

Social Science Research Council  
New York

I am glad to endorse Dr. Petrallo's project which is an original and useful one. I can say without qualification that he is excellently fitted by previous experience and training to undertake it and I believe he will accomplish his objectives and produce a study of decided value.

August 3, 1934.

I want to thank you very much for assisting Dr. Petrucco and me yesterday. It was a great satisfaction to be able to see Mr. Hershey personally and to explain our plan to him. While naturally he is concerned in a great many other affairs he did seem to take an interest in the project.

We felt that perhaps you might care to have an outline of the undertaking so that if he talks the matter over with you, you would be familiar with the proposition. I am therefore enclosing a copy of our program.

With our thanks again, please believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Horace H. F. Jayne  
Director

August 6, 1934.

Dear Mr. Pannill,

I haven't sent you sooner the outline of our South American Expedition because we had a possible prospect for support which we had to work upon pretty actively.

But I am now happy to enclose it. It is brief, and yet covers all the important elements of our program. We have had to increase the total needed for the entire project since the medical division estimates were revised upwards by Dr. DeRivas. We have also found it not unwise to aim high.

If after reading this and possibly speaking of it to some others in the Company you feel that there is any possibility of support - in whole or in part - I should of course be only too ready to come to see you and talk the situation over. We very much appreciate your interest and kindness in permitting us to consult with you.

Yours sincerely,

Horace H. F. Jayne  
Director

Mr. U. Carter Pannill  
Standard Oil Company of New Jersey  
Radio City  
New York, N.Y.

August 8, 1934.

Dear Professor Schiedt,

Both Mr. Jayne and I are truly appreciative of your help in putting our South American project before Mr. Hershey. We have sent Mr. Snyder a copy of the prospectus which you will find enclosed. I hope that you may find the opportunity of presenting our case to Mr. Hershey personally.

I am looking forward to calling on you again for a chat on the many matters that are of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,

Professor R. C. Schiedt  
1043 Wheatland Avenue  
Lancaster, Pa.

THE MARINE TRUST COMPANY OF BUFFALO  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF  
Gen. F. Rand  
PRESIDENT

August 9, 1934

Mr. Horace H. F. Jayne, Director  
The University Museum,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

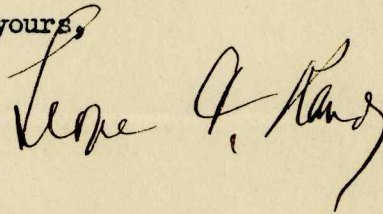
Dear Mr. Jayne:

I wish that it were possible for me to put you in touch with the proper people who would finance a South American expedition.

I am, however, turning your letter over to Mr. Alex F. Osborn who is a partner of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, and who might be able to suggest some company who would be interested in financing an expedition of this kind. Mr. Osborn is the advertising counsel for the Standard Oil Company of New York, among others, and he might possibly be able to make some worthwhile suggestions.

If any other thoughts occur to me, I shall be glad to pass them on to you.

Sincerely yours,



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August 27, 1934

Mr. Horace H. F. Jayne, Director  
The University Museum,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Jayne:

Mr. Rand turned over to me yours of August 6th, and the delay in writing you has been due to my futile attempts to think up some feasible suggestion that might be of help.

The difficulty has been that from what I know of the oil companies, they would probably be too remote as prospects to justify your time.

A reading of your prospectus made me believe that the logical sponsor would be some eleemosynary institution, such as the Rockefeller Foundation. On the other hand, you undoubtedly know so much about that, and other similar possibilities, that you have probably already explored all along that line.

The only constructive suggestion I have been able to think of is a possible tie-up with some publication, or publications, for the exclusive stories that might be forthcoming from your expedition. Naturally, the National Geographic would be the logical one there, but you have undoubtedly explored along that line too. Perhaps, however, you have not tried out to see whether any publication that deals with things more popularly might be interested. For example, would the Curtis publications be interested in a series of exclusive articles, together with the newspaper syndicate features that might be collateral?

Perhaps some Philadelphia newspaper, or the Hearst publications, or Scripps-Howard, might see in this a chance for journalistic enterprise that would be worth the cost. I don't know. I am merely hazarding a wild suggestion.

The other possibility that you perhaps have not explored

Mr. Horace H.F. Jayne

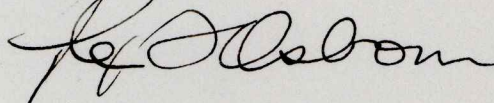
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is in the moving picture field. In view of the success of the Frank Buck pictures, and the thirst there is for something new and real, some producer might possibly think it good business to furnish the facts you need.

I am sorry I cannot be more definitely helpful.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. F. Osborn". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Sincerely yours,".

AFO:K

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January 3, 1935

Dr. Vencent Petruzzo,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Dr. Petruzzo:

The Division, with the help of its Committee on State Archaeological Surveys, has for some years kept a rather careful directory, on cards, of the American anthropologists and interested amateurs. These cards have been divided into four groups:

- I. Those receiving salaries as anthropologists, listed as staff members of organizations, or holding fellowships.
- II. Those holding at least one higher degree in Anthropology or working for a degree, but not now employed.
- III. Those holding at least one degree in Anthropology but employed in other fields.
- IV. Those active in other professions or disciplines, but interested in anthropology as an avocation.

The possibility has been frequently discussed of putting this card file into more available form, by mimeographing or printing; but this has offered difficulties and nothing has been done. At the last annual meeting, the matter was left to the Chairman. Dr. Sapir has decided, after talking with other anthropologists, that a much more useful thing would be the collection of an international list of professional anthropologists (probably including those in Class I only of our present American list, and a like foreign group), and the duplicating of this list in some way to be decided later. He would very much like to have your frank and detailed opinion of this plan, in general; and your answers to the following specific questions.

1. Should the work of collection be done immediately, leaving the matter of duplication and distribution until later?
2. Should groups II, III and IV of our American directory be included in the final publication, perhaps as an appendix?

3. Do you have any suggestions as to collection of entries, to avoid omissions? We have thought of the following; list from Smithsonian International Exchange, list from the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature, checked list from the various Who's Whos, list of Section H of the A.A.A.S., list of physical anthropologists from Dr. Hrdlicka, list from consultation with Mr. Stephen Duggan of the International Educational Association, and returns from a slip to be inserted in the American Anthropologist.

4. Does the following seem a satisfactory plan for entries: Name; year of birth; degrees; general field of interest (physical anthropology, archaeology, etc.); specific fields (for instance, African ethnology, Australian head measurements, etc.); list of publications; official titles; mailing address. Should there be additions to, or omissions from these items?

We will appreciate very much your prompt response to this request for assistance, so that we may take up the actual work of collecting material as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

*Marion Hale Britten*

Secretary, Division of  
Anthropology and Psychology

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January 3, 1935

Mrs. G. B. Harrington  
3913 Woodland Avenue  
Philadelphia

My dear Mrs. Harrington:

In accordance with my conversation some time ago, I am enclosing check to the order of the University Museum in the sum of \$200 on account of the proposed work of the Museum in South America. This contribution is made by Mrs. William J. McCahan, Jr. It is not necessary for the Museum to acknowledge this check but if it should be so preferred Mrs. McCahan's address is in care of this office.

Very truly yours,

*William C. Alexander*

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200 large envelopes

200 library cards

Latin-American  
Institute

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1 typewriting carbon paper  
8 paper puncher

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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

January 7, 1935.

*Answered - accepted  
Jan. 10*

Dr. Vincent Petruzzo  
University Museum  
34th below Spruce Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Petruzzo:

I sent Mr. Mascolo to you as an emissary to sound you on the proposition of talking to our present graduating class. He reports that you received the matter favorably and it gives me a great deal of pleasure to get that response.

Will you please take this letter as a formal invitation to honor us with your presence on January 30 at 1:30 o'clock to be the speaker for our closing exercises?

While I do not desire to bind you to any particular subject, I shall be glad to have you convey to the graduating class and their parents and friends that education is a valuable acquisition. Moreover, if you can convey the idea that financial success is not the only pleasurable outcome of education, you will be conferring a boon on them.

Thanking you again for your acceptance, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*John O'Byrne*  
Principal.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PHILADELPHIA

THE COLLEGE

January 9, 1935.

History

Dr. Vincenzo Petruzzo,  
University Museum.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request for names of people interested in receiving your publication dealing with Latin American history, I wish to submit the names of my graduate students in my course on Latin America.

Mr. Lewis J. Darter, 208 College Hall,  
University of Pennsylvania  
Miss Dorothy A. Dedrick, 518 Blythe Ave.,  
Drexel Hill, Pa.  
Mr. Benjamin Durkee, Graduate Dorm. University  
of Pennsylvania  
Mr. Adolph P. Gratiot, 3905 Spruce Street,  
Phila., Pa.  
Mr. Victor L. Johnson, 208 College Hall,  
University of Pennsylvania  
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N.J.  
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University of Pennsylvania  
Mrs. Vivian Wheat, Apt. A, 132 S. 46th St., Phila., Pa.  
Mr. Frederic W. Yocum, 538 Walnut Lane, Swarthmore, Pa.

Sincerely yours,

*Roy F. Nichols*  
R. F. Nichols

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Dr. Vincenzo Petrullo,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
The University Museum,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Petrullo:

Dr. Miller has told me of your acceptance of the invitation to join the Board of Directors of the International Institute. May I add to his my pleasure and appreciation of the receipt of your acceptance.

I shall look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Cordially yours,

*Evelyn W. Hersey*

Evelyn W. Hersey  
Executive Secretary

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The Catholic University of America

Washington, D. C.

CALDWELL HALL

January 17, 1935

Dr. Vincenzo Petruccio  
The University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Petruccio:

I have just received your note of the 15th. Regarding the proposed Introduction to South American Ethnology, the project looks excellent and should meet a very real need. We have nothing in English that really does meet such a need. Church's is far from satisfactory and Krickeberg's being in German is not easy reading for many and besides leaves much to be desired. Personally I do not see that this project would conflict at all with the larger Handbook project. It is just barely possible, however, that some of our confreres may feel differently. Possibly a little sounding out more widely might help to smooth the way. Just how the \$1000 could be gotten for Kirchoff is a little more knotty. I do fear here that if request is made of any of the funds to which the request for the larger Handbook have been or will be made, there may be a good deal of criticism on the part of the anthropological group and some confusion on the part of the foundations.

The general plan of the work seems excellent. I certainly wish you best luck in it. If I can be of any help it will be a pleasure to lend it within the limits of my very limited grasp of the whole continental problem.

I trust that your health is improving.

Cordially,

*John W. Cooper*

THE UNIVERSITY MUSEUM  
UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA  
PHILADELPHIA

January 15, 1935

Dr. John M. Cooper  
Catholic University  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Cooper:

I have had occasion to give a course on South America several times here at the University. Out of this work grew the feeling that a brief publication of "An Introduction to South American Ethnology" would be an extremely useful book for both student and instructor. I believe I have already told you that I have been compiling material for such a book. However, my field work, illness, and other duties have interfered with its progress.

At the present time there is with us Dr. Paul Kirchoff who is unattached and free to undertake any piece of work for at least a few months. It has occurred to me that if I could prevail upon him to work conjointly with me on this introduction, the work would be brought to a completion very soon, say in six months, it would be done better in every respect. I feel that he is an infinitely better scholar than I am, and would bring to the field an approach different than mine. My experience both in teaching and in the field, as well as some scholarship in the Latin Languages Sources, would constitute my contributions.

There are two points that interfere with the immediate development of this plan. First, in view of the fact that something in the very near future will be done about the <sup>new</sup> notebook, I am wondering as to whether this little project of mine need be carried out to completion <sup>any</sup> longer. Personally I feel that it would in no way interfere with the <sup>new</sup> notebook project since it is of an entirely different sort. Secondly, Dr. Kirchoff must be offered some financial remuneration in order to stay here. I would like to have your advice on both points.

I have discussed the matter with Jayne. He is willing to let me continue the work under museum auspices as before and will also give Dr. Kirchoff museum facilities. However, he cannot offer any salary to him; therefore, funds must be found elsewhere. I would suggest about \$1000. <sup>The</sup> publication of this little book might be taken care of by the museum, or the university proper, or some other agency.

I have also discussed the matter with Speck, Hallowell, Mason, and Davidson and they are quite enthusiastic about the matter.

A word about the plan of the book. It would consist of the fundamental material for a proper approach to the study of <sup>South</sup> America; for instance geographical, climatic, and floral would be given proper consideration; there would be a list of tribes of about a hundred properly located on the continent which a student would take as a basis for his study; a short discussion

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of the distribution of the linguistic stocks; half a dozen tribes would be described as thoroughly as possible forming a sort of frame of reference for other research; and then essays discussing the problems of the continent. The entire book would be characterized by definiteness and it would avoid the use of the comparative method or the topical which very often are very confusing to the beginner.

Will you favor me with your frank opinion?

A word as to the institute. Most of the answers to our invitations to ~~guests~~ <sup>to come</sup> have been very favorable and enthusiastic, and we are, therefore, proceeding to publish a leaflet which I hope will be in your hands either at the end of this week or next week. I shall write to you about the institute more fully a little later. *council members*

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j

January 17, 1935

Dr. Donald Young  
Social Science Research Council  
230 Park Avenue  
New York

Dear Don:

This is to introduce Dr. Paul Kirchoff of Berlin, who has an interesting project to discuss with you. He is a fine scholar and one of the few people interested in South American Ethnology.

He is at present unattached and it occurred to me that he and I together could finish a piece of work that I have been working on for several years, namely, an Introduction to South American Ethnology. Because of illness, field work, writing of your reports, and other duties, I have not been able to finish this work. My experience in giving a course in South American Ethnology, my field experience and a certain command of literature added to Dr. Kirchoff's scholarship and training in Europe, ought to produce a much better book. He will discuss the matter with you more fully. Our group here is very enthusiastic about the project.

I take this opportunity to write to you about several things. First, it occurs to me that you have never seen my published study of Peyotism. Unless you have already obtained a copy, I shall be pleased to send you one. Please let me know. Secondly, we have organized a Latin-American Institute for Race and Cultural Studies. The first concrete objective of the Institute is the publication of the monthly memorandum given over to Anthropology in Latin-America. You will shortly receive the first memorandum and subsequent numbers as they are issued. In organizing the Institute, we have thought it best to have an advisory council. I should like to include you in this council, if you would care to serve on it. I am enclosing a brief outline of the plan for the organization of the Institute and its aims.

I recall that you were anxious to know something about the negro situation in Venezuela. I believe I could offer some very interesting material on the topic and will do so by letter or as soon as we can get together in person. I may be in New York this week-end and should like to see you. In that event, I would come late Saturday night, so that I could not see you until Sunday. I shall give you a call at your home.

With best cordial regards from me and I am sure from the "gang",

Sincerely yours,

Kirchoff

*Introduction to South American Ethnology.*

*Prep. by Kirchoff & Petruccio.*

Outline of Project.

January 19, 1935

Project: To prepare an "Introduction to South American Ethnology" which will be of service to (a) students, (b) teachers of Anthropology, (c) those engaged in research in the branches of the Social Sciences, and history of institutions among S. American aborigines.

There exists no book of the type planned. Students and teachers of Anthropology when beginning to study South American Ethnology have no comprehensive guide which they can use at the very beginning. Furthermore, the sources of South American Ethnology are in such a chaotic state that it is extremely difficult for the student not already familiar with the literature to grasp the essential configuration of the cultures of the continent. Likewise, the teacher in presenting South American Ethnology is forced to rely on a vast scattered literature without having a brief organized outline for his course. That there is need for such an introduction is evident to most Anthropologists who have had in some fashion or other to deal with South America.

Plan: The applicant for the grant-in-aid has recently become aware that such a work has been in preparation by Dr. Vincenzo Petruccio of the University Museum as an outcome of several courses on South American Ethnology that he gave at the University of Pennsylvania. Unfortunately, a great many things have interfered in bringing this project to completion. It is proposed that the applicant and Doctor Petruccio collaborate on this work in order to (a) bring it to a speedy completion and publication, and (b) produce even a better project through this means, since the applicant brings to the project training and scholarship of a different sort from that of Doctor Petruccio and the latter brings to it teaching and field experience.

Part I will be of an introductory character containing two chapters! Chapter I will give a general outline of the geographical features of the continent, of its main divisions as to topography, climate, flora, and fauna, giving the student the environmental background for the study of cultural phenomena. Chapter II will give the history of the geographical and anthropological exploration of the continent, and a short history of the development of our knowledge of South American Ethnology. At the same time this chapter would picture the changes in the distribution of Indian tribes as a result of the advance of European civilization in the different parts of the country.

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Part II, would <sup>be</sup> made up by a number of chapters each dealing with one of the main cultural provinces of South America, each of which corresponds in a general way to one of the main geographical divisions of the continent as outlined in chapter I of part I. Each of the chapters of part II would follow a uniform plan; (a) a description of the topographical and climatic features of the area; (b) a short summary of the archaeology of the region; (c) a description of the characteristics of the culture provinces and the outstanding features of the tribal cultures within them; (d) a list of the most important tribes within the area, and their linguistic affiliation and geographical location, and (e) monographic description of one or more tribes more or less representative of the cultural provinces. Where tribes of different cultural level are found within the same area a representative tribe of both types will have to be described, as for instance in the Amazon area a sedentary horticultural tribe, and a nomadic tribe of food gatherers. It is also planned to include one or two monographic descriptions of tribes profoundly affected by early European influence, as for instance in the southern part of the continent, by the introduction of the horse, or in the Andean area ~~by~~ by the breakdown of the political institutions of Pre-Columbian days; in both these cases the intention is to contrast such tribes with corresponding tribes in the same area which have not undergone a similar change. A separate chapter will be devoted to the Bush Negroes.

Part III, will contain a discussion of the problems raised by the facts presented in parts I and II; ~~that is to say~~ <sup>the interrelationships</sup> the various cultural provinces described, the tentative reconstruction of the history of Pre-Columbian South America, and its connection with Central and North America and possibly other continents. This will be the place to discuss the bearing of the findings of Archaeology to the questions under discussion. A final chapter will deal with a number of problems of general character, i.e., problems of interest to others than those interested in South America, as such, which are being posed by the facts assembled in the preceding chapters, as for example the relation of man to nature in the various geographical and cultural areas.

Each chapter in all three parts will be followed by a selected bibliography, which is of special importance for the student of South American Ethnology in view of the fact that the available sources are more scattered and less accessible than any other continent's, partly as a result of the great number of nationalities which have <sup>been</sup> taken

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part in the scientific exploration of South America.

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January 21, 1935

Professor Vincenzo Petruccio  
The University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Jimmy:

As Dr. Kirchoff has probably already told you, we had a long chat Saturday morning which, although most enjoyable and profitable to me, lead no place so far as securing funds to assist in the preparation of your introduction to South-American ethnology is concerned. There were several reasons for this lack of tangible results not the least of which was the fact that I have no authority to accept grant-in-aid applications after January 15th. I'm sorry.

Your plan for the organization of a Latin-American institute for race and cultural study sounds good to me and I shall be very glad to cooperate in any way possible. Your invitation for me to join your advisory council is much appreciated and I am very glad to accept.

I was very sorry that you found it impossible to get in touch with me when you were in town yesterday. I live in Mamaroneck, which is about twenty miles out in Westchester County, which probably accounts for the fact that you were unable to reach me by telephone. Won't you please let me know in advance the next time you plan to come to New York in order that we can make arrangements to

V. Petruzzo

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meet. I'd like very much just to see you, as well as to pump you about the negro situation in Venezuela. Incidentally, I have not seen a copy of your study of Peyotism and would like to take advantage of your offer of a copy.

With best personal wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'D. Young', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Donald Young

DY VP

Mirchoff

17, Battery Place,  
c/o A. Bernstein,  
New York, January 21st, 1935

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter. Please forward the parcel<sup>to</sup>/the address given above. Use the same address for correspondence.

To judge from a lengthy conversation I had with Dr. Benedict, Boas seems to be very enthusiastic, not only about the field plan but equally about our project, and about the idea of combining the two in some fashion or other. The only thing I feel we will have to do is to stress more the additional value of the "Introduction" as a research guide. You remember I saw at the beginning almost exclusively this side of our project. I now see no reason why we could not combine both tasks. Dr. Benedict shares Boas' enthusiasm fully, and it seems that they are all most anxious for collaboration with Jayne.

I found a rather different atmosphere when I went to see Wissler and Bennett. Or rather I should confine my remarks to the latter, since Wissler was so busy that I could see him only for a moment and did not even find time to broach the subject. Bennett's attitude toward the Institute is, however, not at all one of sympathy. One of the arguments he gave (a somewhat strange one, it seemed to me) was that he was extremely pessimistic about any possibilities of finding South American scientists with whom to co-operate. Osgood was present when I saw B., so I did not say anything about our plans yet. I felt it would be better to discuss the matter first with Sapir and Wissler.

Yours very sincerely,

Paul.

Kirchoff

THE UNIVERSITY MUSEUM  
UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA  
PHILADELPHIA

Princeton,

January 29, 1935

~~part in the scientific exploration of South America.~~

Dear Jim: -

Dr. Bankin takes great interest in our plan. He feels, however, that some of the members of his committee may be adversely influenced by the fact that the Phil. Society promised to give \$ 5,000 to the Zandvoort project as soon as the remaining \$ 45,000 will be raised. (This is, however, not likely to take place before another 12 months will have passed!)

It would be better if the application would be made by the Museum, or the Museum and the Department. It should be filed without delay!! Once more we come just before the closing date. A negative decision will be made before by the middle of February, but a positive one not before the middle of April!

Book copies must be filled in. One 2 page-project may be slipped in where the blank sheet is.

I leave it to you to fill in the 2 forms, after consulting Mr. Jayne.

For references I suggest Boon, Cooper, Sajo, Kroeber, Lurie. (The latter two have to be consulted anyhow.) But make your own choice!

// Sajo likewise wants supporters for the Nat. Res. Council application. He and Cooper are members on the committee. Boon I asked already for his support.

I would like to ask Kroeber and Lurie both of whom I know well. Shall I ???

Quick reply!

Yours,

Paul.

over!



Paul F. Kirchhoff

born August 17, 1900, at Hoerste, Kr. Halle, (Province:) Westfalen, Germany

Ph.D. (anthropology): Leipzig

Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fellowship 1928-1930 (university studies at London School of Economics, Chicago University and University of California; ~~anthropological~~ field-work, mainly linguistic, in several Apache reservations).

~~Publications~~

Attached to North <sup>and Central</sup> American Department, Museum für Völkerkunde, Berlin, 1926-28; ~~North~~ American Department, Musée d'Ethnographie du Trocadéro, Paris, 1934.

Publications: Die Verwandtschaftsorganisation der Urwaldstämme Südamerikas. (Zeitschrift für Ethnologie, vol. 63)

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(International Congress of Americanists, 1930)

Columbia University  
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

January 21, 1935

Prof. Horace H. F. Jayne  
University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Prof. Jayne:

I have been interested for a long time in starting ethnological work in South America and I have learned with a great deal of interest of your efforts of establishing a Latin American Institute which would include in its scope of work, ethnological investigations.

As early as 1907 I submitted to the Carnegie Institution an appeal which was supported by our various societies. I enclose a copy. Unfortunately the Carnegie Institution preferred archaeological work in Central America which, I think, might have been done on a more modest scale.

During the last two years an opportunity presented itself here to start some ethnological work in South America and I sent one of my students, Dr. Jules Henry, to southern Brazil. He did excellent work among the Kaingang, and I have the opportunity of sending two more expeditions this year. I expect Henry to go to another part of Brazil and I proposed to Dr. Kirchoff an investigation among the Ges tribes. This is a very important problem suggested by Henry's results.

If it is agreeable to you I should be very glad if we could cooperate in developing South American work.

I should like to say a few words about the Handbook of South America which is planned by the National Research Council. In my opinion, this is an entirely premature undertaking.

Professor Jayne

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January 21, 1935

We ought to have first of all a number of special investigations carried through on the plan of the North American work, among at least a dozen typical tribes. These would give us at least a general background upon which available material can be interpreted. If the work is done on what we have now, it will be antiquated before it is finished, and I do not think it justifiable to spend \$50,000 on a work of such temporary value. It might be of very great use to have a summary of South American ethnology such as could easily be made by men like Petrusillo and Kirchoff. As a matter of fact we have no specialists in North America who could do justice to the more ambitious undertaking, unless a few people were willing to spend several years in preparing themselves. For these reasons I oppose the undertaking, at least at the present time and until a better basis can be obtained. I feel convinced that if we succeed in having a dozen careful investigations made in a number of parts of South America, that the whole book would have to be rewritten before ready.

I should be exceedingly glad if it were possible to discuss the whole matter in a personal interview.

Yours very sincerely,

*Franz Boas*

FB:B

Franz Boas

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My dear Dr. Petruccio:

I am writing to you with reference to the article on Ancient Civilizations of America that you are to contribute to the Pan American Day issue of the Bulletin of the Pan American Union. Miss Brown, the Managing Editor of our Bulletin is anxious to send the Bulletin to the press and has asked me to inquire whether you can let us have the article immediately.

I would greatly appreciate if I may hear from you, and beg to remain,

Most sincerely yours,

*William Manger*  
William Manger,  
Counselor.

Dr. Vincenzo Petruccio,  
The University Museum,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY



EMERSON HALL  
CAMBRIDGE, MASS., U.S.A.

January 22, 1935

Professor Vincente Petruzzo  
University Museum  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Petruzzo:

The enclosed may be of interest to you. Could I ask you to return it to me. I presume that the writer is an Indian. The letter is worthless from the viewpoint of information, but its psychology is enlightening.

Cordially yours,

*Walter Dill Scott*

C:BS

February 6, 1935

Dr. Niles Carpenter  
Department of Sociology  
Harvard University  
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Doctor Carpenter:

I am returning the enclosed letter to you. It does express an interesting bit of psychology, and I am grateful to you for sending it. I have taken the liberty of keeping a copy of it, but, of course, I shall not use it in any way.

Are any of your students so interested in Peyotism to continue its study? There are numerous communities where valuable material can be secured. Personally I should like to see it done, and will do some of it if I can get away from my South American work. If I can be of assistance in any way, please consider me at your disposal.

I have tried to obtain some of the commercial product you wrote to me about, without success.

We have recently organized a "Latin-American Institute for Race and Culture Studies" and have begun the publication of its monthly memoranda, a copy of which I am enclosing. May I enlist you as a member? There are no obligations of any sort attached to membership. Also, should you care to have this publication sent to any persons, who, you think, will be interested in reading about Latin-America, we shall be glad to put the names on our list. We expect to send it to libraries also.

Cordially yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j  
Enc.

January 25, 1935

Mr. William Manger  
Pan American Union  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Manger:

Please accept my apologies for not having sent the article I promised. I was under the impression that it was due on the 15th of January, instead of the first. Illness and the pressure *of work* especially, in connection with organization of our new Latin-American Institute, made me put off writing it from day to day. You will receive it with the same mail or the next.

I am enclosing the first copy of the first memorandum of our Institute, which you may find of interest.

Most sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

P. S. Should Miss Brown find this newly organized Institute to be of sufficient interest to the readers of the Pan American Bulletin, we would appreciate calling attention to the Institute in it.

V. P.

VF:j  
Enc.

January 23, 1935

Mr. A. Felix du Pont  
Elton  
Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Mr. du Pont:

It has occurred to me that Dr. Ray H. Abrams of the Sociology Department may be a fit person to write the book on the causes of war. He has published one book called "Preachers Present Arms" which though it is a scholarly work has had, also, popular vogue.

I would also suggest that you approach Dr. W. Christy McLeod of the Finance Department. He has published a book called "American Indian Frontier" which has also been very successful.

My other suggestion was Dr. R. F. Nichols of the Department of History.

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, please consider me at your disposal.

Yours very sincerely,

Vincenzo Petruccio

P. S. I am reminded that I have a friend who is not connected with any faculty, but who has written various things and who has at times expressed views that might lead him to write such a book as you suggest. He is Mr. Joe Nicholson and he can be reached at the Brookings Institute in Washington.

V. P.

VP:j

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My dear Dr. Petruccio:

I am in receipt of your letter of January 23rd and note that you are sending to me the article for the Pan American Day issue of our Bulletin. As soon as this is received I shall place it in the hands of the Managing Editor. Permit me to thank you for your courtesy in making this contribution to the Bulletin.

I have also read with interest the memorandum that you enclosed relative to the Institute and hope that you will be good enough to send me additional reports of this character. I have spoken to Miss Brown about a note to be published in the Bulletin and she informs me that this will be done at the first opportunity.

With cordial regards and renewed expression of appreciation, I am

Very cordially yours,

*William Manger*  
William Manger,  
Counselor.

Dr. Vincenzo Petruccio,  
The University Museum,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

January 28, 1935

Mr. Vincenzo Petrullo  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Petrullo:

In our review of Explorations of 1934 in the 1934 Annual, the year book supplementing our publication, THE WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA, we mention the University of Pennsylvania expedition to South America under your direction. We commented specially on the discovery of the 500 feet high falls in British Guiana which was named by you the Marina Falls.

It strikes us that this is a very important discovery and a picture of this waterfall would no doubt be interesting to our readers. Could you send us a photograph for this purpose to accompany the write-up that we are making of your expedition?

Very sincerely yours,

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Managing Editor

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Dr. V. M. Petruccio  
University Museum

Dear Dr. Petruccio:

Under the terms of your contract, you were to purchase fifty copies of THE DIABOLIC ROOT. According to our records, you have had twenty-three to date, leaving a balance of twenty-seven for which we have not yet received shipping instructions.

I am sending this as a reminder that we should like to send out these remaining volumes at your convenience so that we can send you one invoice to cover the whole.

Very sincerely yours,

*Phelps Soule*

B



ARNOLD BERNSTEIN LINIE

*Wickhoff*

~~S/SILSENSTEIN~~

322, Second Avenue,  
New York,  
January 30th, 1935

Dear Jim:-

I hope you were able to read my letter from Princeton.

I know I have a poor hand.

I just had a letter from Kroeber from which I quote the following on the subject of the Handbook: "From what I have learned since returning from Washington, I conclude there is no prospect of this program being financed during 1935. I am fairly optimistic that it will ultimately be realized, but there is no telling when." This should dispel Dr. Conklin's doubts as to a possible financial clash between the two projects, since now apparently the Philosophical Society will not be asked to make good its promise of a \$5000 contribution towards the Handbook project before the next fiscal year.

I found here a letter from Boas who wants to see me. He is willing to begin monthly payments out of the fund available for field work right now, on the assumption that I start out for the field around the middle of April. I am, however, by now more convinced than ever that going to the field at such an early date has only disadvantages, both for the proper preparation for the field trip (in my opinion we must definitely put a stop to the old method of "finding out on the spot" what to do) and for the interests of the Institute. Not only would the latter in all likelihood have no share in such a field enterprise if it were to start within two months. An even weightier



ARNOLD BERNSTEIN LINIE

S/S ILSENSTEIN

consideration would seem to be that while another field trip would undoubtedly add to the Museum's traditional reputation in this field, the timely completion of our 'textbook-research guide' project would, on the other hand, be a contribution of quite a new type and, at the present juncture, probably be of greater immediate value to the furtherance of the plans of the Institute.

In our last talk on the matter Mr. Jayne remarked that there was one possibility which we haven't even begun to explore, viz. that of interesting a publishing house in our project. Have you given any thought to this question? It might solve our problems in the simplest manner. - If worse came to worse, i.e. if neither of our applications should go through, and no advance royalties could be obtained, it occurs to me that maybe an advance could be made by one of the friends of the museum, to be repaid later out of the author's fee and royalties. That should, of course, be only our last resort, but something in the line of an advance to cover my living expenses for the first 2-3 months would probably be necessary in any case, since the grants-in-aid will not be awarded before some time in April. I feel, in fact, like rolling up my sleeves and beginning to work on our "Introduction" right now, and it would undoubtedly be the most sensible thing not to lose any more time, since even 8 or 9 months are not too long a time. On the other hand to accept Boas' proposal to make the payments out of his fund begin right now would imply that we abandon our book project (because to abandon it "for the time being" would mean to abandon it

January 31, 1935

Dr. Melville J. Herskovits  
Northwestern University  
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Herskovits:

Hall has shown me your letter to him containing the query about Johnson and the Latin-American Institute. Perhaps, I am the best person to answer both points.

Johnson was the chief backer of the Matto Grosso Expedition of 1931. You will recall that I was sent alone in a cooperative capacity, but I actually took the opportunity to do some anthropological survey work chiefly in the region of the Upper Kingu. This was made possible largely through Johnson's interest in scientific research; he was there on the field with me. He is the son of Eldridge Johnson one of the former managers of the Museum who supported museum work rather liberally for many years. Fenimore Johnson's interest in South American ethnological work has continued and he hopes we will do intensive field work in the very near future. We are personal friends.

It seemed to me highly desirable to have an organization which would coordinate South American research and to bring about a more active interest in field work on the continent. The Latin-American Institute is the result of several years of effort along these lines. In this, I have been strongly supported by Jayne, Mason, Speck and Hallowell. A few months back, Johnson, Jayne, and I finally agreed to launch the Institute and we have invited a number of anthropologists to membership on the advisory council. We have met with enthusiastic response practically universally, and so we have great hopes the Institute will grow into something very useful. In order not to create the impression that the Institute is to be merely a University Museum project, and an organization created for my benefit, we agreed that its organization should be handled by Johnson. I speak frankly about this for I know my own project would be defeated if we were to think along personal or museum lines. We want the Institute to be a separate natural organization supported by anthropologists at large, irrespective of institutional affiliations. So that although for the moment the Institute is in the hands of Johnson, Jayne, and I, we are willing to step out of the picture once it has gotten on its feet, and others chosen in our places. It is true that the

January 31, 1935

Museum is lending my services, and bearing the costs including the publication; nevertheless, we hope that the Institute will be considered a separate entity and that we will continue to have the cooperation of all those concerned about its growth.

It seems to me that the Institute will grow to the extent of the interest taken in its work and the cooperation of those mostly concerned with South-American research; therefore, I hope that you will favor us with your support.

I am enclosing the first memorandum of the Institute. We intend to publish a similar pamphlet each month. Would you be willing to write a brief article on the Bush Negroes of Latin-America? It is to be kept down to about two thousand words, and since most of our readers will not be anthropologists, will you write it in non-technical language. Also, could we ask you to send in from time to time any current news of field work among the Bush Negroes, or new publications, or legislations affecting them; in other words, will you help us to keep informed of any event which will be of interest to our readers.

I hope I have given you the desired information, if not please do not hesitate to inquire further. Also, I do hope that you will be free with your suggestions and advice; we need both.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j  
Enc.

February 1, 1935

Dr. Gilbert Hahn  
St. Ansela Priory  
South Dakota Ave. & 14th St.  
N. E. Brooklyn, D. C.

Dear Doctor Hahn:

It was a pleasure to hear from you. I have taken up the matter of having you lecture to us on Easter Island next Tuesday. Doctor Hallowell, the chairman of the program committee of the Anthropological Society has informed me that it would be impossible to hold a meeting on that day. The regular monthly meeting is scheduled for the following week and this would come too close upon it. Also, it happens to be during vacation period, and it would be difficult to arrange the lecture on that account. However, would you be so kind as to keep us informed of your whereabouts after you leave Washington, and when you could come to us. I shall be, indeed, glad to see you next Wednesday if you find a moment to stop over at Philadelphia.

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j

February 1, 1935

Dr. Paul Kirchoff  
322 Second Avenue  
New York City

Dear Paul:

In my letter of yesterday, I wrote that application had been made in your own name to the Philosophical Society, subsequently this was changed and application was made in your name, but represented the Institute because Speck is away and the University Museum already had several applications before the Society. It seemed best not to make application in their name.

I have shown Jayne the letter of this morning and he suggests that we delay a few days until he has had a chance to see several people. In any case, he is going over to New York Wednesday next to talk everything over with you and Boas.

I share your enthusiasm and I wish that some means could be found for financing you so that we could start on it immediately, but frankly I am a little pessimistic. I have not approached any publishing house, but I will do so immediately.

I will keep you informed of any new developments as they come up, in the meanwhile good cheer.

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VPJ;

Kirchoff

Project: To study pre-Columbian agriculture in South America  
(on the basis of the existing literature).  
Agriculture of various types is, or has been, the economic basis of Indian  
life and culture in three of the main areas of South America, i.e. on the  
Pacific coast, in the Andean highlands, and in the tropical low-land forests.  
~~No~~ <sup>intensive/</sup> comparative study of the existing data on the subject has thus far been  
undertaken. Such an investigation appears, however, at the present stage  
in South American ethnographical research, to be a task which can no longer  
be postponed. Its results will allow us to see more clearly than at present,  
the role of agriculture ~~in~~ in the culture of the tribes of the various  
main areas of South America, and <sup>its role/</sup> in the pre-Columbian history of the con-  
tinent as a whole. Such a study would at the same time serve in a certain  
measure as a guide for future field research amongst the agricultural tribes  
of South America, and would, <sup>on the other hand,</sup> ~~also~~ allow us to see more clearly the problems  
presented by the neighbouring non-agricultural tribes.

Some of the outstanding tasks of such a study would be:

1: To establish more precisely the geographical limits of agriculture in  
South America and investigate the relation of the geographical range of  
agriculture to non-cultural factors, i.e. topography, soil, climate,  
vegetation.

2: To endeavour to work out geographical sub-groups within the agricultural  
part of South America, according to:

- a) plants cultivated,
- b) methods employed (including: implements, techniques, forms of co-operation,  
magical etc rites),
- c) forms of appropriation of land and produce of the land,
- d) importance of agriculture within the general culture of each tribe,  
etc.

3: To correlate the sub-groups established under 2, or 2a,b,c,d, with other

geographical groupings (as far as such have been established or suggested by previous research), according to linguistic stock, kinship organization, etc etc.

4: To investigate whether these correlations point to a mainly independent, or, on the contrary, to an inter-dependant history of the cultivation of maize, potato, manioc, or possibly of the maize-, potato-, manioc-cultivating peoples.

5: To investigate whether these correlations would indicate, or could be fitted into, an evolutionary scheme of "stages".

Columbia University  
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

February 4, 1935

Dr. Horace H.F. Jayne, Director  
University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Jayne:

I shall be very glad to see  
you on Wednesday. I shall make myself free  
any time after 2:30.

Yours very sincerely,

*Franz Boas*

FB:B

Franz Boas

February 6, 1935

Mr. S. E. Farquhar  
W. F. Guarrie & Company  
35 E. Wacker Drive  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Farquhar:

I have your letter of January 28. You have been misinformed about my work in South America. I have never visited British Guiana and never discovered any falls there. My work in 1934 was done in Venezuela.

I am not acquainted with your publication and should like to be better informed about it.

Very sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j

February 6, 1935

Dr. L. S. Rowe  
Pan American Union  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor Rowe:

I note with pleasure your interest in the newly organized Latin-American Institute for Race and Culture Studies. I am enclosing a copy of the first memorandum. We should like to have your comments and suggestions concerning it.

We should like to distribute this monthly memorandum as widely as possible. We have built up a list of persons that may possibly be interested in receiving it, of about one thousand. We should like to increase this, of course, to a far larger number. I have been informed that some time ago the Pan American Union published a list entitled "Colleges and Universities" in the United States, having courses for the study of Latin-America. Could we have a copy of that list so that we might take from it the names of the professors giving the courses? Also, we should appreciate any other list that you can send to us of persons in all walks of life, who have an interest in Latin-America.

I expect to come to Washington in the very future and should you be free to see me, I should like to call on you to discuss further the plans of the Institute.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j  
Enc.

February 6, 1935

Mrs. Marion Hale Britten  
Division of Anthropology and Psychology  
National Research Council  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Britten:

In answer to your letter of January 3, concerning the advisability of putting into available form a list of anthropologists and those interested in Anthropology.

My opinion is that a complete list including the 4 categories would be very useful and desirable to the various institutions working in Anthropology, and should be made available to them. For instance, we have recently organized a Latin-American Institute for Race and Culture Studies, and are busy compiling a list of persons to whom we can send ~~there~~ memoranda to be published monthly. However, because of the difficulties and expense, that the compilation of a complete list would entail, I believe that Group I only should be attempted for the present. I have no suggestions to make in reference to point 3 and 4.

Incidentally, could our Institute make use of the list that you have already compiled.

Very sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruillo

VP:j

February 6, 1935

Dr. R. F. Nichols  
Department of History

Dear Doctor Nichols:

Thank you for the list of names of students, who might be interested in receiving the memorandum of the newly organized Latin-American Institute for Race and Culture Studies. We should like to have any supplementary list of people anywhere whom you think would also be interested.

I am enclosing a copy of the first memorandum.

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VPJJ  
Enc.

February 6, 1935

Mr. Edward R. Murrow  
Institute of International Education  
2 West 45th Street  
New York City

Dear Mr. Murrow:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and the list of people, who may be interested in receiving the memorandum of the Latin-American Institute, and to thank you for them. We shall be glad to receive any further lists and will welcome any suggestions. I presume that you yourself will be interested in receiving the leaflet for your own files; therefore, I am enclosing a copy of it for you.

With thanks, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j  
Enc.

February 6, 1935

Dr. John M. Cooper  
Catholic University of America  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor Cooper:

Kirchoff has put in a personal application to the Philosophical Society for funds to work on the "Introduction to South American Ethnology". Before taking the step, he spoke with Doctors Boas, Sapier, Spear, and apparently had been in correspondence with various other members of the handbook committee. Also, Doctor Boas has offered him money to go to Brazil this spring, but Kirchoff would rather work on the Introduction, so nothing has been settled as yet about the whole matter.

I am writing to ask whether you would care to write an article about the proposed handbook for the second memorandum of the Latin-American Institute. It might also deal with the general problems of research on the continent, but I wish to leave that up to you. I am enclosing a copy of the first memorandum, which soon will be sent out to about a thousand persons, and in that connection could I trouble you for lists of people other than anthropologists who would be interested in receiving it.

Unfortunately, my health does not show any signs of improvement; only last week, my physician discovered the seventh parasite in my system. It is the common amoeba which has been living in sacs until they burst last week. So, I am afraid that for a little while longer, I shall be able to work only a few days a week.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j  
Enc.

February 6, 1935

Dr. Wendell Bennett  
American Museum of Natural History  
77th Street and Central Park West  
New York City

Dear Bennett:

I note with pleasure that you have accepted membership on the advisory council of the newly organized Institute. You will shortly receive its first memorandum and I hope that you will write something for us.

For Mr. Washington, I would suggest that he see the following persons, Dr. E. Roquette Pinto, Dr. Heloise Alberto Torres, and Dr. Raimundo Lopez, all of the National Museum of Rio.

I have also looked for the Uhle's negatives and find that a thousand of them sealed in a box are in the care of our photographic department. I do not know if among them are the ones that you want. I believe, that if you could come to the museum some time to examine them, you might find those that you need. I hope you will pay us a visit soon.

Cordially yours,

Vincenzo Petruccio

VP:j

Columbia University  
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

February 12, 1935

Dr. Horace H.F. Jayne, Director  
University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Jayne:

We have considered the general plans again with Dr. Kirchoff and while I am very reluctant to give up the study of the Ges tribes, we think it best to adjust our plans in such a way that we can actually ~~indite~~ cooperate between the Philadelphia Institution and ourselves.

I think, under all conditions, if both Dr. Petrullo and Dr. Kirchoff go to Venezuela, they ought to go off on two distinct problems and I should prefer Dr. Kirchoff to work on one of the isolated Savannah tribes. I understand that you have at the present time, \$3500 for Venezuela. According to our experience, \$4500 would be amply sufficient for maintaining two expeditions and I believe, under these conditions, it would be wise on our part to contribute at present \$1000. I also understand that you have a prospect of obtaining more money for Venezuela and I should be inclined to reserve here an amount of, let me say, \$500 to be had in case it should be needed, or if not, to be used with additional funds for an expedition the following year.

I believe you will understand that in order to carry through this plan it will be necessary for me to get permission to hold over the money until after July. If this cannot be done, the only other way would be for Dr. Kirchoff to start for us to Brazil in April or May.

I believe you understand also Dr. Kirchoff's financial difficulties and that if he is to stay here until late in summer that he must be provided for in some way but we are unable to do so with the funds that are ~~ma~~ obtained for field work.

Yours very truly,

*Franz Boas.*  
Franz Boas

February 21, 1935.

Dr. Franz Boas  
Department of Anthropology  
Columbia University  
New York City

Dear Dr. Boas:

Thank you for your letter of February 12th. I hate to be so long in acknowledging your letters which would seem to indicate lack of appreciation. But it is actually the season of the year which seems to be a busy one for us here.

The only trouble about your suggested plan, as I see it, is that it provides little or no financial relief for Dr. Kirchoff. If the Philosophical Society has acted favourably upon his application - as of course it may not have done - we will be able to provide for his subsistence until the Expedition can be launched, but a considerable part of this will, I understand, have to go to his wife. When the Expedition is launched, however, this will be virtually exhausted and your contribution of \$1,000. will have to be devoted, in large measure at least, towards providing for Mrs. Kirchoff while he is in the field - or, if she goes with him, towards providing for her expenses on the expedition. Therefor his expenses in the field would have to come almost wholly from our share of the Expedition finances and I doubt if the sum I have possibly in view can absorb this additional expense.

I think if you could see your way clear towards appropriating \$2,000. from the funds you have access to, rather than just \$1,000., this difficulty would be avoided.

You will understand, I feel sure, my point of view, which is colored by the obvious necessity of keeping Dr. Kirchoff's personal financial status on a satisfactory footing. If he were independent we could easily handle the situation; but since he is not - and yet is too valuable a man to let down - his obvious and unavoidable necessities must be our concern. I believe you will feel with me on this point and I trust not interpret the above suggestion as an effort to exact more from you than you are desirous of giving.

Obviously must depends upon our success of our application to the Philosophical Society, I should be able to discover in the course of the next week or ten days what decision was arrived at by the Committee last Friday. Yet even if it were unfavourable, we have, I think, the considerable possibility of being able to sell the idea

of the textbook to a publisher and, on advance royalties, be able to tide Dr. Kirchoff over until the start of the proposed expedition.

If all these possibilities fail, then he is released to you for your proposed work among the Ges tribes. If any of our Venezuelan plans come to fruition, however, I am substantially in agreement with you that the best results would be obtained by having Petruccio and Kirchoff go off on two distinct problems: this would, however, increase rather than diminish, his field expenses, yet not beyond the \$1,000. I have above suggested.

I am to have a further interview with Mr. duPont within the next week. At that occasion I may perhaps be able to clinch his proposed contribution towards the expedition's support, and I shall immediately let you know, as I shall too in the matter of the Philo-sophical Society.

I am deeply gratified that in one respect there is no question of doubt but that we are in full agreement, namely that Dr. Kirchoff is too important a scholar - despite his youth - to be allowed to be unprovided for and by some means or other his abilities must be directed to productive channels.

Very sincerely yours

Horace H. F. Jayne  
Director

Columbia University  
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

February 26, 1935

Mr. Horace H. F. Jayne, Director  
University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Jayne:

I just got a note from  
Kirchoff telling me that his application  
to the Philosophical Society has been declined.

I think we might contribute a  
larger amount to the Venezuela work if it is  
absolutely necessary, but we are utterly unable  
to finance Kirchoff between now and the time  
when he ought to start, late in the summer.

I hope you may be able to find  
some way, otherwise we should have to decide  
on our Ges expedition and he would have to  
leave as soon as possible.

Yours very sincerely,

*Franz Boas*

Franz Boas

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## Consejo Administrativo del Distrito Nacional

Santo Domingo; D.N.  
11 de Marzo de 1935.-

Señor Doctor  
Vicenzo Petrullo.  
Museo de la Universidad de Pensilvania.  
Pensilvania: Pa. U.S.A.

Distinguido Señor:

Me complace, ante todo, en felicitarle calurosamente por su excelente y bien documentado trabajo "Antiguas Civilizaciones de América", publicado en el No-3-Marzo-del "Boletín de la Unión Panamericana", cuyo trabajo he leído con verdadera dilección ó interés, pues son los estudios arqueológicos á los cuales dedico parte de mi tiempo. Yo le exhorto amablemente á que nos siga aportando sus valiosos y profundos conocimientos en la materia y nos remita cualquier impreso, periódico ó revista en que los publique.

Me sentiré muy complacido en remitir á Ud. en correos próximos algunas de mis obras publicadas de índole histórica dominicana, así como las publicaciones en las cuales aporte mi humilde colaboración.

Actualmente desempeño las honrosas funciones de Director de la Biblioteca Pública del Distrito Nacional, sostenida por ésta institución antiguamente nombrada Ayuntamiento de Santo Domingo. Yo me permito hoy invitarle á hacer algun donativo en libros para ésta Biblioteca Pública y ojalá que por su digna mediación, la prestigiosa Universidad de Pensilvania en la cual colabora Ud. obsequiara á ésta Biblioteca con algunas obras.

Me es muy grato comunicarle que ésta ciudad de Santo Domingo, posee un Museo, bastante rico en objetos indígenas. Nuestra arqueología es muy interesante y si algo de él puede interesarle, estaria muy dispuesto a complacerle y ofrecerle la informarmación que Ud. desee. Pronto será impreso el Catalogo de dicho Museo, del cual fuí Director algun tiempo. Me sentiria muy honrado, Sr. Petrullo, estableciendo relaciones intelectuales con Ud.

Mientras tanto, quedo de Ud. muy atentamente:

  
Luis E. Alemar.

Director de la Biblioteca pública del  
Consejo Administrativo.

*Acceptance for membership on Council V.P.*

*Answer this*

MUSEO DE ARQUEOLOGIA DE LA  
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Director:

JULIO C. TELLO

19  
Marzo  
1935

Querido señor Petruzzo:-

He tenido el agrado de recibir su atenta de 21 de febrero, por la que me comunica que en conexión con el Museo de la Universidad de Pennsylvania se ha fundado el Instituto Latino-Americano para los estudios de la Raza y de la Cultura, cuyo proposito principal es coordinar las investigaciones relacionadas con la Antropología latino-americana. Asimismo he recibido el Memorandum I y el Programa preliminar de la organizacion del Instituto.

Atendiendo a su amable invitacion acepto gustoso ser miembro del Council. Le remitire periodicamente informaciones sobre los trabajos que se realizan en el Peru en el ramo de la Antropologia.

A fines de esta semana salgo de viaje con el objeto de ampliar las investigaciones que desde hace dos años vengo realizando en las ruinas del Departamento de Ancash. A mi regreso que espero sera de un mes, le enviare algunas noticias relacionadas con estos trabajos.

La iniciativa de fundar un Instituto de esta clase, la considero excelente y necesaria. Dignese Ud. y los autores de la iniciativa, aceptar mi mas calurosa felicitacion y mi agradecimiento por la gentil invitacion que se me ha hecho para ser miembro del Council.

Aprovecho de esta oportunidad para ofrecer a Ud. los sentimientos de mi mas distinguida consideracion.

*Julio C. Tello*

Sr. Vincenzo Petruzzo  
The University Museum,  
Thirty-third and Spruce Streets,  
Philadelphia.



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Bogotá, marzo 17 de 1.935.

Señor Don  
Vincenzo Petruzzo.  
The University Museum.  
University of Pennsylvania.  
Philadelphia.


Muy distinguido Señor:

Me es grato acusar a Ud. recibo de su amable carta, fechada el 26 del mes pasado, en la cual me invita a aceptar la designación de miembro del Comité Consejero del "Latin-American Institute for Race and Culture Studies".

Acepto, sinceramente agradecido esa distinción, y procuraré corresponder a ella en la medida de mis fuerzas, encontrando muy bien trazado el plan del Instituto y meritorios los fines que se propone.

Me pongo a órdenes de Ud. en esta ciudad, para todo aquello en que considere puede serle de alguna utilidad, y con sentimientos de

particular consideración, me honro en suscribirme de  
Ud. como su atento seguro servidor y colega,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Raimundo Rivas". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R' and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dirección:  
Raimundo Rivas.  
Carrera 6- Nro 8-55.  
Bogotá. Colombia.

Columbia University  
in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

March 20, 1935

Mr. Horace H.F. Jayne  
University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Jayne:

I have been hoping to hear from you after Dr. Kirchoff's visit in Philadelphia. He came in yesterday thinking that I knew the suggestions you had made.

Our position has been made a little difficult by the long delays because we assumed after our last conversation that the expedition was not to start until August and we have made certain other commitments which require considerable outlay. If it were possible for you to get along with a contribution, on our part, of \$1500.00, it would ease matters considerably. Considering that your plan is at present to go to the Goajira Peninsula, I presume the expense will be considerably less.

I should feel very much inclined to plan the whole expedition in such a way that we accept the Goajira work at the present time with a contribution of \$1500, but if we can at the same time, *plan* an investigation of the isolated tribes of the Gulf of Maracaibo or of the ~~Savannahs~~ in the dry season, provided we can furnish the additional funds.

It is absolutely necessary that this should be definitely settled now, and I should be very much obliged to you if you would telegraph me on Friday, stating that the plan on this basis can be carried out, and confirm your telegram, at the same time, by a letter so that Dr. Kirchoff can proceed and we can pay out to him the necessary funds for preparing for the journey,

Mr. Jayne

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March 20, 1935

I wish to add that considering our former <sup>discussions</sup> ~~onuses~~, we should stand by our former offer to contribute \$2000 if this is absolutely necessary, but I wish you to understand that it would create other serious difficulties in our Department.

Yours very sincerely,

*Franz Boas.*

Franz Boas

FB:B

March 27, 1955

Dear Dr. Boas:-

I wish to apologize for my unexplained delay which was occasioned by unexpected and considerable difficulties here that made it seem as though we might have to abandon our plans altogether. These circumstances required a good deal of effort and time to adjust. I think almost all is now in order.

As I wired you we shall abide by your decision as to the amount of the appropriation being \$1500. rather than the full \$2000. To have it so reduced is an embarrassment to me since Mr. du Pont's contribution of \$3500. was largely gained on the strength of the greater amount from you. But I do not think this problem is insuperable, and I realize probably that you too have difficulties, and it seems fairer to lessen those of both parties rather than to ship them all to your side.

It must be agreed, however, that all of Dr. Kirchoff's expenses are to be covered by this \$1500. grant. Our budget is so narrow as it is, that it will not bear any extra burdens, however small. The \$1500. should be ample for this purpose so far as Petruccio's experience goes, and naturally we shall do all we can to assist Dr. Kirchoff in every way that does not mean extra cash outlay and such help of this sort that we can give will reduce his actual expenses not inconsiderably. I want you to feel — as I am sure is the case — that his association with our expedition will enable him to accomplish more effective work and for less money than if he were to go alone. This is the chief desideratum in all joint undertakings.

Please again accept my apologies for apparently holding matters up. I trust the present arrangement will meet with your entire satisfaction and henceforward there will be no hitch; there seems little reason to fear one from our end.

Sincerely yours,

Horace H. F. Jayne  
DIRECTOR.

Dr. Franz Boas,  
Department of Anthropology,  
Columbia University,  
New York, N. Y.