December 18, 1935.

Hon. Herbert H. Lehman,
Albany,
New York.

Dear Herbert:

No doubt you know that William Rosenwald has been working very hard on J.D.C. matters and was very active in our campaign all through this year, taking an intelligent part in our deliberations and traveling to many places throughout the country for conferences and speeches. When he discussed with Felix Warburg and me early this year the question of his settling in New York we both encouraged him to do so and at that time I said to him that I would like nothing better than to ask him to become a Vice Chairman of the J.D.C. in due time, although I did not feel, and I said so to him, that at that time he was quite ready for it. Both Felix Warburg and James Rosenberg, and I too, now feel that the time has come when we should take this step early next year and make him a Vice Chairman.

In view of the fact that he would then figure with you on a letter head, I would like to ask your consent before we do this. He is young, but he is learning rapidly, and is only too anxious to take advice. He is at the campaign office daily and all the time in touch with Jonah Wise and Coons, and both Hyman and Morrissey, as well as I see a great deal of him. He will do nothing of any importance without consultation and I think it will be of great help to all of us in New York if we can gradually turn over more work to him, for which he is ready.

I am sorry I have not had an opportunity in such a long time to see you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,