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Personal and Confidential

April 7, 1916

Professor Clarence E. Carter
Miami University
Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Carter:-

Paine writes me that you have ^{been} named one of the members of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association committee on nominations of which I am chairman. Of course we will not be able to settle anything until we get together at Nashville, but I am giving some thought to it and would like to receive any suggestions which may occur to you.

The nomination of vice-presidents is an especially ticklish matter in view of Alvord's resolution making them ineligible for the presidency for two years after the expiration of their terms as vice-presidents. Thus Paxson, Sioussat, and Moore are ineligible this year.

The following names have occurred to me for the presidency: Dr. Schmidt, Flemming, Barker, and Hulbert; for vice-presidents, Dr. Schmidt if not selected for president, Harlan, Fish and Dickerson.

I am inclined to think that the managing editor of the Review should be a member of the executive committee and as Alvord has kicked himself off the committee as ex-president, I wonder if it would not be well to put him in as one

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of the elective members. There are two such positions to be filled. Other names which have occurred to me are Vilette, Rammelkamp, Viles, Page, or any of those named above as possibilities for president or vice-presidents.

Sincerely yours

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Oxford, Ohio,

April 27, 1916.

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

Dear Buck;

I have found that it will be impossible for me to attend the meeting at Nashville and I am writing to tell you that whatever you and White do will have my o. k. It seems to me that you are on the right track and that any of the men you have listed will be satisfactory. I am not certain about pushing Hulbert at this time, if we could get any of the other men across. As to the Executive Committee you might consider Hockett, as I think he has never had much recognition. Rammelkamp would be quite satisfactory.

I wish I could join you at Nashville, but it will be impossible as things have developed.

Yours sincerely,

Clarence E. Carter

May 3, 1916

Professor Clarence E. Carter
Miami University
Oxford, Ohio

Dear Carter:-

I was indeed sorry that you failed to show up at Nashville. Just before I left for the meeting I received a letter from White stating that he would be unable to attend and asking me to act as his proxy. The consequence was that I had to take the whole responsibility which might in some quarters be considered a serious case of ring rule. Of course, I consulted with as many of the members as possible and I believe that the nominations were generally satisfactory.

We amended the constitution to eliminate vice-presidents and provide for nine instead of six elected members of the executive committee; also for a chairman of the executive committee to be elected by the committee and to take the place of the president in case of a vacancy. The officers nominated and elected were Paxson, president; Paine, secretary-treasurer; executive committee, Sioussat (one year), Harlan (two years), Violette, Alvord, and Hulbert (three years).

Before the nominations were presented we rescinded the resolution adopted at New Orleans last year, thus

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making possible the election of Paxson as president,
which seemed the logical thing to do. Next year I think
Dioussat ought to be elected president and then there-
after the nominating committee will be absolutely un-
hampered in its choice.

Sincerely yours