

October 31, 1945

Colonel Ed Green  
5th Floor  
Old Post Office Building  
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Colonel:

We certainly appreciate the cooperation you have given this institution through Doctor Herod in putting him in contact with those in charge of surplus property.

I told him when he went to see you that you were the one man in the city who appreciated what this institution was doing for the young business people of Atlanta, and that you would be doubly interested now that we were in such a "sweat" to get our building habitable for the several thousand GI's coming back from the Army.

Of the more than two hundred GI's registered so far, we have several with artificial legs, and the sooner we get into the new fire-proof building with elevators and ramps, the better it will be for the several hundred such returned soldiers. For this reason, we are doing everything we can to get available building material from the Army camps now being abandoned. So far, we have been able to get only about 20,000 feet of 2 by 4's, which, in the regular market are classified as gold at present because of the scarcity of such material.

Since we are so anxious for this material and know that we are putting it to better use than most agencies receiving such surplus property, I am sometimes tempted even to try to sell my story to General Brooks himself, as I am sure he would understand the virtue of such a plea much more readily than some of these others who are constantly "passing the buck" from one office to another.

Please be sure that we always feel obligated to you, not only for the kind expressions about our work in the past, but for the present service you are giving these young men and women now returning from the battle fields of the world.

Cordially yours

GEO. M. SPARKS  
Director

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