

The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

King's Crown Hotel
420 West 116th Street
New York, New York

Denver - March 7, 1955

Dr. Donald Young
The Russell Sage Foundation
505 Park Avenue
New York 22, New York

Dear Dr. Young:

Enclosed you will find a clipping taken from the Denver Post, which reprinted a Letter to the Editor that appeared in the New York Times on February 6 as a Guest Editorial.

My letter proved to be somewhat of a boomerang. Having appealed to others to do something, it seems that people now expect me to do something. I may have no choice now but to try, until I can prove that it cannot be done, or at least that I cannot do it.

The enclosed Memorandum gives you an idea of what it is that I would try to do. Naturally, I also have some preconceived notions as to the basic premises from which such a group would start and as to the kind of conclusions with which they might emerge.

It is my hope that General Hester, or someone like him, would act as Secretary of the Commission described in the Memorandum. I anticipate no difficulty in finding a suitable university or some other tax exempt institution that will administer the funds needed for the work of the Commission.

I wonder if the Russell Sage Foundation would be interested in supporting such a project. You might need some further information before you can even tentatively give your personal opinion on this point. I expect to be back East some time after March 14th, and shall be for a while at least in New York

at the King's Crown Hotel, 420 West 116th Street, telephone University
42700. You could telephone me there at your convenience, and perhaps we
can arrange to meet and discuss this matter further. I could then give you
some additional information that you should have if you are interested at all.

I would like to see you at the King's Crown Hotel at your convenience.
With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



It is my hope that General Heister, Leo Szilard and you will

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March 14, 1955

Dr. Donald Young
The Russell Sage Foundation
505 Park Avenue
New York 22, New York

Dear Dr. Young:

Since I wrote you on March 7th, I had answers from Colin Clark, Father Cavanaugh, and Marshall MacDuffie, copies of which you will find enclosed. Previously, I had a favorable response from General Hugh B. Hester to whom I talked over the telephone.

I thought I should give you this additional information.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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RUSSELL SAGE FOUNDATION

• 505 PARK AVENUE • NEW YORK 22, N. Y. •

DONALD YOUNG
General Director

March 17, 1955

Dr. Leo Szilard
King's Crown Hotel
420 West 116th Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Szilard:

I tried to get in touch with you on Tuesday at the King's Crown Hotel and found that you were temporarily out of town. I myself will be away for several days beginning tomorrow.

Russell Sage Foundation some years ago discontinued its earlier policy of making grants for the support of the independent activities of other agencies and individuals in favor of an operating program under which all of our activities are carried out either by members of our own staff or in close cooperation with other institutions working within the area of our present interest, the improvement of the utilization of the results of research in the social sciences in selected professions. You will understand that we consequently cannot consider your suggestion on its merits. Perhaps I should add that the reason for the limitation of the scope of our activities is the very simple one that we are a comparatively small foundation and are convinced that we can be effective only if we concentrate our work within a feasibly designed area.

Sincerely yours,

Donald Young
by B. N.

RUSSELL SAGGE FOUNDATION

209 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK 22, N.Y.

Dear Mr. ...

March 13, 1952

New York, N.Y.
100 West 114th Street
Kingside Grand Hotel
Dr. Leo Ellard

Dear Mr. Ellard:

I tried to get in touch with you on Monday at the Kingside Grand Hotel and found that you were temporarily out of town. I myself will be away for several days beginning tomorrow.

With other institutions working within the area of our present operating program under which all of our activities are carried out either by members of our own staff or in close cooperation with other members of other agencies and individuals in favor of an earlier policy of making grants for the support of the independent Russell Sage Foundation some years ago discontinued its work within a somewhat desirable area. I am convinced that we can be effective only if we concentrate our efforts on the matter. Perhaps I should say that the reason will understand that we consequently cannot consider your suggestion in the social sciences in selected professions. For interest, the improvement of the utilization of the results of with other institutions working within the area of our present and other members of our own staff or in close cooperation operating program under which all of our activities are carried out either by members of other agencies and individuals in favor of an earlier policy of making grants for the support of the independent Russell Sage Foundation some years ago discontinued its

Sincerely yours,

2 or 3 weeks
John Fisher
Mrs. Larrabee
Hopkins