

WILLIAM ROSENWALD  
122 EAST 42<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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February 21, 1939.			

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

Dear Mr. Embree:

Mr. Rosenwald has asked me to send you the enclosed letter which he received from Mrs. G. Estelle Massey Riddle, the president of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses, who asks for his thoughts regarding the nursing school at Tuskegee. A copy of Mr. Rosenwald's reply, saying that he was referring the matter to the proper persons, who would get in touch with her if they were interested and able to advise, is also enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

*Margaret Steiner*

Margaret Steiner  
Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald

Enc.

WILLIAM ROSENWALD

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NEW YORK CITY

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February 21, 1969.

Mrs. G. Estelle Massey Riddle,  
National Association of Colored  
Graduate Nurses, Inc.,  
50 West 50th Street,  
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Riddle:

This is in reply to your letter of February 17th, asking for my thoughts regarding the nursing school at Tuskegee, which, according to information you received from Dr. Patterson, might be closed. As it is not possible for me to advise you about this matter, your letter is being referred to the proper people. Should they be interested, and able to advise you, you will probably hear from them directly.

Sincerely yours,

The original of  
this was signed by  
William Rosenwald

cc(blind) Mr. Embree

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*cc: letter to Dr. Geo Bowles*

February 17, 1939

My dear Mr. Rosenwald:

Dr. Patterson has informed me of the possibility of closing the nursing school at the John Andrew Hospital because of a shortage in operating funds. Because the school is so badly needed by our entire group I discussed the matter with members of our Executive and Advisory Boards. Each has expressed sincere regret that such is contemplated.

Our organization endeavors to keep abreast of the social trends as they affect the health of the nation. As you know, the health of the Negro is one of the most serious of our present day social problems. We have a feeling that we are just approaching the stage where the value of the Negro nurse in the field of preventive and curative medicine is being more fully realized. We are receiving more and more demands for highly competent Negro nurses from all sections of the country.

Unfortunately, in the South, where the Negro population is most dense and the health status lowest, we have neither an adequate number of Negro nurses nor sufficient facilities for preparing more.

I visited Tuskegee last April for the express purpose of seeing if the Administration could not improve the facilities so as to make the nursing school there one of the best in the country and the foremost in the South. I found Dr. Patterson most eager to develop the kind of school which would meet the needs

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Mr. William Rosenwald  
February 17, 1939

as described by the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses, the National League of Nursing Education and the National Organization for Public Health Nursing. He immediately began reorganization in that direction.

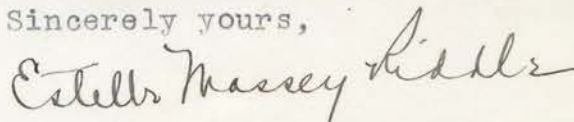
We have studied the situation carefully and feel that Tuskegee is uniquely situated to give an unusual type of education to the Negro nurse who expects to work in the South. Flint-Goodridge in New Orleans closed its school several years ago, leaving Meharry and Tuskegee the two most logical places to carry on in this field in the deep South.

I am frank to state that I feel Tuskegee will fall short of one of its most important objectives in so far as it fails to meet the challenge of providing a sound program of education for nurses. We need to improve, rather than close, this school.

The National Education Association lists Health first in its objectives. We must now face squarely the serious problems facing the Negro and the nation and prepare workers to meet the challenge.

Our office stands ready and willing to serve as far as we can. Please let us have your thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Estelle Massey Riddle, R.N.

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

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February 23, 1939

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:      We are being bombarded  
with a series of letters  
in the interest of the nursing school at Tuskegee.  
While we feel that these interested people are  
justified in their concern as to the closing of  
this school, we know of no way to prevent it.

Very truly yours,

M. O. Bousfield, M. D.

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



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

Dear Mr. Embree:

Mr. Rosenwald has asked me to send you  
the enclosed letter, addressed to the Julius  
Rosenwald Fund, from Mr. Victor H. Marshall, of  
Culpeper, Virginia, who wants financial aid  
to help build a public Health and Recreation  
Center for Negro Youth in Culpeper.

Sincerely yours,

*Margaret Steiner*

Margaret Steiner  
Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald

*Letter filed  
under  
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(Marshall, Victor H.)*

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April 21, 1939

Dear William: Thank you for your letter which I shall take pleasure in presenting to the trustees at their next meeting. Just for the sake of the record, may I call your attention to the fact that you have overestimated almost fourfold the investment in Rosenwald schools. Mr. Rosenwald and this Fund paid out for school buildings, during the period from 1915 to 1932, \$4,366,519 toward somewhat more than five thousand buildings which have an estimated total value of about \$28,500,000. I am not clear in my own mind as to whether any organized effort to keep these buildings in repair would be either successful or worth the investment. At any rate, I shall see that the matter is discussed and carefully considered by the trustees and we thank you for your thought in calling it to our attention.

Very truly yours,

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EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. William Rosenwald  
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THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER CORRECTING FIGURE OF TOTAL INVESTMENT  
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BILL ROSENWALD.





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NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 27, 1939.

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

Dear Edwin:

The question has been raised whether it might not be possible to place refugee musicians as teachers in negro schools. Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Mark Brunswick, the chairman of the Placement Committee for German and Austrian Musicians, with regard to this matter. It would be very much appreciated if you would advise me what your opinion is, and also return Mr. Brunswick's letter.

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

Cordially yours,

Bill

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cc: Mr. Brunswick

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May 9, 1939

Dear William: I doubt if refugee musicians would find as much scope in Negro schools and colleges as refugee teachers in other fields. As you know, Negroes are unusually expressive in music and art. Well-qualified Negro musicians and teachers of music are available beyond the present demand. I should think this would be one of the most unpromising fields for non-Negroes.

Nevertheless, decision in so important a matter should not rest on my opinion alone. It might be well for Mr. Brunswick to write to a number of Negro institutions to see if, contrary to my opinion, any openings appear. I am enclosing a list of places to which such inquiries might be sent. This list includes examples both of important institutions and of a few places where, because of the very lack of development, there might be openings.

Very truly yours,  
EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. William Rosenwald  
122 East 42nd Street  
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Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee

Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina

Paine College, Augusta, Georgia

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Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama

Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi

North Carolina College for Negroes, Durham, North Carolina

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

Dear Edwin:

Many thanks for your letter of May 9th,  
in reply to my inquiry about the possibility of  
placing refugee musicians as teachers in negro  
schools. It is being sent to Mr. Brunswick,  
who will, I am sure, appreciate your helpful  
suggestions.

With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Bill*

Rosenwald - Wm

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May 1, 1939

Dear William: I presented to the trustees at their recent meeting your letter concerning the upkeep of Rosenwald schools. While the board did not feel like undertaking any definite programs for the support of specific efforts, they instructed the officers to inquire carefully into the funds available through WPA and otherwise for school repairs and upkeep and to bring vigorously to the attention of the various state departments the desirability of keeping in good repair the buildings in which we and the several states have so large an investment. Mr. Dixon is taking up the matter both with the states and with the authorities in Washington.

Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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Mr. William Rosenwald  
122 East 42nd Street  
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# MEMORANDUM

Date: May 5, 1939

To: Miss Julia Waxman

Attached is the letter from Mr. Mark Brunswick which should have been enclosed with Mr. Rosenwald's letter to Mr. Embree, dated April 27th. I am very sorry that it was inadvertently omitted.

Margaret Steiner, Sec'y  
To William Rosenwald



WILLIAM ROSENWALD  
122 EAST 42<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
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Mr. Edwin R. Embree  
Julius Rosenwald Fund  
4901 Ellis Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Edwin:

Many thanks for your letter of May 1, advising of the trustees' reaction to the matter of maintaining the Rosenwald School buildings, which you were so kind as to present at the April Board Meeting. I am glad to learn that Mr. Dixon is looking into the subject, and anticipate, with interest, hearing the results of his investigation.

With renewed thanks for your courtesy, and with kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill

cc: Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald

WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42<sup>ND</sup> STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 21, 1939

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

Dear Edwin:

It occurred to me that you might have an extra picture of yourself which you would be generous enough to send for my office. If so, it would be a privilege to be able to add it to my private "Hall of Fame", to serve as a constant reminder of our many pleasant associations.

Cordially yours,

Bill

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June 26, 1939

Dear William: I am very much flattered by  
your request for a photograph.  
It so happens that I have just had some new ones  
taken, to be used in the publicity for my new  
book on the American Indians. As soon as a fair  
copy of one of these pictures is in hand, I shall  
take much pleasure in inscribing it and sending  
it on to you.

Very truly yours,

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EDWIN R. EMBREE

Mr. William Rosenwald  
122 East 42nd Street  
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# Julius Rosenwald Fund

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Mr. William Rosenwald

122 East 42nd Street

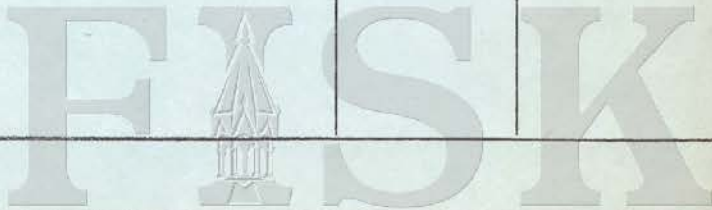
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Payment Voucher No. 330

Date October 19, 1939

Reimbursement for travel expenses incurred in connection with  
trip to Tuskegee in November 1938, to attend a Trustees' Meeting  
of the Julius Rosenwald Fund - - - - - \$107.52

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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

Dear Miss Waxman:

On his trip to Tuskegee last November, in connection with the Julius Rosenwald Fund meeting, Mr. Rosenwald incurred the following expenses:

Railroad fare	\$79.37
Telephone call	3.15
Miscellaneous	25.00
Total	<u>\$107.52</u>

By DOROTHY A. ELVIDGE

It would be appreciated if you would send a check for the above amount at your convenience.

It is regretted that this request for reimbursement has been so long delayed. However, the item was overlooked, and only recently uncovered by the accountants, in going over Mr. Rosenwald's books.

Very truly yours,

Rosalie M. Johnson

Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD  
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October 20, 1939.

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

Dear Miss Waxman:

Mr. Rosenwald would like to send greeting cards at the end of this year to the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund whom he knows personally. 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 this list. In addition to the formal list, Mr. Rosenwald would appreciate, also, having the names and addresses of any other people closely associated with the Julius Rosenwald Fund to whom you think he may wish to send a card, for example - key people on the staff or on affiliated foundations.

Will you please send this information to the attention of Miss Faust. Thanking you for whatever consideration you may give this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

*Louise H. Faust*

Louise H. Faust,  
Secy. to Mr. Rosenwald.

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October 23, 1939

Dear Miss Faust: As requested in your letter  
of October 20, I am en-  
closing the list of trustees and officers of the  
Julius Rosenwald Fund.

Very truly yours,

JULIA WAXMAN

Miss Louise H. Faust,  
Secretary to Mr. Rosenwald  
122 East 42nd Street  
New York City

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Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Alexander, c/o Farm Security Administration,  
Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

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Mr. and Mrs. James F. Simon, 5315 Harper Avenue, Chicago

Dr. and Mrs. M. O. Bousfield, 9323 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bown, 1369 East Hyde Park Boulevard, Chicago  
(Miss Elvidge)



*Any suggestions?*

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

December 1, 1939.

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

Dear Edwin:

As you probably know, one of the activities in which the National Refugee Service, Inc. is engaging at the present time is re-settling refugees.

Included among the refugees whom we would like to place in various communities throughout the country are quite a few physicians. In considering ways and means of accelerating the rate of resettling these physicians, the suggestion arose that, perhaps, there are some small southern communities which might use their services, and that you would be the logical person to whom to make initial inquiries regarding this. Hence this letter - to ask you if you think that anything might be done along these lines, and, if so, whether you have any suggestions as to how to go about making contacts with the communities. Any advice or information that you could give on this subject would be most helpful, and very much appreciated.

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

Cordially yours,

*Bill*

*Write to the A. M. A  
By. Maurice Fishbein*

*Commonwealth Council  
State Health Officers*





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December 15, 1939

Dear William: I have delayed answering your letter of December 1 until I could talk with some of my associates. It is certainly true that a number of the smaller southern communities need additional medical services. Whether refugee physicians could be fitted into those communities is another question. There is, as you know better than I, a good deal of resistance on the part of doctors generally to what they regard as the competitive aspects of refugee practitioners, and in small southern communities there are two additional problems: (1) the general lack of acquaintance with foreigners and corresponding suspicion of them; and (2) the whole problem of the pattern under which such physicians might make a living.

I have a few suggestions that might be worth following up.

(1) Have you or members of your committee ever written to Doctor Fishbein about the whole question of refugee physicians? Fishbein is in a position to influence the medical profession in this matter if he wants to. I am afraid in this case, as in so many others, he may take an even more reactionary attitude than the rank and file of the profession, but I think the matter should be put up to him squarely.

(2) If your committee is prepared to put some money into the establishment of these refugee physicians, you might be able to work out arrangements with certain of the state health officials whereby at least a minimum living stipend would be furnished with the understanding that the physician would be able to make as much more as he could from private practice in the community. This procedure is followed in some of the Canadian communities and works very well there. Unfortunately we have not so flexible a pattern in the United States for a combination

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of public support and private work. At any rate, it might be worth discussing with some of the state health officers, either North or South. Men who might be particularly worth raising this question with are Dr. J. N. Baker, Department of Public Health, Montgomery, Alabama; Dr. R. W. Todd, Bureau of Parish Health Administration, Civil Courts Building, New Orleans, Louisiana; Dr. Felix J. Underwood, State Board of Health, Jackson, Mississippi; and Dr. W. L. Bierring, State Department of Health, Des Moines, Iowa.

(3) The Farm Security Administration is setting up medical services, by physicians under salary from the government, in the various communities on which that Administration has been working. It may be that they could use some refugee physicians. At any rate you might write to Dr. Frederick Mott, Farm Security Administration, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

(4) The Commonwealth Fund has taken an interest in a number of rural hospital demonstrations in various parts of the country. They might be able to use some of the refugee physicians in these centers. The man to talk with about this is Dr. W. Frank Walker of the Commonwealth Fund, New York City.

(5) Your committee probably already has in mind the various city clinics in which doctors join together to engage in the group practice of medicine, either on a straight salary basis or a division of the net income. I know that the Civic Medical Center in Chicago has taken on one German refugee physician. Perhaps others could find places in similar clinics throughout the country. I have asked Rufus Rorem of the American Hospital Association to send you a list of such clinics.

I hope that these suggestions may be of some help to you in this important and very difficult business.

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Very truly yours,

Edwin R. Emdin

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





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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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		December 20, 1939.		

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

Dear Edwin:

The "few" suggestions, which you give in your letter of December 15th, as to how to go about finding out whether it would be possible to place some refugee physicians in small southern communities, seem like very helpful, constructive ones. Many thanks for giving us such good leads. We greatly appreciate your having given our inquiry such careful consideration and attention.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Bill



WILLIAM ROSENWALD

122 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

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January 3, 1940.

Dr. C. Rufus Rorem,  
American Hospital Association,  
18 East Division Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Rorem:

Thank you very much for following up the talk you had with Mr. Embree, about the possibility of placing some refugee physicians, by sending me a list of the voluntary health insurance plans now in existence. We are very glad to have this list.

Also, many thanks for calling attention to the fact that it might be a good idea to consult Dr. Michael Davis, who did some work along these lines. Your suggestion is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

The original of  
this was signed by  
William Rosenwald

cc(blind) Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓

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AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION  
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EIGHTEEN EAST DIVISION STREET  
CHICAGO, ILL.

December 29, 1939.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald: Mr. Embree has talked to me and indicated your interest in the problems of placing refugees to work in this country. Your idea that some refugee physicians might find work in the various voluntary health insurance plans now in existence may be feasible. In any case, I am enclosing a list of such plans with their addresses for whatever use you care to make of it.

Of course, you realize that a good many states are now making it difficult for foreign physicians to get a license to practice or even to take the state board examinations, just because they fear the influx of refugees. It seems to me that Dr. Michael Davis was on a committee for placing German refugee doctors at one time. You might talk the matter over with him, if you have not already done so. His address is Committee on Research in Medical Economics, 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

(SIGNED) C. RUFUS ROREM

CRR\*L

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

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD  
342 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK CITY

April 30, 1940.

Mr. Lee J. Loventhal,  
218 Union Street,  
Nashville, Tennessee.

Dear Lee:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 20th.  
It was nice to hear from you.

With regard to the distribution of the biography of Father, my feelings are the same as Lessing's and Marion's. We previously discussed the matter, and are agreed that the extensive circulation of the book is not of particular interest to the family. Please be assured, however, that your writing, as you did, about your idea for the distribution of the book, is very much appreciated.

Your suggestion that the Julius Rosenwald Fund undertake a project of adult education for negroes was noted with interest. However, I am no longer a trustee of the Fund.

It is good to know that your Jewish Welfare Fund Drive got off to such a good start. Equally encouraging is your assurance that the budget for local refugee needs is being increased.

With kindest regards, and best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

The original of  
this was signed by  
William Rosenwald

cc(blind) Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald  
Mrs. Adele R. Levy  
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Stern  
Mrs. Marion R. Stern  
Mr. Nathan W. Levin  
Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓

Please do not bother to  
acknowledge or return

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EXCERPT OF LETTER WRITTEN TO MR. WILLIAM ROSENWALD

BY MR. LEE J. LOVENTHAL, NASHVILLE,

TENNESSEE, DATED APRIL 20, 1940

The Rosenwald Foundation had a good meeting here, and we had a reception at Fisk University yesterday afternoon, with your brother, sister, and brother-in-law, Edgar Stern, in line.

I am, as you know, interested in the "Negro", as evidenced by my position on the Fisk University Board, and my work for them in the Parks here, of which I am a member of the Board.

Dr. J. C. Napier, age 94, senior member of Fisk Board and President of a Negro bank, and under President Taft, Register of Treasury died last night of "old age".

I talked to Chairman Embree and your brother about the possibility of Negro Adult Education, but Embree said that they were not at all interested. Personally, I can't understand this, because it would seem that if the Rosenwald Foundation has done so much for the elementary Negro schools throughout the South and for the Negro colleges and universities, that education for the large mass of negroes who have had no opportunity of education, and who really need education more than the others, should be considered, if the Foundation has the funds to carry on this work.

I am Chairman of the Commissioners of Watkins Institute, a Free, Adult Education School, which is developing now more in technical and vocational education.

We are not financially able to go into the "adult education" of the Negro here in Nashville, and it would seem that this having been the regional center of the elementary school work through the South, that if the Foundation had any funds at all for adult education of the Negro, it could be started here, on a small scale, through the Watkins Institute. There would not be a dollar expense entailed, except for the payment of teachers. Even in that, the W.P.A. is furnishing free tuition, and we get help through the Smith-Hughes Act. A beginning of say \$10,000 a year could be used to experiment in the adult education work.

The Rosenwald Foundation is doing so much for Fisk University here, and we are now counting on an educational gift, that I do not want to interfere at all, and so told Embree, with the gift to Fisk University. The other proposition is entirely separate, and that is, a beginning of adult education among the working class of Negroes, who could improve their condition, by studying at night. If you are interested, it is up to you, if you want to present this matter to the Foundation for future consideration.



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Mr. William Rosenwald,  
Greenwich, Conn.

PLEASE SEND 50 WORD ESTIMATE ON DOCTOR ROBERT R. MOTON.  
MR. LESSING ROSENWALD FEELS THAT YOU WOULD BE PLEASED TO  
ATTEST BECAUSE OF YOUR INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SUBJECT.  
OUR DEADLINE IS SUNDAY EVENING SIX. REVERSE ALL CHARGES.  
ALSO INCLUDE ADDRESS OF MR. EMBREE PLEASE.

Randy Dixon  
Pittsburgh Courier  
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DATE: June 6, 1940

FROM: Mr. Rosenwald

TO: Mr. Lessing J. Rosenwald  
Mr. Louis Caplan  
Mr. Edwin R. Embree ✓  
Dr. F.D. Patterson  
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DATE: May 1, 1940.

FROM: Mr. William Rosenwald

TO: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Randy Dixon,  
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DOCTOR MOTON'S LIFE WAS CONSECRATED TO THE WORK OF  
TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE AND TO LEADERSHIP IN THE FIELDS  
OF EDUCATION AND OF RACE RELATIONS. HIS CONTRIBUTIONS  
TO AMERICA IN THESE AND IN OTHER FIELDS CAUSE ALL WHO  
FOLLOWED, WITH WARM APPRECIATION, HIS LIFE'S WORK TO  
FEEL KEENLY THE LOSS ENTAILED BY HIS PASSING. WE  
SHARE THE GRIEF OF ALL THOSE WHO WILL MISS THE PRESENCE  
AMONG US OF OUR BELOVED FRIEND. EDWIN EMBREE'S OFFICE  
IS CARE OF JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND, 4901 ELLIS AVENUE.  
BELIEVE HE LIVES AT HOTEL SHORELAND, BUT AM NOT CERTAIN.

Wm. Rosenwald



WILLIAM ROSENWALD  
122 EAST 42<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
NEW YORK, N. Y.


October 30, 1940

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

Dear Miss Waxman:

Mr. Rosenwald would like to send greeting cards at the end of this year to the Trustees of the Julius Rosenwald Fund, whom he knows personally. 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 a list. In addition to this formal list, Mr. Rosenwald would appreciate, also, having the names and addresses of any other people closely associated with the Julius Rosenwald Fund to whom you think he might wish to send a card, for example - key people on the staff or on affiliated committees.

Will you please send this information to my attention. Thanking you for whatever consideration you may give this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

*Louise H. Faust*

Louise H. Faust,  
Secy. to Mr. William Rosenwald

Rosenwald, Wm

November 1, 1940

Dear Miss Faust: I am enclosing a list of those connected with the Fund whom I think Mr. Rosenwald knows. I have not included the trustees who are members of his own family, since he will have their addresses, nor the new trustees and officers whom he has not met.

Very truly yours,

JULIA WAXMAN

JW

Miss Louise H. Faust  
Secretary to Mr. William Rosenwald  
122 East 42nd Street  
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Rosenwald, Wm

November 15, 1940

Dear William: You may have "seen by the papers" the report of the election of new trustees to the Fund. The elections included, in addition to the rather spectacular name of the First Lady of the land: a southern capitalist, Donald Comer; to succeed Marion Ascoli, Adele Levy; and the re-election of Leonard Rieser.

I had hoped to have an opportunity of talking with you about the membership of the Board before the elections were formally confirmed, but I have not been in New York for many weeks with any time at my disposal. We all did a good deal of thinking about the representation on the Board of the Rosenwald family. You may have heard some talk about our deliberations. For example, at one time it was suggested that a member of the third generation of Rosenwalds be brought on to the Board. In the event, we decided not to do so. In considering the members of the second generation, we agreed, as we have from the beginning, that the representation from the family should not exceed three. As a matter of fact, on other foundations the donor's family is much less extensively represented. From among the available members of the family it seemed to us that there might well be some rotation and that since Mrs. Levy had not served for a great many years it was natural and proper that she be invited. I am sure she will make an excellent trustee.

I am sending you this note, probably quite unnecessarily, simply to assure you that your name was not overlooked or "suppressed", but that in all the circumstances it seemed fitting to invite Mrs. Levy as the third representative of the family at this time.

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Very truly yours,

EDWIN R. EMBREE

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

