



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
BATON ROUGE

May 4, 1932.

Mr. S. L. Smith,
502 Cotton States Building,
Nashville, Tennessee.

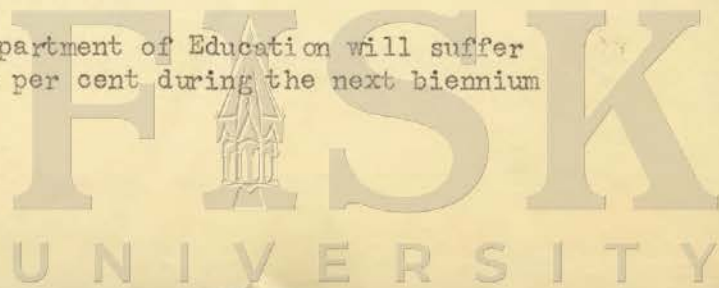
Dear Mr. Smith:

We realize that the Rosenwald Fund is feeling the sting of the depression and that it is the policy of the officials to reduce expenses and retrench in every way possible. In fact, this is the order in all well governed and administered institutions at this time, but your suggestion that the services of Professor J. S. Jones, who has been Rosenwald Building Agent in Louisiana from the very beginning of Mr. Rosenwald's school building activities in the South, be either discontinued or continued with his salary fully paid by the State or local authorities does not strike us with very great favor.

The course the officials have taken in discontinuing building agents since the Fund has withdrawn from the schedule program of building is natural and regular, but we in Louisiana have a very definite use we hope to make of Professor Jones during the next two years or so. We have about four hundred Rosenwald buildings and many others that could be classed as good and worth preserving. During the last year he has given a portion of his time to a program of repairs and renovation of schoolhouses and beautification of school grounds. He has organized the people in numerous communities and raised the necessary funds in many cases to build new steps, replace worn out parts, repaint school buildings, and induce the people themselves to build walks, plant shrubbery, and generally beautify the school grounds.

It seems to us that the work of preserving what we have in the way of decent school buildings is just about as important as to continue new building, and unless it is somebody's particular business to look after this important feature of negro school work the chances are that rapid deterioration of this property will result. We hope, therefore, that the Fund will find it possible to continue to contribute to the salary and expenses of Professor Jones.

The staff of the State Department of Education will suffer a reduction in salaries of about ten per cent during the next biennium





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and we will be glad to suggest that the ten per cent reduction in Jones's salary be taken from the contribution of the Rosenwald Fund. During the last several years the State has provided \$1,200 for his salary and traveling expenses and the Rosenwald Fund has provided \$1,080. His salary has been \$1,800 and his traveling expenses have been \$480, making a total budget of \$2,280. For the next year his salary should be \$1,620 and traveling expenses \$480, making a total budget of \$2,100, of which amount we hope the Rosenwald Fund can contribute \$900.

Please let us have your reaction to our proposition.

Yours very truly,

J. H. Gandy

State Superintendent of Education

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January 25, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed The Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1257 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of January, 1927.

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Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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February 25, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed The Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1881 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of February, 1927.

Sincerely yours,

Enc.

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.



March 24, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1905 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of March, 1927.

Sincerely yours,

Enc.

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana



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April 25, 1927

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1929 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of April, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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May 21, 1927.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

At the time the appropriation was made for Building Agents' salaries in 1927-28, it was decided that the Fund's contribution for each would be cut in half for 1928-29. The appropriation for Louisiana is not to exceed \$540.

This announcement is being made more than a year in advance in order that you may have ample time to arrange for the balance and keep the good work going.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. A. C. Lewis,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

May 23, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1952 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of May, 1927.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.



June 23, 1927

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 1979 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of June, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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July 25, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2009 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of July, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

August 25, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find inclosed the Julius
Rosenwald Fund check No. 2037 payable to the
Louisiana State Department of Education for
\$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses
of your Building Agent for the month of August,
1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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September 24, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find inclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2061 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of September, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Louisiana

October 25, 1927.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius
Rosenwald Fund check No. 2087 payable to the
Louisiana State Department of Education for
\$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and ex-
penses of your Building Agent for the month of
October, 1927.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

SLS/cs

November 26, 1927

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2114 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of November, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

December 20, 1927

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2137 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of December, 1927.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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January 25, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2160 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of January, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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February 25, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2188 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of February, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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STATE OF LOUISIANA
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March 17, 1928.

Building Agent

Mr. S. L. Smith,
Chamber of Commerce,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Replying to your letter of March 7 in which you make inquiry about our plan for financing the salary and traveling expenses of J. S. Jones, State Rosenwald Building Agent, for the next year and future years, I find it necessary to say that unless a large part of the salary and expenses of a State Rosenwald Building Agent is secured from outside agencies, we will be deprived of the services of J. S. Jones after July 1, 1928.

To be deprived of the services of Prof. Jones would mean that the administration of the funds and the program of the work in general in the State would be slowed up. Prof. Jones' special value to us is in the field of promotion and organization. He is an expert mixer and understands thoroughly how to meet and to work with people of all stations and under all circumstances. Many times I have sent him to communities that were divided on account of religion, location of school, or general factional differences, and invariably he succeeds in uniting the community on school projects.

I sincerely hope that the Fund will reconsider its former announcement to reduce the salary previously provided for Prof. Jones next year, and allow the salary of \$1,000 suggested in the budget which we are submitting to the Rosenwald Fund at this time.

Yours very truly,

ACL:S

A. Lewis
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March 26th, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2215 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of March, 1928.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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April 25, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2246 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$20.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of April, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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May 3rd, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

At the time we announced the appropriation of half the salary of your Rosenwald Building Agent last Spring it was stated that the Fund expected to cut this amount in half for the year 1928-29. But on learning that the states have not had opportunity to arrange for the additional expenditure in this item the Trustees of the Fund have made an appropriation of \$1,080 to pay not more than one-half the salary and expenses of the building agent.

As the Fund has been giving aid on this item for several years, it would seem a wise policy in philanthropy to withdraw aid just as soon as your state can take over the entire amount. I shall appreciate having an expression from you and Mr. Lewis as to when this can be done.

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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May 25th, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2275 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of May, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana



June 25, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2309 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of June, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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July 24, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2348 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$83.33 to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of July, 1928.

Sincerely yours,

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Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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August 3, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find attached Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2348 to the order of Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, one-half salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of July. We are glad to make this the same as last year's salary.

Sincerely yours,

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Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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August 25, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2385 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of August, 1928.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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September 24, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2424 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, to cover one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of September, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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October 25, 1928m

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2478 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of October, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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November 24, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2548 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of November, 1928.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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December 20, 1928

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2621 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of the Fund's one-half on the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of December, 1928.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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January 25, 1929

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2742 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of the Fund's one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of January, 1929.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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February 23, 1929

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Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 2830 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of February, 1929.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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March 23, 1929

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Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find inclosed the Fund's check number 2906 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the salary and expense of your Building Agent for the month of March, 1929.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris
State Department of Education
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

cc to Mr. A. C. Lewis

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April 24, 1929.

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find attached the Fund's
check No. 2989 payable to the Louisiana
State Department of Education for \$90.00,
in payment of one-half the salary and exp-
enses of your Building Agent for the month
of April, 1929.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. W. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc to A. C. Lewis.

May 24, 1929

Dear Supt. Harris:

You will find enclosed the Julius Rosenwald Fund check No. 3037 payable to the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the month of May, 1929.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

cc to Mr. A. C. Lewis

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Building Agent

June 20, 1929

Jo

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
 Julius Rosenwald Fund check
No. 3081 payable to the Louisiana State Department
of Education for \$90.00, in payment of one-half the
salary and expenses of your Building Agent for the
month of June, 1929.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

cc to Mr. A. G. Lewis

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August 26, 1929

Dear Mr. Harris: You will find attached the
 Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3171 payable to the Louisiana State Department
of Education for \$90, in payment of one-half the
salary and expenses of your Building Agent for
the month of August, 1929.

Sincerely,

SLS/me

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc to Mr. A. C. Lewis.

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September 24, 1929

Dear Mr. Harris: You will find enclosed
 the Julius Rosenwald
Fund check #3212, payable to the Louisiana
State Department of Education for \$90, in
payment of one-half the salary and expenses
of your Building Agent for the month of
September, 1929.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

cc to Mr. A. C. Lewis

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October 25, 1929

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
\$3269 payable to the Louisiana State Department
of Education for \$90, in payment of one-half the
salary and expenses of your Building Agent for
the month of October, 1929.

Sincerely,

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Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND

Nashville, Tenn.

November 25, 1929

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3366 payable to the Louisiana State Department
of Education for \$90 in payment of one-half the
salary and expenses of your Building Agent for
the month of November, 1929.

Sincerely,

SLS/mc

Supt. T. H. Harris,
State Department of Education,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc to Mr. A. C. Lewis.

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December 21, 1929

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3441, payable to the Louisiana State Department
of Education for \$90, in payment of one-half the
salary and expenses of your building agent for
the month of December, 1929.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis



January 28, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached
the Julius Rosenwald
Fund check #3585, payable to the Louisiana
State Department of Education, for \$90, to
cover one-half the salary and expenses of
your building agent for the month of January
1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis

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February 26, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3627 to the order of the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$90, in payment of the Fund's one-half on the salary and expenses of your building agent for the month of February, 1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Mr. A. C. Lewis

BC:mn

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February 26, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#5637 to the order of the Louisiana State Department of Education for \$30, in payment of the Fund's one-third on elementary libraries for applications numbers 2 and 3, on file in your department.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis

BC:mn

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March 25, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached
the Julius Rosenwald
Fund check #3709, payable to the Louisiana
State Department of Education for \$50, to
cover one-half the salary and expenses of
your building agent for the month of March,
1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis

SLS:mm

April 25, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3315, to the order of the Louisiana State De-
partment of Education, for \$90, in payment of
one-half the salary and expenses of your build-
ing agent for the month of April, 1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A . C. Lewis

BC:mn

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May 24, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#3904, to the order of the Louisiana State Department of Education, for \$80, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your building agent for the month of May, 1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis

BC:mm

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June 25, 1930

Dear Supt. Harris: You will find attached the
Julius Rosenwald Fund check
#4015, to the order of the Louisiana State Department of Education, for \$80, in payment of one-half the salary and expenses of your building agent for the month of June, 1930.

Sincerely,

Supt. T. H. Harris,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

cc: Mr. A. C. Lewis

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Bldg agt

May 7, 1932

Dear Mr. Harris: I appreciate your frank letter of May 8 regarding the Rosenwald Building Agent and shall file this along with the statements of the other superintendents. While I cannot hold out any hope at the moment of our continuing the aid next year even on the 10% reduction as suggested in your letter I assure you that we are genuinely interested in seeing the work go on. I will write you more definitely about this after the meeting of the Board of Trustees the middle of this month. In view of the withdrawal from the schoolhouse construction program and programs in other fields of work the Fund is reducing its own staff. I hope that you can in some way carry the work of Professor Jones on even without aid because it is so important that the public schools which the Fund has assisted in building be preserved for as long use as possible.

Assuring you that we appreciate this fine letter and your suggestions, I am

Sincerely yours,

SLS:mc

Supt. T. H. Harris
State Department of Education
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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