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MANAGING EDITOR  
ARTHUR C. COLE

CLEVELAND, OHIO

Jan. 12, 1934

Professor Solon J. Buck  
Western Pennsylvania Historical Society  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Buck:

Enclosed are three papers concerning which I should like to have your frank opinion as to their suitability for publication. The paper by Newsome is, as you will note, an item that he presented at Urbana which Colman of Indiana recommends for publication. Barnhart's paper was also presented at Urbana at the joint session of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association. It leaves considerable room for improvement in rhetorical style but has some value for its contents. The third item by Richard L. Power of St. Lawrence University seems to be rather broadly titled and it would seem that perhaps he ought to go into the policies of the Federal government with regard to the disposal of swamp lands. I would not be willing to print any of these papers without your approval so I trust that you will give them careful attention.

I was sorry that you did not get to Urbana. You were one of the notables whom Acting President Daniels listed by name along with the rest of us as having served on the history staff at Illinois. Urbana reveals many changes and improvements but seems to me to have too much of the old atmosphere both physical and spiritual. You might be interested to know that as "Van" Jones put it, at last the Woman's building had been properly "stunk up" by tobacco smoke.

I think at length that I have the virtual promise of Miss Kellogg to review the Sipe book on Fort Ligonier if a copy is made available. Do you care to deliver upon your promise of an earlier date? The circumstances of the review will, of course, remain entirely confidential.

Very cordially yours,

Arthur C. Cole

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Cleveland, Ohio

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Would it be possible for you to write for this journal a review (about 350 words) of Charles H. Ambler's History of West Virginia.

If you consent a copy of the book will be sent to you. The review should reach me by February 26, 1934 to be in season for the June, 1934 number.

ARTHUR C. COLE,

Managing Editor.

Bertha E. Josephson  
Editorial Associate



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4338 Bigelow Boulevard,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

January 15, 1934

Dr. Arthur C. Cole,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Cole:

I will review Ambler's History of West Virginia with the understanding that I may use the same review or parts of it in our magazine.

I shall be glad to look over the papers that you sent to me but the pressure of work just now is terrific and I do not know how soon I may be able to do it.

I was very sorry to miss the Urbana meeting. I know I should have enjoyed it very much but I finally decided that I could not spare the time. I shall get hold of a copy of Sipe's Fort Ligonier in the near future and send it on to you.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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Mr. [unclear] [unclear] Rev.

January 18, 1934

Prof. Arthur C. Cole,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Cole:

I got through the papers more quickly than I anticipated and am returning them to you herewith. They are all good papers and well worthy of publication. The situation described by Newsome is changing rapidly, however, and his papers should be published promptly if at all. In Pennsylvania, for example, an inventory of all county archives is now being made by GWA workers under the auspices of the State Library, and the Joint Committee on materials for research has been stimulating similar projects in other parts of the country. Just now there is a movement under way to organize a national project for inventorying archives. Binkley can tell you all about this. Perhaps it would be a good plan to publish a supplementary note concerning current activities in this field in the same number of the Review as Newsome's article.

The other two papers need some literary revision but that ought not to be very difficult and I think that they make real contributions.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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Feb. 15, 1934

Professor Solon J. Buck  
University of Pittsburgh  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Colleague:

I enclose the report of the managing editor in anticipation of the issuance of the March 1934 number of the Review with tentative plans for the issues of June and September. I don't know that there is much that need be said about the report except that we have recruited a fine group of new members of the Association from the prospective contributors here listed and that in general the standards of their contributions seem to maintain the traditions of the Review.

Let me again call for criticisms and suggestions that may occur to you, especially as to book review assignments. Dr. Blegen has recently suggested that we might publish more general interpretive articles. A similar suggestion was made by Conyers Read at Urbana. The difficulty is in getting the products of mature scholarship. If any of you have suggestions as to worthy items of this sort including such as you yourself might contribute I would be pleased to hear from you.

You will note in the report the topical directory of historical articles prepared under the editorial supervision of Professor Louis Pelzer. The Association has authorized the publication of this as part two of the outstanding extra number of the Review, part one of which was issued in 1924. The purpose is to discharge all obligations implied in designating the 1924 issue as part one.

I hope that the associate editors will turn out in force at Columbia, Missouri, April 26-28.

Very cordially yours,

Arthur C. Cole

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"Snake Country Expedition, 1824-25: An Episode of Fur Trade and Empire,"  
by Frederick Merk (20 pp.)

"Correspondence Concerning the Snake Country Expedition, 1824-1825,"  
edited by Frederick Merk (22 pp)

"Gladstone and the Red River Rebellion," edited by Paul Knaplund (3 pp.)

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"A Bostonian Sends News of the French in the Mississippi Valley, 1676,"  
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2. "Woodrow Wilson - Historian," by Marjorie Daniel (17 pp.)
3. "Henry A. Wise and the Virginia Fire Eaters of 1856," by Clement Eaton (18 pp.)
4. "Ohio's Legislative Attack Upon Abolition Schools," by Clayton S. Ellsworth (11 pp.)
5. "Historical Activities of the Nineties," by Faye Neds (20 pp. -- not yet accepted)
6. "Colorado's Revolt Against Capitalism," by Leon W. Fuller (24 pp.)
7. "Some Reflections on the Career of General James Wilkinson," by Thomas R. Hay (17 pp.)
8. "The Origin of the 'Official Records' of the War of the Rebellion," by Dallas D. Irvine ( 18pp.)
9. "The Stamp Act in the Floridas, 1765-66," by W. B. Kerr (11 pp.)
10. "Penal Slavery and Southern Reconstruction," by Blake McKelvey
11. "Memoranda on Negroes and the Fur Trade : A Study of a Racial Contribution," by Kenneth W. Porter (about 16 pp.- under consideration)
12. "Wet Lands in the Old Northwest: A Neglected Factor," by Richard L. Power (about 28 pp.)

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3. "Letter of Peter Sarge to Franklin, La Rochelle, France, July 6, 1779,"

edited and translated by Louis J. Carey (about 6 pp.).

4. "A New Item of Jacksoniana," edited by A. L. Crabb (9 pp.).
5. "Judge Sharkey Papers: Essay on Habeas Corpus," edited by F. Garvin Davenport (6 pp.).
6. "Newly Discovered Jackson Letter," edited by J. P. Dyer (2 pp.).
7. "Letters of 1852-53," submitted by Charles C. Martz (16 pp.).
8. "The Naming of Bismarck, North Dakota," by Duane Squires (notes - 5 pp. under consideration).

"Topical Directory of Historical Articles in the Proceedings and the Review of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association," compiled by Charles H. Norby and Walker D. Wyman, under the editorial supervision of Louis Pelzer (94 pp.).

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4338 Bigelow Boulevard,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

February 19, 1934

Professor Arthur C. Cole,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Cole:

I have looked over your report on the Review but have no concrete suggestions to offer. I agree that more interpretative articles would be desirable but I do not know how to get them. Theoretically, the presidents ought to produce such articles for their addresses but few of them do so.

I do not know who was responsible for the idea of bringing out Pelzer's topical directory as part two of the last volume of the Proceedings. I did think ~~that~~ when the Proceedings were dropped that something should be done to close up the series but it seems to me now that so much time has elapsed that such a procedure would be unwise. I suspect that most libraries have already bound up the orphan part one, either by itself or combined with the previous volumes, and the new publication will simply create a new binding problem for them. Moreover no one would ever expect to find this topical directory bound up with a long since discontinued series of Proceedings. I think it would be better to bring it out as a separate publication, although it might be desirable to designate it as an extra number of the Review in order to get second-class mailing privileges for it. I do not feel very strongly about this, however, and if the matter has been settled, it probably would be unwise to re-open it.

I do not think that there is much probability of my going to the Columbia meetings. I understand that Oliver has been asked to read a paper and expects to go.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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Dr. Solon J. Buck  
4338 Bigelow Boulevard  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Buck:

The arrangement suggested for the bringing out of Pelzer's topical dictionary was one approved at the Lincoln and Chicago meetings. Mrs. Paine feels that there are still calls from libraries that indicate that they have not as yet bound up the orphan part one. I shall bring your suggestion to the attention of the executive committee at Columbia. I only regret that we can't count upon seeing you there.

Sincerely yours,

ACC:C

4338 Bigelow Boulevard,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

March 15, 1934

Professor Arthur C. Cole,  
Editor, Mississippi Valley Historical Review,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Cole:

When I had completed my review of Ambler's History of West Virginia, I discovered that it contained more than twice the 350 words that you had allotted. I have succeeded in cutting it down to a little over 400 words and, if any further cutting is desired, you will have to do it yourself. I am sending you herewith both the complete and the abridged version and you can decide which you want to use. ✓

It is my own feeling that, if a book is worth reviewing at all, it should be given enough space so that the reader of the review will have an adequate idea of the scope, character, contents, and quality of the book. If it isn't important enough for this, then a mere note calling attention to its publication would seem to be sufficient. I realize, of course, the problems with which you are confronted in such matters, for I have had to face them myself in my own editorial work and I have often cut out superfluous or unnecessary material in book reviews submitted to me.

I hope that this review will be in time for inclusion in the next number of the MVHR, as I should like to publish it also in the June number of our magazine.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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The managing editor begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your review of *Ambler's*

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which will appear in the *June, 1934* issue.

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March 23, 1934

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4338 Bigelow Boulevard  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Buck:

I did not realize that I imposed such definite restrictions on you in the matter of the review of Ambler's History of West Virginia. Since publishing activities have slowed down somewhat I see no reason why we should not use the longer text pretty much as it is.

You may be interested to know that my own book is at length off the press.

Cordially yours,

*Arthur C. Cole*

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ARTHUR C. COLE

CLEVELAND, OHIO  
April 20, 1934

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

Dear Colleague:

I enclose under cover the quarterly report for the June issue of the Review. You will see from the materials enclosed that we still have quite a docket of papers on hand. Don't hesitate to make any suggestions or criticisms that will contribute to the improvement of the Review. I hope that you will be able to attend the Columbia meeting where we can thresh over various matters along these lines.

I regret to inform you that with the annual meeting at the close of this month your term on the board of editors expires. May I take this occasion to express my appreciation of the valuable service that you have rendered to the managing editor.

Very cordially yours,

Arthur C. Cole

ACC:MK

Dear Buck: Don't be troubled by the obvious superfluities of the form letter. I do wish, however, that you were going to Columbia.

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## REPORT TO BOARD OF EDITORS

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ARTHUR C. COLE

CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 10, 1934

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

Dear Buck:

I am sending you under cover a paper on recent historical activity which Blegen has submitted as given at Columbia. I should like to have your appraisal of it in the light of the congested docket of material that we have on hand.

We missed you at Columbia. You will be pleased to know that largely on the basis of a question raised by you we have decided upon independent publication of the Pelzer Index. What do you think of publishing Blegen's paper or the report of the meeting at Columbia or a directory of members to complete the missing part II of the Proceedings?

Cordially yours,

*Arthur C. Cole*

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May 12, 1934

Professor Arthur C. Cole,  
Graduate School,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Cole:

Elegen sent me a copy of his paper and I have already read it, so I am returning to you herewith the copy that you sent to me. Some months ago, Bourne asked me to write a paper on recent historical activities for the American Historical Review but I was obliged to decline. On reading Elegen's paper, it occurred to me that, with perhaps some additions about work in the East, it would serve Bourne's purpose, and I have written to him to that effect. I think it probable, however, that he has made other arrangements. As soon as I hear from him, I shall let you know.

I did not send the paper to Bourne but I did send it to Binkley because I thought he would be interested in it from the point of view of the Joint Committee. Elegen told me that he had no plans for publication. Otherwise, I should not have written as I did to Bourne. Elegen said further that he would like to be able to reproduce some fifty copies for distribution among the historical societies. Possibly a hectograph reproduction would serve the purpose. On the other hand, I think the paper is worthy of publication, not merely for its present suggestiveness, but also as a record of historical activities in a critical period; and, if Bourne does not want it, I should be inclined to recommend publication in the MVHR. If it is to be published there, it should, of course, be brought out as promptly as possible because of its timeliness.

I am, indeed, glad to know that Pelzer's work is to be published separately. Might it not be well to use one of the new processes of reproduction that Binkley has been working upon. I think it would be a good idea for the association to experiment with that type of publication. As for the Proceedings, my present inclination would be to let them alone as they are. For several years after the series stopped, I was a strong advocate of getting out something more to close it up. Now, however, it seems to me that so much time has elapsed that anything we might publish would be chronologically out of place in the series. Moreover, I suspect that most libraries and some individuals long ago decided that the series was closed and bound up the orphan number either with the preceding volume or separately. Perhaps I am influenced by the fact that I bound it up in the preceding volume of my set. A new directory of the association would certainly be very desirable and it might well be issued as a supplement to a number of the Review, following the practice of the American Historical Review. The account of the meeting I think should be published in the Review itself.

If the resources of the association would permit, I believe it would be an excellent thing to start a series of occasional bulletins, numbered so that they

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would be preserved in libraries as a series and consisting of such things as Pelzer's index, directories, reports of committees, etc. If these were brought out by the planograph, or some such method, the expense would not be very great.

I was sorry to miss the meeting of the association but it could not be helped. I hope the meeting next year will be nearer to Pittsburgh. I was much gratified to learn that Shippee was elected president of the association.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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*W. V. H. R.*

Professor Arthur G. Cole,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
4338 Bigelow Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 16, 1934

Dear Cole:

Bourne writes me that he has made other arrangements for his article on historical society activities. I would suggest, therefore, that Elegen's article be published in the WVER as promptly as possible. I believe that we are justified in running in articles of this type ahead of ordinary historical papers.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

SJB:AM

June 6, 1934

Dr. Arthur C. Cole,  
Editor, Mississippi Valley Historical Review,  
Western Reserve University,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Arthur:

In view of your practice of making separates of the articles in the Review, I suppose that you have extra pages of the review section. If so, I should like to receive the pages containing my review of Ambler's book, as I try to maintain a file of such things for reference purposes. I would suggest, also, that a clipping of Miss Kellogg's review of Sipe's book be sent to Dr. C. Hale Sipe, Butler, Pa., unless you are unwilling to take a chance of bringing down on your head and that of Miss Kellogg the wrath of the gentleman.

Does one congratulate parents on the marriage of a daughter? Doubtless it is better form to express best wishes for the daughter's happiness. I think that when I have a son who has a Ph.D. and a daughter who has a husband I shall feel that it is time for me to retire. You were fortunate in getting an early start.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Back

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

June 8, 1934

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

Dear Dr. Buck:

I am very glad indeed to supply you  
with a clipping of your review of Ambler's "His-  
tory of West Virginia." You may also be interes-  
ted to know that we intend <sup>ed to send</sup> and are sending a  
clipping of Miss Kellogg's review to Dr. Sipe.  
In fact Dr. Cole was afraid that you might find  
Miss Kellogg's critique a bit mild.

Dr. Cole left this week for Seattle  
where he will be teaching throughout the summer.  
In my first letter to him I shall relay your con-  
gratulations.

Sincerely,

*Bertha E. Josephson*

Bertha E. Josephson  
Editorial Associate

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September 13, 1934

Mrs. Clarence S. Paine, Secretary  
Mississippi Valley Historical Association  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Paine:

Herewith I am enclosing a check for one dollar to pay for a copy of the topical guide to the Proceedings and the Review. Please have it sent to my home address, 4360 Center Avenue.

If you will let me know as soon as possible the date selected for the next meeting of the M. V. H. A., I will appreciate it very much. The Pennsylvania Historical Association is to meet in Pittsburgh next spring and we want to arrange the dates so that they will not conflict with those of the M. V. H. A. I believe that Oliver wrote you about this some time ago and you replied that the dates could not be determined until Bond returned.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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MRS. C. S. PAINE, SECTY.-TREAS.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Oct. 8, 1934

Dear Dr. Buck:

The annual meeting in Cincinnati will be April 25-27, 1935. I have written Dr. Olive and hope he can arrange for Pennsylvania dates not to conflict.

Cordially yours,

*Clara S. Paine*

Mississippi Valley  
Historical Association  
Lincoln, Nebraska



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Dr. Solon J. Buck.

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

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4360 Center Ave.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

SECRETARY-TREASURER  
MRS. CLARENCE S. PAINE  
STATION B  
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Sept. 17, 1934

Dr. Solon J. Buck,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Dr. Buck:

I have your check in payment of the Guide and it will  
be mailed to you in a day or so.

Regarding the date of the meeting in Cincinnati I will  
let you know as soon as possible. Dr. Bond was expected home on  
the 12th and I am hoping to hear from him any day.

Sincerely yours,

*Clara S. Paine*  
Secretary

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Mrs. Clarence S. Paine  
Mississippi Valley Hist. Assoc.  
Lincoln, Nebraska

4360 Center Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
March 25, 1935

Dear Mrs. Paine:

I have not yet received my copy of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review for March at the above address. Will you be kind enough to check into this for me, and send along my copy if you find that I am entitled to it?

Sincerely,

Solon J. Buck

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MRS. C. S. PAINE, SECRETARY

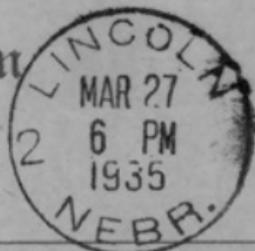
STATION B LINCOLN, NEBR.

Dear Dr. Beich: Your address is correct on the mailing list. I am sending you another copy of the March Review. Glad you notified so promptly.

Yours truly,

Clara S. Paine

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Historical Association  
Lincoln, Nebr.



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Mrs. Clarence S. Paine  
Mississippi Valley Historical Assoc.  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey  
Pittsburgh (13), Pa. April 1, 1935

Dear Mrs. Paine:

Thank you for sending us another copy of the March Review. The original copy never did show up. I suppose we can blame Jim Carley for its loss.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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Mississippi Valley Historical Association

MRS. C. S. PAINE, SECTY.-TREAS.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Apr. 10-1935

Dear Dr. Buck:

I presume you  
will be in Cincinnati.  
I will send report  
to you at Sinton  
Hotel, Cincinnati.  
I am leaving for  
Wash. D.C. this  
morning. Programs  
are being mailed from  
Cincinnati.

Yours truly,  
Clara S. Paine

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Historical Association  
Lincoln, Nebraska



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Dr. Solon J. Buck  
of Hist. Society - of Western Pa.,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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June 24, 1935

Prof. James G. Randall  
Department of History  
University of Illinois  
Urbana, Illinois

Dear Randall:

Understanding that you are chairman of the nomination committee for the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, I want to take the liberty of suggesting the desirability of giving favorable consideration to the nomination of Carter for the presidency. I feel that his attainments in the world of scholarship and his many years of activity in association affairs distinctly entitle him to the honor, and from conversations at the last meeting I gather that other members of the association feel the same.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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MANAGING EDITOR  
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CLEVELAND, OHIO

July 29, 1935

Dr. Solon J. Buck,  
Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey,  
Historical Building,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Dr. Buck:

Not knowing whether a letter will find you at Pittsburgh or Washington I am sending a duplicate of this inquiry to each place. Dr. Cole has informed me that you are about to be appointed chief of the division of publications in the new Archives department. Will you kindly let me know whether this appointment has been confirmed and what will be the exact title, so that we can make note of your new position in the news and comments section of our September issue?

If this information is correct, kindly accept my personal congratulations. Judging by the excellence of the publications which have been under your guidance in the past, I can only say that <sup>the</sup> federal government is very fortunate in securing your services.

I trust we will see you at Mitiwanga on September 14-15.

Sincerely,

Bertha E. Josephson

Bertha E. Josephson  
Editorial Associate

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August 2, 1935

Miss Bertha E. Josephson  
Mississippi Valley Historical Review  
Western Reserve University  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Josephson:

My appointment as director of publications in the National Archives has been confirmed by the Senate and I have received my commission. I have resigned as director of the Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey, effective August 31, and I expect to take up the work in Washington on September 1. My duties will include serving as secretary of the National Historical Publications Commission and supervising the execution of such projects as may be planned by it and authorized by Congress, and also the editing of such reports, guides, inventories, calendars, etc., as the National Archives may find it desirable to publish.

No decision has been reached as yet with reference to the future of the Western Pennsylvania Historical Survey.

Thank you very much for your congratulations. I spent the first two days of this week in Washington, and I am sure that I shall enjoy the work there very much. Much to my regret, it will not be possible for me to attend the conference at Mitiwanga this fall. I shall be very busy getting settled in Washington at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Solon J. Buck

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