

February 14, 1918

M. Hanotaux
78, Boulevard de Courcelles
Paris, France

My dear M. Hanotaux:

I am sure you will be glad to hear what an enthusiastic reception has been given in the United States, and particularly in New York, to Dr. Vesnitch and his associates of the Royal Serbian War Mission. Not only have the members of the Mission made an extensive tour through the United States, speaking almost daily to large and enthusiastic audiences, but they have been received and entertained in notable fashion as well. The members of the Mission did me the honor to dine at my house shortly after their arrival, and I was able to assemble to meet them a company of some forty men and women prominent in the life of New York.

On February 2 the France America Society gave a public banquet in honor of the Mission, at which there were present about 150 leading Americans, members of the diplomatic corps and representatives of the military services of the allied nations. A record of this banquet, together with a stenographic report of the speeches delivered, is now being prepared and copies will be sent to you by post within a few days.

The France America Society is more prosperous and more active than ever before, and I am sure you will be glad to learn how constantly it keeps the name and the spirit of France before the mind of our people.

With warm regards, I am,

Faithfully yours, *Nicholas Murray Butler*