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May 18, 1954

✓ Chancellor Carey H. Bostian, State College, Raleigh, N.C.
Dean D. W. Colvard, State College, Raleigh, N.C.

Dear Friends:

I hope very much we can have some appropriate exercises when Mangum Hall is dedicated--and I am wondering if Hugh Bennett would not be the appropriate man to make the dedicatory address. In answering a letter from him on May 7 I wrote him as follows:

"The great service you have done in the matter of soil conservation will benefit all future generations, not only in North Carolina and the South but in increasing measure in all the continents of the world. I am glad you have lived long enough to enjoy the satisfaction of realizing that this is the considered verdict of all who know your subject best.

"It seems to me that Priestley H. Mangum and Hugh H. Bennett were America's two greatest pioneers in the field of soil conservation--and both of them from North Carolina. I wonder if you feel that I am correct in this appraisal of Mangum. I have been instrumental in getting a building named for him at State College--and I hope sometime there will be a building named for you; not too soon, however, for the rule for several years has been not to name a building for any living person!"

In a reply dated May 15 received this morning, Dr. Bennett writes me as follows:

"Priestley H. Mangum I consider a landmark along the road to better conservation of soil and water. His broad-base terrace has spread to many parts of this country and recently I saw some Mangum terracing in Brazil. It is an ideal structure for slopes under about 4 to 5 percent. On steeper land, especially on highly erodible soil, the broad-channel terrace, built from the upper side so that the lower side may conform as much as possible with the natural slope of the land, is being recommended rather widely these days. But that is a refinement in terrace construction that goes along with the growth of an idea. Priestley Mangum's contribution will live for generations and will keep him on the list of those who did much to safeguard man's most basic resource."

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Poe:R

Clarence Poe
Editor and Board Chairman

December 11, 1954

Dr. Francisco D. Lousada
Embassador to Brazil
Guatenla City, Guatenla

Dear Dr. Lousada:

This is a prompt response to your recent letter requesting further information about Dr. Ralph Cummings, going from State College here to Peru to give special instruction there in Agriculture matters.

It is my understanding that Dr. Cummings wants some other person from State College to go from here to Brazil, if requested, through the U. S. Department of Agriculture, as Dr. Cummings also requested.

You will remember my comments, while in Brazil on two different visits and also while you were in Raleigh, about our State aiding your country when possible.

This information doubtless would also be conveyed by your son, Luz Cluidis who was a student here prior to your visit.

Again let me urge that you and Mrs. Lousada to visit Raleigh when convenient, letting us know as far in advance as possible of your coming to our city.

Cordially yours,

John A. Park

CC: Dr. Gary Bostian, Chancellor of N. C. State College

Dr. Ralph Cummings N. C. State College

Guatemala, 6th. dezembro 1954.

My dear Mr. Parker.

I'am in receipt of your letter of november 30th. concerning the arrangements made by your University for sending Dr. Ralph Cummings to head a special mission to develop agriculture in Peru.

You are most right when you point out the necessity of developing agriculture in Brazil with the help of US experts.

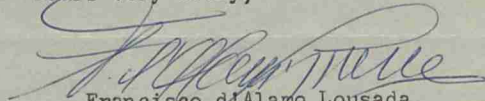
I would like however if you could provide me with specific informations of what kind of arrangements were settle between the University of North Carolina and de Peruvian Government.

I hope we be able to do something in the near future though the Brazilian Government is in a process of reducing its expenditures of the national budget.

It is my privilege to thank you for your great interest on my country. I do intend in my next visit to the United States to stop at Raleigh.

My best regards to Mrs. Parker,

Yours very truly,



Francisco d'Alamo Lousada,
Brazilian Ambassador

December 7, 1954

Mr. Thomas J. Pearsall
Box 1099
Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Pearsall:

Since receiving your call earlier today I have contacted two individuals who can furnish the information requested by Mr. Gorham. Dr. W. W. Kriegel, in charge of Ceramic Engineering, will send directly to him general information about the ceramic industry in North Carolina and opportunities for further development.

Dr. J. L. Stuckey, Professor of Geology and State Geologist, will send information about deposits of clays and other ceramic materials in Nash and Edgecomb Counties. The material is not already available in a summarized form and several days will probably transpire before Messrs. Kriegel and Stuckey get their letters in the mail.

I hope that it will be of much assistance to Mr. Gorham and will arrive in ample time.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bostian
Chancellor

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cc: Mr. Robert D. Gorham, Jr.
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Harvard Business School
Boston 63, Massachusetts

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would leave nothing for equipment.

Recommendations of Nov. 12

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Information on Ceramic Industry
in N. C.

- 1 - General information - summary
- 2 - Prospects for Nash & Edgemoor
clays -

Mr. Robert D. Garbun Jr.

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Boston 63, Mass.

VIA AIRMAIL

November 30, 1954

DR. FRANCISCO d'ALAMO LOUSADA
Brazilian Ambassador
Guatemala City, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Lousada:

Through a newspaper item I learned with interest that the Government of Peru is taking advantage of an arrangement offered by our University of North Carolina and its State College Division here whereby Dr. Ralph Cummings, a good friend of mine, goes soon to Peru to head a special mission to develop agriculture in that country.

Noting also through you and others -- and my own observations in the two countries -- that Brazil should have something of the kind, if desired and not already provided, I take occasion to suggest that you request such arrangements through your President while our University of North Carolina may have them available.

It would seem in order to request that Dr. Cummings or some other person investigate possibilities at Lima and report to our Dr. Gordon Gray at Chapel Hill, N.C., the official head of our State University of which State College is a part.

It is my firm belief that your country can be greatly benefited through a similar arrangement. I heard an impressive lecture recently by an able woman, Dr. Harding, before our Executives Club, and after the lecture I talked with her about possibilities of getting facilities for Brazil similar to what I learned Peru is getting from our University of North Carolina.

Please remember my suggestion in a former letter that you and Mrs. Lousada stop at Raleigh where your son, Luiz Claudio, made many friends during his stay here as a student at N.C. State College School.

Cordially yours,

John A. Park

CC: Dr. Gordon Gray, Pres. UNC, Chapel Hill, N. C.
✓ Dr. Carey Bostian Chancellor State College
Dr. Roy L. Lovvorn, N.C. State College
Dr. Ralph Cummings, N. C. State College

December 3, 1954

Mr. John Park
The Raleigh Times
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Park:

I appreciate your sending me a copy of your letter to Ambassador Lousada concerning the possibility that North Carolina State College might assist Brazil in a way similar to our arrangement with Peru.

Requests for assistance by foreign countries are made to the Office of Foreign Operations Administration in Washington. I fear that we would not be able to take on any additional projects until we have completed the ones in Peru.

It is my understanding that there are a number of contracts currently in existence for assistance in Brazil.

Very truly yours,

Carey H. Bostian
Chancellor

CHB:H
cc: Mr. Gordon Gray

CC: MR. MAYSON PARKER

Dr. Bostian -
Dean Sample -

November 8, 1954

MR. HOLT McPHERSON, PRES.
N. C. Press Association
The Enterprise
High Point, N. C.

Dear Holt:

Although you failed to attend the Eastern North Carolina Press meeting at Fayetteville last week, I take the liberty of telling you some things that came about without any promotion on my part.

I refer to another Mechanical Conference here at State College Engineering Department such as took place a year or so ago, to be attended this time by all NCPA mechanical men and job shoppers in our area, taking full advantage of NCSC facilities through the able cooperation of Chancellor Carey Bostian and Dean Harold Lemfe. Although I have not had opportunity to talk with these officials, I feel sure they would cooperate fully, as would Mayson Parker, secretary of ENCPA, who brought up the matter at the Fayetteville meeting which Mrs. Park and I attended last week.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

John A. Park

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Fall Meeting

Eastern North Carolina

Press Association



PRINCE CHARLES HOTEL, *Fayetteville, N. C.*
Friday and Saturday, November 5-6, 1954

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ENCPA Program

Fayetteville, Friday, November 5

Registration, Beginning at Noon Friday, Prince Charles Hotel

2 p. m.—Tour of Fort Bragg

7 P. M.—BANQUET PRINCE CHARLES HOTEL, Camellia Room

Guests of The Fayetteville Observer

Mrs. E. F. McCulloch, president, Elizabethtown, presiding

Invocation, Dr. Samuel E. Howie, pastor Highland
Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville

Address of Welcome, Mayor George B. Herndon, Fayetteville

Response, Mrs. Elizabeth G. Swindell, The Wilson Daily Times

Musical Program: Soloist, Miss Shirley Ledford, director
of music, Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, Fayetteville

Magician: B. Fay Ridenour and daughter Janet, Fayetteville

Greetings: Honorable W. Kerr Scott, United States Senator

Recognition of Guests

Appointment of Committees

Introduction of Speaker: Robert L. Gray, Jr.

Address: Honorable Sam J. Ervin, Jr., United States Senator

ENCPA Program

Fayetteville, Saturday, November 6

PANEL DISCUSSION, Court Room, City Hall, 9:30 a. m.

Non-segregation and the News

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Discussion Leaders:

Henry A. Dennis, Henderson Daily Dispatch; Mayon
Parker, The Hertford County Herald, Dave Whichard,
The Greenville Daily Reflector; Ashley Futrell, Wash-
ington Daily News.

TV, Radio and the Newspapers

Discussion Leader: Robert L. Gray, Jr., The Fayetteville
Observer

LUNCHEON—12 Noon, Camellia Room, Prince Charles Hotel

Robert L. Gray, Jr., Fayetteville, presiding

Invocation, The Rev. Roscoe C. Hauser, Jr., rector St. John's
Episcopal Church, Fayetteville

Introduction of Speaker: Mrs. George G. Myrover

Address: "Newspapers and the Courts," Judge Susie Sharp,
Reidsville, North Carolina Superior Court

Report of Committees

Election of Officers

Adjournment

ENCPA PROGRAM

Through the courtesy of Mr. Wilbur R. Smith, manager, visitors may park their cars in the Sears, Roebuck and Co., parking lot directly behind the hotel.

August 30, 1954

Dr. Clarence Poe
The Progressive Farmer
Insurance Building
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Poe:

I have read the article from the New York Times concerning Georgia's plan for adult education which you sent to the Trustees and several others a few weeks ago. Dr. Colvard furnished me a copy of his letter to you about a great need for having a similar facility in North Carolina.

Georgia has a big advantage over us in obtaining and operating such a facility because the University is on one campus. It will be much more difficult to obtain the kind of facility we need here because of a similar need at Greensboro and Chapel Hill. At the latter location, the Carolina Inn and Morehead Building provide facilities for which we have no counterpart.

There is very little likelihood that the Kellogg Foundation will be willing to assist another Southern state in the development of a Center for Continuing Education. Other Foundations, however, might become interested in helping us and Dean Colvard has been in conversation with a representative of a North Carolina Foundation who showed considerable interest.

Your own desire to be of assistance in such a worthy enterprise is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bestian
Chancellor

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North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering
of the
University of North Carolina
Raleigh

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE
RESEARCH EXTENSION
RESIDENT TEACHING

OFFICE OF DEAN AND DIRECTORS

13 AUGUST 1954

DR. CLARENCE POE
EDITOR AND BOARD CHAIRMAN
THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER
INSURANCE BUILDING
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

DEAR DR. POE:

IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 9 AND THE ATTACHED ARTICLE FROM A RECENT ISSUE OF THE NEW YORK TIMES, I HAVE HAD SOME RECENT EXPERIENCES AND OBSERVATIONS WHICH EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF A CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL CENTER SUCH AS THE ONES PROVIDED BY THE KELLOGG FOUNDATION AT MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

RECENTLY I ATTENDED A MEETING IN THE KELLOGG CENTER ON THE MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS, AND IT IS BECOMING A CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES AND STUDY GROUPS FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN AS WELL AS FOR MANY MEETINGS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE. SIMILAR FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE ON MANY OTHER CAMPUSES, INCLUDING THE MEMORIAL UNION BUILDING AT PURDUE, THE UNION BUILDING AT OKLAHOMA A. AND M. COLLEGE, THE CLEMSON HOUSE AT CLEMSON COLLEGE, AND THE CENTER WHICH IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN GEORGIA.

ALSO, I HAVE RECENTLY HAD OCCASION TO ATTEND SOME STATEWIDE CONFERENCES IN NORTH CAROLINA WHICH HAVE BEEN HELD AT VARIOUS PLACES AND IN QUARTERS WHICH WERE WHOLLY INADEQUATE. THERE ARE DOZENS OF STATEWIDE MEETINGS OF GROUPS WHOSE WORK RELATES CLOSELY TO THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROVIDED BY NORTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE. MORE AND MORE ALL OF THESE GROUPS ARE MEETING TOGETHER TO BECOME INFORMED ON NEW DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING THEIR PARTICULAR BUSINESS OR PROFESSION.

I AM FULLY CONVINCED THAT ONE OF THE GREAT NEEDS OF NORTH CAROLINA IS FOR A CONTINUING EDUCATION CENTER ON THE CAMPUS OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE. IT SHOULD INCLUDE AT LEAST 100 ROOMS FOR LODGING ALONG WITH ADEQUATE ROOMS FOR MEETINGS, DINNERS, ETC. CERTAINLY THE CONFERENCE QUARTERS SHOULD BE AIR CONDITIONED IN ORDER THAT SUMMER MEETINGS WILL BE FEASIBLE. A FACILITY OF THIS TYPE COULD BE SUPPLEMENTED BY THE USE OF OTHER CONFERENCE ROOMS AVAILABLE ON THE STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS. I AM FURTHER IMPRESSED BY THE PRACTICAL DESIRABILITY OF HAVING FOUR OR FIVE OF THE CONFERENCE ROOMS ALREADY AVAILABLE ON THE STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS AIR CONDITIONED IN ORDER THAT THEY WILL BE USED BY THESE GROUPS FOR SUMMER MEETINGS.

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13 August 1954

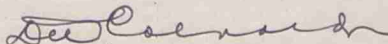
ONE FURTHER COMMENT MAY BE APPROPRIATE. I AM A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE AGRICULTURAL DIVISION OF THE KELLOGG FOUNDATION. THIS HAS PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE CERTAIN OBSERVATIONS CONCERNING THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF THAT ORGANIZATION. THEY SEEM TO BE MORE INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHING USEFUL PATTERNS THAN IN CONTINUING INDEFINITELY TO FINANCE FACILITIES. I HAVE GAINED THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY CONSIDER THE CENTERSON THE MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS AND AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA AS DEMONSTRATIONS OF A TYPE OF PROGRAM WHICH SHOULD RECEIVE ADDITIONAL EMPHASIS BY UNIVERSITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

IN OUR PRESENT PROGRAM IN THE SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE WE ARE ALREADY HAVING SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ATTEND IN-SERVICE CONFERENCES HELD ON OUR CAMPUS DURING THE YEAR. THE MAGNITUDE OF THIS WORK AND ITS DEMONSTRATIVE USEFULNESS TO OUR PEOPLE IS ALREADY SUCH AS TO ENCOURAGE THE PROVISION OF MORE ADEQUATE FACILITIES FOR THIS PURPOSE. OTHER SCHOOLS ON THE CAMPUS HAVE PROGRAMS SIMILAR TO THIS.

FINALLY, I WOULD SAY WITHOUT RESERVATION THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE REALLY IMPORTANT NEEDS ON THE STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS. MR. WEAVER HAS INDICATED THE INTEREST OF THE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS IN A BUILDING OF THIS TYPE, AND I HAVE SUGGESTED TO MR. L. L. RAY THAT SUCH A BUILDING BE GIVEN CAREFUL ATTENTION IN OUR BEQUEST PROGRAM.

WITH KIND REGARDS, I AM,

SINCERELY YOURS,



D. W. COLVARD
DEAN OF AGRICULTURE

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CC: C. H. BOSTIAN ✓
D. S. WEAVER

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August 9, 1954

✓ Chancellor C. H. Bostian
Dean D. W. Colvard
Mr. David S. Weaver
Mr. L. R. Harrill

Dear Friends:

I should like very much to have your comments on the enclosed article from the New York Times I have just sent to all of our University trustees.

Sincerely yours,



Clarence Poe:r

Editor and Board Chairman

*Geo. has advantage in having Univ. on one Campus
Carolina Inn and Morehead Bldg. at UNC*

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February 3, 1954

Dr. Carey H. Bostian
State College
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Friend Bostian:

In the library of my Longview home are several shelves of books autographed for me by their authors who were my friends and other "very special" volumes.

These books range all the way from a volume of Confucius' sayings given me in Peking in 1910 by a descendant of Confucius of the 76th generation....books by American public men as conservative as Wm. H. Taft, as liberal as Josephus Daniels and as radical as Henry Wallace....books by three Britishers equally famous and charming, Lord (James) Bryce, Sir Horace Plunkett and the Irish poet "AE"....a book autographed for me as long ago as 1905 (Lanier's Poems by his son Charles) and as recently as 1953, William Polk's Southern Accent....poems by three well loved friends, John Charles McNeill, Edwin Markham, Benjamin Sledd.... my great friend Walter Page's Rebuilding Old Commonwealths....college textbooks I inherited as a farm boy from my more fortunate cousins who attended Chapel Hill and Trinity (now Duke)....an old 1833 astronomy which made all the constellations my neighbors....textbooks my mother used when she and Walter Page were students at an old time "academy" at Cary around 1870 and --AND--

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"Oh, well," I can hear somebody say, "just start a 70-year-old man reminiscing (and especially if he loves books) and he'll never, NEVER stop". So I pause right here (come to see me if you can stand to hear more) and I now turn directly to the special point and object of this letter.

I have indeed long had a great many volumes I prize. But from now on there will be CNE incomparably more highly prized volume than any other. And you know now what it is--the volume of letters you and other friends sent and which was presented to me last week at the banquet given in recognition of my 50 years service as President of The Progressive Farmer Company 1903-53.

The fact that you contributed to that volume will always add to its worth and charm for me, and to its interest for my children and grandchildren in the years ahead. The fact that you may have strained your conscience unduly in what you wrote will never diminish my pleasure in your letter--no matter how much it may embarrass you with St. Peter! And again I thank you with all my heart.

I am predicting a great record for you in your own profession

Sincerely your friend,

Clarence Poetz

Clarence Poetz

January 18, 1954

Banquet Committee
Box 2171
Raleigh, North Carolina

Gentlemen:

Your invitation to attend the banquet honoring Dr. Clarence Poe on Thursday evening, the 28th of January, is accepted with pleasure.

I am grateful for the opportunity of being present on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bostian
Chancellor

CHB:H

*The Board of Directors
of
The Progressive Farmer Company
invites you to attend a Banquet
honoring
Dr. Clarence Poe
on his Fiftieth Anniversary as
President of the Company
Thursday evening, the twenty-eighth of January
from seven until nine o'clock
Virginia Dare Ballroom
Sir Walter Hotel
Raleigh, North Carolina*

R. S. V. P.

Informal

January 8, 1954

Mr. John B. Gordon
Box 2171
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Gordon:

I appreciate very much the opportunity of sending you an expression of my great regard for Dr. Poe and his contributions to the people of North Carolina. Although I have been an admirer of Dr. Poe ever since coming to State College in 1930 and have been a regular reader of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER during all that time, my personal acquaintance has regrettably extended over only the past five or six years.

The record of having served as President and Editor-in-Chief of his publication longer than any other individual in a similar capacity warrants special recognition but is not nearly so significant as the tremendous influence he has exerted on our rural people. It is very appropriate, however, that we take note of the first fifty years of his accomplishments at this time, soon after he has chosen to give up one of his major responsibilities.

Dr. Poe's great interest and zeal for the improvement of the standard of living for rural people has been recognized by governors and presidents, who for many years have appointed him to commissions authorized to study and make recommendations. His extensive acquaintance with rural problems and his understanding of the hopes and aspirations of rural people are unequalled.

All over North Carolina there are hospitals, schools, churches, and beautiful farm homes which bear testimony to the great emphasis he has placed on the health, education, spiritual life and the finer aspects of rural living. Dr. Poe's very extensive knowledge of geography, history, literature, politics, and economic problems of North Carolina, the United States, and the world is truly amazing.

One of my strongest hopes is the desire to be the beneficiary of his friendship and counsel for many, many years.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bostian
Chancellor

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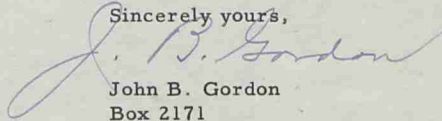
Dear Dr. Bostian:

On December 23, 1953 Dr. Clarence Poe will have served 50 years as the original organizer, President and Editor-In-Chief of the present Progressive Farmer Company. This surpasses the record of his fellow publisher Cyrus H. K. Curtis who lacked just one year of rounding out a full half century as president of the Curtis Publishing Company which he organized.

In this connection I am especially anxious to get letters from his friends, giving their impression and recollections of Dr. Poe. Especially should I like for you to write me about any experiences, stories, incidents or conversations that would go to illustrate his character and characteristics. Also your comments on the range and value of his services to various forms of agricultural and human progress and his qualities as a man and as a friend. These letters will be suitably bound in book form and presented to Dr. Poe as a surprise on an occasion commemorating this event.

If you can get such a letter to me by January 5, I shall appreciate it, as will Dr. Poe and his family.

Sincerely yours,



John B. Gordon
Box 2171
Raleigh, N. C.

P. S. To facilitate binding please write your letter on standard
8 1/2" x 11" letterheads.