



[Solon J. Buck Papers.](#)

Copyright Notice:

This material may be protected by copyright law (U.S. Code, Title 17). Researchers are liable for any infringement. For more information, visit www.mnhs.org/copyright.

THE JOLIET HERALD

SUNDAY MORNING AND EVERY
EVENING EXCEPT SATURDAY

GUARANTEED CIRCULATION
OVER 9000

JOLIET, ILL.,

January 8, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buch,
416 Lincoln Hall,
Urbana, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Buck,--

Upon noticing the inclosed article in our issue of this afternoon I took the liberty of clipping it and forwarding it to you, with my congratulations and sincerest wishes for the work of value which you are doing for the state and for the nation.

I wish to add, furthermore, that any press notices or communications of any sort, the publicity of which you desire, need only to be sent to me, and I shall give them the fullest possible space and notice. I have a warm spot in my regard for the Illinois Historical Library, and particularly the Urbana branch, and shall be only too glad to further its work in any particular in which I can be of service.

Give my regards, kindly, to Miss Doherty, Professor Alvord, and any of the rest of the fellows at the office, whom I knew while working there.

Yours very truly,

A. F. Cah

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois

May 7, 1914

Mr. Burt F. Cade,
Joliet Herald,
Joliet, Illinois.

Dear Cade:-

I received your letter of May 4th, together with the clipping from the Joliet Herald, and wish to thank you for the very complimentary write-up of my Bibliography. I am glad to note that you are still with the Joliet Herald, and do not doubt but what you are making good.

Cordially yours,

S. J. B./MS

AUG 4 1916

Messrs. Gregory L. & H. T. Smith
beg to announce the dissolution of
their firm.

Gregory L. Smith and his son
Harry Hardy Smith will hereafter
practice law at 56-58 St. Michael St.
Mobile, Ala., under the firm name
of Gregory L. Smith & Son.

Harry T. Smith & William G. Caffey
will hereafter practice law at Rooms
716-722 National City Bank Bldg. Mobile,
Ala., under the firm name of

Harry T. Smith & Caffey.

1818 ——— 1918

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
HUGH S. MAGILL, JR.
KENT E. KELLER
JOHN S. BURNS
C. C. PERVIER
E. J. JAMES
OTTO L. SCHMIDT

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS
EDWARD F. DUNNE, GOVERNOR
FRANCIS G. BLAIR, SUPERINTENDENT
OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
C. S. HEARN

Illinois Centennial Commission



COMMISSION
C. S. HEARN, QUINCY, PRESIDENT
JESSIE PALMER WEBER, SPRINGFIELD, SEC.
HUGH S. MAGILL, JR., PRINCETON
KENT E. KELLER, AYA.
H. W. JOHNSON, OTTAWA
LOGAN HAY, SPRINGFIELD
JOHN S. BURNS, CHICAGO
JOHN HUSTON, BLANDINSVILLE
GEO. B. BAKER, GOLCONDA
C. C. PERVIER, SHEPHERD
JAMES F. MORRIS, SPRINGFIELD
E. J. JAMES, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
E. B. GREENE, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
J. W. GARNER, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
OTTO L. SCHMIDT, CHICAGO

Springfield, Ill. Feb. 24, 1914.

Prof. Solon Justus Buck,
Lincoln Hall,
University of Illinois,
Urbana, Illinois,

My dear Professor:- It is my pleasure to acknowledge receipt of a copy of your volume on "The Granger Movement." I have heard much favorable comment regarding this work and shall read it with added interest on account of the happy acquaintance formed with the author.

It may please you to know also that your selection by the Publications Committee to edit the volume "Illinois in 1818" has met with unanimous commendation, so far as I have heard, and insures the production of a volume that will set the proper standard for those that are to follow.

When anything develops in your work that you think may be utilized in a publicity way, I shall be pleased to have you communicate with me. We do not want to overlook anything that promises to broaden interest in the Centennial and the plans for its celebration.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you soon, either in Springfield or at Urbana, and again thanking you for your consideration,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Leigh Cole

SJA
Campus Club, October 1, 1914.

Mr. Solon J. Buck,

History.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that you have been elected to regular membership in the Campus Club. The Treasurer will communicate with you as regards dues.

Yours very truly,

E. T. Bell
Sec'y.

L.

October 6, 1914.

Mr. E. T. Bell, Secretary,

Campus Club, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your note of October 1 informing me of my election to regular membership in the Campus Club. It gives me great pleasure to accept this election.

Very truly yours,

Canadian Archives

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

March 23, 1914.

Hon. Arthur G. Doughty, Deputy Minister,
Dominion Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of March 19th, and also of the sample portfolio which you sent. I appreciate very much your kindness in sending this to me, and the information which your letter contains about your methods of handling manuscripts.

I wrote you some time ago requesting information about the activity of the Canadian archives since January 1st, 1913, to be used in connection with an article on historical activities which I am preparing for the first number of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. As this number will go to the press in a few weeks, I will have to have this information soon in order to be able to make use of it. I am getting together a considerable collection of publications of historical societies and other agencies, and would like very much to have my name put on the mailing list of the Canadian Archives if that is possible. If not, will you kindly inform me if there is any way by which I might secure these publications as they are issued.

Very truly yours,

S. J. B./MS



Ottawa March 31st 1914

Dear Sir,

I regret to say that the report of the Archives for the fiscal year ending in March 1913 is in the press and I fear that owing to pressure of urgent government business that it will not be delivered for several weeks. I am sending to you today a volume of Constitutional Documents which we have just issued and your name has been placed on our mailing list for future reports.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A.S. Doughty".

Deputy Minister.

Solon J. Buck, Esq.,

418 Lincoln Hall,

Urbana,

Ill.

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

April 3, 1914.

Hon. A. G. Doughty,
Deputy Minister of Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I want to thank you for the copy of the volume of constitutional documents which you sent me, and also for placing my name on your mailing list for future reports. This volume reached me just in time to be mentioned in my article on historical activities for the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. I regret that you did not send a copy of your annual report for the year ending March, 1912, as I should have liked to have examined in connection with the preparation of this article. I have, however, used the information contained in the note on this volume in the American Historical Review. If you could send me a copy of the volume at once, it might be in time for me to make such changes as would seem desirable when the article is in proof.

Very truly yours,

S. J. B./MS

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois,

July 24, 1914.

Dr. A. G. Doughty,
Public Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

My dear Dr. Doughty,

In a letter to me dated March 31, you stated that my name had been placed on your mailing list; I have not received, however your publication, No. IX, containing documents relating to the Canadian Northwest, which I understand was issued some time ago. I should like very much to receive a copy of this and all other of your issues, in order that I may keep in touch with the work of the Canadian Archives.

After September 6 my address will be University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, where I will have charge of the work in American History. I will continue to act as secretary of the Conference of Historical Societies, and I have also undertaken to prepare the next annual article for the Mississippi Valley Historical, on Historical Activities in the Old Northwest and Eastern Canada. If I receive your publications regularly, I can report to the Conference more intelligently upon your work, and can treat it more fully in the article for the Review. I am sending you under separate cover a marked copy of my article on Historical Activities which appeared in the June, 1914, Number of the Review.

Sincerely yours,

S.J.B. EWG

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois,

July 24, 1914.

Dr. A. G. Doughty,
Public Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dr. A. G. Doughty,
Public Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear

Dear Dr. Doughty,

In a letter to me dated March 21, you stated that my name had been placed on your mailing list; I have not received, however, your publications. For the reasons mentioned relating to the Canadian Northwest which I understand you intended to give me and I should like very much to receive a copy of this and all other of your issues, in order that I may see in London with the work at the Canadian Archives.

After December 3 my address will be University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, where I will have charge of the work in relation to the Northwest. I will examine to see as to the possibility of historical societies and I have also intended to prepare the next annual article for the Historical V.I. of Historical Societies published in the Old Northwest and Western Canada. If I receive your publications regularly, I can send to the Conference and publications upon your work and can send in now this to the editor for review. I am sending you here separate cover a marked copy of my article on Historical Societies which appeared in the June, 1913, number of the Review.

Sincerely yours,

A. G. Doughty

September 29, 1914.

Dr. Arthur G. Doughty, Deputy Minister,
Canadian Archives, Ottawa, Can.

Dear Sir:

At the meeting of the Conference of Historical Societies in connection with the American Historical Association meeting in Chicago next December, it is proposed to discuss the question of "Restrictions on the use of historical materials." Would you be willing to open the discussion of this subject with a ten or fifteen minutes paper? Some of the points which might well be taken up are:

1. To what extent shall an historical society or archives bureau allow other institutions to make wholesale copies, either by photostat or typewriter, of the material in their possession. My own theory is, the making of such copies should be encouraged in order to insure the preservation of the material in case the originals are destroyed, but there are many institutions in which the collector spirit still predominates.

2. What restrictions should be placed upon the liberty of students who desire to consult manuscripts and similar material. Should they be allowed to take notes, make tracings freely, or shall they be required to submit all notes to the attendant? The latter policy has just been adopted by the Superintendent of the Wisconsin Historical Society.

Other points suitable for discussion will undoubtedly occur to you. I will appreciate it if you will give me your decision as soon as possible, as it is time we were getting the program into shape.

A. G. Doughty. --2.

If you have not all ready done so, will you kindly change my address on your mailing list. I should like very much to continue to receive all the publications of the Canadian Archives. ² I shall need them in connection with my report to the Conference of Historical Societies and also for my paper in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review, on Historical Activities. You have doubtless seen my paper on this subject in the first number of the Review. I am sending you however, under separate cover, a separate of this article.

I have full charge of the work in American History at the University of Minnesota, having taken the place of Professor Anderson who has gone to Dartmouth.

Sincerely yours,



Ottawa October 3rd 1914.

Dear Sir,

I am very much obliged to you for your paper on Historical Activities in the old Northwest and Eastern Canada. I am very sure that the Mississippi Valley Historical Review will be a success.

I notice on page 74 there is an error. The Journal of Knox was not edited by Mr Tyrrel but by myself, the first volume of which has been delivered.

I am sorry to say that I have not time to prepare a paper for the meeting of the Historical Association. Regarding your enquiry as to what extent historical Societies should be allowed to make copies of public archives, I beg to say that no restriction is placed on the applicant by this department except in the case of confidential documents which can only be consulted with the permission of the Archivist. We place no restriction on students regarding their notes except in the case of Confidential Documents.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A.S. Douglas".

Deputy Minister.

Solon J. Buck, Esq.

Minneapolis, Minn.

October 20, 1914.

Dr. A. G. Doughty, Deputy Minister,
Canadian Archives,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for calling my attention to the error in my paper on "Historical activities." I regret that you find it impossible to open the discussion at the Conference of Historical Societies. I was under the impression that the practice in the Canadian Archives with reference to the use of historical material was very liberal, but am glad to have a definite statement on the subject from you.

Very truly yours,

Ohio State University,
Columbus Ohio
July 15 1914

Dear Buck:-

Hackett has told me the
delightful news of your appointment
at Minnesota. Allow me to
congratulate you on this. It is
fine! I am sorry to see you
leave your work at Illinois, as
all of us here taken considerable
pride in what you were doing,
but it was of course inevitable that
something good was in store for you.
I am much pleased with your
work here. I hope ours will come
out as well.

I am enjoying the work here
this summer very much. I have
made some very good friends

By the way, a man from our
German Dept. goes to Berlin next
September as Assistant Professor of
German, - Dr. Walter P. Meyer. He
is a good friend of mine. He is
a very fine man (he has no vice haem).

I hope you will meet him. One of my
former colleagues at Illinois College,
Mr. O. Beal is also there in the
Department of Astronomy. He has about the
same characteristics as those of Myers.

Will see you in a few weeks.

Yours sincerely
C. E. Carter

February 13, 1915

Professor Clarence Carter

Miami University

Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Carter:-

Many thanks for the separate of your article on British Administration in West Florida.

We had a very pleasant visit from Alvord last month and he delivered the annual address before the Society on the subject of The Relation of the State to Historical Work. His address was very good and made a strong impression. I am going to have it printed and hope to have copies ready for distribution in about a month.

Sincerely yours

April 19, 1915

Professor Clarence E. Carter

Miami University

Oxford, Ohio.

My dear Carter:-

I will appreciate it very much if you will give me as much information as possible about the situation in Ohio at the present time with reference to state and local historical work. I am preparing for the June Number of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review a report on "Historical Activities in the Old North West" for the year 1914-15, similar to the report which I prepared for the June 1914 issue.

Any information which you can furnish me along the line of changes in organization or administrative methods, plans for future work, manuscripts or other acquisitions of material, monographs published or in the course of preparation in the field of Ohio history, etc., will be keeply appreciated. My report has to be in Professor Alvord's hands in a couple of weeks, so that I should like very much to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours

APR 24 1915

Oxford, Ohio.
April 22 1915

Dear Buck: -

In the course of two or three days
I shall be able to answer your
letter in detail. It will take that length of
time if not longer to gather the relevant
facts as to the situation.

Yours sincerely
C. E. Carter.

P.S. Please send me a copy of
Alford's paper which he read before
your people some time ago.

April 26, 1915

Professor Clarence E. Carter

Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Carter:-

I am in receipt of your note of April 22, and am glad to know that you are going to furnish me some information about the "Historical Activities" in Ohio.

Alvord is pressing me for the paper and I will appreciate it very much if you will send what data you have already collected at once.

As soon as your letter arrived, I mailed to you a copy of the first number of the Minnesota History Bulletin, containing Alvord's paper. I was quite surprised to find that a copy had not been sent to you, as it is always my intention to send you a copy of everything of that sort.

Sincerely yours

MAY 1 1915

Oxford, Ohio,

April 29, 1915.

Superintendent S. J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
Saint Paul, Minn.

Dear Buck:-

I learn from Hockett that he has written you almost the same facts which I had in mind writing about. There is nothing I can add to what he has already told you.

Thanks for the copy of Alvord's paper. I saw a copy when I was at Urbana, and planned to steal one from Alvord's desk, then forgot it.

I understand Conger was elected Mayor of Galesburg. Lo, the mighty are fallen. Think of Conger and Colborn. Who will be the next?

Yours sincerely,

C. Carter

May 7, 1915

Mr. Clarence W. Carter

Osford, Ohio.

Dear Carter:-

I wrote to both you and Hockett for information about the situation in Ohio, first, because the time was short and I feared that one of you might fail me, and secondly, because I thought each of you might know with something which the other would be unfamiliar.

You will perhaps be interested to know that I picked up in various places a good deal of information about historical activities in Ohio which neither of you mentioned.

I had understood for some time that Senger was becoming a power in the land in Galesburg, but I certainly was surprised to learn from you that he had been elected mayor. Lots of history men have become college deans and presidents recently, but this is the first case I know of of one attempting to run a city. I fear me that a certain thesis on Nullification in South Carolina is not likely to be printed soon.

Sincerely yours

AUG 10 1915

315 Lincoln Hall,
Urbana Illinois,
Aug 9 1915

Dr. S. J. Buel,
Minnesota Historical Society
Saint Paul, Minn.

Dear Buel,

I was glad to receive copies of the
Minnesota History Bulletin, together with the
supplement and the reprint of your article
from the Review. I am greatly interested
in the way things are progressing up there.
I suppose that by this time you have received
a copy of our first volume in the
British series. The second volume will
be along in September and we are preparing
copy for the third and fourth at the present
time. This has been a great summer for
us. I suppose you are wearing your fur coats.

Yours cordially
C. E. Carter

October 6, 1914.

Mr. J. W. Clinton,
Polo, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Clinton:

Your letter of October 1, was forwarded to me here. I am sending it to Professor Alvord at the University of Illinois and he will doubtless reply to your questions.

Sincerely yours,



GOVERNOR EDWARD F. DUNNE, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JOHN M. O'CONNOR, CHICAGO,
CHAIRMAN SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
SENATOR NIELS JUUL, CHICAGO,
CHAIRMAN SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
REPRESENTATIVE DAVID E. SHANAHAN, CHICAGO
CHAIRMAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES A. KARCH, BELLEVILLE,
CHAIRMAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Legislative Reference Bureau
State of Illinois

FINLEY F. BELL, SECRETARY

SPRINGFIELD,

January 17, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Dr. Buck:-

At the end of the seminar course under your direction last January, you suggested that I write up my explanation of the senatorial disputes resulting from the Apportionment Act of 1841, and that you would send it to Mrs. Weber. I am mailing you the results of my work. I hope that it is satisfactory and I will be glad to have you make any changes that you see fit to make. I have tried to eliminate the need of foot-notes by exact references to dates in the Journals, Reports, Laws and Papers, which are the only references used. If you do not see fit to have this published the material will at least be useful to have in your files.

I am here in Springfield acting as Librarian for the newly created Legislative Reference Bureau. I have a good opportunity for research work here all the time. When you are in Springfield, I would be very glad to have you come in and see what we have accomplished.

I wish to congratulate you on the work that you have been engaged to do by the Centennial Commission. I think that the Commission should be congratulated as well. Wishing you all success in your work and thanking you in advance for whatever action you may take upon this paper,

I am,

Sincerely,

Mathleen Clyne

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

January 22, 1914.

Miss Kathleen Clyne, Librarian,
Legislative Reference Library,
Springfield, Illinois.

My dear Miss Clyne:-

I am in receipt of your letter of January 17, and of your article on "Senatorial Disputes Resulting from the Apportionment Act of 1841". I have run through this hastily, and as soon as I can find time I will go through it more carefully, making such revisions as I find necessary, and will then be glad to submit it to Mrs. Weber for the Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society. I am very glad that you followed my suggestion and worked this up in the form of a paper, and I am sure that it will be of considerable interest when published.

Sincerely yours,

S. J. B./MS



GOVERNOR EDWARD F. DUNNE, CHAIRMAN
SENATOR JOHN M. O'CONNOR, CHICAGO,
CHAIRMAN SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
SENATOR NIELS JUUL, CHICAGO,
CHAIRMAN SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
REPRESENTATIVE DAVID E. SHANAHAN, CHICAGO
CHAIRMAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES A. KARCH, BELLEVILLE,
CHAIRMAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Legislative Reference Bureau
State of Illinois

FINLEY F. BELL, SECRETARY

SPRINGFIELD,
February 10, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Dr. Buck:-

Many thanks for your kind letter concern-
ing the paper I sent you. I appreciate your
interest and the trouble it will put you to
very much.

Sincerely,

Mathew Clynne

416 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

February 25, 1914.

Professor Earl F. Colburn,

Miami University,

Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Colburn:-

I am sending you by express under separate cover some dope which was worked out in my seminar a couple of years ago, and which may be of interest to you in connection with your thesis. You are welcome to keep it as long as you have any use for it, but eventually I should like to have it returned to me.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

S. J. B./MS

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT
EARL FRANCIS COLBORN
JOHN EWING BRADFORD

20 March, 1914.

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

Dear Buck,

The material you sent me some time ago reached me O.K. and I should have written you sooner, but I hoped to have time to look it over so that I could make some comment on its probable usefulness to me. However, I have not got to it. I doubt not at all that I shall find it useful and I am certainly greatly obliged to you for sending it along. I shall take good care of the material and return it to you when I have used it.

With best wishes always, I am

Cordially yours,

E. F. Colborn

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT
EARL FRANCIS COLBORN
JOHN EWING BRADFORD

31 August, 1914.

Professor Solon J. Buck

Urbana, Ill.

Dear Buck,

Carter tells me that you have been appointed Assistant Professor of American History at the University of Minnesota. I am really very glad indeed to learn of this substantial recognition coming to one who is at once so deserving a scholar and such a royal good fellow! Please accept my heartiest congratulations. You surely are to have a fine place to work, and Carter tells me that you will have no one over you in American History - all of which would indicate that your lines are laid in pleasant places and that your opportunities for early advancement are unusually good. I am dee-lighted.

One of our men here goes to Minnesota ~~at~~ this year - Myers, who will be Ass't. Professor in the German department. He is a thoroughly fine fellow; a strong opponent of the "demon rum" but absolutely O.K. in all other respects. Look him up; I think you will enjoy each other.

With be~~st~~ wishes always, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. F. Colburn

P. S. Please remember me with kindest regards

to Mrs. Buck!

University of Minnesota,

October 13, 1914.

Professor E. F. Colburn,

Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Colburn:

Many thanks for your letter of congratulations. I think I am going to like the University of Minnesota very much, but just at present I am swamped with work. I have seen Professor Myers at a distance, but have not had a chance to meet him as yet. I shall certainly look him up as soon as I come to a breathing space.

One of my friends from Illinois has gone to Miami, and if you have not met him all ready I should like very much to have you look him up. His name is Felix Held and he is also in German. When I knew him he was a first class fellow, but he has just recently been married so that I cannot speak for him at present. Remember me to him when you see him. I am looking forward to seeing you again at Chicago during the holidays.

Cordially yours,

Colborn

**The Connecticut Mutual Life
Insurance Company**

Hartford, February 1, 1916.

Dear Sir:

We beg to advise that Mr. D. B. Cooper, who has been connected with the Company for more than forty years and for the past twenty-nine years has represented it as General Agent at Syracuse, N. Y., has resigned in order that he may be relieved of the burden and responsibilities incident to the organization and management of the General Agency. It is a source of satisfaction to the Company, as we feel sure it will be to Mr. Cooper's many friends and the Company's members, to know that he will continue in relations with the Company, devoting his entire time to procuring new business. Mr. Cooper's address will be 809 Onondaga County Savings Bank Building, Syracuse, N. Y.

In its endeavor to conserve its members' interests by all reasonable economies, the Company has consolidated its Syracuse and Rochester General Agencies, and has appointed Messrs. Hills & Colborn, a co-partnership consisting of Mr. Clarence C. Hills and Mr. E. Francis Colborn, General Agents for the combined field, with offices at Rochester, N. Y. Their address will be 314-315 Cutler Building. They will also retain the present offices at Syracuse, 813 Onondaga County Savings Bank Building.

Mr. Hills, who has had a wide experience in life insurance work and who has successfully represented the Company as its

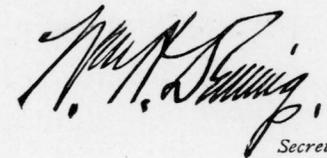
General Agent at Rochester since January 1, 1915, and Mr. E. Francis Colborn, who has been closely associated with Mr. Hills in his work at Rochester, will, we believe, ably and successfully represent the Company in this enlarged field.

As Messrs. Hills & Colborn wish to devote their entire time and energy to the procuring of new business and the development of their agency organization, all collections will be made by Miss Anna M. Flannery, Cashier, to whom remittances may be made. Her address will be 314-315 Cutler Building, Rochester, N. Y.

In the interest of the Company's members residing in Syracuse, offices will be maintained, as before noted, at 813 Onondaga County Savings Bank Building in that city. Residents of Syracuse may remit for premiums and other items to that address.

We shall fully appreciate any assistance that may be rendered to Messrs. Hills & Colborn by the members and friends of the Company in their efforts to advance its interests.

Very truly yours,


Secretary.

February 15, 1916

Mr. E. J. Colborn
314-315 Cutler Bldg.,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Colborn:

Thank you for remembering me with your circular of February 1. I am always glad to see my friends succeed even when they desert Clio for Mercury.

Thinking you may not have lost all interest in history, I am sending you under separate cover a copy of our latest Bulletin.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours

426 West Fifth Street.

Ann Arbor: Mich.

June 24, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buck.

Urbana: Ill.

Dear Buck:

I was more than surprised to get the news conveyed in your recent letter just received. I did not even hear a rumor of the situation; for myself I cannot but say in congratulating you that I am extremely sorry that your good fortune deprives us of our association with you and your mother. It will be another loss to history circles in Champaign-Urbana. I rejoice with you in the fact that the Minnesota opening offered attractions not found at Illinois even with your promised promotion.

I suppose that Alvord is very much upset and that he finds the situation with regard to the centennial history rather chaotic. Or will you take the part assigned to you in the plans? What rank will Dr. Pease have as your successor? Should he care for the suite of rooms that Sutherland had the past year we should be glad to let him have them at the same price, \$16.00 per month. I am sure that the Richardsons would allow him to inspect them should he be interested. We would have to make some improvements, a new rug, etc. I would be glad to hear from him directly or through you on this matter.

We are glad that you found the cleaner satisfactory.
With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur C. Cole.

P.S. - I have, of course, seen Jones and talked matters over with him.
ACC.

OFFICERS
COMMERCIAL CLUB
H. A. BLODGETT,
President.
F. C. LISTOE,
1st Vice President.
W. J. DEAN,
2nd Vice President.
C. J. UNMACK,
Secretary.
EDW. O. RICE,
Treasurer.
J. H. BOYD,
Auditor.

THE Commercial Club OF Saint Paul
Saint Paul, Minn.

DIRECTORS
J. E. BAILEY.
W. M. BURNS.
J. P. GALBRAITH.
A. G. JOHNSON.
G. C. KNOX.
W. L. MAYO.
F. H. ROMER.
L. C. STEBBINS.
C. E. VILLAUME.
GEO. WITHEY.
WM. BURROWS.
J. W. G. CURTISS.
B. B. DOWNS.
JUDGE O. B. LEWIS.
M. McMILLAN.
C. C. GRAY.
W. J. BENNETT.
J. A. SEEGER.
C. A. CRANE.
R. B. WHITACRE.
JUDGE J. W. WILLIS.
J. N. STORR.
D. A. MURPHY.
N. W. REAY.
J. G. JOHNSTON.
G. C. LAMBERT.

January 12th, 1915.

Dear Mr. Buck:

I am greatly pleased to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on January 11th, you were duly elected an Active member of this Club.

I trust that you will avail yourself of all its privileges, not failing to take advantage of the Secretary's ability to make you feel at home, and if there is anything that I can do for you in the way of information or otherwise, I am yours to command.

I would like to ask you when you come to the Club to call and see me in the Secretary's office and give me this opportunity.

Cordially yours,

Chas. J. Unmack
Secretary.

P.S. I inclose you statement of account and upon receipt of your check, I will mail you duly authorized card admitting you to membership

October 11, 1915

Mr. C.J. Unmack, Secretary
Commercial Club, St. Paul

My dear Mr. Unmack:-

Will you please note that my home address has been changed from 719 Seventh St. S.E., Minneapolis, to 428 Walnut St., S.E., Minneapolis? I should prefer, however, to have my copies of the Bulletin, notices, etc., sent to me at my office.

By the way, if we should send copies of our quarterly, the Minnesota History Bulletin, regularly to the Commercial Club, would they be preserved in the club's library? I have been sending complimentary copies to you personally.

Sincerely yours

OCT 1 1915

OFFICERS
COMMERCIAL CLUB

CLARENCE C. GRAY, President.
FRED. C. LISTOE, 1st Vice President.
B. B. DOWNS, 2nd Vice President.
C. J. UNMACK, Secretary.
EDW. O. RICE, Treasurer.
MAURICE W. STOFFER, Auditor.

THE Commercial Club OF Saint Paul
Saint Paul, Minn.

DIRECTORS

W. J. BENNETT.	J. H. BOYD.
WILKIE E. COLLINS.	H. C. CAPSER.
C. A. CRANE.	J. C. ENRIGHT.
J. G. JOHNSTON.	H. P. FAHNESTOCK.
G. C. LAMBERT.	H. D. FRANKEL.
JUDGE O. B. LEWIS.	SIG. GREVE.
M. McMILLAN.	J. C. HARDY.
D. A. MURPHY.	F. O. McCLAIN.
N. W. REAY.	E. E. MACGILL.
J. A. SEEGER.	C. N. ORR.
J. N. STORR.	A. J. SCHMITZ.
R. B. WHITACRE.	T. F. SMITH.
JUDGE J. W. WILLIS.	B. B. WEED.

October 12th, 1915.

Mr. Solan J. Buck,
State Capitol,
City.

Dear Mr. Buck:

I have the honor to inform you that you have been selected by President Gray as Chairman of the Committee on Education and am inclosing you the usual form and after you have notified your Committee of their election and set a date for the first meeting, I would like to receive a report of same.

You will see by the personnel of this Committee that it is one of prominent citizens and well fitted to take up the work, and our President would like to have you take steps to at once have the matter under consideration taken up.

Cordially yours,

C. J. Unmack
Secretary

OCT 18 1915

OFFICERS
COMMERCIAL CLUB
CLARENCE C. GRAY,
President.
FRED. C. LISTOE,
1st Vice President.
B. B. DOWNS,
2nd Vice President
C. J. UNMACK,
Secretary.
EDW. O. RICE,
Treasurer.
MAURICE W. STOFFER,
Auditor.



DIRECTORS
W. J. BENNETT. J. H. BOYD.
JOHN BRANDTJEN. H. C. CAPSER.
WILKIE E. COLLINS. J. C. ENRIGHT.
C. A. CRANE. H. P. FAHNESTOCK.
J. G. JOHNSTON. H. D. FRANKEL.
G. C. LAMBERT. SIG. GREVE.
JUDGE O. B. LEWIS. J. C. HARDY.
M. McMILLAN. F. O. McCLAIN.
D. A. MURPHY. E. E. MACGILL.
N. W. REAY. JOHN MARSHALL.
J. N. STORR. C. N. ORR.
R. B. WHITACRE. T. F. SMITH.
JUDGE J. W. WILLIS. B. B. WEED.

Saint Paul, Minn.

October 15th, 1915.

Mr. Solan J. Buck,
Minn. Hist. Socy.,
State Capitol, City.

Dear Mr. Buck:

Your favor of the 20th inst. received and I have changed your address on our records as per your request. Regarding the Minnesota History Bulletin; we really have no proper library our selection of books being very small, but it would be nice if you continued to send the Bulletin, and I will see that it is placed amongst our books. I have read it myself with considerable interest and I think that the members when they once learn it is here will read it.

Cordially yours,

Secretary.

October 15, 1915

Mr. Charles J. Unmack

Secretary Commercial Club

St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Unmack:-

I appreciate very much the confidence in me which President Gray displayed by appointing me chairman of the committee on education, and I regret sincerely that circumstances make it impossible for me to accept the appointment. My duties as a member of the faculty of the University of Minnesota require my presence in Minneapolis so much of the time that it would not be feasible for me to undertake this. Furthermore, my work, particularly during the planning and ^{construction} consideration of our new building, will be so heavy that I will have little time for outside activities. I would be unwilling to undertake such a responsibility position unless I felt sure that I could devote to it sufficient time and energy to make a go of it, and I am quite sure that President Gray can find some one else much more familiar with the conditions in St. Paul, and much more competent for the position. I would be perfectly willing to serve on the committee, if desired,

Mr. C. J. U. 10/15/15 -2

and would attend the meetings whenever possible and do all in my power to further its work, but for the reasons stated, I feel that it would be not only impossible, but unwise, for me to act as chairman.

Enclosed you will find the documents which you sent.

Sincerely yours

OCT 20 1915

OFFICERS
COMMERCIAL CLUB
CLARENCE C. GRAY,
President.
FRED. C. LISTOE,
1st Vice President
B. B. DOWNS,
2nd Vice President.
C. J. UNMACK,
Secretary.
EDW. O. RICE,
Treasurer.
MAURICE W. STOFFER,
Auditor.



DIRECTORS
W. J. BENNETT, J. H. BOYD,
JOHN BRANDT, JEN. H. C. CAPSER,
WILKIE E. COLLINS, J. C. ENRIGHT,
C. A. CRANE, H. P. FAHNESTOCK,
J. G. JOHNSTON, H. D. FRANKEL,
G. C. LAMBERT, SIG. GREVE,
JUDGE O. B. LEWIS, J. C. HARDY,
M. McMILLAN, F. O. McCLAIN,
D. A. MURPHY, E. E. MACGILL,
N. W. REAY, JOHN MARSHALL,
J. N. STORR, C. N. ORR,
R. B. WHITACRE, T. F. SMITH,
JUDGE J. W. WILLIS, B. B. WEED.

October 19th, 1915.

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
State Capitol,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Buck:

You have been selected by Mr. Emil Geist,
Chairman of the Committee on Education to serve with him
on his Committee and it will be greatly appreciated if
you will attend the first meeting on Friday, October 22nd
in room number 1 at 12.30, as very important business will
be brought up. Kindly signify your intention of being
present and you will also be called on the morning of the
Committee meeting by our operator.

Cordially yours,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. J. Unmack".

Secretary.

October 20, 1915

Mr. C. J. Unmack

Secretary Commercial Club

St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Unmack:-

I will endeavor to attend the meeting of the committee on education next Friday at 12:30, and believe that it will be possible for me to arrange to be there.

Sincerely yours

November 11, 1915

Mr. C. J. Unmack, Secretary

Commercial Club

St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Unmack:-

I have your notice of the meeting of the Educational Committee on Friday. I should like very much to attend this meeting, but unfortunately have an engagement to attend a departmental meeting at the University at the same time.

Sincerely yours

**ARMOUR
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
CHICAGO.**

December 10, 1914.

F. W. GUNSAULUS,
President.

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Buck:-

I was not aware of any appointment such as you mention in your letter of December 8th, but I am thankful to you for sending me the program.

Faithfully yours,

F. W. Gunsaulus
F. W. G.

*Recd
Conf. of
Hist. Soc.*

March 8, 1915

Professor John L. Conger
Knox College
Galesburg, Ill.

My dear Conger:-

I am in receipt of your letter of March 5, and as I know very little about what the University may have in the way of facilities for Municipal Reference Bureau work, I am forwarding your letter to Dean Ford, who will doubtless reply more fully.

It would seem that there ought to be a field for work along these lines in this community.

Sincerely yours

The North Carolina Historical Commission

J. BRYAN GRIMES, RALEIGH
T. M. PITTMAN, HENDERSON
W. J. PEELE, RALEIGH
M. C. S. NOBLE, CHAPEL HILL
D. H. HILL, RALEIGH

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
RALEIGH

J. BRYAN GRIMES, CHAIRMAN
R. D. W. CONNOR, SECRETARY

July 3, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buck, Secretary,
Conference of Historical Societies,
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Dr. Buck:

I have been requested by the United States Commissioner of Education to prepare a bulletin on the work of historical societies, State historical commissions, departments of archives and history, and other similar agencies in the United States, and, of course, the first thing to be done is to get a complete list of all such agencies with the names and addresses of their secretaries. Can you furnish me with such a list, or even a relatively complete list?

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

R. D. W. Connor

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

July 12, 1914.

Mr. R. D. W. Connor,
Secretary, North Carolina Historical Commission,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Connor:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 3, requesting a complete list of historical societies, commissions, etc. I have the mailing list of the Conference of Historical Societies, but it has not been brought up to date, that is the new addresses, which came in with the returns last December, have not yet been added to the mailing list.

I am planning to put someone to work at this revision of the mailing list, and it will doubtless be in shape in a week or so; then, if you desire, I can have a copy of the list, which is on cards, made for you. I can secure the services of a competent typist for such purposes at a compensation of twenty-five cents an hour, and the whole cost will probably not be more than three or four dollars. I should add, perhaps, that the list includes about five hundred organizations of various sorts.

If you desire this copy made, let me know, and I will have it done as soon as possible. I am leaving the University of Illinois for the University of Minnesota this fall, but expect to be here until the latter part of August.

Very sincerely,

S. J. B. EWG

1112 220

418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Ill.,
418 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois,
July 12, 1914;

July 18, 1914.

Mr. R.D.W. Connor,
Sec'y North California

[Faint, mostly illegible text, likely the main body of the letter]

[Faint text at the bottom of the page, possibly a signature or closing]

The North Carolina Historical Commission

J. BRYAN GRIMES, RALEIGH
T. M. PITTMAN, HENDERSON
W. J. PEELE, RALEIGH
M. C. S. NOBLE, CHAPEL HILL
D. H. HILL, RALEIGH

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
RALEIGH

J. BRYAN GRIMES, CHAIRMAN
R. D. W. CONNOR, SECRETARY

July 13, 1914.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Dr. Buck:

Please accept my thanks for your letter of July 12th. I will appreciate your kindness if you will have a copy of your mailing list of the Conference of Historical Societies made for me, and will remit promptly upon receipt of the bill.

Very sincerely yours,

R. D. W. Connor

418 Lincoln Hall

Urbana, Illinois,

August 12, 1914

Mr. R. D. W. Connor,
Secretary of North Carolina
Historical Commission,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

My dear Mr. Connor:

I am sending you enclosed a typewritten copy of the mailing list of the Conferences of Historical Societies. In the revision of the mailing list I eliminated over half of the cards, including most of those societies who have never reported. Presumably, such societies are not of sufficient importance to concern you. The date which follows most of the entries is the date of the last report received from that institution.

The typist who made the list spent ten hours on it, at twenty-five cents an hour, amounting to \$2.50. The check should be made to Ora Blackmun, and sent to me at the above address.

Trusting that this will be satisfactory to you, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Enc.
EC

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

416 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

February 25, 1914.

Professor Isaac J. Cox,
University of Cincinnati,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Cox:-

I have recently been through Quaife's Chicago and the Old Northwest rather carefully in connection with some work of my own, and Professor Alvord has asked me to call your attention to a number of things which I noted, and which may be of interest~~d~~ to you as the reviewer of the book for the Mississippi Valley Historical Review.

Captain Heal's official report which is published on pages 406-08 is taken from a copy in the Drennan papers which was made from Brannan's Official Military and Naval Letters. Just why Quaife used this copy instead of taking it from Brannan himself is not stated. I collated the report as printed by Quaife with the report in Brannan and find a number of minor differences. In nine places lower case letters of the original appear as capitals in Quayife. One period in the original is omitted by Quaife (after "V" in Isaac V. VanVoorhis), and two commas are inserted by Quaife which do not appear in Brannan. Brannan's book was published in 1823, but the report had been published earlier in the Historical Register of the United States, Volume II, page 60, and is reprinted from this source in Cruikshank, Documents Relating to the Invasion of Canada, ^{(Publication of} ~~published by~~ the Canadian Archives, Number VII, page 225). ^A note in this last reference, page 225 refers to an original journal of Charles Askin, 1812, in the Canadian Archives,

Professor Isaac J. Cox

- 2 -

February 25, 1914

in which "there is a graphic account of the retreat from Chicago." Quaife does not appear to have made use of this journal. The same volume contains on pages 54 and 55 two letters from Heald, dated July 12 and 13, 1812, which also appear to have been unknown to Quaife. Mr. Alvord has written to the Canadian Archives for photostatic reproductions of these letters, and of the journal of Askin.

When I was in Washington last January I noted material on the Fort Dearborn massacre in the Indian Office, which I then supposed Quaife knew about, but he does not appear to have used it in the book. I have written to Washington for transcripts of this material.

Quaife prints a letter from Woodward to Proctor, pages 422-4, which he states is taken from the original rough draft, although the letter actually ^{sent} is ~~not~~ different. On page 237, foot note 615, he says the statements in his text are based on the letter as actually sent. Nowhere, however, does he tell where the letter as actually sent is to be found.

I noted one mistake in the index, under Caldwell, the last reference should be 357 instead of 352.

On page 297, foot note 746, the first reference should be 112 instead of 114, and on the same page ^{note} under 750, the first reference should be 312 instead of 304. I have ^{MS} a calendar of these Indian office letter-books from which I derive this information.

The letter books in the Indian Office for this early period are in two distinct ^{series} ~~periods~~, the first one containing copies of the

Professor Isaac J. Cox

- 3 -

February 25, 1914

letters written by the Secretary of War on Indian Affairs, and the second copies of letters written by the Superintendent of Indian Trade. Both of these series are lettered A, B, C, etc. Quaife has failed to distinguish between the two series, and as a consequence one might have considerable difficulty in locating his references to these documents.

The foot note on page 314 should read Wisconsin instead of American Historical Collections.

The foot note on page 316 is unintelligible. He may intend to refer to two separate articles, one in the Wisconsin Historical Collections and another in the Fergus Historical Series, but if so the reference to the Wisconsin Historical Collections is insufficient.

The bibliography is very useful, but somewhat unscientific. A number of insignificant items are included, to which there is only a reference or two, and other items and documents which are referred to in the footnotes are not included in the bibliography. A few samples of these are: ~~Illinois~~^{Long's} report referred to in notes 14 and 665; Graham and Philips report referred to in note 34; the Walker letter referred to in note 827; and Brannan, referred to in note 926. The last item may have been omitted from the bibliography because of the fact that the book itself was not used.

Many of these criticisms^t may seem capricious, and I doubt if you will care to make use of all of them. They were noted by me, however, in going through the book, and Professor Alvord thought it might be well

Professor Isaac J. Cox

- 4 -

February 25, 1914

for you to have this information. If we succeed in getting the transcripts to which I refer above, I will let you know.

Sincerely yours,

S. J. B./MS

P. S. ~~Please~~ You will doubtless
note that ~~the~~ apparently no
use was made of ~~the~~ Alvord's
Cahokia + Washburn Records in
the chapter on the Revolution in
Illinois, at least they are not
mentioned in the notes.

S. J. B.

University of Cincinnati,
September 15, 1915.

As a member of the Committee of Nine to consider "the constitution, organization, and procedure" of the American Historical Association, the undersigned will appreciate suggestions upon the following points:

THE PRESIDENCY. Policy in choosing presidents; methods of nomination and electives. The ex-presidents and membership in the Council.

THE VICE-PRESIDENCY. The Vice-presidents as prospective successors to the presidency. Using the office to recognize merited work of recent date, with no thought of succession.

OTHER OFFICERS. Degree of permanency.

COUNCIL. Number of members, geographical distribution, length of service, and powers.

COMMITTEES. Power to create, selection of chairmen and members, term of service.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS. A standing committee on nominations, proportionately representative and partially renewed each year. Said committee to suggest list of names for letter ballot, the lists to be based both on suggestions from previous ballots and individual judgment. Opportunity for other nominations by petition, if desired. Final report of committee, include results of letter ballot and petitions, to be confirmed by written ballot in annual meeting.

Relations with Review & History Teachers Magazine
RELATIONS WITH CARNEGIE INSTITUTION. Personal or official?

EXPENSES OF OFFICIALS. What officials should be reimbursed and to what extent.

Other suggestions will be welcome. To be effective they should be mailed before October 1st.

Appreciating your courtesy, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. Cox
Cox

*Administrative & control, selection
& term of editors.*

September 30, 1915.

Prof. Isaac J. Cox,
University of Cincinnati,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Cox:

Your circular of September 15th was received and I am glad to state my present attitude upon the various controversies connected with the American Historical Association.

In the first place I think I ought to state that at the beginning of the agitation I was inclined to sympathize with the "reformers" but the recent violent attacks made upon men whom I am utterly unable to believe scoundrels have tended to make me much more conservative. To take up some of your points in detail I am inclined to think that it will be well to limit the duration of membership of Ex-president in the council to five years, but it should be possible for them to be regularly elected to the council after that period had expired.

I can see no particular advantage in the present method of promoting ~~the~~ Vice Presidents. Under it, we can honor but one man each year instead of three and that the man who is elected second Vice President. The suggestions of using the Vice Presidents' offices "to recognize meritorious work of recent date with no thought of succession," strikes me as a good one. In view of the fact that W. C. Ford was elected Second Vice President with the understanding that he should have no claim to promotion, I think it would be well to break the precedent at once and elect someone else first Vice President. On the other hand I think Burr should be promoted to the presidency as that was expected when he was elected Second Vice President.

Prof. Isaac J. Cox, - 2-

The offices of the secretary, treasurer, and the secretary of the Council should, in my opinion be as permanent as possible. In selecting the council I believe it desirable to retain enough men from year to year to maintain continuity of action in the council. I do not believe in any prescribed system of geographical distribution but the nominating committee should keep in mind the desirability of having men from all sections of the country on the council. I see no need for change in the present methods with reference to committees. Your suggestion as to nominations and elections strikes me favorably. While it is true that many members do fail to fill out a ballot still those who wish to do so should have that privilege and the nominating committee should give due weight to their votes.

Whatever may be the present situation of the Review I believe that it should be owned and controlled by the Association. I see no objection, however, to the present method of selection of editors and their terms should not be unduly shortened. I can find absolutely nothing in the relations between the Association and the Carnegie Institution which is not to the advantage of the Association. The criticism of the relations appears to me to be like looking a gift horse in the mouth, or to change the metaphor, like attempting to kill the goose which laid the golden egg.

With reference to the expenses of officers I believe that extreme care should be used. That the expenses of the secretary as a paid officer of the Association should be paid, is obvious, unless he can get them out of the Carnegie Institution, but I see no reason why expenses of any one else should be paid to attend the annual meetings or any meetings of committees or boards held in connection with this annual meeting. Traveling expenses of

Prof. Isaac J. Cox, 3.

members of the board of editors of the Review should be paid for attending meetings of the board provided such meetings are absolutely necessary. Expenses of the members of the council in attending the Thanksgiving meeting should be paid as heretofore but those expenses should be kept down to a reasonable amount and the expensive luncheon eliminated.

You might be interested to know that the affairs of the Association were thoroughly discussed at a gathering of the members of our history department, a week ago. Some of the members of the department are inclined to oppose the reformers entirely, others might be considered moderate reformers but none of them approve of the violent attacks made upon the men who have made the American Historical Association a great and servicable institution.

Sincerely yours,

SJB-B.

W. A. CRAICK

CANADIAN CORRESPONDENCE, NEWS
AND MAGAZINE FEATURES
TORONTO

52 Foxbar Road,

Toronto, February 18th, 1915.

Mr. S. J. Buck,
% Harvard University Press,
Cambridge,
Mass.,

Dear Sir,

Pardon the liberty I take in addressing you. I am in quest of certain information and it has been suggested that you might be able to help me.

I am collecting material dealing with the history of the agricultural order called the Patrons of Industry in the province of Ontario. The Order was introduced by organizers from the State of Michigan, who came across the border about 1890. From then until 1896 the Order had a great hold on the farmers of Ontario.

My desire just now is to obtain something about the Order prior to the time it invaded Canada. In other words I want to arrive at the origin and early history of the Order in the United States. I have consulted your volume "The Granger Movement" but find in it only one or two slight references to the Patrons of Industry. It has occurred to me that in making your voluminous researches you may have encountered sources of information that would contain just the material I require. If so I need hardly say that I would appreciate it very much if you could supply me with particulars as to their names and wherabouts.

Trusting that I am not presuming too much on your kindness, I am

Yours very truly,

W. A. Craick,

February 24, 1915

Mr. W.A. Craik

52 Foxbar Road

Toronto, Can.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of February 18, I regret that I cannot give you any particular information about the Patrons of Industry. My book on the Granger Movement dealt only incidentally with agricultural organizations after 1880 and I know nothing further about this particular order than is given on pages 305 and 307. It is there stated that order was organized in Michigan about 1887 as a agricultural order; that it operated in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin in the later eighties, but declined rapidly during the nineties. From the note I conclude that this information was taken from an article by Butterfield in Bailey's Cyclopedia on American Agriculture page 295.

It is quite likely that President Kenyon L. Butterfield of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, could give you further clues to information about this order.

Sincerely yours

52 Foxbar Road.

Toronto, February 26, 1915.

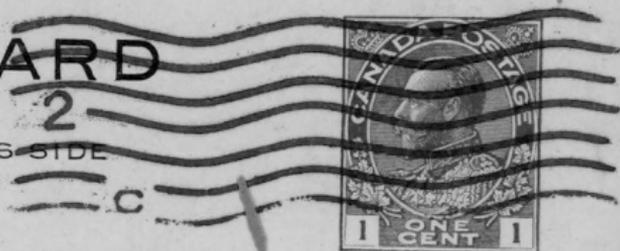
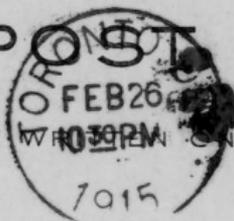
Thank you very much for your letter of Feb. 18,
regarding the Patrons of Industry. As suggested I shall
write to President Butterfield of the Massachusetts
Agricultural College.

Yours sincerely,
W. A. Raick.

MAR 1 1915

CANADA POST CARD

THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE



Solon J. Buck, Esq.,

Superintendent, Minnesota Historical Society,

Saint Paul,

Minn.

U.S.A.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

EDWARD F. DUNNE, GOVERNOR
SPRINGFIELD
JOHN T. MONTGOMERY
PRES. STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, CHARLESTON
FRANCIS G. BLAIR
SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, SPRINGFIELD
LAURA B. EVANS, TAYLORVILLE
ARTHUR MEEKER, CHICAGO, UNION STOCK YARDS
ALLEN F. MOORE, MONTICELLO
WILLIAM L. ABBOTT, CHICAGO
MARY E. BUSEY, URBANA
OTIS W. HOIT, GENESEO
ELLEN M. HENROTIN, CHICAGO, 743 LINCOLN PARKWAY
JOHN R. TREVETT, CHAMPAIGN
FLORENCE E. WATSON, EFFINGHAM

University of Illinois

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

W. L. ABBOTT, PRESIDENT, CHICAGO
120 W. ADAMS ST.
H. E. CUNNINGHAM, SECRETARY, URBANA
321 NATURAL HISTORY HALL
M. W. BUSEY, TREASURER, URBANA
BUSEY'S STATE BANK
GEORGE E. FRAZER, COMPTROLLER, URBANA
326 NATURAL HISTORY HALL

October 2, 1914

Professor S. J. Buck

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, Minnesota

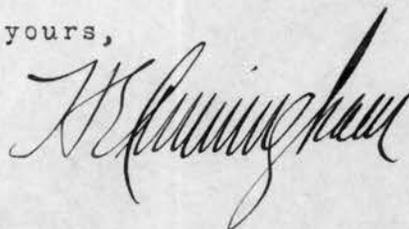
Dear Buck:

I was very glad to have your letter and the news from the Illinois men who are at Minnesota. Things are opening up here very well with a $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent increase in number of students now here.

I am sending you the available numbers of the Studies for which you ask and placing your name on the mailing list.

Was very sorry not to see you again. Hope you will call when you are in town.

Sincerely yours,



C/J

University of Minnesota,

October 13, 1914.

Mr. H. E. Cunningham,

Urbana, Ill.

Dear Cunningham:

Many thanks for the copies of the Studies which you sent and also for placing my name on the mailing list. We too, have a large increase in enrollment this year, also a first class foot-ball team. I expect to watch the Illinois-Minnesota game with somewhat mixed feelings. Can't you come up and see the bunch of Illinois men up here at that time?

So Illinois let Kelley go to Ohio State? Well, all I can say is that Illinois will have a hard job to find as good a man for his place at any price. I sure was glad that I had left when I heard that he was going.

Cordially yours,

MAY 10 1915

Evanston Historical Society

Evanston, Ill., May 6th, 1915

Professor Solon J. Buck,
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have just now been perusing your very interesting article printed in the June (1914) number of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. This is rather a belated comment but to confess the truth I had not seen the article before, having been overwhelmed with other matters. I was surprised at the great number of works noticed in your article, but it seemed to me that such work as I had done in the field under notice should have had some recognition. In 1912 I completed two works of some importance, one of them entitled, "Chicago: Its History and Its Builders," and the other, "The Story of Old Fort Dearborn." Both of these works are in the University library I think. The first work above mentioned is in two parts: the history in three volumes, and biographical sketches in two, making five volumes in the set. But if you consult this work you will observe that my name is not on the title pages of the two volumes of biographical sketches. Having the five volumes bound uniformly was a device of the publishers and is rather distasteful to me. There is an index at the end of the third volume. The following gentlemen connected with the University have, I ~~beli~~ believe, some knowledge of my work: President James, Professors Greene, Kinley, Alvord, and Librarian Windsor.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you next week at the annual meeting of the State Historical Society.

Yours Very Truly

J. Seymour Currey

May 11, 1915

J. Seymour Curry
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of May 6, addressed to me at Urbana, and referring to my article on "Historical Activities" in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. If you will examine the article again, you will note that it is limited to the year 1913-14. In one or two cases books bearing the imprint 1912 were mentioned, especially if they were not actually published until 1913. This, I think, will explain to you the reason why your two works with which I have been familiar for some time were not mentioned in the article.

I have just completed the preparation of a similar article on "Activities" from 1914-15 which will be published in the June 1915 number of the Review. The work of compiling this article is so great, however, that my other duties will not permit me to continue it. I presume, however, that Professor Alvord will secure some one else to carry it on.

Sincerely yours