

July 14th, 1932.

His Excellency Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Governor of New York State,
Albany, N.Y.

Your Excellency,

It is with great satisfaction that we greet your nomination as candidate for the Presidency of the United States. We feel that it is especially fitting that this country should entrust its major office to a Leader of culture such as yourself.

We were recently touched by the deep sympathy with which you responded to my letter to you, describing the plight of our Institution and the attack upon its cultural activities. We have the more therefore welcomed the fact that millions of persons are looking to you as Leader of this country. In the present critical times, we cannot but strongly feel that the preservation of the noble precepts and ideals of culture and the perpetuation of the spiritual and moral heritage which have been left to us by the former great Leaders of America, must be our chief concern.

We wish to congratulate you upon your nomination and to express our hope for the success of your election. As President of the United States, we know you will use your untiring efforts that America fulfill the great spiritual position which she should rightly enjoy among the nations.

Very respectfully yours,

Vice-President

EXECUTIVE MANSION
ALBANY, NEW YORK

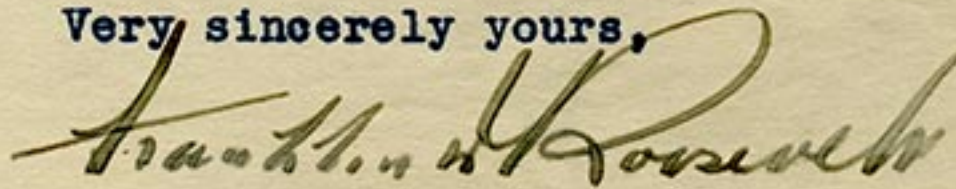
July 27, 1932.

Miss Lina Lichtmann,
Roerich Museum,
310 Riverside Drive,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Lichtmann:

I am deeply appreciative
of your letter of July fourteenth. It is
precisely such letters as yours that are most
helpful and encouraging.

Very sincerely yours,



October 7, 1932.

The Hon. Herbert Lehman, Lieutenant-Governor,
Capitol,
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Lieutenant-Governor:

Permit us to congratulate you upon your nomination for Governor of our State. The people of New York State may consider themselves highly privileged to be guided by a man of your cultural aspirations and we shall contribute our efforts that his great privilege shall become a reality, for the good of the people of our State this coming election.

We have followed your fine constructive work for years and we are happy to witness your remarkable achievements.

The great necessity of choosing strong men to lead the country in its evolutionary progress has become especially essential during the present chaotic and distressing condition.

With best wishes for your success, knowing that your nomination will be the voice of the people and success for the entire State of New York, I remain,

Most sincerely yours,

Sina Lichtmann, Vice-President.

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HERBERT H. LEHMAN
ALBANY-NEW YORK

October 8, 1932.

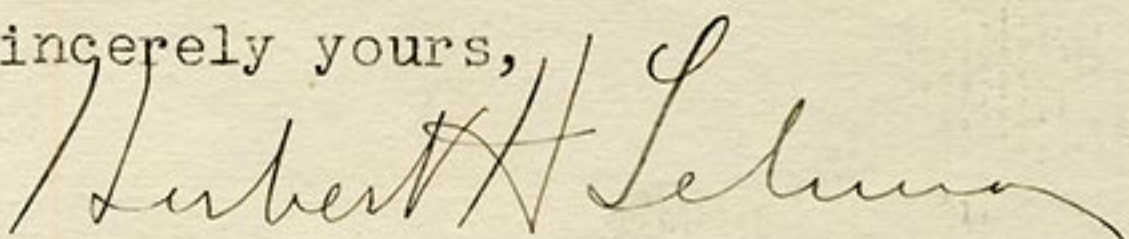
Miss Sina Lichtmann,
310 Riverside Drive,
New York.

Dear Miss Lichtmann,

Just a line of thanks for your
congratulations.

I want you to know how greatly
I appreciate your good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Herbert H. Lehman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Herbert H. Lehman".

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Letter from Professor Roerich to

His Majesty, King Alexander of Yugoslavia

Your Royal Majesty:

The European Center of my Museum in Paris has informed me, as per communication of Dr. Berlich, that Your Majesty, during your stay in Zagreb, has graciously mentioned me and my Art, expressing the desire to see me in Yugoslavia. This communication has filled me with the greatest joy. Verily, it will be deeply rejoicing for me to visit your noble kingdom.

At the present time I am intrusted by the Council of the Museum in my name in New York to have the happiness to present to you, Sire, the following offer from the Council of the Museum:-

From my previous letters you have already perceived with what heartfelt sympathy my co-workers and friends, following my example, regard your noble kingdom. Each cooperation in the field of culture which links the nations in peace is for us a basis of our activity.

For the sake of this friendly well-wishing and knowing your appreciation, Sire, of my Art, the Council of the Museum respectfully offers to you to send to Belgrade for a permanent exhibition in a Museum according to your indication, a group of my paintings, should there be found for it a special room which would become ~~sort~~ of a division of our Museum.

Should your Royal Highness wish to sanction this proposition which is made with the best and heartfelt feeling, then our Museum will not delay in choosing a representative group of paintings, the amount of which is to be from ten to twenty, and offer them to be sent to the address Sire, ordained by you.

With the paintings the Museum will also send a Banner for the safeguarding of the cultural treasures, the project of which at the present time is being discussed at the League of Nations. A special international conference for the Peace Pact is convening in Belgium beginning September. I am happy to communicate to Your Imperial Majesty that our Pact evokes everywhere appreciation and organizations of many million members are accepting it.

Thus, should Your Royal Majesty wish to indicate a room in Belgrade for the division of our Museum, the Council of the Museum in the full joy of its heart will not delay in sending the group of paintings. Possibly the same room could at times serve for the meetings of the Society in my name which was recently organized in Belgrade.

I shall be happy to receive indications of Your Royal Majesty and accept them for prompt fulfillment.

(Signed) Nicholas Roerich