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Lake Park Minn
The 23 day of Oct.
Dear Sir

I will sit down and write
to you and tell you that
I cannot pay you any for
the field the hawk took
it all so we did not get
anything I did not get
more than the seed.
I will pay you for
the hay see 13

Willie Carlson
Lake Park
Minn



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Saint Paul Chamber of Commerce.

St. Paul, Minn. OCTOBER, 1892.

DEAR SIR :

The St. Paul Chamber of Commerce would be pleased to have your name on its roll of membership, from which annually the Board of Directors is chosen. This Board is composed of leading Bankers, Merchants, Railway men, Manufacturers, Editors, Educators, Civil Engineers, Contractors, etc., representing all the interests of the city.

Its functions are to promote the interests of ST. PAUL in every direction; to extend its commerce; to encourage, secure and foster industries; to guard its educational interests; to defeat injudicious, unwise and corrupt legislation affecting the city in the municipal or state legislature, and to consider, devise and secure needed legislation; to arrest extravagance and unwise expenditure always, and encourage judicious liberality on the part of the city, when parsimony might cripple our interests and retard our progress.

The government of cities is one of the puzzling problems of the day. Without constant, unceasing watchfulness, extravagance and corruption will creep in. It would be impossible, without weariness, to detail what important services the Chamber of Commerce has rendered St. Paul, in securing new industries; in enlarging our commerce; in defeating freight discriminations; in securing railway terminals and shops; in protecting the city's rights and interests in the matter of street railways; in unearthing, exposing and defeating corrupt schemes or practices of some of the public boards of the city at various times; in securing important state and national conventions and providing for their entertainment; in securing colleges; in securing the State Fair; in securing the Ryan hotel, the union depot, the Robert street bridge, and the electrical street railway system; in preventing excessive taxation,—in fine, all those general policies which have resulted in the concentration here of one hundred and fifty millions of capital and wealth, and one hundred and seventy thousand population in the short period of forty years, have had their origin and support in and from this organization.

We repeat our desire that you associate yourself with us. Address J. H. Beek, Secretary Chamber of Commerce, enclosing check for \$10, the annual fee, saying, "I desire to become a member of the Chamber of Commerce." There are no assessments on the members. Besides the annual election of directors, vacancies are constantly occurring from various causes, which it is necessary to fill at once. We want new blood in the Chamber and in the Directory. You will come into closer contact with the business men of the city, and may be able to render the city valuable services. Members of the Chamber are entitled to a seat and to be heard. The Directors only can vote.

The loss by death of such men as Gen. Sibley, William Lindeke, Edmund Rice, Girard Hewit, J. W. McClung, Horace Thompson, and others, is severely felt by this Chamber and the city, and it is needful that like men from the generation next them, shall step forward into their places and assume their duties, if we are to maintain our supremacy in the Northwest.

THE ST. PAUL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

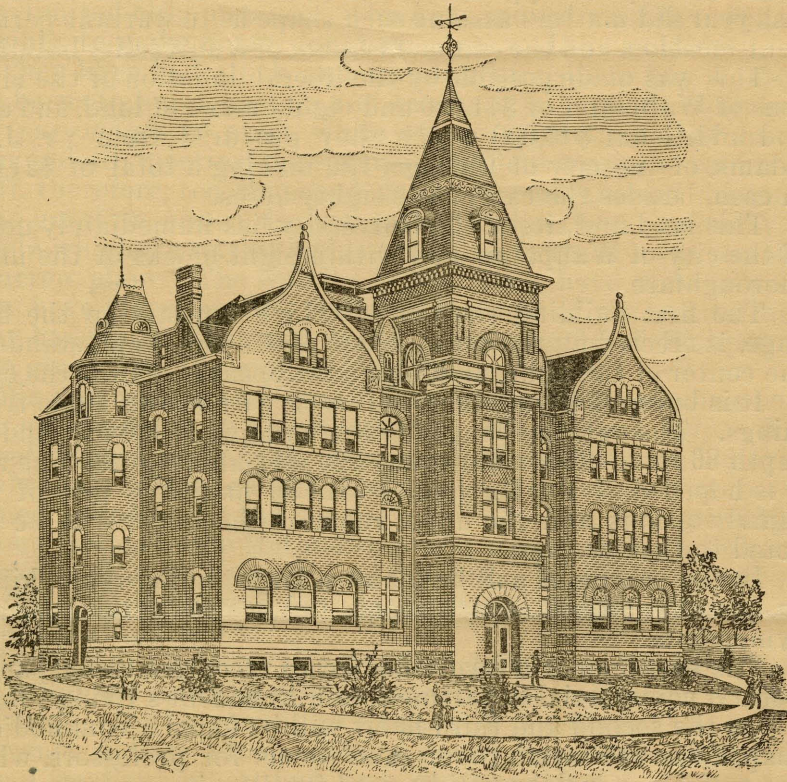
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RED RIVER VALLEY UNIVERSITY

AT

WAHPETON, NORTH DAKOTA.



Rev. J. N. FRADENBURGH, Ph. D., D. D., President.

Fall Term of School will open in October, 1892.

YOUR * HELP!

- IS -

ASKED! WANTED!! NEEDED!!!

IN FOUNDING A COLLEGE IN THE NEW STATE OF
NORTH DAKOTA.

For years the North Dakota Conference has felt the need of a school within its bounds. Several efforts at location have been made by the appointment of committees but never until last year did matters assume such shape as to warrant permanent location, and the commencement of a university building.

This was made possible by the liberal donation of the citizens of Wahpeton of \$11,000 and eighty acres of land, and also and additional \$10,000 which they procured from Mr. J. Q. Adams, of the city of Chicago, Ill., making a total of \$21,000 in cash, besides the campus of eighty acres.

This land and site of the University lies immediately north of the city of Wahpeton, and within eight blocks of the main thoroughfare.

The first building, the cut of which appears on the first page, is erected at the terminus of Sixth street and stands in the center of the same, making a fine appearance from the city.

It is built of Menominee red brick with brown stone trimmings. The extreme length of the building is 110 feet and its depth 86 feet. The main tower 120 feet above grade line and it is hoped that the University will be named as one of the signal stations and the upper room of the tower will be devoted to that purpose.

In the basement will be found a large dining-room, kitchen, laundry, house-keeper's rooms, furnace room, lavatory and gymnasium.

The first floor will be divided into a reception room, parlor, library, commercial department and President's living rooms.

On the second and third floors will be found a commodious chapel, five recitation rooms, and rooms for professors, while the entire upper floor will be used for dormitory purposes.

It is the wish of the Board of Trustees to fit up the building with all modern conveniences and make it second to none in the Northwest in the matter of appliances and accommodations.

The building which is now being erected will cost about \$45,000 when completed, which the Trustees hope can be accomplished in 1892.

Now, the question is, will the friends of Christian Education see the enterprise through to completion and thus make it an honor to the State and Methodism.

A pretty thorough canvass of the Methodist Churches of North Dakota has resulted in about \$6,000 subscription which it is believed will be increased to \$10,000 during the year. This represents sacrifice in many cases on the part of both pastors and people and shows their devotion and zeal for the cause of Higher Education.

It must be remembered that the State is new, settled largely by heroic men and women in moderate and in many cases very limited circumstances, who have moved west in order, if possible, to make homes for themselves and their children.

They have had stock and farming utensils to buy, houses and barns to build, pastors and teachers to support, churches and parsonages to erect, while at the same time they have been and are meeting the reverses incident to a new country.

If, therefore, ten thousand dollars seems a small amount on so great an enterprise remember it has been given by a people who have settled on land that ten years ago was largely a barren plain. The wonder is that they have done *so well*. They have given because they feel the *need* of the institution. They have done what they could. The people of Wahpeton have given liberally and Mr. Adams, *grandly*.

We now turn to our friends outside the State believing you will not leave us to sacrifice alone. *We need your help*. We *cannot* succeed without it. One hundred students, we believe, would have attended the University last fall had it been opened. Justice to the people of Wahpeton, justice to Mr. Adams, justice to the Methodist young people of North Dakota *demand* that it be opened next October. To do this, we need \$10,000 from our friends outside the State. What will *you give* toward that amount?

Twenty-five dollars; one hundred dollars; *one thousand dollars* is not too much to give in founding an institution for the centuries. If you cannot give twenty-five dollars, then make it twenty dollars, fifteen dollars, ten dollars, five dollars or even a smaller amount but *please give something*.

The Trustees have, also, lots in the University addition for sale at reasonable prices; so if you cannot possibly made a donation you can make an investment which will help both yourself and the University. Address,

D. C. PLANNETTE,

Financial Agent Red River Valley University,

FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA.

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FROM Le Paul m TO Jas Hill
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Blackfoot

Message Recd no word from New Haven we are all well

Mary T. Hill



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