

THE THINKER

Miss Frances Grant,
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My dear Miss Grant:

I take great pleasure in informing you that a group of prominent educators is organizing a Committee to establish an Educational Center for adults in Brooklyn. The object of the Institute shall be to systematically furnish to the adult people education in subjects of contemporary culture, thought and hygiene; further to afford opportunities for the interchange of thought upon topics of general interest between individuals of different occupations and ideas, thereby to assist in the solution of present problems.

The institute, as such, shall not ally itself with any political, social or religious party, movement or sect. It shall respect all differences of opinion and by the cultivation of a spirit of tolerance and fraternity shall seek to unite all in a common effort for the advancement of the individual and of society.

Our Committee is also interested to open in the early part of the coming winter a Branch of that Institute in Manhattan. Having been informed of the splendid activities of the Roerich Society in the field of advanced education, I wonder if we cannot find a means of cooperation for this worthy enterprise.

It might ~~also~~ interest you to know that we have as members of our Committee Shirley W. Wynne, Commissioner of Health; Milton J. Ferguson, Chief Librarian of the Brooklyn Public Library; Horace M. Kallen, Head of the Department of Philosophy of the New School of Social Research; Dr. G. F. Beck, Director of the Labor Temple School; Dr. Harry Elmer Barnes of the Smith College; and Dr. Harry Allen Overstreet, Head of the Department of Psychology of the College of the City of NY.

Attached is a preliminary schedule of our lecture series at the Brooklyn Institute.

We will probably need for our activities in the first season one Auditorium with a capacity of between 200 and 400, and one class-room. It is also understood ~~that~~ that we might have to avail ourselves of a small office-room for our representatives.

In view of the fine educational activities of the Roerich Society, we shall be glad to affiliate the name of the Roerich Society with our Institute for Adult Education.

We shall be glad to discuss the matter with you in detail.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

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