

# Scholarship Aid

similar letter to:

Mr. Buell Gallagher - Talledga  
Mr. Benjamin Mays - Morehouse  
Miss Florence Read - Spelman  
Dean A. A. Taylor - Fisk  
Dean C. H. Thompson - Howard

November 15, 1940

Dear Mr. Davis: The Fellowship Committee of the Julius Rosenwald Fund has been considering for some time a plan which would enable outstanding seniors in some of the Negro colleges to continue their education without interruption. We have decided to carry on an experiment in scholarship aid with a limited number of institutions, and I am enclosing a memorandum which describes what we have in mind. This type of award is by no means a permanent part of the Fund's program, and whether or not it will be continued depends on our ability to find some device for selecting exceptional persons at this early stage of their careers.

We should like to have you appoint someone at your college (probably the Dean) to be responsible for this experiment. He would, of course, be at liberty to use a committee, or to handle the selection strictly through informal consultation. If you are willing to have this plan tried at West Virginia State College this year, we shall be glad to include your institution in our list.

We believe that the success of the method we are trying this year will depend on the wise attention that some one individual is willing to give at each institution. Will you please let us know whom you appoint?

Very truly yours,

GMR:MLU

Mr. John W. Davis  
West Virginia State College  
Institute, West Virginia

