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Petrograd, March 30, 1919. Botkinskaja 2 Coffer Howick Dear Troseon Bensley, From a letter of Professor Cowdry There Cearned, that you have been so Kind as to offer me a position in the University of Chicago. But your letter never reached me. We have no postal communication at all as the the ather countries, no I use a very rare apportunity for posting this Cetter somewhere us Finland for Sweden. But, for reasons you will certainly understand, I als make to write more, than I do. I girl to express you my priverest thanks for your Kind offer. Mufor-Turately, there is absolutely no physical posibility of leaving Tetrograd now. I hope to remain alive till there will be such a possibility and they perhaps there will be be found still nomewhere a suitable Lortin for me. In every case my revolution to leave this comby remains more fixed they ever. Believe me, your very truly A. Maxinoro. Ent I doubt, wether your letters could reach me. N. M.

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Dear Professor Bensley,
Professor Mammar in Upsala and Mrs
Dantscharoff of the Columbia University have
written you several times about me, so Jassume
you know who Jam. Forobvious reasons Jeannot
sign my letter.

as soon as I heard of the position at the

Chicago University, you were so kind as to offer me your original letter never reached me), I began to prepare my escape from here. It is no easy work and

a very dangerous one too. Now Jam ready and shall

use the next suitable opportunity.

I will have to abandon here all my belongings and will have to pay for the escape the whole cash, I was able to gather here with great difficulties, but I hope to find in Hockholm at the American consulate a sufficient sum, enabling me to start without delay for Chicago with my wife and sister

we the paid suitable opportunity.

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437 WEST 59TH STREET, NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF ANATOMY

April 29th 1918

Professor Robert R. Bensley, Department of Anatomy, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Professor Bensley: -

I was very glad to receive your letter and to learn that in all probability you can provide a position for Maximow. He is naturally in great distress, and his colleagues will rejoice when he is safely out of Russia and located where he can follow out his work.

I have met Maximow twice, the first time in Budapest on the occasion of the 17th International Medical Congress, and subsequently in Brussels at the last Anatomical Congress. I was much impressed with his personal qualities, which are those of an attractive and well-bred Russian of high education. His scientific work, of course, speaks for itself. I do not think that any University, which is in a position to take him in at the present juncture, will ever regret it. I have one of his Russian colleagues, Danchakoff, in my laboratory now. She knows him well, and I have asked her to write to you concerning him. It will be interesting to see two of the leading European Hematologists at work in this country.

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From inquiry at the banks, it is extremely doubtful whether funds could be sent to Petrograd with any reasonable prospect of getting into his hands, but he could be reached in care of the bank at Yokohama, and could probably reach Japan by his own efforts and through his connections in his own country. It is difficult to gauge a situation like his from this distance, but if I receive any further information, I will communicate with you at once.

With very best regards,

Cordially yours,

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DEPARTMENT OF ANATOMY

7-May-1920.

Professor Robert R. Bensley, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Doctor Bensley:

A letter from Maximov, dated March 28th, reached me to-day. He hopes to find an opportunity to escape sometime this coming summer. He asked me to let him know something about the position he can expect here. He writes that the only thing he might be able to do, is to reach Helsingfors (Finland) or Stockholm. He will have no money to go further. He asks me to tell you that if the University will help him financially to come. he will repay every cent of it by his work. He does not write to me about personal affairs, but as I understand from his letter, there will be one or two persons with him. I am anxiously waiting to hear from you in order to let him know what you think can be done for him. May I ask you to write a little note to him and I will enclose it in my letter to him. He writes that every attempt to get into communication is exceedingly dangerous. therefore, it might be wiser not to multiply these attempts but to use the way of communication which I was lucky enough to find. Sincerely yours were dancho ke

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### The University of Chicago

#### Department of Anatomy

May 12th.,1920

Professor Alexander Maximow, Petrograd, Russia

My dear Professor Maximow:

I have arranged for your appointment for next year in the department of anatomyas Professor at a salary of \$3500. Your appointment will date from the day yeu-repert of your arrival at the American Embassy in Stockholm Sweden. We shall endeavour to makke arrangements with the american ambassador to provide you with the necessary funds to reach Chicago. On your arrival there(Stockholm) Of the funds ar not already available cable to President Judson University of Chicago and means will immediately be found for the continuance of your journey.

with kindest regards,

#### The University of Chicago

Department of Anatomy

Aug. 20, 1920

President Harry Pratt Judson
The University of Chicago

Dear President Judson:

I am returning to you the accompanying letter from Mr. Hoare regarding Professor Maximov. In Dr. Bensley's absence I hardly like to take action in the matter. He is rather inaccessible; the present adress is: Dr. R. R. Bensley, MacGregor Bay, Manitoulin, Ontario, Canada, and you may communicate with him if you consider it necessary.

I find among Dr. Bensley's papers a letter from Dr. Vera Danchakoff dated 7 May, 1920, and what appears to be a letter from Dr. Bensley addressed to Professor Maximov and probably sent to him through Dr. Danhakoff. In this letter Dr. Bensley says:

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This letter is dated May 12, 1920 and I infer had not been received by Professor Maximov at the time Mr. Hoare had his last communication with him. A letter from your office to Mr. Hoare repeating officially the offer of an appointment would, I am sure, be approved by Dr. Bensley and it may be can be got through to Petrograd.

Very sincerely yours,

Judson Herrick

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### The University of Chicago

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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The Board of Trustees

February 7, 1921.

President Harry Pratt Judson, University of Chicago.

Dear Mr. President:

On May 14, 1918, (page 18 of the minutes for that meeting) the Committee on Instruction and Equipment recommended that the President be authorized to offer a professorship to Professor Alexander Maximvol of the Faculty of the Military Academy of Medicine at Petrograd, Russia, for one year from October 1, 1918, at a salary of \$3,000. The Board concurred in this recommendation, and also voted that the necessary funds for his expenses in traveling to Chicago should be provided.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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The University of Chicago

Department of Anatomy

February 7th., 1922 July in Imperior

My dear President Judson:

In the spring of 1918 the Board approved the appointment of Professor Alexander Maximow of Petrograd to a Professorship in the Department of Anatomy. The communication was transmitted through the State Department , but as , about that time the American Embassy withdrew from Petrograd to Vologda, the opportunity to deliver your message to Maximow did not message did not present itself. However, I requested Cowdry who was in Preking to send the same message to him. Cowdry's message to Maximow. reached him and in due time I received an acknowledgement from Maximow. It has however been impossible for him to leave Russia for reasons upon which I need not now dwell. Last spring I received a message from him by indirect route saying that he had perfected his arrangements for leaving Rissia and wished to be assured whether the position offeredhim here was still available and whether we could assist him to reach America if he made good his escape. I consulted with you and we agreed to appoint him as successor to Clark@resigned) but with the rank of Professor at the salary of \$3500 . On your authorisation therefore I wrote to him the letter of date May 12th a copy of which I inclose. The most recent world from him is an unsigned letter dated December 25th in which he states that his arrangements to leave Russia are completed and asks to have the provision for continuing his journey made at the American Embassy in Stockholm. He will be accompanied by his wife and sister. The cost of transportation first class from Stockholm to Chicago is \$280 , for the three of them \$840 . A credit of \$1000 at the American Embassy would probably see them safe through if their papers are all right.

I am inclosing also a letter from Professor Huntington

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#### The University of Chicago

Department of Anatomy

offColumbia University which gives his impression of Maximow. I need hardly repeat to you that Maximow is probably the greatest living authority on the biology of the blood and on the reactions of the connective tissues. His scientific record in addition covers a wide field of endeavor with distinctive achievement on each theme which he has undertaken? He will be a distinct acquisition not only to the life of the department but to the general medical life of the institution.

I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

RRBensley

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H. Pedershirg March 30, If Petersburg, March 30, 1921 Sen Trofesor Bensley Tam using a suitable opports. pethaps this litter will reach you. I have been watching the whole winter eagerly for a possibility of exceping out of the abourinable mission slavery, but I did not succeed as yet. Still I do not lose the courage and the hopes and am in the meantime endeavouring to work through my faientific material and to fruish all the investigations I Vhave begun. My insention to leave Russia for ever and to come to Chicago remains as firm as ever, but you may believe me, that the difficulties and dangers of excaping over the frontier

are so great, that I am not to be blamed for this delay. With Kind regards

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