

February 23, 1934.

Dear Mr. Wiener:

I am enclosing an interesting communication from a friend of mine in Salt Lake, Mrs. Lucy Gates Bowen, who is Chairman of The Committee for the Advancement of National Opera at Salt Lake. I am also enclosing copy of my reply.

You might turn this over to Colonel Waite as one outlet where Public funds could be spent to advantage during the next few years.

Sincerely yours,

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION
OF PUBLIC WORKS

February 24, 1934.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

I thank you for your letter of February 23 enclosing correspondence with Mrs. Bowen in regard to the advancement of national opera.

I should be glad to mention this to Colonel Waite when he returns from his trip, but I should point out that such a project would not be eligible under the Act as it stands. Similar activities carried on by the Civil Works Administration have, so I am informed, been financed by relief funds rather than by the money made available by the Public Works allotment.

I do not know just what the status of such a project would be under the resolution passed by Congress the other day, as I have not seen this resolution in its final form.

Very sincerely yours,

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