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OCT 15 1924

Informal Club

Saint Paul, Minn.
October 15, 1924.

Mr. L. J. Buck,
Minn. Hist. Society,
Saint Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I have a feeling that you are somehow longing for self-expression - that there are many thoughts surging aimlessly about in your cerebral cortex vainly trying to get out.

So I come to your aid with the suggestion that you take an evening at the Informal Club this season. I know of no better way to get rid of embarrassing inferiority complexes than to find out how many people don't think as you do and do not hesitate in saying so.

In order to crystalize these disturbing ideas I venture to enclose a list of subjects - merely as suggestions, and not in any sense intending to limit your choice.

Will you accept this very polite invitation, or must I insist with a club or other suitable persuader? The dates of meetings are-

Nov. 10,-17.	Dec. 1,-15.	Jan. 5,-19.
Feb. 3,-17.	Mar. 1,-15.	

Will you please write me telling me of the subject you prefer and the date that will be most convenient?

Yours very informally,

Arthur Sweeney

SUBJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION.

1. The Perils of Great Accumulation of Wealth.
2. The Tendency of Materialism.
3. Whither Are We Drifting?
4. The Medical Expert.
5. The Doctor at work. The Medicine of the Future.
6. Trial by Jury.
7. The English Court Procedure and Ours.
8. The Yellow Peril. Japan, China.
9. The States Duties to Dependents.
10. The Increase of Insanity; Crime.
11. Are Moral Standards Changing?
12. Industrial Unrest.
13. ~~The Dreamer and the Pragmatist.~~
14. The Future Development of Electricity.
15. The Possibilities of Agriculture.
16. Modern Theories of Life.
17. Our Educational System.
18. Poets and Poetry.
19. The Railroads Future.
20. Whatever is, is Right.
21. Water Transportation.
22. Heredity. Environment.
23. Immortality.
24. Divorce Frequency. Its Causes and Remedies.
25. The Craze for Amusement, and Decay of Serious Thought.
26. The Negro Question.
27. Cause and Effect.
28. Capital Punishment.

SUBJECTS CONTINUED.

29. Shall the People Rule? Failure of Popular Government.
30. The Revolt against Civilization.
31. Equality; what it means.
32. Nordic Supremacy.
33. Eugenics.

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October 17, 1924

Mr. Charles W. Farnham
714 Guardian Life Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Farnham:-

In response to
the communication of the committee
of the Informal Club I am sending
you herewith a check for \$2.50 to
pay for one plate at the dinner. I
regret very much that it will be im-
possible for Mrs. Buck to attend.

Sincerely yours

B/P

referred

October 30, 1924

Dr. Arthur Sweeney
821 Lowry Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

My dear Dr. Sweeney:--

My failure to reply more promptly to your letter of October 15 asking me to take charge of a program at the Informal Club this year was not due to neglect but to the necessity for intense and prolonged cerebration on the subject. I shall, of course, endeavor to do my duty but would prefer to do it at one of the meetings in February or March rather than earlier, as I shall be extremely busy with a multitude of things until after our annual meeting about the middle of January.

It is the matter of a subject, however, which has caused the cerebration and the results have not been entirely satisfactory. The list which you present is a very suggestive one -- one might almost say a thrilling one -- and holds out prospects of extremely interesting meetings this year. There does not, however, seem to be anything on the list for the discussion of which I have any special competence.

A thing which I would like to do would be to read selections from an unpublished journal of the early nineteenth century which has been in my possession for a number of years. This journal was kept by one L. C. Boynton, who, at the time when it opened, was a theological student at Andover Seminary; afterwards he taught school in Virginia for a number of years and then returned to Massachusetts where he became a lawyer. The interest in the journal lies largely in its revelation of what seems to us today a most peculiar personality. I am sure that the psycho-analysts would revel in it. I have read selections from this journal before various groups on different occasions, sometimes under the title of "The Introspections of a Related Puritan," and they have always proved very entertaining to the audiences. I used it several years ago before a dining club of members of the faculty of the University and some of the members almost had hysterics.

There is some question in my mind, however, as to whether or not an entertainment of this sort would fit in with the serious and lofty purposes of the Informal Club.

I have two other possibilities in mind: a discussion of "The Functions of History" or "The Predecessors of the Non-partisan League and the Farmer-Labor Party," either of which might be more suitable for discussion than the previous subject. My experience with the Informal Club has been so brief that I want to be guided by your advice in the selection of a subject.

B/P

Sincerely yours

NOV 10 1924

DR. ARTHUR SWEENEY
821 LOWRY BUILDING
ST. PAUL, MINN.

November 7th 1924.

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

I was very much pleased at your expression of willingness to take an evening at the Informal Club, and I have assigned to you the date of March the 18th, which I hope will be convenient.

It seems to me that your suggestion of reading the Journal of your Puritan friends would be very interesting, and so I shall list you under the title of the "Introspections of a Belated Puritan." Before the show is pulled off I will have opportunity to talk with you as to the details. Meantime accept my kind regards.

Informally yours,

Arthur Sweeney
Secretary.

AS:E

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

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

December 10, 1925

Professor C. D. Allin,
Professor S. J. Buck.

If I am not mistaken, Professor Blakey has sent to each of you a copy of the resolutions which our little Committee has unluckily been directed to amend. If you have changes to propose, will you please send them to me? On the accompanying page I have suggested revised forms of the paragraphs to which I objected at the meeting; and I have gone no further than that. Of course my powers of faultfinding are not so soon exhausted, but under the circumstances it would probably be futile to ask for any large number of amendments.

Sincerely yours,

Rowham Jackson

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND TENURE

In paragraph (b), change on to or, to correct an apparent misprint, and insert an additional phrase, so that the paragraph reads as follows:

(b) A university or college may not impose any limitation upon the teacher's freedom in the exposition of his own subject in the classroom or in addresses and publications outside the college, except insofar as the general necessity of adapting all instruction to the requirements of a comprehensive program and the needs of immature students, or specific stipulations in advance, fully understood and accepted by both parties, limit the scope and character of instruction.

(The resolution in its original form would for example justify an instructor in a freshman section in refusing to follow the outline of the course as laid down by the department.)

In paragraph (d), advance the third sentence, with minor verbal changes, to the place of second sentence in the paragraph, insert a new third sentence, and put the present second sentence last, so that the paragraph reads:

(d) A university or college should recognize that the teacher, in speaking or writing outside the institution upon subjects not within his own field of study, is entitled to the same freedom and subject to the same responsibility as all other citizens. It should be clearly understood that an institution assumes no responsibility for the views expressed under such conditions, by members of its staff, and the teacher should, when necessary, take pains to make it clear that he is expressing only his own opinions. Even so, he should bear in mind that if his academic title is used in introducing him or in reporting his utterances, or is in any way generally known, the name of his institution is thereby involved before the public to an extent which he can not control, and he should recognize that his relation to the institution is necessarily one of mutual courtesy and forbearance. If the extramural utterances of any teacher should be such as to raise grave doubts concerning his fitness for his position, the question should in all cases be submitted to an appropriate committee of the faculty of which he is a member.

(As the writer said at the meeting of the Minnesota Chapter, if a man is widely quoted in the newspapers, not one person in a thousand of those who see the item will know anything whatever about him except that he is professor in such-and-such a university, and the pronouncement goes abroad tagged with the name of the university instead of the name of the man.)

PRINCIPLES OF ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND TENURE

Approved by the

CONFERENCE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND ACADEMIC TENURE.
Washington, D. C., January 2, 1925.

Resolved, that this Conference concur in the conventions concerning academic freedom and tenure adopted by the Association of American Colleges subject to the minor changes incorporated in the following draft, and it recommends the adoption of these conventions, in the form here suggested, by the several bodies represented in this conference and by American universities and colleges:

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

(a) A university or college may not place any restraint upon the teacher's freedom in investigation, unless restriction upon the amount of time devoted to it becomes necessary in order to prevent undue interference with teaching duties which are the primary function of the college instructor.

(b) A university or college may not impose any limitation upon the teacher's freedom in the exposition of his own subject in the classroom or in addresses and publications outside the college, except insofar as the general necessity of adapting all instruction to the needs of immature students, on specific stipulations in advance, fully understood and accepted by both parties, limit the scope and character of instruction.

(c) The teacher is morally bound not to take advantage of his position by introducing into the classroom provocative discussions of controversial topics not relevant to his field of study.

(d) A university or college should recognize that the teacher, in speaking or writing outside the institution upon subjects not within his own field of study, is entitled to the same freedom and subject to the same responsibility as all other citizens. If the extramural utterances of any teacher should be such as to raise grave doubts concerning his fitness for his position, the question should in all cases be submitted to an appropriate committee of the faculty of which he is a member. It should be clearly understood that an institution assumes no responsibility for the views expressed under such conditions, by members of its staff, and teachers should, when necessary, take pains to make it clear that they are expressing only their own opinions.

ACADEMIC TENURE

(a) The precise terms and expectations of every appointment should be stated in writing and be in the possession of both college and teacher.

(b) Termination of a temporary or a short-term appointment should always be possible at the expiration of the term by the mere act of giving timely notice of the desire to terminate. The decision to terminate should always be taken, however,

in conference with the department concerned, and might well be subject to approval by a faculty or council committee or by the faculty or council. It is desirable that the question of appointment for the ensuing year be taken up as early as possible. Notice of the decision to terminate should be given in ample time to allow the teacher an opportunity to secure a new position. The extreme limit for such a notice should not be less than three months before the expiration of the academic year. The teacher who proposes to withdraw should also give notice in ample time to enable the institution to make a new appointment.

(c) Termination of a permanent or long-term appointment for cause should regularly require action by both a faculty committee and the governing board of the college. Exceptions to this rule may be necessary in cases of gross immorality or treason, when the facts are admitted. In such cases summary dismissal would naturally ensue. In cases where other offences are charged, and in all cases where the facts are in dispute, the accused teacher should always have the opportunity to face his accusers and to be heard in his own defense by all bodies that pass judgment upon the case. In the trial of charges of professional incompetence, the testimony of scholars in the same field, either from his own or from other institutions, should always be taken. Dismissal for other reasons than immorality or treason should not ordinarily take effect in less than a year from the time that the decision is reached.

(d) Termination of permanent or long-term appointments because of financial exigencies should be sought only as a last resort, after every effort has been made to meet the need in other ways and to find for the teacher other employment in the institution. Situations which make drastic retrenchment of this sort necessary should preclude expansions of the staff at other points at the same time, except in extraordinary circumstances.

November 22, 1924

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

My dear Dr. Jameson:-

One of our graduate students has just made his selection of subject for his doctor's thesis and I am sending it on to you for possible insertion in your list in case it is not too late.

His name is Ernest Bernard Gustafson (B. A. Minnesota, 1923) and the subject is "Indian Affairs during the American Revolution, 1774-1783." I realize, of course, that it may be too late to get this in this year and shall not be grieved if such is the case.

Sincerely yours

B/P

October 21, 1925

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

My dear Dr. Jameson:-

Recently I wrote an account of the Upper Missouri Historical Expedition for the Mississippi Valley Historical Review and I suppose it will appear in the December number of that magazine. I had some extra carbons made and I am sending one to you herewith. I am doing this because the thought occurred to me that you might deem it worthwhile to publish a brief note about the expedition in the "Historical News" section of the American Historical Review and this paper would furnish you with the information on which such a note could be based.

Sincerely yours

B/P

110 Library Building
Columbia University
New York City
February 15, 1926

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

My dear Dr. Jameson:

I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter
just received from Mr. Newton in answer to the let-
ter that I wrote him at your request about the Ter-
ritorial Papers.

Sincerely yours,

SJB DEW

March 24, 1926

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

My dear Dr. Jameson:

Thank you for sending your report on "Writings on American History" to me here. I have read it and am forwarding it to Dr. Blegen, acting superintendent of the Minnesota Historical Society, with the recommendation that the contribution be sent in as promptly as possible.

Sincerely yours,

SJB DMW

CONVIVIVUM HISTORICUM

1140 Woodward Building,
Washington, D. C.

May 30, 1926.

Dear Colleague:

This is to notify professors of history in universities and colleges of New England and the eastern half of the Middle States, and others who are known to be spending the summer in New England (please tell me of any of these last), that the so-called Convivium Historicum will this year be held at the Owenego House in Branford, Connecticut, Tuesday September 7 to Tuesday September 14. The rates of the Owenego House are \$3.00 a day, or \$18.00 a week. Probably you know the nature of the meeting - no "exercises," no "papers," merely sociability, bathing, boating, walking, tennis, golf.

I hope that you can or will arrange to be present. Please tell me now whether this is likely. At some time in August a second circular will ask as to definite engagements. Meantime, my best wishes for the summer.

Very truly yours,

J. F. JAMESON.

Professor Dolon J. Buck

August 26, 1926

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

My dear Dr. Jameson:

In response to your circular letter of August 14, I have returned the postal card indicating my intention to be at Branford from September 10 to 13, and I am looking forward with much interest to the Convivium Historicum. I shall write to Mr. Stratton for a reservation.

I happened the other day to mention this gathering at Branford to Mr. Sydney Greenbie of South Hadley, and he seemed to be very much interested in it. Mr. Greenbie is the author of a popular historical book entitled "The Gold of Ophir", in which he deals with the influence of the Orient in American history, and he is at work on another historical book. He is not a member of the Association but has indicated to me his intention of joining.

I do not know whether or not it is the plan that people interested in historical work outside the academic group should be invited to the Convivium Historicum. If so, however, I believe that Mr. Greenbie would be an interesting and congenial member of the group, and I am inclined to think that he would appreciate an invitation. I did not, of course, presume to invite him or even to imply that I should suggest that he be invited, and I trust that you will feel perfectly free to decide the matter in whichever way seems best to accord with the traditions and purposes of the gathering.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

CONVIVIUM HISTORICUM

1140 Woodward Building
Washington, D. C.
August 14, 1926.

Dear Colleague:

This circular is sent to professors of history within the usual area who have said in response to the circular sent in May that they expect to be "among those present", or have not said that they do not. Its main purport is to ask you to be so kind as to state on the enclosed post-card whether you intend to come or not and to mention the day and hour at which you may be expected. Arrangements for rooms, however, are to be made with Mr. H. D. Stratton, Owenego House, Branford, Connecticut. The dates of the week are September 7 - 14.

The only train from New York which stops at Branford is that which leaves New York at 3:00, except Saturday and Sunday (all these hours are given according to Eastern Standard Time). That train arrives at Branford at 5:08. The Saturday train leaves New York at 10:30 a.m., and arrives at Branford at 12:48. In both cases one changes at New Haven. One who comes from Boston, leaving there any day at 12:05 p.m., and arriving at New Haven at 3:50 p.m., or one who comes from Springfield, leaving Springfield at 2:48 (except on Sunday) and arriving at New Haven at 4:26, can take eastward from New Haven at 4:50 the same train as those coming from New York, and arrive at Branford at 5:08. A conveyance will meet this train at Branford station. Those coming to New Haven at other hours will take, at New Haven Green, trolley cars marked "Stony Creek" (NOT Branford). They go every forty minutes. Tell the conductor "Owenego House, Indian Neck".

A word also as to tips for the servants. The custom is for each one who stays a week to give me about \$1.50 (for lesser stays, a less sum) for a common fund which I leave with Mr. Stratton to distribute.

With great pleasure at the thought of seeing you in Branford,

Very truly yours,

J. F. Jameson.

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H. D. STRATTON, PROP
INDIAN NECK BRANFORD, CONN.

Aug. 27, 1926.

Prof. S. J. Buck

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I shall be pleased to make a reservation for you for Dr. Jameson's convention for the dates you specified. The rate is \$3 per day.

Very truly yours,

H. D. Stratton

CARNEGIE INSTITUTION OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

J. FRANKLIN JAMESON
DIRECTOR

1140 WOODWARD BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 27, 1926.

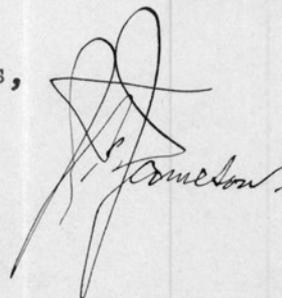
My dear Buck:

I am glad to know that you are going to be at Branford. We seem likely to have a good attendance, including most of the members of the Board of Editors of the Review, who will hold a meeting there on Saturday, September 11.

I wish I could invite Mr. Greenbie, but I have said to so many people that the gathering is confined to "full" professors of history (and a few who have been such) that I have always felt obliged to avoid inviting others. The reason for thus confining it was that if we included assistant professors and other teachers in the New England colleges the gathering would run beyond the numbers possible to the simple hotel at which we meet.

Very truly yours,

Dr. Solon J. Buck
110 Library, Columbia University
New York, N. Y.



1140 Woodward Building,
Washington, D. C.
May 27, 1926.

Dear Sir:

You were one of those who, at my request, wrote to their respective Congressmen in support of the appropriation which the Department of State desired in order to carry out the terms of the late Senator Ralston's act respecting publication of papers in Washington archives relative to the early history of the states when they were territories. I appreciated your aid, but, since there were so many to whom I wrote, I deferred sending my thanks until I could send a circular to all, stating what action had resulted. There were some sixty, and their willingness to act was very gratifying. To the other two hundred representatives involved I wrote directly.

The Appropriation Act for the State Department was passed, and approved by the President, some time ago. It carries the desired appropriation of \$20,000, authorized by the original act, for the fiscal year beginning July 1 next. The State Department will on that day begin the work of collecting and editing material.

In consultation with the Senator who seems likely to have most influence in respect to the matter of printing, it is thought wise to suspend action toward further legislation for that purpose until the work of collection and editing had so far advanced that Congress would know that the Department had a definite thing to print, of a magnitude that could be closely calculated.

With many thanks for your aid, I am,

Very truly yours,

J. F. Jamison

Professor S. J. Buck

March 26, 1924

Dean J. B. Johnston
119 Folwell Hall
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Johnston:-

Mr. Edmund A. Moore informs me that he has been offered the Class of 1890 Fellowship yielding \$150. As you know he has also been selected for a scholarship in the History Department which yields \$225. The scholarship, however, carries a certain amount of work.

For the last two or three years Dean Ford has set aside \$500 from his research funds to be used for assistance to Dr. Folwell in the work on his History of Minnesota, and the work has been given to a graduate student in history on an hour basis. The presumption is that this appropriation will be renewed for next year as Dr. Folwell still needs the assistance, but the matter cannot be settled until Dean Ford returns. The Department felt that Mr. Moore would be an excellent person to do this work, but because of the necessary delay in making a decision on this point, it decided to recommend him for a scholarship, with the understanding that he might be allowed to resign the scholarship in case the opportunity developed to do the work for Dr. Folwell.

The offer of the 1890 Fellowship raises new complications. I have talked over the matter with Mr. White and it seems to us that, in view of the small amount of the Fellowship, a combination of this with the work for Dr. Folwell would not be objectionable, particularly as that work does not involve any formal appointment. The only question would seem to be whether or not the holder of such a Fellowship is restricted from doing work for compensation, and that is a point which you have to decide, I suppose. I have suggested to Mr. Moore that he get in touch with you and get your decision on this point.

Sincerely yours

B/P

JUL 11 1925

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

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

July 9, 1925.

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

Among the men suggested for the headship of our proposed department of journalism Dean Ford has mentioned Allan Nevins. I understand that his work has been mostly in American History, and I should be glad if you would give me your estimate of his publications and if you know him personally, your estimate of his fitness for the position mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

J. B. Johnston
Dean

JB:M

January 2, 1926

Dean John B. Johnston
219 Administration Building
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Dean Johnston:-

I desire to make application for a leave of absence from my duties at the University, without pay, for the remainder of the academic year in order to enable me to act as executive secretary of the Committee on Endowment of the American Historical Association. Arrangements will be made by the Department of History to provide substitutions for my work.

Sincerely yours

B/P

110 Library Building
Columbia University
New York City
February 8, 1926

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

Dear Mr. Johnston:

In accordance with my promise, I am finally getting around to write to you about Kelley.

His attitude toward the prospective position at Minnesota is just the same as it was when he wrote me the letter of which I showed you an extract. In the course of conversation with him, I learned that his salary is \$7000--he is Assistant Director as well as Curator of Oriental Art--and that he picks up about a thousand dollars a year from outside lectures.

That does not mean, however, in my opinion, that he would not consider a university position at less than \$7000, for it would mean a much longer vacation than he has now, and probably more leisure for independent work. Then again, the cost of living is considerably lower in Minneapolis than in Chicago. A good deal will depend, I think, on relations that might be established with the Minneapolis Art Institute.

Sincerely yours,

SJB DMW

JUN 30 1926

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BRECKINRIDGE JONES
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

ST. LOUIS

June 26, 1926.

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

My dear Mr. Buck:

Through your courtesy I have received an invitation to accompany the Columbia River Historical Expedition from Chicago to Astoria.

I am very sorry that I will be unable to accompany this Expedition, but Miss Stella M. Drumm, Librarian of the Missouri Historical, is going with the party. I am sure this trip will be very interesting.

With kindest personal regards and thanking you very much for your courtesy,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Breckinridge Jones

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KANSAS STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
MANHATTAN, KANSAS
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND CIVICS

February 20, 1924.

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

My dear Professor Buck;

We are attempting to arrange an exchange
Professorship in History or Political Science
for the summer school of either 1924 or 1925.
Would you be willing to consider such a proposition?
Would you be willing to teach in the summer school
of the Kansas State Agricultural College this year
without an exchange proposition?

Hoping for an encouraging reply

I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Ralph R. Price

Professor and Head of Department.

February 29, 1924

Professor Ralph R. Price
Kansas State Agricultural College
Manhattan, Kansas

My dear Professor Price:-

I am in receipt of your letter of February 20 and appreciate very much your thinking of me in this connection. It would be difficult for me to accept a summer school position for next summer as I am scheduled to teach at the University of Minnesota, and arrangements would have to be made for a substitute there as well as for the management of the Minnesota Historical Society.

I am sure that I would enjoy the experience of teaching in your institution for a chance and should be glad to consider any proposition which might be made. So far as I know, the idea of exchanging professors for the summer has never been considered here, although members of our department frequently teach elsewhere during the summer and we usually engage two or three from outside to teach here. I shall be glad to bring the matter before our department if you desire me to do so.

Sincerely yours

B/P

March 5, 1926

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

Dear Herbert:

The enclosed letter was forwarded to me from the Minnesota Historical Society and as there is no address on it, I cannot reply to it directly. Possibly there was an address on the envelope but that was not sent on. I think you ought to see the letter anyway.

You can tell Dorothy, if you think best, that the number of positions on the staff of the Minnesota Historical Society is limited by the available funds and that there are no vacancies at present so that it would not be possible for us to give anyone a position; or if you prefer, you can send me her address and I will write to her myself.

Sincerely yours,

SJB DMW

NOV 28 1925

CHARLES FABENS KELLEY

4812 Dorchester Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

November 25, 1925.

My dear Solon;

Thank you very much for sending me the clippings about "Chauncey". He certainly fought an uphill battle creditably, and I am sorry indeed to learn of his death. The article gave a very good resumé of his activities it seemed to me. Somebody told me he had married, but there was no mention of it in the clipping, and I may have been mistaken about it.

It has been a long time since I heard from you, and it may be that I have been owing you a letter. Are you thinking of coming through Chicago soon for another convention? Our latch-string is always out. I expect this year to be in Boston between December 19th and 25th visiting our families on the side, while I do some work in the Boston Museum, so if you are coming through Chicago please plan your trip so you won't miss us.

Now comes the surprise, however. I am to give a lecture in Duluth March 12th, and think I will return to Chicago by way of Minneapolis, since I have never had a look at that center of civilization and progress. If it will not inconvenience you I should be glad to spend the night with you. Incidentally, if you could work in a lecture for me at the University I would not be loath.

Things are very busy here, and I find the work very interesting. Our collections are growing rapidly, and it is giving us a good deal of anxiety as to where to put everything. Our new theatre, in connection with the Institute opened a few weeks ago, and has proved very successful. It is a fine building, and we have a first-class repertory company which acts as faculty of a dramatic school. All the scenery is designed and executed by the school, as well as the costumes, and the plays are put on in splendid shape. I shall be glad to take you when next you come.

I haven't seen Mann or Sailor Jones since they went to Minneapolis. I wish you'd tell them where I am located and ask them to drop in and have lunch with me when they are in Chicago.

How are Elizabeth and the White Hope?
Best wishes to you all from Marion, Barbara, and
Yours,

Charles Fabens Kelley.

November 30, 1925

Mr. Charles F. Kelley
4822 Dorchester Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles:-

I was very glad indeed to receive your letter of November 25 and especially to know that you are coming up into our section of the country next March. We have long hoped that you would have an opportunity to make us a visit some time and we certainly want you to arrange to stay with us as long as you can. I am sure that you will find much of interest in the Minneapolis Art Institute. When your plans are made, let me know just when you will arrive so that I can arrange to meet you.

There doesn't seem to be much interest in art at the University of Minnesota, but I will make some inquiries as to the possibility of arranging a lecture for you. I think it more likely that the Art Institute would be interested in having you lecture there.

I expect to be passing through Chicago on my way to the meeting of the American Historical Association in Ann Arbor between Christmas and New Years but do not know as yet just when. I shall probably be traveling with quite a delegation from here but may have time to drop in to see you at the Art Institute between trains, either going or coming. I should like very much to stop over with you, but the end of the year is a very busy time here in connection with arrangements for our annual meeting and I am afraid that I will not have any time to spare.

I see Mann and Jones frequently at a dining club to which we belong and I shall be glad to give your message to them. Both of them appear to be prospering in worldly goods.

Elizabeth wants to be remembered to you and Marion -- I am afraid that Barbara has no recollection of her. Our family is all well, including the youngest, Mary Margaret, who is thirteen months old.

Sincerely yours

B/P

December 4, 1925

Mr. Charles Fabens Kelley
4822 Dorchester Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles:-

Since writing to you the other day, I have learned, much to my surprise, that there is a very definite movement on hand for developing a real department of art at the University of Minnesota and that the authorities are looking about for the right man to take charge of the department. Is there any chance that you would be interested in this? Your transfer from Ohio to Chicago would seem to indicate, of course, a preference for museum work over teaching, but it occurs to me that you might consider returning to the University field, particularly if there were opportunity for working in cooperation with a metropolitan art institute, as I assume that there will be here.

I know nothing about details as to possible salary or other arrangements but I wish you would let me know whether there is any possibility that you might be interested.

Sincerely yours

B/P

DEC 10 1925

CHARLES FABENS KELLEY

4822 Dorchester Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

December 9th, 1925.

Dear Solon;

Your letter regarding the proposed Fine Arts Department at the University of Minnesota has been stewing around in my mind for two or three days. I feel very much as I did at Ohio State when the Chicago project was broached, - that I am very well off where I am, and very well satisfied, but that I will put no obstacles in the way of anyone who wishes to convince me that I will be better off elsewhere. I really doubt, though, if any University would offer me anything which could tempt me away from the present situation.

It was certainly kind of you to think of me in that connection. (There shouldn't have been a paragraph here).

We are delighted to hear of the new arrival, and it was very pleasant to get a letter from you again. I'm looking forward to seeing you all in March.

Best wishes from us both.

Yours,

Charles

January 23, 1926

Mr. Charles Fabens Kelley
4822 Dorchester Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles:-

I expect to stop in Chicago on Monday, February 1, for interviews with a number of people and will try to get in touch with you at the Art Institute. There are several things that I very much want to talk over with you. Having been appointed executive secretary of the Committee on Endowment of the American Historical Association, I expect to have my headquarters in New York from February until September.

I am sorry that I shall not be here when you come up to Minnesota in March, but the family will all be here and will be very glad to have you stop over with them. Elizabeth and the children will probably come to New York in the spring or early summer --- just when is not yet decided.

Give my best regards to Marion and Barbara.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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January 28th.

Dear Solon;

I was in New York when your letter arrived. I am looking forward to seeing you on Monday + shall expect you to lunch with me. Marion hopes you will arrange at least to spend the night with us.

Yours,

Charles

January 29, 1926

Mr. Charles Fabens Kelley
4322 Dorchester Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles:--

I am sorry to say that I will not be able to lunch with you on Monday as I have an engagement with Edward E. Ayer; nor will it be possible for me to spend the night in Chicago, as I must be in Indianapolis Tuesday morning.

I will get in touch with you at the Art Institute Monday morning and we can doubtless arrange to get together some time during the day.

Sincerely yours

B/P

LOUISE PHELPS KELLOGG
636 HOWARD PLACE
MADISON, WISCONSIN

Oct. 27, 1926.

Dear Mrs. Buck,

I have not intended to let two weeks go by before acknowledging your very delightful courtesy to me while I was in the Twin Cities. I had no idea in the summer that I should see you again so soon; but the conference does meet into friends and colleagues the more pleasure it is! I felt so at home with you and "Stephen", and now that I know the younger members

of the family I feel we are
all acquainted. I was especial-
ly glad to make the acquaintance
of Mr. & Mrs. Shippee, as I have
a great regard for his work.

I had quite a surprise on
reaching Madison - the two
Misses Martin from Green
Bay were at my house for
the Annual Meeting. They are
such delightful ladies, and the
next week I returned their
call and spent two very happy
days at Green Bay, where we
had a Museums Conference. Dr.
Schaefer, Mr. Burrill and the

governor were present, three tablets
were unveiled and we had
a grand LOUISE PHELPS KELLOGG
636 HOWARD PLACE
MADISON, WISCONSIN talkfest.

These short professional trips are
one of the delightful parts of my
work. I returned to Milwaukee
from Green Bay where we had
the state convention of the A. A. U. W.
Now I expect to stay at home
until after Christmas, then ho!
for Ann Arbor and the Amer-
ican Historical. Mr. Buck will
be there, of course. I wish you
might go.

How is your book? Is it out
yet? Please tell Mr. Buck

that I took his request for my
book to the office and Miss
Nunn said she would reply.
She has entire charge of the
distributions, and I have "no
jurisdiction."

Again thanking you for
the ride, the dinner, and
all your hospitality I am
Cordially yours,

Louise Phelps Kellogg

How do you like winter in
October? I have friends here
from Galveston, to whom I say
we have arranged this for their benefit.

JOSEPH SCHAFER
Superintendent

THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WISCONSIN

(TRUSTEE OF THE STATE)

MADISON

July 14, 1926.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
110 Library, Columbia University.

Dear Mr. Buck,

I was glad to hear from you, and thus to know that you and Mrs. Buck and the children safely reached New York after your long auto journey. I hope you are enjoying the summer well. It has been delightfully cool here, except for a day or two.

"Honor to whom honor is due". Dr. Schafer wrote the note on the endowment fund for the July Wisconsin Magazine of History. But I did perpetrate the review of your and Mrs. Buck's book. Miss Jacobson does not know how in the world the line dropped out of the page. It was all right in the last page proof. It should have read after "first Jesuit missionary", "Possibly the authors are a little too definite about the dates of Radisson's visits etc. I could not resist airing my own theories, you see. By the way, have you noticed the review of my French Régime in the American Historical Review for July? The reviewers have been very kind to me, I think.

I see on re-reading our Magazine that the correct line (as I have given it above) was not only omitted, but the fourth line above was dropped into the place. Isn't it trying?.

My best regards and wishes for the summer and campaign,

Very truly yours,

Louise Phelps Kellogg

On second thought I am enclosing the page proof copy.

July 30, 1926

Dr. Louise Phelps Kellogg
The State Historical Society of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Miss Kellogg:

Thank you very much for sending me the proof of your review of Stories of Early Minnesota. I am glad to have it, not only in order to be able to read the correct version, but also for preservation in my files. Your correction of the name of Father Guignas is much appreciated and we shall endeavor to change it in the next edition.

I read with much interest the review of your French Régime in the American Historical Review, and I am glad to see that the book is being received with well merited approbation.

I have just returned from a hectic two weeks with the Columbia River Historical Expedition. It seems that Turner was to have been the star of the Expedition, but his illness prevented him from going and Morrison took his place.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

August 12, 1925

Professor Paul Knaupland
University Club
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Knaupland:-

I have done a very stupid thing and I am going to impose upon you further to help me out.

When I first went to the University Club, I hung my hat up in the coatroom near the office and, as I did not have occasion to wear it in Madison, I forgot all about it and came away without taking it. I will appreciate it very much, therefore, if you will get hold of a suitable box somewhere and ship it to me either by express or parcel post as may be most convenient. It is a light gray felt hat and it is hanging in the back of the coatroom. Unfortunately neither my name nor initials are in it, but it has a brilliant orange colored lining which, I am sure will serve to identify it. Please let me know any expense involved and I will reimburse you.

We had an interesting trip to the Twin Cities. Sunday afternoon we drove to Berlin (my old home) about one hundred miles, and on Monday we drove all of the rest of the way, 308 miles, arriving in Minneapolis about midnight. My trunk came through all right and reached here yesterday. It will be best to address the hat to me at the Minnesota Historical Society.

I appreciate very much your taking care of my grades for me and I am sorry to have to inflict this further trouble upon you.

Sincerely yours

B/P

AUG 22 1925

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB
MADISON, WISCONSIN

Aug. 21.

Dear Buck:

Got your letter upon returning from Aunt's vacation. Spent a few moments trying to discover a "best" way of slipping your lid, but had no wooden box, and you may have to reblow it, however. I hope no real damage has been done. Only a dime in postage, don't bother.

I am glad you had a pleasant trip. Things are pretty quiet here just now - very pleasant though.

Please remember me

to Mrs. Buck and to Bleyer
if he has not completely
forgotten my existence.

May your arms be strong
in the fight vs. the
politicians.

Sincerely
Paul Knaplund

August 26, 1925

Mr. Paul Knaplund
The University Club
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Knaplund:-

Thank you very much for sending home my hat. The crushing does not seem to have injured it any for it quickly regained its original shape. I enclose some stamps to cover the postage.

Blegen is away on his vacation at present, but I will remember you to him when he returns.

Things are still up in the air here but we hope that they will be settled before long.

Sincerely yours

B/P

COMMITTEE ON ENDORSEMENT

Albert J. Beveridge, Chairman
Solon J. Buck, Executive Secretary

110 Library Building
Columbia University
New York City
February 24, 1926

Miss Gertrude Krausnick
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Krausnick:

It has just come to my attention that the Lincoln Centennial Association of Springfield, Illinois, is publishing some bulletins and other literature that we ought to have. I would suggest that you have Mr. H. write to Paul M. Angle, the Executive Secretary of the Association, Sangamo Club, Springfield, Illinois.

You see I am unable to forget the M. H. S. I trust that everything is running smoothly.

Sincerely yours,

SJB DMW

July 8, 1926

Miss Gertrude Krausnick
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Krausnick:

Do you know or will you find out for me as tactfully as possible whether or not the Great Northern people are expecting me to go on the Columbia River Expedition as a guest? When I talked with Mr. Budd about this last May, he asked me to go on the expedition and to speak at Grand Forks but did not specifically say that I was to go as their guest; and while I have had some letters from Mr. Mills, he has not alluded to the subject. I certainly cannot afford to go and pay my own expenses, and I am not sure that our Endowment Committee would want to bear the expense. If I do go, I shall join the expedition at Chicago. Doubtless you can find out about this through Mr. Mills or some of the other people that you know, without going to Mr. Budd.

Please send your reply as a telegram or night letter, collect, in order that I may have time to make the necessary arrangements here. My home address, where I shall be on Sunday, is 24 Woodland Avenue, New Rochelle.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

July 2, 1926

Miss Gertrude Krausnick
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Krausnick:

I am very much pleased to learn from Mr. Blögen that the powers that be have approved of the proposed increase in your salary.

I trust that everything is going well and hope that the work on the book stack is under way.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

July 31, 1926

Miss Gertrude Krausnick, Librarian
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Krausnick:

Enclosed I am sending you a check for \$9.72, which, if my memory serves me correctly, is the amount that I owe you. The telegram was duly received and also your post card to me. Thank you very much. ✓

The card enclosed was given me by the man who writes historical articles for a supplement that is distributed to western newspapers. I do not remember the name of it but have a copy out home. I think probably you got a copy of it also. He told me that he would put the society on the mailing list for it and that if we did not receive it we should write him about it. ✓

Under separate covers I am sending you: (1) ^{the} a map and booklet from Mr. Gougar; (2) Some separates given me by Colonel Brown for the Minnesota Historical Society.

I found the family all well and I have about recovered from the effects of the grand debauch. "Hoping that you are the same,"

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

Minnesota Historical Society

SAINT PAUL

SOLON J. BUCK
Superintendent
GERTRUDE KRAUSNICK
Librarian

September 11, 1926

Mr. Solon J. Buck
110 Library
Columbia University
New York City

My dear Mr. Buck:

At last I have secured a carbon of the list of names and addresses of those who participated in the Columbia River Historical Expedition which you requested some time ago. This is not absolutely complete, as Mr. MacRae says, but I hope it will be of use to you. I have made a few corrections and added one or two names. Most of those whose addresses were not given, were, I believe, high school students.

This is, as you know, Fair week and some one of the staff is out at our exhibit every day. The exhibit was written up in a Minneapolis paper some time ago and I am enclosing a clipping about it which you may not have seen. I am also enclosing a clipping about Colonel Brown. This account appeared in several Minneapolis papers. I have had some interesting correspondence with Colonel Brown and have also sent him a photostat of a 1901 newspaper article about Traverse des Sioux.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Gertrude Krausnick

GK/HS

September 13, 1926

Miss Gertrude Krausnick
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Krausnick:

Thank you very much for the Expedition list.

It will be very useful to me.

I read with much interest the clippings that you enclosed and am returning them herewith as you may want them for the files.

We are planning to start back for Minneapolis a week from today, and I hope to get there by the end of next week.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:V

June 6, 1924

Professor A. C. Krey
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Krey:-

The three girls whose papers were rejected in my intensive course last winter because of plagiarism have now handed in new papers and I have looked them over and graded them as follows:

Evande Becker	B
Helen G. Hunt	C-
Gladys Lampman	C+

Very truly yours

B/P

September 24, 1925

Prof. Morris B. Lambie
Municipal Reference Bureau
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Lambie:-

Just before I left for my vacation someone in your office called me to the effect that a master's thesis was ready for my examination. I had just finished reading two theses at that time, although not supposed to be on duty, and I did not feel that I could take on another. I am back on the job now, however, and can read the thesis if it has not been otherwise disposed of.

Sincerely yours

SJB/B

October 19, 1925

Professor Morris B. Lambie
Municipal Reference Bureau
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Lambie:-

I have read Mr. Cooke's thesis entitled The Evolution of the Minnesota Budget System and shall be glad to approve it as filling the thesis requirements for the degree of master of arts.

It seems to me that Mr. Cooke has done a very valuable piece of research work and has organized his materials well. Unfortunately, however, he does not write very well. He is very careless in the use of words, does not always make his meaning clear, and is sometimes ungrammatical. If the publication of the thesis is contemplated -- and I think such publication is desirable -- it certainly ought to receive very extensive stylistic revision.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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Mrs Solon J. Buck,
67 Barton Ave. S. E.,
Minneapolis.

July 21, 1925

Dear Mrs. Buck:

Yours at hand. Do you wish to use the cuts or the pictures? I have the former, but the latter are not on file, and I would not know where to locate them. Perhaps you could use the smaller cuts as they are. We make a nominal charge of 3¢ per sq. inch for use of cuts if returned in good order.

The original of the Guri Endreson frontispiece in our history I believe is lost - The Centennial (worse) committee were looking for it among the relatives without success. You might get a fair likeness by having a cut made desired. Size directly from a print of the large cut, awaiting your further pleasure.

Respectfully,
Victor E. Lawson

December 4, 1925

Hon. Victor E. Lawson
Willmar, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Lawson:-

I have asked the Macmillan Co. to send you a complimentary copy of Stories of Early Minnesota and trust that you will receive it in the near future. You will observe that we made use of the inscription which you supplied from the monument to Guri Endreson.

In clearing up some of the papers that accumulated in the preparation of the book the other day I came across your letter of July 21 to Mrs. Buck, in which you offered the use of a cut. I am not sure that this letter ever was answered. The publishers' agent who was out here said that they could not use such a cut or a print of it satisfactorily and so they decided not to include a picture of Mrs. Endreson. It is unfortunate that the original photograph has been lost.

I assure you that your co-operation with us in these matters is very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours

B/P

Glenwood, Minnesota
July 6, 1920

Professor D. J. Buck
69 Barton Avenue D.C.
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

You will probably remember me as a member of your History of Minnesota class who asked you for a recommendation for teaching. I am still without a position and am about to join the Rocky Mountain Teachers' Agency. They require that we give the names of people who can recommend us for a position. I am very anxious to secure a position as teacher of History and Mathematics and shall appreciate it very much if you will recommend me to this agency or another of its kind.

I thank you very kindly for the assistance you have given me.

Very truly yours,
Cora J. Lee.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 26, 1923

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Professor S. J. Buck
Professor of History
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

If the finances of the University permit, I hope before the beginning of the next academic year to reorganize our work in general history. This will necessitate the appointment of a Professor of History, who will be head of the department.

I am taking the liberty to ask whether you will be good enough to send me a list of several promising men whom you could highly recommend for a professorship at Lehigh. I shall expect to pay not more than \$5,000 per year for this position. For this salary, I hope to be able to secure a man who has had excellent preparation, including his doctorate, and who has proved his ability as a teacher and a scholar. With all, of course, I must have a man whose personality will be attractive to his students and associates.

As you know, Lehigh University is primarily an institute of technology. We have, however, a College of Liberal Arts and Science and a College of Business Administration as well as our College of Engineering. By recent action of the Board of Trustees, the enrollment in the College of Arts and Science and the College of Business Administration is limited to 300 each and that in the College of Engineering to 900. Our present enrollment is considerably smaller than the above, but it is my desire to permit it to increase to the figures indicated as rapidly as we are prepared to handle them. While our work in the College of Arts and Science will probably always be more or less subordinate to that of the College of Engineering, I am anxious that it be recognized as the equal of that in any other of the smaller colleges of the country and comparable in all respects with the work of our College of Engineering. I am particularly anxious to get a man who is sympathetic with the ideals of technical students and who may do all in his power to interest them in cultural subjects. As a matter of fact,

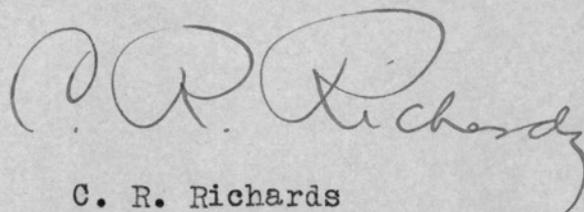
S. F. B.--2

there is a splendid opportunity for historical research in connection with the development of engineering and science, but it is doubtful whether any historian will be interested in such research.

At the present time, Lehigh University does graduate work leading to the degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science only. While we may never be able to develop our graduate work as I should like to see it developed, it is my hope that we can in a limited number of lines do work of such high grade as to justify offering the Doctor's degree.

I shall greatly appreciate any suggestions concerning men which you may make to me. Our plans are still very nebulous and nothing may come of them at least for the present. Since, however, I am anxious to get a man of the very highest grade for this position, I am undertaking to accumulate a list of available men well before the need for action arises.

Very cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. R. Richards". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

C. R. Richards
President

November 3, 1923

Mr. C. R. Richards, President
Lehigh University
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

My dear President Richards:-

I have read with interest your letter of October 26 and am glad to know of the plans for developing work in history at Lehigh University.

I should like to recommend for the position of which you speak Professor Lester B. Shippee of the University of Minnesota. I should say in the first place that all of our department here would be very sorry indeed to have Professor Shippee leave, but the situation in the department and in the University is such that he is not receiving at present anywhere near what he is worth, and there is little prospect of much change in the near future. He came to us as assistant professor about six years ago from the Washington State Agricultural College at Pullman, and was promoted several years ago to the rank of associate professor. I consider him one of the most scholarly men in the field at the present time, and he has the reputation of being an excellent teacher.

His main work has been in American history, and he has been associated with Professor Alvord for some time in the editing of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. He has been secretary of the department for some years and has also done considerable administrative work for the College. He is about forty-five years old, has a vigorous and likeable personality, and has a family consisting of a wife and three children.

Should you wish to consider him for the position I would be very glad to assist you in assembling further and more detailed information about him.

Sincerely yours

B/P

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 7, 1923

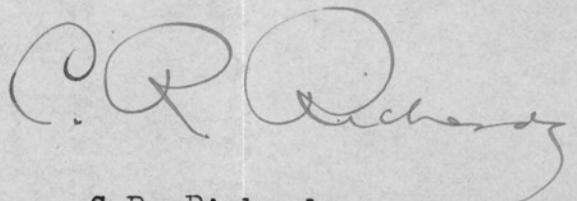
Professor Solon J. Buck
Department of History
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

I am very much obliged to you for your suggestion of Professor Lester B. Shippee for the Professorship in History, which I hope we may be able to create beginning next September. I shall be glad to add his name to our list of possible candidates and determine whether he is interested just as soon as I find whether we shall be able to go ahead with this development.

Thanking you very much for your suggestion, and with personal regards, I am

Very cordially yours,



C.R. Richards
President

DEC 5 1923

THE UNIVERSITY



OF NORTH DAKOTA

DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN HISTORY

UNIVERSITY STATION
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

December 4, 1923

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

Dear Sir:

I presume notice has already been given you
of the proposed organization of social science faculties
into a national society known as Alpha Pi Zeta. The call
has come from Missouri University, supported by Clarké
University. It will be discussed at the Columbus meeting,
where I presume you are planning to go during the Christmas
recess.

I do not know what reception it will receive among
the social science faculties but I am certainly in favor
of a movement of this kind.

Very truly yours,

OGL/JRF

August 26, 1925

Dr. O. G. Libby
University Station
Grand Forks, North Dakota

My dear Dr. Libby:-

Some time ago you were kind enough to send me a complimentary copy of one of the volumes of your North Dakota Historical Collections -- I think it was volume 5 -- and I was very glad indeed to have it. I have not received, however, a copy of your last volume (7) and I wonder if it would be possible for you to have one sent to me. The Historical Society has received one, of course, but I like to have such things in my own library.

If you can spare a copy, I should be glad to have it sent to my home address, 67 Barton Ave. S. E., Minneapolis.

Sincerely yours

B/P

September 24, 1925

Dr. O. G. Libby
University Station
Grand Forks, North Dakota

Dear Mr. Libby:-

Thank you very much for the copy of the North Dakota Historical Collections, volume 7, which you sent at my request. I have looked it over with much interest and find that it is almost as much of a contribution to Minnesota history as to that of North Dakota.

I was particularly interested in the fact that so many of the people whose biographical sketches are included in the volume were Minnesotans before they went to North Dakota. This is a striking illustration of the theory that each new frontier was settled largely by the preceding frontier.

The volume is attractively printed and I am very glad indeed to have it for my private collection.

Sincerely yours

SJB/B

December 4, 1924

Miss Emily B. Mitchell
Secretary to Dr. Charles Moore
Division of Manuscripts
Library of Congress
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Mitchell:-

We have just received a
copy of the very valuable list entitled Manuscripts
Endowed and Private Collections in the United
States for the society's library.

Would it be possible for you
to have a personal copy of this list sent to me? It
would be very useful in connection with my research
work and the favor would be much appreciated. If it
is possible for you to have it sent, please use my
home address, 67 Barton Ave. S. E., Minneapolis,
in order that it may not get mixed up with books for
the library.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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EDITORIAL
DEPARTMENT

February 9, 1925.

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

Dear Sir:

We have yours of February 5th and note what you say in regard to yours and Mrs. Buck's manuscript of "Stories of Early Minnesota History." We doubt very much if we should be able to publish a book of this character as it would seem to be one that would make its strongest appeal in your own state. We really prefer to publish books which have a general sale throughout the United States.

Regretting that we cannot encourage you to send on the manuscript, we are

Yours very truly,

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May 1, 1924.

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

Dear Prof. Buck:

We believe you will be interested in hearing the results of our public meeting held here April 30th, and therefore, we are enclosing a story from the meeting including excerpts from the text of our cable to the liberals of Germany and France.

Sincerely yours,

Charles A. Lyman
Secretary.

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May 14, 1924

Mr. Charles A. Lyman
305 Lenox Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lyman:-

I received your letter of May 1 enclosing an account of the Emergency Foreign Policy Conference on April 30 and have received other literature from you in the past.

I am very much interested in what you are doing and have been doing in Washington, and appreciate your sending such literature to me, although my burden of work and my official position make it impossible for me to take any active part in these movements. The literature which you send is turned over to the library of the Minnesota Historical Society where it will some day be of great value to students of history.

Should you ever get up this way, I trust that you will drop in and see me. I had hoped to get to Madison for the twentieth reunion this year but we have a meeting scheduled for the same dates and it will be impossible for me to get away.

Sincerely yours

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December 19, 1924

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

Dear Professor Buck:

I am picking up the threads of the E. F. P. C.
Will you help me to go forward with this work? We
have a fine group and can do much towards pointing
out the causes of war and in working for international
friendships.

Sincerely,

Secretary

Charles A. Lyman

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April 13, 1926

Professor William O. Lynch
Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Mr. Lynch:

When I was chairman of the Committee on Nominations of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, I was very glad to receive suggestions from other members of the ~~committee~~ *association.* I take it for granted, therefore, that you as chairman of the committee this year will welcome such suggestions.

It seems to me that great care should be exercised in the selection of new members of the Executive Committee and that they should be in the main professionals rather than amateurs. There has been a tendency at times to name people as a compliment to them or to their community without regard to their ability to serve the best interests of the Association, and this I think is to be deplored.

Among those who in my opinion might be considered for the committee are Thomas M. Marshall, Professor of History in Washington University and secretary of the Missouri Historical Society, Coleman of your own state, E. Morton Coulter of the University of Georgia, George M. Stephenson of the University of Minnesota, John W. Oliver of the University of Pittsburgh, Clarence E. Carter of Miami University, and H. C. Hockett of Ohio State. The last two have already served on the committee and possibly Oliver has also.

For president I should like to suggest the nomination of Dr. Louise Phelps Kellogg of the Wisconsin Historical Society. I consider her one of the ablest scholars working in the history of the Valley and her new book on the French Regime in Wisconsin and the Northwest is a valuable contribution. She has taken much interest in the Association and deserves this recognition. The Association has never had a woman for president and, while I do not think that this in itself is any reason for selecting one, neither do I think that

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it should be a bar. If for any reason the committee does not favor her, I suppose that Dr. Schafer would be the logical candidate. He was elected to the Executive Committee, however, for a term of three years and in view of the fact that he has come so recently to the Valley, I cannot see any objection to waiting a year or two before making him president.

Sincerely yours,

SJB:W

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BLOOMINGTON, IND.

April 16, 1926.

Doctor Solon J. Buck,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Buck:

I was glad to receive your letter relative to the nomination of candidates for the presidency and for places on the executive committee of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association. It happens that I have personally favored Dr. Joseph Schafer for the presidency. I did not think of him or any one else as the logical person for the place, but I believe that he will make a very fine president. The members of the committee have not definitely decided in favor of any one yet. We shall add the name of Miss Kellog to our list and give her careful consideration.

I agree with you in relation to the executive committee that it is poor policy to name persons merely as a way of honoring them. I feel that there is more justification in following this policy occasionally in regard to the presidency than in the matter of choosing committee members. This would be true, at any rate, if it were not for the policy of placing every ex-president on the committee.

Thanking you for your letter and for your helpful suggestions, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. O. Lynch.

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