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April 29, 1920.

Mr. Alfred B. Xuma,
Department of Agriculture,
University of Minnesota,
University Farm,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

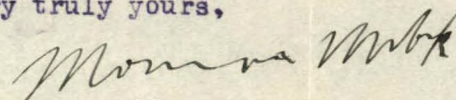
My Dear Xuma:-

Your letter received. I am pleased to know of your success and that you are to receive your B.S. degree in June. The conditions in Africa as they relate to the needs of the natives has not changed greatly since you were here. If you have available a copy of the Negro Year Book for 1916-1917 the statement there of conditions in Africa is fairly correct.

Under another cover I am sending you a copy of the new edition of the Negro Year Book which will give you information as to conditions. The situation in Africa may be summed up in about the following manner; the race problem in south Africa has not changed; there is a general awakening of the natives throughout the continent; the South African Native National Congress is extending its influence northward and is increasing in numbers and in influence. The problems which are especially concerning the natives of South Africa just now are the Land Act of 1913; pass Laws; taxation; adequate schools; housing in the cities; and the labor problem as it relates to the preventing of natives becoming members of Trades Unions and the employing of natives only in the rough work or as helpers in the skilled trades. It is reported that the capitalists are asking for the removing of the color bar in work shops so that the skilled natives may have opportunity to do the work which they ~~are~~ ^{are} capable of doing.

The French, British, and Belgian Governments are, I understand, instituting programs for the improvement and developing of the natives. The basis of these programs, I infer, are largely economic exploitation.

Very truly yours,



Monroe N. Work,
Editor Negro Year Book.

Personal - Professional Educator

A reduction of one and one-third fare for the round trip on the "Certificate Plan" will apply for members (also dependent members of their families) attending the meeting of the Lake Geneva Student Y M C A Conference to be held at Williams Bay, Wisconsin. The arrangement will include all stations in the Western and Central Passenger Associations. The reduction will apply from points in Iowa, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Ohio. Certificates will be honored showing the purchase of tickets to Williams Bay, Lake Geneva, Walworth, Fontana, and Springfield.

DATES OF SALE : June 7-12, inclusive
RETURN LIMIT : June 24, 1920

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1. Tickets at the normal one-way tariff fare for the going journey may be bought on any of the following dates (but not on any other date):

June 7 - 12, inclusive

2. Be sure when purchasing your going ticket to ask the ticket agent for a certificate. Do not make the mistake of asking for a receipt. If, however, it is impossible to get a certificate from the local ticket agent, a receipt will be satisfactory and should be secured when ticket is purchased. See that the ticket reads to the point where the conference is to be held and no other. See that your certificate is stamped with the same date as your ticket. Sign your name to the certificate or receipt in ink. Show this to the ticket agent.

3. Call at the railroad station for ticket and certificate at least thirty (30) minutes before departure of train.

4. Certificates are not kept at all stations. Ask your home station whether you can procure certificates and through tickets to the place of meeting. If not, buy a local ticket to nearest point where a certificate and through ticket to place of meeting can be bought.

5. Immediately on your arrival at the meeting, present your certificate at the registration desk, as the reduced fare for the return journey will not apply unless you are properly identified as provided for by the certificate.

6. No refund of fare will be made on account of failure to either obtain a proper certificate, or on account of failure to have the certificate validated.

7. A special railroad agent will be in attendance on the conference grounds to validate your certificate and sell return trip ticket. This validation will entitle you to a return ticket via the same route as the going journey at one-third of the normal one-way tariff fare from place of meeting to point at which your certificate was issued up to and including June 24th, 1920.

8. Return tickets issued at the reduced fare will not be good on any limited train on which such reduced fare transportation is not honored.

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DATE OF ... : June 1-12, 1930
... : June 24, 1930

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General Information

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5. No refund of fare will be made on account of failure to either obtain a proper certificate, or on account of failure to have the certificate validated.

6. A special railroad agent will be in attendance on the conference grounds to validate your certificate and help return your ticket. This agent will advise you to a return ticket via the same route as the original journey at one-third of the normal one-way tariff from the place of meeting to point at which your certificate was issued up to the meeting time 24th, 1930.

7. Return tickets issued at the reduced fare will not be valid on any limited train on which such reduced fare transportation is not allowed.

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June 4, 1920

The International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations

347 Madison Avenue, New York.

STUDENT DEPARTMENT

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JUN 4 1920

My dear Friend:

Enclosed herewith is receipt for \$7.50, which you sent in as advance payment on your board and lodging during the Lake Geneva Student Conference. We are most happy to welcome you and trust that the Conference will exceed your expectations.

We are also enclosing information regarding the reduced railroad rates, of which you will, of course, want to take advantage. Please read the instructions carefully in order that there may be no misunderstanding in this matter.

I trust that you have read thoroughly the little green folder containing Special Information for Foreign Delegates, and have noted carefully the necessity of sending us word if you are unable to attend. We are going to be crowded this year and therefore cannot hold beds for anyone later than Saturday night, June 12th. On account of the large enrollment it will be impossible for us to provide accommodations for part time delegates. Furthermore, experience has indicated very clearly that part time delegates do not receive the proportionate benefit of the conference as those who attend for full time.

Mr. Elmer Yelton of Cincinnati, formerly of China and a representative of the Friendly Relations Committee, will be with us at Lake Geneva as executive secretary of the Foreign Students' Conference. May I suggest that upon arriving you plan to get in touch with him at once so that he may plan with you for your largest possible benefit from the conference.

Looking forward to seeing you at Lake Geneva, I am,

Loyally yours,

A. J. Elliott

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Sept. 13, 1920

Personal - Professional Education

Mr. A. B. Xuma,
255 Rondo St.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Xuma:

I was very much pleased to receive your letter of September 9th, to know that my introductions had proved of some value to you in securing work during the summer and that you have other connections now that are even more satisfactory. I hope everything will work together happily to make possible a thoroly satisfactory year in the University for you. I shall hope to see you from time to time and will be glad to be of any assistance possible whenever it may be needed.

Sincerely yours,

S. Wirt Wiley

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November 1, 1920.

Dear Friend:

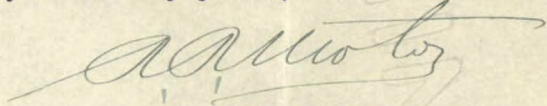
Again I am calling to your attention the fact that Tuskegee is being called upon more and more for its graduates and former students to fill the positions which demand efficient and conscientious young men and women.

We have recommended and placed all of those who have kept constantly in touch with us but there are still more positions than there are persons to fill them. I am therefore sending you this letter in an effort to get in touch with those who are without positions or wish to make a change, or know some other graduates or former students who desire either.

Please return this letter to us, giving below your name, address, present position and the kind of position you desire to secure. If you know of other graduates or former students who wish to secure new positions kindly send their names and addresses also.

I do wish to impress upon you the importance of keeping your address always before me, and trust that I shall hear from you in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,



Principal.

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Dear Friend:

I always look forward with a great deal of interest and pleasure to my annual letter to you because I am anxious that you know at first hand the work of the school and its progress from year to year. This year I am especially pleased to greet you because I feel that I have more than ordinary progress to relate.

One of my special efforts is to keep in touch with those who have graduated and those who have spent enough time in school to acquire the Tuskegee Spirit. These efforts are being realized in the gratifying reports which Mr. Palmer is bringing back from his visits to the homes and businesses of the graduates and former students in every part of the country. Everywhere he goes he is received with great pleasure and through him Tuskegee is still touching and inspiring those who have gone out from the school, with words of cheer and helpful suggestions from their Alma Mater.

The opening of school this year was a most inspiring and promising one. With over two hundred workers present and eighteen hundred students registered and ready to begin their class and shop work, we may well call this one of the greatest openings in the history of the Institution.

Continuing Dr. Washington's idea of turning out young men and women of character able to put intelligent effort into whatever job they may have to do, the Academic course of study has been revised and advanced a year; that is, the present C Preparatory Class corresponds to the former B Preparatory Class and the Junior Class, now called the first year Normal, to the former B Middle Class and so on through the course. The courses which are already being taught have been extended and enriched. Among the new subjects added to the regular course are: solid geometry, trigonometry, French, Spanish, and sociology. Special graduate courses are also under preparation.

We are offering as a new feature a definitely organized and well equipped two year business course, in which in addition to bookkeeping, commercial law, business arithmetic and business forms, typewriting and shorthand are given.

Through the Smith-Hughes vocational training course, trade students intending to teach their trades are permitted to carry on a well planned teacher training course parallel with their shop work. After having completed the course in teacher-training, they are given by the State a vocational teacher training certificate. Not only have we this arrangement in our trade school but also in the Agricultural Department and the Girls' Industries.

We have succeeded in adding to our staff of workers, Mr. B. F. Hubert to become Director of our Agricultural Department. Mr. Hubert comes to us highly recommended and we have every reason to believe that he is going to be successful in making the Department one of the best and most thorough in the South.

I know that you are anxious to hear about our new boys' trades buildings. I am pleased to say that they are nearly completed. As I explained in my last letter to you, we have a group of five buildings instead of one, as before. They are temporarily designated as buildings A, B, C, D and E. Building A has in it the offices of the Mechanical Director, the book-keeping office, the photographic division, the architectural and mechanical drawing room and the assembly room. Building B has in it the tailor shop, the shoe shop, the printing, electrical and tinsmithing divisions. Building C houses the carpenter shop, wood turning machinery and repair shop while building E has the blacksmith shop, wheelwrighting, harness making, carriage trimming and painting divisions. Building D which is the last to be erected will have in it the machine shop, auto mechanics, plumbing, masonry and foundry divisions.

Doubtless you will remember that because of the war program it was necessary to suspend building operations on the new Horse Barn which is located near the Agricultural Building. This work has been resumed and is progressing splendidly. A new girls dormitory is also being erected. This building is located just around the curve from the old Horse Barn and directly facing Dr. Kenney's residence.

The War Department has honored Tuskegee by designating Lieut. Colonel B. O. Davis, 9th Cavalry, to have charge of the R. O. T. C. Division of our Military Department. Colonel Davis as you know is the highest ranking colored officer in active service. His coming assures an even more successful year for our R. O. T. C. than we had last year. I know that you will be pleased to learn that twenty-two of our R. O. T. C. boys attended the army camp at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Michigan, and in competition with 1600 other students from various other prominent schools of the North and West, including such Institutions as Culver Military Academy and the University of Illinois, were awarded the Argonne Cup, a silver trophy for making the best showing in physical excellence. The winning of this cup is something of which we all may be justly proud.

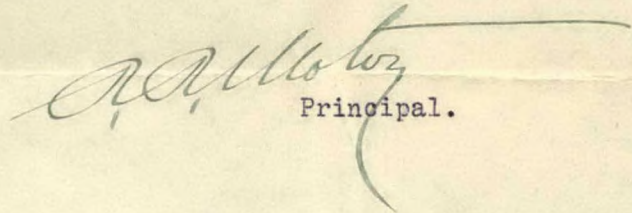
We plan in connection with our Founder's Day Exercises, to unveil the Washington Memorial Monument. The Institute is anxious to have a large

representation of the Alumni present to witness this unveiling and to participate in the other exercises of the day. In this connection, I would suggest that as a part of the exercises commemorative of the birthday of the Founder of Tuskegee Institute, which as you know is April 5th, you actively assist in the observance of our next National Negro Health Week, which is to be held April 3rd to 9th.

Last commencement we were very glad to have with us a large number of our Alumni and a very successful reunion of the class of 1910. During the coming commencement week I hope to have an even greater number of the graduates present and for the class of 1911 an even larger reunion. Nothing would please me more than to have every graduate present. I wish very much that each graduate and former student could in some way arrange to visit the school once every year. However, we are always glad to have you whenever you can come.

With my very best wishes for your success, I am,

Very sincerely yours,


Principal.

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OFFICIAL ORGAN—THE STUDENT WORLD

Youth matters

December 1, 1920.

My dear Mr. Xuma:

Dr. Mott has asked me to acknowledge in his behalf your letter of November 25th accompanied by remittance of \$1.00 for four years' subscription to "The student world."

Your interest in the world-wide Student Movement is most gratifying, and what you say of yourself and your preparation for a life of helpful service in your native land of Cape Colony is deeping interesting.

Yours very sincerely,

Henry H. King

Secretary to Dr. Mott.

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