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November 29, 1932

Dr. Gaius J. Slosser,  
Western Pennsylvania Theological Seminary,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Slosser:

Some time ago you very kindly assisted one of the students in my seminar, Miss Myrl Eakin, to get access to the manuscript material at the library of the Western Pennsylvania Theological Seminary, and as a result she made an interesting report on the material to the class. It now develops that there are two other students in the seminar whose topics make it desirable for them to consult these materials. They are: Mrs. Kathryn McDonald Hartman, who is working on the church as a social institution in the period from 1790 to 1810; and Miss Mary Louise Walsh, who is working on education in the same period. If you will be so kind as to take such steps as may be necessary to enable these students to have access to the materials, the favor will be much appreciated by them and by me.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

March 18, 1929

Mr. Charles W. Smith  
University of Washington Library  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mr. Smith:

An item in News Sheet No. 14 of the Bibliographical Society of America states that you are chairman of a committee that is preparing a Union List of Manuscripts on the Pacific Northwest to be found in libraries of that region. Some time ago a committee of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association undertook a similar project for the Mississippi Valley. The work was suspended for lack of funds but there is some prospect that it may be revived in the near future. Besides the shortage of funds another difficulty that was encountered was that of getting the custodian of the material to understand what was wanted. I observe from the note referred to that you have prepared "careful instructions" for the cooperating libraries, and I wonder if it would be possible for you to send me a copy of these instructions.

Any suggestions that you might care to make as a result of your experience in this work will be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours

SJB/H

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January 22, 1930

Professor Guy-Harold Smith  
Ohio State University  
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Mr. Smith:-

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of your map of "The German - Born in Wisconsin, 1905." I had seen this in the Wisconsin Magazine of History, but am very glad to have the map in separate form. You will be interested to know that a map on this general plan, illustrating the distribution of population in Minnesota, the Dakotas, and parts of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Montana, was prepared last summer under my direction for inclusion in an atlas of the Central Northwest that will probably be published some time by the University of Minnesota.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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March 3, 1930

Professor Guy-Harold Smith  
Ohio State University  
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Mr. Smith:

Again I am indebted to you for an interesting publication, your study of "The Settlement and the Distribution of the Population in Wisconsin." This impresses me as a valuable contribution, not only to history and geography, but also to the methodology of research in these fields, and I am very glad to have the copy for my personal collection.

Sincerely yours

SJB/S

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Oakley, Kansas

April 25, 1931

Mr. S. J. Buck, Ph. D.

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I am sending you my thesis under separate cover. If you think it advisable that I change the organization and arrange the material in periods, I can do so. I am now making maps and charts.

I am planning to attend the first session of summer school, and, if my thesis is approved, I will take my examinations then.

Respectfully yours,

*Hilda Smith*

April 30, 1931

Miss Hilda Smith  
Oakley, Kansas

Dear Madam:-

Your letter of the twenty-fifth to Mr. Buck and your thesis have arrived all right. Mr. Buck is away at present but will be back some time next week.

Very truly yours

Secretary to Mr. Buck

May 13, 1931

Miss Hilda Smith  
Oakley, Kansas

Dear Miss Smith:-

I was somewhat surprised to receive your thesis, as I had forgotten, if I ever knew, that you were intending to use this subject as a thesis. I should think, however, that it would be an acceptable subject if adequately handled, and I shall be glad to ~~find~~ and turn in to the Graduate School the form that you sent. *sign*

I shall look over the thesis as soon as I can find the time and write you again about it. I am glad to know that you are expecting to be here for the first session of summer school. I shall be here and can take charge of your examination.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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May 25, 1931

Miss Hilda Smith  
Oakley, Kansas

Dear Miss Smith:+

Since writing you before, I have looked over somewhat hastily the thesis that you sent in to me. I believe that you can make a satisfactory master's thesis out of this, but it will require considerable revision before it is in final form. I notice some duplication of treatment in it that ought to be eliminated, and the literary form of the work could be very considerably improved. I would suggest that you go over it carefully a number of times with the view to putting it into just as good shape as you can yourself before submitting it to me again. When you are here this summer, I shall be glad to go over it more carefully and also to talk over the various points with you.

I suppose you have another copy of the work there. Do you wish me to return the copy that you sent to me, or shall I retain it here until your arrival?

Sincerely yours

B/P

J

Oakley, Kansas  
June 1, 1931

Mr. S. J. Buck  
102 O. L., University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Buck:

Since the time is so short before the summer term begins, you need not send the thesis to me. I shall appreciate any suggestions in regard to form and material.

Could I have an interview with you the first day of registration relative to my thesis and to class work this summer? I shall phone you upon my arrival

Sincerely yours,

Hilda Smith

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Box 51, R.R. 3  
Toledo, Ohio  
February 29, 1932

Dr. Solon J. Buck  
University of Pittsburgh  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Buck:

Dr. Blegen suggested that you might have some suggestion to offer for the study of travel literature of the Minnesota frontier, which I am attempting. The period under consideration is 1804--1858, and I am primarily interested in presenting a picture of the people and life of that time, omitting the question of rival claims to particular discoveries, such as Beltrami's 'Julian sources of the Mississippi.' As you can understand, there are increased difficulties in attempting such a study at the University of the City of Toledo rather than in Minnesota; but circumstances have made the alternative of doing it here or not at all. Dr. Blegen has been very helpful, and he tells me of your projected bibliography of travel in the United States, as a possible source of additional items.

On a separate sheet I list the titles that I have discovered thus far. This list does not include the ~~the~~ dozen or more items that have been recently published in the Minnesota History and Minnesota History Bulletin, nor is it possible to include the manuscript accounts that belong to the Minnesota Historical Society. If you can suggest other material in the field I shall be most indebted.

Very sincerely yours,

*Margaret I. Snyder*  
Margaret I. Snyder

1. Allen, James. "Mississippi Report," in American State Papers.
2. Beltrami, G. C. A Pilgrimage in Europe and America. also-- La Decouverte des Sources du Mississippi.
3. Bigsby, Dr. John J. The Shoe and Canoe.
4. Bremer, Frederika. The Homes of the New World.
5. Caird, Sir James. Prairie Farming in America.
6. Catlin, George. North American Indians.
7. Coues, Elliott, ed. The Expeditions of Zebulon Montgomery Pike.
8. Ellett, Mrs. Elizabeth. Summer Rambles in the West.
9. Farnham, Thomas J. Travels in the Great Western Prairies.
10. Featherstonaugh, Canoe Voyage.
11. Hallock, Charles. "Red River Trail," in Harper's Magazine, April and June, 1859.
12. Keating, William H. Narrative of an Expedition to the Sources of the Saint Peter's River etc.
13. Lanman, Charles. Adventures in the Wilderness (or A Summer in the Wilderness).
14. Marryat, Captain Frederick. Diary of America.
15. Nicollet, Jean Nicholas. Report Intended to Illustrate a Map of . . . the Upper Mississippi River.
16. Pfeiffer, Ida. A Lady's Second Journey Around the World.
17. Ritchie, James S. Wisconsin and its Resources.
18. Schurz, Carl. Reminiscences.
19. Schoolcraft, Henry Rowe. Narrative of an Expedition through the Upper Mississippi to Itasca Lake. . . . also: Summary Narrative etc.
20. Sullivan, Edward. Rambles and Scrambles in North and South America.

March 3, 1932

Miss Margaret I. Snyder,  
Box 51, R. R. # 3,  
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Miss Snyder:-

I should like to help you with your work on travel literature of the Minnesota frontier but, unfortunately, I am not in a position to do so. The travel bibliography to which Mr. Elegen refers contains some ten thousand items entered on cards but at present they are arranged in alphabetical order and the only way by which the Minnesota items could be selected would be by going through all the cards. This I cannot undertake to do. Ultimately this bibliography will be arranged in a combined geographical and chronological arrangement, which will make it possible to find such items as those you desire, but it will be some time before that goal is reached.

One suggestion I might make, which has probably occurred to you, is that you go rather carefully through the first volume of Dr. Folwell's History of Minnesota, watching for references in the footnotes.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

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October 23, 1929.

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

My dear Professor Buck:

Nine numbers of Social Science Abstracts have been published since March 1929. The October number brings the total pages to 1,136, and the total abstracts to 7,924. These abstracts were distributed as follows:-

Human Geography	387
Cultural Anthropology	318
History	1974
Economics	2531
Political Science	1413
Sociology	1153
Statistics	148

As an advisor to the editors your comments are invited. Constructive criticisms of the selection of material in your special field of interest will be most helpful, although comments on the entire journal will be welcome.

Sincerely yours,

F. Stuart Chapin.

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The organization of SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS is a departure from the usual editorial arrangements of journals in the social sciences. This complex editorial organization consisting of a board of directors, an international group of advisory editors, a large number of consulting editors, and a central staff of eight specialists, is designed to cope with the immense problem of abstracting the important periodical contributions to the social sciences in the literature of the world.

SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS is based upon the assumption that if a considerable number of specialists will agree to send us on request abstracts of the important articles that they read in following the regular course of their special interests, we can pool the results with the mini-

imum of effort and to the mutual advantage of all by publishing the abstracts month by month in a common medium. By adequate cross-referencing, readers will be apprised of new developments in allied fields; they will obtain insights into borderline zones, and cross-lights on their own specialities. The enterprise is thus cooperative in a very real sense, since the findings of the various specialists will be so integrated that the gains of one field will be accessible to and may be shared by all. Comments on our editorial organization would not be complete, therefore, without mention of the eight hundred scholars who are generously cooperating by giving their time in abstracting in return for a very nominal honorarium.

## THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS

Brief summaries or abstracts of articles began to appear in March, 1896, in the *American Journal of Sociology*, and in March, 1911, in the *American Economic Review*. Another evidence of interest in abstracts of articles containing contributions to social science appeared in 1919 when the president of the American Sociological Society appointed a Committee on Social Abstracts. The continued activity of this committee is recorded in the annual *Publications of the American Sociological Society*.

When the first informal organization of the Social Science Research Council was effected in 1923, a Committee on Social Science Abstracts was appointed as one of the original standing committees. The chairman of this committee corresponded with the Committee on Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations and discussed the possibilities of international cooperation in the making of abstracts. After the incorporation of the Council in 1925, the annual reports record the activities of the Committee on Social Science Abstracts.

### Plans Become Definite

It was not, however, until 1927 that the Committee on Social Science Abstracts, then consisting of William Anderson, University of

Minnesota, Davis R. Dewey, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Walter F. Willcox, Cornell University, and F. Stuart Chapin, University of Minnesota, chairman, received funds from the Social Science Research Council for the task of making a thorough study of the need for abstracts and the problem of organizing a comprehensive abstract service. The committee held a conference in the late spring of 1927, to which the editors of social science journals were invited. As a result of a week's discussion at Hanover in August, 1927, a detailed report on the subject of social science abstracts was presented to the Social Science Research Council. The Council approved this report and voted to extend the contemplated service by adding cultural anthropology, human geography, and history. The original plan had been to abstract materials in the fields of economics, political science, sociology, and statistics.

In the fall of 1927 the officials of the Social Science Research Council approached a national foundation and asked for financial support. They were so fortunate as to obtain a substantial subsidy sufficient to cover a large share of the cost of publication for a ten year period.

During the spring of 1928 the Committee on Social Science Abstracts was enlarged to include

representatives from the fields of cultural anthropology, human geography, and history, and the task of organization began in earnest. A partial editorial staff was selected and a provisional scheme of classification was worked out with the aid of seven advisory committees appointed by the national learned societies in each subject. In June the staff was assembled in New York at offices provided by Columbia University.

#### Organizing the Journal

During the summer over 1,000 social science periodicals in the Columbia University Library were examined by the staff. These journals were assigned ratings indicative of the proportion of their respective contents considered by staff members to be worthy of abstracting. Some 8,000 articles were examined and a provisional estimate of the probable number of articles published in each field during the year was obtained. A study of circulation trends of the leading American journals in the social sciences was also made. Preliminary estimates of costs of publication were obtained from publishers and compared.

Meanwhile, the editor-in-chief visited Europe to establish connections for SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS and to lay the basis for cooperation so that the journal would become a cosmopolitan and non-provincial tool of research. Conferences were held with the editors of journals and the directors of research institutes in eight European countries. In this way valuable information was secured, helpful contacts were established, and useful cross-lights and insights on local needs and attitudes were obtained. Inasmuch as the Committee on Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations had invited the Social Science Research Council to cooperate in a plan for an analytical bibliography in the economic sciences that was supported by representatives from England, Germany, France, Italy, and Spain, the editor represented the Social Science Research Council at international conferences to discuss this situation. As a result of attending an informal meeting in Paris in June and by participating in the formal meetings of the Committee on Science and Bibliography of the League of Nations in Geneva in July, it was possible to work out a mutually satisfactory plan of cooperation.

Since June 1, our editorial staff has listed over 2,600 journals in the social sciences. Of this number over 1,000 are systematically examined when received in the Columbia University Library. This partial list may be roughly classified by subject as follows: 361 journals in human geography, 77 in cultural anthropology, 600 in history, 700 in economics, 637 in political science, and 332 in sociology. These periodicals are published in the following twenty-two languages: Arabic, Bulgarian, Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Magyar, Nor-

wegian, Polish, Portuguese, Rumanian, Russian, Spanish, and Swedish. A list of over 900 periodicals in Bulgarian, Czech, Estonian, Finnish, Lettish, Polish, Rumanian, and Russian was obtained from the University of Breslau. A list of some 187 journals, chiefly Scandinavian, was obtained from the Institute of Economics and History of Copenhagen. Lists are promised from research institutes at Kiel and Berlin. Hundreds of other periodical titles have been obtained from individual scholars, research institutes, editors, librarians, and officials of consulates and embassies. Finally, Wilson's Union List of Serials seems likely to provide some two to four thousand additional titles. To date, our editorial staff is still striving to make our periodical title lists complete. This is necessarily a slow process because of the need for accuracy.

Obviously there will be delays in such a large undertaking, and in the early issues the abstracts will not appear so promptly after original publication as in the later issues. Once the work is fully organized, however, the interval between the date of original publication and the date of the appearance of the abstracts will be materially reduced and prompt service assured.

#### CRITERIA OF SELECTION

Published materials are to be abstracted when they contain new information in the form of important factual studies and contributions to theory and opinion in the fields of the social sciences. Interpretation of this statement will depend somewhat upon the peculiar characteristics of a particular field. Nevertheless, it is important to seek a systematic (if not wholly objective) basis for selection which will be common to several fields. With this purpose in mind, the following criteria have been suggested as a general guide to abstractors:

Include: (1) newly discovered or assembled information resulting from original research in gathering new information or from the comparative study of known materials; (2) new interpretations of known materials; (3) new hypotheses or newly stated hypotheses for research and verification; (4) new techniques and methods of research in the form of variations in old methods, additions to old techniques, or combinations of old techniques into new; (5) new criticisms of research procedures or of the results of applying such procedures; (6) new criticism of hypotheses for research; (7) new criticism of old interpretations of materials.

Exclude: (1) summaries of known and accessible materials whether factual, interpretative, methodological or critical in nature, such, for example, as textbooks; (2) reviews which evaluate and add nothing new; (3) speculative and theoretical material not formulated into hypotheses or not carefully stated as mere hypotheses.

Current information of merely temporary value will be excluded. Current information of

permanent value will be abstracted. When is current information of permanent value? Current information becomes of permanent value for our purposes when the article gives *summaries* of current information or *interpretations* of current information in the light of theory or public policy. It is the integration of separate minor events into a whole or their relationship to some general principle that gives them meaning and permanent value.

#### HOW TO USE THE ABSTRACTS AS A TOOL

One great obstacle to the doing of truly scientific research in the social sciences lies in the tremendous mass of the materials to be considered and in the relative, if not quite complete, lack of appropriate tools for attacking it. There are so many books, pamphlets, and reports constantly being published and so many periodicals both scientific and semi-scientific steadily pouring from printing houses both here and abroad, that it is physically impossible for anyone to keep abreast of all the literature even in his own special field of work. Because of this tremendous mass of material the scholar, in making a courageous effort to read what he should, is likely to examine first the publications obviously in his own field, and for lack of time to do more, to become increasingly oblivious to what is being done in other disciplines upon the same subjects. Thus artificial departmental lines tend to become sharper, and in the student's mind the various social sciences stand as distinct and separate fields.

SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS has been established to overcome these difficulties. One page of SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS will introduce you to some six to ten articles, often drawn from as many different periodicals. SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS saves the time usually spent in running down materials in the periodical room in the library. This is usually followed by frequent visits to the stacks. The saving of labor is still further effected by the device of systematic cross referencing of all the less highly specialized articles.

#### CROSS REFERENCING

Your attention is invited to the examples of cross referencing in this circular. The purposes served by cross referencing are, first, to aid specialists to find a particular topic of common interest, and, second, to mitigate the inevitable arbitrariness of classification in difficult cases. In the text which follows directly after the Table of Contents there will appear under the main divisional headings lists of cross references to abstracts printed under other headings but relevant to the immediate subject. Inasmuch as the abstracts will be numbered serially, beginning with the first abstract in the first issue and throughout the twelve issues of each year, it will

be our practice to refer our readers to abstracts by signing the serial number of the abstracts cross referenced under any main heading.

#### ANNUAL INDEXES

Authors' indexes will be published with each issue. At the end of the year a cumulative authors' index together with an elaborate systematic and subject index will be printed as a separate issue, making the thirteenth number of the volume. The systematic and subject index published at the end of the year will be cross referenced to assist readers in tracing down material in which they are interested. Inasmuch as many thousands of articles will be abstracted in the course of a year, cross referencing and indexing become indispensable devices to assist in locating materials.

#### SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Number 1 of Volume I will appear as the March issue of 1929. There will be twelve numbers during 1929, followed by an annual index. Number 1, Volume II, will appear as the January issue of 1930. The subscription rate is \$6.00 per annum, including the annual indexes.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS covers a wide range of subject matter. The realization of inclusiveness as a goal depends among other things upon a systematic survey of the whole field so that no important division is omitted or any borderline zone between fields left obscure. The first step in this direction is to set up a scheme of classification. This step was taken in the spring of 1928 when seven committees of American scholars were appointed to consider the problems of classification in each separate field. The experience of other abstract services with the complicated problem of classifying the subject matter of a science was corroboratory and emphatic upon the point that rubrics which describe topics of major importance around which the interests of research scholars have crystallized in practice are superior to any logical scheme of classification. To try to integrate into one seamless garment the schemes of classification which experience has yielded as practicable working devices seemed worth the attempt. Consequently the following scheme has been provisionally adopted after six months of study. Each subject has received the critical examination of representative specialists in that field. Three previous drafts were evolved out of critical exchange of views and this condensed draft embodies the judgment of twenty-six specialists. The numbers in parentheses indicate cross references and suggest some examples of the way in which overlapping and borderline regions will be taken care of.

## CLASSIFICATION

### DIVISION I. METHODOLOGICAL MATERIALS

#### 10. Historical Method in

11. Human Geography (101)
12. Cultural Anthropology (201)
13. History (301)
14. Economics (401)
15. Political Science (501)
16. Sociology (601)

#### 20. Miscellaneous Methods

e.g., Case, experimental, interview, questionnaire, survey methods, etc., in the six subjects listed under 10, and

#### 30. Statistical Method

In the six subjects (101, 201, 301, 401, 501, 601) listed under 10, and

#### 37. Statistical Techniques

History of Statistics; Research Methods and Statistics; Work of Statistical Agencies. Units, Scales, Tests, and Ratings; Collection of Data; Classification and Tabulation. Averages, Dispersion, and Skewness; Correlation; Probability. Curves and Curve Fitting; Time Series Analysis; Forecasting Techniques. Rates and Ratios; Index Numbers. Graphic Presentation; Mechanical Aids and Labor Saving Devices.

#### 40. Teaching and Research

In the seven subjects (101, 201, 301, 401, 501, 601, 37) listed under 30.

#### 50. Theoretical and Philosophical Methods

In the six subjects (101, 201, 301, 401, 501, 601) listed under 10.

### DIVISION II. SYSTEMATIC MATERIALS

#### 100. Human Geography

101. General Works on Geography (11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 201, 301, 501, 601).
102. Travel and Exploration.
103. Systematic Human Geography (604, 606).
104. Regional Studies (systematically and alphabetically arranged) (606).

#### 200. Cultural Anthropology

201. General (12, 22, 32, 42, 52).
202. Linguistics (602).
203. Archaeology (by regions alphabetically arranged) (302, 608).
204. Ethnology (by regions alphabetically arranged) (103, 104, 604, 606, 608).

#### 300. History

301. General (13, 23, 33, 43, 53).
302. The World to 383 A.D. (by regions and countries alphabetically arranged; also Archaeology).
303. The World, 383 to 1648 (by regions and countries alphabetically arranged; also International and Intercultural Relations).
304. The World, 1648 to 1920 (by regions and countries alphabetically arranged; also International Relations to 1920).
305. The World since 1920 (by regions and countries alphabetically arranged).

#### 400. Economics

401. Economic Theory and Its History (14, 24, 34, 44, 54, 101, 201, 301, 501, 601).
402. Economic History (cross-referenced to history) (300-305).
403. Land and Agricultural Economics (103, 104, 606).
404. Extractive Industries.
405. Manufactures.
406. Business Organization, Methods and Management.
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37. THOMAS, WOODLIEF. Problem of weighting a production index. *Jour. Amer. Statistical Assn.* 23(161A) Mar. 1928: suppl. 95-97.—The problem of weighting in the construction of production indexes is particularly important because: (1), the small number of items in most production series makes the indexes extremely sensitive to variations in weights; (2), dispersion of the relatives is frequently wide; (3), there is often no marked grouping about a central item; (4), industries or groups of industries involved are of very different degrees of importance.—*H. R. Hosea.*

100. HANNEMANN, MAX. Lake Charles, ein neuer Seehafen der Vereinigten Staaten. [Lake Charles, a new seaport of the United States.] *Zeitsch. d. Gesellsch. Erdkunde zu Berlin.* (3-4) 1928: 133-136.—The economic development of Louisiana has resulted in the linking of Lake Charles with the Gulf of Mexico. Hitherto the hinterland of the 400 km. stretch between New Orleans and the Texas boundary has been handicapped by the lack of proper shipping facilities. The project as carried out was that of the construction of a canal connecting Lake Charles with Port Arthur, an important petroleum refining center, and thence on to the Gulf of Mexico through Sabine Pass. The development of the shorter route through the Calcasieu River, Calcasieu Lake, and Calcasieu Pass was not feasible because of the extensive coastal marshes of the region and lack of important industrial centers and producing areas en route to the Gulf.—*E. T. Platt.*

200. HICHENS, W. Native magic and leprosy in Africa. *Discovery.* 9(103) Jul. 1928: 229-232.—The magical practices of East African savages often result, not only in frustration of successful medical treatment of leprosy, but in an actual increase in the number of cases. In one small tribe of about 150,000 natives in Tanganyika, 400 lepers were discovered and more are known to exist. Magical practices having, however, sound bacteriological bases are used by individuals to afflict their enemies with the disease. The natives do not fear the plague so much as might be expected. They are very much opposed to medical treatment, but have great faith in the power of the witch doctors to cure them.—*F. S. Chapin.*

301. REIN, ADOLPH. Nachricht über Rankes Bibliothek. [Note concerning Ranke's library.] *Historische Vierteljahrsschrift.* 24(2) 1928: 253-254.—It was Ranke's wish that his library stay intact after his death. When the Royal Library at Berlin refused to buy it for that reason, Professor Bennet, an American student of Ranke's, purchased it and transferred it bodily to Syracuse, New York. There it remains to this day. It contains 16,000 to 20,000 volumes and many manuscripts, especially Italian of the 16th to 18th centuries. Syracuse University, the custodian of the library, has lacked the funds to make this valuable material more generally accessible.—*H. C. Engelbrecht.*

304. KRATSCHKOVSKY, IGN. Die Literatur der arabischen Emigranten in Amerika. [The literature of the Arab emigrants in America.] *Monde Oriental.* 21 1927-28: 193-213.—Neo-Arabic literature is closely tied up with emigration. Napoleon's expedition to Egypt produced a French-Arab literature in Marseilles and Paris. Arab emigration to America, beginning in the '70s, settled from 300,000 to 500,000 Arabs here, scattered over the New World. The original small trader was soon followed by more learned groups: teachers, journalists and writers. Thus literary centers arose to be followed rapidly by dramatic and artistic societies. Dozens of Arab newspapers are published in America. The year 1895 may be taken as the beginning of a new period in Arabic literature which came to an end with the World War. The first émigrés carried on the Arab tradition in lengthy romances and lyric poetry. But the generation reared in America changed its themes and its manner. A great variety of subjects was dealt with briefly. American literature had little

influence on these Arab-Americans, but European literature, now first met with, moved them greatly (Voltaire, Goethe, Keats, Carlyle).—*H. C. Engelbrecht.*

401. SHOVE, G. F. Varying costs and marginal net profits. *Econ. Jour.* 38(150) Jun. 1928: 258-266.—Professor Pigou, in the second edition of *Economics of Welfare*, Part II, Ch. X, states that increased production in an industry operating under conditions of diminishing returns involves merely a transfer (of fortunes) from purchasers to landlords. In the case of decreasing cost industries, increased production causes a net change (increase), according to Pigou, in the fortunes of the community. These propositions are valid, according to the author, only if increased production has the same effect upon infra-marginal as upon marginal costs. If increased production affects infra-marginal and marginal costs differently, the net result in the balance of transfers from purchasers to landlords and in net gain (or loss) to the community "outside those who make the investment" depends upon the effect of increased production upon the cost, not of the marginal unit, but of the rest of the output. In other words, the effect of increased production on the fortunes of the community depends upon the relation between the change in the "final trade cost" (of the whole product) and the change in marginal cost. Professor Pigou's conclusion that there is "a presumption in favor of state bounties to industries in which the law of increasing returns operates strongly, and of state taxes upon industries in which the law of diminishing returns operates strongly, and in which conditions are such that effects upon rent may be ignored" is subject to the same limitation. Account must be taken of the effect on rent in both types of industries. The doctrine might better be stated in terms of the divergence between marginal cost and "final trade cost," the latter term meaning the whole cost per unit of the augmented output.—*H. R. Hosea.*

508. GUETZEVITCH, M. Le progrès du droit international. [The progress of international law.] *Rev. Pol. et Parl.* 134 1928: 279-284.—The replacement of ideology by technique is indisputable in every domain of social relations, but especially in the domain of international law. M. Politis, in his *Les nouvelles tendances du droit international*, seeks to state precisely the actual tendencies of international law. He considers the individual as the sole and supreme end of all law. The new conception of universal law struggles against the old conception of *interstatal* law.—*L. Burchfield.*

606. DUBLIN, LOUIS I. Longevity of College Athletes. *Harpers Magazine.* Jul. 1928: 229-238.—A study of the mortality experience, from time of graduation to date, of nearly 5,000 athletes, graduates prior to 1905, of ten colleges. The experience covers about 146,000 years of exposure and includes 1,290 deaths. Measured by average mortality among insured men from 1900 to 1915 as embodied in the American Men Table, the mortality among these athletes was only 91.5% of that expected according to average rates at corresponding ages. Divided into periods, the athletes graduated in the last period, 1900-1905, had only 72.6% of that expected. Intensive selection and careful supervision of athletes were doubtless partly responsible for this low rate; lack of supervision over athletics may have been a factor in the relatively higher mortality among earlier graduates. But the decline in mortality among athletes parallels an improvement in death rates in the general population. At ages over 45 an unusually high mortality from heart disease was noted. Data on the cause of death were available in less than one-half the total number of deaths. There is need, moreover, for comparison between the mortality of athletes and of non-athletes of the college-graduate class.—*R. M. Woodbury.*

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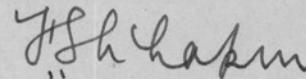
I appreciate your letter of October 25th, commenting on Social Science Abstracts.

Any leads you can give us in terms of concrete citations to important material that we have missed in State Historical Magazines and Yearbooks will be very much appreciated.

The December issue will contain a list of 3,000 publications which are systematically examined. When you receive this and have examined it, perhaps you will be good enough to suggest omissions.

It is quite likely that some of the material you have in mind is already on this list, but owing to the delay in getting the abstracts, no citations have yet been published. On the other hand, considering the enormous volume of local historical material, we must be increasingly hard-boiled in our attitude toward this material and include only the best of it.

Sincerely yours,



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My dear Professor Buck:

We should be grateful to have your comments and suggestions on the issues of SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS that have appeared to date, including the Index for 1929. The total number of abstracts printed in 1929 was 11,093; and the number printed in 1930 will be 16,981.

As an adviser to the editors, your comments are invited, particularly with respect to the adequacy of covering your special field of interest. Have you any suggestions as to how the abstracts might be made more useful to our subscribers? Are the abstracts too long, or not long enough? Do you find that the abstracts give you what you want with regard to articles in journals to which you do not have access? Are they helpful in indicating articles for further study?

Suggestions or criticisms for the improvement of our service will be most welcome.

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

My dear Professor Buck:

Would you be willing to help me obtain some information about the usefulness of SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS?

I should like to know whether you find SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS useful in your own research. If you do not find it useful please indicate why you do not. Information of this sort will help us to improve the usefulness of the service. For example, do you want a larger proportion of titles of articles or do you prefer a larger proportion of abstracts? The fall issues of the present year show a larger proportion of titles than did the earlier issues of last year.

Have you any criticisms of the index for Volume 1 which was distributed last month?

Have you found the ABSTRACTS useful for your students in their research? If not will you tell me why the ABSTRACTS has not been useful?

I do not want to put you to the trouble of any detailed inquiry, but I shall be glad to have, at your earliest convenience, a perfectly frank expression of opinion on these points.

Sincerely yours,

*F. S. Chapin*

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*Prof-* F. Stuart Chapin

November 5, 1930

Professor F. Stuart Chapin  
Social Science Abstracts  
611 Fayerweather Hall  
Columbia University  
New York City

Dear Mr. Chapin:-

I shall be glad to give you my reaction to Social Science Abstracts, such as they are. In the first place I should explain that for many years I have made a practice of looking over all the periodicals in the field of American history that are likely to contain material of interest to me, and also some periodicals in the other social sciences. Because of my position with the Minnesota Historical Society I can do this more conveniently than can most students. When Social Science Abstracts first began to come out I made a practice of running through each number from cover to cover. I soon found, however, that this required too much time in proportion to the result, and I now confine myself to looking over the section devoted to American history, together with the cross references there given, and parts of the sections on geography, anthropology, etc. I usually discover a few articles not already known to me, but the grist has not been very large and I do not yet feel that I can safely substitute an examination of Social Science Abstracts for the examination of the magazines themselves.

I believe that a larger proportion of titles of articles rather than abstracts would be desirable particularly when the title is self-explanatory. I believe also that many of the abstracts could be considerably shortened, thus making room for a wider coverage of publication. If an article is of importance in connection with my research, no abstract of it will take the place of the article itself, but I do want to be told enough about it to enable me to judge whether or not it is of importance in my research.

The most serious criticism that I have of Social Science Abstracts is the delay that has occurred in the publication of abstracts. For example, no abstracts have yet appeared of the last four numbers of Minnesota History, the magazine published by the Minnesota Historical Society, although I understand that abstracts for some of them were sent to you about two months ago.

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I would suggest that whenever possible arrangements be made for someone on the staff of the magazine to furnish the abstracts and that he be requested to prepare them from page proof and send them in before the magazine actually appears. In case this cannot be done, the editor might be requested to send a set of page proof of each issue to the person who is to do the abstracting.

As to whether or not Social Science Abstracts has been of use to my students in their research, I have no information. In the bibliographical work at the beginning of my seminar in American history, I require all the students to examine a copy of the publication and a few minutes are devoted to a discussion of its nature and usefulness. Now that the index number is out it will probably be more extensively used by graduate students.

I have examined the index number but I have not had occasion as yet to make any special use of it, and I have no criticism to offer. It is possible that combining the author index with the subject index into a single alphabetical arrangement would be an improvement.

Sincerely yours

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November 5, 1930

Mr. H. C. Engelbrecht  
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Dear Mr. Engelbrecht:-

I received your letter of October 23,  
and I have also had a somewhat similar  
letter from Dr. Chapin. A copy of my reply  
to him is enclosed herewith, and I think  
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My dear Professor Buck:

Thanks very much for your frank and helpful statement on SOCIAL SCIENCE ABSTRACTS.

You realize, of course, that your situation in regard to American history journals is totally unlike that of most other students in the field. Since you have and examine most of the journals in the field, it is very difficult for the American History section of the ABSTRACTS to give you new materials. But most of the students in American history do not have access to all these journals and get new materials through the summaries in the ABSTRACTS.

We are apparently having a war in miniature over the question of title citation and length of abstracts. One letter appears asking for more title citations, and in the same mail will be another declaring that all title citations should be banned. All that we can do is to keep to the middle of the road at present and cite and shorten judiciously.

The question of delay in publication is one that has occupied our attention a great deal. It is due to many factors: a sixty day publication schedule; a limitation of abstracts for each department each month; the failure of abstractors to send in material because of preoccupation with other tasks, several letters being necessary at times to catch up in journals, and a further delay not infrequently when reassignment of the journal is necessary.

In regard to Minnesota History, the abstracts received could not have been published earlier than the December issue due to our publication schedule. Shortage of funds at the end of the year compelled us to make the December issue very small so that only one of these will appear in this issue. The rest of them are all in the January issue, already on its way to the printer.

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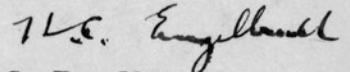
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I am very much interested in your note which suggests that we make room for a wider coverage of publications. If there is anything in American history which we are missing, please let me have the names of the journals, because I think we will have no difficulty in covering them.

I am grateful for your letter because it shows that you have studied the ABSTRACTS, and I hope that you will let us have further suggestions as they occur to you.

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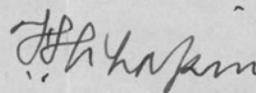
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I sincerely hope you will consent to serve, and a letter of acceptance from you will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially yours,



P1. F. Stuart Chapin  
Editor-in-Chief

March 23, 1932.

Dr. F. Stuart Chapin, Editor-in-Chief,  
Social Science Abstracts,  
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My dear Dr. Chapin:

Your letter of March 1 addressed to me at the University of Minnesota has been forwarded to me here, where I am now located. I shall be glad to serve as an Advisory Editor of Social Science Abstracts, and to render such assistance as I can along the lines indicated in your letter.

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My dear Professor Buck:

The SSRC, which has sponsored SSA, has decided to withdraw its support. In view of this fact, the continuation of the journal beyond the close of the present year is extremely doubtful.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation of your cooperation with us as Advisory Editor. Needless to say, we regret that the prospective early termination of our enterprise will prevent the more fruitful collaboration which we had promised ourselves. We will write you as soon as definite information concerning the final disposition of SSA becomes available.

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March 22, 1929

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Gentlemen:-

Professor Isaac J. Cox of Northwestern University informs me that he is making application to you for a grant-in-aid in connection with the preparation of a bibliography of Trans-Allegheny history from 1760 to 1820. Much of my research work in recent years has been in this field, and I have come to realize very strongly the need of such a bibliography. The number of students working in this field is constantly increasing, and I believe that the preparation of such a bibliography would be a very valuable service to such students, to the historical societies and libraries of the West, and to the cause of research in American history generally.

I very much hope, therefore, that you will find it possible to make the desired grant-in-aid.

Very truly yours

B/P

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Mr. Donald Young,  
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Dear Mr. Young:

I regret very much that your inquiry concerning Paul W. Gates has not been replied to before. Circumstances have been such that I have been obliged to neglect my correspondence. I will reply to your questions as follows.

(1) I would give Mr. Gates an "A" rating. He was my assistant in the Harvard summer school when I was teaching history there in the summer of 1928. Since then I have followed his work with interest and have read his articles in various historical magazines. It seems to me that he has very exceptional ability as a research scholar.

(2) I was intensely interested in Mr. Gates' program of study. It happens that the need of just this sort of a study became very apparent to me some years ago while I was in Minnesota, and I started a candidate for the doctor's degree, Mr. Verne E. Chatelain, who is now historian of the National Park Service, on an intensive study of the subject with special reference to Minnesota. Mr. Chatelain has done a large amount of work on the subject but has not yet completed his study. Since his work is confined to a single state, it does not, of course, make the proposed study by Mr. Gates unnecessary or undesirable. It would be well, however, for Mr. Gates to get in touch with Mr. Chatelain. It seems to me that Mr. Gates' "Program of Study" indicates that he has a worthwhile project, knows exactly what he wants to do, and knows how to do it. I believe that you will make no mistake in granting him a fellowship, either from the point of view of developing a research scholar or from that of promoting a contribution to knowledge.

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Name of Applicant: Charles J. Ritchey

Report Requested of: Dr. S.J. Buck, Dir., Western Pa. Historical Survey, Historical  
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The above name applicant for a Grant-in-Aid has indicated your willingness to give us information which will be helpful to our Committee in making awards.

We should appreciate a concise expression of your opinion regarding:

- (1) The value and feasibility of the project as summarized in the enclosure; and
- (2) The capacity of the applicant to execute this project.

Your reply will be held in the strictest confidence.

Donald Young

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(Please return this sheet with the attached program of study at your earliest convenience. A stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed.)

Mr. Donald Young,  
Fellowship Secretary,  
Social Science Research Council,  
230 Park Avenue, New York City, N. Y.

February 18, 1933

Dear Mr. Young:

I regret very much that my reply to your request for my opinion with reference to Mr. Charles J. Ritchey and the project for which he is asking a grant in aid has been delayed.

I have been familiar with this project of Dr. Ritchey's since its inception and I have a very high opinion of its value. Comparatively little is known about the history of the northern overland route and the materials with which Dr. Ritchey is working are the most important in existence for throwing light on that subject. I have examined some of them myself in the form of transcripts and I feel sure that their publication in a carefully edited edition will be a very valuable contribution to American history.

I have known Dr. Ritchey for many years and have great admiration for his energy, enthusiasm, industry, and initiative. He has dug up much of the material himself by following numerous clues. While he has not had a great deal of experience in editing, he is an accurate worker and a sound scholar, and, moreover, he will have, I understand, the co-operation of Dr. Theodore C. Elegen of the Minnesota Historical Society, an experienced editor, in the editing of the material.

I may add that the Clarence Walworth Alvord Commission of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, of which I am the chairman, is prepared to publish the material when it is ready. The Commission's resources are too limited, however, to enable it to assist in financing the preparation of the material.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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herewith  
which was sent  
by Mr. Young.*

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SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL  
— 230 PARK AVENUE  
New York City

The Committee wishes to thank you for your  
confidential statement concerning

C. J. Ritchey

DONALD YOUNG  
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FREDERICK STARR  
5727 THIRTY-FIFTH AVE. N. E.  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

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June 17, 1931

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

Dear Dr. Buck:

As a Corresponding Member of the Minnesota Historical Society I am writing to express my appreciation of the fine work you have done for the Society during the past seventeen years. You have been the most active agent in a wonderful development and I feel that you have built so well, that your work will not be lost and that a steady advance may be made. I hope that you will be happy and successful in your new field of labor.

Very truly yours,  
Frederick Starr

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Frederick Starr has returned from a seven months trip to the Orient. He left Seattle by the President Lincoln on March 22, having in charge a small party of tourists. Landing at Yokohama on April 4, the party made the usual round of the show places of Japan ending at Kobe on April 20, from which date Professor Starr pursued his work independently. It is possible to mention but a few of his activities. On April 25 he was an honor guest of the Shinko-Yamato-e-kai at its annual exhibition. He has been much interested in this small group of able artists, who are attempting to revive the art of Japan of a thousand years ago and to apply it to present-day use. On May 5, he was present at the unveiling of a portrait monument in his honor at the Oriental Folk Museum at Ayameike in Nara-Ken. He spent the two months between May 16 and July 14 in Korea, where he studied conditions and the present situation. While every courtesy was shown him by the Chosen government, his investigations were entirely independent and unhampered. From Seoul as a center he made trips in all directions, even to Kainei in the extreme northeast, crossing into Manchuria. He spent several days in Kongo-San (the Diamond Mountains)—this time in the Inner Kongo; in 1917 he visited the Outer Kongo. He was in Inner Kongo on July 4, when the torrential rains began which caused wide spread loss and destruction during the following three weeks. Returning to Japan proper on July 15, he headquartered at Tokyo until October 21, making various trips out to different parts of the country. Although he had determined to do no public speaking, Professor Starr accepted a few invitations, giving eight addresses in Korea and as many in Japan proper. In addition to these he gave two radio broadcasts—one at Osaka on July 6 upon Japanese Toys, the other at Tokyo on October 19, A Message to the Japanese People. The latter reached a large number of hearers as it was relayed through every radio center in Japan and Korea. On July 2 Professor Starr made the ascent of Biroho, the highest peak in the Diamond Mountains; on August 4 he made his fourth ascent of Mount Fuji; on August 16 he climbed Haruga, one of the San-San (three sacred mountains of northern Japan). Among the many results of his present visit, he gathered new material regarding Mount Fuji, rounded out his proposed exhibition of Japanese toys and secured much relating to the early contact between Japan and the western world. On September 11 Professor Starr was an honor guest of the University of Chicago Club in Tokyo, sharing honors with Professor Moulton (Economics) and the visiting U. of C. baseball team. On October 16 he read a paper before the Asiatic Society of Japan upon Tacho: Typical Edokko, which will be printed ~~in the Society's Transactions.~~ *later* Mr. Teikichi Sugawara of Tsuruoka accompanied Professor Starr from April 21 to October 21 as interpreter and helper. To him, as photographer of the expedition, some 250 photograph negatives are due. Professor Starr left Japan on October 21 by the President Jefferson, arriving at Seattle on November 1.

June 20, 1931

Dr. Frederick Starr  
5727 Thirty-fifth Ave., N.E.  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Dr. Starr:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 17.  
I assure you that your kind words and good wishes  
are very much appreciated.

Your trip in the Orient last summer must have  
been an extremely interesting one. I was glad to  
have the opportunity of reading about it.

Sincerely yours

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October 4, 1932

Mr. C. A. Starrett,  
The Pittsburgh Record,  
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Starrett:

Here is the article that I promised you for the  
Pittsburgh Record. Despite the fact that I struggled  
with it most of Sunday afternoon instead of going  
picnicing with my family, I do not think it is a very  
good job. Perhaps it will be better after you exercise  
your editorial skill upon it.

Sincerely yours,

*Solon J. Buck*  
Solon J. Buck

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Your reward, dear Bobo, will be  
awaiting you in the Great  
Beyond, if my humble prayers  
are as effective as your fertile  
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Mr. Solon J. Buck,  
Minnesota Historical Society,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Gentlemen:

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September 9, 1929

G. E. Stechert & Company  
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Gentlemen:

We have your favor of August 20 asking us to send to the Library of Congress, Division of Accessions, a copy of Solon J. Buck, Clarence Walworth Alvord, Historian, with a Bibliography of His Published Works. A copy has been mailed to the address indicated. The question of a bill for this copy will be deferred until the return of Dr. Buck, who is at present away.

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Very truly yours

TCB/H

September 20, 1929

G. E. Stechert & Company  
31-33 East 10th St.,  
New York City

Gentlemen:-

In response to your request of August 20, a copy of my Clarence Walworth Alvord, Historian was mailed to the Library of Congress. In view of the many favors that I have received from the Library of Congress, I do not wish to make any charge for this pamphlet, and I am writing the librarian to that effect.

Very truly yours

B/P

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APPOINTMENT BUREAU  
OF  
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Cambridge, Massachusetts

..... Jan. 14, 1931 .....

My dear Mr. Buck:

Miss Genevieve Fallon Staafel.....  
who ~~received the~~ <sup>attended</sup> ~~degree from~~ Radcliffe College  
in 1920-23..... has referred to you as a person  
acquainted with her ability and personal qualities.

Will you be good enough to make, on the other side of  
this sheet, a statement about her which you would be  
willing to have the Appointment Bureau quote to agencies  
or to prospective employers. Any further information  
which you think would be helpful to the Bureau may be  
added in a separate paragraph.

Sincerely yours,

*Edith Stedman*  
Edith Stedman  
Director

Mr. Solon G. Buck  
Dept. of History  
Univ. of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn.

January 20, 1931

Miss Edith Stedman  
Appointment Bureau  
Radcliffe College  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

My dear Miss Stedman:

Mrs. Genevieve Fallon Steefel, about whom you inquired under date of January 14, has been assisting me in the compilation of a bibliography of American travel and description for the American Historical Association. She impresses me as a highly intelligent woman with lots of initiative, enthusiasm, and energy. She works rapidly, but not always as thoroughly as might be desired, and it seems to me that sometimes, in her keen desire to make progress, she fails to keep in mind the objective of her work.

Sincerely yours

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J Keefel

735 Huron St., S. E.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,  
Dec. 15, 1931.

Dear Steve,

I'm sorry that you don't think you can stay with us during the meetings but I know from experience how convenient it is for you to be at headquarters. We do hope, however, that if you stay after the sessions, you will move out here. With the addition to the house, we have plenty of room and we should

like you to feel at home with  
us to have all the rest you need  
after the strenuous three days.

With best regards to the  
Buck family and good wishes  
for a merry Christmas,

yours,  
Larry.

Dear Steve, P/Stepful April 28, 1932. 8

I just noticed a reference that you may not have for the travel bibliography:

Rudolph von Dellbrück, Lebenserinnerungen,  
Leipzig 1905, vol. ii, ch. xv, pp. 5-20.

Official in the Prussian Ministry of Commerce; commissioner to the New York Exhibition of 1853; New York, Niagara Falls, Canada, Boston, New York, Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Tennessee, Georgia, Charleston, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York.

Best regards to you all,

We are going to Star Island, Lawrence.  
Cass Lake, for the summer.

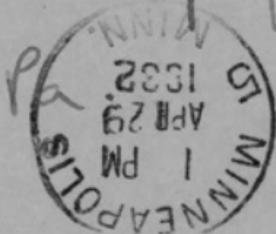
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Prof. S. J. Buck  
Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania

Pittsburg, Pa



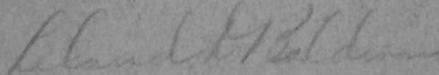
October 11, 1932.

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Prof. Frank F. Stephens,  
University of Missouri,  
Columbia, Missouri.

Dear Professor Stephens:

We are trying to locate photographic negatives of Charles Alexandre Lesueur's sketches made in America, and Dr. J. F. Jameson, suggests that you may have some of them in your possession. If this is true can you give us some idea of how many there are and if possible what subjects they cover, also the price for prints? We are anxious to know about this as they may be valuable in the course of the researches conducted by the Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey, and the collection in Howard Memorial Library is quite limited.

Very sincerely,



Leland D. Baldwin.

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October 13, 1932

Mr. Leland D. Baldwin  
The Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania  
4338 Bigelow Boulevard  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

Answering your letter of October eleventh I do not have any photographic negatives of Lesueur's Sketches made in America. Some years ago I wrote a short notice of Lesueur's Journal and Sketches, but I had nothing except what was published in the Journal. I am sure that you could get photographic negatives of the Sketches "somewhere in France" for, if I remember correctly they were placed in some museum there. It has been so long since I did this that I cannot remember in which city the Sketches were deposited. If I can find anything in regard to this I will let you know later.

Very sincerely yours

*G. F. Stephens*

MAY 15 1929

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
DARTMOUTH COLLEGE  
HANOVER, N. H.

May 13, 1929.

Dear Solon:

I received the proof of the book review this morning and was glad to know that it had arrived safely. I had begun to wonder a little about it. I am returning it to Miss Heilbron in this same mail. I was very sorry for the delay involved, but hope it will still be in time to be of some use.

Just now I am extremely busy preparing to go to Washington in connection with the historical project of the Army War College, concerning which I think I must have told you. I am leaving on Thursday of this week and will return to Hanover about June 1. It makes it rather difficult to leave at this time of the year but no other arrangement seemed possible.

Professor Anderson has been away this semester and I have been doing his work in addition to most of my own regular work and it has been pretty nearly more than I could handle. I hope to have things a little lighter next year. I recently finished some articles for the Dictionary of American Biography, so altogether I have had a most strenuous spring and my correspondence has suffered a good deal.

I was interested to hear of the progress which you have been making in regard to the fund for the memorial volume for Mr. Alvord. I had not known before that a commission was being organized in connection with the project. Was the meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association well attended this year? I wish I might attend those meetings occasionally but it is of course out of the question situated as I am now.

My plans for the summer are not very definite. Probably I shall remain here until about July 1. Then I am thinking just a little of going to Ottawa to do some work on the Sir William Johnson Papers. In any event, I feel that it will be necessary for me to spend some little time at home and I feel that I must remain within easy call most of the time. By the way, I am wondering whether it would be appropriate to ask you to note the fact somewhere in your Quarterly that I am undertaking a biographical study of Sir William Johnson. I think it is as well to let the public know when one undertakes a piece of work of that character and I thought perhaps my relations with the Society in the past might have been sufficiently close to make it a matter of news interest. One thing which I must do this summer is to prepare an article on Johnson for the Dictionary of Biography.

Have you any special plans for the summer or do you plan to remain in Minneapolis? I wish that I might have an opportunity to see you some time while I am in the west.

I should be very glad to hear from you when you have a little time to spare. Are all the members of your family well? Please remember me to Elizabeth and to your father and mother.

Very sincerely,

*Wayne.*

May 22, 1929

Professor Wayne E. Stevens  
Graduate Club  
Hanover, New Hampshire

Dear Wayne:-

I was glad to hear from you and I am sorry that Miss Heilbron neglected to acknowledge your review.

The attendance at the Mississippi Valley Historical Association was about as usual I think -- perhaps a hundred and fifty -- and the meeting seemed to me to be a very good one. I was too busy to attend many of the sessions but the papers that I heard were excellent. The meeting next year is to be at Chattanooga.

It is too late now to get an item about your Sir William Johnson project in the June number of our magazine, but I shall be glad to see that it goes into the September number. I think you have a very interesting subject but one that will require a tremendous amount of work.

My own plans for the summer call for spending the third week of June in Colorado attending the Conference on the History of the Trans-Mississippi West; vacation at Battle Lake during most of July; teaching in the second session of the summer school of the University of Minnesota; and possibly a short trip to the north woods between that and the opening of college in the fall. I hope that you may find it possible to come up here for a visit some time during August. We should all be very glad to see you, and I should like to have an opportunity to go over with you the material for the proposed first volume of the Alvord Memorial Publications. As I told you some time ago, I want you to complete the editorial work on this volume. I have not taken the matter up with the other members of the Commission as yet, but I am sure that there will be no objection to this arrangement. I had hoped to go over the thing a little before now and then send it on to you but have not had time to get at it. I assume, however, from your letter that you would not be able to do anything with it before summer anyway.

Some progress is being made in collecting the Alvord Fund, although I have had very little time to devote to it and have not heard as yet from any of the other members of the Commission with reference to their accomplishments in that direction. I have obtained promises of about five hundred dollars around here in addition to the thousand

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from Mrs. Alvord and five hundred from Dr. Schmidt, and I hope to get another five hundred or a thousand in this neighborhood. I am sure that, as a former student and personal friend of Alvord, you will want to be included among the contributors, and I hope you will fill out the enclosed blank and return it to me in the near future. Any sum that you may care to subscribe will be much appreciated, of course, and any change that you might care to make in the suggested dates for the payments will be quite acceptable to the Commission.

The family are all well, and Elizabeth joins me in sending our best regards.

Sincerely yours

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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
DARTMOUTH COLLEGE  
HANOVER, N. H.

Avon, Illinois,  
July 18, 1929.

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

Dear Solon:

Your last letter was forwarded to me while I was in Washington, at the Army War College. Upon my return I postponed replying until my plans for the summer should be a little more definite. As a matter of fact, they are none too definite even yet, but I do not want to delay writing any longer. Nearly everything has been hinging on my mother's condition, which is not very satisfactory. She has been declining during the past few months, though she may last a considerable while yet. I came home early in July to see the situation for myself. I had contemplated the possibility of a month or so here at home, after which, if conditions seemed to justify it, I had thought of a six or seven weeks' trip abroad, visiting England and France. I think probably it would be safe for me to go, but I think that my father is reluctant that I should and I do not feel like going unless he is perfectly willing. In any event, I shall have to know definitely by about July 22, but now it looks as though the chances are against my being able to get away.

If I do not get away, I want very much to see you during the course of the summer about the Alvord Memorial Publications. I am much interested in the possibilities and am anxious to know more about the project. If I do not go abroad, I might be able to run up to Minneapolis for a short time in August. I have with me here a set of The Mississippi Valley in British Politics, and am looking over again those chapters dealing with western land projects. I should think they might be useful as a preliminary background. How is the work of the Commission progressing? I should be glad to know a little more about the proposed arrangements and something as to the time when it is desired to begin work. If this project is as important as it seems to be, I might be able to secure a little adjustment in my teaching schedule at Dartmouth in order to facilitate it. They are fairly accommodating in such matters.

I have filled out the blank you sent me and am enclosing a check for ten dollars. That isn't very much for one who knew Professor Alvord as well as I did, but my feeling is this. If I undertake the editorial work, I should think that small expenses might arise which perhaps could not legitimately be charged to the fund, and possibly a part of my contribution will be in that way. I was thinking of such things as the trip which I may make this summer or later for purposes of consultation. If that does not prove to be

the case and further funds are necessary, I might increase my subscription later. But I do want to be represented, to a small extent at least.

My work in Washington proved to be extremely interesting this year and I think something really worth while is going to come of the project. They certainly kept us busy while we were there. I felt rather tired when the semester ended, as I had been carrying Mr. Anderson's work, and I hope I shan't have to do that again soon. Since I have been home I have been writing some book reviews and doing various other odds and ends. I have considerable Sir William Johnson material here, too, but I am not certain just how much I shall have time to do with it.

Your summer plans sound sufficiently varied and you will certainly be kept busy. I assume that you are at Battle Lake now, and I rather envy you. It is pretty warm here just now. Avon is anything but an ideal summer resort. I should greatly enjoy being in Minneapolis for a little while and seeing everyone again.

The current number of the American Historical Review contains a very nice review of the first volume of Minnesota in the World War, and I was interested in what was said on the chapters concerning Camp Cody and Camp Dodge. By the way, what has become of Holbrook? I was under the impression that his term of service was to expire the first of July. He has certainly had a rather tragic career and I wish there might be brighter days ahead for him. How are your father and mother this summer? I hope they are both well and should like to be remembered to them. Also will you please remember me to Elizabeth?

I should like very much to hear from you sometime soon. I shall be here in any event until sometime the first week in August, and probably later. Any information which you can pass on to me in regard to the Alvord memorial volumes would be of the greatest interest.

Very sincerely,

Wayne

Ans'd. by hand.  
July 22.

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Howard

Acron, Illinois.

August 14, 1929.

Dear Helen:

I had to abandon my proposed trip to Europe for the present, and I may come up to Minneapolis for a short time, though I am not certain yet as to the date. From what you said in an earlier letter, I assume that you will be in Minneapolis through August and perhaps a few days early in September. Of course I shall want to track my trip in as to come while you are there.

Do you suppose it would be possible to get a room at the Campus Club if I come during the latter part of August? I know you more convenient and pleasant place, nor one where I should feel more at home. If there is not a room available there, I believe I will write to the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis. I always liked that very much and their rates are quite reasonable. If you can inquire about the situation at the Campus Club and let me know soon I shall be grateful, for if I should go to the Curtis, I shall like to write a few days in advance.

Conditions has remain just about the same. I have been  
keeping pretty busy with work of one sort and another and am  
already afraid the summer is going to be too short to accom-  
plish all I had hoped.

How soon do you think it likely that your Commission  
will be able to start work on the volumes you have in mind?  
I was wondering whether a good deal of preliminary work  
had yet to be done.

I shan't write more now, but I hope that I may  
have an opportunity to see you later.

Most sincerely,

W. C. C.

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August 15, 1929

Dr. Wayne E. Stevens  
Avon, Illinois

Dear Wayne:-

I am very glad to learn from your letter of August 14 that you may be up to Minneapolis in the near future. I shall be here at any rate until the first of September. There are some unoccupied rooms at the Campus Club and I am sure that you will have no trouble in getting one of them. I shall be glad to reserve one for you as soon as I know when you are coming. I wish that it were possible for us to have you at the house but, unfortunately, our family is so large that we have no spare room and we have been obliged to improvise a sleeping place for Elizabeth's mother, who is with us at present.

I haven't attempted to examine the material for the proposed volume, as I thought that we could best do it together. I see no reason why you shouldn't begin work on the volume as soon as you are ready to do so.

Sincerely yours

SJB/B

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Dear Helen:

I am writing you just a line in very great haste to say that you may send the material for the Alford Memorial volume whenever you find it convenient to do so. I am leaving Chicago for Harrow in the morning.

My visit with you was very pleasant and I wish it might have been longer. I hope you enjoyed the second installment of your vacation. I shall be writing again soon after I reach Harrow.

Very sincerely,

Wayne.

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September 30, 1939

Professor Wayne E. Stevens  
Dartmouth College  
Hanover, New Hampshire

Dear Wayne:-

I got back from my vacation last Monday, but have not been able to do much this week on account of the death of Dr. Folwell, which occurred Wednesday morning. I spent five days in the Canadian Pacific Bungalow Camp on the Nipigon river and enjoyed it very much, despite the fact that it rained about half the time.

I want to keep the Alvord material for a week or two in order to read some more of it before sending it on to you, but I presume that it will reach you as soon as you are ready to tackle it.

We enjoyed having you here very much, and I hope that it will be possible for you to visit the Twin Cities frequently.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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May 23, 1930

Dr. Wayne E. Stevens  
Graduate Club  
Hanover, New Hampshire

Dear Wayne:-

The Enterprise and News of Saint Johnsville, New York, has just published a pamphlet on Sir William Johnson that I think you might find of some interest. It is for sale at fifty cents. I have read a few pages of the new book on Johnson, and have reached the conclusion that one historical hack plus one literary hack do not make one historian.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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:WAYNE E STEVENS.

November 6, 1931.

Mr. Wayne E. Stevens,  
Graduate Club,  
Hanover, N. H.

Dear Wayne:-

I was much humiliated the other day to discover the enclosed letter in my desk among some things that evidently were placed there without examination in the confusion of getting things started here. I have only a vague recollection of having seen this letter before and am not quite sure whether it came in before you were here or after. I can only hope that my failure to deliver it or forward it to you has not caused you any serious inconvenience and apologize humbly for my carelessness.

I trust that you are making progress on the editorial work. If there is anything that I can do to facilitate it, do not hesitate to call upon me.

Are you planning to attend the AHA meeting in Minneapolis? I think now that I shall be there.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck.

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April 14, 1930

Mrs. W. W. Stifler  
121 South Pleasant St.  
Amherst, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Stifler:-

A ~~better~~<sup>through</sup> examination of the trunk of papers deposited here by Mrs. Alvord discloses the fact that the Landsdowne transcripts are not among them, and Mrs. Alvord knows nothing about such transcripts. The probabilities are that Mr. Alvord left them at Urbana, and I would suggest that you inquire of his successor, Dr. Theodore C. Pease. The transcripts certainly did not belong to the M.V.H.A., and I think it probable that they were the property of the Illinois Survey of the University of Illinois.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE  
South Hadley, Massachusetts

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*J. Stefler*  
Department of History and Political Science

30 June 1930

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

My dear Mr. Buck:-

Your letter of April 14th deserved an acknowledgment. May I thank you now for doing what you could to locate the transcripts I had in mind.

One of our students, Norma Adams, who has been an assistant at Mt. Holyoke for the last two years while working for a master's degree, goes in the autumn to the University of Minnesota as assistant in modern history, Mr. Ford's course. I have suggested to her that she might be interested in looking up the Minnesota Historical Society and have taken the liberty of instructing her to inquire for you. She is a charming girl and a first class student. Any courtesy which you can show her will be much appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

Jusan Reed Stefler

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Fort Snelling, Minnesota,  
July 28, 1931.

Solon J. Buck,  
State Historical Society,  
Historical Bldg.,  
St. Paul, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Buck:

I would be glad to have you come out to lunch with me at the Citizens Military Training Camp at Fort Snelling Thursday, August 13th at 12 o'clock. Other State, Federal and Labor officials will also be with us for luncheon.

If you can reach my office at camp in the cantonment area by noon we will be able to see the students at dinner before going to our own luncheon. Afterward we can see them as they start their afternoon work and you will be able to get a very good idea of the work of the camp and still get away by 1:30 o'clock if you so desire or I shall be glad to have you remain for a longer inspection if you wish.

The Citizens Military Training Camp is a national movement of great interest and potential value and I hope you will be able to join us Thursday for a first hand glimpse of its activities.

Yours sincerely,

*David L. Stone*

DAVID L. STONE,  
Colonel, 3rd Infantry,  
Commanding.

August 1, 1931

David L. Stone  
Colonel, 3rd Infantry  
Commanding  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

My dear Colonel Stone:-

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to lunch with you at the Citizens Military Training Camp on August 13. I had the pleasure of attending one of these lunches a few years ago, and should like very much to go again this year; but, unfortunately, my days here are numbered. I expect to leave before August 13 for a vacation in the Lake Superior country, and, immediately after my return the latter part of the month, I shall be leaving for Pittsburgh, where I am to have charge of an historical project.

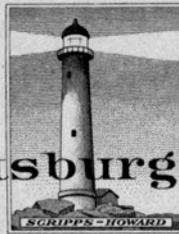
I assure you that your courtesy in extending this invitation to me is very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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# The Pittsburgh Press

Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 21, 1931.

Dr. Solon J. Buck  
67 Barton Street, S. E.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Dr. Buck:-

I can't tell you how pleased I am to hear that you are coming to Pittsburgh this fall. I think you will remember that while I was managing editor of The Journal, colonial history was my pet hobby. I honestly think western Pennsylvania is, for practical purposes, almost as untouched as Minnesota. You certainly are going to have a fruitful field.

I have been here little more than a year but have been so confounded busy I haven't had an opportunity to make very many friends. If you will let me know when you are arriving in Pittsburgh I shall probably meet you at the station with three brass bands.

I am certainly looking forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Neil H. Swanson

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May 26, 1931

Mr. Neil H. Swanson  
The Pittsburgh Press  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Swanson:-

I was surprised and delighted to learn that you are now in Pittsburgh and with the Press, which made a very favorable impression on me as I looked over the papers during my recent visit there. Unquestionably western Pennsylvania is a most interesting and largely uncultivated field for historical work. One of my tasks will be to make the people conscious of the interest and importance of their history, and, in that, I am sure that I can count on your cooperation.

I think I had better not let you know when I will arrive, as I might be embarrassed by the brass bands. As a matter of fact, I shall probably roll into Pittsburgh in my car about the first of September, provided we do not break down on the way. I shall get in touch with you very soon after my arrival.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

July 9, 1929.

Mr. S.J. Buck,  
219 Old Library,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Buck:-

I would be glad to have you come out to lunch with me at the Reserve Officers Training Camp at Fort Snelling Tuesday, July 16, at 12 o'clock. A few other interested gentlemen and some of the officers of the camp will also be with us for the luncheon.

If you can reach Camp Headquarters by noon we will be able to see the students at dinner before we go to our own luncheon. After lunch we can see them at their afternoon work and you will be able to get away by 1:30 if you so desire.

The Reserve Officers Training Corps Camp is of genuine civic interest and I hope that you will be able to join us Tuesday for a first hand glimpse of its activities.

Sincerely yours,

W.C. Sweeney,  
Colonel, 3rd Infantry,  
Commanding.

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July 12, 1929

Colonel W. G. Sweeney  
Headquarters Third Infantry  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of July 9 to Mr. Buck has been forwarded from the University and just reached us this morning.

I am sure that Mr. Buck will regret very much his inability to accept your invitation for Tuesday, July 16. He is away at present on a vacation in the northwestern part of the state and will not be back for couple of weeks.

Sincerely yours

Secretary to Mr. Buck

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August 3, 1929

Colonel W. C. Sweeney  
Headquarters Third Infantry  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Dear Colonel Sweeney:-

On returning from my vacation, I find here your very kind invitation of July 9 to lunch with you at Fort Snelling on July 16, and a copy of my secretary's reply to it. I am very sorry indeed to have missed this luncheon and want to thank you for your courtesy in extending the invitation.

Sincerely yours

B/P

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

Fort Snelling, Minn.  
August 12, 1929.

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

Dear Mr. Buck:

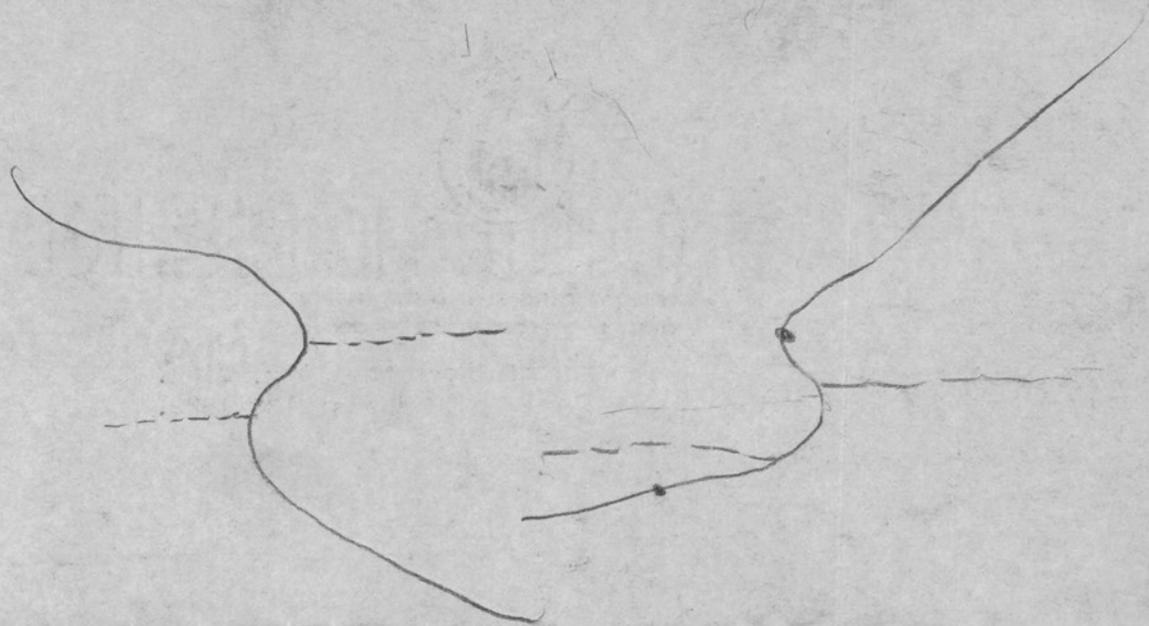
I would be glad to have you come out to lunch with me at the Citizens Military Training Camp at Fort Snelling, Friday, August 16th at 12 o'clock. A few other representative citizens and members of my staff will also be with us for luncheon.

If you can reach my office at the camp by noon, we will be able to see the students at dinner before going to our own luncheon. Afterward we can see them as they begin their afternoon work. You will be able to get a very good idea of the work of the camp and still get away by 1:30 if you so desire, or I shall be glad to have you remain for a longer inspection if you wish.

The Citizens Military Training Camp is a national movement of great interest and potential value and I hope that you will be able to join us Friday for a first hand glimpse of its activities.

Yours sincerely,

*W. C. Sweeney*  
W. C. Sweeney,  
Colonel, 3rd Infantry.  
Commanding.



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August 14, 1929

Col. W. C. Sweeney, Commanding  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Dear Col. Sweeney:

Thank you very much for your  
kind invitation to lunch with you at the Citizens  
Military Training Camp at Fort Snelling on Friday,  
August 16. I shall be very glad indeed to do so  
and shall endeavor to reach your office by noon of  
that day.

Sincerely yours

SJB/H



HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

June 28, 1930.

Mr. S. J. Buck,  
OL 219,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Buck:

I would be glad to have you come out to lunch at the R. O. T. C. Camp at Fort Snelling on July 15 to see this group of young college men in their camp. A few other men interested in education, and some members of my staff will also be at the luncheon. If you can reach the office of the Commanding Officer, at Camp by noon we will be able to see the students at dinner before we go to our own luncheon. Afterward we can see them at their afternoon work, and you will be able to get away by 1:30 o'clock, if you so desire.

The R. O. T. C. Camp is of genuine civic interest and I hope that you will be able to be with us for a first hand glimpse of its activities.

Yours sincerely,

W. C. Sweeney,  
Colonel, ~~3rd~~ Infantry,  
Commanding.

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July 2, 1930

Colonel W. C. Sweeney  
Headquarters Third Infantry  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

My dear Colonel Sweeney:-

It was very kind of you to invite me to take lunch at the R.O.T.C. Camp at Fort Snelling on July 15, and I regret that my engagements are such that it will not be possible for me to accept.

Sincerely yours

B/P

September 3, 1930

Miss Belle Sweet  
409 N. Edith  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Madam:

The Reminiscences of Dr. Folwell are to be published by the University of Minnesota Press, but I doubt if they will be out before next spring. I shall forward your letter to the press and you will doubtless hear from them when the book is published.

Very truly yours

SJB/S