

[Extract from a letter by Kantorowicz to John U. Nef, February 1945]

My present position in Berkeley is that of Lecturer with the salary of a full professor. By June 30th, 1945, the chair of W.A. Morris is going to fall vacant because Professor Morris then will retire. For this chair I have been "provided" if I may avail myself of the language of the mediaeval Church. I would be very happy if that "provision" should materialize although I shall have to lecture English Constitutional History which is not my subject. However, if these plans should be carried through, it would not be too difficult to get an occasional leave after having lectured for two or three semesters. If the appointment should not be effected, I would be free to join the Committee on Social Thought at any time after the first of September, 1945. Provided that your invitation is not limited by a certain date, I would consider it as the most practicable procedure to wait and see what my situation in Berkeley will be like in July, 1945.