

George Washington Carver Correspondence 8/6/1/8-21

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| 2/23/1896 | GWC to Mr. Aldrich. Sending two pictures. (Photographic negative copy) |
| 4/20/1922 | GWC to Bertha Stacey Hejinian, Anamosa, Ia. Thanks for letter, smiles, box of pastels. Sending booklets. (Photographic positive copy) |
| 3/10/1928 | John L. Hillman, Simpson President to GWC. Plans to grant Doctor of Science at June 5 commencement. (Carbon) |
| 3/16/1928 | GWC to JLH. Surprised and joyed, saddened at lost of past friends, schedule uncertain. (TLS) |
| 4/4/1928 | JLH to GWC. Received 3/16 letter. Friends would rejoice at meeting Degree will be conferred regardless of carvers presence. (Carbon) |
| nd | GWC to C.W. Emmons, Simpson Registrar. Enclosed information blank. Gored by bull and cannot attend. (Copy) |
| 5/19/1928 | Emmons to GWC. Sorry for accident. Hope you can attend. Degree will be conferred regardless. (Carbon) |
| 6/6/1928 | Emmons to GWC. Out of town in May. Degree was conferred yesterday. Wished you could have been present. Hope to meet you soon. (Carbon) |
| 1/7/1932 | JLH to GWC. Carver to be in Des Moines in February. Can you visit Simpson? Wish you to stay in our home. Please let us know your plans. (Carbon) |
| 1/9/1932 | GWC to JLH. Mr. H.O. Abbott, Traveling Secretary, will arrange visit. "Signal honor" to stay at Hillman home. Would like to give hour long demonstration on peanut to student body. (1p. holograph) |
| 1/14/1932 | JLH to GWC. Hopes itinerary will allow visit. Mr. Brown of Des Moines says you will be in DM February 9 which is part of Religious Emphasis Week. Man from Chicago to speak in chapel and evening meeting. "I wish it were possible for you to come some other time." (Carbon) |

1/17/1932 GWC to JLH. "Since it is your week of prayer, I should think it unwise to break into it. So, therefore, I shall have to forego the pleasure of visiting "Dear Old Simpson College" on their trip." (Holograph)

1/20/1932 JLH to SWC. Sorry you cannot visit. Could you stop on your return to Denver? (Carbon)

2/3/1932 JLH to GWC. Friends insist you visit. Faculty voted to recall classes from 2-3pm. I will drive you in closed automobile from DM. (Carbon)

3/1/1932 GWC to JLH. Keenly regretted not visiting Simpson. Did go to Ames. Will go to Pacific Coast if strength holds out. Perhaps a visit then. (Holograph)

3/5/1932 JLH to GWC. Disappointed you could not visit. Relay future plans. "We do want you at Simpson." (Carbon)

3/11/1932 GWC to JHL. Will notify you if visit is possible. (TLS)

11/8/1937 GWC to JLH. Simpson Director of Public Relations. Thanks for letter. Pleased that the "little dissertation" I sent could be used. Plan to visit Fulton, MO., to dedicate school building. Dr. Hillman is one of our great men. (TLS)

1/15/1939 Lucy Cherry Crisp to President of Simpson requesting information on Carver

1/27/? Hillman to Horsley. Relates his knowledge of Carver in Iowa as told him by Dr. Holmes and Tilton of Simpson, J.M. Williams of Cambridge, IA and Dr. Pammel of Ames. (2p Holograph)

2/2/1939 Horsley to Lucy Cherry Crisp, Macon, Georgia. Refers to Dr. Hillman's letter of Carver. Categorized answers to her questions concerning Carver and Simpson

2/7/1939 File note--Lucy Cherry Crisp is writing biography of GWC

6/19/1939 GWC to John O. Gross, Simpson President. Reply to apparent fund appeal by Simpson. Has been ill 14 months. Tuskegee also financially shaky. (TL)

6/23/1939 JOG to GWC. Grateful for letter of 6/19. Trust your illness improves. Appreciate interest in Simpson. Hope I may meet you. (Copy)

6/27/1939 GWC to JOG. As time allows is working on Carver Research Museum. Stop to see me. The museum covers my 43 years at Tuskegee. (TL)

6/28/1939 GWC to "Dear Friend" Mimeo invitation to unveiling of Two Southern Aristocrats July 25, 1939.

10/16/1939 GOG to GWC. Commenting on receipt of the Roosevelt medal. Very proud of Simpson role in your life. (Carbon)

10/25/1939 GWC to JOG. Appreciate congratulations. Returned from Northfield, Minnesota. Going to NY and Albion, Mich. (TL)

11/2/1939 JOG to GWC. Inviting Carver to visit when rested. (Carbon)

11/10/1939 GWC to JOG. Must now rest. Thanks for letter. Hopes to visit in future. (Carbon)

11/20/1939 JOG to GWC. Regrets no visit at this time. (Carbon)

1/26/1940 JOG to GWC. Read article by Dr. Glenn Clark of Macalester College. Do you trace and factors associated with the growth of your spiritual life to any specific incident at Simpson? F. Carl Sigler not well but inquires of you.

1/30/1940 GWC to JOG. Thanks for letter. Have not been out of room for 3 months. Sigler was quite a young man at Simpson. Dr. Clark visiting today. Hopes to visit Alma Mater. (TL)

2/16/1940 Charles Cheney, Minneapolis Tribune, to JOG. Enclosing copies of the piece I wrote a year ago. Enjoyed meeting you and renewing interest in the college. (TIS) with 3 page carbon transcript of Minneapolis Journal article, 3/17/39

2/19/1940 Rae Dean, Simpson Treasurer to Charles Cheney. Gross on West Coast. Appreciate your gift. Carver article will be brought to Gross' attention. (Copy)

4/12/1940 JOG to GWC. Invitation to come for June 2 commencement to speak on religious principles effective in your life. Simpson will arrange train transportation. (Carbon)

4/17/1940 GWC to JOG. Thanks for splendid letter. Not yet strong enough for a June trip. (TLS)

4/25/1940 JOG to GWC. Regret your illness. Happy you are recovering. Please come when possible. (Carbon)

6/12/1940 JOG to GWC. Wish to visit with you. Would it be possible to visit you at the middle of July? (Carbon)

6/15/1940 GWC to JOG. Come anytime. Strength slowly returning. (TL)

7/10/1940 JOG to GWC. Will reach Tuskegee Wednesday July 17. (Carbon)

7/20/1940 GWC to JOG. Thoroughly enthused by visit of Gross, wife, daughter and secretary. I owe Simpson my real beginning of life. Hope to visit Simpson when stronger. (TL)

7/24/1940 JOG to GWC. Grateful for the meeting. Hopeful that you visit SC. Will send pictures when developed. (Carbon)

8/3/1940 GWC to JOG. Sends greetings. Thanks for letter. Strength improving. (TL)

9/11/1940 JOG to GWC. Enclosing summer photograph. Waiting for note saying you are coming. (Carbon)

9/14/1940 GWC to JOG. Thanks for letter and pictures. A fine picture of your wife, secretary and you. Strength improving. Can walk short distances without support. (Carbon)

10/2/1940 Myron Anderson, Simpson alum and USDA chemist to JOG. Knowledge of Carver's work. Reactions of Southern agricultural chemists. (TLS)

10/11/1940 JOG to GWC. Sending copy of his article about Carver. JOG has given several local addresses on Carver. Mentions Mrs. McElroy's father and Glenn Clark. (Carbon)

10/23/1940 GWC to JOG. Thanks for letter. Awaiting article which was not enclosed. Will send anything to help. Great affection for Simpson. (TL)

10/28/1940 Florence Cox, Secretary to Gross, to GWC. Regret not enclosing article. Here it is. (Carbon)

10/31/1940 GWC to Cox. Returning article with a few suggestions. "One of the most illuminating articles to come across my desk." (TL)

11/5/1940 JOG to GWC. Grateful for letter and Ms. Prize the corrected copy highly. Could we use your letter for publication with the article in the College Bulletin? (Carbon)

11/9/1940 GWC to JOG. Have reworked a stronger letter for publication. My abilities began and were fostered by Simpson. Had long publication with the article in the College Bulletin? (Carbon)

2/13/1941 JOG to GWC. Important for you to come to Simpson. Hear of your chapel addresses at Tuskegee. Could you give our baccalaureate address this year? (Carbon)

2/15/1941 GWC to JOG. Tempted by your invitation. Will have to go to Atlantic City about that time but hope to visit that "sacred spot" Simpson. Westminster Choir sang especially for me yesterday. Don't delay getting a speaker waiting for me. (TL)

2/17/1941 J. Albert Steele, Presbyterian Minister, Vernon, Texas to GWC. Church's Sunday Morning Club sends a Certificate of Award in recognition of some of the courtly and unselfish things you have done for others who were in need. (Copy)

2/18/1941 JOG to GWC. Simpson very anxious for your return. Wish to leave your name on commencement program. If you cannot come, I will take service. (Carbon)

2/25/1941 GWC to JOG. If you wish to keep my name on program, OK. Cannot be sure of date or travel. (TL)

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3/3/1941 JOG to GWC. Will keep your name on program and pray for your health. Unexpressable value of your visit. (Carbon)

4/7/1941 GWC to JOG. Put name on program. I will come if at all possible. Physician gives no encouragement. (TL)

4/8/1941 JOG to GWC. Sending clippings from Des Moines area newspapers relating to your possible visit. Praying nothing will interfere. Glenn Clark is in Des Moines. F.C. Sigler passed away last week. (Carbon)

5/5/1941 JOG to GWC. Sends clipping from Redfield Review (Iowa). Many similar have arrived. Please let us know of details which we may arrange. (Carbon)

5/7/1941 GWC to JOG. Thanks for clipping. Strength does not return rapidly. I am trying out a very important mission next week. Cannot say what just now. But doctor and nurse will accompany me for the few minutes it will take. (TL)

5/14/1941 JOG to GWC How deeply people of Iowa desire to have you come for commencement

5/14/1941 ?Florence Cox? to GWC. Which railroute would you prefer? Who will travel with you? Do you require a special diet? Will you bring your own cap and gown? (Carbon)

5/23/1941 JOG to GWC. Read of your trip to Atlantic City and high recognition. Heartiest congratulations. "Trust that the trip was made without any impairment of your physical situation." (Carbon)

5/27/1941 GWC to JOG. Thanks for letter. Working out Simpson schedule. One person to accompany. No cap and gown. I wear a 6 7/8 hat size. (TL)

6/3/1941 Secretary of JOG to GWC. Thank you letter for speaking at Baccalaureate Service.

6/5/1941 GWC to JOG. Arrived at Tuskegee safely but tired. Letters and telegrams arriving. Fascinated with your new work. Enclosing poem you requested. Telegram of consecration from Gloria Dare, Hollywood, Calif. (TL)

6/16/1941 JOG to GWC. Excellent reports about your visit. Interested in Gloria Dare telegram. Hope my work in the South brings me to your doorstep. (Carbon)

6/10/1941 GWC to Florence Cox. Thanks for letter. Sorry not to see you. Didn't know of morning address until arrival leaving only an hour for preparation. Left same evening. Trip was a great joy. Had to rush back for a Univ. of Rochester degree on June 18. (TL)

6/10/1941 GWC to John Horsley. Thanks for letter and clipping. (Same trip info as Cox letter) (TL)

6/13/1941 GWC to JOG. Awed by the workings of God. Shudder to think what might have happened had Simpson closed its door to me. Many letters coming in confuse me. They cannot be speaking of me. Happy to hear what God holds in your new endeavor. (Photostatic copy of TLS)

6/19/1941 GWC to Nina H. Brown, Simpson faculty member. Thanks for historical letter. I was at a disadvantage as the sacredness of "The Spot" so overcame me I could hardly keep my equilibrium. My sincere regards to the dear old gentlemen. (Typescript copy)

6/25/1941 GWC to JOG. Wishes for your visits to Tuskegee. Received long letter from Gloria Dare. Wish to send her a copy of your article. (TL)

6/27/1941 GWC to John Morley, SC classmate, Los Angeles. Mr. Gross handed me your letter. I read the first paragraph to the audience who enjoyed it. Would loved to have seen you, but was not strong very hurried. I recall your wife as Miss Hattie Berry.

6/28/1941 JOG to GWC. Door to new job had been standing open for seven months God has not closed it. Will send Miss Dare the article. Plan to make a magazine issue of the commencement program etc. Writing article for Christian Advocate. (Carbon)

6/28/1941 JOG to Henry Ford, Dearborn, Mich. Sending clippings. Carver speaks highly and often of SC. We hope there might be a fitting memorial building erected here in his memory. Would you be interested in this development? (Carbon)

7/3/1941 Frank Campsall to JOG Thank you for Carver news clippings sent to Henry Ford

7/3/1941 GWC to JOG. Interested in how the Lord is going to lead you. Enclosing booklet written by Gloria Dare. (TL)

8/14/1941 JOG to WGC. Will send next alumnae magazine with article to Miss Dare. Soon will move to Secretary of the Board of Educational Institution at Nashville. Lists 9 Carver publications Gross wants. (Carbon)

8/19/1941 GWC to JOG at Nashville. Grateful for Gross new position. Loss for SC but can do more for many people. Preparing prospectus for an art opening of 25 paintings done at SC. Sending material you requested. (Typescript copy)

9/3/1941 GWC to Nina Brown. Wish I could have seen Mr. McGranahan. Happy for the expressions of gratitude on my address. Could not believe there would be any impression as it was delivered under very high pressure. (Carbon)

11/17/1941 Account of opening of Carver Art collection. Gross handwriting on stationery of Hotel Clement, Opelika, Alabama. 10pp

11/18/1941 GWC to Ken Clayton, Des Moines Register. Refers Clayton to JOG for information on art collection. Gross was here and made one of the most delightful informal speeches I have heard. (Carbon)

2/5/1942 Frank Campsall to John Gorsley. Mr. Ford appreciates your sending him the Alumni News Bulletin in your letter of January 24 (TL)

4/11/1942 Edwin Edgar Voight, Simpson President, to GWC. Gross relayed need for the photograph of you and Roosevelt. We are sending it. Hope to meet you. Please come to the campus whenever your are near. (Carbon)

4/18/1942 GWC to EEV. Thanks for letter and photograph. Hope you come down frequently. Gross and his family come often. Hope to visit SC as strength returns. The true SC spirit ad been to do all things helpful. (TLS)

5/27/1942 EEV to GWC. Thanks for beautiful letter. Come whenever possible. Comments on own recent inauguration. (Carbon on back of 4/18/1942)

6/2/1942 GWC to EEV. Thrilled with programs. Relates importance of SC in not turning him away as another school had done the year before. (Transcript Copy)

7/28/1942 EEV to GWC. News item says you will collaborate with Mr. Ford on a research project. Hope it brings you close to SC. (Carbon)

7/31/1942 Lena C. Shehee, Secretary to GWC, to EEV. Received your letter. Carver in Dearborn for an indefinite stay with Mr. Ford. (TLS)

8/5/1942 GWC to EEV. Returned home. Busy strenuous time in looking over matters. You will hear some encouraging news later on. (TLS)

8/25/1942 GWC to EEV. Sending some information. (TL)

9/11/1942 EEV to GWC. Received letter and Edison Institute Herald. Sending photograph of Art Studio in 1891-92. Would you be willing to have an exhibit of your paintings shipped here? (Carbon)

9/15/1942 GWC to EEV. Thanks for the picture, it brought back memories. You would be very interested in an article of Kansas City Times, it contains very distinct historical data. Sorry to say cannot loan pictures from the Carver Art Foundation, they are the property of the Foundation not of me.

10/15/1942 Charles Cheney, Minneapolis Alum to Editor, Simpson Alumni News Bulletin. Edith Sheppard and Etta Budd are in photograph. The Budds urged Carver to go the Ames. There is no Minneapolis Journal anymore. (TLS)

10/17/1942 John Horsley to Charles Cheney. Have had a note from Miss Sheppard's sister Sarah at Corning. Are contacting Miss Budd in Boone. (Xerox of Carbon)

10/31/1942 EEV to GWC. Sorry to hear on non-loan of pictures. College beginning fund-raising campaign. May we include quotes from your "very beautiful letter" in a brochure for this campaign? (Carbon)

11/4/1942 GWC to EEV. You really should see Paul Wellman's Kansas City Star article. It gives early data and show Divine Guidance. You may quote form letters. SC can make a claim for education that no other institution in the country can. I believe Divine Guidance will make your exhibit possible when it comes time. (TL)

11/4/1942 (Negative photographic copy of above)

1940-41 Who's Who in America