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DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY,

Dictated.

THOMAS M. OWEN, LL. D., DIRECTOR.
MONTGOMERY.

IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NO. A415

Dec. 12, 1912.

My dear Mr. Buck:

On August 13, I made formal acknowledgment of the receipt of the two pamphlets which you were so good as to contribute to our collections, namely, "Pioneer Letters of Greshom Flagg" and "Some materials for the social history of the Mississippi Valley in the 19th century." In the absence of any special address, I directed my letter to Springfield, Ill. It was returned unclaimed.

I recently had a conversation with our mutual friend Prof. T.H. Jack, in which your name was mentioned. He told me that you could be reached at Urbana. I now have pleasure in making another effort to let you know how much we appreciated your thoughtful attention. With best wishes for a continuation of your work, I am,

Yours truly,

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
Urbana, Ill.



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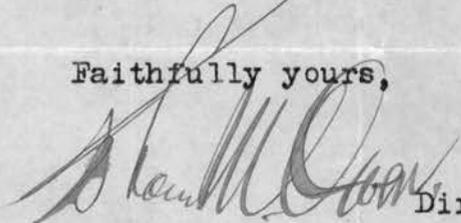
IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NO. AHA

April 11, 1913

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am writing briefly to say that you may expect to hear from me, within the very near future, with such suggestions as I now have to offer in reference to the program for the coming meeting of the Conference of state and local historical societies. I have been very closely occupied with some very pressing dates which has prevented an earlier acknowledgment.

Faithfully yours,


Director.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
416 Lincoln St.,
Urbana, Ill.



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STATE OF ALABAMA,
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IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

November 18, 1913

My dear Mr. Buck:-

The program came duly to hand. I really have not had time to give it any attention, because I have been engaged in preparing for the usual annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Department of Archives and History. The meeting was held on yesterday, and with very gratifying results.

I have made no change as you see, although it really seems to me that we ought to return to the original designation, namely, that of State and Local Historical Societies.

Faithfully yours,


Director

Mr. Solon J. Buck
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

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Rock Island, Ill., June 11/13

Mr. Solan J. Buck
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Sir:— Answering your inquiries, I beg
to make the following notes to your list
of books:

1. 5. — Inquire of Consul G. M. Swan, Sioux City, Ia.,
who is a collector and authority on Swedish-
Americana.
2. 3 — I gave a copy of (3) to the Swedish His-
torical Society, Evanston, Ill. (Librarian,
Prof. C. G. Wallenius). (2) is apparently a Nor-
wegian translation of the same book.
10. I believe The Engberg-Holmberg Pub. Co., 901 Bel-
mont Ave., Chicago, have a copy.

As to the remainder of the list (Norwegian
books) I am unable to give any infor-
mation. Possibly Prof. Julius Olson, Wisconsin
University, could locate some of them in their
library, or mention some Norwegian collector.

Very truly yours
Ernst W. Olson

Norwegian and Swedish books.

- ✓ 1. Klinkowström, Frihe^mte Axel, Bref om de Förente Stat^mer under en resa till Amerika (1818-20). Stockholm, 1824.
- ✓ 2. Bollin, J., Geografisk politisk beskrivelse over de Forenede Nordsamerikaske Stater. Kristiania, 1853.
- ✓ 3. Bolin, Johan, Beskrifning öfer Nord Amerika Förenta Stater. Wexjö, 1853.
4. Rudolf, C. Beretning om de Norske setlere i Amerika. Bergen, 1848.
- ✓ 5. Om Amerika samt om Emigrant- Föreningen i Stockholm. Stockholm, 18⁴/₁.
- ~~6. Reiersen, Johan R. Veiviser for Norske emigranter. Kristiania, 1844. *Andersen*~~
7. Nattestad, Ansten, [A guide book published about 1838.] *Andersen*
8. Budda, A. Af et Brev om Amerika. Stavanger, 1850.
9. Underretning om Amerika fornemmelig en de Stater hvori udvandrede Normaend have nedsat sig. . . udgivne af X. Skien, 18⁴/₃.
- ✓ 10. Erick Janslæmen i Nord Amerika. Gefle, 1845.
- ~~11. [Ryaning, Ole.] Sandfaerdig Beretning om Amerika til Oplysning og Menigmand. Christiania, 1839. *Andersen*
Reprint, Madison, Wisconsin, 1896.~~

Mississippi Valley
Historical Association
Lincoln, Nebr.

OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Dec. 12, 1912.

Dear Mr. Buck:

I have received several requests from newspaper correspondents for a copy of the paper which you are to read at the Mississippi Valley Historical Association meeting in Boston, Monday December 30th.

One of these is from B. P. Palmer, Boston Globe. I think if you could furnish him with a copy it would be very well handled. If not inconsistent with your policy send him a copy at once. Tell him you do so at my request.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
1111 Arbor St.,
Champaign, Ill.

Clarence L. Rame

THE BOSTON GLOBE. Feb 3, 1913.

Prof Solon J. Buck,

My Dear Sir:-

I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter of Jan. 13, which became mislaid among other papers and discovered on Saturday, Feb. 1.

My connection with the meetings of the 8 organizations which held meetings here ~~Dec 27-Jan~~ Jan 27-30, was this: I wrote a preliminary article, containing a condensation of the separate and joint programs for the several meetings, and gathered my material almost entirely by writing to Secretaries of the various associations, and by personal interviews with Prof T. N. Carver and the Secretary of the local Committee, Mr. ~~Edw~~ F. M. Elliot.

~~When~~ When the meetings began I was given the reporting of the Amer. Association for Labor Legislation, and attended all its sessions, and no other.

As the various copies of addresses came in, I kept only those on the program of the Labor Legislation, and

THE BOSTON GLOBE.

turned all others over to the city editor for him to ~~pass~~ pass to the reporters who were to cover the other meetings. I kept no memoranda of those which passed through my hands, and I now recollect none of them.

This morning, at my request, our librarian turned my letters over to one of ~~my~~ her assistants who spent some three hours looking through not only the Sunday paper of Dec 29, but also the editions of Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. Then I went over the ground with him. Neither of us could find a single line in which your ~~address~~ name or address was mentioned. In the report of the American Historical Association was one paragraph saying that certain subjects were discussed, but no name of speaker was given.

Can you give me the name of your informant, and also ~~the~~ tell me what association it was that you spoke for? So I will try to bind the matter.

Yours sincerely,
over B. P. Palmer

I may say that a great deal of matter
was omitted from publication by the
newseditors because of lack of
room.

B.P.P.

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STATE RECORD COMMISSIONER
STATE HOUSE
Boston, Mass.

New York, Oct. 2 d - 1913

Dear Dr. Buck:

The next Conference of Archivists will be held at Columbia, S. C., in December.

Will you kindly consent to open a discussion, with a ten-minute paper, on the subject, "Local Archives. Should they be centralized at the State Capitol? Advantages and disadvantages of such centralization."

Would you be able to send me four abstracts of the paper by about December 1st, for the information of those who would follow you?

I hope you will accept.

Sincerely yours,
Victor H. Paltsits,
Chairman.

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Boston, Mass.

New York, Oct. 13th 1913

Dear Dr. Buck:

Your letter of acceptance, of the 7th instant, has given me great pleasure. Leland suggested the subject and named you for the paper. I am endeavoring to get three or four others to follow you in five-minute discussions.

The programme will be something like this:

- 1 Annual Report of the Commission.
- 2 Archives (Ch. I of proposed "Primer"), by Dr. Andrews.
- 3 Fixtures, Furniture, Fittings (Ch. V of proposed "Primer"), by V.H.P.
- 4 Present Status in regard to a National Archive, by Dr. Jameson.
- 5 Local Archives. Should they be centralized at the State Capitol? Advantages and disadvantages of such centralization, by Dr. Buck.

Nos. 2, 3 and 5 to be open for discussion.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Victor H. Patterson,

Chairman

N. B. We shall have ample time for all.

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HENRY E. WOODS
STATE RECORD COMMISSIONER
STATE HOUSE
Boston, Mass.

New York, Oct. 24th 1913

Dear Dr. Buck:

I had already sent to the Chairman of the Programme Committee the final copy of the programme when your letter of the 16th instant arrived. You can use the shorter title for your paper, if you wish. I wanted the longer title, suggested by Leland, to focus attention on the "advantages" and "disadvantages" of such centralization, so as to invite discussion on that point.

Please let me have at least four copies of your paper, or an abstract thereof, for Connor (North Carolina), Salley (South Carolina), Owen (Alabama) and Rowland (Mississippi), who have agreed to participate in the discussion. If sent by December 1st, it will be fine.

We expect to have a good meeting.

The attendance may not be very large,
but the goodfellowship promises to be fine.

Besides your subject, we shall have
the annual report of the Commission, a
paper on "Archives", by Prof. Charles M. Andrews,
being Chapter I of the proposed "Primer of
Archival Economy"; a paper on "Fixtures,
Fittings and Furniture", by me, being Chapter
V of the proposed "Primer", and a state-
ment by Prof. Jameson on "The Present
Status of the Movement for a National
Archive". There have been so many
obstacles in the way of procuring more
chapters for the "Primer" this year, that
it has been deemed wise to defer the
larger consideration until next year at
Chicago, when a more representative attend-
ance is assured. Leland remains in
France until next spring. He has three or
four chapters in pickle.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Victor H. Paltsits

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HENRY E. WOODS
STATE RECORD COMMISSIONER
STATE HOUSE
Boston, Mass.

New York, December 8th - 1913

Dear Dr. Buck:

The copies of your paper were received this morning and I thank you very kindly for them. I also congratulate you on the very good presentation you have made of the subject.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
Victor H. Paltsits,
Chairman.

Parsons Printing and Stationery Co.

Madison, Wisconsin, U. S. A.

October 19, 1908.

Mr. Solon J. Buck,

Bloomington, Ind.

Dear Sir: We have your letter of the 15th ordering 1000 4 x 6 ledger cards. These cards are going forward today via American express, and we trust will reach you promptly.

Thanking you for the order, we are,

Yours truly,

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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

J. FRANKLIN JAMESON
DIRECTOR

1140 WOODWARD BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 19, 1912

Dear Dr. Buck:

Probably you can help me solve this puzzle. Ford County, Illinois, was organized in 1859. Previous to that year the area which became Ford County was "attached" to Vermilion county. Did this area vote in the presidential election of 1856? When it became a county it contained upwards of 2000 inhabitants. It does not seem probable that this population had been disfranchised.

Thanking you for any trouble you may take in replying, I am,

Very truly yours,
C. D. Paulin.

Dr. John G. Buck,

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May 29, 1916

My dear Mr. Buck-

I have been greatly interested in looking over the two papers which you have sent me. When your thesis on the Granger movement comes we ought to contain much useful information for those of us who care for the growth of the opinion in the West. The paper on Oklahoma is excellent. There ought to be one such for every state of the West.

Cordially yours
Frederic L. Paxson

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THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

IOWA CITY

June 7, 1912.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
University of Illinois,
Urbana, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Buck:

I thank you for the "Pioneer Letters of Gershom Flagg" which came a few days ago. I am thinking of preparing a paper on "History Made by Plain Men" for which I hope to make extensive use of the letters.

The notes impress me as being critically edited and I think they show that "The history of this family typifies in a way the spread of the American people across the Continent".

Very cordially yours,

Louis Pelzer

THOMAS L. MONTGOMERY
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE LIBRARY,
HARRISBURG.

7 November 1913

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
416 Lincoln Hall,
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Sir:

In answer to yours of the 4th, I am sending to you the provision relating to local archives and also a dissertation upon public archives by Dr. Ames, of Philadelphia, which is much above the average of such papers.

I thoroughly believe in the centralization of local archives but I am also firmly convinced that very little will be done for years along this line. In the first place, the local authorities resent any approach to the subject, and if they happen to have a fire proof vault they indignantly turn their backs upon the project. These things cannot be done by process at law. They must have sentiment back of them. Some of our local records are in very bad shape, others have been excellently attended to by local enthusiasts, but of course such persons have not the material and the time to properly repair foxed papers or to put crepeline over them. These general conclusions do not apply to the county towns alone. I have found it difficult to approach some of the Departments even at the Capitol and many of the early papers of certain Departments are going to ruin for want of even a little sensible attention.

If you are ever in this section of the country I will be glad to show you what we have done.

We have at least one young woman who is very expert in handling the old papers; and we have repaired, pressed and mounted in books all of the papers to 1840, the administration papers. We have also dearched the State for the early muster rolls and now have the printed list of some million and a quarter names of soldiers connected with the Colonial Wars, War of the Revolution, War of 1812-14, and the Mexican War.

I am sending to you my reports from 1903 which will give you some information of our proceedings.

Yours very truly,

Thomas L. Montgomery
State Librarian.

TLM-S

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE LIBRARY,
HARRISBURG.

13 November 1913

Solon J. Buck, Esq.,

416 Lincoln Hall,

Urbana, Ill.

My dear Sir:

In answer to yours of the 11th I have sent to you the report of the 8th meeting of the Pennsylvania Federation together with my State Librarian's Report for 1912. The Legislature refused to consider the questions of the limitations as to ink and paper used, and I could not blame them for it is very difficult to word a law which is satisfactory in this respect and means anything. In other words, it does not seem right to mention certain makes of ink by name, and yet if you place the responsibility for the purchase of ink and paper in the hands of an individual you may be doing the very thing that is most unwise, for the opinion of that individual would not go for much without a continuous line of chemical tests which he would have to take upon some one else's showing. We did succeed in having a Historical Commission authorized which is to suggest places connected with the history of the State that should be properly marked.

Have you seen the provisions in Chapter 424 of the Laws of the State of New York for 1913 which amends the Public Records proposition in that State? In there is it provided that "all public records inscribed by public officials other than maps shall be entered or recorded in durable ink on linen paper durably made and well finished". This is the character of law which I object to, for this provision might as well be omitted.

Yours very truly,

Thomas L. Montgomery
State Librarian

TLM-S

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
LINCOLN

DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN HISTORY

Jan. 7, 1911.

Professor Selou J. Buck,
University of Illinois,
Urbana, Ill.

My Dear Sir:

Professor Aylsworth tells me you may be able to give me information concerning some "congressional district" outline maps of the United States (1810 or 1820) used some years ago by Professor Turner. Professor Caldwell and myself are making an extensive study of the Missouri Compromise struggle of 1818-1821, including analyses of votes. For making a map of these votes I am very anxious to borrow, buy or steal the "congressional district" outline map mentioned above, giving credit in our monograph, of course, to whomever we obtain the use of it from. I wrote to Professor Turner, and he replied that it was misplaced at present. Can you help me to a copy of it, or to the material (names of counties, and members by districts) from which it was made? Your assistance will be more than appreciated.

Yours very sincerely,

C. Persinger
Station A

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
LINCOLN

DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN HISTORY

Jan. 11, 1911.

Professor John J. Buck,
Champaign, Ill.

My dear Professor Buck:

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your congressional-district maps and lists of members of congress. Before writing you I knew somewhat of the work attached to the making of them, and realized I should be under deep obligation to you if I obtained them. Now, however, I see my knowledge of the amount of work required was small, and my sense of obligation becomes overwhelming. Material available here does not permit making out anything of the kind, and finances have prevented our going to places where it is obtainable. I shall endeavor to acknowledge properly my debt to you when (or if) the intruded monograph ever appears. The maps and material I shall endeavor to return to you within a few weeks, meanwhile having copies for my own use made here.

Thanking you for your promptness, your generosity, and your suggestions,

Most sincerely yours,

C. Persinger

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
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DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN HISTORY

April 12, 1911.

Professor Solon J. Buck,
Champaign, Ill.

My Dear Professor Buck:

After keeping your Missouri compromise map material more months than I intended to keep it weeks, I am finally returning it today under separate cover.

I am, as I said in my previous letter, more than obliged to you. If in any way I can return the favor at any time, I shall be glad to do so.

Also, as I said before, I shall take pleasure in acknowledging my indebtedness to you, should the intended monograph ever materialize.

Trusting the material reaches you in satisfactory shape,

Most sincerely yours,

C. R. Perceinger

Thirty-seventh Annual Joint Debate

ATHENA
vs.
PHILOMATHIA

University of Wisconsin

December 19, 1907

Philomathia
JAMES W. SHANNON
EDWIN GRUHL
EDGAR E. ROBINSON

Resolved, that administration of insurance would be without
the proper field of activity of a state government

Madison, July 3, 1907.

Mr. Solon J Buck,
Cambridge, Mass.,

My dear Sir:

Athena yesterday submitted the question for the 37th annual joint debate. In the last two debates between these two societies of the joint debate league, Philomathia has carried off the victory. We know that our opponents have enlisted the aid of the alumni of Athena in striving to prevent a third consecutive victory and an intense struggle is made even more intense because of the greater interest in the outcome.

The question submitted to us reads as follows; "Resolved, that administration of insurance would be without the proper field of activity of a state government."

We desire your opinion as to which is the stronger side of the question submitted and the reasons why you consider such side the stronger. Your advice and suggestions may do much to help us return a reply satisfactory to the interests of Philomathia. May we have your reply within ten days?

Sincerely,

THE TEAM.

Lock Box 403.

Louisville Feb. 29, 1912.

Mr. Clarence W. Alvord.

Dear Sir.

Yours of 26th just recd.
I shall be pleased to see Dr. Buck
on the 3d March at any hour
that may suit his convenience -

My residence is at 519 West Oak
Street - The Brook and Oak Street Car
(red) passes the Louisville Hotel and
Schbach's, and will bring Dr. Buck
close to my home - Please ask him to
telephone me upon his arrival - No. 1455 a.
Cumberland Co. Very truly
yours
James S. Little

JAMES S. PIRTLE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
517 Lincoln Bldg.
Louisville, Ky.

Louisville, March 20th 1912.

Solm J. Buck, Ph. D.

Dear Doctor Buck.

Your letter of the 15th inst was duly received as was the envelope containing the gauze for which I am much obliged.

I shall be glad if you succeed in having my name placed on the mailing list of the Illinois Historical Society. The publications would be surely of interest to me.

The promise you and Mr. Cade made us to return to Louisville some time we shall hold you to and give you a warm welcome.

With kind regards to you and Mr. Cade from all of us.

Very truly re

James S. Pirtle.

Louisville, Ky. May 9th '12

John J. Ruck Ph. D.

My dear Doctor.

I have read the two pamphlets which you so kindly sent me last week and enjoyed them. They are not only interesting but to me very signal evidence of your great industry. The "Tumor Letters" also evidences a large share of research. I feel sure that Genshaw Flagg will be found by all readers, present and

You said when leaving us that you
might come back in May. Shall
we have the pleasure this month
of continuing our acquaintance
face to face?

My kind regards to Mr Cade.

Very truly yours &c.

James S. Fort

and future to have contributed much
to knowledge of the conditions in
Ohio, Indiana and Illinois in
the early days of settlement. The
glimpse also of St. Louis is good
and valuable. He was not an accu-
rate judge of distances over water,
for the Ohio at Cincinnati is spanned
by a suspension bridge about
1000 feet long and not $\frac{1}{2}$ mile as
it would have to be to accord with
Flaggs idea of the width there of the Ohio.

JAMES S. PIRTLE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
607 ■■■ Lincoln Bldg.
Cincinnati, Ky.

25th June, 1912.

Prof L. J. Beck, Ph. D.

My dear Doctor,

I have mailed you our daily papers of to-day, containing accounts of the dedication of a marker on the site of the 1st. Fort built at the Falls of the Ohio. The exercises were interesting.

The letter from Todd was recently discovered by my brother Alfred, Secty. of Filson Club. Todd was afterward Governor of the Territory north of the Ohio. I did not read it. The newspapers and others often confuse Alfred and myself. Would you like a certified copy of the Todd letter?

Very truly yo.,

James S. Pirtle.

JAMES S. PIRTLE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
607 Lincoln Bldg.
Louisville, Ky.

July 6, 1912.

Wm. J. Ruck M.D.

Dear Doctor Ruck:

I was disappointed in my effort to get a copy of the John Todd letter, written, in June 1778 from Harrods Fort, to a friend in Va. He mentioned that he was at the Falls of the Ohio a week previously, and had furnished Clark with 60 men, and Clark was about setting out on his expedition.

The owner of the letter is Mr. McKim V. Joyce, Attorney at Law, Keyser Bldg. Louisville. He gave his reason for declining to let me have for you the copy, that he is making a collection of original unpublished letters & journals and designs, at an indefinite time, to give publicity to them. Mr. Joyce is an old student of mine, of pioneer parentage and of one of the best Kentucky families.

Very truly re.

James S. Pirtle.

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The enclosed slip from the Courier Journal of 5th July
will give you an idea of some interesting work we
are doing, to induce study of a period of American history
during the period covered by Jefferson's life -

My few words were a good many more than are
reported, in enlargement of the beginning and end of
the address. I soon make much of a speech on the
occasion but as Chairman of the Trustees must open
the meeting in a patriotic vein. J. S. P.

MINISTER'S ROOM
CORNELL UNIVERSITY

20 April 1913

Dear Sir,

I think I could give you a Saturday
"lunch-talk" on May 10th, if it does not interfere
with my attendance at Professor S. B. Greene's Seminars
on that day. The 17th would, I am afraid,
be too late, as I must take the night train
Eastwards on Friday.

Yours sincerely

A. F. Poindexter

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Nov. 4, 1913.

Prof. Solon J. Buck,
416 Lincoln Hall,
Urbana, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of Nov. 3rd, and am much interested to know that a large part of the material used in the preparation of your book "The Granger Movement" was obtained from the old files of PRAIRIE FARMER.

I hope to have something more to say in a future issue of the paper about this book.

Sincerely yours,

Clifford V. Gregory
Editor.

CVG/B