



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE  
AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE  
NORTH DAKOTA

June 13

Mr W. W. Latham

Mpls Minn.

Dear Sir: I enclose the amt  
due your society for publications  
in 1904. Will send you the  
1905 Members as soon as possible.  
I had the money to hand you  
while in the city several months  
ago but was called east twice  
just then on account of the  
illness and death of my mother  
so depended on another fund  
that is still due from the

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NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE  
NORTH DAKOTA

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Pres) to take its place.

Yours truly

O. B. Waldron

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# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn. June 15, 1905.

A. W. Nathan,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I thank you very much for your kind offers contained in yours of the 13th, and wired you yesterday to secure berths for us on the forenoon train, Soo Line, tourist sleeper.

Now, just one favor more. It would please me to have a notice of our affair in the Journal, and therefore give you some particulars.

The name of my bride to be is Mary B. Cutler, for a long period a <sup>of the</sup> ~~member~~ faculty of Albert Lea College in the department of modern languages. She has spent the past year at Carleton College in the same branch. We will be married in Decorah, Iowa, Saturday morning at the home of the brides mother Mrs. Ezekiel Cutler. Mr. C. B. Kellar, President of the First National Bank of Albert Lea, an old time friend of mine being my best man. We take the train for Minneapolis stoping at the hotel Vendome over Sunday, and expect to spend six weeks or thereabouts on the Pacific coast, and at the Fair.

I thank you very much for your kind words of congratulations. I think when you become acquainted with my wife, you will consider them very well bestowed, and you may be sure that there is at least two horticulturists that are holding a very happy convention all by themselves next week.

Very cordially yours,

Clarence Wedge

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**WEDGE**  
**NURSERY**

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn. June 12, 1905.

Dear Mr. Latham:-

I was very much pleased to receive your pleasant letter and kind congratulations, and I did not fail to note your kind invitation to visit at your home. At any other time we should be certain to take advantage of it, but Miss Cutler, has been very busy with her school work at Carleton College up to the end of last week, and of course will be very hurried all through this week in making her home preparations. I think we ought to use Sunday as a day of absolute rest in preparation for the long trip to the coast, and so I think you may not expect us, although there is no one to whom I would have greater pleasure in introducing my wife.

Connected as you are with the green house business, I would like to inquire if there is any whole sale house in Minneapolis carrying Raffia. We have generally sent far East for it, and bought it in considerable quantity, but it seems to me that we might as well get it in Minneapolis if there is any house carrying it.

I would like to know also, which of the two roads, the Northern Pacific or the Canadian Pacific are offering the least crowded trains for the coast. I understand that they are both comfortable, but I am fearing that at this time in June, they may be somewhat crowded. A little information in this line, if you can easily get it would be very much appreciated.

Announcements of our wedding will be mailed to all my particular acquaintances in the horticultural world next Saturday, so that I presume the fact will be pretty well advertised by the time of the summer meeting. I think we have used about 150 names from the list of our membership.

Wishing you a most successful meeting.

Cordially your friend,

*Clarence Weedy*

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# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn. May 31, 1905.

A. W. Lathan,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Friend:-

Have I actually been a little slower than usual in noticing your good letter of May 25th? We have nothing but praise for your program. Hoping that you will, however, ask a competent person in advance to handle the strawberries and flowers in a way to bring out questions *and* to make the object lessons there exhibited the most effective possible for the good cause.

I believe that it might be proper at this time to <sup>divulge</sup> ~~indulge~~ to the inner circle of the Horticultural Society the reason for my absence from the summer meeting. I have told you of my proposed trip to Portland, but I neglected to state I believe, that I had secured a lady companion for the trip, and that the start would be prefaced by a bit of ceremony to be preformed at Decorah, Iowa. This ceremony will take place in the morning of June 17th, when we will take the train immediately for the cities, spending Sunday there, and starting for the coast on the morning of the 19th.

The lady in question was connected with the Albert Lea College, and since its suspension has been at Carleton, Miss Mary E. Cutler. We shall be at home after August 1st, and nothing will please us both better than to entertain our friends, among whom we shall count among the nearest yourself and Mrs. Lathan.

For important reasons we would be pleased to have you caution those *✓* whom you see fit to communicate this news that we wish it kept entirely quiet until after it is over.

We enclose herewith your order properly signed.

Very cordially yours,

*Marcell Wedge*

The Excelsior Berry Box Factory,  
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Excelsior, Minn.,

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1905

Mr. A. W. Sathan

Mpls. Minn.

Dear Friend: - I inclose you  
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at present.

Graternally,

R. A. Wright

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**WEDGE**  
**NURSERY**

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn. May 16, 1905.

A. W. Nathan,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Yours of May 15th is at hand, and I confess feeling somewhat ashamed at my slowness in helping you with suggestions for the summer meeting, and it almost seems as if I was running out of new suggestions on society matters. Mr. Underwood seems to be a perennial fountain of new ideas, and the one suggested by him for the summer meeting appeals to me very favorably, and would be inclined to favor our adapting it, atleast for once. A display of flowers and small fruits could be arranged with sufficient help to make a very beautiful show. The difficulty will come in the judging. It will be impossible to judge while there is much of a crowd about, unless the entire space is well roped off, as very likely it should be.

How would it do to have the strawberries on one long table along the front, perhaps this is Mr. Underwood's idea, that the whole exhibit be long and narrow, which would give an opportunity for judging, and also for viewing at the same time. Why not put them across the side of the hall opposite the entrance, which would accomplish both purposes much better, as it seems to me, if the exhibit is to be of its usual size.

I do not think an hour quite long enough time, but with the speakers arranged in front of the tables, and the audience in a semi-circle around, and the exit in the rear, those who do not wish to stay clear through could very easily step out without disturbing the others. I should think that from two until four would be none too long, and that a program similar to such as we have usually had would be about right. Ask one of our principal strawberry growers to be prepared to discuss the small fruits in general, as was done very handsomely on the spur of the moment by one of the growers last year. Also ask some lady or gentleman, to be prepared to give the audience pointers on some of the roses and peonies, etc., giving their points of excellence, and short comings as well. This with the object lessons immediately in hand should be very useful. Indeed I think that this constitutes the greatest value of the meeting outside the social features.

# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn. May 16, 1905.

A. W. L. # 2

By the way, it appears now some what likely that you may need a vice president for the occasion, as I am very much in hopes to make a trip to Portland, and the coast in general, which I have long desired to do, and my brother in Seattle is especially urging me to undertake. I do not remember whether Mr. Yahnke's term as vice president of the first district has been extended. If so, I think he would make a very fair man for the occasion. However, if you people will fix upon the right party, I will ask him at the proper time to take my place.

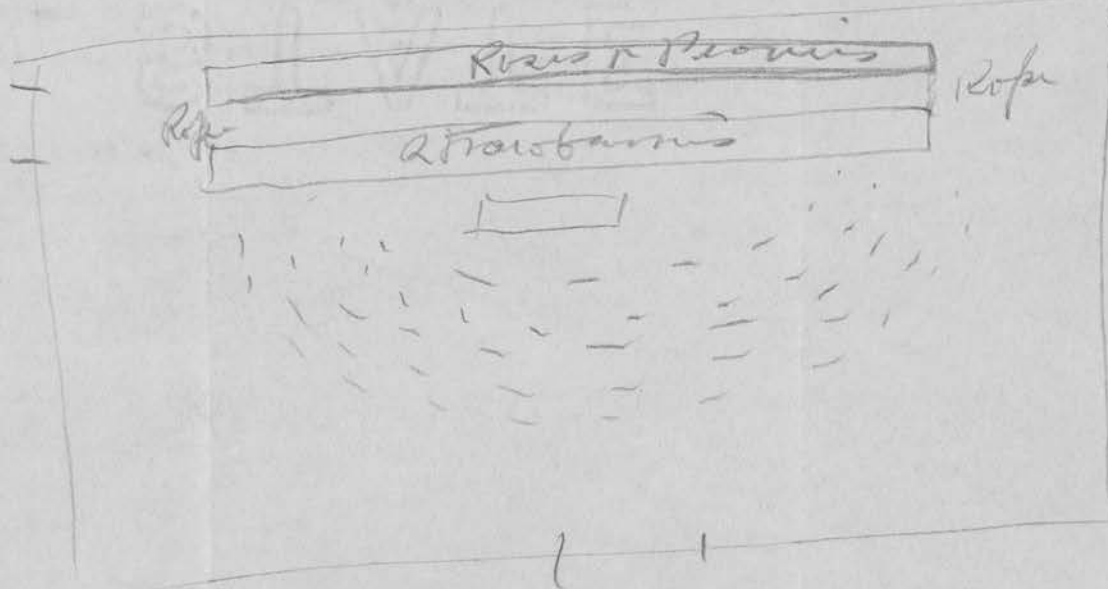
I suppose there is no special duty in connection with the society or Minnesota horticulture, that would be worth my transportation to the Fair. I am not expecting or begging anything, but if I could give value received, I would be glad to make the attempt.

I neglected to say anything about the time of the summer meeting, but should say, that the strawberry season appears to me the only time really appropriate or capable of bringing together the most interesting and useful exhibit. I do not see any change in the premium list to suggest.

With kind regards to you all.

Very cordially yours,

Clarence Hays



# The Jewell Nursery Company

LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

J. N. WISHART, AGENT.

MAPLETON, MINN.

May 17<sup>th</sup> 1905

Mr. A. W. Satham.

A card from you under date of April 4<sup>th</sup>, relating to the sample of diseased wood (apple) I sent to you, said that the May number of the Horticulturist would contain Prof. Brown's notes on the "buffalo tree hopper" which in his opinion was the cause of the injury to the sample sent.

I find nothing of this in the May number and will you at this time to know if I may expect the ~~article~~ in June number as if you will kindly let me know what Mr. Brown has to say by personal letter.

Very Respectfully Yours  
J. N. Wishart.



Publishes a Monthly Magazine entitled "The Minnesota Horticulturist." Subscription \$1.00 per annum, including membership in the Society. Send to Secretary for copy of the Magazine and Folder containing the "Fruit List" for Minnesota and describing the work of the Society, its publications, methods, etc.

## Minnesota State Horticultural Society,

President, CLARENCE WEDGE, Albert Lea.



Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.,

*Minneapolis, Minn. May 12, 1905.*

Prof. C. B. Waldon,

Fargo, N. D.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing you again herewith a copy of the bill which the North Dakota society owes the Minnesota society, and I want to say to you plainly that we intend to collect the amount of this bill and if we do not hear from you within a very limited time a suit of law will be begun against you and the other officers of the North Dakota society. There has never been any reason given why this bill should not be paid, and I am sure it is our due and fair dealing demands that it should be settled at once. I am writing the president of your society, Mr. Holes, so that there may be no misunderstanding about it. Ordinary business honor, as well as fair dealing, requires that this account should be settled and we insist upon it without further delay.

Yours very respectfully,

*Copy,*

# State of Minnesota

## ENTOMOLOGIST'S OFFICE

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

F. L. WASHBURN, A. M.  
STATE ENTOMOLOGIST.

*St. Anthony Park,*

March 15, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Kasota Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Latham:-

The cuts which you called for have just reached me from the printers', and instead of waiting to have them electrotyped, I sent them on to you by express yesterday, charges collect. This is quite contrary to our rules, since we have established a precedent here from necessity, of not sending out original cuts, as we have lost some in that way. That being the case, if you cannot have them electrotyped and return to us the originals right away, kindly be absolutely sure that they are sent to us from the printers as soon as they are through using them.

There are three cuts, and each one has attached to it a proof of the picture, and the text which should go below in your magazine. In this connection it occurs to me that it would be wise, if possible, to let me look over the proof to see that the text refers to the cuts in the proper way.

As I told you some time ago, I have already written to five, six or seven legislators, asking them to vote for the appropriation which you have asked for. If I can be of any more help in

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this direction, let me know, and I will write others that I am acquainted with.

Yours very truly,

*F. L. Washburn*

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J. L. Washburn



St. Paul, Minn. Feb. 13, 190<sup>5</sup>

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

In response to your letter of the 10th, we have in print a book by Rev. C.S. Harrison, entitled "Gold Mine in the Backyard!" As soon as it is published, we shall take pleasure in mailing you a copy. We anticipate a large sale for this book.

Yours truly,

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**A. W. LATHAM,**

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.*

A. Sea, Jan 30 - 1955 -

Dear Mr Toeham:

I don't want to tax  
the society too much, but I have  
considered if I could secure the reports  
of the Montana and N + S Dak societies  
through exchange via your office.

Fine winter weather and all going well  
as far as I can see. Sincerely  
Clarence Wedge

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**WEDGE  
NURSERY**

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn.,

Jan 9-1905

Dear Mr Lotham;

yours of the 7th asking my views  
about the appointment of Hon. M. W. Williams on Forestry  
Board at hand. If this appointment is agreeable to  
Prof Green you may count me as endorsing.

I enclose herewith my proxy which I wish you  
to use at the Ag'l meeting. I would like you to  
support Dr. Currier, and if he is present to tell him  
that I so instructed you. Otherways you may use  
your judgment for the good of the cause.

Next year the S. M. Society will leave me if it  
dates its meeting to conflict with the Ag'l. Society.

Very truly  
Clarence W. Budge

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# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn., Jan 14, 1905.

A. W. Lathan,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

It was very pleasant to listen to you for a few moments over the telephone this morning. I want to explain to you a little of our troubles at Spring Valley. Two of the members of our society, Mr. Moore and Mr. Hawkins have felt for some time that the State Society was not doing enough for our local organization, and they have slowly been inculcating a good share of our active members with the virus of their own ill feeling. And as I was the only man of the Executive Board present, you may imagine that I had my hands full, but managed to keep things going on in a good tempered way so that no bad blood was spilt, and really hope that the outcome of the discussion which occupied the very best portions of the meeting to the disgust of those who attended it for Horticultural reasons, was such as to clear the way and give promise to an adjustment which will be satisfactory.

The desire of the society for an appropriation by the State Society or additional concessions seemed specially ill timed as no appropriation could possibly make up for the total lack of preparation and general blundering, <sup>which spoiled this meeting</sup>. Of course I was unable to refer to this in arguing the position of the State Society. Indeed, I did not fully understand the extent of the blundering until after the meeting was over, but the attendance was very poor, and really no one in town or out of town had been doing the work necessary to <sup>the proper</sup> ~~prepare an~~ advertisement of the meeting. Moreover, Pres. Moore proved most <sup>reticently</sup> incoherent, almost forgetting whether he was in the audience or in the chair.

We have, however, <sup>elected</sup> ~~appointed~~ new officers, which will certainly do very different work, and the meeting next winter at Albert Lea, may be counted in advance as a success. A. W. Masse of Albert Lea was elected president and F. W. Kinball of Austin secretary. As to the legislation which our society is to ask for, it seems to me upon second thought that we had better be sure and have a sufficient number of magazines and bound volumes to entirely cover any possible necessity.

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Albert Lea, Minn.,

I am unable to propose any new schemes to enlarge our membership, but feel that we ought to make an earnest effort to increase our numbers.

I am glad that you are sending one of the younger men to Dakota. We must take great pains to recognize any efficient talent as fast as it appears.

Had a pleasant letter from Prof. Green, and are glad to report everything going well in our vicinity.

I hope you will keep me posted in regard to any misfortune or death among our membership, or that of the adjoining states. I shall not again make the mistake that I made in connection with the death of President Pendergast. I took a good deal of pains to write to Mrs. Budd and to Prof. Hansen, and any suggestions you may have in connection with such matters, please be free to make as I always place great confidence in your experience and judgement.

With the most friendly regards.

Very cordially yours,

*Marion Cray*

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# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR.

Albert Lea, Minn., Feb. 3, 1905.

A. W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Yours of Feb. 1st duly received and we heartily approve your selection of Roy Underwood. We have written both him and Mr Buggs a cordial letter to day.

All well at home, and hope that you are having a useful and enjoyable meeting at Creekston.

With kind regards to all the horticultural friends.

Yours cordially,

*Clarence Buggs*

I was one of the first members of the State  
Horticultural Society when the Hon,  
L B Hodges was prominent, nearly 40  
years ago. Kindly tell the present Secretary  
of that Society that I would like a Complimentary  
Copy of their Magazine when published.

Very Truly yours

Jesse White

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St. Paul, Minn.

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Subject

Answering Yours of

St. Cloud, Minn.,

Jan. 18,

1905

A. H. Latham,

Minneapolis Minn.,

Dear Sir,

Yours of recent date received, and I wish  
to thank you very sincerely for the  
book given as a premium for securing  
Rev. Mr. Campbell as a subscriber.

It is prized very highly by me, and  
I believe it to be the best work I  
have read on growing fruit in Minnesota.  
I have other promises of subscriptions,  
which if received, will be sent you  
in the near future.

Again thanking you for your  
early and prompt reply I am  
Very respectfully  
Jacob Stebb.

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St. Cloud Minn. Jan. 11-05

A. W. Latham Esq.

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed One Dollar (\$1.00) for which send the Minnesota Horticulturist to E. V. Campbell D. D.

St. Cloud Minn. also the premium for such subscription. He also wishes to become a member of the society.

Please send to me as premium for securing subscription "Grown's Amateur Fruit Growing"

For premiums for myself as a member please send at the proper time: "Three Columbia Raspberry Plants," (No. 3) Also No. 9.

What Dr. Campbell desires in the way of plants or shrubs for premium he will inform you later.

Very respectfully  
Jacob Webb

# 713, 6# av. S. E. St. Cloud Minn.