



[Solon J. Buck Papers.](#)

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April 23, 1918

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

We are expecting you to stay with us, of course, when you come up for the M. V. H. A. meeting, and hope that you will bring Dorothy with you.

The programs are now in press and will be distributed in a day or two.

Let me know when and where you expect to arrive. I may not be able to meet you, but if I don't, you can find the house and you will find the latch string out.

I am spending a lot of time on the arrangements, but everything seems to be going satisfactorily.

Sincerely yours

AUG 9 1918

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Chicago, August 7, 1918

Dear Solon:

I am looking for a part-time, research assistant.
Do you know anyone who would be interested?

The work I have in mind, the examination of manuscripts, will consume only half of the day and it occurs to me that an opportunity is thus provided to take courses at the University of Chicago or Northwestern University, or to engage in thesis study in the numerous libraries in the city. After a period it is possible that the work will develop into a full-time proposition.

The salary I think, will depend upon the person.

Yours sincerely,

Herbert A. Kellar

430 E. 44th St.

August 9, 1918

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44th Street
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Herbert:-

I have your letter of August 7 and wish I could help you to find a part-time, research assistant. In ordinary times it ought to be easy to pick up someone who would welcome such an opportunity, but at present such people are very scarce. I have been hunting high and low for someone to take the place of editorial assistant on my staff, but have found no one as yet. The demand for teachers is so great that every qualified person was snapped up at the beginning of the summer. I should think that the history men at Chicago or Northwestern might be able to find someone for you among their students residing in the vicinity of Chicago.

You will be interested to know that the manuscript of "The Agrarian Crusade" is practically complete.

I am hoping to go away for a camping trip during the first two weeks of September. Will there be any possibility of your joining me?

Cordially yours

SJB-AW

December 2, 1918

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

I hope to be in Chicago next Saturday to attend a Conference of directors of historical work in the Northwest which is scheduled for ten A. M. at the Sherman House.

I will go down on the Burlington, arriving in Chicago at eight A. M., Saturday, and would like very much to have you meet me and take breakfast with me if you can conveniently arrange to do so. If not, I hope that you will get in touch with me by telephone or otherwise at the hotel, so that we can arrange to get together later in the day.

If I do not expect to register at the hotel, it would probably be best for you to ask for Mr. Alvord, who has charge of the arrangements there. I presume that the members of the Conference will have lunch together, and the Conference may run on well into the afternoon. I expect to take a train back for Minneapolis Saturday night. Give my regards to Dorothy.

Sincerely yours

B/P

DEC 6 1918

December 4, 1918.

Dear Solow,

I was glad to receive your letter and will be pleased to take breakfast with you on Saturday morning. Make your plans to stay over without fail. We have a dinner party in mind for Saturday night and perhaps the theatre afterward. Also several other things depending on your ~~arrangements~~ ^{arrangements}. I want to have a good talk with you, before you go ~~to~~ ^{back}.

Give our regards ^{to} your father and mother.

yours fraternally,
Herbert [and Dorothy]

Herbert
Solow

January 15, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 East 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

What about the paper which you
read at the M. V. H. A. meeting here last May?

Alvord has sent the material
for the Proceedings on to me, and I am in
hopes to get it to the press before very
long. He writes me that your paper was written
for, but never received. Can you not send it
to me in the near future, or if you have other
plans for its publication, let me know what they
are in order that I can print it at least by
title in the Proceedings?

Sincerely yours

JAN 24 1919

HYDE PARK AMERICAN CLUB
4445 GRAND BOULEVARD

Harrisonburg Va.
to ~~Washington~~ (Gum) Jan. 22.
January 21, 1919.

Dear Sirs,

Will you serve on the program committee for the meeting at St Louis of the M. V. A.? What do you think of sessions on navigation in the Mississippi Valley, History Teaching Historical Societies, Great Missouri and St Louis History, History of the New South, and Reconstruction Today. Since it is late, it might be advisable to ask men to read papers who we know have something in hand which they could give. To avoid having to ask any man to read a paper for a session for which another man has declined, it is my idea to ask at least seven men initially who we could expect to accept for each session. Seven could be handled if each accepted but my observation has been that such a contingency is not likely, nor even if they did ~~accept~~ that they would all show up at the meeting.

When Mrs. Paine advised me on the fifteenth of my appointment as chairman of the program committee by Findley, I telegraphed that I would undertake the work only if I could appoint the other members of the committee and plan the program myself with them. Yesterday I received a telegram from Findley telling me to go ahead but suggesting Shoemaker Brucher or Judge + myself to represent Missouri and saying he had some items to forward to me. I am writing Brucher today. Could you suggest one or two other men who would be able to help

I am enclosing you my ideas regarding men to ask for papers.

Would you send me a night letter at my expense, to the Western Union Office at Staunton, Virginia, suggesting any of these or any others for each session, indicating the subject you think they are available for and which men you can make the request ^{of} to give papers, for the committee I will be in Staunton by Thursday night and will have my address in Staunton at the Western Union Office.

Give my regards to your father and mother and Miss Hawthorne.

Fraternally,
Herbert.

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Navigation in the Mississippi Valley.

- ✓ 1. J. B. Shippee (Upper Mississippi)
2. Stephenson (Minn) (Upper Mississippi)
- ✓ 3. Archer B. Hulbert (Ohio)
4. Isaac J. Cox. (Ohio).
5. Gilbert G. Benjamin (Missouri)
- ✓ 6. M. J. White (New Orleans as a port.)
- ✓ 7. Jonas Viles (St. Louis as a port.)
- ✓ 8. J. E. Winston (Lower Mississippi)
9. Donald J. McMurry (Lower Mississippi)
10. James A. Jones (Lower Mississippi).
- ✓ 11. C. J. Wyckoff. (Delaware).

History Teaching.

- ✓ 1. A. C. Key,
- ✓ 2. Sanford
- ✓ 3. E. M. Violette
4. Beverley Bond.
- ✓ 5. Milledge Bonham
- ✓ 6. R. M. Fynn.
- ✓ 7. Teachers in Missouri
- ✓ 8. " " "
- ✓ 9. " " "

Historical Societies or Agencies.

- ✓ 1. C. W. Alvord
- ✓ 2. M. M. Juaffe
- ✓ 3. Benjamin F. Shambaugh
- ✓ 4. Floyd C. Shoemaker
- ✓ 5. R. C. B. Thurston.
- ✓ 6. William Beer
7. Lunbar Rowland
- ✓ 8. Thomas M. Owen
- 9.

Local Missouri and St. Louis History.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Depend on Brucher
largely for this.

History of the New South.

- ✓ 1. William E. Todd.
- ✓ 2. Archibald Henderson.
- ✓ 3. Roy Gettinger
- ✓ 4. C. W. Hackett
- ✓ 5. Chas. W. Ransdell
- ✓ 6. Ulrich B. Phillips
- ✓ 7. Isaac J. Cox.
- ✓ 8. A. C. Cole.
9. Chas. H. Ambler
10. J. D. Hamilton
11. Homer C. Hackett
12. Laura B. White.

Reconstruction Today

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1. A. C. McLaughlin (History)
2. J. B. Connors, Bogart, (Political Economy)
3. Judick Egg, Mumm, Allen (min) (Political Science)
4. Freund, Washington & St. Louis (International Law)
5. ~~Mundelein, Stone, Minkovics~~ (Religion)
6. Eugene Bonebrake, H. S. Dept. (Agriculture)
7. Coffman (Education)
8. Edward Ross. (Sociology)
- 9.
- 10.

Reconstruction Today.

- ✓ 1. A. C. McLaughlin
- ✓ 2. Carl Becker
3. Guy Stanton Ford
- ✓ 4. Carl Russell Fish
- ✓ 5. Stephenson (min)
- ✓ 6. James W. Thompson.
- ✓ 7. Hodder.
- ✓ 8. W. J. Finkle
- ✓ 9. A. S. Olmsted.
- 10.

Night letter Collect

January 24, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
Staunton, Virginia (care Western Union Office)

Will serve but can give little time. Advise against rigid topics for all sessions. Better let men select subjects and group later. Suggest session on state and local war history instead of historical societies. Let Executive committee of teacher's section arrange its program. Will consult local men. Suggest Cole for committee.

Solon J. Buck

FEB 3 1919

February 1, 1919.

Dear Solon,

Thank you for saying that you will act on the
Committee.

I have written Lindsey concerning the standing
Committee on History Teaching of the M.V.H.A. and have
asked him to mail a letter I enclosed to ~~Mr~~ Tryon
if he is its chairman. Boucher has taken the
responsibility of providing papers for a session on
Missouri and St. Louis history and will keep me in
touch with his aims and results, which I will keep
you in touch with. He will also inform me of the
progress of local arrangements in St. Louis.

I adopted the plan of outlining the
sessions in advance because of the accumulative
interest which would grow with each paper if the
papers have some part of relation to each other. I like
to have an ideal to work toward. If, then,
modifications are necessary they can be made.

I think the suggestion about having a
session on military or recent war history instead of
on Historical Societies a good one and will act on it.

Will you speak to Shippee and
Stephenson about papers either on navigation
in the Upper Mississippi Valley or Reconstruction Today,

and let me know about it. Papers should be limited to twenty minutes in length.

I am writing to Cole today as you suggest.

We are having an interesting time down here. I think you will be interested in hearing about it when we see you next.

Give my regards to your mother and Father and Miss Hawthorne.

Fraternally,

Herbert.

General Delivery
Staunton, Virginia.

February 5, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
General Delivery
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Herbert:-

Your letter of February 1 has just arrived. I should have written you before but I was not sure that you expected to remain in Staunton long enough to receive a letter from me.

I have spoken to Shippee and he has consented to prepare a paper on some phase of Upper Mississippi river navigation. He is not certain that he can attend the meeting, but will do so if possible; if not, he will send in his paper to be read by some one else.

Stephenson says that he will be glad to prepare a paper on a subject about which he knows something, but all of us feel that Reconstruction Today is too vague and indefinite. Stephenson would like, I think, to prepare a paper on some phase of the history of the Scandinavian element if you could find a place for it in the program. It just occurs to me that something on this element in the war might be of interest.

I am afraid I did not make myself clear in my telegram with reference to what in my opinion might well be substituted for the proposed session on Historical Societies. What I had in mind was not a session on military or recent war history, although something of that sort might be desirable, but rather a symposium on plans for the collection of war history material and the writing of histories of the participation of the various states, counties, cities, etc., in the war. Things are moving rapidly ~~nicely~~ these lines in the northwestern states, and I feel sure that there will be interesting developments by the time of the St. Louis meeting. We will doubtless have a session of our Conference of Directors of State Historical Work in connection with the meeting for the consideration of this subject, but it occurs to me that a public session might be well worth while.

And if you expect ~~me~~ any further assistance from me, you must reciprocate by answering my letter of January 15 inquiring about the paper which you read at the meeting here last May. Whether or not the paper is ready for publication, a brief abstract of it should be sent to Boucher just as soon as possible for inclusion in the gen-

H. A. K.
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eral account of the meeting which he is preparing. I am anxious to get the Proceedings out before the St. Louis meeting if possible.

I take it from your last letter that Dorothy is with you, and assume that you are enjoying your expedition very much. When do you expect to return to Chicago?

Fraternally yours

B/P

February 12, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
General Delivery
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Herbert:-

I am in receipt of your letter of February 8, and will take up the matter with Stephenson in the near future. I am glad to know the progress which you are making on the program.

I hope that you will be able to get your paper to me in time for inclusion in the Proceedings. There is not much point in printing by title unless a statement can be made as to where the paper has been or is to be printed.

Have you thought of trying to get some one from the Historical Branch of the War Department to take part in the program? I am sure that a paper dealing about the work and plans of the Branch would be extremely interesting. Major Paxson is in charge of the Economic Mobilization Division of the Branch and Wayne Stevens is working in it under his direction. Stevens could probably prepare an interesting paper on certain historical aspects of his work in the Intelligence Division at Camp Cody.

Sincerely yours

B/P

FEB 20 1919

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February 18, 1919.

Dear John,

I have sent the summary of my paper to Brucher. In regard to the paper itself I have not been able to find time to finish the footnotes and you had perhaps better print it by title or leave it out altogether. It is a good paper I think and I may want to use it later for a book but I am in no hurry about publishing it now.

Since I wrote you last I have had acceptances from Chancellor Jencks, C. W. Rensdell, William Beer, C. W. Hooley and am writing J. S. Winston further about a paper by him. Your suggestions about Poxson and Stevens are interesting and will you write them about papers.

The county archives in the Valley of Virginia are full of important documents. These together with many more manuscripts in the possession of individuals, I suspect have been little touched for historical purposes. The archives in Augusta County for example run from 1748 to the present.

Kindly give our regards to your father and mother and Miss Hawthorne.

Yours fraternally,
Herbert.

Staunton, Virginia,
General Delivery.

Hells!

February 21, 1919

Mr. Herbert C. Kellar
General Delivery
Staunton, Virginia

Dear Herbert:-

I have your letter of the eighteenth, and am glad to know of the progress which you are making on the program. Shappee is at work on his paper and will doubtless produce something worth while.

I am glad that you have sent the summary of your paper to Beucher. I had a letter from him yesterday stating that he had not received it, but doubtless it has reached him by now.

With reference to the paper, itself, I think you ought to get it ready for inclusion in the Proceedings if you can possibly do so. It seems to me that when you accept an invitation to read a paper at a meeting of such an association, there is an implied obligation to furnish the paper for publication. In editing the Proceedings, we have adopted the policy of printing by title only, such papers as have previously been printed in the Review or elsewhere, or have been definitely assigned for such printing. The purpose of this printing by title is to make a definite record in the Proceedings of the matter of where one could find in print such of the papers read at that meeting as are not therein printed. I quite agree with you that your paper is a good one and I think that it would be to your interests to have it published now.

I will write to Paxson and Stevens about papers, and will let you know what the prospects are.

Have you any idea how much longer you expect to remain in Staunton?

With best wishes

Fraternally yours

B/P

FEB 10 1919

HYDE PARK AMERICAN CLUB
4445 GRAND BOULEVARD

February 8, 1919.

Dear Solon,

I should have said that I had sent to Chicago for the paper I read last year. I will send the summary you speak of off to Boucher at once. If I can get the foot notes ready I will send the paper itself to you shortly. If not, you can print it by title I will let you know about it inside of ten days.

It is fine that Shippee can give a paper. I should think that one such as Stephenson has in mind could be fitted in very well. Will you let me know the title and general idea of what he decides on. I have also had favorable replies to requests for papers from Bond, Cox, Pelzer, Schaumburg, Quaise, M. J. White. Mr. Phillips wrote from Washington that it would be impossible for him to give one.

Mr. Cole has consented to serve on the program committee.

The people here are delightful and their mode of life and ways of thinking are somewhat different from any I have

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letters come into contact with.

Give our regards to your mother
and father and Miss Hawthorne.

Fraternally,
Herbert A. H.

Staunton, Virginia.

The section on reconstruction seems
to have aroused some doubt in the
minds of both you and Mr. Cole and I
accordingly held back on requests for
papers for it. As the situation now
stands, there will not be more than
two papers on reconstruction.

Herbert

March 3, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

I have just time to acknowledge your letter of February 27, and to tell you that a letter from Theodore C. Blegen, 934 Oakland Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, received today states that he is working on several articles at present, that he has one just completed under the title "The Competition of the Northwestern States for Emigrants" which he has promised to send to Quaife for use in his magazine.

Doubtless you could be persuaded to read this paper at the M. V. H. A. meeting or to complete one of the others upon which he is working for that purpose. The only objection is that Blegen appeared on the program last year, but he is a good man and I would advise you to include him unless you have plenty of other papers for the program.

I hope to find time to write you a personal letter in a few days and then I will endeavor to answer some of the questions in your letter.

Sincerely yours

B/P

MAR 3 1919

Kellan

February 27, 1919

Dear John,

The Hotel that Dorothy and I went to in Staunton has been there for sometime and is somewhat of a family affair. At any rate it was served by as happy and contented a lot of darkies as I ever saw. When it was plain that our room was not going to be swept until we left, we left. Please don't hold this against Mary for she was an interesting negress and the way her husband used to call to her down the hall and their spots at the elevator will linger in our memory for many a year. However we are now out in the country and are writing this at Buena Vista, spending the afternoon waiting for a train to Lexington.

This junketing has brought to our minds your coming journey in July. When is the date of your wedding going to be and what plans have you made about it. Who is going to be your best man and what do you want for a wedding present. About when do you expect to reach Chicago. You must plan to stop over with us.

Dorothy has just finished the plans for our home lot at Middlethorpe, and will trace them on the back of this letter. When we get home we are going to put some such advertisement as the following in the papers,

Wanted an ex-soldier or other between the ages of twenty five and thirty, no objection to his being

married, who wants to be sure of his living ex-
penses while working out an independent livelihood.
Board, room and twenty five dollars a month for
five hours work a day. As much of his remaining
time as he wishes to be put into raising chickens.
for fifty percent of the profit. Location of property
twenty miles from the "hook".

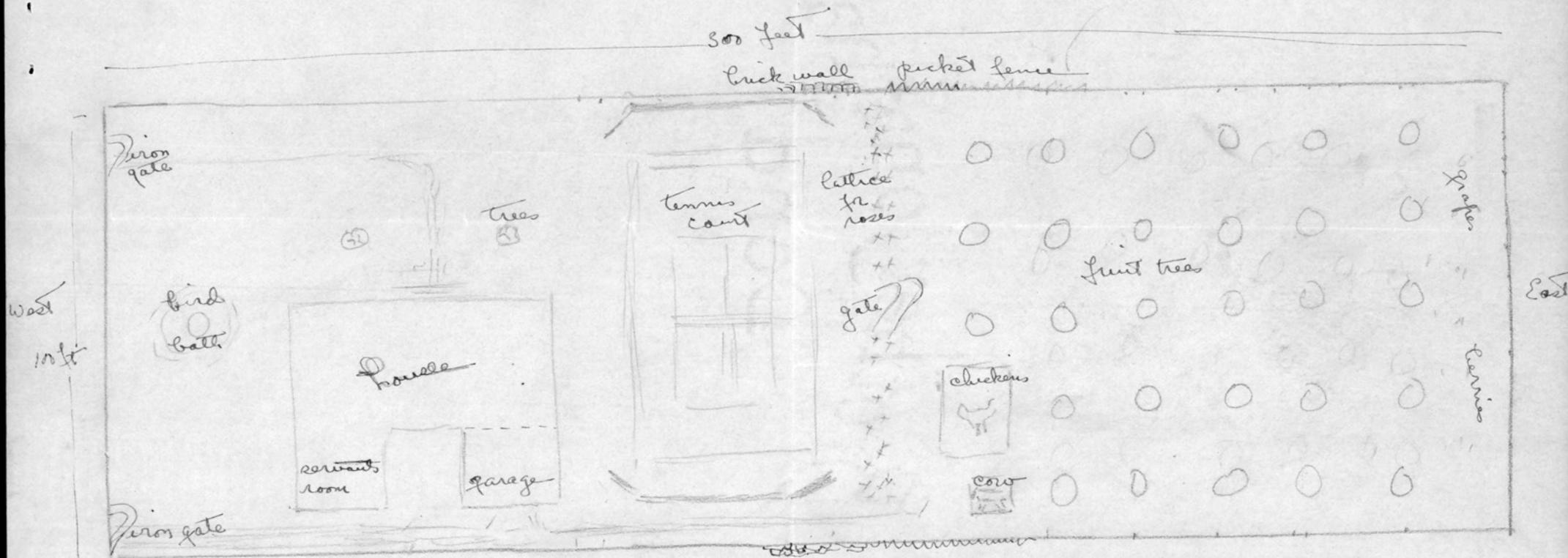
Give our regards to your father and
mother and Miss Hawthorne.

Lexington,
Virginia.

Yours
Dorothy and Herbert.

Brother Jonathan
Bond

North



The fruit trees, grapes, and
berry bushes were put in
in the fall.

South

MAR 20 1919

Kellar

March 16, 1919.

Dear Solm,

Your letter was forwarded to me here.

I have written to Theodore Blegen about a paper. J. E. Walmsley, Archibald Henderson, and C. W. Alvord have promised to give papers. Buecher and Mr. J. H. Gundlock, Chairman of the Committee on Local Arrangements, have sent me a preliminary schedule of entertainment. Buecher has six papers promised for the section on Missouri History. I hope to make up a preliminary program and send it on to you by April first.

I have had some interesting experiences down here and should enjoy telling you about them.

There is a Phi Gamma chapter at Washington and Lee University. I have been over there several times. They have some mighty fine fellows. I dined and I took dinner there Sunday.

Yours fraternally,
Herbert.

Foxington,
Virginia.

I bought of Orlin a spinning wheel, which came from Richmond about 1800, at an auction, in the country, which some six hundred people attended.

Herbert.

March 21, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
General Delivery
Lexington, Virginia

Dear Herbert:-

Your letter of March 16 has just arrived. I took it from your last previous letter that you were on your way home and so addressed you in Chicago. Since then I have sent you another letter written with my own little fountain pen and addressed to Chicago, which I trust will reach you eventually.

It looks as if you are going to have an excellent program at St. Louis.

Sincerely yours

B/P

P. S. Do you need any more papers for the program? If so, I might be able to extort one from N. S. B. Gras of our department in the University, who came to us last fall from Harvard and Clark and whose field is economic history. He is a very able man and would write a first class paper if he could be persuaded to undertake it. I don't know why I didn't think of him at first. It may be that papers from Shippee and Stephenson are as many as you ought to have from our department, but if you decide that you would like one from Gras, let me know as soon as possible and I will broach the subject to him.

MAR 31 1919

March 26, 1919.

Dear Solon,

Would you ask Halbrook and Geo for papers and let me know what they pay. Ask Halbrook for one on "Minnesota's Activity in the Field of War History". These will be the possession of War History at the meeting.

The program committee consists of myself, Cyrus H. McCamick Agricultural Library, Chicago, yourself, Chauncey S. Boucher, Arthur C. Cole, and R. M. Tamm, University of Chicago.

I am leaving here tomorrow and will be in Chicago again April 1.

We will use the best judgment we have about the wedding present.

Fraternally,

Herbert A. Keller

April 5, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

Holbrook has agreed to prepare a paper for the St. Louis meeting as requested by you.

I took up the matter also with Gras, and he was interested and considered it for a couple of days but finally decided that he had better not undertake even so much as the completion of a paper which he has already under way, because of the state of his health. He had the influenza some time ago and has been very slow in recovering. He hopes to attend the meeting, however, in case his health will permit.

If you would still like additional papers for the program, I would suggest that you write to Professor Wilson P. Shortridge, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky. Shortridge has just completed a very good doctor's thesis on the Life of H. H. Sibley, and I presume he could make selections from that work which would be suitable for presentation as a paper.

You will be interested to know that Brother Paul Smith of Knox, who is now doing his second year of graduate work here under my direction, has been awarded a Thayer fellowship in the graduate school at Harvard. This carries with it a stipend of five hundred dollars.

Fraternally yours

B/P

APR 14 1919

April 11, 1919.

Dear Solon,

I am enclosing you a rough draft of the program for the N. W. H. A. meeting in St. Louis and would appreciate it if you would look it over and make any suggestions about it which occur to you and let me know about them as soon as you can. I would like to get the programs to the printer on April 16th.

Also what is your opinion about these two points. Would it not be a good idea if it can be arranged to have the entertainment on Saturday afternoon shifted to Friday afternoon and the session on Friday afternoon shifted to Saturday afternoon. This would make a break in the middle of the program in which people would be able to recuperate and save to make Saturday a much stronger day and to hold people over for it. What do you think of a formal reception on Thursday or Friday evening, if it could be arranged.

Thank you about Holbrook. Way has also promised to give a paper. Will you send me the title of Holbrook's paper. I will write to Stratidge.

Give my regards to your father and mother and Miss Hawthorne.

I was pleased to hear about the Archives Bill. Did it carry an appropriation with it. I was also

pleased to learn about Paul Smith and
to you think it would be well to ask ~~any~~ people to serve as chairman
of sessions ^{would you} ^{use the members of the Program Committee for this purpose,}
yours faithfully,
Herbert.

430 E. 44th Street.

P.S. I am printing preliminary and final program where the
cost wont be much and I will take care of it myself

April 14, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E. 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

The program looks good to me. I don't think it makes much difference whether you keep the Friday and Saturday afternoon programs as they are or reverse them. The present arrangement is more in accord with precedents, and so far as keeping people is concerned, I doubt if a program would serve the purpose any better than the proposed entertainment. If the decision were left to me, I think I should leave the arrangement as it is, but I would suggest that Boucher be allowed to settle this.

It might be better to have the business meeting on Friday rather than on Saturday, but I suppose that this would interfere with the local arrangements. I am not very keen for formal receptions, but see no objection to one if the local people wish to tender it. I should, however, be very much in favor of a smoker if it could be arranged conveniently.

I think the title which you suggest for Holbrook's paper would be satisfactory, "Minnesota's Activities in the Field of War History." Stephenson's paper should be "The Attitude of the Swedish Americans toward the World War", and the title of Shippee's paper is "Steamboating on the Upper Mississippi after the Civil War".

With reference to the matters presiding at the sessions,—it is customary for the president to preside at most of the sessions except the one at which he delivers his address. If this seems too much of a burden, the chairman of the executive committee could be called upon. I do not think it would be desirable for members of the program committee to preside at sessions, but local celebrities could be asked to preside if the local arrangements committee so desires.

Sincerely yours

B/P

Program enclosed.

April 29, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
430 E 44 St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

I want to congratulate you on the M. V. H. A. program which reached me a couple of days ago. You have done an excellent piece of work, both in making out the program and in the arrangements and printing.

Shippee and I hope to arrive in St. Louis Thursday morning; Stephenson will probably get in Thursday afternoon, and Holbrook is not sure yet whether or not he will go. Shippee and I are planning to stay at the Washington Hotel, and I trust that you will put up there also.

Our legislature has adjourned. The War Records Commission was established, but its appropriation is only five thousand dollars a year and the Historical Society received no increase in its appropriation.

Fraternally yours

B/P

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Chicago, November 11, 1919

Dear Solon:

I am looking for a part-time research assistant whose principal duty would be the examination of manuscripts. I want someone to put in about three and one-half hours a day on this work, and for this could pay from \$50 to \$60 a month. The individual concerned would be able to take courses at the University of Chicago or Northwestern University so that from the point of view of the holder, the position might be regarded as the equivalent of a fellowship. If you know of anyone properly qualified and who would be interested, will you let me know. I have had a Miss Elizabeth Brook examining manuscripts for the past year, and have recently engaged another woman for the same purpose. I am desirous however, of obtaining still another assistant.

I received your letter and was much interested in its contents. I will write you shortly.

Dorothy and I send our regards to Elizabeth and to you.

Yours fraternally,

Herbert

679 Rush street.

November 13, 1919

Mr. Herbert A. Kellar
679 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Herbert:-

I am much interested to know of the expansion which is taking place in your work, but I am afraid that I cannot help you to find the desired assistant. The history depart of the University of Minnesota is looking for several such part-time research assistants at the present time. If I hear of anyone who might be available, I will certainly let you know.

We are enjoying (?) real winter weather now. It was four below zero this morning. Don't you wish you were back in Minnesota where you could breathe the dry cold air?

Cordially yours

B/P