

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

Seth Low to Andrew Carnegie

[New York City] January 29th, 1910

Dear Mr. Carnegie; You will remember that I spoke to you about the fund of a thousand dollars that I am raising to enable Booker Washington to take a vacation next summer. I am happy to say that he is making his plans to be absent from the middle of August to the first of October, so that I am now getting the money together which I promised him. I have myself given \$100., and have secured a like amount from four other gentlemen. I am hoping from what you said to me that you will be glad to send me \$500. to make up the full sum that is needed.

I gave your message to the President the other day, and he was glad to know that you approved of his position in regard to the regulation of interstate commerce and Federal incorporation.

With kind regards, Yours sincerely,

[Seth Low]

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From Charles Banks

Mound Bayou, Miss. 2/1/10

Dear Mr. Washington: Touching the displacement of Negro office holders in this State, I am writing to advise that it has just been brought to my attention that the National Committeeman for this State and the Post Master General's referee¹ has recommended a white man and Democrat to take the place of Thos. I. Keys, a Negro post master at Ocean Springs, Jackson County, Mississippi. Mr. Keys has served under every Republican President since Harrison, and now, at this late day, it seems advisable to the "Gods" to turn him out for a white man and democrat. While the recommendation has been made, the appointment has not yet been made, and it may be that some speedy work can save him. I will write you later giving the information you asked for, touching the number of offices lost by our people in Mississippi since this administration be-