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IN MR. ROSENWALD'S
SPECIAL BIRTHDAY BOOK

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

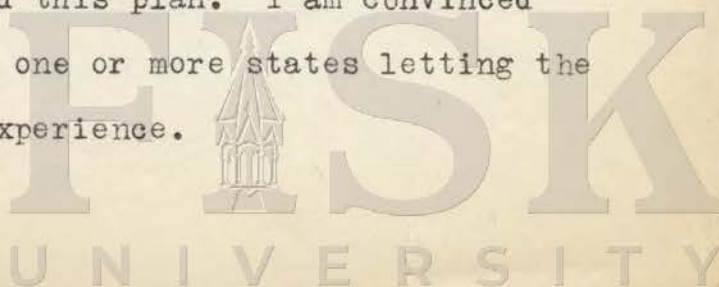
June 21, 1912.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Sears, Roebuck & Company,
Chicago, Ill.

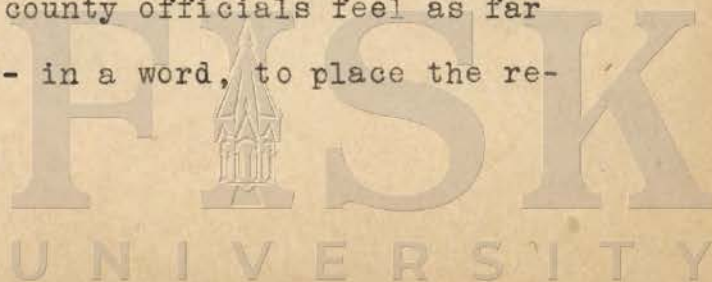
Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

I have considered carefully the suggestion which you made regarding the method of helping the colored schools of the South, and after looking into the matter with some care, I am convinced, as I suggested to you, that it would hardly be possible to help through the medium of the state, as the states, as states, do not recognize the matter of race with reference to dealing with the public schools. The only provision made in the constitutions of the Southern states is that the schools must be separate as to race, and that the money must be divided equitably between the races. This means that the money given by the state is sent out into the various counties of the state and that the county board of education divides the money between the races as it sees fit, in most cases, the colored schools receiving a very very small share.

In addition to the appropriations made by the states, there is a plan in many of the states, and it is growing in favor, whereby the counties can impose extra taxes upon themselves for the purposes of education. The amount raised in this way, however, is small, and only a few of the counties have as yet attempted this plan. I am convinced that it would be a wise plan to begin with one or more states letting the matter develop gradually and learning by experience.



I would suggest, however, that a good, strong man be employed to overlook the expenditure of the fund, and that this man work through and with the state and county authorities. There are some dangers to be guarded against -- one to have the counties understand thoroughly that you would give a certain amount provided they would give a certain amount in the way of an increase over what is now being done. The temptation in some places would be for the counties to lean on you, and do even less than they are now doing instead of more. The wisest plan would be for the man in charge of the fund to get in thorough touch with, say, a half dozen county superintendents and county boards who are in thorough sympathy with the plan, get them to work in their county, and in this way it would soon attract the attention of other county officials, and they would make application to have the same thing done in their counties. Beginning in this way with a few counties at first, I believe the plan would attract attention and gradually spread throughout the South. If the right kind of man is employed to take charge of the matter, he could not only accomplish a great deal of good in connection with the county officials, but equally as much good could be accomplished by him in going through the South, talking to the Southern white people and convincing them that it is to their interest to help educate the Negro. There is no work that I do in the South that I get more satisfaction out of than going through different states and talking directly to Southern white audiences about the interest they should take in the education of the Negro. I have been surprised at the responses I have gotten. The Southern white man likes to be talked to, but does not like to be talked about. Great care should be exercised to let the county officials feel as far as possible that they are doing the work -- in a word, to place the responsibility upon them.



As a basis for you to reckon from, the state of Alabama appropriates from its treasury \$2,865,254.00 each year for public school education. I should say that in the rough, \$357,585.00 of this amount goes to Negro schools. I think this is a fair sample of what other states are doing. (Colored people about half of population).

To begin with, I think the publication of the general scheme in the newspapers of the South, as you suggested, would create a good deal of discussion pro and con. This in itself would do good in the direction of helping the Southern people and Northern people as well to look into the facts as to what is actually being done for Negro education.

Enclosed I send you a memorandum describing conditions in Willcox County, Alabama. I am sorry to say that there are many counties in the South that are going in the same way toward Negro education. I should be glad to talk with you, however, regarding the scheme, when I see you.

I have enclosed somewhat in tabulated form my ideas. I would add that I have gone over this matter thoroughly with a number of our workers, and the plan suggested has their approval. I should hope that the scheme would carry with it a plan for building school houses as well as extending the school terms. Many of the places in the South where the schools are now taught are as bad as stables, and it is impossible for the teacher to do efficient work in such places.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Booker T. Washington,

Principal.



SCHEME FOR HELPING COLORED SCHOOLS.

1. Begin with one or more states.
2. Make the county rather than the state the unit for operation.
3. Put a man in charge of the fund who would work with and through the county officials.
4. A few of the most favorable counties to be selected to begin with.
5. Plan should embrace building of schoolhouses, extension of school terms, and increase of teachers' salaries.
6. Care should be taken to see that the county is not permitted to fall back on this fund and do less than it is now doing, but more in each case.
7. Some of the time, the person in charge of the fund should talk in public and in private to Southern white people in the direction of convincing them of the value of Negro education.

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September Twelfth,
Nineteen Hundred Twelve.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Harvard St. & Homan Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Rosenwald:

I am trying to clear up one or two delayed matters. First we have found a man to look after the accounting in the small schools. His name is Chambers C. Clayton, one of our own graduates. I have talked with Mr. Gibson, our Chief Accountant and with Mr. Bebbington, the New York Auditor, and both feel that Clayton has ability for such work and that if he remains here, getting practice under Mr. Bebbington and Mr. Gibson for this school year, they feel that he would be able to do the work in a satisfactory way. While he remains here, he will be doing considerable work of value to the school. He is willing to do this for \$37 per month. After he leaves here and begins travelling around among the schools, he will want \$50 per month and travelling expenses. I have talked this matter over pretty carefully with our staff and we all feel that he is the right man and the salary asked is reasonable.

Second. Enclosed I return the letter which was sent you by Charles D. Washington, my brother's son. Charlie is a bright young fellow and is a graduate of the Medical College connected with Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C. For some reason, he has not been able to pass any of the State Board examinations and he is very anxious now to go to Meharry Medical College at Nashville, and brush up.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald, #2.

While Charlie is a bright boy, he has been inclined to be somewhat wild in the past. I have had several talks with him lately and have told him I would not write to you in his behalf until I was assured he intended to do better. He has promised me that he has settled down and means to do better. I now feel that he is in earnest and if he can carry out the plan he has outlined in the note which I send you, I think it would serve a good purpose.

I am not only writing you because I would like to see him get on his feet, but also because it would help his father. He promises me that as soon as he gets out and begins actual practice, he will return the money advanced, to me. All told, to do what he wishes to do, he would have to have \$175.00.

Third. We are giving some careful, and I hope serious attention to the suggestion of making a plan for the helping of colored people in the direction of small country schools. ^{houses} In connection with this idea, I am wondering if you would permit us to make an experiment in the direction of building six school-houses at various points, preferably near here, so that we can watch the experiment closely, out of the special fund which you have set aside for small schools.

You will recall that in our report, we left unappropriated \$2,800. If we could try the experiment on six schools at an average cost, with the idea that we would spend \$350 on each school building, provided the people in the community or the public school authority would raise an equal amount, we feel that we would then be in a position to recommend something more definite after this experiment has been made.

After working out the matter pretty carefully, we feel that the houses themselves can be built for \$600., but we would require in the way of travelling expenses on the part of the people from here or somewhere, about \$50.00 in order to get people stirred up and to keep

Mr. Julius Rosenwald, #3.

them stirred up until the school-houses have been built. I really think the experiment is worth trying. If you could agree to this, that would leave \$700 still unappropriated. We shall make recommendations regarding this balance later,--within the next few days.

One thing I am convinced of and that is that it is the best thing to have the people themselves build houses in their own community. I have found by investigation that many people who cannot give money, would give a half day or a day's work and others would give material in the way of nails, brick, lime, etc. I feel that there is nothing just now more needed in the education of the colored people than the matter of small school-houses and I am very anxious that the matter be thoroughly planned for and well worked out and no mistake be made.

Yours truly,

B. N. W.

MEW/Enc/

Principal.

P.S. As an example of conditions in some of the counties in this state, I may mention a statement of the County Superintendent of Lee County; to the effect that there is not a single decent schoolhouse for colored children in the whole county.

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August 3rd, 1912.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Sears, Roebuck & Company,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

Replying to your letter marked "Personal," of July 15th, regarding my idea of the distribution of \$25,000 among off-shoots of Tuskegee or institutions doing similar work, I would say that I have taken the matter up very carefully with several of our instructors, and I enclose a memorandum which is the result of our careful thought and investigation covering these schools.

In case you finally decide to make the donation, I should advise that we send you further detailed information as to how in every case the money is to be spent. For example, in the case of the school at Snow Hill, Alabama, a good deal of money ought to be spent in making repairs, improving the grounds and putting the school in better shape physically. In the case, for example, of the school at Denmark, South Carolina, they have a splendid plant which is well kept up, but for some reason there are few students except the children in the immediate vicinity. The enrollment is large, but the actual attendance of boarding students small. With a little effort and expense the school could be filled with fine promising men and women

Of course, I think great care should be exercised to prevent this money being used in a way to bolster up these schools on a

higher scale of annual expenditure, without their having a permanent source from which to draw in the future. We should try in our recommendations to guard against all that kind of thing.

You will notice that according to the attached memorandum we have recommended in all \$22,200. We should recommend for the present that the remaining \$2,800 be unexpended, so as to give us an opportunity to look into the condition of some other schools and perhaps to meet some unexpected emergencies in the way of special needs that might arise during the year.

I hope that this report will prove of some service to you.

Yours very truly,

C./Enc.

Principal

August 12, 1912

Dr. Booker T. Washington,

Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Dr. Washington:

On this, my fiftieth birthday, I desire to extend a helping hand to the negro schools that have grown out of Tuskegee Institute or schools that are doing the same kind of work and with which Tuskegee Institute is in close touch. I will contribute to such schools a total of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), to be divided among such schools as in your judgment should participate, you to name the amount of each and in each case the purpose for which the money is to be used.

As soon as any school which you have named has raised an amount equal to the amount you designate for such school, I will contribute the same amount until the entire sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) has been consumed.

Being aware of your great interest in these smaller institutions, I take the liberty of asking you to undertake this task.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation,

I am

Yours very truly,



Plan for Erection of Rural Schoolhouses.

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- (1) Money given by Mr. Julius Rosenwald.
- (2) To be used in a way to encourage public school officers and the people in the community in erecting schoolhouses in rural and village districts by supplementing what the public school officers or the people themselves may do.
- (3) As far as possible before beginning work in any county or community, the approval and cooperation of the state, county or township school officers is to be secured.
- (4) In the erection of schoolhouses care is to be exercised to cooperate with the Jeanes Fund Supervisors and State Supervisors of Negro rural schools wherever possible the idea of such cooperation is to make one kind of work supplement the other. Later on it is hoped to do the work of building schoolhouses through the agency of any large school that might be located in that county; for example, when the proper time comes it might be possible and best to build schoolhouses, in Wilcox County through the agency of the Snow Hill Normal and Industrial Institute.
- (5) The money is to be used in providing schoolhouses in the rural districts preferably the one-teacher schoolhouses on condition that the people shall secure from the public school fund or raise among themselves an amount equal to or larger than that given by Mr. Rosenwald which will not, in any case, exceed \$350 for each house. Traveling and other expenses in connection with working up interest in the schoolhouses, guiding the people in erecting them, is to be taken out of the amount allotted to each schoolhouse. In every case, the money given by Mr. Rosenwald is to be the partial payment for completion of building, including furnishing.
- (6) The kind of building to be erected is to be approved by the Extension Department of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute and where required by State Department of Education.
- (7) It is thought best at present to concentrate upon supplying schoolhouses for the following three counties: Montgomery, Lowndes and Lee in Alabama. One of these counties contains the capital of the State. It is thought wise for advertising and for the purpose of creating public sentiment to put the county containing the capital of the state and near-by counties in good shape first; by concentrating upon a few counties may serve the further purpose of bringing about a rivalry between the communities that will prove of value.
- (8) It is also recommended that while at present these three (3) counties are to be concentrated upon, any exceptional communities and other counties in and out of Alabama will be considered.
- (9) At present it is thought wise to confine the schoolhouse building to the State of Alabama with the view of getting experience that will enable us to render the best service for the least money, and in the shortest time possible. As stated, however, exceptions may be made to this general policy wherever it is thought necessary.
- (10) That until further notice from Mr. Rosenwald, the plan shall be to construct about 100 rural schoolhouses at a cost to Mr. Rosenwald, representing his contribution toward the total cost, of not to exceed \$30,000; that not to exceed \$350 shall be paid by him for any one such schoolhouse; and that this offer shall be effective for a period of five years from August 1, A.D. 1914.
- (11) Any publication to the effect that Mr. Rosenwald has promised to give dollar for dollar for rural schools for colored children in the South without limitation as to the number and location has been made without Mr. Rosenwald's authority or knowledge.

COPY.

Mr. B. T. Washington:

In reply to your request for report on the Rosenwald schools, beg to submit the following:

Loachapoka School, Lee Co., Ala.

Loachapoka community is putting up a schoolhouse which will cost seven hundred dollars when it is completed. This community started off to complete their building within thirty days but got tangled up with their contractor in a way to get considerably disappointed.

The Negro trustees are now being rallied and the community encouraged. They are raising money slowly. They have the building ready for plastering and window lights. The building is floored, ceiled, etc.

Two acres of land worth fully one hundred dollars was secured by the people, this year.

The people have raised among themselves for the schoolhouse about three hundred dollars. They have raised altogether for the schoolhouse four hundred dollars.

If a lively teacher had been in the community all the year the schoolhouse would have been completed.

I am trying to make the people in a natural and legitimate way manage the building of their schoolhouse. We are hoping to have this school completed within thirty days.

Notasulga School, Macon County.

This community has done well, under the circumstances, in the erection of a school building.

About two hundred fifty dollars have been raised by the people.

Their schoolhouse ought to be finished within sixty days.

They will be ready to move into the building within a week or so.

Brownsville Sch. No. 2, Macon Co.

The people of this community have raised three hundred dollars.

The schoolhouse is reported to be about finished so far as the carpentry work is concerned. The painting and furnishing with desks are yet to be accomplished.

We have not given these people any money from the Rosenwald Fund. They claim that as soon as we can come up with our promise they will have the schoolhouse completed.

Big Zion Sch., Montgomery Co.

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These people raised, in one rally, ninety-five dollars. They plan, in two weeks, to complete the raising of another one hundred fifty dollars.

They have already secured the land for the building.

Madison Park School, Montgomery Co.

The people of this community say that they have raised three hundred dollars to be used in the erection of a schoolhouse.

They have been planning to put off the erection of the building until "layby season", but I have about persuaded them to begin work at once. They are now trying to decide upon a real practical schoolhouse plan.

Shorters Sch. Macon County.

The people of this community seem to be ready with their money but are having considerable trouble in getting hold of a suitable piece of land.

A white lady has promised to deed, free of charge, the two acres of land but for several months has been sick and unable to attend to the matter.

Mr. B. E. Walker, U. S. Marshall, is interested in the building of the schoolhouse and has asked us for several weeks to hold over for a few days until his aunt, who is the owner of the property, gets in position to attend to this business.

Yours truly,

(Signed) C. J. Calloway,

Director Edtension Dapt.

April 3, 1913.



Booker T. Washington, Principal
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December 30, 1910.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Harvard Street and Homan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

I hand you, herewith, letter from Mr. R. E. Smith, who is at the head of the organization which maintains the Farmers Improvement Society Agricultural College, at Ladonia, Texas. Check may be sent directly to Mr. Smith at 114 Bridge Street, Waco, Texas.

You may recall that this agricultural college is on the special list I promised One Thousand Dollars provided an equal amount were raised by the school, itself. Mr. Smith reports that the amount he has secured is somewhat over the One Thousand Dollars they first started out to get.

Very truly yours,

Booker T. Washington

B. V. M. /Enc.

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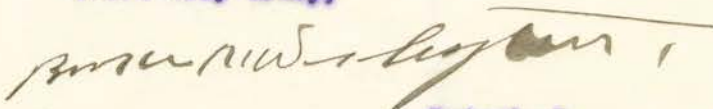
May 2, 1912.

My dear Mr. Rosenwald:

Acting on the suggestion made by you when here, we have taken measures to have all of the branch schools visited this spring by some member of our staff and the results are very encouraging, bringing those schools up in a closer manner with our work here.

Since we have not been able to find as yet a proper man to take Mr. Bedford's place, and are not likely to do so before fall, I am wondering if you would mind paying the expenses, where it is necessary, to incur expenses, of our teachers who visit these branch schools in lieu of the amount you had promised to pay toward the salary and expenses of the person who would take Mr. Bedford's place.

Yours very truly,



Principal.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
C/- Sears, Roebuck & Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

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May 6, 1912.

Mr. B. T. Washington,

Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Mr. Washington:

In reply to yours of the 2nd, would state that I should be very glad indeed to pay the necessary expenses incurred by teachers visiting the other schools. All I would ask would be a statement in each case of the visit made and the items of expense enumerated. As fast as I receive these I will immediately send a check for the amount:

Yours very truly,

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D U P L I C A T E

May 21, 1912.

Mr. Logan:

My expense to Denmark, S.C. to speak in connection with the closing exercises of the Voorhees Normal & Industrial Institute were as below. Will you kindly give me refund check at your convenience.

Railroad fare to Atlanta	\$4.48
" " Atlanta to Denmark.....	5.60
General Miscellaneous: meals en route, papers hack fare in Atlanta.....	1.75
Returning railroad fare.....	10.08
General Miscellaneous, meals en route home.etc....	1.10

Total.....	23.01

(Signed) E. J. Scott.



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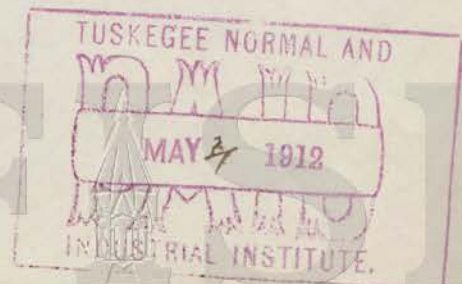
May 9, 1912.

COST OF TRIP FROM TUSKEGEE TO PORT ROYAL AND BACK

To Atlanta.....	\$4.44
" Old Shed Depot.....	1.00
Ticket To Augusta.....	4.38
Carriage and lodging.....	.70
Augusta to Port Royal.....	2.88
May 11th	
From Port Royal to Beaufort.....	1.00
" Beaufort to Montgomery.....	10.40
Lunch.....	1.20
Carriage hire.....	.25
From Montgomery to Tuskegee.....	1.38
Carriage hire.....	.25

Total. 27.88

(Signed) C. W. Carver.



D U P L I C A T E

Expenses to Commencement of Robert Hungerford N & I School
Eatonville, Fla.

May 19-22, 1912.

Car fare going & returning.....	\$27.46
Meals, going and returning.....	1.10
Incidentals.....	.90

Total.....	29.36

(Signed) E. C. Roberts



D U P L I C A T E

Trip to Mt. Meigs Institute, Ala. Thursday May 9, 1912.

From Tuskegee to Mt.Meigs (R. R.Sta.) three fares..	\$3.15
team	
" Mt.Meigs railroad station to Institute "	" /.. 2.00
" " " " " Tuskegee "	" /... 3.15

	9.30

May 18, 1912..

(Signed) C. J. Calloway.



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Tuskegee Institute, Ala.,
May 29, 1912.

Mr. Logan:

I submit herewith a statement of expenses of
trip to Agricultural & Mechanical College, Normal
Ala. May 21 - 25.

Street car fare.....	\$1.45
Railroad fare.....	15.07
Telegram to Normal for someone to meet me..	.25
Meals & Lodging.....	1.50
Incidentals.....	1.00
Long distance telephone to Tuskegee..to.find out condition of sick in family	
Overcharges, could not adjust...	2.50
Total.....	21.77

(Signed) M. W. Work.



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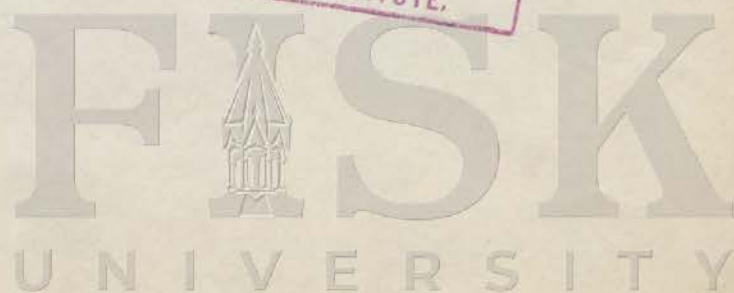
Tuskegee Institute, Ala.,
June 3, 1912.

Mr. Lacy:

The following is the report of my expenses
from Tuskegee to Topeka, Kansas to visit the In-
dustrial Institute there:

Round trip fare.....	\$48.68
sleeper both ways.....	7.75
Meals & Incidentals (5 days).....	11.96
Lodging one night.....	.50
Total.....	68.89

(Signed) J. W. Whittaker.



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Tuskegee Institute, Ala.,
June 3, 1912.

Mr. Lacy:

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The following report of my expenses to Christianburg, Va. to visit the Christianburg School:

Railroad fare both ways.....\$31.11

Hack Hire 1.25

Lodging..... 1.50

Meals (3 days)..... 5.24

Total..... 39.10

(Signed) J. W. Whittaker.



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August 2, 1912

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:-

In regard to your kind offer to pay the expenses of a man to go around and keep the schools which have grown out of Tuskegee in proper shape so far as their bookkeeping is concerned, I am writing to ask if you would approve of the plan of having the person come here and be with Mr. Bebbington while he is overhauling our system with a view of getting more thoroughly acquainted with it while Mr. Bebbington is on the grounds, and then have him begin his work in the schools after Mr. Bebbington has finished here. Mr. Bebbington and I both think this plan would have some advantage.

Of course I shall not select anybody until I have gotten your approval of the individual, salary, etc.

I think I have already written you that Dr. Frissell is very highly pleased with the plan.

Yours very truly,

H

Booker T. Washington

wrote
If salary is reasonable I heartily
approve will gladly pay same.

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today
Copy of this letter mailed to Dr. Washington C/o Fifth Avenue Bank,
New York.

August 5, 1912

Dr. Booker T. Washington,
Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Mr. Washington:

I am in receipt of yours of the 3rd, enclosing information concerning the distribution of funds for institutions that have grown out of Tuskegee Institute, or where officered largely by Tuskegee men and women, and are doing the same kind of work as Tuskegee branch schools, and want to thank you very much for the trouble you and your assistants have taken in this matter.

The plan that I believe I would favor most, provided you concurred in it, would be the following: You select such schools as in your judgment should participate, naming the amount for each and the purpose for which the money is to be used, if you so desire, and, as soon as any school which you have named has raised an equal amount, I will pay to it such an amount as you have designated. I will agree to pay a total of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to such schools as soon as they furnish a list of bonafide subscriptions equal to the amount you have designated.

I expect to celebrate my 50th birthday on the 12th of this month, and would like to announce this gift, together with some others that I am contemplating. My idea would be to make the announcement as concerns this gift in this manner: "\$25,000 for colored schools that have grown out of Tuskegee Institute, or are doing the same kind of work as Tuskegee branch schools, the funds to be distributed by Dr. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, under certain conditions and for certain purposes."

I would kindly request that you frame this to suit yourself and write me (special delivery) immediately so that I shall have the letter not later than Friday. It might be advisable to

Dr. Booker T. Washington, -2-

send a night letter, charges collect, instead of writing, and make the telegram as full and complete as though it were a letter. It does not matter if it costs \$5.00, or even more if necessary. Please express your opinion freely as to the advisability of the conditions and the method of announcement. If you, for any reason, prefer that the name "Trustees of Tuskegee" be substituted for your name, or the burden not put upon Tuskegee for the distribution, please do not hesitate to so state. I believe it is wise to make the condition as to the raising of an equal amount, because the incentive will be great for others to give and the trustees of the various institutions will put forth work under such conditions that they would not be likely to do otherwise.

Yours very truly,

Reply to letter of Aug. 2.

In regard to the engaging of a man to work with Mr. B. while he is working at Tuskegee, would say I heartily approve of the plan but would want to know the salary and if reasonable will gladly pay same.

(signed) Julius Rosenwald



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MR JULIUS ROSENWALD

Letter of Aug fifth just received have carefully considered all matters contained therein especially wording of announcement as to gift and think it all right just as it is as we get closer into newyork of investigating needs in detail of schools and their condition may be necessary to substitute one school for another in some cases but general plan outlined in your letter of August fifth I think all right shall be very glad to be of any service I can in distribution of money I can be reached by telegram at astor House Lower broadway Newyork until Saturday night and during sunday maplewood inn Maplewood Newhampshire I think this is fine way to celebrate your Birthday and feel sure it will lead others to follow your example in the future

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September 7, 1912.

My dear Uncle:

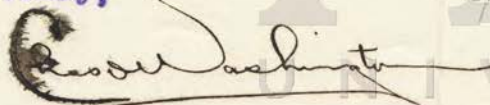
As per your suggestion I have gotten out a memorandum of the actual expenses that will be incurred for me to take a course at Meharry this term and am handing them to you for your consideration.

You also asked me to state exactly how much I have so you could arrange; to this I am saying frankly that I have not at this time anything. Everything since I have been back from Florida I have been working and paying off debts which were made prior to my going down there and also while I was down in Florida. This has taken considerably. I will however see my father upon his return and see just how much, if any, he will be able to help me in this regard.

My plans are to take a purely quiz and review course during the year, spending some time in each and all of the classes from the Freshman to the Senior. This will enable to brush up from the beginning.

I hope this gives the desired information.

Very truly,

 Cassius Washington



Sept. 23, 1912.

Dr. B. T. Washington,

Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Dear Dr. Washington:

I am in receipt of yours of the 19th with enclosure, and in reply to same would say that I would not fagor including a permanent memorial scholarship to apply on the amount to be raised by Snow Hill.

If the donor is willing that, in addition to the interest, a certain proportion of the principal could be used each year so that the school would receive the benefit of the interest and principal over a period of 25 years, thereby practically doubling the income during that time, I should be entirely willing to have it made a part of the \$4,000; but as I am utterly opposed to never-ending funds for any purpose, I would not care to encourage such a system by agreeing to make it a part of this fund. You are well aware of my views on this subject.

I have no doubt that if this matter was placed before the prospective donor in the proper light, he would be very willing to have the fund used up in 25 or 50 years—preferably 25 years. I hope this is entirely satisfactory to you.

Yours very truly,

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October 17, 1912

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,

c/o Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:-

Enclosed I send you two communications which show that the Christiansburg Institute at
Cambria, Va., has complied with the condition entitling them to \$800.00. The check can be
made payable to Mr. J. Henry Scattergood, treasurer. All the donors to this fund live in
Philadelphia, and for the most part they are Quakers.

Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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Astor House, Lower Broadway, New York City,

October 7th, 1912

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,

c/o Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:-

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Voorhees, of Clinton, N. J., has met your condition for the Voorhees Industrial School at Denmark, S. C., by a gift of \$3,000. This is in addition to what she has usually given the school. She gave this with the special view of meeting your condition. You can therefore, whenever it suits your convenience, send your check to Mr. Martin A. Menafee, Treasurer, Voorhees Industrial School, Denmark, S. C.

Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

Chk payable to Treas. for \$3,000 mailed Mr. J.R. at St. Regis 10/9/12

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UTICA, MISS., 1-6- 1912

The Utica Normal and Industrial Institute

Received

Four Thousand Dollars

From

*Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Sears, Roebuck & Co. Chicago, Ill.*

For

General work of Institution

\$

4000⁰⁰

F. G. Smith

Official Treasurer

CYRUS CAMPFIELD, Principal
MARTIN A. MENAFEE, Treasurer

\$3000.00

Dormant, S. G., 10-19 1912

Deechees Ind. School

Received of Mrs. Julia Woodward

Three thousand

nd
100 Dollars

Martin Menafee

Treasurer



BEAUFORT, S.C.

Oct. 19, 1912.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,

Chicago, Ill..

Dear Sir,

I take pleasure in reporting that \$600.00 has been subscribed to the Port Royal Agricultural School to meet the condition of your generous offer to contribute a like amount. This sum will be available at once and I would like to know what steps are necessary to take now.

Very truly,

N. Christensen

Treasurer Port Royal Agricultur. School

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Subscribers to the Port Royal Agricultural School, Beaufort, S. C.,

J. Shanklin, Principal.

Chas. I. Travelli, West Newton, Mass.

\$500.00

Misses Kimball, Brookline, Mass.

100.00
600.00 ✓

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Oct. 23, 1912.

Mr. J. Henry Scattergood, Treas.,

Christiansburg Industrial Institute,

648 Bourse, Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to send you the enclosed check in conformity with my offer and Doctor Washington's recommendation.

Wishing the Institute every success, I am

Yours very truly,

(Encl.) \$800

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November 5, 1912

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:-

The following schools have complied with the conditions. *✓ Robert Hungerford Normal & Ind. School*
Mrs. Calhoun's school at
Eatonville, Fla., was to raise \$1,000. You will find the list of persons who have con-
tributed. They are all new donors or persons who have increased their former subscript-
ions. You can make your check for \$1,000 payable to S. E. Ives, treasurer, Eatonville,
Florida. You can send the check directly to the party or I shall be glad to send it from
here. Either way will be satisfactory.

✓ Snow Hill Normal and Industrial Institute, Snow Hill, Ala. \$4,000. Check payable to
Henry A. Barnes, treasurer, Snow Hill, Ala.

✗ Christiansburg Industrial Institute, Cambria, Va. To raise \$800. Am advised that this
check has already been forwarded.

✓ Topeka Industrial and Educational Institute, Topeka, Kansas. To raise \$400. Check to
John M. Wright, treasurer, Topeka, Kansas.

✓ China Agricultural Institute, China, Ala. \$600. Check payable to J. E. Witherington,
president board of trustees, China, Ala.

✓ Port Royal Agricultural School, Beaufort, S. C. \$600. Check may be drawn to the order
of N. Christensen, Beaufort, S. C.

✓ Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark. \$400. Check may be drawn to order of Rev.
J. P. Robinson, chairman board of trustees, Little Rock, Ark.

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Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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November Eleventh,
Nineteen Hundred Twelve.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
C/- Sears, Roebuck & Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

Instead of recommending One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars each for the-
Canfield Normal & Industrial Institute, Canfield, Arkansas, and
North Louisiana Agricultural & Industrial Institute, Grambling, Louisiana
we have decided to recommend that the appropriation for each of these schools be
Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, and I am notifying them accordingly. You already
have on file, the suggestion of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars for each of them,
but we sent a representative to both of these places to thoroughly investigate the
situation, and it is upon the report of the investigation furnished us that we feel
an appropriation of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars for each of them will be satisfac-
tory.

I have written to the Presidents of the two schools referred to below that we
would recommend in each case the sums mentioned:

Arkansas Baptist College - Four Hundred (\$400) Dollars — Pa 11/11/12

Location, central part of Arkansas at Little Rock, Pulaski County
Joseph A. Booker, President
Value of plant, \$75,000
Teachers, 13
Enrollment, 408
Surrounding Negro population, 100,000
Nearness to other schools - 2 other colored colleges in same city.

Sr. Paul Normal and Industrial School - Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars

Location, southeastern part of Virginia, Lawrenceville, Brunswick County

November 11, 1912.

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~~China Agricultural Institute,~~
China, Alabama.

Gentlemen:-

I send you, enclosed herewith, my check payable to J. E. Witherington, President Board of Trustees of your institution. Dr. Washington has informed me that you have met the conditions of my proposed gift and I make haste to comply with my part of the agreement. It is a pleasure to know that this work is such that Dr. Washington and other friends can endorse and encourage it, and I hope the future will be so successful with you that you will have even more friends.

Very truly yours,

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November 11, 1912.

Arkansas Baptist College,

Little Rock, Arkansas.

Gentlemen:-

I am glad to learn from Dr. Washington that you have complied with the conditions of my proposed gift to your college. It is a pleasure to send you, enclosed herewith, my check made out to the order of Rev. J. P. Robinson, Chairman Board of Trustees. I wish you success with your institution and I desire to express the hope that you will make more friends as time goes on.

Very truly yours,

Enc

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November 11, 1912.

Port Royal Agricultural School,
Beaufort, South Carolina.

Gentlemen:-

I send you, enclosed herewith, my check payable to H. Christensen, having received notice from Dr. Washington that you have complied with the conditions of the proposed gift to your school. I am glad to note that other friends have confidence in you and desire to endorse and encourage your work. Expressing the hope that your service will continue to merit the approval of Dr. Washington and to stimulate more friends to help you, I am,

Very truly yours,

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November 11, 1912.

~~Robert Hungerford Normal~~
~~and Industrial School,~~
Eatonville, Florida.

Gentlemen:-

Dr. Washington has notified me that you have met the conditions of my proposed gift to your institution. I take great pleasure in enclosing herewith my check made payable to the order of S. E. Ives, Treasurer. I am glad to know you are doing work that Dr. Washington can endorse and encourage; and that so many other friends feel justified in adding their names to the subscription list.

Wishing you such success that your work will continue to meet the approval of your friends, I am,

Very truly yours,

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November 11, 1912.

Snow Hill Normal and Industrial Institute,
Snow Hill, Alabama.

Gentlemen:-

It is a pleasure for me to enclose herewith my check made out to order of Henry A. Barnes, Treas., as I have been notified by Dr. Washington that you have met the conditions of my proposed gift to your institution. I hope that your future work will meet with such success that men like Dr. Washington and your many other friends can continue to endorse and encourage it.

Very truly yours,

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November 11, 1912.

Topeka Industrial and
~~Educational Institute.~~
~~Topeka, Kansas.~~

Gentlemen:-

I have received notice from Dr. Washington that you have met the conditions of my proposed gift to your institution. Therefore, I enclose herewith my check made payable to John M. Wright, Treasurer; and it is a great pleasure for me to send you the money. I am glad to know you are doing work that Dr. Washington and many others endorse and encourage, and I wish you continued success in the future.

Very truly yours,

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Topeka, Kansas.

Nov. 13, 1912.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Cor. Harvard and Homan Aves.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:

We are very grateful indeed to you for your donation of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) to our work. We also very highly appreciate your expression of confidence in our institution and I assure you that we will continue to put forth every effort possible that we might continue to merit your confidence by having our institution prove its efficiency in the development of the race.

You will no doubt be interested to know that two hundred dollars (\$200.00) of the amount that we raised was given by our teachers and students, the institution being divided into several clubs. The Cottage Club raised \$37.40, the largest amount raised by any of the clubs. Our teachers and students are always ready and willing to do whatever they can for the advancement of the institution.

Trusting to have the pleasure of a visit from you whenever it is convenient, I am,

Very truly yours,

Wm. R. Carter

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\$ 1,000 Eatonville, Fla. Nov. 14, 1912.

No. _____

Robt. Hungerford Normal and Industrial School

Received One thousand Dollars

From Mr. Julius Rosenwald.

For Robt. Hungerford Normal and Industrial School.

Mrs. K. C. Calhoun

Ass't Treasurer.

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No. 3583

Snow Hill, Ala., Nov. 16 1912

The Snow Hill Normal and Industrial Institute

Gratefully Acknowledges

RECEIPT of Four thousand ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars

From Mr. Julius Rosenwald

Donation for Special Improvements.

Henry A. Barnes Treasurer

November 19, 1912.

Dear Dr. Washington:-

Referring to the letter which you wrote to Mr. Rosenwald under date of November 11th, we have reduced the amounts recommended for the Canfield Normal and the North Louisiana Agricultural from \$1000 each to \$500 each.

The \$400 which you recommend in the above mentioned letter for the Arkansas Baptist College was recommended for payment by you in the letter you wrote to Mr. Rosenwald under date of Nov. 5th, and same was paid on Nov. 11th.

Are we to understand that the recommendation of \$300 to the St. Paul Normal and Industrial School (in your letter of Nov. 11th) is a recommendation for payment of that sum now? The amount has not been paid and we have had no previous information regarding this school. Please, at your convenience, clear the matter in our minds, and such action as you recommend will be taken. With kind regards, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

WCC-L

Dr. B. T. Washington,
Tuskegee Institute,
Alabama.

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St. Paul Normal and Industrial School,

Lawrenceville, Virginia.

December 20th, 1912.

Dr. Booker T. Washington,
Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

My dear Dr. Washington:-

Just ninety days ago I wrote thanking you very much for your kindness in bringing to Mr. Julius Rosenwald's attention St. Paul's application for a portion of the liberal sum which he had, on your solicitation, offered to a number of colored schools on condition that they raised an equal amount.

Now, that I have raised the \$300.00 to meet Mr. Rosenwald's condition I want to explain my reason for the delay in bringing this matter to your attention.

At the ~~same~~ time when I appealed to you for a portion of Mr. Rosenwald's gift I had already undertaken the task to raise a sufficient amount to extinguish St. Paul's School debt, which, at the beginning of the present fiscal year, July 1st, amounted to nearly \$38,000.00. In addition to this debt, it was necessary that I should raise, at the same time, the current expenses amounting to about \$4,000.00 per month.

I undertook this task the last week in July, and I am pleased to inform you that I have secured gifts and bona fide pledges aggregating \$34,476.25 for the Debt, apart from keeping pretty well up with the current expenses. This, not including Mr. Rosenwald's gift, puts the school within \$3,000 of the cherished goal. I am hopeful of securing every dollar of this sum before the end of the present month. The school will then be in position, I trust, to pay as it goes. I have longed to see this day in the life of St. Paul's School. But you may recall that had there been no debt there would have been no St. Paul

Dr. Washington, # 2.

School. For the day the School was founded, July 2nd, 1888, I made myself responsible for the purchase of \$1000 worth of property. I had nothing but faith with which to start - not a dollar in hand nor as much as a dime pledged.

During these 24½ years the School has had under its training, from time to time, over 3000 girls and boys - and graduated about 700 from its Academic and Trades Departments. It has also acquired valuable property now estimated at about \$250,000. I am sending to you under separate cover a copy of our most recent bulletin, entitled "Small Beginnings". I hope you may find the time to glance over it and see just what St. Paul's has accomplished during its existence of a little over 24 years.

Lastly, my dear Dr. Washington, I should tell you that it has been my ambition to report to you, not later than Christmas, the completion of both of these funds. More than two hundred persons have contributed to our fund for the debt, apart from those who have contributed to the current expenses of the School.

The following is a list of the persons who have donated and pledged to meet Mr. Rosenwald's offer of \$300: namely,

Mr. John L. Williams, Richmond, Va.	\$100.00
Mr. Chas. E. May, Lawrenceville, Va.	50.00
Mrs. Vaughan	25.00
Miss Henrietta Gardiner	5.00
Mr. Edwin R. Turner, Jr.	20.00
Mr. N. T. Purdy	1.00
Mr. Walter Turnbull	5.00
Mr. P. L. House	2.50
Capt. A. W. Harrison	5.00
Mr. H. D. Hall	2.50
Mr. J. E. Reuben	5.00
Mr. H. C. Green	5.00
Dr. C. L. Palmer	10.00
Dr. W. H. Lewis	29.00
Messrs Sledger & Barkley Co.	25.00
Mr. W. E. Elmore	5.00
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Dr. Washington, # 3.

I trust the explanation for my delay will be satisfactory to both yourself and Mr. Rosenwald.

With kind regards and many grateful thanks for your kindness,

Believe me ever

Very gratefully yours,

Principal.

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December 31, 1912.

Mr. Julius Rosenwald,
Harvard Street and Homan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Rosenwald:-

I hand you herewith a list of names submitted by

Rev. James S. Russell, Principal of the St. Paul Normal and Industrial School at Lawrenceville, Virginia.

Mr. Russell has been promised \$300 out of the special Rosenwald
Fund. *you can send check when convenient*

Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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