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know of third parties as a whole, especially in their influence on <sup>national</sup> legislation and the policies of the major parties.

The Granger Movement, according to my plan is to form the first phase of the minor party development.

It occurred to me that it might be well to write to you with a view to finding out what you had already done and contemplate doing, so that I should not needlessly duplicate any of your work. I should be glad to hear from you regarding your methods in treating the topic, etc.

Sincerely,  
H. J. Gilbertson

HARTLEY HALL  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

New York Nov. 1, 1910.

Dear Sir,

In the list of doctoral dissertations issued by the Carnegie Institution, your subject is given as "The Granger Movement". This subject interested me because I have chosen the ~~same~~ topic: "Minor Parties since 1865". It is my intention not to go into any detailed history of the parties but rather to treat the phenom-

HARTLEY HALL  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Mar. 17, 1910

Dear Sir:

I am much pleased to  
have yours of the 14th. If you  
could conveniently send me a  
draft of such a portion of  
your work as you think would  
bear on my subject, I would  
be very pleased to receive it

Sincerely

W. H. Gilchrist

Mr. O. J. Buck,  
Mabana, Ill.

the future production.

Mr C. O. Suggles, also of Stanford writes me that he expects to return to Stanford and finish up his dissertation on the Greenback Movement. My own study will cut across special phases of both the movements.

Thanking you for your kind favor in allowing me to look over your work I am.

Sincerely yours,

W. Gilchrist

Mr D. J. Buck,  
Urbana Ill.

HARTLEY HALL  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Mar. 28, 1910.

My dear Mr Buck:

I have just read the portion of the manuscript, which I return herewith.

If this is a fair sample of the whole it strikes me that you have done a very thorough and useful piece of work. I sincerely hope that I will have an opportunity in the future to go through

GLASGOW, BROOK & COMPANY  
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15 WILTON AVE. TORONTO.

August 29th, 1916.

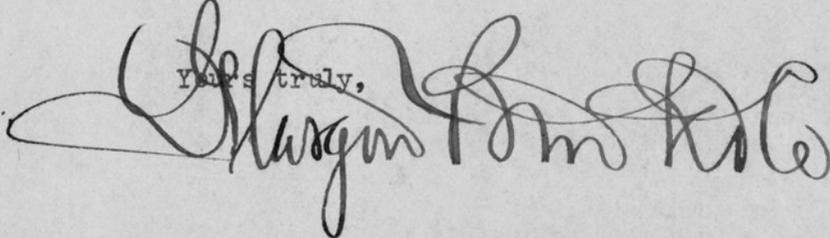
Professor Solon J. Buck,  
Minnesota Historical Society,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

We take pleasure in sending you the final ten volumes of the "Chronicles of Canada" Series, addressed to the Librarian, Minnesota Historical Society.

The successful publication of this series in Canada under war conditions is somewhat note-worthy. The first twelve volumes were published at the outbreak of war in August, 1914, and at the present time approximately twenty thousand adults and thirty thousand children are reading the series. The almost instantaneous recognition of the series is something new in the annals of Canadian publishing.

Yours truly,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to a representative of Glasgow, Brook & Company. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name 'Glasgow Brook & Co.'.

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September 12, 1916

Glasgow Brook & Co.,  
15 Wilton Ave.,  
Toronto, Canada

Gentlemen:-

I am in receipt of your letter of August 29 informing me that you were sending the final ten volumes of the Chronicles of Canada series addressed to the Librarian, Minnesota Historical Society. I am not quite sure whether this is intended to complete the set purchased by the Minnesota Historical Society or the set which you have been kind enough to present to me.

Today I received clearance papers from the Western Express Co. for this shipment and among them is your bill for nine dollars. This must be a mistake as the set ordered for the Minnesota Historical Society was paid for in full on receipt of the first twenty-two volumes.

I am very glad, indeed, to know that you have succeeded in completing the series in spite of the war conditions and look forward with much interest to the examination of these volumes.

Sincerely yours

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GLASGOW, BROOK & COMPANY  
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September 16th, 1916.

Solon J. Buck, Esq.,  
Supt., The Minnesota Historical Society,  
St. Paul, Minn.

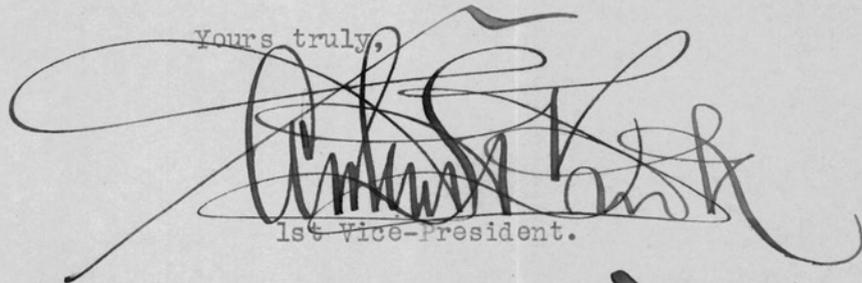
Dear Sir:

Replying to your favour of the 12th inst. The final ten volumes of the "Chronicles of Canada" Series recently sent addressed to the Librarian, Minnesota Historical Society, are in completion of your personal set. You will note that they are bound in a different style to the twenty-two volumes supplied to the Minnesota Historical Society. The ten volumes in completion of the Society's set have not yet been received from the bindery.

There is no charge for the books, and you are quite right in stating also that you have paid in full for the set ordered for the Minnesota Historical Society. The bill for \$9.00 sent you was to enable you to clear the books through the customs.

When you have had the opportunity of looking over the complete series, we shall be glad to receive your impression of the work as a whole.

Yours truly,

A large, highly stylized handwritten signature in black ink, featuring many loops and flourishes. It is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

1st Vice-President.

AHB/MFT

September 22, 1916

Glasgow, Brook & Co.,  
15 Wilton Ave.,  
Toronto, Can.

Gentlemen:-

This is to acknowledge the receipt of the final ten volumes of your publication, The Chronicles of Canada, which you have been kind enough to present to me.

I have had opportunity as yet only to glance through these volumes, but they impress me as maintaining the high standard set by the other volumes of this series. I am looking forward to the reading of some of these volumes and shall be glad to write you more fully later on with reference to them and to the set as a whole.

When the first of these volumes came out, the plan of the series appealed to me as an excellent one and one which might well be applied in the field of American history. I was very much interested, therefore, to learn a short time ago that a similar series, "The Chronicles of America" is under way, and felt honored in being asked to write one of the volumes for this new series.

Sincerely yours

July 31, 1917

My dear Mr. Glasgow:-

I want to thank you for sending me a copy of the page proof of William Wood's Elizabethan Sea-Dogs. I shall look this over with great interest at the first opportunity.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Robert Glasgow  
United States Publishers Association  
325 Fifth Av., New York City.

The University of Minnesota  
College of Science, Literature, and the Arts  
Minneapolis

May 27, 1916.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Dear Sir:

I am considering Dr. C. M. Thompson of the University of Illinois as successor to Dr. Hayes of this department. Dr. Hayes' chief work was to take charge of large sections in the Elements of Economics, lay out the work, lecture to the large groups once a week, and then with the aid of many other men divide into smaller quiz sections for the remaining two exercises of the week. He has had charge of the more advanced work in Economic Theory. We want his successor to take charge of the same work. Do you think Thompson is a man who can do it? Is he, apart from his intellectual attainments, a man we would want to take into our large group here with the hope that he would be a permanent member of the University? An early reply will oblige.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

*John H. Roy*

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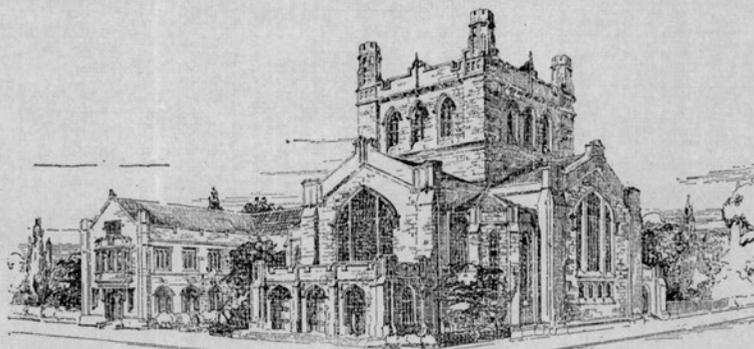
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Mr S J Buck,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir;

I am preparing a thesis on the Granger movement in Missouri. I have obtained from the University of Wisconsin, or rather from the Historical Society, the proceedings of the third and fourth annual meetings of the Missouri State Grange. I am anxious to secure the other numbers up to about the tenth. Dr. Viles was of the opinion that you might be able to help me locate these. If you know the whereabouts of any of these early minutes other than the two mentioned above I should appreciate the information.

Sincerely Yours,

November 20th.

*W. L. Halberstadt*

December 7, 1917

Mr. William L. Halberstadt  
807 Virginia Avenue  
Columbia, Missouri

Dear Sir:-

Complications in connection with the completion and equipment for the new building for the historical society have prevented me from replying before to your inquiry of November 20 with reference to proceedings of the Missouri State Grange.

I regret to say that I know of no copies of such proceedings apart from those in the library of the Wisconsin Historical Society, as indicated in the bibliography of my Granger Movement.

Very truly yours

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1120 GREAT NORTHERN BUILDING  
ST. PAUL, MINN.

February 18, 1916.

Mr. S. J. Buck,  
Mr. R. E. Olds,  
Mr. R. D. Herrick,  
Mr. H. S. Butler,

Dear Sirs:

I beg to advise you that you have been appointed as the Committee on Western History, of the Harvard Club of Minnesota, for the year 1916; and that Mr. S. J. Buck has been appointed the Chairman.

Truly yours,

*Sanford H. Freund*  
Secretary.

MAR 9 1917

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ROOM 47, THE WIDENER MEMORIAL BUILDING, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

March 6, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Dr. Buck:

Some of the Chairmen of the Harvard Club Committee on Western History have raised the objection that the work of the Commission as I have recently outlined it appears to be in competition with that of their state and local historical societies. I am therefore sending out the enclosed circular letter which I trust will meet with their approbation.

Very truly yours,

Thomas P. Martin,  
Archivist.

W. H. HATHAWAY  
HEAD OF HISTORY DEPARTMENT  
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MILWAUKEE, WIS.

November 22, 1917

Mr. Clarence W. Alvord  
416 Lincoln Hall  
Urbana, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Last spring I was invited to take part on the program of the History Teachers' section of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association after the programs had been printed so that my name did not appear thereon. My topic did appear upon the last supplementary program of the meeting. I have learned that it is possible that you do not have a record of this, which explains why I am writing you. My subject was "A Course in Socialized High School Civics". The paper is about to be printed in the School Review.

Yours truly,



Riverside High School

May 22, 1916

Dr. H. C. Hayes  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Hayes:-

The oral examination of Mr. Fieldhouse for the master's degree will take place Thursday afternoon, May 25, at two thirty P. M. in one of the new history seminary rooms in the southwest corner of the library, second floor.

As I understand it you are on the thesis committee for Mr. Fieldhouse, and if possible I hope that you will finish your reading of the thesis in time to give your decision upon it at the examination.

Sincerely yours

Miss Heilbron was one of the very best students in my class this year, and received the grade of A in all of her work. She showed unusual ability, not only in the ordinary work of the course, but especially in the preparation of a paper which was done in a very scholarly manner. She is personally attractive and I am convinced that she will make an excellent teacher. As I do not know how much other work she has had in the History Department, I am unable to say whether or not she is qualified for major work in that department.

Asst. Prof. in History

April 19, 1916

Hermitage Hotel

Nashville, Tenn.

Gentlemen:-

I expect to attend the meeting of the  
Mississippi Valley Historical Association at  
Nashville Thursday and Friday of next week, and  
will appreciate it if you will reserve for me a  
room with bath at a rate not exceeding \$2.50.

Very truly yours

APR 22 1916

# Mississippi Valley Historical Association

## Teachers' Section

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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Apr. 21, 1916

Secy. Solon J. Buck,  
 St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Concerning the membership of the Executive Committee of the Teachers' Section, Professor Cox has suggested to me the election <sup>as Chairman</sup> of A. C. Thomas, State Supt. of Education of Nebraska. With that suggestion I heartily concur. On the printed program appears erroneously the name of J. Nelson Kelly as a member of the above Committee; his term expired a year ago. The retiring members this year (see letter head above) are Professors Munro and Geiser. The choice of Supt. Thomas as Chairman, wd leave one vacancy. How would it do to fill that vacancy with one of those who appear on the program this year, say either Professor Souley or Professor Kinsbury?

I should like to see Prof Dean Guy Stanton Ford elected President of the Assn.; Vice-President O. B. Harding; members of the Executive Com. — J. A. Woodburn, F. L. Parson

With best wishes for a successful session and regards to yourself.

Cordially yours,  
 Howard C. Hill

April 24, 1916

Mr. Howard C. Hill  
Normal School  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

My dear Mr. Hill:-

I am under obligations to you for your letter of April 21. It had not occurred to me that my committee would have anything to do with nominations for for the Teachers' Section until I saw the printed program. If we are to make such nominations we shall certainly be guided by the wishes of the present members of the committee and no one is in better position than yourself to know what would be desirable. I had supposed that the members of this committee were selected by the executive committee of the association.

I appreciated also your suggestion as to officers of the association. There are three reasons why I do not think it would be desirable to nominate Dean Ford for president. In the first place a resolution adopted last year makes him ineligible as two years have not elapsed since the expiration of his term as vice-president. This resolution will probably be rescinded or some other policy adopted in this connection, but the committee is bound by it at present. A second reason is that Dean Ford and I are

H. C. H. 4/24/16--2

both members of the same history department, and a third, and to my mind the most important reason, is that Dean Ford's field of work is a long ways from the history of the Mississippi Valley.

I shall be glad to bear in mind your other suggestions and present them to the committee.

Sincerely yours

May 3, 1916

Mr. Howard C. Hill  
Milwaukee Normal School  
Milwaukee, Wis.

My dear Mr. Hill:-

Your suggestion as to members of the executive committee of the Teachers' Section of the M. V. H. A. were followed. Thomas and Souby were elected members of the committee with Thomas as chairman and yourself secretary.

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, Pioussat (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 making possible the election of Paxson as president, which seemed the logical thing to do. Next year I think

H. C. H. 5/3/16--2

Sioussat ought to be elected president and then there-  
after the nominating committee will be absolutely un-  
hampered in its choice.

Very truly yours

MAY 26 1916

Mississippi Valley Historical Association  
Teachers' Section

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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KARL F. GEISER, OBERLIN COLLEGE, OBERLIN, OHIO

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 24, 1916

Professor Solon J. Buck,  
Secy. of the Minnesota Historical Society,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date at hand, and its contents read with interest. I thank you very much for the information therein contained. The officers who were elected will prove very efficient, and it seems to me that the Association is fortunate in securing their services.

Thanking you again for your courtesy, I am,

Yours very truly,

*Howard C. Hill*

Dictated but not  
read by H.C.Hill

November 1, 1916

Dr. Albert E. McKinley  
Editor History Teachers Magazine  
1619-1621 Ranstead St., Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. McKinley:-

Please note the following  
corrections for the list of officers of History  
teachers' associations as published in the History  
Teachers' Magazine.

Twin City History Club; president, Miss Medora  
Jackson, The Leamington, Minneapolis; secretary, Miss  
Lydia M. Ickler, 648 Delaware Ave., St. Paul, Minn.  
These are the officers for the current school year.

Very truly yours

December 2, 1916

Dr. Albert E. McKinley  
Editor History Teachers Magazine  
1619-1621 Ranstead St., Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. McKinley:-

Through an error in my letter of yesterday, the name of the president of the Twin City History Teachers' Club was given as Miss Medora Jackson. Please change it to Miss Medora Jordan, The Leamington, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Very truly yours

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Philadelphia, Pa., December 6, 1916.

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

My dear Dr. Buck;

I thank you for the information respect-  
ing the Twin City History Teachers' Club and I also note  
the correction made by your second letter.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your  
interest in the Magazine, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Albert C. Mc Kinley  
per. S.A.

E/MA

October 14, 1916.

Mr. H. W. Hockett,  
Ohio State University,  
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Hockett:-

This will acknowledge receipt of the copy of your syllabus. It has just come in, and I have not had time to look it over. I am sure, however, that it will be very helpful to me, and I will be glad to pass on any suggestions that occur to me as I am using it.

Sincerely yours,

DEC 10 1917

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

W.O. THOMPSON, PRESIDENT

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DEPARTMENT OF  
AMERICAN HISTORY

COLUMBUS. Dec. 7, 1917.

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

My dear Buck:--

*For file*

I am having your name placed on the mailing list for a copy of my dissertation, which is just being sent out as a number in the series which this university is publishing. As it is a study of the influence of the West on parties, it has some kinship with your own essay, and I trust may be of some interest to you.

I shall not be able to go to Philadelphia this year. I suppose you will go. Shall we have the pleasure of a visit from you this season?

With cordial regards, in which my wife joins, I am,

Yours truly,

*Horace C. Hackett*

You will want to see the Kelley baby, of course.

May 22, 1916

Mr. Franklin F. Holbrook  
1120 S. E. Seventh St.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Holbrook:

I have a note from the Registrar requesting a report on your work in History 206 for the second semester of last year, which as you will remember, was turned in as incomplete. I trust that you will get this settled up before the examination in order that I may make a final report at that time.

The hour for your examination has been set at three thirty Thursday afternoon, May 25, in one of the new history seminary rooms in the library.

Sincerely yours

426 Lincoln Hall,  
Urbana, Illinois,  
June 8, 1916.

Mr. Frank Lin Holbrook,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Holbrook:

Mr. Alvord has a position to be filled in the Illinois Survey for next year which will pay \$960, and it occurred to me that you might desire to apply for it. It would be research work entirely and would, I understand, allow you some time for graduate work. I have recommended you very highly, and if you are interested it would be well for you to fill out the enclosed blank and mail it as soon as possible to Professor C. W. Alvord, 426 Lincoln Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:MJ

University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
February 13, 1917

Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,  
623 S. Wabash Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

I have decided to use Folwell's  
Minnesota, the North Star State as a text in  
my course on the history of Minnesota in the  
University of Minnesota. Should you care to  
supply me with a copy for my desk, I would be  
glad to accept it.

Very truly yours



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623-633 SOUTH WABASH AVENUE

CHICAGO,  
February 15,  
1917.

Mr. S. J. Buck,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of February 13 has been received, and we note with interest the use you plan to make of Folwell's MINNESOTA, THE NORTH STAR STATE. We are always glad to supply complimentary copies to instructors who order ten or more copies of a text for class use and if you will request this copy at the time of placing your order, we shall be glad to include it with the stock shipment.

We feel sure that your students will find much interest in reading, as well as valuable information in the Folwell history, and hope that we may have an early opportunity of supplying them with copies.

Very truly yours,

HOUGHTON MIFFLIN COMPANY.

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University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
March 1, 1917

Houghton, Mifflin Co.,  
623-633 South Wabash Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

I received your letter of February 15  
in reply to mine of February 13 with reference  
to supplying a copy of Folwell's Minnesota, The  
North Star State.

As the orders for copies of this work  
for my class were placed some time ago by the  
local book stores, it would be quite impossible  
for me to comply with your suggestion.

Very truly yours



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CHICAGO, March 3,  
1917.

Professor Solon J. Buck,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Professor Solon:-

Your letter of March 1 has been received, and we are glad to learn that you will use in your classes Folwell's MINNESOTA, THE NORTH STAR STATE. Our records show that orders for this book were received last year and, although we do not ordinarily expect to grant complimentary desk copies after an introductory order has been placed, we are sending you a copy at this time in the hope that you will find a permanent use for it and that we may be able to supply other copies to your students.

Trusting that you will have much pleasure in your study of the Folwell work, and assuring you of our desire to serve you in any way possible, we are

Very truly yours,

HOUGHTON MIFFLIN COMPANY.

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University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.

March 7, 1917

Houghton Mifflin Co.,  
623 South Wabash Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

I want to thank you for the copy of  
Folwell's Minnesota, the North Star State  
which you were kind enough to send me for use  
in connection with my course in the history  
of Minnesota in the University.

I consider this the only book in the  
field at present that is at all suited for  
use in a college course, and I doubt if it  
will be replaced by anything better in the  
near future.

Very truly yours

LUCIEN PETERS McCALLA, M.D., BOISE, IDAHO  
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Marietta, Ohio,  
Mar. 15, 1916.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,  
University of Minn.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Dr. Buck:-

The National Highways Association, desiring critical aid in the matter of bringing before communities the need of perspective and the historical sense in naming the highways that are being built in the United States, asked the American Historical Association to lend a hand in co-operating to this end.

As a result, I was appointed to represent the latter Association in this co-operative capacity. In due time the National Highways Association appointed me Chairman of a Division of Historic Highways, to take under consideration the naming of highways.

I question just what can be accomplished of a useful character but it is generally felt, I believe, that if any service can be performed, by any agency, to prevent our roads following the fate of our towns in this respect it ought to be undertaken.

It is proposed that I select a number of gentlemen representing the whole country to serve as members of this Division of Historic Highways; that, on securing something like complete representation of the sections, we formulate a circular on this subject which shall be sent by the National Highways Association to the various State Historical Societies. This circular will call the attention of such organizations to the worth of having our highways bear appropriate names consonant with the historic regions through which they run and the events, if any, that have made such regions a part of our patriotic and sentimental heritage.

It will be hoped that this turning of people's attention to this matter will result in local societies appointing committees for each State which shall take this matter up, ascertain the consensus of opinion under guidance of those having historic perspective, and take proper steps toward having

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the main roads of each State definitely named and marked by the proper authorities.

It is therefor of moment that the Division of Historic Highways should be composed of men whose names will lend dignity and character to a circular which shall be sent to local societies. In no sense is it proposed that this Division do more than attempt to direct local opinion to this problem, indicate its practical and historical importance, and suggest that steps be taken to secure results. We shall name no roads. It is possible that we shall cause many roads to be named properly and worthily and that these names will go down through the generations, fitting memorials of the foresight of those who conceived this method of securing names that are at once reasonably dignified and appropriate.

I would be pleased if you would be willing to serve as a member of this Division of Historic Highways. No obligation attaches except, in so far as you desire, you pass an opinion on the propriety of the wording of a circular I shall prepare to send to local societies on this subject.

I hope to hear favorably from you on this subject; and any suggestions that occur to you on this matter will be gratefully received and considered fully.

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Archer B. Hulbert". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

Chairman  
DIVISION HISTORIC HIGHWAYS  
NATIONAL HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION  
(Representing American Historical Association)

March 21, 1916

Mr. Archer B. Hulbert  
Marietta College  
Marietta, Ohio

My dear Hulbert:-

I have your letter of March 15, and am flattered to know that you consider that my name "will lend dignity and character to a circular which shall be sent to local societies". I will be very glad, indeed, to serve as a member of the "Division of Historic Highways" and to assist the worthy project in so far as may lie within my power.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you at the M. V. H. A. meeting at Nashville.

Sincerely yours

# The Marietta Historical Commission

APPROVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF MARIETTA COLLEGE, MAY 10, 1916

ARCHER BUTLER HULBERT, CHAIRMAN  
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*Charles Henry Davis*  
*S. Farnsworth*  
*Mass.*  
Marietta, Ohio,

January 22,  
1917.

Prof. Solon J. Buck,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Buck:

Concerning the establishment of prizes for map making suggested by you for the National Highway's Association, President Davis writes:

"Can I ask you to ask Professor Buck to write me a note along the lines of his own thoughts in connection therewith that we may take it under advisement?"

I will be pleased if you would write him and would only <sup>hint</sup> suggest that the financial suggestion be as low as you think it consistently can be so as not to be too great a tax.

With all good wishes for health and prosperity,

Archer B. Hulbert

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Very truly yours,

*Archer B. Hulbert*

April - 24 - 1916

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO  
BOULDER, COLORADO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

1145 Tenth St.,  
Boulder, Col.

Dear Mr. Buck:- I think I can get a fellowship over at Macalester College that has a stipend of \$300. and spend half my time in Minn. U. I wish you would call up or phone Prof. H. D. Fink and tell him what you know about me. I would also like to know what are the probabilities of getting exempted from the Univ. fees. Could you give an honorary fellowship? I am anxious to finish my degree, but I

have a deficiency common to students.

This year I have been instructor in  
Arw. history in the Univ. of Cal. Have had  
a very good year. Gave a course in  
the Hist. of the West for the first time.

Would be glad to have a favor-  
able answer from you.

Lawrence Hurst.

426 Lincoln Hall,  
Urbana, Illinois,  
April 25, 1916.

Mr. Lawrence Hurst,  
1145 Tenth Street,  
Boulder, Colorado.

My dear Mr. Hurst:

Your letter reached me yesterday just as I was leaving Minneapolis to be absent a week, and I am seizing this opportunity to reply to it, and also to write to Professor Funk. I do not believe that the University has anything in the nature of an honorary fellowship, but the dues are very low and I trust you will find it possible to take some work in the graduate school if you secure the Macalester position. Quite a number of teachers of history in the colleges and high schools of the Twin Cities are taking graduate work in the University.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

SJB:MJ

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# Illinois Centennial Commission

OTTO L. SCHMIDT, CHAIRMAN  
CHICAGO

JESSIE PALMER WEBER, SECRETARY  
SPRINGFIELD

Springfield, Ill. November 25, 1916.

Dear Sir:

As you, of course, know that the Illinois Centennial Commission was created by the General Assembly to arrange for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of Illinois into the Union.

Among other things, it is proposed to present at Springfield in the centennial year a pageant depicting the history of Illinois. It is the earnest desire of the Commission that this pageant should be historically correct in each detail and that it should show the most important and illuminating episodes of State history. It is the expectation of the Commission, of course, to have the pageant in charge of a most experienced professional pageant master and it also hopes that the scenario of the pageant may be a definite contribution to historical literature. In such a rich and varied history it is impossible to do more in presenting a pageant than to show six or eight of the most important and thrilling episodes.

I am instructed by the Commission to ask you and other competent persons to give to the Commission your ideas on this subject and also to name to the Commission six or eight important historical events which in your judgment ought to be shown in the historical pageant.

It is the plan of the Commission, after receiving from a number of competent historians their ideas as to which are the most important events, to ask pageant writers and other interested persons to write the scenario based on these episodes which will be indicated to them by the Commission. This to be in the nature of a limited competition.

The Commission will be grateful to you if you will give this matter your attention and also if you will send this information as soon as may be convenient.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary Illinois Centennial Commission.

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

MAY 20 1916

Urbana, Ill.

May 16, 1916

Dear Sir:

The Board of Editors of the University of Illinois Studies in the Social Sciences desires to secure copies of certain numbers of these studies, the supply of which has been exhausted. I am writing to ask you if you would be willing to return copies of the following numbers, which you received when they were issued. For the first twenty-five copies of each of these returned to us we will pay the full list price. The numbers desired are the following:

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Yours very truly,

Manager Studies in the Social Sciences  
156 Administration Building

May 22, 1916

Manager Studies in the Social Sciences  
156 Administration Building  
University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with your request of May 16  
I am sending to you under separate cover my copy of  
Friedrich Gentz by P. F. Reiff. This is the only  
one of the Studies you desire which I can spare  
and I am very glad, indeed, to return this as it will  
doubtless be of more use to some one else than to me.  
I do not desire any payment for it.

Very truly yours

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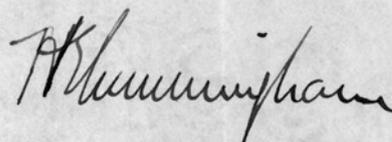
May 26, 1916

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

My dear Buck:

Please accept my thanks for the return  
of your copy of Reiff's "Friedrich Gentz", which  
has come to me in response to Professor Bogart's  
circular request.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary

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November 9, 1916

Dr. J. Franklin Jameson  
1140 Woodward Building  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jameson:-

Enclosed you will find my  
review of Haynes' Third Party Movements. I regret  
the delay in preparing this, and hope that it will  
be in time for inclusion in the January Review.

Very truly yours

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The American Historical Review

J. FRANKLIN JAMESON,  
MANAGING EDITOR,

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Oct. 23, 1916.

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Jan. 1, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Bucke,

DEAR SIR :

Please find enclosed a check for \$ 4.00

in payment for your contribution to the Review for

January entitled Haynes's  
Third Party Movements.

No acknowledgment need be returned.

With thanks for your co-operation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. FRANKLIN JAMESON.

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MANAGING EDITOR

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March 29, 1917.

Dr. S. J. Buck:

DEAR SIR:

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April 4, 1917

Dr. J. Franklin Jameson  
1140 Woodward Bldg.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jameson:-

I will be glad to review  
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as requested in your note of March 29.

Sincerely yours

April 24, 1917

Dr. J. Franklin Jameson  
1140 Woodward Bldg.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jameson:-

I am returning to you  
herewith the letter from Lindley relative  
to the publications of the Indiana Historical  
Commission, having noted the information there-  
in which will be of use to me in preparing the  
review of his book.

I may not be able to write this review  
in time for the July issue of the A. H. R.,  
but will do it as soon as possible.

Very truly yours

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by Early Travelers

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*August 3<sup>rd</sup>*

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J. F. JAMESON

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*August 3.*

Very truly yours,

J. F. JAMESON *J.F.*

October 4, 1917

Dr. J. Franklin Jameson  
1140 Woodward Building  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Jameson:-

I am sending you herewith my review of Lindley's book which is long overdue. I am sorry not to have gotten this in in time for the October number, but a multitude of things interferred. Should you decide not to use it at this late date, I would like to have it returned to me.

You will note that I have not signed the review. Ordinarily I would do so regardless of the severeness of the criticism, but I am very anxious not to do anything which would interfere with the harmony and coöperation of the directors of historical work in the Northwest.

Sincerely yours

## American Historical Review

1140 Woodward Building,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 8, 1917.

DEAR SIR:

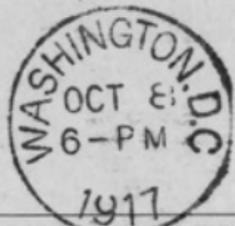
This is to acknowledge the receipt of the book-review you have been so kind as to send to this journal. With sincere thanks,

Very truly yours,

J. F. JAMESON, *Managing Editor*

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EVANSTON, ILLINOIS.

April 26, 1916.

My dear Dr. Buck:-

I find at the last moment on account of illness of one of my boys that I shall not be able to go to Nashville.

I should have written you earlier but thought to see you at the meeting.

I am in favor of Roussat for Pres. & should like to see Woodburn made Vice-President. With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely yours,  
D.K. James

May 3, 1916

Professor J. A. James  
Northwestern University  
Evanston, Illinois

My dear Mr. James:-

I was sorry that you were unable to attend the meeting at Nashville and want to thank you for your note of April 26.

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, Bioussat (one year), Harlan (two years), Violette, Alvord, and Halbert (three years).

Before the nominations were presented we rescinded the resolution adopted at New Orleans last year, thus making possible the election of Paxson as president, which seemed the logical thing to do. Next year I think

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Sioussat ought to be elected president and then there-  
after the nominating committee will be absolutely un-  
hampered in its choice.

Sincerely yours

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EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

July 19, 1917.

Superintendent Solon C. Buck,  
c/o Minnesota Historical Society,  
St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Buck:

I wish to thank you for the file of the Minnesota Historical Bulletin just received and I shall take pleasure in going through the same. Thank you also for putting me on your mailing list. I wish to inquire when it is proposed to bring out the next volume of the Mississippi Valley Historical Studies, since I understand that you have charge of editing the same. I shall be sending you my paper on Clark's Memoir almost any time.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. A. James,  
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July 11, 1917.

Dr. Solon C. Buck,  
Minnesota Historical Society,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Buck:

I want to congratulate you on the volume which has come into my possession, the first of the Illinois Centennial Series. So far as I have been able to examine it, it seems to me that you have done a good piece of work. I shall take satisfaction in going through the whole volume.

Sincerely yours,

*J. A. James*

J/N

July 17, 1917

Professor J. A. James  
Northwestern University  
Evanston, Illinois.

My dear James:-

I am in receipt of your note of the 11th and am glad that you are finding something of value in "Illinois in 1818". There are many features of the book which are not as I would have had them if I had had anything to say about it.

Your note reminds me that I have not yet sent you a file of our Minnesota History Bulletin. I am doing so now, however, and will put your name on our complimentary list to receive future numbers as published.

Sincerely yours,

July 31, 1917

Professor J. A. James  
Northwestern University  
Evanston, Illinois.

My dear James:-

While Mr. Alvord has asked me to edit the next issue of the Proceedings of the M. V. H. A. it is my understanding that all papers are to be collected at his office, so I suggest that you send your paper to him instead of to me.

Sincerely yours,

May 26, 1917

Professor A. E. Jenks  
11 Polwell Hall  
University of Minnesota Minneapolis

My dear Mr. Jenks:-

The oral examination of Miss  
Lucetta Bissell for the masters' degree will  
take place next Wednesday, May 30, at nine A. M.  
in room 218 Library Building.

According to the instructions issued from  
the office of the graduate school, the examining  
committee consists of the thesis committee, the  
instructors with whom the candidate has taken  
work, and the chairman of the major department.

Very truly yours

January 18, 1916

Dean J. B. Johnston  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Dean Johnston:-

I am in receipt of your memorandum of January 10 with reference to written work, and beg to reply as follows:

1. I usually require the preparation of one written paper or report each semester in each of my classes in history. As a rule, the length of these papers is not specifically fixed, the emphasis being placed on quality and form rather than quantity. They generally run to about three or four thousand words.
2. These papers would fall into class B under this heading.
3. Under this heading, they would be in class C.
4. I do not regard it as absolutely necessary that each student should prepare papers of this sort in every course in history which he takes, but I do consider it very important that he should prepare enough such papers to familiarize him with the methods of historical investigation and presentation, and I always lay considerable emphasis upon matters of form, such as footnote references, bibliography, etc. If the student were thoroughly drilled in work of this sort in the introductory courses in history, I think the amount of topic work in the advanced courses might well be reduced. I always make a practice, however, of requiring less other work in the way of collateral reading than I would require if no topic were to be written.

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5. I think it probable that the congestion in the written work of a student is generally due to the fact that he puts off everything which he can until the close of the semester. I sometimes make a practice of fixing the date for the papers to be in a month or more before the close of the semester, but I always find it very difficult to actually get them in before the last minute.

One scheme for reducing the amount of written work of which you doubtless know, for it is, I believe, being tried in a number of institutions, is to allow papers prepared for classes in history to be submitted also for credit in rhetoric. There would doubtless be complications in the practical operation of any such scheme, but it would have the added advantage of tending to improve the English of the written work in history.

Very truly yours

May 4, 1916

Dean J. B. Johnston  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Dean Johnston:-

Replying to your query

I will say that I endeavor to keep a file of the Faculty Minutes and Reports of the administrative board, and I should regret very much if these should not be sent to me in the future.

I find on checking over my file that I lack numbers 2 and 4 of the Faculty Minutes for the year 1914-15. I wonder if copies of these could be procured to complete my file.

Very truly yours

426 Lincoln Hall,  
Urbana, Illinois,  
June 3, 1916.

Dean J. B. Johnston,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Dean Johnston:

I arrived here last night and about 9:30 was informed of your telegram asking me to send the vote of the committee in the Field-house case for faculty meeting last night. I knew it would be no use to telegraph then, as it would be impossible to reach you in time for the meeting. Professor White understands my position in the matter fully, and I asked him to represent me in anything connected with it which might come up. Should it be a question of reconsideration on the part of the committee, I should vote against reconsideration, but if reconsideration were decided upon, I should vote as before, in favor of granting the degree.

I regret that my absence may have caused some inconvenience, but I had to leave as soon as possible, as I will have to be back by the end of June.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:MJ

October 14, 1916.

Dean J. B. Johnston,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Dean Johnston:

I am in receipt of the enclosed blank, which I find difficult to fill out, and consequently am giving you the information you desire on the different points herewith. ✓

1. -- Besides my work for the University and the Minnesota Historical Society, I expect during the next year to complete a book for the Illinois Centennial Commission, entitled "Illinois in 1818", and also a volume for the Chronicles of America, which will deal with certain phases of the political history of the United States from 1865 to 1896.
- 2 - I am not sure that the University Library has a complete list of my publications, but I think the library possesses copies of all of them that are available.
- 3 - Superintendent of Minnesota Historical Society 1914 --
- 4 - Editor of the publication of the Minnesota Historical Society, including the Minnesota History Bulletin, and the Minnesota Historical Collections, 1915 ---; Member of the Board of Editors Miss-

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6 -- Never had a leave of absence.

If further information is desired, I will be glad  
to furnish it upon request.

Very truly yours,

February 8, 1917

My dear Mr. Johnston:-

At the request of my good friend, General Le Duc, I am sending copies of his pamphlet entitled "Convince the World of the Reality of Life after Death" to a number of University men. Should you care to acknowledge it to the General at Hastings, Minnesota, with such comment as you might see fit to make, I am sure that he would appreciate it.

General Le Duc is still vigorous, mentally and physically at the ripe old age of ninety-four.

Sincerely yours

December 14, 1917

Dean J. B. Johnston  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Dean Johnston:-

In a recent number of the Alumni Weekly I noticed in the list of members of the faculty of our college engaged in war service, that you did not include the name of Dr. Wayne E. Stevens, who was instructor in history last year, and who is now second lieutenant in the Intelligence Service attached to Division Headquarters, at Camp Cody, Deming, New Mexico.

Since Mr. Stevens' relation to the University is exactly the same as that of Mr. Bean of the rhetoric department and others who are mentioned, it would seem that his name should have been included. I am calling this to your attention because it occurs to me that you may want to include his name in a supplementary list.

Sincerely yours

October 13, 1916.

President David Starr Jordan,  
Oliver Hotel,  
South Bend, Indiana.

Dear Sir:-

Professor Carl Becker, my colleague in the University of Minnesota, has informed me of your project for publishing histories of a number of the states west of the Mississippi river, and has suggested that I write you about the matter.

I gathered from his note that he suggested me to you as a possible author of the Minnesota volume. I hope at some time in the future, to write a brief history of Minnesota, but I doubt if I could take it up in time for your purposes. Certainly I would not be able to do any serious work upon it before a year from the present time, as I am under obligations to complete a book for the Illinois Centennial Commission, and to write another book before October 1, 1917. It is possible, however, that I might render some assistance in securing some one else to undertake this work.

Sincerely yours,

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PRIVATE OFFICE  
A. FRANK, PRES.

Professor Selou J. Beck;

My dear Sir;

I have your kind note  
with one from Professor Becker. I am  
placing both in the hands of my  
associate, Professor Edward Kreshbeil at  
Stanford,

Very truly yours,

David Starr Jordan

Hotel Deland,

Springfield, Illinois,