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Mr. Homer K. Ebright,
Governor, District 123,
Baldwin, Kansas.

My dear Homer:

I am just in receipt of your letter, dated the 6th, relative to the foreign student, and with which you enclose copy of a letter of Henry Werner.

Simply because the criticism must fall upon me I assume all of the responsibility for the present situation. No one ever told me how this foreign student was selected, or advised me as to when he should be selected, or the school which he should attend. I don't know how the plan started. As a matter of fact while I was Governor the former Governors, who must have had something to do with the plan, didn't talk with me at all about it and I was wholly in the dark. I admit that I should have answered Mr. Werner's letter but I didn't know what to say. It seems to me that if we are to continue this plan it should be done under the direct supervision of the District Governor himself. Certainly no Past Governor has any official authority. In his hands are deposited the district funds, but that is all.

Homer, you are a college man and you know how to handle such things properly, and I suggest that you take the matter up with Mr. Werner, or in such other way as you see fit and if anything can still be done about this foreign student perhaps it should be done. I feel that such student should not necessarily attend the University of Kansas but that perhaps a student should attend that University one year, another student attend Teachers College the next, another Baker, etc. However, I submit that only as a suggestion. If there is a foreign student now attending the University who needs help, perhaps it can still be done for this school year. I have now all of the district funds as Scotty was here Thursday and on that date turned over to me the funds which had been in his possession all of last year and up until now this year. I shall prepare shortly and send to you a statement showing the funds on hand. Briefly