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August 24, 1932

Dauber & Pine Bookshops, Inc.,

66 Fifth Avenue,

New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

Please send me a set of Henry Adams' History of the United States at the special price of \$5.00, as advertised on the back of your catalogue Number 118. Remittance will be made for this upon receipt of the bill.

Very truly yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

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MRS. JOHN S. CLAPPER, First State Vice Regent,
2315 Oliver Avenue So., Minneapolis.
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Excelsior, Minn.
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**Minnesota Society
Daughters of the
American Colonists**

MRS. IRVING A. CASWELL, State Regent,
Anoka, Minn.

MRS. JAMES T. MORRIS, Vice President,
Middle West Section; Honorary State Regent,
"Leamington", Minneapolis, Minn.

Minneapolis, May 21, 1929

Dr. Solon J. Buck,

My dear Sir:

The Daughters of the American Colonists wish to express to you their deep appreciation of your kindness in going to Anoka and giving of your time and strength to help out our dedication. We know that everyone was instructed and entertained by your delightful speech. Another favor you did us, was to bring Mrs. Buck, whom we have seen but few times at our meetings

Most sincerely and gratefully.

Belle S. Pearson

Corresponding Secretary

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April 22, 1929

Prof. Darrell H. Davis
Department of Geography
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Davis:

Herewith I am sending you copy for the text to accompany eight of the population maps. Suggestions for their improvement will be appreciated, of course. ✓

I expect to be back in Minnesota about May 1 and shall drop in to see you as soon as possible thereafter.

I am not sure just what we agreed to with reference to names to accompany the section. I now feel, however, that Osgood's name should be associated with mine in connection both with the population and the historical section, and Miss Nute's name should be included in the case of the historical section only.

Sincerely yours

SJB/H

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November 1, 1929

Dr. William Stearns Davis
98 High St.,
Exeter, New Hampshire

Dear Davis:-

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of your latest book. I haven't dared to start it as yet because I know by experience that once I get into it, I will neglect everything else until it is finished, and I have too much work piled up ahead of me to permit of such a procedure. I have passed the book on to my father, however, and shall read it myself as soon as I feel that I can spare the time.

I trust that you and Mrs. Davis are well. Our family is flourishing as usual, and Elizabeth joins me in sending best regards.

Sincerely yours

B/P

MAY 31 1929

9th.
Personal copy.
THE JOHN DAY COMPANY INC. PUBLISHERS386 Fourth Avenue
~~25 WEST 45th STREET~~ • NEW YORK CITY

May 29, 1929.

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

Dear Mr. Buck:

At the request of the author we take pleasure in sending you a complimentary copy of FRONTIERS AND THE FUR TRADE, by Sydney Greenbie. We shall be glad to have your comment upon it and hope that you will be able to give it some publicity that will assist in the sales.

Sincerely yours,

Richard J. Walsh
President.

RJW/H



DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

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March 11, 1932

Professor S. J. Buck
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Buck:

I am planning to edit a series of studies on the leading topics of American history which are to be written by the outstanding authors in the respective fields and designed for collateral reading for the elementary college course in American history. The enclosed mimeographed sheets give the general outline of the project.

Several of the outstanding men in American history have already agreed to cooperate and a few others have expressed themselves as favorably inclined but desirous of more detailed information about the project before promising to help.

I would like very much to have you contribute a brief monograph for the series on the Grange Movement, giving in briefer form the most important information contained in your larger works on the topic.

I hope you can see fit to cooperate in this project for there is a very great need for a series of brief but reliable studies for the immature student.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence P. Denman

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(Prospectus)

SURVEY STUDIES IN AMERICAN HISTORY

A Series of Brief Monographs on the Leading Topics in American History, Each (to be) Written by a Specialist in the Particular Field, and Designed for Collateral Reading in Elementary College Courses.

(To be) edited by
Clarence P. Denman, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of History,
Miami University

SCOPE- About 100 units, each approximately 20 pages (about 5000 words), making a total of some 2000 pages, which will be issued in two or three bound volumes.

Each unit will cover a salient topic which is ordinarily stressed in the survey course in American history and will take into consideration such important aspects of the topic as can be satisfactorily treated within the limited space.

PURPOSE- For collateral reading for the general college course in American history, commonly open to Freshmen and Sophomore students. Most of these classes meet three times per week for the entire school year, and have about 100 assignments for class preparation. With two hours devoted to each preparation and reading at the rate of 20 pages per hour the ordinary student will read in the neighborhood of 4000 pages for the year. With 1000 pages of textbook material and another 1000 for documents, contemporary narratives, and biographies, there will be about 2000 pages read from monographs and the more general works.

Most of the scholarly monographs now available are designed for the special student and are too long to permit students in the survey course to do satisfactory

reading upon very many topics. On the other hand, the general accounts are too brief or too superficial to give the student a clear understanding of the topic under discussion, and the special works of less scholarly nature are apt to confuse the immature student who does not have time available for a thorough investigation of the topic.

The series of brief monographs herein proposed will undertake to give the student some definite and accurate information together with a scholarly interpretation of that information. Enough concrete facts and cogent details will be introduced to build up an association of ideas sufficient to enable the student to grasp the essential interpretation. The units will constitute careful examinations of cross-sections in our national development. The continuous narrative will be left to the text-book and the instructor.

THE AUTHORS- An effort is being made to enlist the cooperation of the outstanding scholars in American history who have already demonstrated their ability to do sound work in the particular fields. Most of them are men upon whom the college instructors of American history can rely for a selection of the most vital material for the brief space allowed.

THE EDITOR-(B. A. Texas, 1923, M. A., 1924; Ph. D. Michigan 1930) has specialized in the history of the Old South and wrote his thesis on "The Secession Movement in Alabama". He will not attempt to write any of the studies for this series unless on the secession movement. For several years he has been teaching elementary college courses in American history and has become concerned with the problems of the capable students of serious purpose who do not get as satisfactory results from their limited time as they might obtain were the desired information accessible in briefer form.

PUBLISHER- No publisher has been secured and probably none will be willing to make a definite agreement until a complete table of contents and list of authors can be submitted. One of the standard publishers of college textbooks will be secured.

REMUNERATION TO AUTHORS- No definite agreement can be made with the authors until an agreement has been made with the publishers. There will probably be a 10% royalty to be distributed equally among the authors, which will amount to about one cent per copy for each unit. While this will be by no means a lucrative return, the writing will be within the field the authors know best and should not require as much time as other kinds of writing.

DATE OF PUBLICATION- The editor will not ask any of the authors to commence writing until he has an agreement with an outstanding author for each of the topics and has an agreement with the publishers. He plans to have the completed manuscript by January, 1933 so that the printed volumes can be ready for use of classes in the fall of 1933.

5839 Darlington Road,

March 15, 1932

Professor Clarence P. Denman,
Miami University,
Oxford, Ohio.

Dear Professor Denman:-

I have received your letter of March 11 asking me to contribute a brief monograph on the Grange Movement (it would be better to call it Granger Movement) for your projected series, and I am interested in the proposition. I do not want to commit myself finally until I have more definite information about the project, who the other authors will be, etc., but you may put me down tentatively with the understanding that I am privileged to withdraw if circumstances make that seem advisable to me.

I am extremely busy at present but, doubtless, I could squeeze out time to prepare the article before the end of the calendar year.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM



MAR 21 1932

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

March 18, 1932

Professor Solon J. Buck
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Buck:

I have received your letter of March 15, and I am very grateful to you for your tentative offer to contribute a brief monograph on the Granger Movement for the series of studies in American history.

I am enclosing a list of men who have accepted ~~down~~ to date and shall be glad to submit to you the entire list when complete. I trust that it will merit your approval.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence P. Lenman

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SURVEY STUDIES IN AMERICAN HISTORY

List of Authors and Topics Agreed Upon to Date

March 18, 1932

- Medieval Trade Between Europe and the Far East--A. H. Lybyer, Univ. of Ill.
- Christopher Columbus--H. P. Biggar, Public Record Office, London.
- Colonial Commerce and the Acts of Trade--O. M. Dickerson, Colorado State Teachers' College.
- The Declaration of Independence--C. L. Becker, Cornell University.
- The Louisiana Purchase--T. M. Marshall, Washington University.
- The New West--W. E. Smith, Miami University.
- The Missouri Compromise--Everett S. Brown, University of Michigan.
- *The Nullification Movement in South Carolina--C. S. Boucher, Univ. of Chicago.
- The Maine Boundary and the Webster-Ashburton Treaty--F. H. Hodder, Univ. of Kansas.
- The Secession Movement, 1860-61--C. P. Derman, Miami University.
- The Liberal Republican Movement--E. D. Ross, Iowa State College.
- The Disputed Election of 1876--P. L. Haworth, Butler University.
- *The Granger Movement--Solon J. Buck, University of Pittsburgh.
- American Neutrality and the World War--M. W. Graham, University of California at Los Angeles.

* Have made a tentative agreement to contribute, conditional^{ed} mainly on the enlistment of a sufficient number of outstanding scholars to warrant going ahead with the project.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

SEP 29 1932

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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September 27, 1932

Professor Solon J. Buck
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Buck:

I now have the list of authors for the Survey Studies in American History practically complete. I expect to send out a questionnaire to the instructors of the survey courses in American history in the colleges of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois as representative of the college field to see if there is sufficient demand for the studies to interest a publisher. I should like to simplify the list of acceptances as far as possible and should like to know if you are ready to make more definite your tentative offer to prepare the article on The Granger Movement. I am inclosing a revised prospectus and a table of contents which shows the present status of the project.

The date for the delivery of the completed manuscript will probably be about March 1, 1933. I should like to have the printed volume ready for use in the fall of 1933; but if publication is delayed, there will, of course, be an extension of time for the delivery of the manuscript. If you are not yet ready to make a definite commitment as to the time you could prepare the article, I should be glad to retain your tentative offer until after the contract is made with the publisher.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence P. Henman

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(Prospectus)

SURVEY STUDIES IN AMERICAN HISTORY

A Series of Brief Studies on the Leading Topics in American History, Each (to be) Written by a Specialist in the Particular Field and Designed for Collateral Reading in Elementary College Courses.

(To be) edited by
Clarence P. Denman,
Assistant Professor of History
Miami University.

Scope--There will be about eighty brief studies, each approximately 5000 words, which will be issued in a single bound volume of about 1000 pages. Each unit will cover a salient topic ordinarily stressed in the survey course in American history and will take into consideration such important aspects of the topic as can be satisfactorily treated in the limited space.

Other topics would be included if the limits of the volume permitted. Their omission will be offset in part by the fact that the studies offered will be brief enough to be read within an hour and will leave the students ample time for primary source material, biographies, treatises on cultural and social history, and any other topics upon which the instructor may wish to dwell.

Purpose--For use of students in the general college course in American history, commonly open to Freshmen and Sophomores. Most of the scholarly monographs now available are designed for the special student and are too long to permit students in the survey course to do satisfactory reading on very many topics. On the other hand, the general accounts are too brief or too superficial to give a clear understanding of the topic under discussion, and the special works of less scholarly nature are apt to confuse the immature student who does not have time for a thorough investigation of the topic. With the reference material now available even the capable students of serious purpose do not get as satisfactory results from their limited time as they might obtain were the desired information accessible in briefer form.

The studies herein proposed will undertake to give some definite and accurate information together with a scholarly interpretation of that information. Students do not object to concrete facts and cogent details if they are associated with the main ideas in such a way as to help grasp and retain the essential interpretation. Each unit will constitute a careful examination of a cross section or a movement in our national development. The continuous narrative and the perspective will be left to the textbook and the instructor.

This series of studies is based on the maxim that knowledge breeds interest, and the belief that sustained interest depends upon reliable reference material within the range of the student's time and comprehension. The mastery of a greater part of the subject matter will not only promote more intelligent class discussions but it may be expected to instill a liking for more extensive reading of historical literature.

The Authors--Each of the authors is a specialist in the field of his topic. Most of them have already demonstrated their ability to give a sound treatise on the particular topics by published works of recognized merit on those or closely related topics. The rest have made extensive investigation in their fields and have their findings ready for the press.

The Editor--(B. A. Texas, 1923, M. A., 1924; Ph. D. Michigan 1930) has specialized in the history of the Old South. He wrote his Master's Thesis on The Election of 1836, and his Doctor's Thesis on The Secession Movement in Alabama. The latter is now ready for the press. For several years he has been teaching elementary college courses in American history and has become concerned with the problems of the capable students of serious purpose.

Date of Publication--No definite information can be given regarding the date of publication, but an effort will be made to have the completed volume ready for use in the fall of 1933.

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- *4. Spanish Colonial System -- A. S. Aiton, University of Michigan.
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6. New Netherlands and New Sweden -- Amandus Johnson, John Morton Memorial Museum, Philadelphia.
7. The Founding of Virginia -- O. P. Chitwood, University of West Virginia.
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18. The Declaration of Independence -- C. L. Becker, Cornell University.
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 75. The United States and International Organization --
 76. The Tariff in the Twentieth Century -- H. T. Collings, University of Pennsylvania.
 77. National Agricultural Policy -- J. D. Black, Harvard University.
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* Tentative acceptance -- author has reserved the right to withdraw if circumstances render such action imperative.

** Early acceptance, based upon condition that enough outstanding authors be enlisted to make the project worth while.

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September 30, 1932

Professor Clarence P. Danman,
Miami University,
Oxford, Ohio

Dear Mr. Danman:

I have received your letter of September 27 with the enclosure, and I want to congratulate you on your success in enlisting scholars in your enterprise. I will now say that, barring unavoidable accidents, I will prepare the article on the Granger Movement. I do not want to begin work on it, however, until it is certain that the book is to be published. Doubtless you will let me know when that has been determined.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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October 5, 1932

Professor Solon J. Buck
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Buck:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 30,
making a definite offer to prepare the article on The
Granger Movement.

I am sending out the questionnaires this week
and hope to have an arrangement with the publisher in the
near future so I can authorize the commencement of writing.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence P. Dlenman

CPD:IG

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

December 9, 1932

Professor S. J. Buck
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Buck:

Arrangements have not yet been made for the publication of the Survey Studies in American History. Several houses have taken an interest in the proposed work, but they wish to make further investigation of its sales possibilities under present conditions before agreeing to undertake its publication.

I do not think it would be wise now to try to have the volume ready for use in the fall of 1933. The date for the delivery of the manuscript will probably be deferred to about October 1.

As soon as arrangements have been made with a publisher, I shall be glad to let you know the details.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence P. Klemm

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May 19, 1930

Dr. Tyler Dennett
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Dennett:-

Dr. E. Douglas Branch informs me that he has taken the Civil Service examination for the position of associate in historical research in the State Department, and that you will have the final selection from those candidates who pass the examination. He has asked me, therefore, to tell you what I know about him and I am very glad to do that. He is a precocious youngster from Texas who took his doctor's degree at the University of Iowa a year ago. He has written two historical books that have been published -- one on the cowboy and one on the buffalo -- and he has another one on the westward movement coming out in the fall. He is working at present on a life of Ramsey Crooks under a fellowship from the Social Science Research Council. The books that he has published are semi-popular in character but vastly better from an historical point of view than most of the popular historical writings of the present day.

Branch was never a student of mine but he has been working here on Crooks for the last six or eight months, and I have seen a good deal of him. He impresses me as having a very keen mind and the ability to do hard work, and produce results. Of special importance, to my mind, is his excellent literary style; in personality he is rather blasé and inclined to be critical of everybody and everything, but he will probably soon outgrow the worst aspects of these characteristics.

I believe that he would prove to be an excellent research associate.

Sincerely yours

B/P

JUN 4 1930



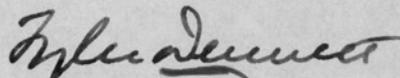
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MAY 29 1930

Dear Dr. Buck:

I am very glad to have your letter of May 19, 1930, about Dr. Branch. From a variety of sources I have gained the impression that Dr. Branch is a very brilliant young man. His experience, however, has been not at all in the field of diplomatic history. I understand that he passed the examination but that he was somewhat graded down because of his deficiency in the special field for which these people are being selected. It is possible that his name may in time be reached on the register but I cannot foresee the date as yet.

Sincerely yours,



Tyler Dennett
Historical Adviser

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

67 Barton Ave. S. E.
April 21, 1930

The Denoyer-Geppart Co
5235 Ravenswood Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:-

Please send me folder and details on the D-G
plated wall outline maps H-430.

Very truly yours

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Pensmore
FEB 2 1931



HOTEL HALCYON
ON BISCAYNE BAY AND THE SEA
MIAMI, FLA.

Jan 30, 1931

Dear Dr. Bick:

Since sending the postal
to your little people I have
found the enclosed, which is
so much better that I must
send it also.

This is the typical dress
of a Seminole boy and girl
and these particular children
are in the village where I
work. The dress of the women
is like Martha's but drags

HAMMERMILL

BOND

MADE IN U.S.A.

on the ground, and the men
formerly dressed like Jimmie.
The women's dresses are of
very fancy patchwork and
the cape is of thin voile.
They are very picturesque.

Cordially
Francis Newmore

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SEP 30 1933

Red Wing, Minnesota
September 28, 1933

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Superintendent Western Pennsylvania Historical Society,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Dr. Buck:

I am sure you will be sorry to learn that my study of Indian music for the Bureau of American Ethnology has been discontinued by Governmental economy. This work has never been under the Civil Service and the new Administration limits Bureau expenditure to persons in the Civil Service.

Yesterday, at the Historical Society in St. Paul, Mr. Babcock said that you are connected with the Social Science Research Council, and I take the liberty of asking whether you can suggest any new affiliation for my work, or any other phase of work for which I may be adapted.

The most recent developments in my work have shown that resemblances in music follow old lines of contact between tribes that are now widely separated. In the Gulf State songs I found resemblances to songs from Central America and southern Arizona, while certain musical customs resembled those of native tribes in South America. The work has thus passed beyond the collecting of songs for preservation and shown its usefulness with reference to the problems of ethnology. I retain my title of collaborator of the Bureau, my status being unchanged, and the Chief of the Bureau will add his recommendations to any plan which I undertake. It was not his intention that the work should be discontinued.

My sister and I took up some war material of my father's to add to the Densmore papers at the Historical Society.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Densmore

October 2, 1933

Miss Frances Densmore,
Red Wing,
Minnesota

Dear Miss Densmore:

I was very sorry to learn from your letter of September 28 that the Bureau of American Ethnology has discontinued the study of Indian music that you have been carrying on so effectively. I am a member of a joint committee of the American Council of Learned Societies and the SSRC. I have nothing to do with the direction of the activities of either of these organizations. I would suggest, however, that the American Council of Learned Societies would be much more likely than the Social Science Research Council to be interested in your project, and I would suggest that you write to Dr. Waldo G. Leland, permanent secretary of the ACLS, 907 15th St., Washington, D. C., and lay the situation before him. I know that the Council is interested, both in Indians and in musicology, and it might be in a position to help you to continue your work.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

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FEB 2 1931

The University of Chicago

Department of History

January 29, 1931

Dear Mr. Buck:

I enjoyed the article which you sent me on the subject of the frontier farm. Having been away from home all autumn, I only now get to the reading of it. It is very much the same old story.

Yours sincerely,

William E. Dodd

WED/a

Professor Solon J. Buck
Minnesota State Historical Society
Minneapolis
Minnesota

December 26, 1929

R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co.
Chicago, Illinois

Att: Mr. Herbert P. Zimmermann
Vice President

Gentlemen:

Again I am indebted to you for a most interesting and attractive Christmas volume, Kendall's Narrative of the Texan Sante Fé Expedition. I consider this, as well as the previous volume, as a valuable addition to my collection of Americana and I assure you that your courtesy in presenting it is very deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours

B/H

December 22, 1930

R. R. Donnelley & Sons Co.
731 Plymouth Place
Chicago, Illinois

Att: Mr. Herbert P. Zimmermann, Vice President

Gentlemen:

Again I am indebted to you for a very interesting and attractive addition to my library. I have long wanted to read Pattie's Personal Narrative but have never got around to it. Now that I have my own copy in this attractive format, I am sure that I shall read it in the near future.

Sincerely yours

B/H

5839 Darlington Road,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

September 13, 1932

R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company,
The Lakeside Press,
350 East Twenty-Second Street,
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:-

For some time past I have been receiving interesting circulars, booklets, and advertising literature from you. As each item comes to me in duplicate I think that you must have my name on your mailing list in two different places. I am glad to receive this material and appreciate your sending it but I do not, of course, care to receive two copies. As you doubtless do not care to waste this literature, I would take the liberty of suggesting that your mailing list be corrected so that only one copy be sent to me in the future.

Very truly yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

5839 Darlington Road,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

December 21, 1932

Mr. Herbert P. Zimmermann, Vice President,
R. H. Donnelley & Sons Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Zimmermann:

Thank you very much for the copy of the very attractive new edition of Mrs. Kinsie's Waverley, edited by Dr. Quaipe. I am very glad to have the opportunity of adding this to my collection of the Lakeside Classics. Curiously enough, although I have been familiar with this book for many years, I did not possess a copy in any edition and I have never read it all through. I am looking forward, therefore, to reading it in this attractive new edition at the first opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Beck

SJB:AM

May 18, 1933

Miss Frances Dorrance,
Wyoming Historical and Geological Society,
Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Dorrance:

Miss MacKinney told me at Bethlehem about the approaching retirement of Dr. Shenk and asked my advice about filling the position. I very much wanted to talk the matter over with you but I was pledged to secrecy. Information about it has come to me now, however, from two outside sources, so I assume that it is no longer a secret. It seems to me that the historical interests of Pennsylvania are confronted with a great opportunity and, if it is lost now, it may be a long time before it will return. If the right appointment is made, the value of the archives division to historical workers can be greatly increased and the office can be made the focus for state historical activities. Assuming a good appointment, the new head of the division should probably be made either the secretary or the editor of our Pennsylvania Historical Association.

I made quite a number of suggestions to Miss MacKinney, both orally at Bethlehem and later by letter. Many of them, however, were of people outside the state, and she writes me that she will probably be obliged to appoint a Pennsylvanian. Among the Pennsylvanians that I have suggested are Holbrook, of my staff, and Bining, of the University of Pennsylvania.

The difficulty about making suggestions is the fact that it is not yet decided, so I am told, whether or not the position will continue to be combined with that of executive secretary of the Commission. If, as I understand it, the salary would be considerable in case such a combination were made, that would mean, of course, that a better man could be obtained. I think that the ideal solution of the problem would be to bring Julia Boyd back to Pennsylvania for the job and I should think that the combined salaries of the two positions might be enough to induce him to come. Of course, he is not a Pennsylvanian just now but the fact that he has lived and worked in Pennsylvania and the further fact that he is about to take his doctor's degree at the University of Pennsylvania might satisfy the requirements. My main concern, however, is that a good appointment be made, rather than that any particular individual receive the job.

Doubtless you know more than I do about this matter, but I wanted to let you know what I have been doing.

Your letter of May 5th, with the enclosures, was duly received but I have been too busy to write letters for some time. I think that the membership showing of our new association is very gratifying and I believe that an active membership campaign will increase the numbers very rapidly, particularly if we feel that we can promise the members a magazine or at least some sort of publication. Might it

May 18, 1933

not be well to get out a little booklet containing the essential facts about the Association, the constitution, names of officers, and perhaps a list of the members to date for use in the membership campaign. If any further publication is contemplated, I think that it should consist of an account of the Bethlehem meeting with perhaps the paper by Dr. Gates. I trust that our board of editors will not feel under the obligation to publish everything that is read at meetings. The paper about Allen, for example, is hardly worth publication, particularly as the substance of it is embodied in a publication of her thesis by a local historical society. I feel that the publication from the outset should take the magazine form rather than the proceedings form, although a general account of the meeting might well be included as a magazine article.

I doubt if we will get East this summer but, if we do, we shall certainly try to arrange to stop in Wilkes-Barré and call upon you. Thank you for your very kind invitation.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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MAY 15 1931

MRS. MICHAEL J. DOWLING
OLIVIA, MINNESOTA

May 14, 1931.

Mrs. Solon J. Buck,
Minneapolis.

My dear Mrs. Buck:

It is with sincere regret I see Mr. Buck is severing his connection with the Minnesota Historical Society and the University of Minnesota, we will miss you.

We are glad however the new position offers better opportunities, and that you will be happy in the new work, is my wish for you all.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Michael J. Dowling

September 25, 1929

Miss Corlie F. Dunster
Shelby, Montana

My dear Miss Dunster:-

In response to your letter of September 14 addressed to the History Department, University of Minnesota, I am sending you herewith a copy of the syllabus that was used in my course "New Viewpoints in American History" last summer. As I happen to have a few of these left over, but not enough to use with another class, I am glad to send this to you without charge. All students in the course were asked to buy and read the greater part of A. M. Schlesinger's New Viewpoints in American History, published by Macmillan.

As I do not feel competent to answer your questions with reference to teaching methods, I am referring your letter to Professor A. C. Krey of our department, who is a specialist in that field, and doubtless you will hear from him in the course of time.

Very truly yours

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Shelby, Montana,
May 25, 1930

Professor Salou J. Buck
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I am interested in these courses
and would like to know whether I
have the necessary prerequisites:

126 su. American Diplomatic History
208 su. Seminar in American History
221 su Seminar in the World War

I am a college graduate and have
had the following courses in history:

American History	4 credits (term)
Contemporary American History	3 credits (term)
European History or modern European History	9 credits (term)
English History	3 credits (term)
Medieval History	3 credits (term)

I have never taken a seminar.
Are the subjects assigned by the
instructor or can one work on
some topic that is of personal
interest and an enrichment to
courses already studied?

Very truly yours,
Corlie J. Dunster

P.S. Please send your reply to
me at Egau, South Dakota.

May 31, 1930

Mr. Corlie F. Dunster
Shelby, Montana.

My dear Mr. Dunster:-

From your letter of May 25 it appears that you have sufficient prerequisites for courses 126su and 208su. The latter of these courses requires consent of the instructor but I should be willing to admit you on the showing of your letter. History 221su, given by Mr. Deutsch, also requires consent of the instructor. I have not been able to confer with him but I should suppose that he would admit you on your record. These three courses would give you, however, much too heavy a program as six credits or two courses is the normal program for a summer term.

The Seminar in American history will be devoted in the main to a study of bibliography and methods of research in the field although each student will be expected to do research work upon a topic assigned by the instructor.

Very truly yours

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November 15, 1932

Miss Irene Stewart,
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh,
Schenley Park,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Miss Stewart:

Miss Myrl Eskin, who will present this letter to you, is a graduate student in history at the University of Pittsburgh and is taking my seminar on the history of western Pennsylvania. For the successful prosecution of her work she will need to use the newspaper files and manuscript collections of the Carnegie Library for the period from about 1790 to about 1810. If you will permit her to have access to these materials, the favor will be much appreciated by her and by me.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Back

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MAY 1 1933

Dr. Solon J. Buck
Director of W. Pa. Historical Society

Dear Dr. Buck:

I have had to decide to stay away from the seminar meeting tomorrow. It was such a disappointment to me to have to stop my work that I am not always prepared to accept defeat. I again learned that the other day when I had to rearrange my collected material.

Since I am not working

toward an advanced degree,
my two reasons for devoting
my time to it were first,
that it is very valuable, and
second that I enjoy doing it.

Hoping to resume my
activity in historical investiga-
tion or research under your
direction and at an early
period. I am,

Sincerely,

Myrl L. Eakin

518 Shady Avenue
April 30

JAN 22 1931

College of Charleston

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

CHARLESTON, S.C.

January 15, 1931.

Professor Solon J. Buck

Dear Sir:

I wonder if you would give me a word of advice concerning a research project which I should like to undertake. Some months ago I prepared for the Dictionary of American Biography an article on David W. Aiken. Through him I became interested in the Granger movement in South Carolina. I found a considerable body of material in the Rural Carolinian and the Agricultural Department of the (Charleston) News and Courier, which was conducted by Aiken after the discontinuance of the Rural Carolinian. One of Aiken's daughters has promised to let me see her father's papers, but I have no way of knowing as yet how valuable they will be. I am not sufficiently familiar with the literature of the agrarian movement to know whether anyone has studied the Grange in S.C. I will be very grateful if you will inform me on this score and suggest other likely sources of information than those which I have mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Easterby
Professor of History



January 23, 1931

Professor J. H. Easterby
College of Charleston
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Sir:-

A study of the Granger Movement in South Carolina would most certainly be worth while. When I wrote my book, I was much hampered by the fact that only one or two state studies were then available. Several others have been written since, but I know of none on South Carolina. The original material to which you have access ought to be very valuable, and I hope that you will decide to go ahead with the work.

I am afraid that I donnot know of any other sources of information except those that are listed in my Granger Movement.

Sincerely yours

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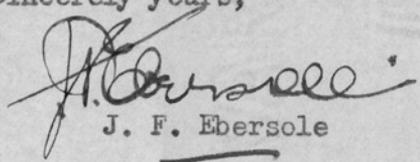
October 24, 1933

Dr. Solon J. Buck
The Historical Society of
Western Pennsylvania
4338 Bigelow Boulevard
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Buck:

It is a matter of considerable regret to me that I did not succeed in getting to the Business School in time for the luncheon which Dr. Gras gave in your honor. I hope that your next visit will not be too long deferred.

Sincerely yours,


J. F. Ebersole

APR 1 1933

THE ECONOMIC CLUB OF PITTSBURGH

invites you to attend a discussion
incident to the resumption of its
monthly meetings

Monday

APRIL 3, 1933

8.00 p. m.

Ball Room, Schenley Hotel

Mr. S. K. Ratcliffe, of London, England

(Correspondent of the Spectator)

who is finishing a tour of the country,
lecturing on British and international
affairs, will speak on

YOUR CRISIS AND OURS

Discussion will be opened by

Mr. E. C. Stone, President,
Pittsburgh Chapter, American Statistical Association

and

Mr. Frank C. Harper, President,
Philosophical Club

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J. Tyson

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May 23, 1930

Mr. T. A. Moran
Eden Valley, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Moran:-

Understanding that arrangements have been made through the Extension Service of the University of Minnesota for me to deliver your commencement address on the evening of May 28, I am writing to inform you that the subject of my address will be "The Challenge to American Democracy."

Sincerely yours

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS
WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 11, 1931.

Prof. Solon J. Buck,
5839 Darlington Road,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Professor Buck:

I wish to express my appreciation of the copy of your article on "The Story of the Grand Portage" which I received several weeks ago. The most delightful days of my vacation during the past summer were spent along the north shore of Lake Superior. We enjoyed particularly our visit at Grand Portage Bay and wish that it were possible for us to join the "Historic Tour" during August.

Very truly yours,

Everett E. Edwards

Everett E. Edwards
Associate Agricultural Economist
Division of
Statistical and Historical Research.

October 18, 1929

Rev. Frederick M. Eliot
807 Fairmount Ave.,
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Eliot:-

I was very glad to note that Professor Herbert Heaton is proposed for active membership in the Informal Club. I am sure that he will be a very valuable member, and I would suggest that you invite him to lead a discussion in the near future on some phase of international relations. He is very well informed in this field, had had wide experiences, and is a brilliant speaker.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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UNITY CHURCH

PORTLAND AVENUE AND GROTTO STREET

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

FREDERICK M. ELIOT, MINISTER
807 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE

November 4th, 1929.

Dear Dr. Buck:

Thank you very much for your note with regard to Professor Heaton. I quite agree with you that he will prove a very valuable member, and I certainly hope that we shall be able to persuade him to lead a meeting in the near future. Inasmuch as he was a little reluctant to accept membership because he cannot be sure of attending very regularly, I think it might be better to wait until he has come to one or two meetings before suggesting that he take charge of one. You may be certain, however, that I shall keep your suggestion very much in the foreground of my mind.

Faithfully yours,

Frederick M. Eliot

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

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October 7, 1929

Mr. F. H. Hooper, American Editor
Encyclopædia Britannica
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Hooper:

I am wondering when I may expect to receive compensation for the article MINNESOTA which I prepared for the Encyclopædia Britannica something over a year ago.

Sincerely yours

SJB/H

OCT 16 1929

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CANADIAN PACIFIC BLDG.
342 MADISON AVENUE

October 11, 1929.

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

Dear Mr. Buck:

I am sending you enclosed herein our check for \$50.00 in payment for your services in revising the article MINNESOTA. I also enclose an assignment of copyright. Will you be so kind as to fill this in and return it to me?

The reputation and success of the Encyclopædia Britannica in the past is owing to the many distinguished contributors who have given freely of their time and knowledge to make the work what it is, and the same will undoubtedly be true in the future. May I take this opportunity to thank you both on behalf of the many thousands of readers who will in the next few years consult our New Edition and on behalf of the publishers for your kindness in writing this article.

Very sincerely yours,

AMERICAN EDITOR.

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ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

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December 30, 1928

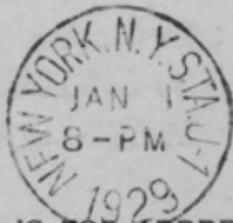
Dear Colleague:

Permit me to acknowledge with thanks
the receipt of your letter dated Dec. 26, with manuscripts
enclosed.

Faithfully yours,

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN.

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

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Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL.D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH.D., ASSISTANT EDITOR

NEW YORK January 4, 1929

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

Dear Professor Buck:

We like very much your articles
on THE GRANGE, ALVORD, DONNELLY and KELLEY.

I am enclosing the Encyclopaedia's
check for \$35.00.

Sincerely

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

Enclosure:

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Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

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EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL. D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH. D., MANAGING EDITOR

NEW YORK

November 8, 1929

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

My dear Professor Buck:

Among the articles to be published alphabetically in the Encyclopaedia, we plan a series of brief, biographical-critical notices of the important figures in the fields of agriculture and the agrarian movements. These are not intended to present a survey of the history of these movements, as that has been done in a number of articles which will appear shortly in the first volume of the Encyclopaedia. We do wish, however, to give biographical notices, ranging from two hundred to seven hundred words, concentrating on a critical appraisal rather than on biographical details, of the most outstanding persons in these fields, whose work was of significance to the social sciences, either in theory or in practice.

We are especially anxious to have you indicate opposite as many names as possible the scholar whom you consider best qualified to write the article for us. Please do not hesitate to indicate those which you yourself are interested in writing. And will you also add to the list the names of any important figures whom we have omitted, or indicate any whom we have included that you consider unimportant? We do not include in our lists any persons still alive.

Your advice will be extremely helpful to us, and we shall appreciate it as another mark of the splendid cooperation of scholarship in our venture.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

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*Very of person
May I trust.*

November 20, 1929

Dr. Alvin Johnson
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences
Fayerweather Hall
Columbia University
New York City

My dear Mr. Johnson:-

My reply to your letter of November 8 has been delayed by an indisposition. I have now, however, looked over the list that you enclosed and I am returning it to you herewith with annotations. My own acquaintance with the agricultural field is limited to a rather narrow section of it, and for most of the people in the list I am unable to make suggestions. I would make the general suggestion, however, that you refer this list to Mr. Herbert A. Kellar, librarian of the McCormick Historical Library, 679 Rush St., Chicago, or to Dr. O. C. Stine, of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, or to both of them. Kellar has acted as advisor on the agricultural list for the Dictionary of American Biography, and Stine is secretary of the Agricultural History Society and editor of its magazine.

Sincerely yours

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DEC 5. 1929

Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL.D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH.D., ASSOCIATE EDITOR

NEW YORK

November 27, 1929

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

My dear Professor Buck:

Thank you very much for your suggestions on our list of proposed biographies in the agricultural group. I also appreciate your suggestions as to others to whom we might send this list, but it just happens in this case that we have already sent the group to both Mr. Kellar and Dr. Stine.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

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FEB 8 1930

Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL. D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON PH. D., MANAGING EDITOR

NEW YORK

February 6, 1930.

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

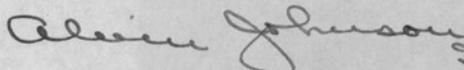
My dear Professor Buck:

We are herewith submitting to you our tentative biographical lists in the field of American political development. We hope that you will be kind enough to criticize the adequacy of the present lists for us and make suggestions of possible contributors. We are enclosing a memorandum explaining more fully our policy and needs.

We should say, perhaps, that our standards for politicians and statesmen are very high. As an encyclopaedia of social science, we are interested only in political figures who have left a real mark on institutional development. We are also inclined to omit figures of only local importance.

Your advice will be extremely helpful to us, and we shall appreciate it as another mark of the splendid cooperation of scholarship in our venture.

Sincerely,



ALVIN JOHNSON

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ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

NOTE TO CONSULTANTS ON BIOGRAPHY LISTS

1. In addition to its abstract articles, the Encyclopaedia plans to include brief biographical notices ranging generally from 200 to 1000 words. But it is not its purpose to duplicate the work of the biographical dictionaries even in the social scientific fields. The biographical articles are rather intended to provide critical summaries of their subject's contributions to the social sciences or institutional development. Limitations of space, however, make it necessary for the selections to be confined to significant figures. In any event living persons will be excluded from treatment.

2. To execute the biographical plans of the Encyclopaedia tentative lists have been compiled in various fields to be covered. In circulating these biography lists the purpose is twofold: First, to secure the consensus of opinion among scholars who have worked in the field as to the adequacy of the selections, and secondly to secure suggestions of the best qualified scholar to do each notice.

3. Scholars who are consulted are urged particularly to indicate which articles they themselves would be interested in writing. In view of the fact that the Encyclopaedia is not in a position to compensate scholars for their help in examining its lists, it is particularly anxious to assign as many articles as possible to them, subject, however, to previous commitments. But correspondents are particularly requested not to proceed to write or to secure the writing of articles until specifically asked to do so. Otherwise the purpose of securing a wide consensus of opinion as to inclusions or exclusions would be defeated. As a rule articles are assigned in alphabetical order as they are reached, in the progress of the work. In any event all arrangements for the assignment of articles must be made directly between the Encyclopaedia and any individual writer. All articles must be assigned from our central office. It is not intended to entrust whole groups of biographies in any given field or period to any one scholar.

4. It should be particularly noted that while for the sake of making relative judgments possible the lists are sent out alphabetically complete, the letter A-B volumes are now closed. Hence criticism of the lists with regard to these letters, or suggestions of contributors for the same may be dispensed with.

5. Once articles are assigned they will be paid for at the uniform rate of two cents a word with a minimum of five dollars for the briefer articles. The attention of foreign scholars is called to the fact that the Encyclopaedia has facilities for translation. All articles, no matter how brief will be signed in full.

February 15, 1930

Dr. Alvin Johnson
Encyclopaedia of the Social
Sciences
Fayerweather Hall, Columbia University
New York City

My dear Dr. Johnson:-

I am returning to you herewith the tentative biographical lists in the field of American political development that accompanied your letter of February 6. On the list I have made a few suggestions of additional names, and I have questioned one or two of those that are included. I have also indicated possible authors in a few cases. In the presidential list, I wonder if it would not be better to include all, since only a few are omitted anyway. On the whole, it seems to me that Benjamin Harrison is as important as William McKinley.

I caught a glimpse of the outside of the first volume of the Encyclopaedia in our catalogue room the other day, and I hope to have opportunity to read some of it in the near future. I think you are to be congratulated on the progress that is being made.

Sincerely yours

B/P

FEB 27 1930

Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL.D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH.D., ASSOCIATE EDITOR

NEW YORK

February 24, 1930

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

My dear Professor Buck:

Thank you very much for your suggestions in connection with our biographical lists. They will be exceedingly helpful to us as we proceed with this part of our work.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

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ALVIN JOHNSON

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Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL. D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON PH. D., MANAGING EDITOR

NEW YORK

May 2, 1930

Professor Solon J. Buck
67 Barton Avenue, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

In going over your article on Alvord, which we are about to set up in page proof for the second volume, it has seemed advisable to accord the subject a little more space than we had originally planned. We have therefore added the following sentence toward the end of the article to give a stronger emphasis to the importance of Alvord's state historical work for American history:

"Its importance is not to be gauged by the fact that most of it was in the field of state history; it did much toward a reorientation of emphasis upon the mid-western aspects of American history."

This statement is taken from your larger article in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review. The change is, of course, entirely subject to your approval. Since we must send this galley to the printer within the next two weeks, we should be grateful for an early answer.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

AJ:DJ

May 7, 1930

Dr. Alvin J. Johnson
Encyclopaedia of the Social
Sciences
Fayerweather Hall
Columbia University
New York City

My dear Dr. Johnson:-

The addition that you propose to
make to my article on Alvord for the
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences
is quite acceptable to me, and I am
glad that you are willing to allow the
article enough more space to include
this.

Sincerely yours

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Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL.D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH.D., MANAGING EDITOR

NEW YORK

October 30, 1930

Professor Solon J. Buck
67 Barton Avenue, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

I am enclosing our final edited copy of your article on Ignatius Donnelly. We have made only verbal changes in it except at the conclusion where we slightly expanded a sentence or two with a view to completing the characterization.

Will you let us have this copy with any corrections at the earliest possible date? We shall have to send the article to the printer in ten days.

We are running your name and professional connection in our list of contributors for the fourth volume as Solon J. Buck, University of Minnesota. This is correct, is it not?

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

AJ:DJ
Enclosure

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November 7, 1930

Dr. Alvin Johnson
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences
Fayerweather Hall
Columbia University
New York City

My dear Mr. Johnson:-

I am returning to you herewith the revised version of my article on Donnelly. On comparing it with the original version, of which I kept a copy, I was surprised to find the extent to which it has been rewritten. Doubtless some of the changes are improvements but I am not sure that all of them are. At any rate, I do not care to attempt a re-revision.

I note that the dates of Donnelly's connection with the Antimonopolist and the Representative have been changed. I have checked these with the files of the papers in our library and find that the original dates were correct. The Antimonopolist continued into 1879; but Donnelly's connection with it ceased in November, 1878. The Representative was started in 1893, but Donnelly appears to have had nothing to do with it until the following year.

It is true, of course, that, as a populist, Donnelly was opposed to hard money, but, in the Granger period, he took the opposite position. Moreover hard money was not republican doctrine until 1896.

Sincerely yours

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Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences

EDWIN R. A. SELIGMAN, LL.D., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
ALVIN JOHNSON, PH.D., MANAGING EDITOR

NEW YORK

January 10, 1931

Professor Solon J. Buck
67 Barton Avenue, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

I hope you have not forgotten your promise to write for us the article on the Grange. We shall be needing the manuscript within another five or six months. Can I not persuade you to do for us interpretative histories of two of the other American farmers' organizations, the Farmers' Alliance and the Farmers' Union? For each topic I enclose a brief office memorandum indicating the space we can afford and their relations to other articles in the Encyclopaedia.

We should like to have these manuscripts by April 1. Will you not do them for us?

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

ALVIN JOHNSON

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Grange, Inc., 1928.

January 26, 1931

Dr. Alvin Johnson, Managing Editor
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My dear Dr. Johnson:-

I was much surprised to receive your inquiry about my article on the Grange, for the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences in view of the fact that the article was written and transmitted to you over two years ago; and, I think, I have an acknowledgement of your receipt of it. Fortunately I have a copy of the article so that if the original cannot be found I can supply it to you again.

I know very little about the Farmers' Union, and could not undertake to prepare an article on that subject. I suppose that I could do one on the Farmers' Alliance, but I am so busy that I should prefer not to, and I would suggest that you ask Professor John D. Hicks of the University of Nebraska to do it. He has recently completed a book on the Farmers' Alliance and the People's Party, which is to be published by the University of Minnesota Press.

I am returning herewith your memorandum on the Farmers' Union; the one on the Farmers' Alliance was not enclosed with your letter.

Sincerely yours

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Professor Solon J. Buck
67 Barton Avenue, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Professor Buck:

I am enclosing the final edited copy of your article on Grange.

We have made a number of verbal changes, all of which I think you will find unimportant in character. This does not alter the fact, however, that they are completely subject to your approval. One question came up in the process of our usual checking. You state that the membership in 1927 was approximately 600,000. The government report, "Commercial and Industrial Organizations of the United States" gives it as 800,000 for both 1926 and 1929. Would you let us know whether to make this change?

Will you let us have the article back with your approval or corrections by July 7, as we shall need it for the printer at that time?

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

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June 29, 1931

Dr. Alvin Johnson
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences
416 West 122nd St.,
New York City

My dear Dr. Johnson:-

I am returning to you herewith the copy for the article on the Grange. In a number of cases, as you will note, I have revised the revisions. Most of them, however, I have let stand, although I must confess that in many instances I can see no reason for the change other than the desire of an editorial assistant to justify his or her existence. Having had considerable editorial experience myself, I realize that most writing and especially that of immature and inexperienced people requires considerable revision, but I think that this is often overdone, especially by the editors of encyclopaedias.

With reference to specific points: I do not see why the word "originally" should be inserted in the first sentence, as it implies that the Patrons of Husbandry is no longer a secret fraternal society, which it is. In Outlines of Grange History by G. C. Atkeson I find a table of membership "as shown by the dues paid to the National Grange," which gives for 1927 the figure 583,912. The highest shown in the table is for 1922, which is 676,056. I think, therefore, that the statement in the article had better stand as it is. Perhaps you would like to add this pamphlet by Atkeson to the bibliography. It is briefer but more up to date than the Atkeson item that is now in the bibliography. It was published by the National Farm News of Washington, D. C., copyright 1928, contains fifty-one pages.

Sincerely yours

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NEW YORK

August 17, 1931

Professor Solon J. Buck
67 Barton Avenue, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Professor Buck:

Thank you for the prompt return
of your article on the Grange. We have
incorporated all of your changes.

Very sincerely,

Alvin Johnson
ALVIN JOHNSON

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October 13, 1931

Fayerweather Hall
Columbia University
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Professor Solon J. Buck
Minnesota Historical Society
St. Paul, Minnesota

TO THE AUTHOR

Please read the enclosure, and return as soon as possible with any corrections that are necessary.

Note particularly name and professional connection at the end of the article and indicate whether they are run correctly.

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The Editors.

*govt. clerks
and a paleontologist
of Wayne N.Y.*

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KELLEY, OLIVER H. (1826-1913), American ^{rural} ~~civil~~ organizer. Kelley was born in Boston and was for a while a newspaper reporter and telegraph operator. He farmed in Minnesota from 1849 to 1864, when he became a clerk in the United States Department of Agriculture. In 1866, following an investigation of southern agricultural conditions, he conceived the idea of organizing farmers for education and social intercourse. He planned a secret fraternal society for men and women, and in 1867 with six other ex-government officials organized the National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, of which he was national secretary until 1878. For five years Kelley devoted himself to the difficult work of organization, and established the Grange soundly. Ceremonials and secrecy, deriving from Kelley's knowledge of Masonry, appear to have been effective in maintaining interest. In 1878 he ceased to be active in Grange affairs.

SOLON J. BUCK

(University of Minnesota)

Consult: Kelley, Oliver H., Origin and Progress of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry in the United States (Philadelphia 1875); Atkeson, Thomas C., Semi-centennial History of the Patrons of Husbandry (New York 1916) p. 315-17.

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October 21, 1931.

The Editors,
Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences,
Fayerweather Hall, Columbia University
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

Your revised version of my article on "Oliver H. Kelley" has been forwarded to me here from the Minnesota Historical Society, where you addressed me.

I trust that it is not too late to make a factual correction. In my original article, I stated that Kelley "with six others" organized the National Grange. This has been changed to "with six other ex-government officials". I did not think it necessary in a sketch of Kelley to state who the others were, particularly as I had stated that fact in an article I wrote for the Encyclopaedia on the grange. If the information is considered necessary, however, it should be correct, and, as a matter of fact, neither Kelley nor any of the other founders were "ex-government officials". Kelley and five of his associates were government clerks at the time the grange was organized. The other founder was a *formal*ologist of Wayne, N. Y.

Very truly yours,

Solon J. Buck.

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Mr. Solon J. Buck
Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey
Historical Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Buck:

Thank you for returning the copy of
your article on Kelley so promptly and for the
care with which you have gone over our editing.
We were very glad to make the correction which
you requested.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

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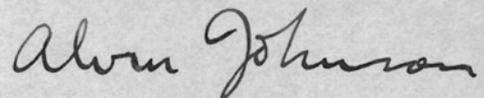
My dear Professor Buck:

I am very eager to have you write for the Encyclopaedia a brief biographical-critical article on Oliver H. Kelley. As you probably know we are interested not so much in biographical details as in an exposition and a critical estimate of a man's achievements in his own field, or in the outlines of his public career. With the omission of purely biographical material we have found that these articles can be written compactly in relatively little space. We can afford 300 words for this one and we should like to have copy in our hands by March 1.

I am sending under separate cover a pamphlet containing specimen articles to illustrate the form that best meets our editorial purposes.

I shall look forward to hearing from you within a short time, and I hope very much that your answer will be a favorable one.

Sincerely,



ALVIN JOHNSON

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NEW YORK

January 11, 1932

Professor Solon J. Buck
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My dear Professor Buck:

We are exceedingly sorry about our letter of January 8, asking you to write an article on Oliver H. Kelley. Of course you have already written this article. It has been in the office for some time; in fact, it is already in galley, but through some error in office routine it came up again for assignment. Of course we selected you as the logical person to write it.

We hope that this has caused you no inconvenience.

Sincerely,

Alvin Johnson

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