

Louisiana Sugar Experiment Station.

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Col. Thos. D. Boyd, President,
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My dear Col:

Your letter has been received and contents noted. Mr. E. R. Nadal was a very inefficient student and negligent of his duties while here. We were under the impression that he was with you at Baton Rouge. He did little or nothing while here. His name and address, as he registered with us, is S. R. Nadal, Mayaguiz, Porto Rico. He is rather dark, off-colored. It is my belief that a great many of these have mixed blood, but they pass for white, and as long as they do so, we of course cannot draw the line on them in this country.

I have done nothing in regard to the North Louisiana Experiment Station, except to have a long consultation of nearly two day's duration, with Barrow while here. I told him of the difficulty surrounding his position, the dissatisfaction that evidently prevailed, and cautioned him against a great many things that I thought were working to his disadvantage just now. He writes me that he has employed Ivy and Gene Watson, two of our old hands, which will doubtless help him to some extent in assuaging the animosity of the neighborhood around Calhoun. I have no one to recommend for his place, and have not now time enough at my disposal to make an investigation into the merits of anyone whose name might be presented. So I thought it was best to let the station continue as it is until some future time.

Yes, we shipped a tremendous car load of exhibits to St. Louis on yes-