

November 25, 1913.

My dear Sir:

I have received your very kind invitation of the 22nd instant for me and my family to attend services at St. John's Church.

For myself and them I desire to thank you very cordially for this courtesy and to say that we will at convenient times avail ourselves of the opportunity to do so.

My mother-in-law, Mrs. Lewis, is a member of your communion, and I am sure she will be glad of an opportunity to attend your church with as much regularity as is possible.

Wishing for you and your work the greatest success, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

Rev. Frederick A. Warden,  
Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church,  
Cristo Street, San Juan, Porto Rico.

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Box 1363  
San Juan, P.R.

November 22, 1913

The Hon.

Mr. Arthur Yeager  
Governor of Porto Rico  
Fortaleyn.

My dear Governor, Just a line to say

that there is, and has been ever since  
its erection, a Ben reserved in St.  
Johns Church for the Governor and his  
family, and that Ben is at the  
disposal of your household whenever  
they may find it convenient to attend.  
The hour of service tomorrow is at 10.00  
A.M. Wishing you and your  
administration every possible success,

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and assuring you of my hearty  
Sympathy and cooperation in  
every thing pertaining to the  
moral and social bettering of  
the People I am, dear Governor

Very Respectfully yours,  
by  
Frederick A. Warden  
Rector of St. John's Episcopal  
Church. Chest Street  
New York

E. B. WILCOX  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO  
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA BUILDING.—PHONE 56.  
CABLE: "WILCOX"

Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> 1914 -

My dear Gov. Yager:-

It was cowardly, it seems to me,

to have injected the little "spot" which I took & I  
had seven or eight years ago into the Attorney General  
business. It has long ago been forgiven & forgotten be-  
tween us, & our mutual friends laughed at us  
both & we afterward laughed at it between  
ourselves. Porto Ricans at first thought it serious  
till they saw that we did not regard it as such  
then body forgot about it. It gained me many  
friends & much popularity, & things of that kind  
usually do & as did Secy. Daniels experience  
which in no way affected his eligibility for the  
Cabinet. I regret to trouble you but I must  
ask you to read the enclosed translations of  
press clippings, Masonic Lodge communications  
letters & telegrams, which will show you  
how I was regarded as a man & official.

Sincerely,

Wilcox -

Please preserve }

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THE RECEIVERSHIP OF DOMINICAN CUSTOMS  
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL RECEIVER  
SANTO DOMINGO. February 3, 1915.

My dear Governor Yager:

Your esteemed favor of the 26th ultimo has been received, and it gives me pleasure to know that you are going to visit Santo Domingo during this month or next. I told the General Receiver, Mr. Clarence H. Baxter, of your expected visit, and he desires me to extend a hearty welcome to your party, and to invite you to make the Receivership Annex your home during your stay, in which, of course, I unite with him.

I am sorry that we can not accommodate comfortably more than four at the Annex, but although our hotel facilities are not as good as yours in San Juan, I can make arrangements ahead of time for some of the best rooms in the French Hotel to provide for your guests in excess of the number the Annex will accommodate, if you will let me know approximately the date of your visit. I do not think that the ladies will experience much inconvenience from the trip as far as La Romana. From La Romana to Santo Domingo means of transportation are rather primitive and not altogether comfortable. We could place a guardacostas at your disposal, but I should not recommend that form of transportation, especially if you have ladies in the party. The only steamers worth while that ply between Santo Domingo and La Romana are the Clyde boats, but they make a voyage only about once every two weeks. From La Romana to Macoris by horseback would hardly appeal to you all I fear, though if you once were in Macoris and on the Consuelo Estate, you could go by narrow gauge rail almost to San Isidro Estate, which is about fifteen miles from Santo Domingo City, on the Ozama River.

In my opinion, the safest and most comfortable means of transportation

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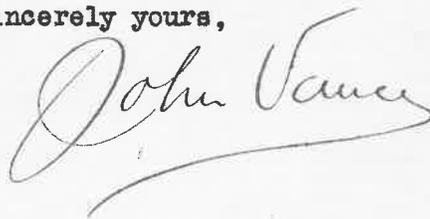
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after all would be the revenue cutter "Algonquin". I know from experience that she has quite a roll to her nautical gait, but she strikes me as very calm and peaceful in comparison with the little cutters here, and even our new boat the "Patria". The most comfortable way to come, I believe, would be to have her proceed to Mayaguez, and to take her from that port to the Capital here, which would only be about fifteen hours steaming. I am sure the ladies would be less inconvenienced aboard the "Algonquin" than to sail on the cane steamers and take chances on getting to the Capital from La Romana.

We are expecting that the next steamer from New York will have the Sullivan investigating commission aboard. It was a matter of great regret to us Americans here that this scandal should not have been settled quietly within the walls of our own party house, because I do not think it will redound to the benefit of any one concerned, and certainly it will not further our influence for good amongst these West Indian peoples.

I hope that you will not disappoint us this time, my dear Governor, and with best wishes for the health of you and your family, and for a safe and soon voyage over, believe me,

Sincerely yours,



Honorable Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan, P. R.

April 20, 1915.

Dear Sir:-

I have withheld my reply to your very kind invitation to attend the annual dinner of the United Spanish War Veterans to be held on April 21, hoping that I might find it possible to accept your invitation and be present on that interesting occasion.

It is with very sincere regret that now at last I see that I shall have to deprive myself of that pleasure because of the multiplicity of duties that have accumulated in my office during my brief absence from the Island the first half of this month.

I recognize fully the unique character and importance of your organization, representing, as it does, those who first brought the American flag to Porto Rico and made possible the connection of this Island with the United States. I appreciate keenly the feelings which will animate the breasts of you gentlemen and soldiers as you gather around the festive board on the anniversary of the historic event which you celebrate. It would give me unmixed pleasure to be one of your party and join you in your celebration, and I trust that you will convey to all of the veterans who may be present the regret that I

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feel at not being able to do so.

With the greatest respect for you and your organization, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

Mr. Stanley Warsala, Commander,  
William E. Almy Camp N°1, U. S. W. V.,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

The Filson Historical Society

July 7, 1915.

Miss Clara Belle Walton,  
Fayette National Bank Building,  
Lexington, Kentucky.

My dear Miss Walton:-

Yours of the 28th ultimo, with enclosures,  
has just been received.

I read your letter with interest and im-  
mediately referred it to the Department of Education to  
take such action upon it as they can at this date.

It is rather late in the season, as prac-  
tically all of our teachers who come from the States have  
already been engaged for next year; but sometimes vacan-  
cies occur before the opening of the school year, and it  
is therefore possible that a position might be offered to  
you.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 18, 1915.

Judge Matthew Walton,  
Fayette National Bank Building,  
Lexington, Kentucky.

My dear Judge:

Yours of the 7th instant, enclosing also a letter from Miss Clara Belle, was duly received.

I appreciate very fully the spirit of and the reasons for the request made in both letters, but this matter of intervention with the educational department in a purely personal matter like this is, as you will understand I know, exceedingly delicate and difficult.

There is great difference in localities, as you have stated, and there is much pressure for the better assignments on the part of the American teachers, and whatever is done about it there is frequently left in the minds of many teachers much bitterness and disappointment. As a rule the department gives the preference as far as possible to the older teachers who have served, some of them, for years and frequently in very undesirable locations, which, of course, is right.

However, immediately upon the receipt of your letter I took up this matter with the Acting Commissioner and was fortunate enough to find it possible to secure her an assignment to the small but pleasant town of Carolina without doing any serious violence to the general

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rule of procedure. There was a vacancy in this place, due to the failure of one of the former teachers to return this year. I am sure that this will be reasonably satisfactory to Miss Clara Belle, and advise her to accept it without any protest or objection. She will find a pleasant home there in the family of some cultivated and attractive Porto Ricans, and, moreover, Carolina is only 11 kilometers from Rio Piedras the university center of the Island, which is only 12 kilometers from San Juan. There is a fine road and transportation is easy and inexpensive, and during the week-ends and other holidays it is a pleasant and comfortable little journey to reach either Rio Piedras or San Juan.

Mrs. Yager and I are very much gratified to know that Mrs. Walton will likely accompany her daughter to Porto Rico and remain in the Island some time for a visit. Possibly we may not be at home at the time of their arrival, as we are planning a trip to the States; and we shall certainly be glad to see much of them after we shall have returned, which will likely be about the first of November.

With best wishes for you and your family, I

am

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

August 31, 1915.

Captain A. N. Wood,  
Stone Harbor, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd ultimo has been received and read with interest.

I am very glad to hear that you have consented to address the Mohonk Conference on some Porto Rican subject, and am also glad to learn that you intend to touch on the English question in the schools.

In reply to your questions I will say:

1.- The recent change in the Commissioner of Education does not indicate any intended change in the present system of teaching through the medium of English. The new Commissioner, Mr. Paul G. Miller, has arrived in the island, and while I am not fully acquainted with his views upon this subject, I infer from his general remarks in a brief conference which I have had with him that he does not plan any immediate change in this respect.

I enclose some extracts from the report of the Commissioner of Education for the last fiscal year bearing upon the English question in the schools which I am sure will be of interest to you in the discussion of this subject.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at Lake Mohonk, I am

Yours very truly,

San Juan, Porto Rico.  
September 2, 1915.

To the Boy Scouts of America:

Be not ashamed to love your country and honor her flag. Patriotism is the cap stone of the grand arch of ennobling sentiments which founded upon the love of God forms the superstructure of the soul. It presupposes all the noble and loyal affections - love of home and parents, love of your neighbors and companions, love of your town or city, love of your state. It crowns them all. It forms the character, brightens and sharpens the mind, lightens labor, gives zest to study, enriches the whole life. Patriotism leads directly to self-sacrifice, to service, to obedience to law and to your officers, and these things are the essence of growth and true manhood.

The greatest need of all lands both in peace and in war, is true, strong men, and these can only be made out of true and loyal boys such as the Boy Scouts of America.

Governor of Porto Rico.

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August 27, 1915

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Governor Yager:

There are about 187 Boy Scouts in Porto Rico officially registered at National Headquarters. In addition to that number there are probably twice as many more boys in Porto Rico definitely interested in Boy Scout work and following out some of its activities.

The total official enrollment of Scouts for the whole country is now about 150,000.

The national officers of the Movement realize their tremendous opportunity to influence these boys along the lines of patriotism and good citizenship - the fundamental principles of the organization. We are glad to be able to point out to the Governors of the various commonwealths a practical way in which they can assist in this important work. We are planning to publish in an early issue of our official magazine, BOYS' LIFE, a short, inspiring message from each of the Governors of the States. Such messages, coming from the men to whom have been entrusted the highest positions of trust and responsibility in each State, and from men whom our boys have been taught to respect and admire, are certain to be impressive and convincing.

Nearly half of the Governors already have availed themselves of this opportunity. Practically every Boy Scout - and thousands of other boys - will read these messages. We earnestly hope that the boys of Porto Rico will not look in vain for some word from the Governor of their own territory.

We are planning to publish this material in the October number of BOYS' LIFE. A statement from you, together with your photograph, will be most heartily appreciated and will be of much interest and help to all our boy readers and especially to those who live in Porto Rico. Your message should be in our hands not later than September 5th.

A stamped return envelope for your convenience is enclosed.

Respectfully and sincerely yours,

  
Chief Scout Executive.

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September 2, 1915.

Mr. James E. West,  
Chief Scout Executive,  
The Fifth Avenue Building,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your request of the 27th ultimo has just reached me, and though I am exceedingly busy I enclose a brief response for you to make such use of as you think proper. I fear it may not reach you by September 5, but that is due simply to the distance and lack of communication.

With best wishes for you and your great work, I am

Yours sincerely,

Governor.

February 14, 1916.

Dear Sir;

I acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the annual pass to the observation gallery of the Woolworth Building for the year 1916, and sincerely hope that I may have occasion sometime to make use of it while passing through New York.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Mr. F. M. Woolworth, President,  
Broadway Park Place Co.,  
Broadway, New York City.

Woolworth Building  
Broadway Park Place Co.  
Broadway, Park Place & Barclay St.

F. W. Woolworth, President

New York, January 26th, 1916.

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. F. W. Woolworth has pleasure in handing you herewith an annual pass to the Observation Gallery of the Woolworth Building, good for yourself and one other person throughout the Year 1916. Kindly accept this pass with Mr. Woolworth's compliments and with his best wishes for a Happy New York.

Very truly yours,

BROADWAY PARK PLACE CO.

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March 1, 1916.

Mr. Tobe Wiley.

Paintsville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

Your letter of the 16th instant was received a few days ago. I was very glad to get it and to find in it the many kind expressions from yourself and Patrick, both of whom I so well remember.

The best time to visit Porto Rico is of course in the winter season - January, February, March. However, Porto Rico is almost as far from Havana as Kentucky is from that city, and there is no very good way of getting across from San Juan to Havana except by a Spanish boat that runs only once a month. Of course you know I would be very glad to see you at any time you could make a visit to this island.

We are all fairly well. I am too hurried to write more. Remember me to Judge Patrick and accept my very best wishes for yourself.

Sincerely your friend,

Madrid, March 13, 1916..

Honorable Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan.

Dear Sir:

At the instance of Count de Romanones, President of the Council of Ministers and Minister of State of His Majesty's Government, I have pleasure in presenting to you the bearer this letter, D. Julian Munsuri, and I shall appreciate

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March 23, 1916.

My dear Miss Wigginton;

Your letter of the 8th instant has been duly received.

I am having sent to you under separate cover a copy of the Register Of Porto Rico, a book published in 1911 in the Office of the Secretary of Porto Rico, also a copy of the Annual Report of the Governor of Porto Rico for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1915. The former publication contains much valuable information with reference to this island, and the latter brings the statistics down practically to date.

I am pleased to note that you also were reared near Campbellsburg. I of course consider that an excellent community in which to be born and reared, and I always take great interest in any one who hails from that locality.

Wishing you every success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Miss Elizabeth Wigginton,  
Bowling Green Business University,  
Bowling Green, Kentucky.

# The Times Journal

The Park City Times—Established 1882;  
The Evening Journal—Established 1899.  
Consolidated November 19, 1900.

W. J. and J. G. Denhardt, Managers.



Friday Afternoon - Jan. 21, 1916

## OUR HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS

Bowling Green has again been honored or rather this high honor has come to the Bowling Green Business University located in our city, and Bowling Green accordingly shares in this distinction.

At their annual Christmas Convention in Chicago the Accredited Commercial Schools of the United States designated the Bowling Green Business University as their only official training school for commercial teachers. This is an honor and a recognition accorded to no other business school in this country. It means that the teachers employed by the Accredited Business Schools of this country will hereafter get their training in the Bowling Green Business University; that its graduates will be preferred because of the fact that they will have taken the course prescribed by the Accredited Schools, and in their official, recognized training school. It will, of course, give prestige to the Bowling Green Business University to have been so signally honored by the leading schools of the Nation. It will furthermore give a new prestige to the graduates of this school and will put them in still greater demand than ever before.

We had long since learned to place the Bowling Green Business University in the first rank of the first-class business schools of the country, but now it has been placed at the head of the best by experts who know whereof they speak. The Times-Journal extends its most hearty congratulations to Messrs. Dickey, Ashby and Harmon, and other members of the faculty who by work well done and high achievement have won such signal honor and who also have made

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**EXTEND CIGARETTE LAW.**

Both Representative E. G. Young, of the 24th district, and Senator B. S.

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# Bowling Green Business University

J.S. DICKEY, PRES.  
J.L. HARMAN, V. PRES.  
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BOWLING GREEN, KY.

March 8, 1916.

Hon. Arthur Yeager,  
Georgetown,  
Ky.

Dear Sir:

I am making an effort to get some up-to-date, reliable data concerning Porto Rico. I want to know about the people, the climate, productions, occupations, wealth, improvements, etc. I realize that you are a man of affairs, and if you are too busy to give me this information, I shall thank you to tell me how I can get it.

Was not your boyhood home at Campbellsburg, Kentucky? I am happy to tell you that I was reared near Campbellsburg; however, I have been in Bowling Green a number of years in the capacity of private secretary in the Bowling Green Business University. I am enclosing an editorial which will give you an idea of the rating of our Institution.

Very respectfully,

*(Miss) Elizabeth Wigginton*

ETW/TER.

P.S. Enclosed is a stamped envelope for reply.



The Emblem  
Efficient School

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May 23, 1916.

My dear Mr. Woodson;

I am writing you about a matter that is both personal and political and may probably come before the National Democratic Committee or the Democratic Convention at St. Louis.

As you doubtless know, we have in reality no democratic party here in Porto Rico, in the sense that there is no local party under that name. There has never been any democratic ticket in the field for election in Porto Rico.

There are two large local parties here under the names "Unionist" and "Republican"; but neither of them is really connected with the national parties, and all issues and contests are all local, and as the Porto Ricans are not citizens of the United States and of course can not take part in any national elections, it seems for the present best not to disturb the local situation in any great measure by the injection of national issues.

Nevertheless, there are here in Porto Rico a few Americans who have always been democrats, some of them in the public service, some in private enterprises, and they have maintained a kind of organization through

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which they express their views and sympathies upon questions of national politics. The Democratic Convention admits the representatives of this organization to representation in their national conventions and they also have a national committeeman. The so-called Republican party here used to have a similar representation in the Republican Convention, but I think that this has been discontinued since the Chicago convention of 1912.

In the effort to select the delegates to the Saint Louis convention which meets June 14, the local democratic organization had difficulties and controversies resulting in a split, and I am informed two sets of delegates were elected by the different factions and two contesting national committeemen were chosen.

I have listened patiently to both sides of this little controversy and I am convinced that all the equities, putting aside the technical points of dispute, are on the side of the delegation and the faction that desired to support unequivocally the national and the local administration. They will send to St. Louis a delegation headed by Mr. Henry W. Dooley, the present national committeeman, and Mr. Andrew Crossas, the national committeeman elect, and instructed to vote for the nomination of President Wilson and endorse fully at all points the present national and local democratic

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administration. They represent the great majority of the real democrats of Porto Rico and their proceedings have been regular and in harmony with democratic precedents and rules. I wish to assure you that there is no reason whatever why this delegation should not be fully recognized by the National Committee and the Convention at St. Louis and accorded whatever privileges and rights Porto Rico may be entitled to in that Convention.

On the other hand, the opposing faction have been actuated in their effort to create a contest and make trouble simply by motives of self-interest and disappointed political ambition. The leaders of this faction are all, with one exception, men who have sought appointments to office here and failed of appointment for good reasons which are in no way connected with politics. The exception is the man who desired to be elected national committeeman and whom I objected to chiefly because he is the American attorney of the American Railroad Company, which is in reality a French corporation and the largest public service corporation on the island. I do not think it is in accordance with the traditions and principles of the democratic party for this man to represent our party here in Porto Rico. All the leaders of this faction are, in my judgment, actuated by improper motives and have resorted to un-

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scrupulous methods in their effort to secure control of the little local organization; and their desire was to send to St. Louis an uninstructed delegation upon a platform criticising the local administration especially because of their failure to secure office. I am enclosing a clipping from a local newspaper giving the one section of their proposed platform which makes clear the spirit and purpose of the body.

I am writing you this letter so that you may be fully informed as to the real conditions here in Porto Rico as I see them, and knowing that as a friend and fellow-Kentuckian you will see to it that the National Committee, if this subject ever comes before them in the shape of a contest or protest of any sort, will have the information upon which they may act. I hope you will keep this letter in mind and preserve it for use at St. Louis in case there should be any need of it. If no contest or protest is made it will of course be better not to have any discussion of the matter at all.

I would appreciate greatly a letter from you sometime at your convenience giving me your views as to the political situation in Kentucky and in the nation, and your prognostication as to the course of events.

I am quite well and enjoying my work. Porto Rico is quite prosperous and hopefully awaiting the passage of the new organic act which is now before Congress.

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Assuring you of my best wishes and personal  
regard, I am

Sincerely your friend,

Governor.

Mr. Urey Woodson,  
Owensboro, Kentucky.

The Filson Historical Society

May 31, 1916.

My dear Judge;

I have received your letter of the 26th instant and have read it carefully and with interest.

I note with appreciation the spirit manifested in the closing paragraph and reciprocate cordially the sentiment expressed as to the desirability and importance of there being no excuse given for any unfavorable action on the part of the convention committee at St. Louis with reference to the representation of Porto Rico in that body.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Governor.

E. B. Wilcox, Esq.,  
Attorney at Law,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

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PARKERSBURG, W. VA. June 5th, 1916.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
HENRY H. ARCHER

Hon. Arthur Yager, Governor,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Sir:

I feel sure you will be interested in the very notable Proclamation which the Governor of this State has made, relative to the approaching birthday of the State, June 20th. Through the teachers, the Women's Clubs, the Churches, County Demonstration Agents, and others of the State, we are using this occasion as a means of impressing on the minds of the children their share in the State and the duty they owe to the State; for these young people must be brought up to a broader understanding of their relation to business and to the State; they must be shown that strong and consistent State spirit exists only through the minds of the many working together with one purpose. It will interest you to know that we are emphasizing all over the State, the fact that the human being is the richest resource of any State, for without human handling and use, all the possessions that we have above ground, under ground, and in the waters, are absolutely valueless. It is the human creature that gives value to resources. From this point of view I feel convinced that you would like to see the Governor's proclamation.

Very truly yours,

*Henry H. Archer*  
Secretary

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53RD BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION. JUNE ~~1911~~ 1916

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August 23, 1916.

My dear Judge;

I appreciate very much the invitation contained in your letter of the 8th instant, in which you call to my attention the interesting program of the annual reunion of your family to be held in Rhode Island on the 31st instant.

It is quite impossible for me to be in the States at that time, but I am sure it will be a most interesting occasion, judging from the names on the program. I am sorry that you have to forego the pleasure of being present yourself.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

E. B. Wilcox, Esq.,  
Attorney at Law,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

United States Senate,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

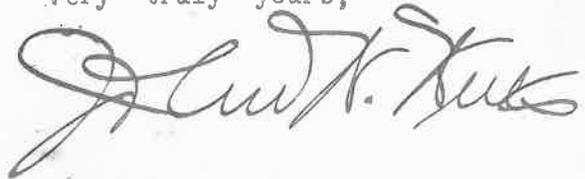
January 30, 1917.

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

Dear Governor Yager:

This letter will be presented to you by  
Arthur T. Dyer, Esq., #21 Congress street, Bos-  
ton, Massachusetts, who is on a visit to Porto  
Rico. I cordially bespeak for Mr. Dyer such  
courtesies and assistance as you may be able  
to render consistent with your official duties.

Very truly yours,



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February 10th, 1917.

Honorable Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan, P. R.

Dear Governor Yager:

As Mr. Richardson has not yet returned from a vacation which he is spending in the South, I have not had an opportunity as yet of telling him how much I enjoyed the opportunity of meeting you, and to what extent I am indebted to you for courtesies extended during my stay in Porto Rico.

The week which I spent on the Island was thoroughly delightful, and your kindness in including me among your guests at the very unique entertainment at the Palace, is highly appreciated.

I shall look forward to the opportunity of seeing you not only at the Club, but at the Bank's office, and, while I cannot promise you a view such as you have over the Harbor of San Juan, I am sure that the view from the top of the Woolworth Building will not be altogether uninteresting.

With renewed thanks, and very  
kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*A. E. Starn*

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April 30, 1917.

Mr. George Williams,  
c/o Henry L. Doherty & Co.,  
60 Wall Street, New York City.

My dear Mr. Williams;

Your courteous letter of the 13th instant has been duly received. I also received by the same boat the box of Havana cigars which you kindly mailed to me and have had time to try them, and I assure you that they are excellent.

I was glad to hear from you after your return to New York and am gratified to know that you had a pleasant visit to Porto Rico and that you will think kindly of the Island and its progress in the future. I hope you will soon have an opportunity to repeat your visit and that you may then make a visit to Mr. Maxwell who I know would be very glad to make your acquaintance.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

*Kindest regards.*

GEORGE WILLIAMS

60 Grace St  
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April 13, 1917

My dear Governor:

Please let me thank you for your courtesies while visiting Porto Rico and ask you to let me know whenever I can be of service to you or your wonderful territory.

I took advantage of your suggestion to visit Colonel Shanton and spent a delightful evening there.

I did not get an opportunity to visit Mr. Maxwell, but as I intend to visit Porto Rico again, I want to go there.

It seems to me that it is a patriotic duty for us up here to give preference to Porto Rico products and I am going to see what I can do in my feeble way to help that along.

Am sending you under separate cover a recent fac-simile pen sketch of the President which I thought perhaps you had not already seen.

Wishing you continued success,

Yours truly,

*George Villiamus.*

Honorable Arthur Yager  
Governor of Porto Rico  
Government House,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

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March 20, 1917.

Hon. Arthur Yager,

San Juan,

Porto Rico.

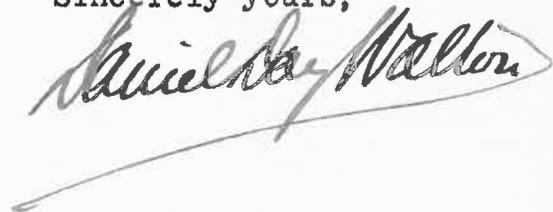
My dear Governor Yager:

Porto Rico owes a great deal to your administration of its affairs, and I hope the people realize that the new Organic Act was passed very largely because of your shrewd and insistent attention to the matter. I want to personally congratulate you upon your achievement of citizenship for a people.

I hope when you come to New York again you may find time to drop in to see my new offices, where you will find always a most cordial welcome, and particularly so if there is anything that I can do in the interests of Porto Rico.

With warmest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



DDW/T

April 3, 1917.

Daniel Day Walton, Esq.,  
Twenty Nassau Street,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Walton;

Your very kind letter of the twentieth ultimo has been received.

I also received the notice of the formation of the new law firm, and I desire to express my hope that it may prove promptly and entirely successful.

Things have been moving rather rapidly in Porto Rico in the last year or two as well as in the world at large. I am glad to know that you keep alive your interest in the little island, and I hope upon the occasion of my next visit to the States I may find time to accept your invitation and drop in to see you.

With best wishes for you always, I am  
Sincerely yours,

Governor.

HEADQUARTERS SOUTHEASTERN DEPARTMENT,  
CHARLESTON, S. C.

26th June, 1917

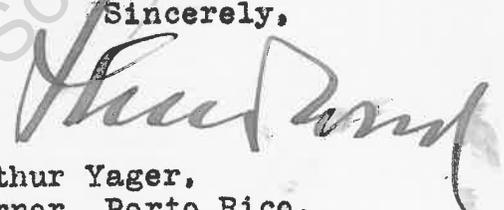
My dear Governor Yager:

Your letter of June 14th, concerning Mr. Thomas H. Jones, has been received. I will file it for consideration with his application.

From your description of this gentleman, he is the type we want.

With regards, believe me,

Sincerely,



Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor, Porto Rico,  
San Juan, P.R.,

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# TO SIMON WOLF

ON HIS EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY

MADE OF THE STUFF FROM WHICH KINGS ARE WROUGHT,  
YET GREATER THAN ANY KING.  
BROTHER TO MEN OF EVERY CLIME, AND  
TO EVERY LIVING THING.  
RULER O'ER HEARTS THAT PRIZE TRUE WORTH,  
YET SERVANT OF ALL WHO NEED.  
RICH IN WHAT YOU HAVE GIVEN AWAY,  
THOUGH DEAF TO THE VOICE OF GREED.

A HEART THAT FEELS FOR THE WOES OF MEN,  
WHATEVER THEIR CREED OR CLIME,  
HONORED THY NAME THE WHOLE WORLD ROUND,  
FOR WORDS AND DEEDS SUBLIME.  
WE HONOR YOU THIS DAY OF DAYS  
AS YOU CROSS THE EIGHTIETH SPAN  
OF THE ARCH OF LIFE, A LIFE WELL SPENT,  
IN THE SERVICE OF GOD AND MAN.

TERENCE VINCENT POWDERLY  
LATE COMMISSIONER-GENERAL  
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## United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sept. 11, 1917.

My dear Sir:

I am advised that Hon. E. B. Wilcox, a prominent attorney of San Juan, Porto Rico, has recently entered the officers' training camp in Porto Rico for the purpose of qualifying for a commission and subsequently for service during the present war. I desire to commend him strongly to your favorable consideration.

I have known Judge Wilcox for sometime and know him to be a man of high standing and character, broad experience and education, a life long democrat and a most estimable gentleman.

He served as captain and acting major during the Spanish American War, receiving honorable mention for his military service. I consider him well qualified for a position of rank and trust as a result of his experience at the training camp you will be able to confer upon him a suitable commission. I take great pleasure in commending him to you.

Yours respectfully,



Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor,  
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Committee on Appropriations,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

September 11, 1917.

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Sir:

I understand that Judge E. B. Wilcox, of San Juan, is prominently mentioned for a commission with the Porto Rican troops now being organized for service in the National Army, and I am very glad to recommend him to you for favorable action. Judge Wilcox, whom you no doubt know personally, has been a resident of San Juan for sometime where he has been engaged in the practice of law, and he knows the language, the conditions, usages, etc., prevailing there. He served as Captain during the Spanish-American War and because of this military experience and of his close touch with local conditions, I consider him well fitted to serve as an officer with the Porto Rican troops.

With best wishes, I remain,

Yours very truly,



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## United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON RULES.

September 11th., 1917.

HON. ARTHUR YAGER, Governor,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

Dear Governor Yager:

I wish to call your attention to my interest in my friend, Judge E. B. Wilcox, of San Juan, Porto Rico, who desires to be appointed to serve with the Porto Rico troops.

Judge Wilcox is a native of my state, and comes of a distinguished family among whom are numbered many of my friends.

It seems to me that by reason of the Judge's military experience and training, knowledge of the language spoken by the native troops, local customs, usages, etc., that he would make a very valuable man to command and instruct the Porto Rico troops.

I do not know to what extent you may be able to assist him, nor to what extent it may be proper for me to speak in his behalf, but I am taking the liberty of writing to express my interest in him, and hope that as far as you may be able you will urge his appointment to one of the commands of the troops indicated.

Yours very truly,

*Lee S. Overman*

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## United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Washington, D. C., September 13, 1917.



Governor Arthur Yager,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Sir:

Judge E. B. Wilcox of San Juan, Porto Rico, advises me of his desire to obtain a commission in the Army that is to be raised on the Island of Porto Rico. I hope that his wish will be gratified, as his distinguished services during the Spanish-American war entitle him to consideration. Judge Wilcox is a native of my State, and I esteem him as a friend and as an attorney. I hope you will find it possible to support his application.

With assurance of my esteem, I am

Yours very truly,

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February 9, 1918.

Dear Sir:

I take pleasure in introducing the bearer, Mr. Elton Warner, who has been for many years a resident of Porto Rico and for some eight or ten years an employee of the Insular Government as Secretary of the Franchise Committee.

Mr. Warner is a capable and reliable man and I am sure would prove himself worthy of any courtesies extended to him.

Very respectfully,

Governor.

Honorable Thomas W. Bickett,  
Governor of North Carolina,  
Raleigh, N. C.

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Governor.

Honorable John J. Cornsall,  
Governor of West Virginia,  
Charleston, W. V.

February 9, 1918.

*To Whom It May Concern;*

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Very respectfully,

Governor.

ELTON WARNER

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SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, U. S. A.

Feb. 4, 1918.

Hon. Arthur Yager,

Governor of Porto Rico.

My Dear Governor:

I expect to go to the States shortly, on a business trip. I shall probably visit cities where I am not known, and where there is no one to whom I can take a personal letter of introduction.

Can you give me a general letter, merely attesting the fact that I have been employed with the Government in Porto Rico for nine years, that I am considered worthy of trust, etc. etc. If in addition to a general letter, you could give me a letter to the Governor of West Virginia, and another to the Governor of North Carolina, I would appreciate it greatly. My business will probably throw me with the Commissioner of Agriculture of each of those States, but I have considered that you would perhaps prefer to give me a note to the Governors, and they in turn would undoubtedly refer me to the officers mentioned.

For your information, would say that I have been in Porto Rico since 1908,-- public accounting for a year,-- and since 1909 have been Secretary of the Franchise Committee, and of the Public Service Commission.

I thank you most sincerely, and have the honor to be

Yours very sincerely,

*Elton Warner*

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San Juan, May 28, 1918.

Mr. O. M. Wood,  
San Juan, P. R.

My dear sir:-

Your very kind letter of May 17th has been received.

I appreciate very much this kind expression of your confidence and esteem, coming as it does, at a time when such words of approval and consideration are very opportune.

Thanking you for your thoughtfulness and with best wishes for you, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Governor.

O. M. WOOD,  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW.  
SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.  
GENERAL OFFICES, 1 TETUAN STREET.  
PUBLIC NOTARY.



CABLE ADDRESS: "OMWOOD". \_\_\_\_\_ TEL. 590.

San Juan, P. R., May, 17, 1918,.

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Government House,  
San Juan, P. R.,

Dear Sir:-

We have seen Governor after Governor, come and go here in Porto Rico, and to my mind, there has never been one, but has in some way or form, in measure greater or less, made this Island better for his coming.

You have already indelibly stamped your impress upon the material advancement and progress of Porto Rico.

Rest assured that you have the fullest confidence and the respect of every man or woman on this Island, who is unselfishly laboring to upbuild and uplift.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "O. M. Wood", written over a horizontal line.

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April 22, 1919.

Mr. Simon Wolf,  
Woodward Building,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Wolf;

I have been trying to find time to write you ever since I got back to Porto Rico about April first. I read on the boat your book of reminiscences of the Presidents that you have known from James Buchanan to Woodrow Wilson. I found it to be of unusual interest, not only because of the extraordinarily long list of Presidents and other public men included in your survey, but also because of the many important matters of public interest touched upon in your recital and with which you were concerned in your representative capacity as a citizen of the Jewish faith.

I shall place the book in my library and I am sure I shall have many occasions to refer to it as a reliable record.

I found upon my return that Joseph Marcus, of whom we spoke in Washington, had already left Porto Rico because of the abolition of the Federal Employment Service which was made necessary by the failure of Congress to pass the appropriation for its maintenance. I regretted this because I wanted to see Mr. Marcus again.

I was sorry not to be able to see you again before leaving Washington, but my last two or three days there were very busy and I had to leave in haste in order to catch the boat.

With thanks for your courtesy and kindness and cordial remembrance to your family, I desire to wish for you many useful and pleasant years of life.

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

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June 16, 1919.

My dear General:

I am enclosing a letter to you from Mr. Turner of the Food Commission, with reference to a bill of \$700.14 against our food commission for reimbursement to the Navy Department for supplies furnished the Camilla Rickmers.

Mr. Turner, as you know, is a very accurate and careful business man, and the letter explains itself.

I am sending the letter to you with some hesitation because as you know we do not desire to raise any small objections to any items or charges for supplies, etc. furnished this boat by the Navy Department, or the War Department either, for we recognize fully the importance of the services rendered our food commission in connection with this whole matter. I am sending it, therefore, simply for your information, and I hope that you will give me the benefit of your candid opinion in reference to the matter of making any objections whatever, to the Navy Department. We will cheerfully pay this bill without any question if you think it best for us to do so.

A close inspection of the dates seems to make clear that the master of the Camilla Rickmers, or some one, changed the date of the receipt of the supplies, but it may have been due to an error made by somebody writing the first date.

I feel that there will be keen disappointment here in Porto Rico over the small passenger capacity of the two transports that have been promised for June 28th and July 4th. It now seems that one of these transports is a freight boat and will be filled up by the authorities at Camp Las Casas with freight and may have no passenger accommodations at all, while the other one, the Kilpatrick has only a small passenger capacity, and that will all be filled up before she arrives or else be reserved by the War and Navy Departments to take up soldiers and Marines and their families from San Juan. In this event no relief will be afforded us in the mat-

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ter of our teachers. And of course, not only the teachers, but several hundred other people, many of whom have the most urgent and important reasons for going to the states will suffer the keenest disappointment, and also heavy losses and sacrifices. This matter is so important that I think either the War or the Navy Department ought to send a big transport straight down to Porto Rico and return to some Atlantic port, and take up several hundred of our people. These people include the teachers, discharged soldiers, who have secured employment in the states if they can only reach there in time, government employees, sick people, some of whom require surgical operations, for which they have arranged in American hospitals, as well as prominent business men and civilians who have business of real and pressing importance which can be transacted only by personal visits.

The prices of food and clothing and other prime necessities of life are mounting steadily and rapidly in Porto Rico. For example, rice is now 14¢ to 15¢ a pound; higher than it has ever been during the war. Other things are going upon in proportion. The people believe, and I believe, that much of this is due to profiteering.

The Legislature at the last moment has passed a law authorizing a new form of price control for peace times to cover the period of readjustment between war and peace, as our former food commission practically discontinued their operations because of the coming prices.

But the question of boats, especially passenger service, interferes sadly with all of our operations.

Very sincerely yours,

Governor.

Brig. Gen. Chas. C. Walcutt, Jr.,  
Chief, Bureau of Insular Affairs,  
War Department, Washington, D. C.

GOVERNMENT OF PORTO RICO  
FOOD COMMISSION

(CREATED BY  
JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,  
APPROVED APRIL 12TH 1917)

My dear Governor:-

Before you pass this please examine the bill in the case and note the alteration of the date, and you can clearly see under the lead-pencil date the figure 2 and I think either 3 or 8-either of which is important, as the Rickmers arrived in Naples before either date.

Clearly, I think beyond doubt we are not called upon to pay this bill of supplies after we were thro with the ship. The supplies were consumed while the ship was WHOLLY in the service of the Navy Dept.

If after reading my letter you think same should not be sent to General Walcutt, return it with suggestions and I will follow them.

Respectfully

April 7th 1919



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San Juan, Porto Rico,  
July 2, 1919.

The American Ambassador of the United States to  
Spain, or to any American Consul in Spain,

Sir:

I am writing this brief letter to introduce  
the bearer, Mr. José Toro Rios, who is an American  
citizen, and a prominent resident of Humacao, Porto  
Rico.

He is making a trip to Spain for the benefit  
of his health, and I recommend him as a loyal and  
patriotic citizen and a good and reliable man.

Any aid or courtesies that you can convenient-  
ly extend to him will be thoroughly appreciated, and  
in no way abused.

Very respectfully,

Governor of Porto Rico.

S. W. Washington, D. C.

My dear Governor:

I thank you very much for your very kind and appreciative letter. It is gratifying to find a man like you to entertain the proper motives.

The other evening we had General Ira Haynes and his wife for dinner, he having just returned from France. It gratified us to know that he was a friend of yours, knew you in Georgetown, Ky., and he spoke very highly of you.

Our friend Marcus has been transferred to the Foreign and Domestic Commerce branch of the Government, located in the City of New York in the Custom House.

Mrs. Wolf joins me in sincere regard

Very truly yours,

Governor Arthur Yaeger,

San Juan, Porto Rico.

May 12, 1919.

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San Juan, P.R., July 8, 1919.

Honorable Joseph E. Willard,  
Amb. E. & P. of the United States to Spain,  
American Embassy, Madrid, Spain.

SIR:

This is to introduce my friend Dr. Gonzalez Martinez, a prominent physician of Porto Rico, who is making a visit to Madrid for the purpose of prosecuting research work in diseases peculiar to the tropics.

Dr. Gonzalez Martinez is a scholarly man and active member of the Porto Rican Institute of Tropical Medicine, and is, moreover, a gentleman of real culture and scientific attainments.

Any aid and courtesies that you may conveniently extend to him while in Madrid will be greatly appreciated by myself and the Government of Porto Rico.

Very respectfully,

Governor of Porto Rico.

San Juan, P.R., July 16, 1919.

Honorable Joseph E. Willard,

Amb. E. & P. of the United States to Spain,  
American Embassy, Madrid, Spain,

SIR:

I write this letter to introduce to you, the bearer, Mr. Rafael Hernandez Usera, of Guayama, Porto Rico, who is making a trip to Spain chiefly for the benefit of the health of his wife.

Mr. Hernandez Usera is an American citizen and a prominent business man of Porto Rico, who has formerly served the Insular Government as a judge in one of our courts. He is a good citizen, a reliable man in every way, and of excellent social standing and reputation.

He will probably remain in Spain for several months may be a year, and any courtesies or assistance that you may find it convenient to extend to him will be properly appreciated both by him and myself.

Very respectfully yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

July 9, 1919.

Brig. Gen. Chas. C. Walcott, Jr.,  
Chief, Bureau of Insular Affairs,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear General:

This is to introduce to you my friend, Mr. Genaro Cautiño, recently Alcalde of Guayama. Mr. Cautiño is one of the leading business men of Porto Rico, a patriotic American citizen, and a reliable gentleman. I am sure you will take pleasure in making his acquaintance.

Any courtesies that you may conveniently show him when he comes to Washington, especially in the matter of securing a passport to go to Spain, will be appreciated both by Mr. Cautiño, and myself.

Very sincerely yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

July 9, 1919.

Mr. R. O. Ward,  
Farmers' Bank and Trust Co.,  
Georgetown, Ky.

My dear Bob:

Possibly you have already heard that Mrs. Fager is at Chautauqua, New York, with the children all around her. She has not been at all well all winter, and I am in hopes that the change of climate and the reunion with her children will greatly improve her health. Of course, she will be at considerable expense up there with the bunch to look after, and while I am going to try to keep her supplied with money, mails are slow and sometimes uncertain, and she may get in a pinch sometime during the summer, and if so, she will call on you to help her out temporarily. I am writing this note chiefly to ask you to honor any draft she might make on my account at your bank, and also to remember that if my account runs low, or becomes slightly overdrawn, at any moment, if you will notify me, I will make it good at any time, promptly. I wish you would write us when you have a chance.

I have given Mrs. Stevenson a price on Estillhurst, from Clayton Avenue to Jackson Street. I had to price it to her first, because she had asked me to do so a long time ago.

The college seems very anxious for a price on the whole property. They do not now seem to be interested in trading for the old seminary property, but want us to price the whole of Estillhurst to them outright. The whole country seems to be in such a remarkable state of progress, and perhaps inflation of values of all sorts, that it is hard to make prices on real estate that one might not regret. I wish you could find time to write me your views about Georgetown property. I priced Estillhurst to Mrs. Stevenson at \$25,000, reserving only the right to remove the greenhouse, and thought it most likely that she would decline to buy it at that price, and I would then take up the matter with the College. I did not include the cow pasture, as I wish to sell that separately. Talk this over with Rhodes Thomas, and write me what you think. I am too far away to handle these

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matters with any intelligence at all without calling on my friends.

I am awfully busy with my work here, but getting on splendidly, I think, in all important ways. Have just closed a long and unusually important session of the local legislature, and getting by with it in fine shape, I think.

Professor Bradley, asked for a price on the cottage on Jackson Street, which you know is very old and in bad condition. I wrote that he could sell it for \$1,250, with the usual commission for himself. Of course, I would require purchase money paid to me before making the deed.

Remember me cordially to Rhodes Thomas, and all the boys in the bank, and write me when you can.

Mrs. Lewis is fairly well, and I am quite well. All the rest of us are at Chautauque, New York.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely your friend,

The Filson Historical Society

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S.M. 2013- Columbia Road,  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Governor:

I am extremely gratified to learn from Mr. and Mrs. Wolf that you are slowly but surely improving. It gives Mrs. Wolf and myself a great deal of pleasure to know this. While I have not at any time been seriously ill, I have been confined to my house for six weeks with the "flu" and feel the effects very much, but when the spring birds come flying back to their haunts, I no doubt will have the invigorating sap essential to future work.

Wishing you health and happiness, and in the hope of seeing you East soon, and of course at our table, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Hon. Arthur Yaeger,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

March 9, 1920.



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I hope to see you both before a  
great while.

Sincerely your friend,

Mr. Simon Wolf,  
Woodward Building,  
Washington, D. C.

March  
Twenty-third  
Nineteen Twenty.

My dear Mr. Wolf:

I was greatly gratified to get your  
brief letter of March 9th, with its expressions  
of solitude and interest as to my health. I  
have had a very severe and critical illness  
which has confined me to my room two or three  
months, and most of the time to my bed, but I  
am very thankful to have escaped at all. I am  
now so much better that I feel that in two or  
three weeks more I may be able to be up and at  
work again.

I am sorry to learn that you have also  
been ill, but I think that your health is quite  
remarkable for a man of your age.

Remember me cordially to Mrs. Wolf,  
and accept my very best wishes for yourself.

May  
First  
Nineteen Twenty.

Honorable Joseph E. Willard,  
Amb. E. & P. of the U.S. to Spain,  
American Embassy, Madrid, Spain.

Dear Sir:

This is to introduce to you the bearer,

Mr. G. Ferrer, who is a young business man of  
Spain, and has been visiting amongst his rela-  
tives in Porto Rico. During this visit I have  
become pleasantly acquainted with Mr. Ferrer,  
through his relatives, with whom I have always  
had the most pleasant personal relations.

Very respectfully yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

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San Juan, P. R., October 5, 1920.

My dear Mr. Warwick:—

Your very kind letter reached me before my return to Porto Rico, but I have been so busy since getting back that I have not had time to attend to anything except matters of the most urgent importance.

I wish to assure you however of my sincere appreciation of the change that has come upon our fiscal system as the result of your decision in this matter. The new arrangement has been in operation now for two months and collections actually turned into the Porto Rico Treasury for those two months averaged over \$170,000.

I am sending you under separate cover two copies of my brief summary of the Twenty Years of Progress in Porto Rico under the American flag. As I know you are acquainted with the Island and take an interest in its affairs I hope you will find time to read this little document and enjoy it. I also hope that you will find time at no distant date to revisit the Island.

With best wishes for you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

Hon. Walter W. Warwick,  
Treasury Department Building,  
Washington, D. C.

San Juan, P. R., October 5, 1920.

The Chief  
Transportation Service  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I hereby certify that

Miss Etta D. Bessel

secretary and stenographer to the Commissioner of Education,  
is an employee of the People of Porto Rico and, therefore,  
entitled to transportation on a government transport  
under existing legislation.

Miss Bessel desires transportation from New  
York to Porto Rico either directly or via Panama on or  
about November 16. I shall greatly appreciate any  
favor shown her in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Governor of Porto Rico.

San Juan, Porto Rico.  
October 23, 1920.

My dear Colonel:

I have not heard directly, as yet, from General McIntyre since he sailed. I forwarded to him your radiogram with reference to the Transport Santigny, and I look for granted that he would accept the change of port to which he would return and come right on over from Santo Domingo the latter part of October as he had planned. I'm already receiving some mail for him and the ladies of his party, and expect his arrival in a few days.

The election contest here, as it nears the close, is growing in excitement and in bitterness. The local Republicans have been attempting for weeks to form a coalition with the Socialists. But this is naturally a very difficult thing to do, and I think that up to the present they have not succeeded except, perhaps, on a few local tickets. I refused some weeks ago to rescind the order issued last February prohibiting the use of the red flag in order that the Socialists might employ it in their election campaign, and this action has exposed me to some characteristic grateful and gracious attentions from Mr. Iglesias. However, I have made them comply with the order and with this I am content.

There is no news except the most divergent prognostications from the various party organizations as to the result of the local elections, which like all elections in a democratic country is more or less uncertain. With best wishes I am,

Sincerely yours,

Col. Charles C. Walcott Jr.  
Bureau of Insular Affairs  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

San Juan Porto Rico.  
November 3, 1920.

My dear Colonel:

I sent you a radiogram yesterday announcing that Gen. McIntyre and his party had left on the Army Transport Cantigny at an early hour Tuesday. The General expected to get over to Washington sometime Saturday afternoon or evening. He and the ladies were all well but I fear considerably fatigued.

The election in Porto Rico, was, as you know, held yesterday. It passed in an entirely peaceful and orderly manner in spite of the excitement of the contest. The Unionist party carried the island overwhelmingly although all of the figures are not yet complete. They will have full sway in both houses of the legislature. Something like 15 out of 19 Senators and some 26 or 27 Representatives out of 39. The Socialists made large gains in many parts of the island, and the Republicans suffered heavy losses. San Juan, even, has gone Unionist by a slight majority on the face of the returns. It is generally conceded that this Republican catastrophe was due to the coalition and general co-partnership with the Socialists. I'm enclosing a newspaper clipping on the subject.

General McIntyre's trip was greatly enjoyed by a great many persons here in Porto Rico. This is specially true of myself and family. This was a pleasure I had long anticipated. Now I should greatly enjoy to have you and Mrs. Walcott come down while I am still in the island. I wish you could plan and execute such a visit some time this winter.

There is really no news here. The island has had "electionitis"; but I suppose now it will speedily recover and go to work. Here's hoping that the same thing may happen in the United States. With best wishes for you and all the Bureau I am

Sincerely your friend,

Col. Charles C. Walcott Jr.  
Bureau of Insular Affairs  
War Department, Washington, D. C.

  
 WAR DEPARTMENT,  
 BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS,  
 WASHINGTON.

In reply refer to

B. I. A. No. ....

November 17, 1920.

Honorable Arthur Yager,  
 Governor of Porto Rico,  
 San Juan, Porto Rico.

Dear Governor Yager:

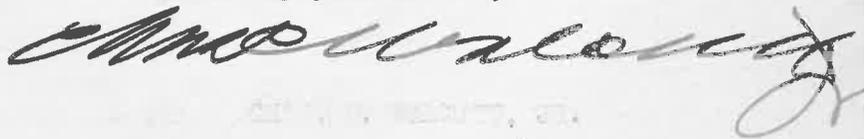
Your letter of the 3rd came while I was temporarily absent again. This time I had my face remodeled and hope now for the best.

From your letter I take it that the election in Porto Rico was as one sided as it was here in the States. Let us hope everything resulted for the best. Our campaign was supposed to be characterized by the greatest apathy but the vote indicated a wide interest, our friends, the women taking their new responsibilities and duty with commendable seriousness.

I certainly appreciate the warmth and cordiality of your re-newed invitation to Mrs. Walcutt and me to visit Porto Rico - nothing would give us greater pleasure but it does not seem possible to bring it about. In passing, it may not be amiss to say that nothing connected with my tour of duty in this bureau has given me more genuine pleasure than the opportunity to know and serve with you - from our rides in the park to all the many and diverse happenings in the performance of your great duties and my minor one in connection with Porto Rico.

Again many thanks, my dear Governor, and every good wish to you and yours, in which Mrs. Walcutt heartily joins, believe me

Cordially your friend,



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San Juan, P. R.,

December 18th, 1920.

Hon. Arthur Yager,  
Governor of Porto Rico,  
San Juan, P. R.

Dear Sir:-

In going over the contents of my safe deposit box at the American Colonial Bank yesterday, I ran across the enclosed papers which I had placed there for safe keeping at the time you sailed for the States on U. S. A. T. Northern Pacific.

Trusting that you are enjoying excellent health, and with best regards to your family and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*C. Whall.*

GSW/a.

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*San Juan, Porto Rico,* March 18, 1921.

Hon. Arthur Yager,

Governor of Porto  
Rico,

S a n J u a n,  
P.R.

My dear Governor:

On behalf of the Commissioners on Uniform Laws, I  
am sending you two copies of "Terry on Uniform State  
Laws."

Very truly yours,

*Adolph G. Wolf*

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March 18, 1921.

The Honorable Adolph G. Wolf,  
Justice of the Supreme Court,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Judge:

I acknowledge with appreciation the receipt of  
two copies of "Berry on Uniform State Laws", which you  
were kind enough to send me to-day. I shall examine  
the book with real interest.

Very sincerely yours,

AY/DLY.