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From Charles William Anderson

[New York City] Sunday May 30/09

Dear Doctor: I "wired" you this morning about the enclosed, which was clipped from the "Sun" of this A.M.

I am doing all I can to discredit this affair. I think I have succeeded in defeating the dinner project to Du Bois, by asking all of my friends and yours not to subscribe to it. They will either have to drop it, or give him a small private dinner.

I feel confident that a big public testimonial, such as was planned, cannot be pulled off.

Dr. Elbert<sup>1</sup> of Wilmington who is a candidate for the city Council, wants me to run over & speak for him next Thursday night. Am undecided. What sort of a man is he?

When will you be here? "Post" printed your Rogers article Saturday evening. Hastily,

Anderson

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<sup>1</sup> Samuel George Elbert, an 1891 graduate of Howard University Medical School, practiced medicine in Wilmington, Del., where he ran for the city council on the Republican ticket in 1909. He lost the election, however, in a Democratic sweep of the city.

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New York, May 31st—1909

Du Bois, Waldron, Walters, Sinclair, Max Barber, Wibecan, Dr Mossell[,] Bulkley, Milholland[,] Ida Wells, and entire cosmopolitan dinner crowd in Secret conference to-day. Public meeting to-night have had newspapers cover it another secret session tomorrow. Think Villard is with them.

Chas. W. Anderson

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