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My diploma was stored in this
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This is a Negative
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September 22nd., 1938

Mr. Paul Brunton,
Postbox 789,
Hollywood, Calif.

Dear Mr. Brunton:

It is my privilege and pleasure to present to you this
Diploma conferring upon you the Degree of

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

together with all the rights, privileges and honors thereto
pertaining.

I congratulate you in the name of the McKinley-Roosevelt
Graduate College.

Respectfully yours,

Walter Raleigh Taylor
Walter Raleigh Taylor, President

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Mr. Paul Brennan;
Boston 789;
Hollywood, Calif.

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It is my privilege and pleasure to present to you this

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I congratulate you in the name of the McKinley-Roosevelt
Graduate College.

Very respectfully,
William McKinley
President, McKinley-Roosevelt Graduate College

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September 23rd., 1938

Mr. Paul Brunton,
P. O. Box 789,

Dear Mr. Brunton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your thesis entitled "Parallels Between Modern Occidental Thoughts and Ancient Indian Philosophy", which has been reviewed by our Educational Director and our Faculty and has been found highly satisfactory.

We congratulate you not only upon the originality of your treatment of the subject, but also upon its neat and uniform preparation which makes it not only a valuable asset as a thesis and as a part of your educational qualifications, but also evidences a very careful and accurate presentation according to our rules and regulations.

Your diploma conferring upon you the degree of Doctor of Philosophy has been ordered from the lithographers and it will be sent to you as soon as ready, properly executed, signed and sealed.

With congratulations and best wishes, we are

Yours very truly,

MCKINLEY-ROOSEVELT GRADUATE COLLEGE

JMT:M

J. M. Taylor
J.M. Taylor, Secretary

McKinley-Roosevelt Graduate College

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Chicago, Illinois

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENT

GREETINGS

Be it Known, that Paul B
completed in a creditable manner the required **COURSE**
institution and having given satisfactory evidence of grade
we have by the Authority of the State of Illinois
Doctor of Philosophy
together with all the rights, privileges and honors

In Testimony Whereof We have issued
and affixed the Seal of the McKinley-Roosevelt Graduate College
day of September A.D. One thousand no



Joseph R. Poland, A.M., Ph.D., LL.D.
Secretary

McKinley Roosevelt Graduate College

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Chicago, Illinois

FROM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,

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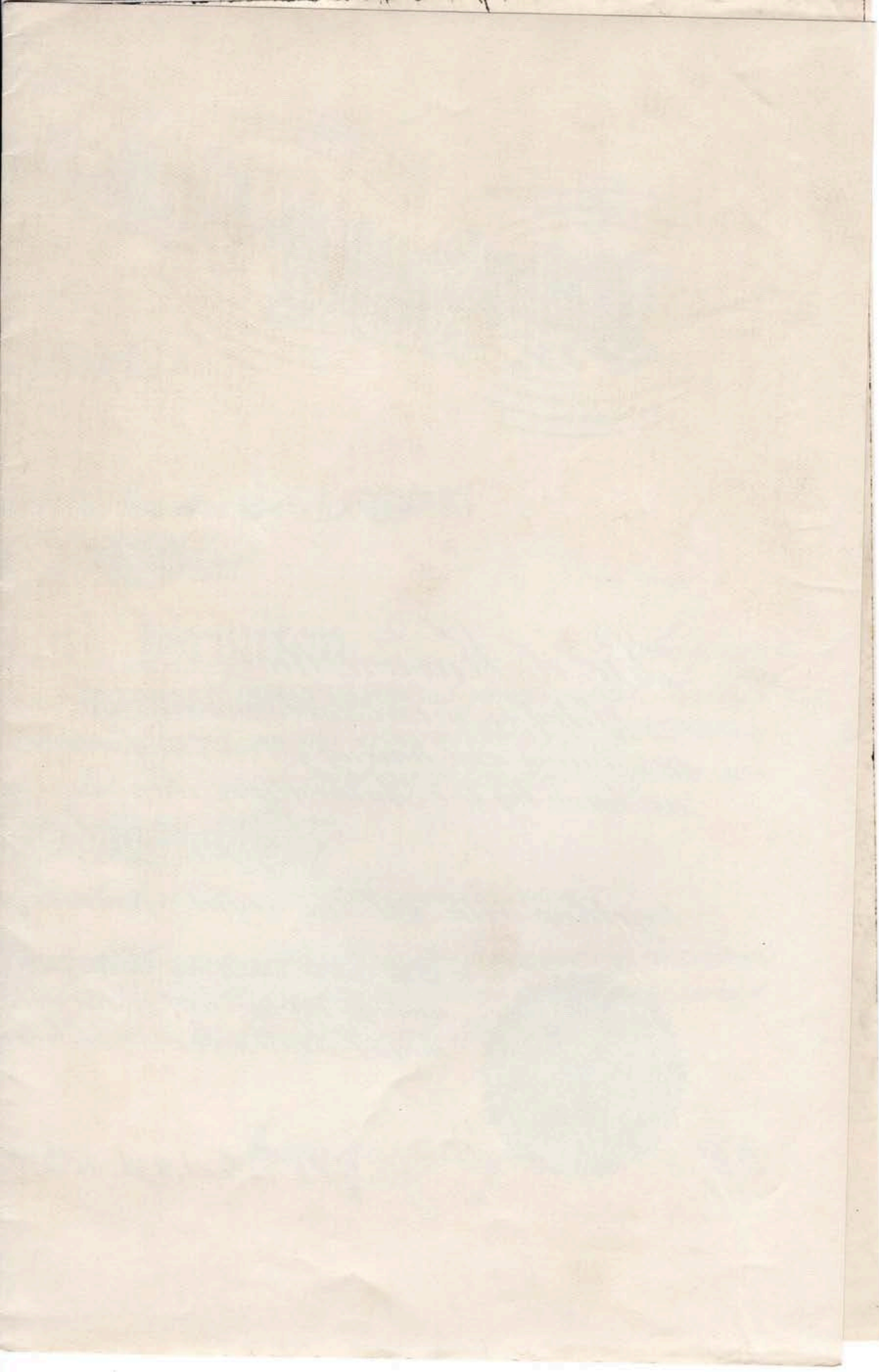
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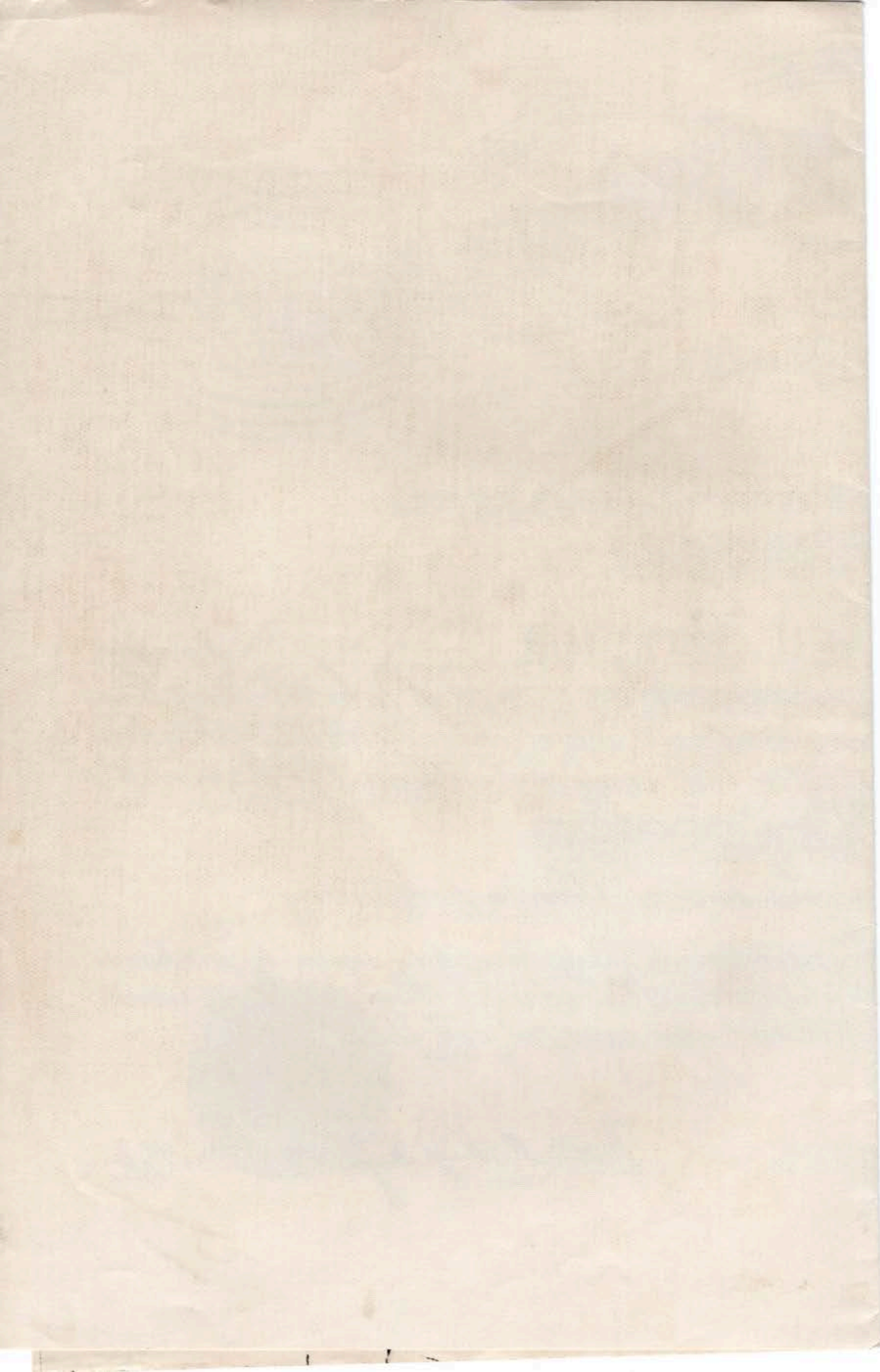
having
the required **COURSE OF STUDY** as prescribed by this
factory evidence of good moral character and reputation
State of Illinois conferred on him the degree of
Doctor of Philosophy
privileges and honors thereto pertaining.

Whereof We have issued this diploma duly signed by our hands
of the McKinley-Roosevelt Graduate College this twenty-second
A. One thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight.

J. H. D., L. L. D.
Secretary

Walter Raleigh Taylor, A. M., L. L. M., Ph. D.
President





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OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR

February 2, 1989


Joscelyn Godwin
Department of Music
Colgate University
Hamilton, NY 13346

Dear Prof. Godwin:

I am returning your correspondence requesting information about Paul Brunton or Raphael Hurst. Our records do not show that anyone by that name ever matriculated at the University of Chicago.

Perhaps this person was registered under another name or under a different spelling of the above name. Should either of these apply, return the request and we will re-check our records.

Sincerely,


Maxine H. Sullivan
University Registrar

MHS/mn
Enclosure

COULD IT BE:

Roosevelt University
430 S. Michigan
Chicago, IL 60605

wrote them 13 II 89

Roosevelt University
430 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60605-1394
Telephone 312/341-3526

Office of the Registrar



February 23, 1989

Joscelyn Godwin
Professor of Music
Colgate University
Hamilton, NY 13346

Dear Ms. Godwin:

I have your letter of February 13, 1989 in which you inquire about the educational background of Paul Brunton (Raphael Hurst). I am pleased to share such information as I can provide, although it may prove to be more a problem than a help. Perhaps it will be the basis for an unanticipated chapter in your biography.

1. Roosevelt University founded in 1945, offers bachelor's and master's degrees, but has never offered the Ph.D. Neither did its predecessor, Central YMCA College of Chicago.
2. McKinley-Roosevelt (sometimes called Roosevelt-McKinley) is the name of a diploma mill, an enterprise which sold documentation for degrees without benefit of faculty, classrooms, and instruction. They operated out of various office addresses in the Chicago loop and also in several European cities. They would likely as not have agreed to any degree date the purchaser requested.

Should you like corroboration, and quite possibly more information, you may wish to contact Allen Ezell, Special Agent, at the F.B.I. office in Charlotte, North Carolina. This office of the F.B.I. is coordinating diploma mill prosecutions under federal statutes related to fraud. They have files on Roosevelt-McKinley and may be interested in any documentation you may have.

I extend my best wishes as your research continues. Since yours is a rather unusual inquiry. I am interested in whatever further information you obtain. I'd be pleased to hear from you again.

Sincerely,

Eugene Atkin, Ph.D.
Registrar

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Planked him!
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

6010 Kenley Lane
Charlotte, North Carolina 28210

Mr. Joscelyn Godwin
Professor of Music
Colgate University
Hamilton, New York 13346

Dear Mr. Godwin:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 28, 1989 to Special Agent Allen Ezell regarding McKinley Roosevelt University and St. George's College.

I have enclosed pages from the 1978 edition of "Bear's Guide to Non-Traditional College Degrees" by John Bear, PhD concerning the above entities. Dr. Bear can be contacted at (415) 841-8711.

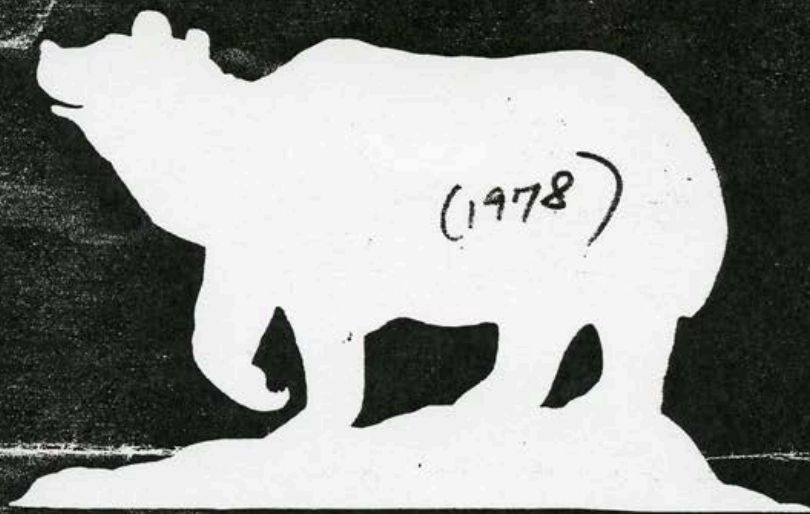
I hope the above will assist you in your research.

Sincerely yours.

Paul V. Daly
Special Agent in Charge

By: *Raymond J. Bowley*
Raymond J. Bowley
Supervisory Special Agent

Enclosure



**BEAR'S GUIDE
TO NON-TRADITIONAL
COLLEGE DEGREES**

JOHN BEAR, Ph.D.

6th EDITION

York 10022, claims to have helped more Americans enter European medical, dental, and veterinary schools than any other organization.

They have established programs for Italy and France, including intensive language, culture, and medical orientation courses. These courses are given in the host country. Assistance is provided in preparing dossiers for submission to the appropriate government and university authorities, translations of documents, and so on.

Offices are maintained in Paris and Rome to assist students. The orientation course and language course takes 3½ months, and the cost, including transportation from New York, room and board, is over \$5,000 for one, \$7,000 for an accompanying spouse.

One must be cautious in dealing with the schools in Mexico and the Caribbean. Some are serious and legitimate. Others, according to Dr. James Schofield, the Director of Accreditation for the Association of American Medical Colleges, are "rip-off places; the students who go there will never get a chance to practice medicine in this country". Dr. Schofield says that the worst offenders are in Puerto Rico: Boriquen University and the D'Hostos School of Medicine in San Juan, and the Universidad del Caribe in Carey.

Other, more reputable schools, include St. George's Medical School on the island of Grenada, and C.E.U.X. in Mexico.

St. George's opened in 1977, with 200 students, 90% of them Americans. According to the New York Times (June 15, 1977, p.21), the chancellor is a New York lawyer named Charles Modica, who goes by the title of "Doctor" on the basis of his law degree (J.D.). The calibre of the students is apparently quite high, but the standards of the school have caused some concern in medical circles.

C.E.U.X., or Centro de Estudios Universitarios Xochicalco, Calle Principal No. 7, Fraccionamiento Rahcho Tetela (Apartado Postal 21-A), Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, is a recognized medical school, offering work in both English and Spanish. There is a two-year program in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in English, followed by two years in Cuernavaca, in Spanish. Although a bachelors degree is preferred, well-prepared applicants without one are admitted.

C.E.U.X. graduates are permitted to take the E.C.F.M.G. exam, which qualifies graduates of foreign medical schools to practice in the United States—although each state may have its own additional requirements. For example, in California, C.E.U.X. graduates must take a fifth "pathway" year of study in California, plus a year of internship. The cost is \$5,000 per year, plus travel and living expenses. There are inexpensive dormitories on the campus in Mexico. Details of the American half of the program are available from Dr. Richard Rosenbloom, Pan American Educational Foundation, 18 Village Place, Hatboro, Pennsylvania 19040.

Note: a correspondent reports that there is *another* C.E.U.X. in Cuernavaca, apparently formed by dissident faculty of the first C.E.U.X., who left to form an apparently identical medical school.

The C.E.U.X. situation seems similar to that of another Mexican institution, the Inter-American University School of Medicine, Saltillo, Coah., Mexico. I am grateful to correspondent Jim Gilliam for the following report:

"The full name of the school is Escuela de Medicina Benito Juarez-Abraham Lincoln A.C.—but wait! the name has now been changed to Escuela de Medicina Dr. Evaristo Cruz Escobedo A.C., because someone pointed out that Juarez and

132. 13. DEGREE MILLS, DIPLOMA MILLS, AND QUESTIONABLE SCHOOLS

WESTERN RESERVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, c/o Robert Kim Walton, M.Ed. P.O.Box 22379, Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122. A curious little brochure, in which, among much else, honorary degrees are offered for prices ranging from \$65 to \$175, in all fields but medicine and law. The 'much else' includes the fact that Mr. Walton claims to be a consultant to the East Cleveland Board of Education, and others; that he was commended by the Sacred Congregation in Rome; and that the University of Zurich sends doctoral candidates to him for three months to study learning dysfunctions. There is, I am confident, no connection with the legitimate Case Western Reserve University, also in the Cleveland area.

This covers all the degree mills and diploma mills that I am aware of that are operating now, or have operated in recent years, in the United States. There are seven other places that I am in the process of checking out, or trying to learn more about. Any information on any of these would be much appreciated:

College Forum, Box 32, Newburn, Ohio 44065
Clinton College, Box 2887, Livonia, Michigan 48151
Cardinal Publishing, Box 5200, Jacksonville, Florida 32207
Palomar, Box 1796, Altadena, California 91001
Impressions, 2524 37th Avenue, Sacramento, California 95822
Hamilton State University, Box 11516, Tucson, Arizona 85706
College Degrees by Mail, Box 454, Willow Grove, Pennsylvania 19090

In the early 1960's, the U.S. Office of Education issued a list of schools they believed to be degree mills. It was called *Initial List of Degree Mills*, although, to the best of my knowledge, no other list was ever issued. Here, more for historical reference, are those schools on that list that have not yet been discussed:

American Bible School, 192 Clark St., Chicago, Illinois 60601
American Divinity School, Pineland, Florida 33945 [But see the listing for them in Chapter 11, which shows, I think, that they are nothing more or less than a fairly typical fundamental Bible school.]
Bellin Memorial University, Manassas, Virginia [definitely out of business]
Blackstone School of Law, 307 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois [still in business, but no longer offering law degrees by correspondence]
Burton College, 41 Lincoln Avenue, Manitou Springs, Colorado [But see the listing for them in Chapter 11. They probably did not belong on this list at all.]
Central School of Religion, 6030 Lowell Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana
College of Divine Metaphysics, 2811 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, Indiana
College of Universal Truth, 22 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604
Four States Cooperative University, Jefferson, Texas [probably out of business]
Institute of Metaphysics, 1250 Indiana Street, Birmingham, Alabama
Kondora Theosophical Seminary, Box 718, Chicago, Illinois 60690
McKinley-Roosevelt Inc., Chicago, Illinois [out of business]
Mid-Western University, Arcadia, Missouri [Mail is returned stamped "Moved, left no address." Apparently not connected in any way with the Mid-western in Nebraska (that used to be in South Dakota) or the one in

