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September 26, 1938

Dear Lessing: Thank you for letting me see the statement from your Atlanta office about the Sears community entertainment project under the Georgia Extension Service. As you requested, I am returning this for your files. I am even more interested in the project that you spoke to me about a year ago, namely, the prizes to high school pupils for essays and activities in farm projects, especially in diversified crops. If you have any report from the Atlanta office on that high school-farm extension activity, I should be very much interested in it. Our efforts in rural education have in part the same objectives as this farm program which you are fostering in the high schools.

Very truly yours,

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October 6, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I am enclosing resolutions recommended for adoption by the executive committee, putting into effect a proposal by the finance committee to deposit a part of our cash in savings banks. The resolutions are in accordance with the form prescribed by the several banks and approved by our attorney. Since this is a purely formal matter it seems proper to take the votes by mail rather than to wait for a meeting of the committee. If you approve the resolutions will you be good enough to let me know?

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
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FORM NO. 099CR

Rosenwald Lessing

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October 31, 1938

Dear Lessing: You will be glad to know that General Wood agrees to serve on our board. I am sure he will make a valuable member.

I have your note about your return from Tuskegee to Chicago. The Chicago group as a whole is planning to take the train Sunday morning, arriving in Chicago early Monday morning. However, one or two may want to take the Saturday night train. If you prefer to do this we can easily make arrangements to that effect after we get to Tuskegee.

The docket of business to be considered at the Tuskegee meeting will reach you in a few days. As you will see, it is devoted chiefly to a report and discussion of our current programs. I imagine a great deal of discussion of the programs will go on informally during our visits to schools and other services as well as at the official sessions. We have called the meeting for 7:30 Friday evening and I imagine that three hours will cover such formal discussion as we may wish to give to the program and such official actions as we may wish to take.

Since most of the regular appropriations are made at the April meeting, few official actions are required at the autumn meeting. I have included in the docket three appeals. Since none of them is a part of our current operations but rather concern single allocations, I have presented them without recommendation, simply for discussion and such action as the trustees may wish to take. The items are: (1) the request from Fisk for a contribution toward the proposed James Weldon Johnson professorship of English; (2) a request for permanent funds for one of the cooperating institutions in the Atlanta confederation; (3) an application from the Social Science Research Council for an appropriation for grants-in-aid to southern professors which, in addition to the merits of the case, I think we are under some obligation to make in view of the fact that that Council so readily agreed to allowing earlier appropriations to lapse when our finances were in a precarious state in 1932.

ERE:JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Rosenwald - Lessing

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November 17, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I have the honor to inform you that the following actions were taken at the meeting of the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund held November 11, 1938:

The President called attention to the fact that the procedures and personnel of the Fund might well be reviewed in order that the Fund be in the best possible position to carry on its work during this concluding period of its life.

Whereupon, it was on motion -

RESOLVED That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees appoint a committee of the Trustees, of which the Chairman shall be a member, to review the procedures and personnel of the Fund, and to present such recommendations as it deems wise to a later meeting of the Trustees.

Mr. William Rosenwald raised the question of procedure in signing checks and handling payments from the relatively large cash balances now held by the Fund in various banks, and on motion the matter was referred for consideration to the Committee on Procedures and Personnel named above.

Very truly yours,

MSS*McK

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MARGARET S. SIMON
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November 17, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I have the honor to inform
you that at the meeting of
the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund held
November 11, 1938, you were elected to serve for
the year 1938-39 as Chairman of the Board of
Trustees and as Treasurer of the Corporation. You
were also elected to serve for the year 1938-39 as
a member of the Finance Committee, the other mem-
bers of which are Leonard M. Rieser and Frank L.
Sulzberger.

Very truly yours,

MSS*McK

MARGARET S. SIMON

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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November 23, 1938

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I am enclosing with
a copy of my letter
to Mr. Lewis copy of my interview notes taken
from last June when Dr. Willis C. Campbell
was in the office to see me.

See Memphis Hosp
for Crippled Children

Very truly yours,

M. O. Bousfield, M.D.

MOB:RH

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Company
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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December 27, 1938

Dear Miss Foulkes: Our attention had already
been called to Mr. Manasse *See*

and his desire to find a post in a Negro university. You may be assured that we are doing everything that seems to us proper in this matter. Mr. Rosenwald therefore need feel no personal responsibility.

Very truly yours,

ERE:JW

EDWIN R. ENGBERG

Miss M. T. Foulkes, Secretary
Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald's office
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Atlanta File

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January 23, 1939

Dear Lessing: I have, as you requested,
sent the enclosed letter to
each of the members of the committee selected
to review the procedures and personnel of the
Fund.

Very truly yours,

E. Embree

ERE*JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
~~Sears, Roebuck and Co.~~
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD
DATE 1/23/39 *ER*

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C O P Y

JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

January 23, 1939

Dear Mrs. Stern: You will remember that at the
 meeting of the trustees held
November 11, 1938, the following resolution was
adopted:

RESOLVED That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees
 appoint a committee of the Trustees, of
 which the Chairman shall be a member, to
 review the procedures and personnel of the
 Fund, and to present such recommendations
 as it deems wise to a later meeting of the
 Trustees.

The Chairman has appointed the following persons to
serve with him on this committee: Dr. W. W. Alexander,
Mrs. Marion R. Stern, Mr. Frank L. Sulzberger. At the
request of the Chairman, I am sending to each of the
members of the committee information concerning the
present personnel of the Fund.

Very truly yours,

ERE:JW

Mrs. Marion R. Stern
1120 Park Avenue
New York City

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JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

PERSONNEL

January 23, 1939

	<u>Date of Appointment</u>	<u>Present Annual Salary</u>	<u>Date of last Salary Increase</u>	<u>Annual Amount of Increase</u>
<u>Chicago Office Administration</u>				
Embree, Edwin R. - President Salary was reduced by 10% in the regular reduction made in entire staff on 7/1/32.	1/1/28	\$18,900	- - -	\$- - -
Simon, Margaret S. - Secretary Office Manager, part time work in rural schools, including compilation and distribution of school libraries.	7/1/28	6,000	12/1/36	1,000
Elvidge, Dorothy A. - Comptroller Including actual keeping of the books and records of the Fund.	1/7/29	5,000	12/1/36	1,000
Black, Mildred E. - File Clerk All responsibility for the files and cataloguing of Fund library books and pamphlets.	9/11/30	2,160	4/1/37	120
McKay, Mary E. - Secretary to Mrs. Simon and general assistant in distribu- tion of reports, pamphlets and libraries.	6/12/35	1,920	1/1/38	120
Merrill, Alice A. - Assistant Comptroller and secretary to Miss Elvidge.	9/1/35	1,920	1/1/38	120
Simpson, John - Office Boy	1/22/37	960	- - -	- - -
Simpson, Thaddeus - Office Boy Salary increase of \$240 was made as compensation for nine hours extra work per week.	3/10/32	1,380	9/1/36	240
Waxman, Julia - Secretary to Mr. Embree.	12/9/35	2,100	3/1/37	300

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JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

PERSONNEL

January 23, 1939

	<u>Date of Appointment</u>	<u>Present Annual Salary</u>	<u>Date of last Salary Increase</u>	<u>Annual Amount of Increase</u>
<u>Negro Health Administration</u>				
Bousfield, M. O. - Director	12/1/33	\$7,000	4/1/37	\$1,000
Hobbs, Ruth L. - Secretary to Dr. Bousfield.	11/20/35	1,920	1/1/38	120
<u>Rural School Administration</u>				
Dixon, J. C. - Director	1/1/37	9,000	1/1/39	1,000
Simon, James F. - Associate	9/1/34	4,000	4/1/37	700
Warren, Ruth - Secretary to Mr. Dixon and Mr. Simon.	11/1/35	1,920	1/1/38	120
<u>Fellowship Administration</u>				
Reynolds, George M. - Director	9/16/38	7,000	- - -	- - -
Utley, Margaret L. Secretary to Mr. Reynolds. In general charge of fellowship applications and preparation of materials for Fellowship Committee.	3/1/29	2,700	1/1/38	300
<u>House Maintenance</u>				
Rogers, Gertrude N. - Housekeeper	3/1/35	600	plus living quarters on third floor of office.	
Ames, Janie - Cook	3/12/32	840	8/1/35	60
Durisch, Elmer - Janitor and cleaner.	6/8/35	600	- - -	- - -
McClintock, William - Janitor and cleaner.	10/11/37	600	- - -	- - -
Gardiner (During season usually April 1 to November 1)		60	per month.	

Rosenwald - Loring

January 25, 1939

EDS - EDS
JCT - JCT
MS - ULS

My dear Earl:

Thank you very much for the photograph and for your interesting letter of December 28th. I am sorry that I did not previously have an opportunity to acknowledge your communication, but I have been busy and last week I was out of town. It was good to hear from you again.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

LJR:MTF

Mr. H. Earl Hoover,
Hoover and Mason Phosphate Co.,
2600 Willoughby Tower,
Chicago, Illinois

CC Mr. Edwin Embree (blind)

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Will write

[Signature]

December 30, 1938

My dear Mr. Hoover:

In Mr. Rosenwald's absence from the office I want to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of December 28th, with the photograph attached.

Mr. Rosenwald will return to the office on Tuesday, and your communication will be brought to his attention at that time.

Very truly yours,

M. T. Foulkes,
Secretary

Mr. H. Earl Hoover,
Hoover and Mason Phosphate Co.,
2800 Willoughby Tower,
Chicago, Illinois



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WORKS
MT. PLEASANT, TENN.

December 28, 1938

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck & Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Les:

A short time ago I visited our phosphate mine in Tennessee, which I have been running the past several years, and while there I visited our colored school where, among other things, I saw a bench which the children had constructed. This bench was made out of the lumber from a box which held the library books which were received from the Rosenwald Foundation.

I asked our superintendent to have a picture taken of it and the children, thinking that it might be of interest to you to see how, as the world goes on, paths cross. We have a dandy group of colored children in our little mining town, and are counting on doing more than we have in the past as a consequence of seeing how well they do with so little. One of the things our school teacher has asked for is a lot more books, which probably will be purchased through the aid of your Foundation so that the best available are obtained.

With kindest personal regards, and with the hope that 1939 may bring you health, happiness and a measure of security, as ever

Sincerely,

H. Earl Hoover

H. Earl Hoover
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LESSING J. ROSENWALD		February 3, 1939	
DATE 2/7/39			

Dear Lessing: The Executive Committee appropriated \$25,000 for the health center in Philadelphia in accordance with the plans which the Council of Social Agencies had talked over with you, namely, \$20,000 for the building of the unit in connection with the housing project, and \$5,000 for the training and initial salary of a Negro physician to direct the center. The appropriation was in the form of an authorization to the officers. Doctor Bousfield is going at once to Philadelphia and will not make a formal commitment unless and until he is satisfied as to the building plans and the sincerity of the Philadelphia health authorities.

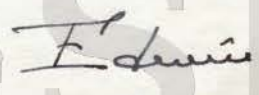
The Committee also voted to help Provident Hospital in the establishment of a hospital insurance scheme especially adapted to the Negro community, somewhat like the one worked out by Dent at Flint-Goodridge Hospital in New Orleans. It now looks as though the University and the General Education Board would not go forward with the educational plans in which we have all been so much interested. At worst there will be a continuation for another three years. This will give all of us time to turn around and to make decisions as to our future obligations and opportunities at this hospital.

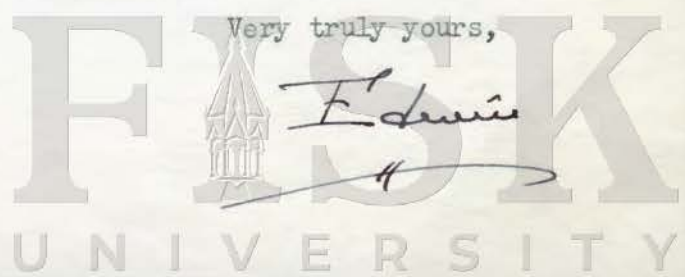
The other acts of the Executive Committee, as you will see from the minutes, were formal approval of deposits in sixteen more banks, bringing our total funds in savings banks to the suggested \$300,000. The Chase Bank in New York was unwilling to take a large deposit, so we have simply built up the total by a number of additional banks in this region.

We also took formal action arranging for the custodianship account at the Chase Bank and for the admission of two members of the staff who are now eligible to the retiring allowance fund.

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Very truly yours,


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February 7, 1939

Dear Lessing: I am returning the letter from Doctor Just as you request. We have ordered a copy of his book for the Fund. I do not think you need to buy this technical volume. Just is a Negro scientist, formerly at Howard University, to whom both Mr. Rosenwald and the Fund made grants some years ago. He was one of the first of the Negro scientists of real distinction. Unfortunately, he has allowed his own supposed misfortunes to obscure his scientific work. Far from being discriminated against on account of race or anything else, he has received more direct aid than most scientists.

Very truly yours,

ERE:JW

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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February 15, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I am enclosing the form
of resolution required by
The Chase National Bank in setting up the custodian-
ship account for Fund securities. The resolution
was approved by the Executive Committee on
February 2.

Kindly sign both signature
cards and the back page of the resolution and re-
turn them to me.

Very truly yours,

Dorothy A. Elvidge

DE:AM

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
~~Sears, Roebuck and Co.~~
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

ms. Elvidge *Signatures*

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD *LR*
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LESSING J. ROSENWALD
PHILADELPHIA

March 1, 1939

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Mr. Edwin R. Embree,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Edwin:

I am wondering if it would be possible for you to forward to the committee appointed further details regarding the staff of the Fund, giving their qualifications, previous experience, present status, and other factors which you believe would have a bearing on the subject. I am particularly interested in knowing whether Mr. Paty's successor was appointed, what his qualifications are and how he is getting along.

With many thanks in advance, I am, as ever

Sincerely yours,

IJR:MTF

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD

DATE _____

March 6, 1939

Dear Lessing: I am giving on enclosed sheets some further information concerning the officers of the Fund. I have given this supplementary information only for those who are charged with executive duties. I imagine you do not want detailed information concerning the secretarial and clerical staff. Before I send this information to the other members of the committee, will you let me know if this is the kind of thing you have in mind?

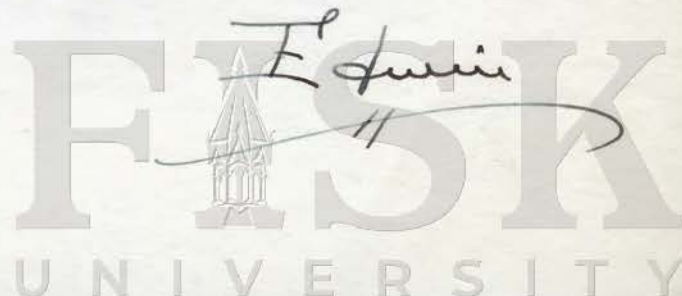
I am a bit surprised at your question as to whether a successor to Mr. Paty has been appointed. George M. Reynolds was appointed to this post by the executive committee, taking office last September. He was at the meeting of the trustees in Tuskegee and it was following his report on the present state of the fellowships that you suggested the addition to the fellowship funds. I imagine this has simply slipped your mind.

Your office reports that you are expected in Chicago some time this month. I and the rural school staff are to be in Mississippi during the week of March 12. I hope therefore that your visit to Chicago may be some time other than that week. At any rate, I hope in the course of the near future, either here or in Philadelphia, we can have some time together to discuss in a general way developments in the Fund program and proposals that are coming before the board in regular course at the April meeting.

ERE:JW

Very truly yours,

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



3/6/39

SOME FACTS CONCERNING OFFICERS OF THE JULIUS
ROSENWALD FUND

GEORGE M. REYNOLDS, Director for Fellowships, son of the President of Hendrix College of Conway, Arkansas, who has been one of the southern pioneers in high college standards and in race tolerance. George Reynolds was graduated from Hendrix College and took his doctor's degree in political science at Columbia University. He taught for several years at Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana, and just before he came to the Fund was Director for the State of Mississippi of the Farm Security Administration. His career, therefore, while largely in scholarship and teaching, has included practical and successful experience in handling people.

J. C. DIXON, Director for Rural Education, is a graduate of Mercer, a liberal arts college of central Georgia, and has taken graduate work in education at Peabody College, Nashville, and Teachers College, Columbia. He taught in public schools of Georgia and for six years, just prior to coming to the Fund, was the officer of the State Department of Education of Georgia especially charged with the development of Negro schools. He was chosen to direct our program in rural education because of his successful experience in southern school administration and because of his standing with educators generally and especially in the South.

JAMES F. SIMON, Associate for Rural Education, a graduate in forestry of Colorado College, was chosen some years ago by the U. S. Forest Service to be one of five students from the colleges of forestry of the country to study conservation in Germany and Czechoslovakia. He has been a consultant in government plans for conservation and farm reorganization. His special value to our rural school program is his knowledge of natural history and his skill and interest in the practical arts of farming, handicrafts, and homemaking. His treatment of these subjects as general education rather than as vocational specialties has attracted the keen interest of rural school men in other sections and other countries as well as in the South.

MARGARET SARGENT SIMON, Secretary of the Fund, born in New Orleans, is a graduate of Simmons College and has done graduate work in English and Education at the Universities of



Illinois and Chicago. Mrs. Simon was at the University of Illinois and a teacher at the Chicago Latin School before coming with the Fund. However, (Like the Secretaries of the Rockefeller Foundation and the General Education Board) her career has been chiefly in the foundation itself, working up from a stenographic secretaryship and thus knowing thoroughly the working of the whole organization. In addition to the management of the office, Mrs. Simon has given a good deal of her time to the organization and distribution of the libraries which we have sent out to 6,000 rural schools, and to general assistance in the programs in rural education. In the rural South, especially in Negro schools, Mr. and Mrs. Simon as a married couple have worked together with an ease and acceptance that would not be possible to either a man or woman working alone.

DR. M. O. BOUSFIELD, Director for Negro Health, is a graduate in medicine of Northwestern University. For a number of years he served as medical officer and, more recently, as vice president of a Negro insurance company. He had an established reputation in medicine and business before he came with the Fund. He is recognized personally as at the very top of the leaders in the Negro community of Chicago and as a man of high standing among Negroes throughout the country. He gets on well with white health officers, South as well as North, and his chief service has been to present effectively the need of health services for Negroes to public officials and to public opinion throughout the country.

DOROTHY ELVIDGE, Comptroller, studied at the University of Chicago and served for several years in the Comptroller's office of that University before coming with the Fund. She does a great deal of our actual bookkeeping as well as overseeing all the accounting. Her standing is such that she is consulted by many university and foundation offices in matters of accounting procedure. She succeeds in keeping accounting systems both clear and simple.

EDWIN R. EMBREE



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March 7, 1939

7 LESSING J. ROSENWALD
DATE

Dear Lessing: In my letter of yesterday I find that I failed to reply to one of your questions, that is as to how the new fellowship director is getting on. George Reynolds came to us on September 15 and at once jumped into his work with enthusiasm and vigor. He spent the first weeks acquainting himself with policies and procedures and with the records of the men who had received fellowship grants during the preceding years. He then began a series of visits to institutions where present Fellows were working and new candidates presenting themselves.

There is necessarily some lack in momentum when a new man takes over such a job. Reynolds had to acquaint himself with many things which Paty had learned during his two years' service. We cannot make a definite judgment on a fellowship director until a cycle of applications and awards is complete, but in so far as one can judge in midstream we are well satisfied with Reynolds' work. He has not as expansive a personality as Paty and does not make friends as easily and readily, but he is a good deal more of a scholar and is much more orderly and systematic than his predecessor was.

There is an interesting shift in the applications this year. The white southern candidates are a much stronger group than ever before. Not only are there a better group of scholars, but there are a number of strong candidates in other fields that may have more influence on public affairs and public opinion in the South than the professors will have. Our new trustees, General Wood and Mr. Clayton, have helped us find a number of interesting prospects in business and finance and there are a half-dozen keen young journalists on the list. We keep trying to find preachers, since they still have a great influence in the region, but so far, although there are many applicants each year, we have not found a candidate in this field whom we are willing to consider. As I sweat over the applications myself, I am increasingly impressed with the amount of free and expert service we get from members of the committee, especially such men as Charles Johnson and Henry Moe.

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Very truly yours,

F. S. K.
UNIVERSITY

Rosenwald, Lessing

March 28, 1939

Dear Lessing: Your secretary at Sears tells us that you were unable to get the office yesterday. I cannot understand this. Calls were coming in from other people all day long and we have so many trunk lines that there should not be any stoppage. However, the ways of telephone systems pass finding out.

I wanted two things: (1) to take advantage of your being in town to enter the safety deposit vault with you and get the securities to send to the Chase National Bank. I can do this with Frank Sulzberger when he returns to Chicago. (2) To talk over with you matters which are to come up in the docket of business for the trustees' meeting. If you are not to be in Chicago again in the near future, I should like to talk over the affairs of the Fund with you in Philadelphia. I am to be in Washington for a meeting of the fellowship committee on Monday, April 10. I could easily come to Philadelphia the next day or, if more convenient to you, I could stop by on the way to Washington on Sunday. If April 9 or 11 are at all convenient to you, maybe you would be good enough to wire, suggesting a definite appointment. I can meet any time and place that you suggest on either of these days.

Very truly yours,
EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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May 4, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: At a meeting of the Finance
Committee held April 29, the
following action was taken:

RESOLVED That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
Lessing J. Rosenwald, be and he is hereby
authorized to sell at his discretion of the
securities owned by the Julius Rosenwald Fund
Two thousand five hundred (2,500) shares of
the capital stock of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

As you know, all of the Fund
stock has been deposited with the Chase National Bank,
and you and Mr. Levin, jointly, may authorize the release
of certificates.

Very truly yours,

DOROTHY A. ELVIDGE

DE:AM

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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

May 25, 1939

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Don't you think we better begin selling to realize cash accordance last months
vote Finance Committee?

Edwin R. Embree

Julius Rosenwald Fund
4901 Ellis Avenue
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PHILADELPHIA

Jenkintown, Pa.
May 26, 1939

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

My dear Mr. Embree:

In reply to your telegram of May 25th,
Mr. Rosenwald has asked me to write you that he believes
at present it is inadvisable to begin selling, as there
is too much in the market.

Very truly yours,

E. Wellens

E. Wellens, Secretary.

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD

DATE

6/10/39

June 5, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: Enclosed is a report

on some recent Fund

activities of the sort that I send from time

to time to the trustees.

Very truly yours,

ERE:JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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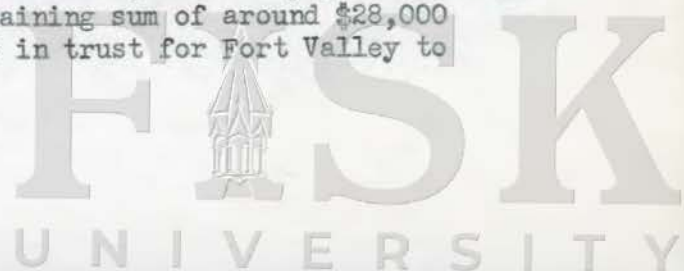
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NOTES ON CURRENT FUND ACTIVITIES

1. I have just made a detailed inspection of the Slossfield Community Center and Clinic for Negroes in Birmingham, Alabama, to which the trustees a year ago authorized a commitment of \$15,000. It is one of the finest community institutions I have ever seen, regardless of race or region. Chiefly stimulated by the deep interest of one individual (W. D. Moore of the American Cast Iron Pipe Company), the city and county administrations, voluntary groups, and the federal government have combined in a common effort to serve the needs of 75,000 Negroes. An entire large city block, which formerly was given over to a ramshackle mule barn, is now devoted to recreation, education, and health. Well-paved streets have taken the place of the old mud roads around the block and through the adjoining Negro district. Four buildings of simple but attractive appearance have been built by WPA labor to house (a) a combined gymnasium and theatre, (b) a building for NYA classes in shop and home crafts, (c) the offices of voluntary social agencies, (d) a large well-planned clinic. The United States Children's Bureau is lending a Negro physician, Dr. Walter H. Maddux, who was trained at Provident Hospital, to serve as Director of the Clinic, and the city and county health departments have assumed responsibility for running the clinics and health services.

The officers have with great satisfaction released the appropriation which we have been holding in abeyance for a year until all details were approved and a satisfactory clinic chief appointed. Our funds will be used for equipment of the clinic and for extraordinary expenses during the first year or two of operation of the health services of the center. After our far-from-happy experience with the financing of Provident Hospital in Chicago, it is a delight to see a southern city so generously putting funds and interest into health and community service for Negroes.

2. The Fort Valley Negro Teachers College is launched. Arrangements for purchase have worked out much better than we hoped. The \$50,000 which, by trustee vote of November 13, 1937, was made available to the State of Georgia for acquiring the College has not had to be paid entirely to the Church Institute (of the Episcopal Board). Instead only \$15,000 is going to that Board which is using it to erect a social and religious building adjoining the Fort Valley campus. Of the balance, about \$7,000 is being used to pay accumulated deficits of recent years, and the remaining sum of around \$28,000 is to be held by the Board of Regents in trust for Fort Valley to

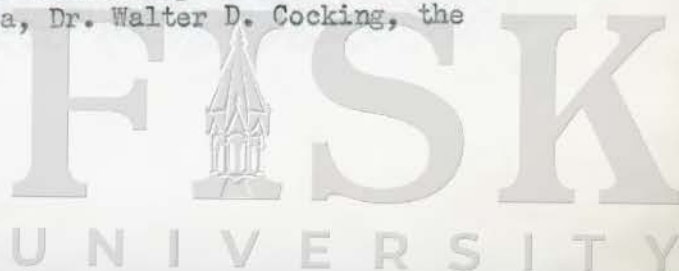


form the nucleus for an endowment for retiring allowances and scholarships. In addition, a small endowment held by the Church Institute (with a present market value of about \$20,000) is being turned over to the Regents to be added to the endowment of Fort Valley. Thus, instead of our \$50,000 going to the Church Institute for its work elsewhere, all of it is going one way or another into the Fort Valley project and an additional \$20,000 is coming from the Institute.

The Regents have appropriated \$34,800 for the regular budget of Fort Valley for next year, exactly twice the sum the State had been putting into the institute at Forsyth, which has been closed to make way for Fort Valley. In addition, funds probably will be available from federal grants for work in agriculture and home economics. The Fund's Executive Committee, in accordance with the authorization of the trustees, has appropriated \$34,000 for regular budget next year and \$16,000 for repairs, books, and extraordinary expenses. Dr. Horace Mann Bond has accepted the presidency and has already begun assembling his faculty. It is too late to get an entirely satisfactory faculty for next year, but every effort is being made to start off next fall with as fine a teaching group as possible.

3. In cooperation with West Georgia College (Carrollton) and the educational unit of the United States Farm Security Administration, the Fund is sponsoring an experiment in summer school work for rural teachers. Thirty selected rural teachers (half from Farm Resettlement projects and half from the regular public school system of Georgia) are being offered special study and experience, somewhat after the model of the summer work shops initiated by Doctor Tyler, now Director of the School of Education of the University of Chicago. The work shop will be directed by Fred Wale who last summer started this type of session on a limited scale at Montevallo, Alabama. It will have the services of members of the staff of the Farm Security Administration and the Fund as well as the regular faculty of Carrollton. The Georgia State Department of Education has agreed to give advanced credit to teachers for the course and Peabody College has agreed to count the work toward their graduate degrees - although Carrollton is simply a junior college.

4. By vote of the Executive Committee we have transferred the support we have been giving to the preparation of white supervisors in Georgia from the South Georgia Teachers College to the University of Georgia. Under the able leadership of the new Dean of Education of the University of Georgia, Dr. Walter D. Cocking, the



(Notes on Current Fund Activities - 3)

development of these workers, who are so essential to good school work, is expected to proceed even more effectively on a graduate basis than it did as a part of the undergraduate college at Statesboro.

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June 19, 1939

Dear Lessing: I am enclosing a letter of the sort which would seem to me appropriate for you to send for the Favrot volume. You will remember that Smith asks that the letter be sent to him at Peabody College, Nashville.

Favrot is so fine a person that I am glad to see the Fund thoroughly represented in these letters of congratulation. He has worked quietly and very effectively as an officer of the General Education Board in behalf of Negro education. He has been deeply interested in all of the programs of the Fund, and has been one of our most active and helpful advisers. We will miss his friendly help, both in the South and with the General Education Board.

Very truly yours,

ERE:McK

EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Dear Mr. Favrot: I am honored to join the great host of friends and admirers who are celebrating your distinguished services to education and to Negro welfare. My father counted you among his trusted advisers, and the Fund which he established has continued to benefit from your counsel and help in all its undertakings. We are particularly grateful for your constant help during the twenty years of the school building program and for your equally active cooperation in the present efforts to improve the education that goes on within these rural schools.

During your lifetime the conditions of Negro education have been transformed and the relations between the races in the southern states have been greatly improved. In these movements you have had a large part - the more effective because of the quietness and modesty with which you played your role. You deserve to take great satisfaction in viewing the results of your work which are so conspicuous throughout a whole great region.

Please accept my congratulations on your great services to education and democracy and my cordial good wishes for many more years of public service and personal happiness.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Leo Favrot
General Education Board
New York City

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD
PHILADELPHIA

Jenkintown, Pa.

June 23, 1939

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My dear ^{Edwin}~~Mr. Embree~~:

Please read the attached correspondence.

Mr. Hirsch, the writer, is a personal friend of mine and a very capable man.

Would you be kind enough to let me know if the scope of the Fund is such that it could in any way aid Miss Ichelson in her investigations.

With kindest personal regards, I am,
as ever,

Sincerely yours,

LJR:EW
Enc.

Lessing

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

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June 26, 1939

Dear Lessing: In response to your note concerning the investigations of Miss Ichelson, I regret to report that this falls completely outside the scope of this Fund. Even in the days of expanded programs we did not think it feasible to undertake the support of medical research, particularly because the Rockefeller Foundation and other institutions were putting so much money into this field. My personal opinion is that if Miss Ichelson's research is as important as it sounds the United States Public Health Service should recognize it and provide adequate support. In fact I am not sure that it would be really helpful for private individuals or agencies to make contributions and thus relieve the Public Health Service from its proper responsibility.

Very truly yours,

ERE:McK

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD

DATE

7/1/39

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June 27, 1939

Dear Lessing: As directed in your letter of June 23, I am telling Mr. Oscar Grun that I know of no way whereby his claim for three hundred dollars can be collected at this late date. I am asking Mr. Rieser to read and approve my letter before it goes out.

I am leaving the office tomorrow to be gone for ten or twelve days in Tennessee and Georgia. If you want to start the sale of stock or have other communications, there will be people in the office prepared to handle official matters.

Very truly yours,

E. Embree

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LESSING J. ROSENWALD

DATE *P*

July 25, 1939

Dear Lessing: I enclose a computation by Miss Elvidge of the receipts and expenditures anticipated during the next eighteen months. As you will see, assuming sales of the remainder of the present 2500 shares at something around current rates, our cash and receipts do not balance our expected expenditures by somewhere around \$40,000. Of course, if an extra dividend is paid this fall, this will probably more than cover the deficit. However, there will also be additional appropriations. I should like to see us always on the conservative side of our financing now that the market allows us to afford it, that is to say I should like a fair surplus rather than any possible deficit in the eighteen-month computation. What would you think of selling another thousand shares? The present market is so much better than it has been for a couple of years that - even though it may go higher - I should like to see ourselves well protected while we may. If you approve additional sales, I will consult the other members of the Finance Committee, Leonard Rieser and Frank Sulzberger, and thus get a formal vote of authorization.

ERE:JW

Very truly yours,

Edwin

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

*Do not wish to
sell any more now.
This is close enough
for an 18 mos.
estimate
Regards.
JL
7/31/39*

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ESTIMATED CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

July 1, 1939 - December 31, 1940

July 25, 1939

Cash on hand, July 1, 1939 \$496,274.13

Receipts Estimated

Sale of 1110 shares of Sears (Sold early in July) 86,653.10

Sale of 1390 shares of Sears at estimated
\$77 per share 107,030.00

Six quarterly dividends of \$.75 per share on
51,401 shares of Sears, Roebuck and Co. stock 231,304.50

Interest earned to 6/30/39 on \$300,156 in savings
accounts (Paid in July) 2,180.32

Interest at current rate on \$300,156 in savings
accounts (July 1, 1939 - December 31, 1940) 6,902.19

\$930,344.24

Payments Estimated

Current appropriations now on books
payable before January 1, 1941 \$901,785.35

Administration of Chicago office and
direction of all programs, July
1, 1940 - December 31, 1940 62,500.00

Payments due Judge Mack to
December 31, 1940 7,500.00 971,785.35

Estimated Cash Balance, December 31, 1940 \$ 41,441.11

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October 27, 1939

LESSING J. ROSENWALD
DATE 11/1/39

Dear Lessing: I talked over with Frank Sulzberger and others in Chicago the various names you and I discussed for the third place on the Board of Trustees. You will remember that we wanted someone who lived in Chicago who would be willing and able to give a good deal of time to the Fund's affairs, including service on the Executive Committee. Of the names you and I discussed and of others that have been suggested, all of us agreed that Richard Frank would be the best man. The Nominating Committee, therefore, is presenting as its recommendations for new members (to take the places of Rieser, Coss, and Clayton) Franklin C. McLean, Mark Ethridge, and A. Richard Frank. After notifying all the Trustees of these selections, if there are no objections we will follow our usual custom of consulting these men in advance and inviting them to the coming meeting.

OK

The retirement of Leonard Rieser makes a vacancy in the Finance Committee. Since you are chairman and the active officer of the Committee, we want to name whatever trustee would be most agreeable to you. I imagine General Wood would be a natural selection. If for any reason you think this inadvisable, Edgar Stern or Richard Frank would seem appropriate. What do you say?

Any one of
the 3 will
be OK for
me.

Very truly yours,

Edwin

ERE:JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Rosenwald - Lessing

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November 1, 1939

Dear Lessing: I am going to make another effort at this coming meeting to persuade you and the members of the Finance Committee to translate the total of our appropriations into cash. The present policy of the Finance Committee is safe enough for an organization that expects a long life and has a large endowment. It does not seem to me safe or sound for an organization with as small an endowment as ours which is expecting to wind up its affairs within not more than a decade.

It is only eighteen months ago - the time of our spring meeting in Atlanta - that the stock now around 84 was at 50. While I imagine none of us expects another drop in the near future, we do recognize that no one can foretell the market even within a range of many points. And with a small endowment and fixed commitments outstanding we suffer much more from decline in capital values than we benefit by a rise of a similar amount.

At present we have on our books fixed commitments totaling \$855,133 and at the coming meeting recommendations are presented for commitments of an additional \$330,000, giving a gross commitment, if these appropriations are passed, of \$1,185,133. Against this we have in cash \$586,508 and in dividends already declared \$102,802, a total of \$689,310. What I recommend is that we sell enough stock at this time to cover the total of these obligations and that at coming meetings whenever we make additional appropriations (beyond cash dividends received) we immediately translate those commitments into cash. In this way we will completely protect our pledges and the fluctuations in the market will influence simply the amount of new pledges that we want to make, and these, from meeting to meeting, can be considered in the direct light of our then financial position.

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To put these recommendations into effect would mean selling promptly about 6,000 shares. Of course I am quite willing to leave the final decision to you for I am sure your judgment in matters of finance is much better than mine. And certainly you have proved to be right so far in insisting on preserving as much of our capital as possible. I wonder if now isn't the time for you to take the reward of this sound judgment before shifts in the market destroy or minimize the gains which your persistent policy has achieved.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

ERE:JW

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

cc to Frank Sulzberger

Rosenwald - Lessing

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November 13, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: At a meeting of the Finance
Committee held November 11,
1939, the following action was taken:

RESOLVED That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees,
Lessing J. Rosenwald, be and he is hereby
authorized to sell at his discretion of the
securities owned by the Julius Rosenwald Fund
Three thousand (3,000) shares of the capital
stock of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

As you know, all of the Fund
stock has been deposited with the Chase National Bank,
and you and Mr. Levin, jointly, may authorize the release
of certificates.

Very truly yours,

DOROTHY A. ELVIDGE

DE:AM

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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November 13, 1939

Dear Lessing: In view of the fact that we will be receiving somewhat more than \$100,000 in dividends in the near future as well as receipts a little later from the sale of three thousand shares which the Finance Committee has authorized, I think we would do well to put at least another \$100,000 in our savings bank accounts. Unless you see cause to the contrary, we will look up another twenty banks guaranteed by the government and ask the Executive Committee to authorize us to deposit \$5,000 in each of these banks.

OK.

SR

Very truly yours,

ERE:JW

Embree

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Sears, Roebuck and Co.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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*Rec'd for Ex. Committee
next week or early December?
SR*

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November 14, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: I have the honor to inform you that at the meeting of the members of the Julius Rosenwald Fund held November 11, 1939, you were elected to the Board of Trustees of that body, to serve until the annual meeting of 1942.

At the meeting of the trustees, you were elected to serve for the year 1939-40 as chairman of the Board of Trustees; as chairman of the Finance Committee, the other members of which are Frank L. Sulzberger and Robert E. Wood; and as a member of the Nominating Committee, the other members of which are W. W. Alexander, chairman, and Franklin C. McLean.

Very truly yours,

MSS*McK

MARGARET S. SIMON

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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November 27, 1939

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
~~Sears Roebuck and Co.~~
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Since no reply for week fear my wire sent Jenkintown undelivered. It read quote Doctor Rosen and James Rosenberg ask me go with them Dominican Republic in January to arrange settlement European refugee families at invitation that country. No idea Fund support but they believe my experience American farm resettlement and friendship federal personnel may be helpful. Am willing to serve but since outside regular Fund work will do so only if you approve. Please wire your frank opinion. Greetings Unquote

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Rosenwald, Lessing

November 20, 1939

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Alverthorpe Gallery
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

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DAY LETTER

December 6, 1939

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
c/o Sears, Roebuck and Co.
4640 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

SEARS HAS OFFERED TO BORROW \$100,000 AT ONE AND ONE HALF PERCENT ON A SIX MONTHS NOTE PROBABLY RENEWABLE. SINCE THIS IS SIMPLER THAN SETTING UP TWENTY SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND A LITTLE BETTER INTEREST RATE, WE WILL MAKE THE LOAN IF YOU APPROVE.

Dorothy A. Elvidge

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December 13, 1939

Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

Facts and comment on Fund relationship to Philadelphia health center sent you last night by Dr Bousfield. Miss Elvidge and Mr. Levin are transferring stock to General Wood

Edwin R. Embree

Rosenwald Fund
JW

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