

C O P Y

Glenns Falls, N. Y., April , 1911.

Mrs. Helen Fay.

You all have the deepest sympathy of our entire family.

(Signed) Frank H. Streeter.

C O P Y

Austin, Texas, April 3, 1911.

U. S. Department of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C.

Convey to the family of Doctor S. A. Knapp my deep regrets  
in this hour of their great sorrow.

(Signed) Ed R. Kone.



C O P Y

Giddings, Texas, April 4, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

News of Doctor's death to-day. Accept our sympathy  
in this hour of trial.

(Signed) Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Campbell.

C O P Y

Athens, Ga., April 4, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

Chancellor Barrow and myself extend sincere sympathy  
in your bereavement.

(Signed) Andrew M. Soule.



C O P Y

Memphis, Tenn, Apr. 4, 1911.

Bradford Knapp,

Accept sympathy of Dr. Johnson and myself in your  
bereavement.

(Signed) O. M. Watson.

C O P Y

Burkeville, Va., April 2, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp.

Have heard with real distress of Doctor Knapp's death.

Accept my heartfelt sympathy. The God of peace be with you all.

(Signed) Ella G. Agnew.



C O P Y

Jonesboro, Ga., April 2, 1912.

Bradford Knapp.

Whole force of Georgia joins me in sympathy in the loss  
of your father. He was the great benefactor of the South.

(Signed) Gentry.

C O P Y

Lake Charles, La., 2, 1911.

Arthur Knapp.

It is with sincere regret that we learn of the passing  
over of your Father. In his death the family, country and  
especially the South, suffer the loss of a Patriot of in-  
estimable worth. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Mayo  
and yourself.

(Signed) John S. White.

(Signed) Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Woodwing.



C O P Y

New Iberia, La., Apr. 2, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

Just heard of the death of our honored chief, your father and my friend for many years. Accept our sincere sympathy and condolence. His was a work none other could do. He is enshrined in Southern hearts.

(Signed) John T. White.

C O P Y

Lake Charles, La., April 2, 1911.

S. A. Knapp, Care of Bradford Knapp, Wash'n, D. C.

In the death of your eminent father this country has lost a true friend and valuable citizen. We mourn him with you in this sorrowful hour.

(Signed) A. J. Perkins and H. C. Drow.



C O P Y

Beaumont, Texas, April 2, 1911.

S. Arthur Knapp, Care Victor H. Olmstead, Wash'n, D. C.

The sympathies of this country are with you in your great misfortune. The people of the South have lost a friend they can never replace.

(Signed) Louisiana and Texas Rice Millers' Ass'n.

To Bradford Knapp.

The officers and members of the General Education Board extend to all the members of the family their profound sympathy. I regret that it will be impossible for me to go to Ames for the funeral, and information did not reach me in time for attendance of services at Washington.

(Signed) Wallace Buttrick.



C O P Y

New Orleans, La., April 2, 1911.

Major Arthur Knapp, Care Bradford Knapp, Washington, D. C.

I beg to convey my sincere sympathy at the death of your dear father. I consider him one of my good friends. The rice interests owe him a debt of gratitude for his invaluable services. He was prominent and the peer of all in his knowledge of rice.

(Signed) S. Locke Breaux.



C O P Y

Lake Charles, La., April 3, 1911.

Arthur Knapp,  
Care of Union National Bank,  
Ames, Iowa.

Accept our sympathy with the death of your Father. South  
loses a staunch friend.

(Signed) H. F. & F. A. Vonphul.

C O P Y

Sulphur Mine, La., Apr. 5, 1911

Arthur Knapp, Ames, Iowa.

You have our heartfelt sympathy in your great loss.  
The entire people of the South realize they have lost one  
of their best friends.

(Signed) John L. Henning.



C O P Y

Ames, Iowa., April 1, 1911.

Herman Knapp,

1215 Crittenden Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Love and sympathy to you all. The dear old College holds  
your father's memory in deepest respect and honor and his  
children in most loyal affection.

(Signed) Mrs. and Mrs. E. W. Stanton.

C O P Y

Tuskegee, Ala., April 3, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

You have our profoundest sympathy in the loss of your father. He did much for the development of the South and in many ways worked for the elevation of the negro people. His loss will be felt by the entire nation.

(Signed) Booker T. Washington.



C O P Y

Memphis, Tenn., April 3, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

Your father's death is a great loss to the South, his work a lasting monument. Accept my sincerest sympathy in your bereavement.

(Signed) Lem Banks.

C O P Y

New York, April 3, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

My warmest sympathy goes out to you and your family. Dr. Knapp's death is a great loss to the South and the Nation.

(Signed) M. V. Richards.



C O P Y

Houston, Texas, April 2, 1911

Bradford Knapp.

Please accept assurance of my keen sorrow at news of your father's death, also most heartfelt condolences for you and other members of the family. The Nation has lost a master architect and builder but his work in the Southland will survive all ages.

(Signed) F. N. Gray.

C O P Y

Fort Worth, Texas, April 4, 1911.

TO Bradford Knapp, Ames, Iowa.

Just learned of Doctor's death through Quicksall. The news came as a great shock to me. Allow me to express my deepest sympathy in your great loss and to assure you that thousands are mourning the passage of a great man.

(Signed) W. L. English.



C O P Y

Clemson College, S. C., Apr. , 1911.

TO Bradford Knapp.

My deepest sympathy in your great bereavement and in loss to the whole nation which the South has sustained in the death of your dear father. Please wire date and hour of funeral. I wish to attend if I can reach city in time.

(Signed) W. M. Riggs.

C O P Y

Raleigh, N. C.

Bradford Knapp.

Telegram announcing death of Doctor Knapp at hand.

Agents notified. Have caught the spirit and will press on.

(Signed) C. R. HUDSON.



C O P Y

Columbia, S. C., April 2, 1911.

Bradford Knapp.

Inexpressibly shocked at news of your distinguished father's death; to thousands of our people he has been a benefactor. The South has lost her truest and ablest friend, one whose mantle is too broad to fall on any one man's shoulders. The Country has lost one of her noblest patriots in the cause of constructive development. I knew him but to love him, to admire him and to strive to emulate his virtues and practice his preaching. His life has been an inspiration to all patriotically striving to upbuild our common Country. In his death I feel deep loss for he was my personal and most esteemed friend. Expect to be with you in Washington tomorrow morning.

E. J. Watson,  
Com. of Agriculture.

C O P Y

TO      Bradford Knapp.

We are greatly distressed to hear of the death of your noble father. He was a great and good man and was beloved throughout the South. My wife joins me in expression of profound sympathy for you and every member of the family. Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Chas. Scott.



C O P Y

Richmond, Va., April 2, 1911.

TO    Bradford Knapp.

Virginia and the entire South have suffered a loss in the death of your distinguished father. It will be difficult if not impossible to fill his place. His death is a personal loss and sorrow to me and I send my sincere sympathy to you and the other members of the family.

(Signed) William Hodges Mann.

(Governor)

C O P Y

Jackson, Miss., April 1, 1911.

TO Bradford Knapp.

Your telegram announcing Doctor Knapp's death is a sad and unexpected shock. Mississippi, along with all of the South, will deeply feel his loss. Regarding him as a public benefactor with whom we were all deeply indebted, as Governor and personally I extend to each of his family heartfelt sympathy and condolence and gratefully acknowledge our sense of profound obligation for Doctor Knapp's kind and great public service to the agriculture of the Union.

(Signed) E. F. Hoel,

Governor.



C O P Y

Hudson, N. Y.

TO      Bradford Knapp.

My deepest sympathy. Deoter Knapp was one  
of the noblest and most useful men this country  
has ever produced.

(Signed) Albert Shaw.

C O P Y

Los Angeles, Cal., April 4, 1911.

TO      Bradford Knapp.

Associated Press announces death of Doctor Knapp.

Extend to the family our warmest sympathy.

(Signed)      Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Stoddard.



C O P Y

New York City, April 1, 1911.

TO Bradford Knapp.

My profound sympathy. Will see you tomorrow.

(Signed) Walter H. Page.

C O P Y

New York, April 5, 1911.

TO    Bradford Knapp.

Because of my absence from the city your telegram of  
Apl first just received. We are saddened beyond expression  
at the death of your Father. He has done a wonderful work  
and hundreds and thousands of people will mourn his loss.  
Our profoundest sympathy goes out to you and his other  
dear ones at this time.

(Signed)    John D. Rockefeller, Jr.



C O P Y

COMMITTEE ON  
THE POST-OFFICE AND POST-ROADS,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UNITED STATES,  
WASHINGTON.

April 2, 1911.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just heard of the death of Dr. Knapp and I hasten to express my deep sorrow and to offer my sincerest condolence to his children.

We have lost the most efficient friend of the Southern farmer and the loss is well nigh irreparable. To me he had been a personal friend and a wise counsellor and I shall miss him most keenly. At some time I shall hope to pay a more-extended tribute to his memory and his manifold good work.

Most sincerely,

(Signed) Jno. H. Small.



C O P Y

GENERAL SUMTER MEMORIAL  
ACADEMY  
JOHN J. DARGAN  
PRINCIPAL

P. O. DALZELL, S. C.  
R. F. D. NO. 1.

STATSBURG, S. C., April 4, 1911.

Resolutions passed by the teachers and pupils  
of the Gen. Sumter Memorial Academy at a meeting called  
on learning of the death of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

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Resolved: That we have learned of the death of Dr. Seaman  
A. Knapp with profound sorrow and that we recall on this sad  
occasion, with deepest gratitude, the attentions and ser-  
vices he has bestowed upon this Academy.

Resolved 2d: That we send an expression of our grief  
and sense of the Nation's irreparable loss, to the Depart-  
ment at Washington, which he was serving in this time of  
imperative need, with such distinguished zeal and fidelity  
and ability as to render his name an highly honored one in  
all sections of the enlightened world.

Resolved 3d: That these Resolutions be published in the  
newspapers of our County and State.

AND THAT THE SCHOOL CLOSE AT THE HOUR OF HIS FUNERAL.

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TEXAS MIDLAND RAILROAD.

Traffic Department.

C O P Y

F. B. MCKAY,  
Gen. Freight and Pass'r Agent.

Terrell, Texas, Apr. 3, 1911

Mr. Arthur Knapp,

Care U. S. Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just read in the Dallas, Texas News the announcement of the death of your father, Dr. S. A. Knapp.

Please accept my deepest sympathy in your great loss. Dr. Knapp was one of my best friends and I shall sadly miss his wise counsel.

Yours truly,

(Signed) F. B. McKay.



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON,  
Principal.

WARREN LOGAN,  
Treasurer.

TUSKEGEE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE

GEORGE W. CARVER

C O P Y

Director, Dept. Research, Experiment Station and Consulting Chemist.

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama,

April 4, 1911.

Mr. Arthur Knapp,

Bureau of Plant Industry,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Friend:

I wish to extend to you in this hour of deepest sorrow my heart-felt sympathy. In the passing of your illustrious father the world has lost a great and good man; the South a special benefactor; all humanity a sympathizer, and myself a personal friend.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. W. Carver,  
Director Dept. of Research  
& Experiment Station.



BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

C O P Y

WACO, TEXAS.

April 5, 1911.

Office of President.

Mr. Arthur Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was shocked to learn of the death of your illustrious father. I believe that the death of no other single man would so entirely effect the whole country as has his. I have never lost an opportunity to praise him, since I believed in his life and work thoroughly. You will remember that this institution honored him with the degree of Doctor of Laws as an evidence of our appreciation of him.

It has not been very long since I traveled two or three hours with him on the train, and with great tenderness he discussed the death of his wife, your mother, and the practical type of the man showed itself and drew me the more to him in the little confidences that manifested themselves in that brief conference.

With sincerest sympathy, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) S. P. Brooks,  
President.



C O P Y

Hyeres, France.

April 17, 1911.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just learned with great sorrow of the death of Dr. Knapp. I feel that I have not only lost a co-worker but a dear good friend as well. Please accept my sincere sympathy and extend the same to the other members of the family.

Very sincerely yours,  
(Signed) B. T. Galloway.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.



C O P Y

G. S. DICKERMAN  
140 Cottage Street  
NEW HAVEN, CONN.

April 28, 1911.

Mr. S. Arthur Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

Taking up "The World's Work" yesterday, I noticed the portrait of your revered father and beneath it the words "The Late Dr. Knapp". This is the first intimation I have had that my good friend has departed to the unseen country. He seemed so vigorous, notwithstanding his advanced years, when I saw him last, that I had not entertained any likelihood of this event coming for a good while yet. His mind was so fertile in new plans and enterprises for the benefit of people, especially in the South, that he seemed to be gifted with perennial youth; and all who knew him must have had the wish that he might continue on the earth a thousand years. As it is, I feel personally poorer for his going, and am sure that the country is a sufferer in more ways than can be named.

Let me assure you of my sympathy in your sorrow, while at the same time I congratulate you on your happiness in having had the blessing of such a father.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) G. S. Dickerman.



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C O P Y

Houston, Texas,

April 12, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I desire to express my sincere sympathy with you in the recent loss of your beloved father,- my dear old friend.

It is impossible for me to express how sorry I was to hear of his death, and few will realize better than myself the magnitude of his work and the benefits to the agricultural interests of the entire country which have resulted from his individual efforts.

I also desire to compliment you on your appointment and extend to you hearty congratulations and best wishes for your success, and assure you that if it is possible for me to render you any service at any time it will be a pleasure to do so, and I hope you will not hesitate to write me at any time if you think I can be of any assistance to you in any way.

With very kind regards, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) H. P. Attwater.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

C O P Y

SPECIAL FIELD SERVICE.

Houston, Texas, April 6, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp.

I can not express in words how deeply grieved and shocked I was last Sunday morning, when the newspapers bore to me the news of your Father's death. I had been confidently looking forward to the time when I should next visit Washington, to meet him again.

Doctor Knapp was one of the few close friends I have had in this life. He paid me the highest compliment that I have ever received in the words of indorsement used by him in recommending me for appointment to the Secretary of Agriculture in 1905 and I want you and all others of his late family to feel that in whatever I may ever be able to do for you it will always be my esteemed privilege and a pleasure to be at your command.

I am sending in this mail some newspapers, marked, with editorial and other expressions concerning his great work and the loss felt by his country.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) F. H. Gray.



ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY.  
AGRICULTURAL AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

C O P Y

WILMINGTON, N. C., April 21, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was very much grieved by the death of your Father, and feel that the South has suffered a great loss.

I have lived in the South all my life, and I as well as a great many others believe that your Father did more for agriculture in the South than any man that ever lived and he was beloved by thousands of people.

I was very much gratified yesterday when I noticed by the papers that you had succeeded him, as I am satisfied that you will do all that you can to continue the good work that he started. I beg to assure you that it will afford me great pleasure at all times to cooperate heartily with your Department and do all I can for its success.

With kind personal regards, and hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you before very long, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) E. E. Clark,  
Agricultural & Immigration Agent.



C O P Y

Americus, Ga., Apr. 8, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I hardly know how to write you concerning the death of your distinguished father, and for that reason have delayed writing so far. Too, I have felt so keenly the loss of his services to our Cause that I have not had the heart to write. I say it, and say it truthfully, when I say that I am grieved very deeply, too much so for words to express it.

You have my deepest sympathy in this, your day of bereavement. May the Lord who knoweth what is best and doeth all things well help you and your family, and us as yours and his (Dr. Knapp's co-laborers, who too are sharing in this great bereavement, to look on the bright side and to feel that "Thy will be done" is best. The farmer has lost his best friend and the South its most noted philanthropist.

However, his work has been established and will go on. The generations yet unborn will rise up and call him blessed. Isn't it glorious to have a record and to live a life like that!

Yours in deepest sympathy,

(Signed) G. V. Cunningham.



BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

C O P Y

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Office of President.

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With sincerest sympathy, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) E. P. Brooks,  
President.



C O P Y

Washington, D. C., April 3, 1911.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was very sorry to hear of the death of your Father. Please accept my deepest sympathy and extend it to the members of your family.

With the passing of your Father there goes out of our life one of the great figures in recent agricultural progress. The work he has done had all of the elements of statesmanship about it. The South will feel his influence for generations to come. He had a prophetic vision, the zeal of the missionary, and the poise and judgment that stamped him a rare man among his fellow-workers. He has left a priceless heritage to his children and an inspiration to his associates and to thousands with whom he came in contact. No one in agricultural work has been so skillful in organizing the forces of society around the progress he wished to bring about. I think of my relations with your Father as one of the most delightful of my Department experiences.

With kindest regards,

Cordially yours,

(Signed) G. Harold Powell.



COPY OF REPLY, ACKNOWLEDGING RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. J. O. Hughes,

Marshall, Texas.

My dear Sir:

I have received a copy of Resolutions passed by the Marshall Progressive League and proposed by a Committee, of which you are mentioned as Chairman.

It is impossible for me to express to you and to the members of your League my feelings upon the receipt of such splendid Resolutions. The tribute you pay to Doctor Knapp in these Resolutions is very high. Were it not that I know how intimately he was acquainted with the people of your County and how true the statements you make in the Resolutions actually are, I might feel that you had said more than ought to be said but my intimate acquaintance with this work with him and my many conversations and conferences with him in which he discussed the work in Harrison County confirm the statements you have made. I was present at the last interview between Doctor Knapp and the Secretary of Agriculture before the Doctor's death. In that interview Doctor Knapp told the Secretary that he had been a dreamer. The Secretary replied to him: "Yes, Doctor Knapp, you have been a dreamer. You dreamed of the great agricultural possibilities of the South and, unlike most dreamers you went to work to make that dream come true." I know that this was Doctor Knapp's personal attitude of mind. He saw into the future and saw the possibilities of the South agriculturally and he devoted the closing years of his life in the earnest effort to bring prosperity and enlightenment to the Southern farmer. The spirit of his unselfish devotion to this end has now permeated the body of his faithful agents so that it is our firm belief that the work will go, increasing in intensity, ever building toward the one object which he had in view, the independence and prosperity of the Southern farmer.

Again thanking you for your splendid Resolutions, I remain,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Bradford Knapp.



RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF DR. SEAMAN A. KNAPP.

To the Marshall Progressive League:

We, your committee appointed at the general meeting of the league, held April 13th, 1911, for the purpose of drafting Resolutions on the death of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp of the United States Department of Agriculture and Special Agent in Charge of the Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration Work, beg leave to report as follows:

Whereas, It is most appropriate that this, Harrison County, should give expression to its sincere sorrow and regret of the death of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp which occurred in Washington, D. C., April 1st, 1911. This Progressive League, the organized representatives of the promotion of agricultural and industrial advancement in Harrison county, have therefore appointed the undersigned committee to draft Resolutions expressive of its grief at the death of this great and good man, and the personal bereavement to every farmer in this county as well as a public loss to the prosperity of the community.

Dr. Knapp was an especial friend to Harrison County. To him Harrison County owes its entire progress in the past five years. Dr. Knapp was never called upon but what he responded promptly. If the people felt the need of a personal visit all they had to do was to write or telegraph him and he dropped everything else and came to Harrison County. And when he arrived here he delivered practical addresses that were very helpful and were of the greatest encouragement to the farmers. He thus showed by his works that he was deeply interested in this part of Texas. As the originator of the Cooperative Demonstration Work, the farmers of this county and the people in general owe him a deep debt of gratitude, but he was more than that; he was the earnest, helpful friend in need. We feel that all Harrison County has become in the past five years



was due almost solely to his kind helpfulness in the direction of those whom he sent here, and in many personal ways.

Therefore:

Resolved, first, That the Progressive League, in behalf of Marshall and Harrison County, feels deeply the great loss that the death of Doctor Knapp has brought upon this county, And

Second, That the evidences of improved agriculture on every hand will be a lasting memorial to the good work initiated and continued under his guidance and able management of his field agents, And

Third, That a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the Department of Agriculture, and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased, and that a copy be entered on the books of the League.

J. O. Hughes, Chairman.

(Signed)

Ed E. Talmage.

Jno. H. Pope.



C O P Y

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U.S.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 7, 1911.

Hon. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

I desire you to know how sincerely I sympathize with you and your family in the death of your very distinguished father, Dr. Knapp. The people of the country can not appreciate his loss as we of the South do. I feel, and am frank to say, that the new agriculture of the South began with the advent of Dr. Knapp into that section. His work in South Carolina is working a complete revolution in her agriculture and is showing results which are far-reaching.

It was a matter of great regret to me that on account of pressing matters which I could not defer, even for an hour, I was unable to attend the funeral.

Again assuring you of my very deep sympathy for you and of my unbounded appreciation of the great work of your father,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) A. F. Lever.



C O P Y

Weatherford, Texas.

April 9, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

Knowing from sad experience the inadequacy of language to express the profound depths of feelings and emotions, and fully realizing that nothing can compensate you in the present hour of most poignant grief, permit me to express the hope ( as it is my most sincere wish) that when you shall be able to view the recent past more calmly and sedately that your heart will take comfort in the assurances of profound sympathy that goes out to you and yours from every inhabitant of the South, and more particularly from this broad State in whose services Dr. Knapp as an educator and a benefactor has won their profound admiration and affectionate regard.

Very respectfully your obedient servant & friend

(Signed) Frank Clarke,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Tyler, Texas, April 7, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp.

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

Again in extending to you my heart-felt sympathy in the loss of your dear father, I also wish to say I feel that I too have sustained a great loss, for I had not only learned to respect and love him as a great Instructor, but as a warm personal friend.

His influence for making men better was felt by me to a large degree and having known him so well has had a marked effect on my whole life.

His kind words of encouragement were a great inspiration to all with whom he came in contact and especially those of us who knew him so well and were engaged in the great work which he inaugurated. The South has lost her best and most valued friend.

My family join me in extending deepest sympathy to yourself and family.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. F. Procter.



CAVE SPRING STOCK AND GRAIN FARM

C D P Y

CLARENDON DAVIS

HUNTSVILLE, ALA.

April 9, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your loss is that of the South. I have been a great admirer of your noble Father for the great good he has done our South-land, and will ever cherish his memory as one of our greatest benefactors.

In his breast were planted the seeds of "Demonstration", that nourished with the thoughts of a fertile brain and cultivated with the love of fellow-men are growing and flourishing into a fruitful termination.

May you continue the work, so dear to your Father's heart, is my prayer. Accept my deepest sympathy in your great grief and the assurance of my hearty cooperation in your efforts to reach the condition so eagerly sought by your Father,- (when peace and plenty shall nestle over the Southern farmer like a benediction.) With the kindest feelings, I am,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Clarendon Davis.  
(Agent.)



C O P Y

Alexander City, Ala., April 8, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just learned of the death of your Father and our beloved chief. This sad news brings to every man who knows Dr. Knapp a feeling of great personal loss. We have truly lost a great man. I have never known a man for whom I had a greater respect and admiration and in whose great qualities of heart and mind I more firmly believe. He was truly a great man and though he is now gone he has left behind him an enduring monument in his splendid noble work, and has won for himself a lasting place in the hearts of millions of our Southern people.

Great as Dr. Knapp was, nothing greater can be said of him than that he did his duty. I know too that he had no dearer wish than that this great work shall continue after he is gone and I pledge you, Mr. Knapp, my most loyal cooperation and support in carrying on this great work. I extend to you and each member of Dr. Knapp's family as well my most tender sympathy in this, your great loss.

Your friend,

(Signed) A. L. Kimbrough,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Melvin, Ala., 4/8/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was indeed shocked when I saw in the Advertiser that your dear father and our beloved chief had passed to the Great Beyond.

I had known him personally only a short time, but he was very dear to me long before I ever met him, for he was in deed and in truth a great and gifted leader and had so firmly implanted his ideas and outlined his work so clearly that I am quite sure it will move on with unabated vigor and effectiveness with our beloved Chief's son at the helm and I pledge you my loyal cooperation and support and most earnest effort toward making Dr. S. A. Knapp's great work a greater success than ever before.

I am

Yours truly,

(Signed) A. G. Harroll,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

St. Martinville, La.,

April 10, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Accept our sincere sympathy and regret in the loss of our Chief, your Father, whom we had learned to love and respect for his great ability and noble work. Not only will he be missed by us, but the State and the whole world at large, and his work in Agriculture will stand as a monument to his memory.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) A. A. Morrow,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Ashland, Ala., April 10, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It was with profound sorrow that I learned of the death of your father and while I had never had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance I feel just as if I had.

I feel that Agriculture has lost its greatest and ablest friend, and while our loss is inestimable it does not compare with the loss you have sustained in the loss of a dear father, in which loss I extend my deepest sympathy.

Master minds are necessary in founding all great undertakings, and we are thankful that the life of Dr. Knapp was spared until he had so well laid the foundation of the great work to which he has so earnestly and ably devoted his last years. He has erected to himself a monument more enduring than the granite shaft, and when the marble column that shall mark his last resting place shall have crumbled into dust his name will still be an inspiration to the Southern people for whom he did so much.

Allow me here to express the hope that you may be selected to carry forward the work that your father has just left. I consider no other better qualified, and truly would the mantle of the father fall on worthy shoulders.

Again expressing my most profound sympathy I am,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) C. F. Striplin.



C O P Y

Fort White, Fla.,

April 11, 1911.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I received a letter from Mr. H. E. Savely last night on my arrival at home telling me of your Father's death. You have my heartfelt sympathy and I feel that the people of the South and the entire nation has sustained a great loss. I certainly hope the man who succeeds him will show the wisdom, ability and love for his fellow-creature that your Father displayed.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) D. H. Herlong.



C O P Y

Lewiston, La., April 8, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp and Family:

I wish to write you and offer to you and your Father's family my condolence and sorrow in your great bereavement. It will be a consolation to know, however, that thousands like me share in your sorrow because of the great good he has done the Farmers.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. B. F. Lewis.



C O P Y

Newton, N. C., April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am very sorry indeed to see a notice in the papers of this week of your Father's death. I only met him twice while I was a Demonstration Agent in my county and I became very much attached to him. He felt very much like a father to us agents in the field. We are all going to feel a great loss in his death. The great work which he was doing for the Southern farmer, in the improvement of the soil and convincing the farmers of the better methods of cultivation, is just in its infancy. And we hope his "Mantle" will fall on one of his sons. And that through him the development that is possible may come to this great Southland yet.

Allow me to express to you in this letter the great esteem in which I held him and my sincere sympathy for you all in your irreparable loss. And this is not only a family bereavement, but a National loss, especially Agriculturally speaking.

May the good work which he began go on and I believe it will, long after we are dead and gone. I want to say as long as I live Dr. Knapp will always have a place in my memory. Grand Old Man! As Moses was to the children of Israel, to lead them out of Egyptian bondage, so we looked upon Dr. Knapp to the Agricultural classes.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) M. A. Abernethy.  
(Ex-Agent.)



C O P Y

Ruple, La., 4/6/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am just in receipt of the sad news announcing the death of your honored Father and hasten to extend my heartfelt sympathy to you and to his other loved ones. We hope to show our love for his memory by continuing as his subordinates more earnestly the noble work begun by him.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) E. N. Evans,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Blue Mountain, Miss.,

4/8/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

You have the sympathies of myself and all of my cooperators and demonstrators in the loss of your father. We feel, as southern Agriculturalists, that one of our best friends has passed from us whose place can never be filled with an equal. I learned to love Dr. Knapp when first acquainted through correspondence. Later when I met him I loved him more for the amiable disposition he possessed and love for his men and work which he was conducting. But few men would have ever lived up to his calling as Dr. Knapp did. The last time I met him, and on every occasion I met him, it seemed that his pleasure was to make those with whom he was connected and came in to contact with to feel easy and light-hearted. He spoke of us as his boys and altogether pushing a great work which would result in making a great people and a greater nation of which each was an important part. May God bless his spirit and comfort the broken hearts left behind to mourn his loss.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. E. Stansell  
(Agent.)



C O P Y

Union, S. C., April 6, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Having heard of the death of your father several days ago I hasten to extend to you my heartfelt sympathy in this hour.

I had never had the pleasure of meeting the "grand old man" as he was commonly called but I had learned to admire him and held him in highest esteem.

God in his all-wise wisdom knows best and we can only submit and say "Thy will be done."

Believe me to be your sympathizing friend,

(Signed) Fred W. Carnell.  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Union Springs, Ala., April 13, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I wish to express to you my deepest sympathy for the death of your beloved Father, and to assure you of my hearty support in your new task as head of his department.

I always felt a peculiar tenderness for Dr. Knapp; his deep sympathy for my people and his earnest efforts in their behalf has endeared his memory to us as that of no other man. We all loved him deeply and mourn his death and will miss him. I take this opportunity to pledge you my heartiest support in your efforts to carry on his work.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) G. A. Ritch.



C O P Y

Mt. Ida, Ark., 4/5/11.

Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have just received notice of the departure of your beloved Father which pains me much as he was such an inspiration to me. I extend to you and the family my deepest sympathy and sorrow. May you have the Grace that is necessary to bow to this great misfortune and may you emulate your Father's pure and useful life, a life we in the South will all miss so greatly.

Yours with deepest sympathy,

(Signed) James R. Woods.  
(Agent.)



C O P Y

Frederick, Okla.

4/5/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Bradford:

Just received from Mr. Bentley notice of death of your father and our Dr. Knapp.

You have my sincere sympathy in this great bereavement. To have known Dr. Knapp was an honor and to know him was to love him. He was one of our great and good men. We will miss him sorely.

Assuring you again of my sincere sympathy, I am

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Sam Finley,  
(Agent.)



C O P Y

Fayetteville, Ark.,

April 7, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Department of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Have just returned to the Office and learn the sad news of the death of Dr. S. A. Knapp. I wish to express my sympathy in this hour of grief and to say as a Southern man that we people of the South have sustained in his death a most serious loss. On my part, I consider that Dr. Knapp has done more for the great common people of the South than any man of whom I have ever known.

And while you have a present grief you also have a compensating memory of being the son of a man of whom we are all proud and whom we love for his greatness and humanity.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) H. S. Mobley.  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Cuero, Texas, 4/5/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Upon my return to Cuero this afternoon I received the sad news that our beloved chief and your dear father had been called from among us.

I not only feel sorrowful that our great work has lost its illustrious leader but that I have lost a personal friend. Since I had the pleasure of meeting and spending a few hours in his home a few years ago in Lake Charles, La., I have ever admired, yes, even loved him as a man who had spent his long life in usefulness and for the betterment of his fellow-man.

May the All-Wise being who has seen fit to call him to his reward, bless and comfort you in this, your dark hour of trouble, is the sincere wish of

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) J. O. Berryman.



COPY

Fruitdale, Ala., April 8, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

This morning I was officially notified of the death of our beloved chief, Dr. S. A. Knapp.

Knowing him as I did I had learned to love him and look up to him as the greatest builder I ever knew. We have lost, it is true, our standard bearer, but so sure had he built that the great work that he had loved will ever stand as a monument to his memory.

While we mourn his loss yet I feel I was made a better man by knowing him and feel that I would be doing his bidding to put forth every effort to build up the Demonstration Work, of which he was the founder and which gave to the South the solution that has proven the greatest blessing agriculture has ever known.

With a sad heart I offer my condolment to the bereaved family and the hundreds of bereaved admirers.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) A. H. Moorman,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Live Oak, Fla., April 4, 1911.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I feel Dr. Knapp's death a personal loss to me. I had learned to appreciate him very much and count him a friend.

From a National viewpoint his loss will be felt deeply. He was doing more for the uplift of agricultural conditions than all other sources combined and I fear his place will be hard to fill. Accept my hearty sympathy and extend same to Mr. Arthur.

With best wishes I remain,

Truly your friend,

(Signed) A. S. Meharg.



C O P Y

Sherman, Texas, April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradfor Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

News of the death of Doctor Knapp has just reached me through Mr. J. L. Quicksall and the newspapers and I am writing to express to you and other members of his family my profound sorrow and sympathy. Doctor Knapp has immortalized himself especially with the people of the South by his devotion and untiring energies in their behalf during the past few years and his name has become familiar to almost every child in the South. Many expressions of regret and sorrow have been heard by me since the announcement of his death. He has endeared himself to the people to such an extent that his name will live forever and in future years he will be referred to as one of the greatest men who ever lived.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) R. P. Elrod.



C O P Y

Jetersville, Va.,

April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

I wish to express to you and your family my deep sympathy in your great bereavement.

Rural life in the South has lost its greatest benefactor in the death of Dr. Knapp and I feel that I personally have lost one of my warmest and truest friends.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) F. S. Farrar,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Fayette, Miss., April 3, 1911.

Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

It was with feelings of inexpressible sadness that I read the account of Dr. Knapp's death in yesterday's paper.

To know and appreciate fully the great value of his work one must know the South thoroughly; one must realize as he did the deplorable condition that a one-crop system and wrong economic principles had brought us to; one must see, as his prophetic vision saw, the splendid latent possibilities of her soil and her people. He understood better than any man I have known the necessity of changing the details of scientific and basis principles of agriculture so that their execution would meet local conditions of soil and climate. All his writings show that he knew there are "things not dreamed of" in the philosophy of the Northern Agriculturist that must be reckoned with before success is even probable under our conditions in the far South. His great mind developed a plan and made possible its practical operation for the rehabilitation of an impoverished people. He harnessed together the forces of science and Nature and taught us how to restore a depleted soil to its virgin fertility.

If the South might write his epitaph she would say:  
"He lifted us from the depths, he helped us most by showing us how to help ourselves."

Please accept our deep and heartfelt sympathy in your great bereavement.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) H. Guy Hathorn.



C O P Y

Nowberry, S. C.,

April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It is with great regret that I learn of Dr. Knapp's death. I extend to you my heartfelt sympathy in your sad bereavement.

His loss is not only a loss to the family but a National loss. The farmer has lost a benefactor and the Agents of the Cooperative Demonstration Work a Father.

May God's richest blessing rest on you and give you consolation. He has gone to reap the reward promised the faithful.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) S. M. Duncan.



C O P Y

Pendleton, S. C.

April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I am much grieved to learn of the death of our beloved leader, friend and Father, Dr. S. A. Knapp.

The Doctor, by his genial and social disposition, had so endeared himself to me that I thought of him as a Father. His death is a public calamity. I had hoped to see him and have him with us many years to come, to counsel and advise in the work that was so dear to his big heart. I extend to you and the family my sincere sympathy in this sad bereavement, the death of your beloved Father, Dr. S. A. Knapp.

I pray God's richest blessings to abide with and sustain you and family in this sad dispensation of God's providence.

Yours in sorrow,

(Signed) J. W. Rothrock.



C O P Y

202 Stahlman Building,  
Nashville, Tenn., April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It was a great shock to me to read in the morning's paper of your father's death. I am sure that all the men in the Demonstration Work feel a personal loss, while the South will, as time passes, realize each year more fully the wonderful work he did for this section.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy,

I am respectfully yours,

(Signed) Frank D. Fuller.



C O P Y

Arcadia, La., April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I saw in the New Orleans Telegram of the date of March 31st of the extreme illness of your Father, Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. Hope he is better by this time. The country at this time can't hardly do without his wise counsel, especially the Agricultural Department. If he gets so he can be talked to, give him my kindest regards and I hope he will be spared to us for some time to come yet, but if it is the Lord's will that he should go I feel he is prepared to cross over the river and rest under the shade.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. R. Sutton,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Paris, Texas, April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was deeply grieved this morning on learning of Dr. Knapp's death. His illness, which you had mentioned in your letters, gave me concern but knowing the Doctor's philosophy of health I felt easy. The South has lost a great helper, the best she ever had. He founded a great work and I know no other could have done it. I join with all in grief at our loss.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) R. L. Bennett.



C O P Y

Van Buren, Ark.,

April 4, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It was with heart-felt sorrow that, through a communication from Mr. J. A. Evans, I learned of the death of your esteemed father, Dr. S. A. Knapp. Permit me to extend to you my sincere sympathy in your bereavement.

A noble man has passed from us to be with a kind Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well and has promoted him to a higher position as a reward for his labors for the betterment of his fellowbeings. The memory of your father will ever be warmly cherished in the hearts of the whole country, and especially in the hearts of us who have been more immediately under his wise counsel and guidance. Let us push forward with renewed energy the work he has so nobly inaugurated and so ably conducted.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) D. L. Phares,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Athens, Texas, 4/2/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just received notice from Mr. Procter, with your telegram, announcing the death of your father, and while I want to say something I have not the language to express my feeling of regret. I feel and recognize the fact that the loss of your father is not like the loss of an individual friend only but the greatest friend the South has ever had. I wish to say further that I feel I am a better man individually myself for having come in contact with such a great man as your father was, and though his body is dead he will ever live in the memory of not only we agents, who have lost the pleasure of knowing him personally, but in the hearts of the whole South. Never will I forget the first time I met your father, - just four years ago to-day I had the pleasure of dining with he and your mother in his home in Lake Charles, La., and the impression made on me has been lasting, with sweet memories. Accept my sympathies in your bereavement.

Yours truly,

(Signed) J. T. McWilliams.



C O P Y

Chipley, Ga., April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

With profound regret I learned of the death of your father, our honored chief. I extend to you my sympathy. You have lost a father but the entire South has lost its best friend and patron.

"God's workmen die" but thank God their good work goes on.

With best wishes and sympathy,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. M. Layfield.



C O P Y

La Grange, Ga.,  
April 4, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

My heart goes out in tender sympathy to you and all of the loved ones in the death of your lamented Father. I know I voice the sentiment of all the Georgia agents when I say we share with you in the great grief that has come to you and we pray that the God of Comfort may come to you and sustain you in this sore trial.

We loved Dr. Knapp.

Yours in loving sympathy,

(Signed) L. C. Davis)  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Blackstone, Va., April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Dear Sir:

I realize that this letter will find you in the deepest grief at the loss of your father, yet I feel that I must write a few words to assure you of my sympathy for you.

While I never knew your father personally, since being in the Demonstration Work I have felt that he was a friend and have ever held him in high esteem, his fine manly gentleness of character looms out so plainly in all his writings that in reading them one can not but feel drawn to him.

Dr. Knapp was indeed a friend to the South and will be sadly missed, but his good work among us will go on long, long after his name is only a memory. I feel that the Demonstration Work has lost its greatest officer and in his death each officer has lost a friend.

Again expressing for you my sympathy, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Hansford M. Hurt.



C O P Y

Paris, Texas, April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I received the sad news of your father's death. I am very sorry to hear it but am sure he was ready when the summons came; he lived a pure Christian life and as we live so we will die. I thank God for having met and associated with him; will be a better man. He was the best posted man as to conditions in the South; in his death the South has sustained the greatest loss and I a great counselor and friend. May his God be your God and keep you to carry on the great work.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) M. G. Bean.



C O P Y

Meansville, Ga., 4/6/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It is with extreme regret that I learn of the death of your father. I feel that agriculture in the South has sustained a loss that this generation can hardly make good.

While he is gone from us the spirit of the man still lives. I well remember that he said in his speech at Macon, Ga., in September 1910 that one of the greatest pleasures of his life was to see the loyalty and fidelity with which his subordinates carried out his plans. Knowing his great soul as we do it is easy to see why men were faithful. His leadership was an inspiration for me to do their best and I sincerely hope that the work will fall into hands that are capable and the Demonstration Work will go steadily on in its influence for good.

Respectfully,

(Signed) V. L. Collier,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Dalton, Ga., 4/4/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It was with sorrow I read Mr. Gentry's letter announcing the death of your distinguished father.

Truly a great man has fallen. He did more for the South than any other man living or dead and future generations will rise up and call him blessed. He may be gone but his memory will ever be kept green by those he did so much to help.

Accept my heartfelt sympathy in this, your greatest distress.

Sadly yours,

(Signed) C. L. Foster.



C O P Y

Walnut Ridge, Ark.,

April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have just received the sad news of Dr. Knapp's death. In his death the South has lost the best friend it ever had, and you don't know how the agents will miss him.

We knew him and loved him and will try to honor his memory by putting our best efforts into the work that he loved so well.

Yours truly,

(Signed) R. C. Davidson,  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Livingston, Texas,

April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I am just in receipt of a letter from Mr. Procter bearing the sad news of your Father's death, and want to extend to yourself and family our heartfelt sympathies in this sad hour of your bereavement.

His death has cast a pall of sorrow over all the men with whom he labored, and we feel that we have lost a TRUE FRIEND and a GREAT LEADER. Still his life will be a great inspiration to the men who knew him and will cause us to put forth our best efforts to help carry on the great work for which he has done so much.

He has left to us the memory of a TRUE MAN and one who always stood for that which was good, ennobling and right. And in his memory his children will have an heritage that a king should envy.

May his God be with you to comfort and cheer you, is our prayer.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) T. O. Walton,  
(Agent)



C O P Y of a letter sent to W. D. Bentley, at the time of Doctor Knapp's death, and forwarded to Mr. Knapp by Mr. Bentley.

Kingfisher, Okla., Apr. 3, 1911.

M. D. Bentley,  
Yukon, OKla.

Dear Sir:

Yours in regard to the death of Dr. Knapp received and through you I wish to say to Bradford Knapp that in his, his hour of grief, he should admit us as brothers in full and hearty sympathy because in our relations to Dr. Knapp he was our adopted father, commanding the respect and winning the love of all alike.

Yours truly,

(Signed) James A. Marsh.  
(Agent)



C O P Y

Teague, Texas, April 5, 1911.

Mrs. S. A. Knapp and family,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

It is with profound regret that I have learned of the death of Dr. Knapp. I feel that in his death our nation has sustained a loss that will be keenly felt by all who have had the good fortune to be associated in a work with him that will endure long after we have crossed the Great Divide.

Moreover, the great service he has rendered the people of the South particularly will be a monument to his memory more lasting than marble shafts.

My heart grieves with yours in this sorrow that has befallen us; yet it is a consolation to know that in his life's work he fulfilled his mission with an amplitude and efficiency that characterized him as a man to be honored and loved.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) F. A. Gibson,  
(Agent.)



C O P Y

Carthage, N. C.,

April 14, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

I was very sorry to hear of the death of your father; it came so unexpected to me. I thought he was in his usual health. I want to extend to you my sincere sympathy. I know what it is to part with a good father.

Dr. Knapp, in his great work for the uplift of humanity in introducing among the farmers of the South better methods of farming, has immortalized his name and stamped in the hearts and memory of the farmers of our Southland a kind and reverent feeling that will last throughout all time. To his grave will be erected a monument that will stand second to none in the history of our great American people.

With much kindness and lasting good will, I send you this little token of respect.

(Signed) F. D. McLean.  
(Agent)



C O P Y

West Jackson, Miss.

April 10, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have been intending to write you but for the last few days have been constantly in the field and very busy and have not had time to do so.

I can scarcely find words to express my grief at the death of Dr. Knapp. There was no living man to whom I felt a deeper sense of obligation or for whom I had a higher respect and I am sure there was no one whom I loved as well with whom I was connected with no ties of blood. As stated in my brief telegram, you and Dr. Knapp's family have my deepest sympathy in your sad bereavement. While the loss to you and family is of course the greatest of all, yet it is felt not only by each member of our force but by the country at large and especially in the Southern States. We do not expect his place to be entirely filled. Even if it were possible to find a man with ability, judgment, and tact we could scarcely find one who could combine with these qualities that intimate knowledge of and sympathy with the problems and conditions that now confront the Southern people. To give you some idea of the attitude of the field agents toward Dr. Knapp, I inclose herewith copies of three short letters that I have received from agents in Mississippi. These are only fair samples of a great number I have received.

I hope that you will pardon me for venturing to mention a matter that you may regard as somewhat indelicate, but I feel that I am only voicing the sentiments of the agents in the field and especially of those in Mississippi when I say that it is the earnest desire that you should be selected to carry on the work so ably begun by your distinguished Father, not only do we desire this from a personal point but as mentioned before, few people in the United States understand the problems with which we have to deal in the demonstration work and the troubles that are necessary to be gone through with in order to bring about the desired result. Therefore your intimate association for the last eighteen months with Dr. Knapp in the work gives you an insight that no other man possesses. And we do not doubt that you would successfully conduct the work to the advantage of the general public and to all of the agents engaged. If I can be of any assistance to you I am at your service. If you think the



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unanimous endorsement of the Mississippi force would aid you in any way and if you desire it advise me and I shall take pleasure in presenting endorsements signed by every agent in Mississippi which I can easily secure.

Trusting that you will understand that I have no motive other than the interest in the work at heart, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) R. S. Wilson.



C O P Y

Nixburg, Ala., April 4, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just read of the sad death of Dr. Knapp and I wish to express to you my heartfelt sympathy.

I was never given the pleasure of seeing your father but from all I heard, I know that "to see him was to love him." He was doing such great work for the South, helping the very people that need him the most. Our only consolation is in knowing that he has left a worthy successor.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) S. M. Day.



C O P Y

Montgomery, Ala., April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

It is with a sense of deep personal loss that I learn of the death of your father and our beloved chief, Dr. Knapp. I have never known any man for whom I had greater respect and admiration. He has truly been a builder and though he is now gone he has left behind him an enduring monument in his splendid noble work, and has won for himself a lasting place in the hearts of millions of our Southern people.

All Alabama agents join with me in expressing to you and your family our deepest sympathy.

With kindest regards I am,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) B. L. Moss.



C O P Y

Shreveport, La., April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

The receipt of your telegram announcing your father's death was a great shock to us. We had been very uneasy on first learning of his illness, but later reports that he was improving reassured us and we were very hopeful that he would soon be restored to vigorous health. I feel as if I had lost my own father. In all my life I have never known any man, except my father, whom I so much loved and venerated.

No words of mine could lessen yours or his family's deep sorrow, and I shall not try to offer consolation. But it must be some comfort to realize that his was an unusually well rounded and useful life, and that tens of thousands of your fellow men knew and also loved him, and will be saddened by the news of his death.

On receipt of your telegram we sent notices to all agents in this territory, (Arkansas and Louisiana) and inclose copy herewith.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. A. Evans.



REUBEN F. KOLB,  
Commissioner.

John C. Cheney,  
Chief Clerk.

Hector D. Lane,  
Ass't Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES

STATE OF ALABAMA

MONTGOMERY.

C O P Y

Apr. 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I was very much grieved to notice in the morning paper of the death of your distinguished father on yesterday, and I hasten to express to you my heartfelt sympathy, in fact the whole force in my office join me in this expression of sympathy. I regard it as a great national calamity and his place will be hard to fill.

With kindest regards I remain,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) R. F. Kolb,  
C. of A & I.



C O P Y

Athens, Ga., Apr. 4, 1911.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

You can not imagine the shock the news of Dr. Knapp's death gave us down here in Georgia. I was on the road organizing Boys' and Girls' Clubs and some of the little fellows knew of Dr. Knapp.

I wish to extend to you and other members of the family my personal sympathy because I felt very near your father. The two years' close association in the office gave me more than a mere working relationship with him. My family and I will revere his memory.

Yours in sympathy,

(Signed) J. Phil Campbell.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Athens, Ga.



TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATIONS  
of the  
AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE  
COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS.

C O P Y

April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Bureau of Plant Industry,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I was shocked yesterday when I read in the daily press a notice of the death of your distinguished father. I feel that his loss will be keenly felt by the Nation at large, and particularly by the South, and I beg to assure you that your grief and that of the immediate family is shared by agricultural workers everywhere. Dr. Knapp's life was full of usefulness, and while his death seems untimely still, measured by the results achieved his age was ripe and in all respects I am sure that he was ready to go.

With sincere esteem and heartfelt sympathy,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) H. H. Harrington,  
Director.



STATE OF LOUISIANA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
BATON ROUGE.

4/4/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Dept. of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I wish to express my sincere sympathy over the  
loss of your father who was known and loved throughout  
this State.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) L. J. Alleman.



TEXAS MIDLAND RAILROAD.

Traffic Department.

C O P Y

F. B. McKAY,  
Gen. Freight and Pass'r Agent.

Terrell, Texas, Apr. 3, 1911

Mr. Arthur Knapp,

Care U. S. Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knapp:

I have just read in the Dallas, Texas News the announcement of the death of your father, Dr. S. A. Knapp.

Please accept my deepest sympathy in your great loss. Dr. Knapp was one of my best friends and I shall sadly miss his wise counsel.

Yours truly,

(Signed) F. B. McKay.



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON,  
Principal.

WARREN LOGAN,  
Treasurer.

TUSKEGEE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE

GEORGE W. CARVER

C O P Y

Director, Dept. Research, Experiment Station and Consulting Chemist.

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama,

April 4, 1911.

Mr. Arthur Knapp,

Bureau of Plant Industry,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Friend:

I wish to extend to you in this hour of deepest sorrow my heart-felt sympathy. In the passing of your illustrious father the world has lost a great and good man; the South a special benefactor; all humanity a sympathizer, and myself a personal friend.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. W. Carver,  
Director Dept. of Research  
& Experiment Station.



C O P Y

Teague, Texas, April 5, 1911.

Mrs. S. A. Knapp and family,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

It is with profound regret that I have learned of the death of Dr. Knapp. I feel that in his death our nation has sustained a loss that will be keenly felt by all who have had the good fortune to be associated in a work with him that will endure long after we have crossed the Great Divide.

Moreover, the great service he has rendered the people of the South particularly will be a monument to his memory more lasting than marble shafts.

My heart grieves with yours in this sorrow that has befallen us; yet it is a consolation to know that in his life's work he fulfilled his mission with an amplitude and efficiency that characterized him as a man to be honored and loved.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) P. A. Gibson,  
(Agent.)



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Shreveport, La.,  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1911.

Mr. Bradford Keays,  
Washington, D.C.  
Dear Mr. Keays,

Your telegram to Mr. Evans announcing that Dr. Keays had left us was indeed a shock. Mr. Evans and I had felt so much more hopeful after your letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> advising of the contemplated move to Lake Charles.

For such a loss there is no consolation except that he was spared beyond the "three score years and ten" to do a big man's work in a big way. I esteem it one of the great privileges of my life to have known him and worked under him. What always impressed me most was his unselfish enthusiasm to help others at an age when most men have retired from active life.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
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The sum total of his work for the South can  
never be computed for it is progressive and  
will grow with the years from the good seed  
planted by him in the Demonstration Work.

He has been of more value to the South than  
all of her other public men combined.

While not having the privilege of knowing  
Dr. Knepp intimately, all of his demonstration  
men will mourn him as a personal loss.  
Personally, I feel as though an "inspiration" had  
gone out of my life.

Please accept my sincerest sympathy for yourself  
and the other members of the family.

Yours very truly

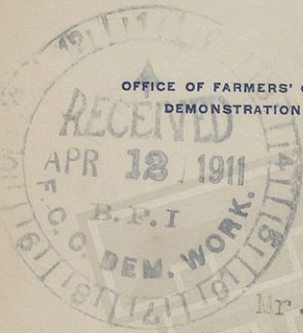
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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO



Yukon, Okla. Apr. 8. 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:- I enclose several letters I have recieved from the men relative to Dr. Knapp's death which will interest you, showing as they do the universal love and esteem for your father and their sorrow at his death.

Very truly yours,

W. D. Bentley,  
State Agent, Yukon Okla.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Fayette, Miss.,  
April 3, 1911

Bradford Knapp,  
Washington D.C.,  
My dear Sir: -

It was with feelings of inexpressible sadness that I read the account of Dr. Knapp's death in yesterday's paper.

To know and appreciate fully the great value of his work, one must know the South thoroughly; one must realize as he did the deplorable condition that a one-crop system and wrong economic principles had brought us to: one must see as his prophetic vision saw the splendid latent possibilities of her soil and her people.

He understood better than any man I have known the necessity - for changing the details of scientific and basic principles of agriculture, so that their execution would meet local conditions of soil and climate. All his writings show that he knew



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There are "things not dreamed of" in the philosophy of the Northern Agriculturist - that must be reckoned with, before success is even probable under our conditions in the far South.

His great mind developed a plan, and made possible its practical operation, for the rehabilitation of an impoverished people.

He harnessed to gain the forces of science and Nature, and taught us how to restore a depleted soil to its virgin fertility.

If the South might with his epitaph she would say: "He lifted us from the depths, he helped us most, by showing us how to help ourselves."

Please accept my deep and heartfelt sympathy in your great bereavement.

Very truly yours,

H. Guy Hathorn.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Sherman Texas, April 5, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

News of the death of Doctor Knapp has just reached <sup>me</sup> through Mr. J. L. Quicksall and the newspapers and I am writing to express to you and other members of his family my profound sorrow and sympathy. Doctor Knapp has immortalized himself especially with the people of the south by his devotion and untiring energies in their behalf during the past few years and his name has become familiar to almost every child in the south. Many expressions of regret and sorrow have been heard by me since the announcement of his death. He has endeared himself to the people to such an extent that his name will live forever and in future years he will be referred to as one of the greatest men who ever lived.

Sincerely yours,

*R. P. Elroy*



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Lincoln File  
April 4<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Mr. Knapp

I feel Mr. Knapp's death  
a personal loss to me - I had learned to  
appreciate him very much and counted  
him a friend -

From a national viewpoint his loss will  
be felt deeply - He was doing more for the up-  
lift of agricultural conditions than all other  
sources combined and I fear his place will  
be hard to fill - accept my hearty sympathy  
and extend same to Mr. Arthur  
With best wishes I remain truly your friend

A. S. Mcherry



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Fruitdale Apr, 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911.

Mr Bradford Knapp.

Washington D. C.

Dear Mr Knapp-, This morning I was  
officially notified of the death of our beloved chief  
Dr. S.A. Knapp,

Knowing him as I did, I had lerned to love him,  
and look up on him as the greatest builder I ever knew,  
we have lost, it is true o ur standard baror, but so sure  
had he built, that the great work that he had loved will  
ever stand as a monument to his memory.

While we morn his loss, yet I feel I was made  
a better man by knowing him, and feel that I wo uld be  
doeing his bidding to put forth ever effort to build up  
the Demonstration, Farm, Work, of which he was the founder  
and which gave to the South the solution that has proven  
the greatest blessing agriculture has ever known.

With a sad heart I offer my condolment to the  
bereaved famely, and the hundreds of bereaved admirors.

Very truly yours.

*R. S. Moorman*  
Special Agent.



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Cuero, Texas. 4/5/11.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:- Upon my return to Cuero this afternoon, I received the sad news that our beloved chief and your dear father, had been called from among us.

I not only feel sorrowful that our great work has lost its illustrious leader but that I have lost a personal friend.

Since I had the pleasure of meeting and spending a few hours in his home a few years ago in Lake Charles La., I have ever admired, yes, even loved him as a man who had spent his long life in usefulness, and for the betterment of his fellow-man.

May the All-Wise being, who has seen fit to call him to his reward, bless and comfort you in this, your dark hour of trouble, is the sincere wish of,

Yours sincerely,

J. C. Barryman



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Fayetteville, Ark.

April 7, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Have just returned to the office and learn the sad news of the death of Dr. S. A. Knapp. I wish to express my sympathy in this hour of grief and to say as a Southern man that we people of the South have sustained in his death a most serious loss. On my part, I consider that Dr. Knapp has done more for the great common people of the South than any man of whom I have ever known.

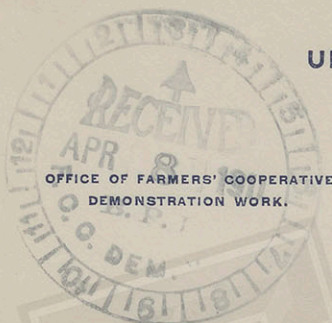
And while you have a present grief you also have a compensating memory of being the son of a man of whom we all are proud and whom we love for his greatness and humanity.

Very truly yours,

*H. S. Mobley*  
Special Agent.



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

SAM FINLEY,  
Special Agent  
FREDERICK

IN YOUR REPLY  
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4/5/1911

Mr Bradford Knapp

Washington  
D. C.

Dear Bradford.

Just received from Mr Bentley, notice of death  
of your father, and our Dr Knapp.

You have my sincere sympathy in this great  
bereavement.

To have known Dr Knapp was an honor,  
and to know him was to love him.

He was one of our great and good men  
We will miss him sorely

Assuring you again of my sincere sympathy

Am very truly yours

Sam Finley  
Special Agent.



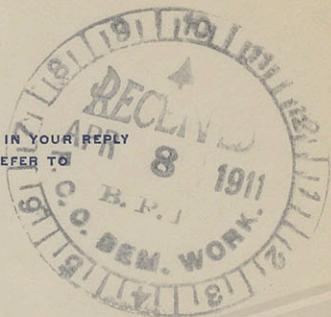
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J. R. WOODS,  
Special Agent,  
MOUNT IDA, ARKANSAS.

mt Ida Ark. 4-5-11

IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO



Bradford Knapp.

Washington D. C.

Dear Sir: I have just rec'd notice  
of the departure of your beloved Father, which  
pains me much as he was such an  
inspiration to me & extend to you and  
the family my deepest sympathy and  
sorrow. may you have the grace that  
is necessary to bear this great misfortune  
and may you emulate your Father's  
true & useful life, a life we and the  
South will all miss so greatly.

Yours with deepest sympathy.

James R Woods  
Special agt.



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OFFICE OF  
P. W. JINRIGHT  
SHERIFF OF BULLOCK COUNTY

UNION SPRINGS. ALA.

APRIL 3TH 1911

MR. BRADFORD KNAPP,  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR MR. KNAPP:

I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY FOR THE DEATH  
OF YOUR BELOVED FATHER, AND TO ASSURE OF MY HEARTY SUPPORT IN YOUR NEW TASK AS  
HEAD OF HIS DEPARTMENT.

I ALWAYS FELT A PECULIAR TENDERNESS FOR DR. KNAPP, HIS DEEP SYMPATHY FOR MY PEOPLE  
AND HIS EARNEST EFFORTS IN THEIR BEHALF HAS ENDEARED HIS MEMORY TO US AS THAT  
OF NO OTHER MAN. WE ALL LOVED HIM DEEPLY, AND MOURN HIS DEATH AND WILL MISS HIM.  
I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PLEDGE YOU MY HEARTIEST SUPPORT IN YOUR EFFORTS TO  
CARRY ON HIS WORK.

SINCERELY YOURS

*G. A. Ritch*



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Union, S.C.

Apr 6th 1911

Mr. Bradford Knapp

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I having heard  
of the death of your  
father several days ago  
I hasten to extend to you  
my heart felt sympathy  
in this hour  
I had never  
had the pleasure of



meeting the "grand old man"  
as he was commonly called  
but I had learned to admire  
him and held him in  
highest esteem.

God in his all wise  
wisdom knows best and  
we can only submit and  
say "Thy will be done"

Believe me to be your  
sympathizing friend

Fred W. Cornell



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Blue mtn. miss.  
Mr Bradford Knapp  
Washington D. C.

4/8/1911.

Dear Mr Knapp

You have the sympathies  
of myself all all my cooperator and  
demonstrators in the loss of your father.  
We feel as Southern agriculturalist  
that one of our best friends has passed  
from us. Whos place can never be  
filled with an equal. I learned to  
love Dr. Knapp when when first acquaint-  
ed through correspondence. Later when  
I met him I loved him more  
for the amiable disposition he poss-  
essed and love for his men and  
work which he was conducting. But  
few men would have ever lived up



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

2nd  
Mr Knapp

to his calling as Dr Knapp did  
The last time I met him and  
on every occasion I ever met  
him it seemed that his pleasure  
was to make those with whom he was  
connected and come in contact  
to feel easy and light-hearted  
He spoke of us has his boys and  
altogether pushing a great work  
which would result in making a  
great people and a greater nation of  
which each was an important  
factor. May God bless his spirit  
and comfort the broken hearts left  
behind to mourn his loss.  
Sincerely Yours.

J. E. STANSELL,  
Special Agent.  
BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

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Mr Bradford Knapp

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir-I am just in receipt of the sad news  
Announcing the death of your honored  
Father and hasten to extend my heart  
felt sympathy to you and his other loved  
ones. Our sorrow is only exceeded by your  
own. We hope to show our love for his  
memory by continuing at his subordinates  
more earnestly the noble work begun  
by him.

Sincerely yours

E. N. Evans

Local agent

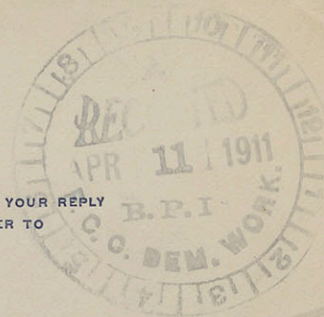


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IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO



Newton , -N. C. April 5th, 1911.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Bradford Knapp, Assistant in Charge, Dear Sir: I am very sorry , indeed, to see a notice in the papers this week, of your father's death. I only met him twice, while I was <sup>a</sup> Demonstration Agent in my county, and I became very much attached to him. He felt very much like a father to us agents in the field. We are all going to feel a great loss in his death. The great work which he was doing for the Southern farmer, in the improvement of the soil, and convincing the farmers of the better methods of ~~farmer~~ cultivation, is just in its infancy. And we hope his "Mantle" will fall on one of his sons. And that through him the development , that is possible, may come to this great South land yet.

Allow me to express, to you in this letter , the great esteem in which I held him. And my sincere sympathy for you all in ~~xxxxxxx~~ your irreparable loss. And this is not only a family bereavement, but a National loss , especially Agriculturally speaking.

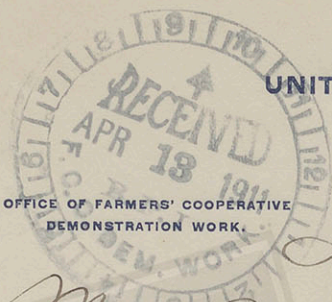
May the good work, which he began, go on, and I believe it will , long after we are dead and gone. I want to say as long as I live , Dr. S. A. Knapp will ever have a place in my memory. Grand " Old Man" ! As Moses was to the Children of Israel, to lead them out of Egyptian bondage, so we looked upon Dr. S.A.Knapp, to the Agricultural classes.

YOURS VERY TRULY.

*M. A. Abornethy*  
*Ex County Agent*  
*for Catawba Co. N.C.*



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Lewiston La April 8th 1911  
Mr. Bradford Knapp. Washington D C

Dear Mr Knapp & Family

I wish to write you and offer to you and  
your Fathers Family my condolence and sorrow  
in your great bereavement. in the loss of your  
Father. it will be a cosolation however to know  
Thousands like me share in your sorrow. for  
the great good he has done the Farmers

I do not ask any answer

Sincerely  
W B F Lewis



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Fort White Fla  
April 11<sup>th</sup> 1911

Mr Bradford Knapp

Dear Mr Knapp

I received a letter from Mr H E Savely last night on my arrival at home telling me of your Fathers death, you have my heartfelt sympathy and I feel that the people of the South and the entire Nation has sustained a great loss. I certainly hope the man who succeeds him will show the wisdom, ability and love for his fellow creature that your Father displayed

I am Yours Very Truly  
D H Hurlong



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Ashland, Ala., April, 10th, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

It was with profound sorrow that I learned of the death of your father, and while I had never had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance I feel just as if I had.

I feel that Agriculture has lost its greatest and ablest friend, and, while our loss is inestimable, it does not compare with the loss you have sustained in the loss of a dear father, in which loss I extend my deepest sympathy.

Master minds are necessary in founding all great undertakings, and we are thankful that the life of Dr. Knapp was spared until he had so well laid the foundation of the great work to which he has so earnestly and ably devoted his last years. He has erected to himself a monument more enduring than the granite shaft, and when the marble column that shall mark his last resting place shall have crumbled into dust, his name will <sup>still</sup> be an inspiration to the Southern people for whom he did so much.

Allow me here to express the hope that you may be selected to carry forward the work that your father has just left. I consider no other better qualified, and truly would the mantle of the father fall on worthy shoulders.

Again expressing my most profound sympathy I am

Very truly,

C. F. Striplin



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REFER TO

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April 10, 1911

Mr. Bradford Knapp.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Accept our sincere sympathy and regret in the loss of your father, our Chief, whom we had learned to love and respect for his great ability and noble work. Not only will he be missed by us, but by the state and the world at large, and his work in agriculture will stand as a monument to his memory.

I am

Yours very Respectfully

A. A. Garrison



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WASHINGTON, D. C.

IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Mr Bradford Knapp  
Washington D.C.

Melvin Pla  
4/8/1911

Dear Mr Knapp:

I was indeed shocked when I saw in the Advertiser that your dear father and our beloved Chief had passed to the great beyond.

I had known him personally only a short time, but he was very dear to me long before I ever met him, for he was indeed and in truth a great and gifted leader, and had so firmly implanted his ideas and outlined his work so clearly that I am quite sure it will move on with unabated vigor and effectiveness with our beloved Chiefs Son at the helm and I pledge you my loyal cooperation and support and most earnest effort toward making Dr. S. A. Knapps great work a greater success than ever before.  
I am yours truly A. G. Harrell Special Agent



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICE OF FARMERS' COOPERATIVE  
DEMONSTRATION WORK.

IN YOUR REPLY  
REFER TO

Alexander City Ala. April the 8<sup>th</sup> 1911  
Mr Bradford Knapp Washington D.C.

Dear Mr Knapp:

I have just learned of the death  
of your Father and our beloved Chief.

This sad news brings to every man who knows  
Dr. Knapp a feeling of great personal loss.  
we have truly lost a great man.

I have never known a man for whom I had  
a greater respect and admiration and in whose  
great qualities of heart and mind I more firmly  
believe, he was truly a great man, and though  
he is now gone he has left behind him <sup>an</sup> enduring  
monument in his splendid, noble work, and has  
won for himself a lasting place in the hearts  
of millions of our Southern people.

Great as Dr. Knapp was nothing greater ~~of~~ <sup>can</sup> be  
said of him than that he did his duty.  
I know, too, that he has no dearer wish than that  
his great work should continue after he ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> gone.  
So I pledge you Mr. Knapp my most loyal cooperation  
and support in carrying on this great work.  
I extend to you Mr. Knapp and each member of  
Dr. Knapp's Family as well my most tender  
sympathy in this your great loss.

Your friend,  
A. L. Kimbrough



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# Cave Spring Stock <sup>and</sup> Grain Farm

CLARENDON DAVIS  
HUNTSVILLE, ALA.

April 9th. 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Your loss is that of the South. I have been a great admirer of your noble Father for the great good he has done our South-land, and will ever cherish his memory as one of our greatest benefactors.

In his breast were planted the seeds of "Demonstration", that nourished with the thoughts of a fertile brain and cultivated with the love of fellow men are growing and flourishing into a fruitful termination.

May you continue the work, so dear to your Father's heart, is my prayer. Accept my deepest sympathy in your great grief and the assurance of my hearty cooperation in your efforts to reach the condition so eagerly sought by your Father. (When peace and plenty shall nestle over the Southern Farmer like a benediction.) With the kindest feeling, I am,

Yours Sincerely,

*Clarendon Davis*



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Tyler, Texas. April 7, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

Again in extending to you my heart-felt sympathy in the loss of your dear father, I also wish to say, I feel that I too, have sustained a great loss, for I had not only learned to respect and love him as a great Instructor, but as a warm personal friend.

His influence for making men better was felt by me in a large degree, and having known him so well, has had a marked effect on my whole life.

His kind words of encouragement were a great inspiration to all with whom he came in contact and especially those of us who knew him so well and were engaged in the great work which he inaugurated.

The South has lost her best and most valued friend.

My family join me in extending deepest sympathy to yourself and family

Sincerely yours,

*W. F. Proctor.*



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IN YOUR REPLY  
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Weatherford, Texas.

April 9th.-1911

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Mr. Knapp:-

Knowing from sad experience the inadequacy of language to express the profound depths of feelings and emotions, and fully realizing that nothing can compensate you in the present hour of most poignant grief, permit me to express the hope (as it is my most sincere wish) that when you shall be able to view the recent past more calmly and sedately that your heart will take comfort in the assurances of profound sympathy that goes out to you and yours from every inhabitant of the South, and more particularly from this broad state, in whose service Dr. Knapp, as an educator and a benefactor has won their profound admiration and affectionate regard.

Very respectfully your obedient servant & friend

*Frank Clarke*



Washington, April 10, 1911.

My dear Mr. Lever:

I deeply appreciate your very kind letter of April 7th, extending your sympathy in the loss of my Father.

As we gathered around his death-bed, I think all the five children thought as much of the great *loss* to the noble work ~~he~~ was doing as we did of our own personal loss. It almost seemed to us that there were other mourners with us in that hour. We all spoke of it. So intimately has his life been wrapped up in the work he was doing that it seemed a very part of him.

I think you know how greatly he appreciated your friendship and your assistance on many occasions. He often spoke of it to me and I know how much he valued it. It is going to fall to my lot to carry on this work ; it is my hope to continue it unabated. No one can fill his place but it will be the earnest endeavor of this force and the loyal men in the field to close ranks and press forward. Without their earnest co-



operation and kindly advice I could do nothing. With the wise counsel of friends and the hearty support of those men it is my hope that this work will go forward and continue to be a great benefit to the agriculture of South Carolina and the other great States of the South. My love for this work and for the people among whom it is to be done leads me to sacrifice everything and bend every effort toward this one object. In this I shall need continued the assistance of every friend and co-worker of my Father.

With very kindest regards and best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

1215 Crittenden Street, N. W.

Hon. A. F. Lever,

House of Representatives.



House of Representatives U. S.  
Washington, D. C.

April 7, 1911.

Hon. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

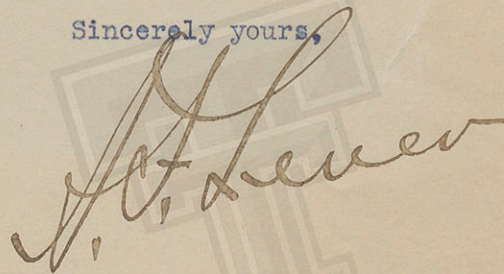
I desire you to know how sincerely I sympathize with you and your family in the death of your very distinguished father, Dr. Knapp. The people of the country cannot appreciate his loss as we of the South do. I feel, and am frank to say, that the new agriculture of the South began with the advent of Dr. Knapp into that section. His work in South Carolina is working a complete revolution in her agriculture and is showing results which are far reaching.

It was a matter of great regret to me that on account of pressing matters which I could not defer even for an hour, I was unable to attend the funeral.

Again assuring you of my very deep sympathy for you and of my unbounded appreciation of the great work of your father,

Sincerely yours,

Dic.--L/W.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. A. Lever". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "W. A." written in a more compact, stylized manner, and "Lever" written in a more extended, flowing script. The signature is positioned below the typed name "Sincerely yours,".



Washington, April 10, 1911.

My dear Mr. Small:

Your very kind letter of April 2d was received during my absence in the West.

It is impossible to say how deeply I appreciate your kind words of sympathy. No one can realize better than I the irreparable loss which the agricultural interests of the South have sustained. Father's work was never in better shape. There must be no backward step and it is a source of great anxiety to me in this hour. I wish to assure you, however, that every effort will be put forth, upon my part and upon the part of the loyal men in the field, to continue the work without hesitation and without change. I can not thank you in words for your loyal support of this work during my Father's lifetime but I can assure you from personal knowledge that he appreciated your efforts and your assistance.



With kindest regards and best wishes  
I remain,

Sincerely yours,

1215 Crittenden Street, N. W.

Hon. John H. Small,

House of Representatives.



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Committee on  
The Post-Office and Post-Roads,  
House of Representatives, United States,  
Washington.

My Dear Mr. Knapp: - April 2 - 1911

I have just  
heard of the death of Dr. Knapp  
and I hasten to express my deep  
sorrow and to offer my sincere  
condolence to his children.  
We have lost the most efficient  
friend of the Southern farmer  
and the loss is well nigh  
irreparable. To me he has  
been a personal friend and  
a wise counsellor and I shall  
miss him most keenly. At  
some time I shall hope to  
pay a more extended Trib-  
ute to his memory and his



manuscript just wrote.

Mose Truong,

Ind. Pac. A.



Washington, April 15, 1911.

Dear Prof. Duncan:

Your good letter of April 4th, extending sympathy at the death of Doctor Knapp, received.

I am unable to express to you the deep appreciation I have for the many kind words that have come to us from the people of the South and especially from those who have been associated with Father and myself in the Demonstration Work. You have given the keynote to his unselfish devotion to this work. It was his love for the common man and his earnest desire to carry some hope to him that made his life unselfish and his work a pronounced success. I sincerely trust that those of us who are spared may take up the thread that he dropped and carry on the work as he would desire us to carry it on.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. L. H. Duncan,  
Auburn, Ala.



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Auburn, Ala.,  
April 4, 1911.

My dear Mr. Knapp:

I am writing you this  
personal note to express to  
you and all of Dr. Knapp's  
family my very great sympathy  
at the death of Dr. Knapp. I  
had learned from one of your  
letters and also from a letter  
by Mr. Martin that Dr. Knapp  
was ill but had no idea



that his Condition was so serious until I learned from the papers of his death.

Personally I feel that one of my best friends is gone and we feel, in this part of the country, that one of our ablest public servants has been removed from service. The South certainly owes a great deal to Dr. Knapp. He did a great work in carrying information to our people, but his best service perhaps was in giving inspiration and hope to the average man among us. In his recent speech before our

State Legislature in Montgomery he said, "I would rather carry an ounce of hope to the common man than a bag of gold however large the bag of gold may be" and this is what he did in a large measure.

I am glad to have known Dr. Knapp for many reasons. The people whose memory I cherish most are those whose presence appeals to the highest and best in me and Dr. Knapp did this in a large measure. It was impossible for me not to work hard for Dr. Knapp.



his death is certainly a great loss, one which cannot be replaced, but I feel sure that his spirit will still live in the great work which he inaugurated.

In this time of your great loss and grief I hope that you will accept ~~my~~ deepest sympathy

Sincerely yours,

L. N. Duncan.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
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Ft. Smith, Ark.

April 3, 1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

The sad news reached me today. Dr. Knapp's work placed him first in the hearts of the Southern farmers; and as time passes, they will learn to love him more.

It was only a few days ago, that an aged farmer remarked, "Ah, if I had only had his teachings earlier in life!" But, alas,



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he, too, will join that great  
man whose life ended too soon.  
The men in the field share your  
sorrow today.

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Haden,

Special Agt.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
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Yukon Okla., April 2, 1911.

Mr. & Mrs. Bradford Knapp.  
Washington D.C.

Dear Friends:

The telegram informing me of Dr. Knapp's death was a great shock. I know how to sympathize with you in the loss of your Father as my own died but a short time ago. Dr. Knapp's death is a loss to the whole country. He was the South's greatest benefactor of recent years. His wisdom together with his goodness and tireless energy made him a force for good greater than can be estimated. There are thousands who are better and richer and happier for his having lived. The good he has done is a monument to his memory greater than any that can be built of stone and marble.

I am thankful that it was my lot to come within the sphere of his influence and to know him personally.

To his children and their families who knew him best and will feel his loss most keenly, I offer heartfelt sympathy and mourn with you.

Truly Yours, W. D. Bentley.



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IN YOUR REPLY  
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Jeterville, Va.  
April 9-1911.

Mr. Bradford Knapp.  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Knapp.

I wish to express to you  
and your family my deep sympathy in your  
great bereavement.

Rural life in the South has lost its  
greatest benefactor in the death of Mr.  
Knapp, and I feel that I personally  
have lost one of my warmest and truest  
friends.

Very Sincerely yours.

L. J. Farrar.