

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

¹⁷ Edgar Addison Bancroft (1857-1925), a prominent Chicago corporation lawyer, was general counsel of the International Harvester Co. from 1907 to 1920.

¹⁸ Alexander Mann (1860-1948) was rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Boston from 1905 to 1923.

¹⁹ Arthur Luther Humphrey (1860-1939) became vice-president of Westinghouse Air Brake Co. in 1910 and president in 1919.

²⁰ Walter Victor Turner (1866-1919) was an English-born engineer and inventor.

²¹ Jailous Perdue became a member of the department of mechanical industries at Tuskegee Institute in 1910-11.

²² The trustee Belton Gilreath possibly supplied the information in the preceding paragraph.

²³ Herman Carey Bumpus (1862-1943), a biologist and authority on museums, was president of Tufts College from 1914 to 1919.

²⁴ The amount is left blank here and in two other places in this draft. The financial statement in the printed version of the principal's report differs from the draft version in omitting reference to any funds received after May 31.

To Alfred Tredway White¹

[Tuskegee, Ala.] June 1, 1915

My dear Mr. White: I am replying to yours of May 25th regarding the Association of Negro Industrial and Secondary Schools. This is for your personal information.

I have known about this organization from its beginning.

In the first place, I think it very unfortunate that good earnest and sympathetic men like Mr. Kelsey and Mr. Villard do not take pains to get information concerning conditions through people who are actually at work in the South and who have had experience in the South among colored schools.

Three years ago, Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes, the Secretary of Yale University, asked Dr. Frissell how in our opinion some of the interests of the Phelps-Stokes Fund could be used in helping out conditions in the South and we advised, among other things, that the Trustees devote a part of their money to an examination of all the schools in the South, with a view of classifying them and getting accurate information regarding them. Mr. Stokes and the Trustees followed our advice and the result is that during the last two years a corps of investigators, under Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, have been at work at an expense of