Expressing the appreciation of himself and the Russian people at Du Bois's joining of the Communist Party -- "to my mind, it was a natural result of your life" -- and praising his "staunch and fearless spirit"; also noting the completion of his Russian translation of Du Bois's autobiography and plans to publish in that language "Mansart Builds a School."

Place: Leningrad (R.S.F.S.R.)
Extent: 4 p.
Genre: Correspondence
Envelopes
Subject(s): Du Bois, W. E. B. (William Edward Burghardt), 1868-1963--Political activity
Communist Party of the United States of America
URL: http://credo.library.umass.edu/view/full/mums312-b153-i331
Dr. and Mrs.
W.E.B. Du Bois

Dear Sir,

All our people, like all honest people of the world were greatly impressed by your decision to join the American Communist Party at its worst hour.

To my mind, it was a natural result of your life, for you have always stood on the side of the right, not of the strong, on the side of the oppressed rather than of the oppressors, on the side of the discriminated rather than of the discriminators.

We all bow to your staunch and fearless spirit.

Now something pleasant for you. The translation of your "Soliloquy" is almost finished. I have heard from the Foreign Literature Publishing House they decided to
publish the second part of your great trilogy, a review of which I have recently read in the "Mainstream" magazine.

As a Xmas present I have sent on to you a novel by a late Soviet author, Auezov, "Hai." It is a story of a Kazakh poet and educator, and I thought it would be of interest to you.

With all best wishes for Xmas and the New Year from my family and myself,

Very sincerely,

V. Kuznetsov.
Кому: Др. и Мис. Нев. Д. Брайс
31 Grace Court
Бруклин 1
Нью-Йорк, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

Адрес отправителя: СССР, Ленинград
Комитет, 34, 4, 12, Кузнецов, В. В.