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SAMUEL COLCORD
305 WEST 113TH STREET
NEW YORK

March 2, 1931.

Hon. Harry M. Woodring,
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Governor Woodring:

At this time there is before President Hoover for his consideration the greatest question in the world, - the better insurance of the permanence of peace by the delegatization of war, not by a treaty from which any nation may withdraw, but by an enactment participated in by all the civilized governments from which no nation can withdraw.

A nation may violate it and treat it with contempt, as a murderer may violate and scorn the law against murder. But the law will remain, branding the offending nation as a disgraced criminal outcast, guilty of the most serious offense against the entire society of nations, subject to the contempt of world opinion, - a situation in which no nation will willingly put itself or could long endure.

I am sending to you by this mail, under separate cover, a mimeographed copy of the letter to the President making this proposal with also a second proposal for a treaty that shall provide for the call of a conference of nations for conciliation, inquiry and report to public opinion in the event of any impending war.

The enclosure is different from any hitherto sent to you, in that, following the letter to the President is a page that makes the proposal to delegatize war doubly clear and irresistible. The four pages that then follow are different in that the list of four hundred distinguished Americans signing the letter is classified, showing Senators, Governors, and others by themselves. This is made eloquent by the telling of one hundred and eighty two thousand other endorsers not mentioned in any other copies. Altogether it is shown that if the President undertakes the negotiation with the civilized governments of the world the undertaking will have the irresistible support of the people.

More Senators, more Governors of important states and other distinguished Americans continue to endorse the proposal since the mimeographed copies were run off.

It is our desire and expectation that a sufficient number of Senators will approve it to show to the President that it will not fail when it comes before that body ratification.

I am writing to you because it is something to which every lover of mankind will desire to give earnest thought and energetic support as the greatest insurance of the permanence of peace that has any chance to secure the necessary Senate support.

Very sincerely yours,

Samuel Colcord

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STATE OF KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

May 12, 1931

Mr. Sam Bushong
622 West Douglas Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Bushong:

I have your letter of May 8 in which you express a wish to present the state of Kansas with a Greek flag in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the independence of Greece. I am very much gratified that you have in mind the presentation of such a flag and assure you I shall be very happy to receive it. I suggest June 15 as the day for the presentation if this suits your convenience and I will be glad to meet you and the committee in my office in Topeka at that time.

With assurances of deep appreciation and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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BUSHONG CANDY COMPANY

622 WEST DOUGLAS AVE. * HIGH GRADE HAND ROLLED CHOCOLATES * WICHITA, KANSAS

May 8, 1931

*Letter OK
Set date
when I
can leave
HAW*

Honorable Harry H. Woodring.
Governor's Mansion.
Topeka, Kansas.

My Dear Governor Woodring:

In view of the fact that the year 1930 marked the 100th year of the independence of Greece, each state of the union sent to the Greek government its flag to commemorate the event. The Greek government has asked me to arrange for the presentation of the Greek flag to the state of Kansas through you, and has sent me a flag for that purpose.

I am writing to ask if your Excellency will set a day and an hour upon which I may come, with other members of a committee, to make a formal presentation of this flag, in obedience to my native country's request and to fulfill the desire of the Greek government that this courtesy may be paid to the state of Kansas in its name.

Yours respectfully,

Sam Bushong

June 15

P.S. We would prefer about the middle of June however, whatever date you shall give us will be appreciated.

Bushong's



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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

May 28, 1931

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Mr. Sam Bushong
622 West Douglas Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Bushong:

I have your letter of May 26 and have also received the box of candy which I have enjoyed very much indeed.

I wish to compliment you upon the excellent quality and also on the beautiful package. The venetian scene particularly intrigued me since I was on the Grand Canal in 1927 and it brought back many memories. It certainly has been very thoughtful in you to remember me in this way. I am looking forward to seeing you when you come to Topeka again.

With continued good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leslie E. Wallace
Secretary to the Governor

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BUSHONG CANDY COMPANY

622 WEST DOUGLAS AVE. « HIGH GRADE HAND ROLLED CHOCOLATES » WICHITA, KANSAS

May 26, 1931

Leslie Wallace,
Secretary To Governor,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr Wallace:

It is indeed with pleasure that I am
mailing you a complimentary box of my own make of sweets,
and I do hope they will be enjoyed.

Deeply appreciating the courtesy you so
graciously extended me, I am

Very sincerely yours

Sam Bushong

Bushong's



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STATE OF KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

May 28, 1931

Mr. Sam Bushong
622 West Douglas Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Bushong:

I have your letter of May 26 and I am also in receipt of the very delicious box of candy in the exceptionally beautiful package. I want you to know that I am enjoying the candy very much. It happens that I have a failing for sweets. I shall long remember your thoughtfulness.

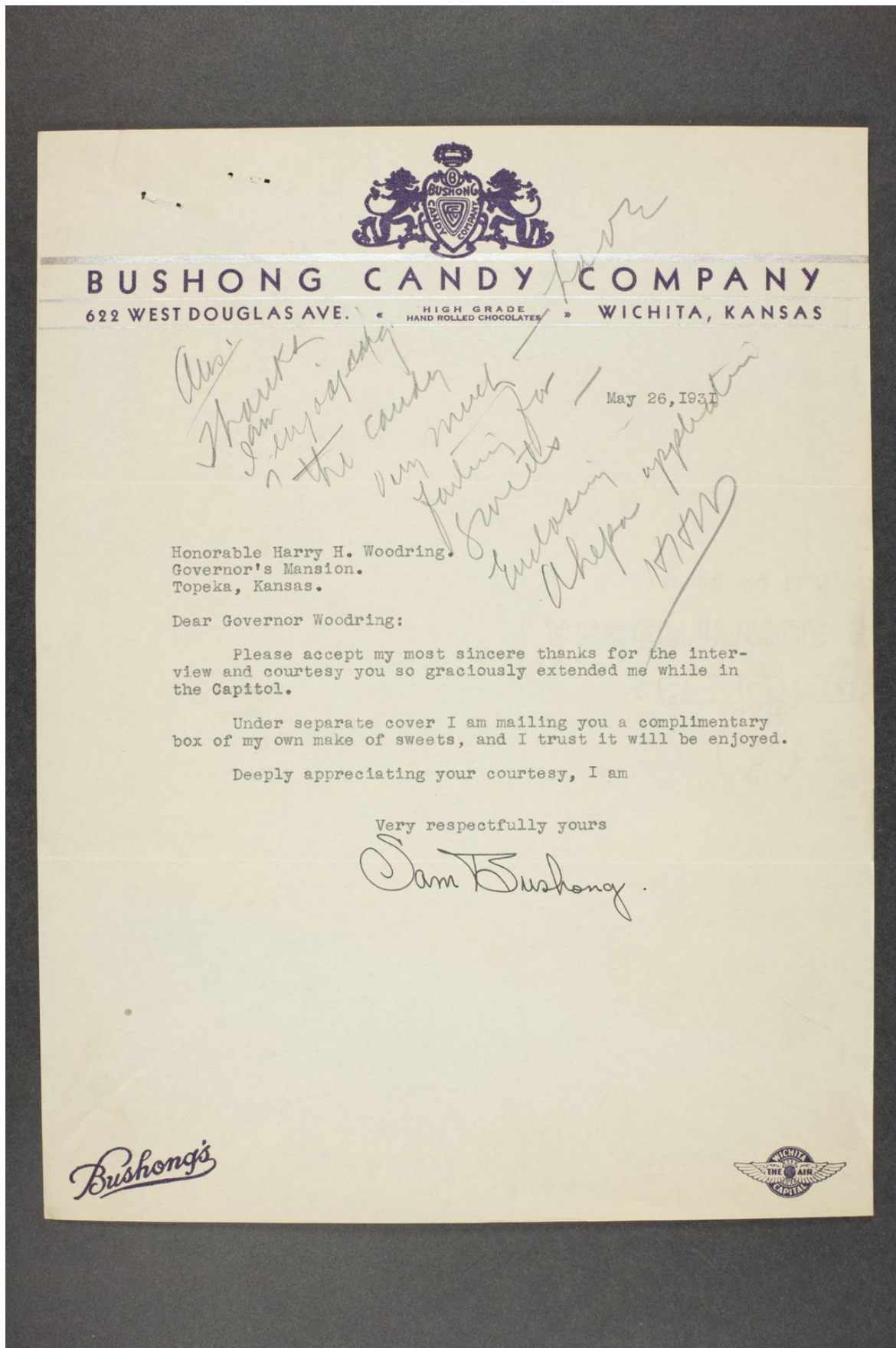
I am inclosing the application for membership in The Ahepa.

With continued good wishes and thanks, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

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June 19, 1931

Mr. E. A. Cornell
Secretary of State
B U I L D I N G

Dear Mr. Cornell:

Governor Woodring has requested that the inclosed letter from F. Abdallah, Acting Consul of the Egyptian government, San Francisco, be referred to you for attention.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leslie E. Wallace
Secretary to the Governor

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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COPY

June 19, 1931

Honorable F. Abdallah, Acting Consul
Royal Consulate of Egypt
Fairmont Hotel
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 12 advising me of the establishment of a new consulate in the port of San Francisco by the Egyptian government. I have noted your request to be notified in the event of the death of any Egyptian subjects residing in the state of Kansas. I think it is doubtful if any Egyptian subjects are residents of our state. However, I shall be very glad to refer this matter to the Secretary of State, with the request that he comply with your wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor



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W. H. Woodring

June 22, 1931.

Mr. F. Abdallah,
Acting Consul,
Royal Consulate of Egypt,
Fairmont Hotel,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 12 addressed to the Governor
of Kansas has been referred to our office for reply.

In case of death of any Egyptian subjects residing
in the State of Kansas, our department will forward direct
to you the notification you have requested.

Very respectfully,

Earle G. Brown, M. D.,
Secretary and Executive Officer.

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STATE OF KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

June 22, 1931

Mr. C. R. Nixon
311 Palace Building
Tulsa, Oklahoma

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Dear Mr. Nixon:

I have your letter of June 13 regarding my application for membership in the Air Capitol Chapter of the Ahepa.

Please accept my thanks for your cordial letter. I felt that we had a splendid service that morning in my office at Topeka, and I enjoyed it very much. I was deeply impressed with the personnel of the group attending.

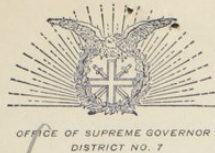
With continued good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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JUN 23 1931
GOVERNOR

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ORDER OF AHEPA

SUPREME LODGE HEADQUARTERS

INVESTMENT BUILDING

WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 13, 1931

C. R. NIXON
311 PALACE BUILDING
TULSA, OKLAHOMA

*Ans
thanks to
1/1/31*

Honorable Harvey H. Woodring
Governor of the State of Kansas
Topeka, Kansas

My dear Sir:

*a splendid that money
service to*

I have been informed by Mr. Sam Bushong, President of the Air Capitol Chapter of the Ahepa, Wichita, Kansas, that you have made application for membership. Allow me to congratulate you on this step and for doing this, and I assure you that as Supreme Governor of this District we will welcome you into our folds. I am sure that you are setting an example for other patriotic American citizens who are anxious to know of the spirit of the Ahepa and to encourage those who have come to our country to be better American citizens.

I trust that I shall have the pleasure of being present personally when you are initiated and I am sure you will find the organization on all fours with all good things that we as native born Americans uphold.

Again assuring you that we are glad to welcome you into the Fraternity and are happy to know that soon you will be one of us, I am,

Sincerely yours,

C. R. Nixon

SUPREME GOVERNOR DISTRICT
NO. 7

CRN:MS

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GUS JAY,
SECT.
116½ SOUTH LAWRENCE

SAM BUSHONG
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VICE-PRES.

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TREAS.

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ORDER OF AHEPA
AIR CAPITAL CHAPTER No. 187
116½ SOUTH LAWRENCE AVENUE
WICHITA, KANSAS

June 24, 1931.

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GEORGE KOUGENTIS
CHRIST CHRISTIAN

Honorable Harry H. Woodring
Governor's Mansion.
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Woodring:

You made me happy beyond words, when I received your signed application for membership in the Order Of Ahepa.


In behalf of the Order of Ahepa. It is a profound pleasure to welcome you into our ranks. I assure you that we are highly honored with your election to membership, and in return I hope you will be proud to belong to a patriotic organization like the Order of Ahepa.

Again I desire the privilege of adding also my own word of grateful acknowledgement.

Sincerely yours,

Sam Bushong

MEETS SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAY EACH MONTH



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STATE OF KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

COPY

June 25, 1931

Mr. Sam Bushong
622 West Douglas Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Bushong:

I have your letter of June 22 and thank you for your generous expressions. The ceremony incident to the presentation of the beautiful Greek flag will long remain a pleasant recollection with me. I felt that the ceremony was a most impressive one and want to assure you that I enjoyed it very much indeed. It was certainly a pleasure to cooperate with so fine a group.

I am very happy to send you under separate cover a brief biography as you request.

With continued good wishes and happy memories of the visit of yourself and your group to Topeka, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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BUSHONG CANDY COMPANY

622 WEST DOUGLAS AVE. « HIGH GRADE HAND ROLLED CHOCOLATES » WICHITA, KANSAS

June 22, 1931

Honorable Harry Woodring

Topeka, Kansas

Dear Governor Woodring:

In behalf of the Order of the Ahepa, will you please accept my very sincere appreciation of your kindness and courtesy to us upon the occasion of the presentation of our flag to the state of Kansas. It was even a more beautiful occasion than we had anticipated, and we are proud to send back to our country the reports of such a successful event.

Your speeches at the presentation ceremony and at the luncheon made us all happy beyond words, and I can say to you that your splendid friendship and cooperation made the occasion the success it was.

In sending our report back to our country, it is requested that we send the biography of our Governor. If you would be good enough to send me this, I will be greatly indebted to you.

Again with deep appreciation of all you did for us,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Sam Bushong

SAM BUSHONG

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I am happy to accept this beautiful Greek flag on behalf of the people of Kansas. I regard it as a token of good will and friendship between Greece and America.

I recall on this occasion that we have a Greek population in America as shown by the federal census of 1929 of 224,769. These men and women are among our substantial citizens. They are industrious and successful, self-reliant and useful.

As I look upon this beautiful emblem of Greece, I recall also the motto of ~~your~~ that nation, "My strength is my people's love." That is a most admirable motto, and no nation could be built upon a more secure foundation.

Greece long has held the admiration of the world, which remembers the reign of Pericles, the heroic defense of Thermopylae, the achievements of Alexander. In our own commonwealth in

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recent years we have taken pride in rendering plaudits to a young Greek, George Chumas, a resident of Topeka, who won the national oratorical contest and reflected credit upon his adopted state.

The beneficent influence of Greece on the art and history of the world is incalculable and has endured through the centuries. How much our splendid architecture has been influenced by the architecture of Greece is familiar to everyone. The majestic lines of Grecian architecture run through the great edifices of America and the world like a rare symphony. No creator of modern times has been able to surpass the simplicity of Grecian beauty, to dim the radiance of Grecian genius.

I am happy to meet this company of Greeks who have become good citizens of our commonwealth, and in accepting this symbol of friendship, for which I am very grateful, I extend

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my congratulations to you on the wealth of your traditions
and the fullness of your influence upon the progress of the
world.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

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June 30, 1931

Mr. C. G. Karnazes
844 Ann Avenue
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Mr. Karnazes:

I have your letter of June 24 inclosing snap-shots taken by your children while attending the presentation of the Greek flag in Topeka.

I thank you very much indeed for sending me these pictures. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated. Please extend also my thanks and congratulations to your children. I assure you it was a great pleasure to me to have you and your fine group with me for the flag presentation. I enjoyed those hours very much indeed and they shall ever remain a happy recollection.

I note your invitation to repay your visit when I am in Kansas City, Kansas, and assure you nothing would please me more.

With continued good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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Business, Drexel 1896

Residence, Drexel 1150

Business, Drexel 4070

CHRYSANTHOS G. KARNAZES

844 ANN AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

June 24, 1931

*Also
Thanks included
for sending picture*

Hon. Gov. Woodring
Topeka, Kansas

Honorable Gov. Woodring:

Enclosed please find one of the snap-shots
my children took while we were attending the
presentation of the Greek flag in Topeka.

I wish at this time to thank you and your
associates for the interesting and courteous
hours we were shown while at the Capitol.

I only hope that you will allow me to repay
those hours by not forgetting me when you
come to Kansas City, Kansas.

*yes
etc
1/18/31*

Wishing you the best of luck, I am

Sincerely yours,

BY: C.G. Karnazes
C.G. Karnazes

CGK.M

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STATE OF KANSAS
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TOPEKA

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79
July 2, 1931

Honorable Ch. Simopoulos
Minister of Greece
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I was much pleased to receive your note informing me of the arrival of the commemorative medal of the Greek Centenary.

It is, of course, needless to inform you that I am highly appreciative of the fine sentiment expressed by the Greek government to me and the rest of the governors of the United States. I will always be mindful of the beautiful ceremony that accompanied the presentation of the Greek flag to the Governor of Kansas and my regard for your government and its fine citizens will always be parallel.

I am happy to say that my esteemed friend, Mr. Sam Bushong of Wichita, Kansas, was the representative of the Greek government and the leading figure in the presentation ceremony.

Assuring you of my sincere regards and with continued good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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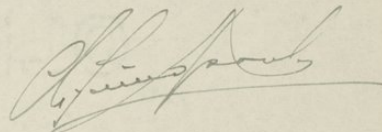
LÉGATION DE GRÈCE
A WASHINGTON

June 4, 1931.

Excellency:

Upon the request of the Central Commission
of the Centenary of Greek Independence, I have the honor to
forward to you, under separate cover, the commemorative medal
of the Greek Centenary.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the
assurances of my high consideration.



Ch. Simopoulos,
Minister of Greece.

His Excellency
Mr. H. H. Woodring,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Ans
Thanks -
Tell them about our
splendid Greek Day
presentation
meeting etc
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Mr. Achilles Catsonis,
Supreme Secretary,
Order of Ahepa,
Investment Building,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Catsonis:

I have your splendid letter
of June 29 welcoming me into the order of Ahepa.

I am quite liberally happy
to be a member of and to lend help and support
to such a worthy cause. I am justly proud of
my friends of Greek origin and I am proud to in-
form you that many of my best friends in the
commonwealth of Kansas belong to this race. Their
actions and accomplishments have never given us
cause to regret our social and business associations.

Again thanking you and as-
suring you of my highest personal regards and con-
tinued good wishes for your success and the ad-
vancement of the cause of the Order of Ahepa, I
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Very sincerely,

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

ACHILLES CATSONIS
SUPREME SECRETARY

Honorable Harry H. Woodring,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

My dear Governor Woodring:

I am informed by Mr. Sam Bushong, President of the Wichita Chapter No. 187 of the Order of Ahepa, that you have been elected a member of our organization. On behalf of the Supreme Lodge and the entire membership, I extend to you a sincere welcome. We appreciate more than we can tell you your willingness to lend the prestige of your name to a good cause.

It has been undoubtedly explained to you that the Order of Ahepa is devoted to the cause of promoting Americanization among the Greek residents of the United States and, conversely, making it possible for our native-born American citizens to know us more intimately and judge us on our merits as individuals.

It is needless for me to endeavor to recite things which in all probability you already know with reference to the contributions of the American citizens of Greek descent, both in war and in peace. Neither will I endeavor to sing their praises. I am content to state that they are as good and as bad as people of other races which have sought opportunity in this new world. In fact, were I not one of that race, I would be inclined to say that the Greeks bring with them the cultural inheritance of three thousand years which, transplanted to this environment, will under proper guidance blossom forth as a beautiful rose in the garden of American culture.

We are deeply appreciative of the opportunities we have found in this land. We are in harmony with its democratic institutions and the spirit of open-mindedness and fair play which permeates the entire social structure of the country. We are here not to destroy but to create. We take our American citizenship seriously and realize that for every right or privilege granted to a citizen thereunder, there is also a corresponding duty which we do not mean to shirk but assume it cheerfully and willingly. In brief, we feel that the Order of Ahepa teaches its members a sound theory of American citizenship, which is all the more readily accepted by them because they seek it of their own volition, rather than having it forced upon them and adopting it for some ulterior motive which the mind can well conceal when acting under compulsion.

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Your Excellency will be glad to learn that you do not stand alone in supporting the Ahepa. We are fortunate in having many other great Americans who have studied the aims of our work and have willingly subscribed to them. I mention a few whose names come readily to my mind: Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd; Honorable Carrington T. Marshall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio; Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, Governor of the State of New York; Honorable Fred Green, former Governor of the State of Michigan; Senator William H. King; former Senator Henry Allen of the State of Kansas, and a considerable number of others in varying degrees of importance in the social and political life of America.

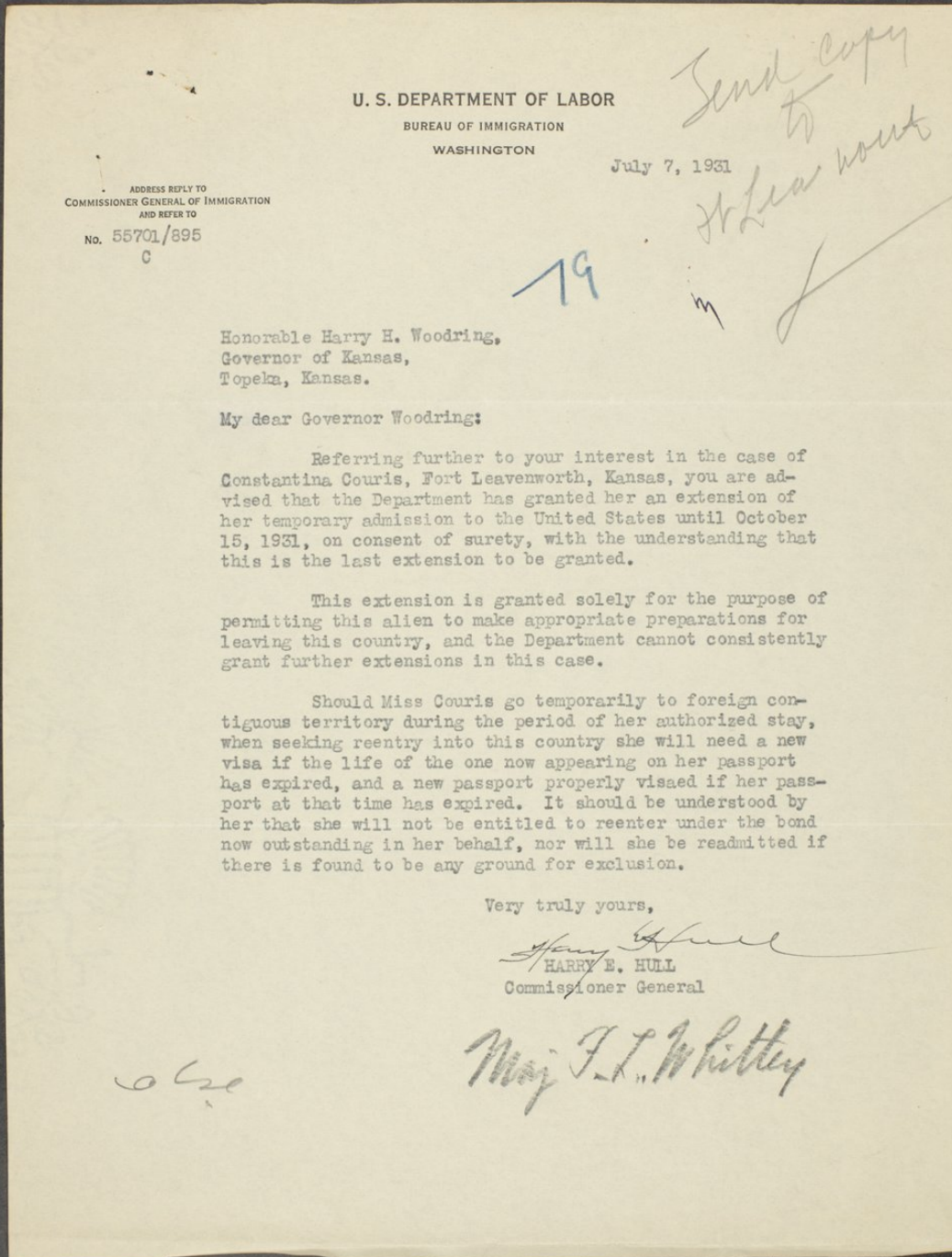
In closing, permit me to convey the respects of each and every member of the Supreme Lodge, as well as of the thirty thousand or more members of the Ahepa who will rejoice to learn that you have honored them by joining our organization.

Yours very respectfully,

Achilles Catsonis,
Supreme Secretary.

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