



[Solon J. Buck Papers.](#)

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Division
Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

January 3, 1916

Dear Sir:

The General Extension Division is revising its bulletin of correspondence courses for the purpose of issuing a new bulletin for the current year. The enclosed clipping shows the matter which now appears under your name. Will you kindly revise this matter or give us your O.K. on it for the new issue? We should be glad to have your suggestions for new courses, or for any improvements in the bulletin. It is necessary that we hear from you at once. Will you kindly let us have your reply by the first University mail?

Yours truly,
The General Extension Division.

January 6, 1916

Mr. R. R. Price

Director General Extension Division

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. Dear Mr. Price:-

Your note of January 3 arrived during my absence from the city. I am returning the clipping from the ~~the~~ bulletin. I have no changes to suggest. If it is necessary for some name to be attached to these courses, I suppose it will have to be mine, but it is very doubtful if I will be able to have anything to do with it next year. We are hoping to secure at least one additional man in American history, and if we do so, this work will undoubtedly be turned over to him.

Very truly yours

January 19, 1916

Professor Richard R. Price
Director University Extension Work
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am returning to you enclosed
the first two lessons of Mr. Smiley in the extension course in United States History, part 1. I have graded these papers 85 and 87 respectively.

Channing's History which is assigned as a text book for this course has been considerably changed in the 1915 edition, and it will be necessary either to revise the questions or to instruct the students to use one of the older editions. For example; in lesson 2, part II., question 2 refers to section 17 of the text. The matter which was contained in section 17 of the old edition is presented in condensed form in section 16 of the 1915 edition. In the same lesson, part III., question 1 calls for information about the Flatey Book (misprinted Flotey). Channing has dropped all reference to this in his latest edition.

Very truly yours

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

January 25, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
c/o Minn. Historical Society,
State Capitol, St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Buck:

I note what you state in your letter of January 19 about the references to Channing's History in our correspondence course in United States History. I believe that you are correct in advising that the questions should be revised so as to conform to the new edition of Channing. Will you be so kind as to do this, and we will then prepare the new lessons here in accordance with your instructions. In the meantime, of course, we shall proceed as best we can with the lessons as they now stand.

Yours truly,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

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DIRECTOR.

*Miss
Potter*

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

February 4, 1916.

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

We have sent you several correspondence lesson papers which have not been returned to us. We would appreciate it if you will kindly return the corrected papers to us as soon as possible, together with the grade of each lesson on a separate slip of paper.

We are enclosing herewith lessons 10 to 14 inclusive from Mr. Atkinson. We neglected to send to you the record card for this student, and are therefore enclosing same herewith. This card is for your files only.

Trusting you will return the lessons you now have on hand very soon, I am

Yours truly,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR. BY RO.

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

February 11, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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To Instructors of Correspondence Courses:

The number of correspondence students is increasing so rapidly this year that it seems necessary to establish some fundamental principles for the conduct of the courses. Methods of procedure, standardization of courses, pedagogical principles, office practice, are among the topics that should be discussed. Will you kindly attend a conference of correspondence teachers to be held in the Main Engineering building, room #135, on Tuesday, February 15, at 4 P.M. Please come prepared to offer a contribution from your experience to this co-operative effort to put correspondence teaching in this institution on a more efficient basis.

Yours truly,
The General Extension Division,

Richard R. Price
Director.

FEB 19 1916

The University of Minnesota

University Extension Service
Minneapolis

February 18, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
State Capitol,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am enclosing herewith the balance of the lessons in United States History Part I from Mr. Atkinson. He is very desirous of taking the examination very soon in order that he may begin on United States History Part II. We therefore will kindly ask you to return the corrected lesson papers to us at once if possible. We are also enclosing a list of examination questions which we have been using before in this course. If these are satisfactory, kindly let us know and return same together with the lesson papers.

Trusting you will give this matter your very prompt attention, I am

Yours truly,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR. BY RO.

February 15, 1916

Mr. R. R. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I regret that it will be impossible for me to attend the conference of correspondence teachers this afternoon.

Very truly yours

The University of Minnesota

University Extension Service
Minneapolis

March 30, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

Enclosed please find a letter from Mr. W. E. Atkinson of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, one of our correspondence students who has been taking your course in United States History I. You will observe that he makes some very bitter criticism of our methods and procedure. As to the merit of his complaints about ill-natured and sarcastic comments on his work we are, of course, in no condition to judge because we have not seen these criticisms. However, we are inclined to believe that Mr. Atkinson has been a little oversensitive and has taken to heart kindly and well meant suggestions and criticisms.

However, as to his complaint that he had sent in all the lessons of his course before he had received back a single paper, I must say that his vexation seems to be well-founded. On looking over the record I find that he could ^{not} have made use of the criticisms or suggestions on his papers for the next succeeding papers, since he received no criticisms or suggestions until he had written and sent in the entire course. The theory of our correspondence course work is that a student shall have the benefit of his teacher's criticism on one lesson before he undertakes the next.

I am referring Mr. Atkinson's letter to you in the hope that you may be able to offer a suggestion whereby we may avoid in the future such criticism from our students. Please return the letter to this office when you are through with it.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR.

RRP/O

February 24, 1917

Miss Mary V. Kellogg
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

My dear Miss Kellogg:-

This will acknowledge the receipt
of Mr. Stevens' check for \$3.75 which closes my account
with the General Extension Division.

Very truly yours

April 1, 1916

Mr. Richard R. Price
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am in receipt of your letter of March 30 enclosing the letter from Mr. Atkinson which I return herewith. ✓

With reference to his complaint about the delay in returning the papers, I think he has a real grievance. In order that there may be no misunderstanding I want to make an explicit statement of the situation. When I came to the University a year ago last fall, I undertook to handle the correspondence work in American History. In November, however, I accepted the position of superintendent of the Minnesota Historical Society and it was apparent at once that it would be quite impossible for me to continue to handle this work. It was, therefore, turned over to Mr. Stephenson for the rest of the year. Some time last fall Professor Ford spoke to me about this work, and I told him that it would be a physical impossibility for me to attempt to do it. We discussed the matter at some length and finally I suggested that if I could persuade one of my assistants to do the work under my direction, I would make myself responsible for it. This assistant, who was formerly connected with the University, has had considerable graduate work in history and both Mr. Ford and myself considered her competent to do

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the work. Before I had an opportunity to take up the matter with her, however, I received a communication from you stating that Mr. Ford had informed you that I would undertake the work and enclosing a batch of papers.

I found the assistant in question very unwilling to attempt the work, but finally prevailed upon her to do so. Unfortunately she is the sort of a person who will do a thing very thoroughly or not at all, and she spent hours and hours reading the assignments and going back of them to more comprehensive material in preparation for this work. The result was that the work went along very slowly and I finally found it necessary to authorize her to use part of her time which belonged to the Minnesota Historical Society in order to get the work done. I regretted very much this delay and did everything in my power to push the work along, but, as I have indicated, both myself and my assistant were practically forced to handle the work.

With reference to Mr. Atkinson's complaint of "rather voluminous criticisms, some trivial, some showing inaccurate knowledge of the subject, and very many of them ill-natured, sarcastic, affording no real assistance"; I am inclined to think that the explanation is that Mr. Atkinson did not expect or desire thorough, careful, searching criticism of

R. R. P. 4/1/16--3

his work. We assumed that this was work of a college grade and that kindergarten methods would be out of order.

My own impression from Mr. Atkinson's papers is that he felt that it was quite beneath him to follow the directions of the lessons or to write down things which in his opinion might be taken for granted. For example, one of the lessons consisted of the preparation of an abstract of a book. Instead of a carefully prepared abstract, we received merely a collection of disjointed notes, mostly incomplete statements and in some cases utterly unintelligible to anyone except the writer without an examination of the book itself. Mr. Atkinson's letter shows that he is competent to write good clear English, but apparently he did not think it worth while to do so in this case. The papers all passed through my hands after they had been corrected and I considered that the work of criticism had been done very thoroughly and with unusual care.

Finally with reference to your request for "a suggestion whereby we may avoid in the future such criticism from our students", I can only say that the sooner I am relieved from all responsibility for this work, the better

R. R. P. 4/1/16--4

I think it will be for all parties concerned. The reorganization and management of the Historical Society which I have undertaken is quite work enough for one man, to say nothing of my class work and direction of graduate students for the University, nor is the compensation for this work, which I shall turn over, of course, to my assistant, at all commensurate with the time which she has put upon it.

Very truly yours

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The University of Minnesota

University Extension Service

Minneapolis

April 4, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have your letter of April 1 with reference to the complaint from Mr. Atkinson about the correspondence course in History. As I stated in my other letter to you, I think that the only real grievance that Mr. Atkinson has is about the delay in returning the papers. I do not attach any weight to his complaints about the criticisms of his papers. I am writing Mr. Atkinson and pointing out to him just where, in my opinion, he does not understand our correspondence methods and the way in which a correspondence course necessarily differs from a course in a class room. I am telling him that a correspondence student must be distinguished above all other students by the quality of teachableness.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter, in which you ask that you be relieved from all responsibility of this work as soon as possible, I may state that in the absence of Mr. Ford, the head of the Department, I believe that it will be well to retain your connection with this work at least throughout the rest of this year and until the return of Mr. Ford. When Dean Ford returns I will, if you like, put the situation before him and ask him to make other arrangements for the conduct of this course.

Thanking you for your kindness in conducting this course under these adverse circumstances, I am

Sincerely yours,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

RRP/O

DIRECTOR.

April 6, 1916

Mr. Richard H. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I have your letter of April 4 and in reply will state that I had expected to continue to handle the American History course as there seems to be no one else who could take charge of it at present. I shall have to avail myself, however, as in the past of the services of my assistant, but I will endeavor to supervise her work carefully. Now that she has been over the first course, the correction of the papers of the other students taking that course will doubtless require much less time.

Very truly yours

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

April 15, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am enclosing herewith a long letter received from our correspondence student, Mr. Atkinson, in reply to a letter which I wrote him on April 4 and in which I conveyed to him your explanation of the criticisms on his work to which he seems to have taken exception. I hope you will give his letter a careful reading because to my mind it explains many things which before were dark. The mere fact that the student is sixty years old I think accounts for many things. On the whole I believe that in this letter he shows a commendable attitude toward his work and perhaps with our better knowledge of his personality we may be able to carry him along without disaster. Please return his letter to me when you have finished with it.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

RRP/O

DIRECTOR.

April 18, 1916

Mr. R. R. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am returning herewith the
letter of Mr. Atkinson which you forwarded for
my perusal. Had I realized that my previous letter
to you was to be sent to Mr. Atkinson, I should
probably have written it somewhat differently.

Very truly yours

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

April 19, 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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

Dear Mr. Buck:

I think possibly that you misinterpreted my letter in which I referred to my correspondence with Mr. Atkinson. We did not send your letter to Mr. Atkinson--I simply quoted such parts of the letter as I thought he should see.

We are now awaiting a report from you on the examination taken by Mr. Atkinson.

Yours truly,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Owen

RRP/O

DIRECTOR.

April 22, 1916

Mr. R. R. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I enclose herewith the examination of Mr. Atkinson, together with statement of his grade. You will note from the slips attached that his lesson average was 81 and his examination 77, making a final grade of 79. I went through this examination personally after Miss Potter had been through it and had written the comments. I was unable to find anything objectionable in these comments but possibly it would be well for you to look them over yourself before sending them out.

I might add that I do not believe Mr. Atkinson should be encouraged to go on with the second course. I do not believe the work is doing him any particular good and I certainly do not want to be responsible for keeping him awake nights and ruining his health.

Very truly yours

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

26 April 1916

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

My dear Mr. Buck:-

Please sign both copies of the invoice forms enclosed at the place indicated and return promptly in the envelope provided so that we may requisition for payment of the amount due for correspondence instruction of Mr. W. E. Atkinson.

I may say that in accordance with your suggestion I have written Mr. Atkinson advising that he should not undertake the second part of United States History.

Very truly yours,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price
DIRECTOR By MVK

April 27, 1916

Mr. Richard R. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

We are in receipt of your letter of April 26 enclosing the invoice forms for Mr. Buck's signature. He is out of the city at present and I will call the matter to his attention immediately upon his return the early part of next week.

Very truly yours

Secretary to the superintendent

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Division
Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

9 May 1916

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

My dear Mr. Buck:-

Enclosed please find check for \$10.00 to
cover the amount due you for instruction by correspondence
of W. E. Atkinson. I should be glad to know that you
receive the check.

Very truly yours,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price
DIRECTOR By MVK

May 10, 1916

Mr. R. R. Price
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

This is to acknowledge the receipt of
the check for ten dollars for instruction by correspon-
dence of W. E. Atkinson.

Very truly yours

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Division
Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

7 July ,1916

Mr. S. J. Buck,
State Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Buck:-

Please sign both copies of the invoice forms enclosed at the place indicated and return immediately to this office so that we may requisition for payment of the amount due you and get it included in the business of this fiscal year.

Very truly yours,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price
DIRECTOR By MVK

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Division
Minneapolis

July 20, 1916

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. S. J. Buck,
State Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Buck:

Enclosed please find University check
for \$7.92 to cover your fee for instruction by
correspondence from February 1 to July 1, 1916.
Kindly acknowledge receipt of same.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR.

RRP/O

July 21, 1916

Mr. Richard R. Price
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

My dear Mr. Price:-

This will acknowledge receipt
of a check for \$7.92 covering fee for corres-
pondence instruction from February to July 1, 1916.

Very truly yours

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

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GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
CORRESPONDENCE STUDY

October 12, 1916

Professor Solon J. Buck,
State Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Enclosed please find an application for
a correspondence course in United States History,
which we are sending for your approval.

By the way, would it not be worth while
now to give this course a thorough revision? I
believe that with the experience you have had in
teaching this subject by correspondence you should
be able to improve the course.

Please let me hear from you.

Yours truly,

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR.

RRP/O

October 13, 1916.

Richard E. Price, Director,
General Extension Division,
University of Minnesota,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am returning to you herewith the application of ✓
Mr. Weech for registration in the correspondence course in
United States History. The department now has an instructor
in American history who is thoroughly competent to handle
this work, in the person of Dr. Wayne E. Stevens, and I sug-
gest that you turn it over to him. I will, of course, finish
up the work of those students who have already begun, but I
do not care to take on any more. It would be absolutely im-
possible for me to find the time to revise the course, and I
should be very glad to be relieved of all responsibility con-
cerning it. Dr. Stevens is giving regular work similar to
this course, which I am not, and would, I believe, handle the
work very satisfactorily.

Sincerely yours,

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

OCT 21 1916

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
CORRESPONDENCE STUDY

October 20, 1916

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

Would it be possible for you to return the last lessons of Mr. P. K. Smiley's in United States History I very soon? We are enclosing the twenty-fourth lesson herewith. Mr. Smiley desires to continue in United States History II and he wishes to commence this course right away, but we cannot allow him to do so until course I is thoroughly completed. We would therefore appreciate it very much if you will get these lessons, that is lessons 20 to 24 inclusive, corrected and returned to us as soon as possible.

Thanking you for your prompt attention to this matter, I am

Yours very truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price

DIRECTOR. BY RO

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NOV 17 1916

The University of Minnesota

University Extension Division

Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

November 16, 1916

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

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith an invoice in duplicate showing the balance due you for correspondence instruction of Mr. P. K. Smiley. Please sign your name on the line marked "Firm Name in Full", and return both copies to this office.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard P. Price

DIRECTOR. BY RO

NOV 23 1916

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Division
Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

November 23, 1916

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

Enclosed please find check for \$3.33 to cover the balance due you for instruction by correspondence of Mr. Proctor K. Smiley. Please let me know that you receive the check.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Richard R. Price
DIRECTOR. BY MVK

MVK/O

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November 24, 1916

Mr. Richard R. Price
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

By ~~de Sir~~ Mr. Price:-

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 23 enclosing check for \$3.33 covering balance due for instruction by correspondence of Mr. Proctor K. Smiley.

Sincerely yours

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

February 23, 1917

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
CORRESPONDENCE STUDY

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am enclosing herewith check for \$3.75 signed by Mr. W. E. Stevens to cover the amount due for correspondence instruction of Miss Beatryce Finn (nine lessons). This is in accordance with my letter to Miss Potter under date of February 20, a carbon copy of which was sent to you.

I shall be glad to know that you receive this check,

Very truly yours,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Mary V. Kellogg
Secretary to the Director.

FEB 21 1917

February 20, 1917

(Copy to Solon J. Buck)

Miss Franc M. Potter,
217 8th Ave. S. E.,
Minneapolis.

My dear Miss Potter:

I think I have unraveled the tangle with regard to correspondence students. I find that Mr. Buck did say that he expected to finish up the work of the students who had already begun but did not care to take on any more. It has been my impression, however, since Mr. Stevens had a conference with Mr. Price concerning the matter, that he was to immediately assume responsibility of correcting the papers of all students enrolled in United States History courses. This should have been made clear to Mr. Buck. We are today writing Mr. Stevens to the effect that we shall wish him to complete the work of Miss Finn.

Our record shows that twelve lessons have been corrected and returned to Miss Finn. On July 1, 1916, you were paid \$1.25 for the three lessons corrected up to that time. Mr. Stevens was paid \$3.75 for the nine lessons completed up to January 1. This I presume should have gone to you, and I will write Mr. Stevens to that effect.

With regard to Proctor Knott Smiley, you were paid \$6.67 for sixteen lessons on July 1, 1916. On November 18 you were paid \$3.33 making the total fee of \$10.00. There is therefore no confusion with regard to this student.

Yours truly,
GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Mary V. Kellogg
Secretary to the Director.

MVK/O

JUN 27 1917

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

June 26, 1917.

Mr. S. J. Buck, Secretary,
State Historical Society,
State Capitol,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

We are now preparing our bulletin of evening extension classes for next year. We should like to offer a course in American History. I wonder if you would not like to conduct such a course, which would meet one night a week for two hours, from 7:30 to 9:30. The course will begin the first week in October and run for sixteen weeks. If the class did well and the members wished to go on, we could then offer them the second part for the second semester, running another sixteen weeks. We can pay the teacher \$150 for each semester.

Please let me know if you would be willing to undertake such a course. Please understand, however, that if you accepted, we would offer the course next year, but we could not guarantee that a class would be formed. Our minimum enrollment is fifteen and if that many persons appeared we would conduct the class, otherwise not. I should be glad to hear from you, if possible, by return mail.

Yours very truly,

THE GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION,

Richard R. Price

Director.

RRP:EH

June 28, 1917

Professor R. R. Price
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am sorry to say that it would be quite impossible for me to undertake to teach an evening extension class in American history next year. If I were giving a general course in American history as a part of my regular University work, it would be a different proposition.

I would suggest that you ask Professor Lester B. Shippee, who has been given a temporary appointment in the department, and who will give the general course in American history next year, to handle this work. I understand that he is an experienced teacher. His address is Phenix, Rhode Island.

Sincerely yours

JUL 9 1917

The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

July 7, 1917.

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

Dear Mr. Buck:

In reply to your letter of July 6, I may inform you that we sent almost the entire supply of the pamphlet: "Facts about the War" to the State Public Safety Commission. We kept out only the few that we needed here in this office. If you will call on Secretary Pardee of the Commission, he will undoubtedly furnish you as many copies as you need.

Yours very truly,

THE GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION,

Richard P. Price

RRP:EH

Director.

July 6, 1917

Price
Professor R. R. ~~Preuss~~
Director General Extension Division
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minn.

Price
My dear Mr. ~~Preuss~~:-

I am in receipt of a copy of the pamphlet "Facts about the War" and have looked it over with great interest. It seems to me that it will be a very valuable aid to all who have occasion to make addresses on war.

I wonder if you could send me half a dozen additional copies of this pamphlet. If so, I could make very good use of them here in the Capitol. A number of the state officials are constantly called upon to make such speeches and come to us for material. Recently I secured a few copies of the annotated edition of the President's message and they went like hot cakes.

Sincerely yours,

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The University of Minnesota
University Extension Service
Minneapolis

GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

ANNOUNCEMENT

The General Extension Division is now preparing its bulletin of Extension Lectures for the current season. We should like to list in this bulletin the titles of any lectures which you are prepared to offer to Minnesota communities. This year the Division proposes to make an extra effort to put University speakers into as many towns as possible. We need your sympathetic co-operation in making this part of our work a success. The University, through its men of vision and learning, has a message for the people of the state. This office hopes to make engagements for the delivery of the message. Lectures which have some bearing on problems connected with the war will be especially welcome. You will understand that the compensation for extension lectures is nominal, being ten dollars and expenses per engagement. Any person may, of course, limit the number of such engagements that he will accept. Will you kindly send to this office at your early convenience the titles of your lectures or indicate that you prefer not to be listed?

THE GENERAL EXTENSION DIVISION,

Richard R. Price,

Director.

December 15, 1914 7

Professor Richard R. Price
General Extension Division
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Price:-

I am in receipt of your circular asking for the titles of lectures for announcement in the Extension Division bulletin.

There are two lectures or talks which I might be able to give occasionally, although I doubt very much if there would be any call for them. They are "Scenes and Incidents in the History of Fort Snelling" (illustrated), and "The Functions of a State Historical Society". I could also give a reading of selections from the manuscript journal of Lucius C. Boynton, illustrative of manners, customs, ideas and ideals in the first half of the nineteenth century. A group of about twenty University men upon whom I tried this last year considered it very entertaining.

Sincerely yours