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My dear Professor Matthews

I am happy to have your very full letter of November 20th with its disclosure of your present thoughts regarding your future.

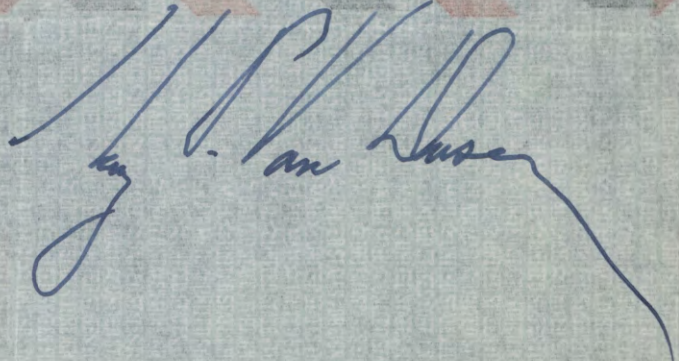
Let me say at once that our invitation to you as Luce Professor for 1960-61 holds, and we shall be happy, at the appropriate time, to write to the officers of the Union government in Washington and Pretoria. However, Dr. Bates who is our expert on these matters feels that it would be inadvisable for our communications to them to anticipate your application for a passport. Do you agree? If so, please let me know (a) when you have filed your application so that I can write promptly to the South African ambassador in Washington, and (b) send me the name and address of the officer in Pretoria to whom I should write.

We feel that there will be no difficulty regarding the United States visa.

We shall hold this invitation to you open to the last possible date; but in order that we may have definite plans for the occupancy of the Luce Professorship next year, we should have final word, if at all possible, by January 1, 1960.

I am writing Dr. Hans Simons of the New School and Brandeis University inquiring whether they could postpone their invitations until 1961-62 so as to accord with your preference.

Faithfully yours



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