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Mr. Mark H. Dunkelman 62 Sheldon Street Providence, RI 02906

Dear Mr. Dunkelman:

Thank you for your recent letter inquiring about the papers of Alfred Washburn Benson. We have three boxes (approximately nine linear inches) of his papers. The inclusive date span of the collection is 1753-1915, and the collection includes speeches, correspondence, and diaries. Enclosed is a calendar to the papers. The bulk of the collection consists of speeches.

Other Benson correspondence appears in the papers of Frederick W. Brinkerhoff, a Pittsburg, Kans., journalist and civic leader. There is one letter from Benson, dated Oct. 3, 1914, in that collection.

If you would like to examine these papers, we shall be glad to make it available to you; our research hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 to noon Saturday mornings (except holiday weekends). Microfilming of the collection can also be arranged, but I must caution you that we are quite far behind in our processing of microfilming orders and the process could take as long as a year.

If you would like additional information on this collection, or any component of it, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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