Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

Mail to
A.W. Latham
Kosota Bell

JAPANESE BARBERRY

AND THE BARBERRY BILL IN THE LEGISLATURE.

I am glad to comply with Mr. Latham's request in telling briefly my views on the Barberry Bill now before the Legislature, altho I think for more extended information ~~you~~ one should consult a plant pathologist.

I do not know the wording of the bill in question and understand a similar bill is before the North Dakota Legislature. The object of the bill is to prevent the spread of wheat rust, which is found in one of its stages on the common barberry. The purple leaved barberry, being a variety of the common barberry, is regarded as equally guilty with the first named. If the Japanese barberry is not excepted in this bill it should be, for it is quite innocent in this matter, and is one of our handsomest hardy shrubs. As intimated above, I cannot profitably discuss the practical value of this bill. The spores of the white pine blister rust, we are convinced, can be carried many miles on the wind, which is probably true to an extent in the case of the wheat rust, which this bill is intended to combat. I believe nurserymen and others who are obliged to destroy their barberries, should this bill become a law, should be compensated for such loss.

F. L. Washburn.

EVERGREENS THAT LIVE

WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

March 14th, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend;

Responding to yours of the 12th, am sorry to say that I am not sure that I will be able to be with you on March 16th. When I see you next time I can give you the true reason, nothing very private about it but it would be a little easier to tell it to you face to face. However if possible I shall make an effort to help out in the cause that is so near my heart, although I am in considerable doubt if my presence is of much value. In regard to the paper read at the Anniversary Session, I have not been able to get it in just the shape that I would like to see it published. I will however go at it and think I can get it off to you within a few days.

Hoping that this finds both of you and all of the Latham's enjoying the general prosperity, I am,

Cordially yours,

Clarence Wedge

CW/MK

The University of Minnesota
Department of Agriculture
University Farm, St. Paul

OFFICE OF DEAN AND DIRECTOR

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Mr. A. W. Latham,

207 Kasota Building,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

In further reply to your letter of January 16th, I believe Mr. Storm has given you the list of various societies that might utilize the proposed horticultural building. The list is growing each year. Senator Potter called on me the day I left and I explained to him as fully as I could the various uses to which this building could be put provided it is located conveniently to our campus center. I shall be very glad to appear with the committee at any hearing that you may desire.

Yours very truly,

Dean and Director.

Dictated A. F. Woods-A.

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Minnesota State Horticultural Society

President THOS. E. CASHMAN, Owatonna, Minn.

Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 1, 1917.

Mr. Clarence Wedge,
Albert Lea, Minn.

Dear friend:

The building bill, as you probably know, was introduced into both the Senate (Senate file 221) and House (House file 293) last week, in the Senate being referred to the Finance Committee, in the House to the Agricultural Committee. I have communicated with the members of these committees, but so far no appointments for hearings have been secured. ¶ I wish to speak particularly in regard to the plan which we followed two years ago, of calling on our membership to write to the members of the legislature about our building bill, and get your judgment as to whether we ought to do this again this year. Senators Holmberg and Potter, who are looking after this matter in the Finance Committee, have both advised us not to do this again, and especially Senator Potter was very strenuous about it. It may be that if we send out this appeal these two senators who are working for us will withdraw their support or at least not be so much interested in helping us, if we fail to follow their advice in this. It is my judgment, considering all the circumstances, that we had better not do it. I would like to have your advice in this matter.

Yours fraternally,

A. W. Latham, Sec'y

Dear Friend:

I agree with you in the above. Fear that the Gov. will block our scheme this time. I am just up from a little tussle with pneumonia. Jan. seems to be a bad month for me. The boys are taking hold of things now so that the work goes on without me. Will be a week or two before I get out. Hip Hip Hurrah for Prohibition!

C. W.

The University of Minnesota
Department of Agriculture
University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

February 1, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

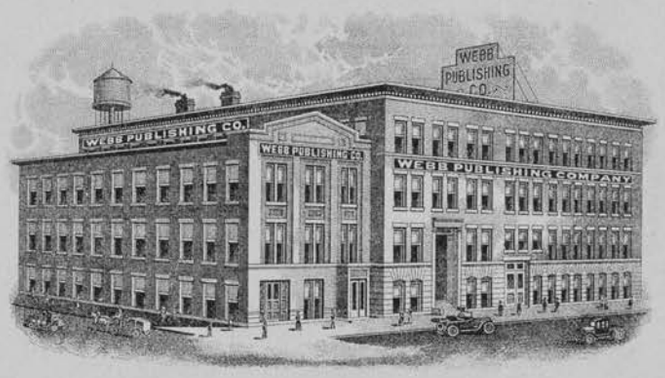
Cady has referred your letter of January 25th, in which you requested seed of Earliana No. 10, to me.

This is simply a selected strain of the Earliana variety. The seed which I am sending you was grown in the garden this past summer and the blossoms were open to cross pollination. However, since it is estimated that only one to two per cent crossing occurs in tomato fields and since there were no poor varieties in the field, the seed should be good for commercial purposes. This strain is exceptionally smooth for this variety and also productive. Our source of seed is not very great. However, if you need a little more I think we can send you some. Cady has asked for enough seed to grow about 5000 plants for the Boys' and Girls' Clubs and so I haven't as much stock on hand as I had hoped to have.

Very truly yours,

Richard Wellington
Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

RW/D



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ST. PAUL, MINN.

Jan. 24, 1917

Mr. A. M. Latham,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of the 20th in regard to quotation on "Landscape Gardening," by Waugh, in lots of 25. On that number of this book we shall be glad to quote you a discount of 30% plus the carriage charges.

We note that you will soon place an order with us for a number of books and assure you that it will be appreciated and have our prompt and careful attention.

Very truly yours,
WEBB PUBLISHING CO.
Book Department.

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✓ 5 Forestry of Minn.
10 Popular Fruit growing - paper

E. N. Lochen
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sirs: Please find enclosed check of Five Dollars for Life Membership and file of back reports.

Also send me the following:

Plant premiums:

No. 3. Ten Chrysanthemum Cuttings you may send as soon as safe from freezing

No. 13. Six No 4 Raspberry plants

Respectfully

A Nermerskerchen
Hokah. Minn

Jan 29. 1917.

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EXCELSIOR, MINNESOTA Jan. 23, 17.

A.W.Latham,

Minneapolis,Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Replying to yours of the 20thin regard to the building will say,I think we had better accept there proposition,it will be satisfactory to me,all that the Soc.needs is a good satisfactory place to hold our meetings in,isent that right?

Fraternally,

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WEDGE NURSERY

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Jan. 20, 1917.

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

Dear Friend:

Your circular letter to father to father came some days ago, but as father is sick the letter was put to one side until he could answer it.

In regard to your plan of using seeds or nursery stock to secure new members, we will be glad to help in any way we can, but instead of using the name W E D G E N U R S E R Y, father thinks we had better use W E D G E S E E D S, which is a seed business father is interested in here in town. In that way we will offer seeds instead of nursery stock.

In this same mail we have a letter from you in regard to the proposed bill for the erection of a building for the Minnesota State Horticultural Society. I read this letter to father and he seems to think that the plan that you now propose is alright.

Yours truly,

Robt C Wedge

RCW/EG

Duluth Minn Nov 28-16

H V Latham
207 Kasota Blk
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find my check for Three & 10/100 dollars for which please send my subscription to the Society for 1917 reserving choice of plants for spring planting.

also send me Landscape Gardening & Vegetable Gardening by F. A. Waugh @ 1.00 each

Yours very truly

E. E. Williams

Sent & ordered 12.4.16

JOHN C. WISTER
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
WISTER ST. AND CLARKSON AVE.
GERMANTOWN, PHILA., PA.

December 2, 16

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Mr A. W. Latham

Dear Sir

I enclose my check for life membership in Minn. State Hort. Society. Your magazine which I have been getting this year has been interesting & valuable. Mr Brandt's articles on Peonies in the November issue appealed to me especially. I wish I could come to your Peony meeting next week. As a humble member of the American Peony Society I regret that the western Peony men have kicked over the traces & set up a society of their own. The American Peony Society may have its faults but I feel that if these men had pitched in they might have remedied them instead of starting a separate organization as I feel that one big cooperative society will accomplish more good than two rival ones. If you can see this point of view I hope you will mention it at the Wednesday evening session.

Please send me your file of back reports.

Yours Truly
John C. Wister

Gilbert, Minnesota, Dec. 5th. 1916.

A.W.LATHAM Sec.

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham,

I am inclosing ten dollars for a life membership certificate for DR.O.H.Wolner, of Gilbert, Minn.
He is and has been an annual member for some time, but as know that he wishes to become a life member, I am doing this for his Christmas supprise, so please send the member ship certificate to me using the plain self addressed envelope I enclose, as he would recognize your stationery.

Yours truly

Mrs. O. H. Wolner.

First Methodist Episcopal Church
Saint Paul, Minnesota
John M. Walters, Minister

Nov 3.1916

Mr A.W.Latham
Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Mr Latham:

Your kind letter of the 10th Ult reached me by way of Fargo, and when it arrived in St Paul it found me in the midst of chaos material and mental. The result was that your letter was overlooked, and it was just a few moments ago that my wife discovered it, where it had been covered up by all sorts and conditions of papers.

If it is not too late I shall be pleased to be with you on the evening of Dec 7th. I note you suggest that I speak on the subject "All nature smiles why should not we".

If it is all the same to you I should like to speak on this "The Fun of Being a Farmer". Should it be however that the subject you suggest is part of a plan that would be spoiled if I took some other subject, why then put me down for it.

Thanking you for your kind letter and trusting that I am not too late to be on the program.

Believe me ever yours truly.

J M Walters

814 Grand ave
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WRITE IN REPLIES AND RETURN AT ONCE *To A. W. LATHAM, Sec'y.*

Minnesota State Horticultural Society

207 Kasota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Fellow Member:

Your membership in the **Minnesota State Horticultural Society** for 1916 expires December 5, 1916, the first day of the annual meeting of the society. Following our practice, in conformity with the wishes of a great majority of our members, **your name will be continued on the mailing list** of the society for 1917, unless you signify your desire to discontinue your membership. We very much hope that you will remit the membership fee of $1.00 for the year 1917 before the date of the annual meeting noted above, or if this is not convenient let us know at what time it will be sent. The society cannot afford to lose you as a member, nor do we believe you can afford to do without the advantages of membership.

You will be especially interested in the **new fruits to be sent out** this year from the State Fruit-Breeding Farm as plant premiums to the members.

Note particularly: As a member for 1917 you are entitled to the following:

1. **A cloth-bound copy of "Trees, Fruit and Flowers,"** the annual report of this society for 1916, 544 pages—it is understood that upon receiving this book **you are to give away** the copies of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" received during 1916, as they are all included in this annual report.
2. **"The Minnesota Horticulturist,"** a monthly magazine of 40 pages each, during 1917. Read the accompanying program and see what a rich store of valuable reading will be on hand for the 1916 magazines, in which the subjects presented at the meeting and the discussions following their presentation will appear in full—with much other valuable matter.
3. **Two plant premiums,** to be selected from a list **to be published in the 1917 magazines** (including valuable new fruits from the State Fruit-Breeding Farm, sent out by the Society for trial).

Please use one of the two following statements, running a pencil through the other, and mail to the secretary if possible before Nov. 25, enclosing the annual fee where convenient.

1. I enclose a ~~One~~ 5 Dollar bill (or postal order) in payment of annual fee ~~for 1917~~ first half of life dues. It will come safely. **Don't send** check on **local** bank without **adding** 10 cents to pay cost of collection.

Please mail me the annual report for 1916, and I will distribute the 1916 magazines received from the society.

~~2. I do not wish to continue a member of the society.~~

Not hearing from you, we shall take it for granted that you wish to remain a member of the society and continue sending the monthly, anticipating an early remittance of the annual fee.

Sign your name Miss Gerda Wheeler

Post Office Bruno Minn.

Date Nov. 23, 1916

To Members of Auxiliary Societies:

If you are a member of some society auxiliary to the state society, and you purpose continuing your membership therein, will you please note below, in the blank line provided, the name of this auxiliary society. In this case you **must pay your membership fee directly to the secretary of the auxiliary society.** If paid to the secretary of the state society, it will **in every case** be credited to the state society and not to the auxiliary.

Name of Auxiliary Society.....

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Get Your Name in the Badge Book

FOR USE AT THE COMING ANNUAL MEETING

of the

Minnesota State Horticultural Society

to be held at West Hotel, in Minneapolis

DECEMBER 5-8, 1916

The Society Badge Book will **contain a full list of the names of all members and their wives who have sent notice** of their purpose to attend the meeting, **and of no others. No charge is made for this Book Badge or the Badge that goes with it.**

No names can go into the Badge Book except of those who send notice to reach the secretary by **November 28 at latest.**

Upon arrival at the meeting apply at once to the assistant secretary in the hall entrance, and a copy of the Badge Book will be furnished you, with a society badge **numbered to correspond** with the number set opposite your name in the Badge Book. **This badge is to be worn** during the meeting for the purpose of identification and will be found a great convenience in making acquaintance in our large society.—**USE IT.**

1. Will you attend the 1916 annual meeting? Yes
2. What others of your family will attend? No
3. Will you distribute the 1916 Horticulturists? Yes
4. Your Age? 39 Occupation? Teacher
5. In what horticultural work have you had most experience? Apples and bush fruits

Ask questions here on any horticultural subject.

Please send addresses of friends whom you would like to nominate as members of the society and to whom a **program** of annual meeting may be sent.

To the wife of member: You are **cordially invited** to attend the annual meeting, with (or without) your husband and secure the benefits from this association to which you are equally entitled. You will find many ladies there whom it is a pleasure and an inspiration to know.

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The University of Minnesota
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AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION
AND FARMERS' INSTITUTES

December 29, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

207 Kasota Block,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 26th is received while Mr. Wilson is away for about a week. We have arranged for Mr. Schutz to spend most of his time after New Years in horticultural demonstration work in the consolidated and associated schools and farmers' clubs. We believe Mr. Schutz does his best work in promoting horticulture in such meetings. The institute corps will be made up of the following men:

Forest Henry and John Christgau,

J. J. Sprenger and L. D. Staples,

E. W. Smith and L. H. Bugbee.

We, of course, will be glad to have any of these men do all they consistently can to help the Horticultural Society.

Yours very truly,

C H Welch

Director - Agricultural Extension.

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207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn.,

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Clarence Wedge,

Albert Lea, Minn.

Dear Friend.-

At the recent meeting of the executive board the usual authorization of a revolving fund for the use of the secretary was overlooked. This will be especially needed this year on account of the unusual expense attending the sending out of an appeal to our membership to work for the proposed horticultural building. Last year there was an authorization of $300 for this purpose. I do not think that we will need over $600 this year. I should be glad if you would authorize this appropriation personally in this way, and as promptly as possible and I will take the matter up with Pres. Cashman and secure his signature to the necessary order.

Everything is going well with the society. The present roll shows something over two hundred ahead of the roll of last year at this time.

Cordially,

A W Latham Sec'y.

I vote Aye on the motion for a revolving fund of $600 for the Sec'y

R 2 Box 3 Moorhead Minn.
Jan 5th 1917

Mr A. W. Latham.
Sec'y Minn. State Horticultural Soc'y
Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir

On Dec 23. -16 I sent you my subscription to the Horticulturist But in some way in sending two Money orders of the same amount at the same time I inclosed the wrong orders in the two letters and having heard from the other Party in regard to the matter with the P.O. I returned, I herewith send you the right P.O.O for $1.00 and ask you to kindly return me the Order I sent you and give me credit for inclosed order as per my Previous letter yours very truly Geo. Waite

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Jan. 19, 1917.

Please return dep't

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,
Minn. State Hort. Society,
207 Kasota Building,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter of Jan. 2nd received andnoted. As you know, a great part of our Institute work now is done at Farmers' Club meetings and this means one man on the job. Mr. Brackett went to California this winter and as you know, Mr. Schutz does not work well in a corps, which accounts for the fact thatwe haven't any regular horticulturist on at this time. As you know, Mr. Henry puts up a good, seasonable talk on horticulture from the point of view of the farmer. In Mr. Sprenger's corps Mr. Staples handles the subject of small fruits and gardening very acceptably as well as being able to put up a good talk on hogs, corn, etc. With the other corps Mr. Bugbee is considerable of a horticulturist. He raises apples and small fruits as a marketing proposition on his farm in Carlton County and wherever there is a request for a talk of that nature he has proved very satisfactory. As you know, we have Mr. Mackintosh on full time on this work and Mr. Schutz has been doing considerable for us at the smaller meetings.

Yours very truly,

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION,

A. D. Wilson

Director.

ADW:M

The University of Minnesota
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AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION
AND FARMERS' INSTITUTES

June 6, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter of June 5th is received. In reply I quote the following from the minutes of the Farmers' Institute Board meeting September 4th, 1913: "Motion made by Senator Cashman that it was the sense of the Farmers' Institute Board that the horticultural worker on each Institute corps be permitted to solicit membership to the State Horticultural Society, to collect membership fees, and send names and money collected to the secretary of the State Horticultural Society. Motion carried."

During the week commencing June 19th, I will be in except for the 19th, 21st and 22d, and of course will be glad to give any assistance I can at your horticultural picnic, if it does not happen to come on one of those two days.

Yours very truly,

A D Wilson

Director, Agricultural Extension.

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

May 30,1916

A. W. Latham,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Responding to your favor of the 29th. I will look after the photographs that we took on our camping trip and send them under separate cover herewith. We are just begining to emerge from the many perplexing things in the life of a nurseryman at this season of the year and are greatly enjoying these pleasant sunny days.

Mrs. Wedge and I will be at the summer meeting if it does not conflict with that of the Nurserymens Association held in Milwaukee this year. We hope you will be able to set the date either a little before or after so that we nurserymen can have an opportunity to attend both meetings whenever desired.

Very cordially,

C. W.

The University of Minnesota
Department of Agriculture
University Farm, St. Paul

OFFICE OF THE DEAN AND DIRECTOR

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Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Latham:

I thank you for your letter of the 28th. I am sure Mr. Cady and everyone here is glad to do everything possible to assist in making the meetings of the Horticultural Society pleasant and profitable. We feel that the work of the Society is so closely akin to the work of the college that the two ought to work very closely together. We hope that the Society will call on us always to assist in every way possible.

Yours very truly,

A F Woods.

Dean and Director.

Dictated A. F. Woods-A.

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AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION
AND FARMERS' INSTITUTES

July 7, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your good letter of July 5th received and noted. I certainly appreciate the attitude of your board and I believe you know that I am anxious to do anything that I can to promote any legitimate organization in the state and I believe you know that I think the Horticultural Society comes in that class. I am willing to do and will do everything that I reasonably can do to promote your organization.

Thanking you for the circular "Corn Primer", by Mr. Smith, I am

Yours very truly,

Agricultural Extension Division,

A. D. Wilson

Director.

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WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

July 12th 1916

Mr. A. W. Latham
Secy Minn. State Hort. Society

Dear Friend;

I am enclosing herewith a sample of the work of the Christy Engraving Co of Rochester N.Y. which I think will commend itsself to you. You are of course familiar with the daubs that are so commonly used by the nurserymen in their sample books that their salesmen handle. These people are getting out a line of color work that is natural and truly artistic and it seems to me is worthy special encouragement by such an organization as our own.

Mr. A. E. Brown the Secretary made a very creditable exhibit at the Milwaukee meeting, and I have encouraged him to come to our winter meeting and try to interest our nurserymen and seedsmen. However I should be mortified to have him go to the expense and have no better opportunity of attracting interest than has been afforded at some or indeed most of our meetings. What is the present prospect for exhibit room, and what do you think of our encouraging this kind of work.

Very truly

Clarence Wedge

The plate we enclose is the Lombardy Poplar Berry. Taken from fruit grown in our orchard. Perhaps it would be of interest to have in our office.

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Sept. 27, 1916.

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

Dear Friend:

It seems to me that it might be well for us to get more information as to caring for our apple trees. It appears to me very clear that from now on we cannot expect to grow marketable fruit without giving our trees thorough care and spraying. I would give more for a small orchard well kept than for a large orchard handled under the old methods. I do not know who to invite from abroad, but hope you will be as fortunate as you have been the past two or three sessions, which I think were handled in an ideal way.

As I have written you before, I think the most important improvement that we can now make is in theline of larger room for social and exhibition opportunities adjoining the place of meeting. I wish that you would go to any necessary expense, both in room and in advertising placards. I think they should also be well provided with chairs and tables, flowers and drinking water. I will certainly do my best to help people get acquainted, and make use of the opportunity which I am confident will be greatly appreciated. For I fully believe that those who attend appreciate the opportunity of getting acquainted and of renewing old acquaintanceships fully as much as they do the speaches and discussions in thehhall. I would like to see this matter tried out to its fullest extent, and will do my best to make it work out to the advantage of the society.

By the way, would it not be well to advertise this feature in the program using as a text that we are a "Society" and may be expected to appreciate the social features of it as much as any other.

Yours very truly,

WEDGE NURSERY

Clarence Wedge

CW/M

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Feby 11th 1916

A?W.Latham
Kasota Bldg.
Mpls, Minn.

Dear Mr Latham;

Responding to yours of the 10th addressed to the members of the Roard.

I do not think that the proposition to give to the institute fund one half of the memberships secured by the horticulturist of the corps would be acceptable to Mr Wilson. I dont like the idea of hiring anyone by extra pay to do his duty. Either it is a good thing for the people of the state to have the merits of the society presented to them , or it is not. If it is a good thing I have yet to hear a sufficient reason for forbidding it. If not,our own mouths should be stopped.

I can imagine that I see just a little of the bureaucratic feeling creeping into the departments of the University Farm. Perhaps no more than I should feel in some measure if I was one of the lot. I think that this accounts in some measure for tha attitude of which you complain.

To me,situated where I am,it seems clearthat it is not enough to simply teach people how to perform the various operations of horticulture, but that they should be gathered together in communities of interest, This is what makes life really worth living and applies to all industries.

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

I note with interest and applause that much time and effort is being put forth by the state to organize farmers clubs. It's a good thing. An extremely good thing. The strange thing is that any one favoring such local clubs should forbid the advertising of the most successful club of its kind in the state. The one club that has approved itsself by its long and useful life.

I can say this in all friendliness to Supt Wilson. He seems to be making the institutes a real succe$$, and the appropriation go a great deal furthur than it did under his predecessor. But he is human and in this matter seems to me to have yeilded to the influences above mentioned. I wish that he might be persuaded to yeild what may appear to him a little of the dominance of his branch of the educational forces of the state,for great benefit of our own, and for what seems to me the greatest good to the people as a whole.

Very truly,

Clarence Wedge

Dear Mr Latham:

The enclosed might be sent to Mr Wilson by you, I think, rather than a letter direct from me to him. I think we are right and fully justified in doing everything that we can to secure it. He is asking nurserymen to advertise in the annual. I have not done so for a good while. Perhaps if a half dozen of the larger nurserymen offered to advertise largely if he would help the society it might count better than anything else. I always like to offer an inducement rather than threat a boycott.

I want to say that I think the most important thing that we can do for our society is to add to its social attractions. I regard this

as of more importance than better accommodations for exhibits. I see that my ideas are about the spirit of those often expressed by Mr Underwood. Instead of trying to compel people to attend the sessions, I should favor rest rooms and added social conveniences. With perhaps an usher to make the rounds announcing each topic as it came off. As it is, there is an increasing number that attend solely for the business and social opportunities. If we could get the women to attend as my wife does for the pleasure of making and meeting friends we should give the society a footing that would make it ~~incalculable~~ great. We come so close to reaching our desires that it seems as if we should make the effort necessary. Just another vision of mine C.W.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
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DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE

September 27, 1916

Secretary A. W. Latham,
Minnesota State Horticultural Society,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Secretary Latham:

Have just returned from judging horticulture at our State Fair to find your favor of recent date awaiting me.

I find that the dates of your meeting will this year conflict identically with the dates of our own State Horticultural Society meeting at Kansas City, in which our people have asked me, among other things in helping to make the meeting a success, to have charge of some daily practical demonstrations in pruning and in grading and packing fruit which they want to make a feature.

When you showed me the courtesy last year of an invitation to again appear on your program for this year, I could not contemplate this particular emergency. Owing to lack of state aid in the last few years, our State Society has not been holding its regular annual meetings and I had consequently come to feel that the meeting the first week in December would not conflict with any other appointments. The last two months, however, the officers of the Society are making a very vigorous effort to get up a big fruit show and hold a rousing December meeting in order if

possible to stimulate the regaining of state aid in some way from the coming Legislature. For that reason, they are anxious to make this winter meeting the most successful in their history as a stimulus to reorganization and future aid and they have felt that on this occasion particularly their own University officers connected with the horticultural interests should lend every personal aid in introducing demonstration factors for practical horticulturists and for saving the expense on program thereby since they have no financial aid from the state.

In order that they might not conflict with your date I have asked the secretary if we could not defer our own state meeting a week, for I very much desired to go to Minneapolis to meet your people and also to have at least a day's visit with my horticultural friends at your splendid college of agriculture and experiment station. The secretary has informed me that our week was set the first week in December in order to cooperate with three or four adjacent state societies in jointly securing speakers from the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington and from the east who could not be induced to come for a single meeting with a single society, but who would come provided they could make a series of meetings in three or four different states, on the same trip. For that reason, they cannot postpone our meeting without breaking contract and arrangements already made in cooperation with these other states.

I am making this lengthy explanation in order that you may fully understand my inability, under these conditions, to accept your kindly invitation, and in order that you may also know my own personal disappointment, since I had set my heart on being in Minneapolis this year.

Very sincerely yours,

J. C. Whitten

NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

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OFFICE OF DEAN

Sept. 29, 1916.

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

Friend Latham:

In reply to your recent communication I will say that I will try and get something ready on the subject you suggest: namely, "Pedigree in Plants". The reason that I did not reply more promptly to your first letter is that I was not sure at that time that I would be able to attend your meeting.

As regards rendering any assistance toward getting up a program, I will say that just at the present time I am struggling with a program myself for the Tri-State Grain Growers' Convention which meets here in January. I would suggest that if there is any one in your society who knows anything about the so-called 'Canadian Poplar' that might be an interesting topic. You probably know that the nurseries are offering this poplar to the trade at the present time. It seems to be a very valueable tree and some of us would like to know where it came from. Perhaps some of the Jewell Nursery people would be able to throw some light on this point.

If any other topics occur to me within the next few days,

NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

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I will drop you a line, but I suppose your program is already pretty well made up.

Very truly yours,

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July 10,1916.

A.W.Latham,
Minneapolis,Minn.
Dear Sir)

I have received your letter and am heartily in favor of letting him go. I approve of your plan.

The apple crop in this vicinity will be rather light.

Very truly yours,

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A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn., 7/3/16

Clarence Wedge,

Albert Lea, Minn.

Dear Friend.-

The enclosed two letters speak for themslves. It being a matter quite different from any for which I have ever expended the societys money I hardly feel at liberty to authorize this expenditure without the approval of the board. Wont you please drop me a line promptly telling me what you think about the matter.

Is there going to be a good crop of apples in your section this year?

Cordially,

A. W. Latham Sec'y.

I do not like the idea of one department undertaking to do the work, shouldering the expense, of another department of our state affairs. Especially so rich a dep. as the University. I would rather have the society supplement the endeavor of some private party in doing work for the public. I know that we did

it sometimes in the case of Prof. Green. But even in his case it was to enable him to do special work of a personal nature for the society. I should vote no, but will not make serious objection if the others are fully convinced of its desirability. After carefully it here very light.

Yours,

Just back from Milwaukee. A very valuable meeting.

Interesting!

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

August 18th 1916

A.W.Latham
207 Kasota Bldg
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend;

Responding to your question about the winter premium list.

It seems to be about right as it is . It would be an improvment if we could have a graduate list for the seedlings like that of Mrs Noyes, that have been exhibited so long . Some of them have great merit as a fruit but for some reason connected with the tree can never come into nursery use. Its a little discouraging to the new varieties to be shown against the same old lot of useless kinds year after year. Still it is no easy matter to propose a betterment that will be practical.

How would it do to offer a good premium , a sort of sweepstakes , for a "peck of late winter market apples " open to any variety on the societies recommended list and to any seedling originated within the societies territory. This would keep out winter sorts not adapted to Minn. and would give the seedlings a chance to show their paces. Perhaps your box apple premiums already do this. This is just a dream anyhow. Hope you are feeling as well as I.

Cordially, C.H.

I have put up a little 20 x 30 exhibit for "our people" to meet in order we have every kind, a mixture of refugees and prodigals. Lots of babies and children, all the mixing evolved the leader nurses her baby as she has the little

The Kellogg Freesent was our best K. & W's. The Twelve Longfellow ~~was~~ is the finest in color & the Black Tartarian queen & Blackgerman, Wilder ~~this~~ were our adjunct exhibit. Mrs Cutler is very W's mother 57 present. Mrs Cutler is very W's mother

The University of Minnesota
Department of Agriculture
University Farm, St. Paul

Sept. 30, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter of September 27th, in regard to the program of this coming horticultural meeting, is at hand.

As you have suggested, I will be very glad to continue my report on orcharding in Minnesota. We have a lot of data on the blanks which I sent out which I think is well worth summarizing, even though it presents nothing new to the old growers.

Considerable of my time has been devoted the last three years to the improvement of vegetable varieties by selection and I will be very glad to have the opportunity of informing the growers of the results of my investigations.

This season I have no class in Systematic Pomology and therefore I will have no students to enter the judging contest. As Mr. Webster is about the only grower who participates in these contests, I think it may be advisable to postpone the contest this season.

Our variety orchard has done very well this season and so I can make a fairly good display of fruit if you so desire. In addition I have fruit coming in from a number of states and I think this will be of interest to the growers.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Richard Wellington
Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

RW/D

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E. C. WILLARD

Grower of Fancy Vegetables

MANKATO, MINN. 9-30- 1916.

A. W. Latham, Sec'y,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir.- Replying to yours of yesterday.

I believe I can write and deliver the short paper on "a successful cabbage field", as you suggest.

You know I do no do machine planting as have a large acreage. We plant only 10000 to 12000 plants. We have used a hand planter with good success. This year we have succeeded in getting a fair yield where all others have done much less or nothing.

Another thing we do pretty well with is tomatoes. In 1915 I sold $149.+ worth from 600 plants set 3 x 3 covering about 1/8 A. We have averaged better per ~~acre~~ plant. This year, the crop was still lighter + we got only about $125. We are nearly thru without crop when the others here begin.

Yours very truly,

E. C. Willard.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE
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STATE COLLEGE, PA.
Oct. 2, 1916

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Latham:-

I am very glad indeed to have your letter of September 30. It is kind of you to remember me and to extend an invitation to visit your place sometime when the trip can be conveniently arranged. I remember with very much pleasure the days which I spent in Minnesota two years ago.

I am confident that Professor A. T. Erwin, who is in charge of the vegetable gardening work at Ames, is thoroughly capable of addressing your people. He is mature and well informed on gardening topics.

It is possible that you would prefer having Professor L. R. Jones of the University of Wisconsin. He has been doing some most excellent work in the development of strains of vegetables which are resistant to some of our most serious diseases. He made a most favorable impression at the Chicago meeting. I am confident that your people would be pleased with his addresses.

I hope you will be able to secure the services of one of these men. With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

R L Watts

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State of Minnesota

ENTOMOLOGIST'S OFFICE

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

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

St. Anthony Park. October 10, 1916

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Kasota Building,

Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Latham:

I may have an opportunity to talk with you over the phone regarding your program for the winter meeting. In the meanwhile I will state that I have something, or will have at that time, which I would like to show the Society,- namely; lantern slides illustrating the growth of Delicious, King David, Grimes' Golden, Johathan, etc., on top worked trees this summer; also slides showing two French Prune trees; also slides showing growth of logan berries and others showing the effect of tree tanglefoot on young trees; the whole thing to take about fifteen minutes. The paper might be entitled,- "Observations in an Entomologist's Garden, 1916", illustrated with Lantern Slides.

Will see you before very long. By all means have something on 1916 spraying. There have been many complaints made to me,whilein talking the matter over with Mr. Ruggles, I learn that scientific spraying on the Station Grounds this summer had good results.

I had planned to make an inspection trip in my car this week to Mankato, Waseca, perhaps Owatonna, also New Ulm, and was going to ask you if you would like to go along as my guest, but in looking over our accounts, I find that our funds are so low that I shall have my deputy make this trip, since he has to go in that neighborhood anyway. I have, therefore, given it up.

Trusting you are quite well, I am,

Yours very truly,

F. L. Washburn

State Entomologist

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A W Latham
Minneapolis Minn

My Dear Sir. — Replying to yours of 9/30
We are expecting from the department at Washington Prof E. R. Lake Pomologist, who will talk on "Nomenclature" and "organization"
Prof M. B. Waite Pathologist who will talk on "Orchard diseases"
We also expect a representative from the division of Markets and Marketing
I think it could be arranged so any of these men could attend your meeting at least one day. I would suggest that you write them at once
Mr Lake is asking the department if these men can be sent at expense

of the Department except of course their entertainment while at the meetings. He will advise me as soon as possible

If several states in this locality will make a strong request for these speakers we will be more certain to secure them

Would it not be a good plan for us to begin earlier next year and try and arrange meeting dates with several states so these prominent men can attend each meeting?

If possible I attend the special meeting of the American Pomological Society Nov 16-18 at Washington D.C. and I hope to see you at this meeting

Yours very truly H S Wagoman

P.S. - Kansas State meeting will be held Dec 6-8

Ill Ark & Ga. the following week I know neither then ~~adv~~ advocating that they take the matter up with the Department if interested Mr Lake will likely do more in getting this arrangement through as he is more familiar with the situation

H.S.W.

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Oct. 5, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secretary,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your kind letter of September 28th asking me to speak before the December meeting in Minneapolis.

I attended one of the meetings several years ago and have often wished to go since but it has been impossible. I will be glad, indeed, to do as you suggest but I am afraid I will be unable to attend in person, and I presume a paper prepared on this subject and sent in would lose so much in the absence of the writer that it would not be worth while. I am very sorry that I am unable to attend this year but trust that another season will allow me to go.

Thanking you for your kindness in this matter, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

L. R. Waldron

In Charge of Plant Breeding.

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WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Oct. 16, 1916.

A. W. Latham,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Responding to yours of the 14th. I am very glad that you made the change in the subject assigned to me. I like the new subject very much indeed, and shall enjoy the preparation of it. I might also add that I feel highly honored in the assignment.

The only additional subject that occurs to me at this time about the matter is that the social opportunities ~~are~~ well advertised. Would it not be well to say something about them in the next number?

I want to say that your arrangement of my Camping trip to Montana in the last horticulturist was very nice indeed. I was particularlly pleased to have you use those old heroic firs as a frontpiece. I fully believe that their kind will fill a long felt want between here and the mountains.

Cordially yours,

C.W.

CW/EG

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University Farm, St. Paul

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Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your note of the 11th. Although it is an extremely difficult time for me to get away on account of the preparation of the annual estimates for the legislature, I shall certainly take the time to present the greetings of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture upon the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Horticulture Society. If you will advise me as soon as possible of the day and hour I will make my plans accordingly.

Yours very truly,

A. F. Woods

Dean and Director.

Dictated A. F. Woods-A.

NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

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Oct. 17, 1916.

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

Dear Friend Latham:

I am in receipt of your letter, asking me to speak at your Horticultural Meeting on the subject of The Influence of the Horticultural Society. I have been debating seriously (note the word) as to whether I could handle that subject in a way that would make it of greatest interest and value to your members. It would seem that some one who has been in closer touch with the working of the Society than I have, perhaps some of the men engaged in commercial lines of horticulture, might handle this with greater satisfaction.

This reply is given in this way in perfectly good faith and not because I wish to put on an appearance of modesty. I think perhaps that in your sober second thought you will be inclined to agree with me. I will of course do whatever I can to make your jubilee celebration a success.

Very truly yours,

C B Waldron

CBW/M.

State of Minnesota

ENTOMOLOGIST'S OFFICE

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

St. Anthony Park, October 18, 1916

Mr. A. W. Latham,

207 Kasota Building,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

It occurs to me that you might like to have something on the White Pine Blister Rust at your ~~autumn~~ Winter meeting, since it is something occupying the attention of plant pathologists and nursery inspectors quite intensively at this time. It should be given with lantern slides. If Dr. Freeman would not be willing to give a talk on this I think perhaps I could work it in either in place of the first topic suggest to you or in addition. In the later case more time would be required on the program.

I will try and drop in to see you before long. I have asked Stakman and Ruggles to give a talk on Spraying.

Yours truly,

F. L. Washburn
State Entomologist

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AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, NORTH DAKOTA

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Oct. 19, 1916.

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

Dear friend Latham:

In reply to yours of October 18th I will say that I will be very glad indeed to add my testimony as to what the Minnesota Horticultural Society is doing for the Northwest. The fifteen minute limit suits me exactly. If my speeches have any virtue, it is because they are usually short.

Very truly yours,

C B Waldron

CBW/M.

The University of Minnesota
Department of Agriculture
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October 5, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

The talk which I gave last year on "Orcharding in Minnesota" will be continued this year and therefore it might be well to use the same title this season, designated as "Part 2" or as "Continued." This year I will take up the "Management of Fruit Orchards in Minnesota." If you think this latter title is more fitting you are welcome to use it.

Enclosed I am sending you a program of the Eastern Meeting of the New York State Fruit Growers' Association. The main meeting has a longer program, but I am sending this copy as it is the only one I have on hand. At the end of the program is given a list of questions for discussion. In my seven years' attendance at the meetings in New York State, these questions seemed to be of great interest. Owing to the meekness of many individuals they will not ask the questions at a public meeting, but will submit them in this form. Again, if a list of questions of this character are sent out previous to the time of meeting, all the growers have a chance to think over the various points of discussion and are loaded at the time of meeting. During the meeting some one simply calls for "Question No. 1", etc. and as opportunity offers during the meeting the questions are taken up.

This list is simply submitted as a suggestion and perhaps it is not feasible with your arrangements and plans. However, if it could be worked in, I am sure it would be a success, as it is no experiment.

Very truly yours,

Richard Wellington
Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

RW/D

PHELPS WYMAN
Landscape Architect
McKnight Building, Minneapolis

5017-3rd Av. South
Apr. 3, 1916.

My dear Mr. Latham:

I shall be glad to do the press work again and will come in and see you the first of the week when I presume I can get copies or at least some proofs of the program.

Cordially
Martha A. Wyman

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Nov. 4, 1916.

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

Dear Friend:

Responding to your letter of Oct. 27th. You will think me a little slow, but I have at last got around to read the early history of the society, which you so kindly sent on for me to look over.

I think you have made it very interesting, so much so that I am a little discouraged about my own in the matter, I have only made two suggestions, small matters both of them.

I like the way you have arranged the program very much and don't see how it could be bettered. I am sure that no one will enjoy it more than myself, and I am looking forward to the meeting with very pleasant anticipations.

Very cordially yours,

Clarence Wedge

CW/EG

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ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Nov. 9, 1916.

A. W. Latham,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Responding to yours of Nov. 7th. By no means cut out any part of your paper. It is none too long, and all intensely interesting and historically valuable. There is a big field left for me and I must get at it.

I am surprised that there are no more entries for that $100 prize. Still I think it has set people thinking along such lines. We are all too much absorbed in our every day occupations, might perhaps learn something of the Orientals in giving proper time for reflection.

I am a good deal disturbed at the large vote given to Wilson. It looks as if our country was losing its high ideals, and would be willing to sell its soul to keep out of war. If Wilson is really elected I fear that we shall have a lot more to be ashamed of and a disgraceful war to boot.

Cordially,

Clarence Wedge

CW/EG

Mine Centre Ont. Nov 16th 1916

Mr. A. W. Latham
207 Kasota Block.
Minneapolis

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Dear Sir

I am enclosing Ten dollars $10.00 in American Bank Notes. for which I wish to become a Life Member of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

I am also enclosing a dime for a package of Apple seed. or Rose seed. if you have them. or expect to have them. I have not been able to raise any plants from the apple or rose seed I received in the past. I think I froze them to much. I raised several varieties of apples this season here. 190 miles west of Port Arthur, almost north of Duluth.

I will not be necessary for you to send me the back reports some 25 volumes. I will always look for the Annual Reports.

Wishing the Society all success

Yours Truly

A. V. Wright

address

A V Wright
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The University of Minnesota
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AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION
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February 16, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 12th received and noted. We planned to put on Mr. Taylor for a week, but guess we cannot do that now. We have practically gone to the limit of our funds in carrying out the meetings we have booked to March 1st, so there will be no Institutes after that time except an occasional one that must be taken care of.

I am very sorry that Mr. Schutz has been unable to get more memberships for you. I cannot understand why he cannot do as well alone as with a corps. He meets just as many people.

Yours very truly,

A D Wilson
Director, Agricultural Extension.

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February 11, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

Yours of the 9th is at hand. I, too, am sorry Mr. McLeran did not have a chance to hear Mr. Taylor at Eagle Bend; but Mr. Smith was there and heard Mr. Taylor talk, and he reports that Mr. Taylor evidently has a lot of good information, and after he gets over his nervousness and has been in the work long enough to collect his ideas, he will be able to put up a pretty good talk.

Yours very truly,

A D Wilson

Director, Agricultural Extension.

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January 31, 1916.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 26th regarding Mr. H. J. Baldwin of Northfield received. Some time ago I met Mr. Baldwin on the train and had quite a visit with him. He certainly is a keen, clean cut fellow and I, too, believe he would be a useful man and want to give him a trial before spring. He certainly wrote you a straight from the shoulder letter. I like to deal with that type of men.

Yours very truly,

A D Wilson
Director, Agricultural Extension.

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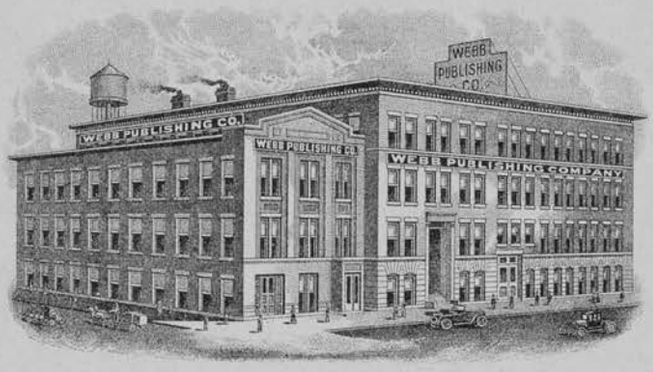

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Apr. 29, 1916.

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

Dear Sir:

The reply to your letter of the 13th has been delayed due to the absence of Mr. Lobstein, manager of the book department.

You, no doubt, realize that the long discount we make on orders of fifty or more books is because the extra expense of handling small orders is eliminated.

We appreciate the fact also that you have been securing a large number of books from us and have in the past complied with our requirements in order to secure the 50% discount. We trust that you will continue whenever possible to order books in lots of fifty or more. Hereafter on books of our own publication we shall be glad to give you the discount of 50%.

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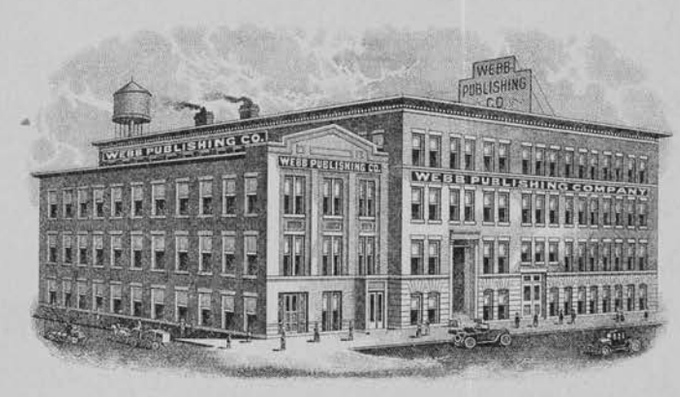

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April 10, 1916

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

Dear Sir:

We thank you for your letter of the 4th inst., enclosing remittance for $35.71 which has been applied to your account. We are enclosing receipt of bills as requested.

Our quotations to you show that you are entitled to a 50% discount on "Popular Fruit Growing" and "Evergreens" only on orders of 50 or more copies. In lots less than 50 the discount is 33-1/3% . For that reason we are returning to you herewith our invoice of March 21 and we feel sure that you will find us correct in this matter.

Very truly yours,
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List of new members. 306

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1	John Borgerding	Freeport R.3.	9.11. 12.
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4	Karl Schulz	Melrose R.3. (twice)	9. 12
5 *	Jos Friesschaefer	Melrose R.6.	9 – 12
6	Gerhard Hellermann	Melrose R.2	9 – 12
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8 *	Mrs. Anton Kroeller	Belgrade R.2.	11.14 – 12
9 *	Math. Mathern	Brooten R.4. twice	11. 12.
10 *	Mike Goelz	Brooten R.3	11. 14 – 12.

by Recd. Dr. $6,00 Cr. $4,00

Find Postal money order for Balance of $4,00.

Think Wm. Kind must be on it also.

Fraternally Yours.

A. Hilverding.

This will include
10 new subscribers
at 2 Premiums each
for my compensation.
Please book me as follows:

1	N.	8
2	N.	11
2	N.	14
5	N.	17 = with am = 7 X N. 17.

Brooten March 8th 1916.

To A. W. Latham:
Sec. M. S. H. S.

Friend Latham.

I finely received your first answer in behalf of sending in new members to Society. I'll have to state that not each one is a free member from own part of distribution and looking things over as they appear, think, i might better send the whole amount of same and get the Premiums for it.

Believing that there will be not much left of the everbearing Strawberry ch. 1012; i'd like to get 200 for Premium instead paying $3,00 for an additional 100 and not being able to get them.

The way it looks on choice of new members.

I am entreicked here with a lame horse and could not go to any Postoffice or Bank so excuse Delay in sending money along for forwarded subscribers but try now to get everything in shape as it should be. I resume you received $3,00 for six new member;

Send in three other from here will be 9 now once for being away from home. Certainly lots of people are interested in the new fruits and the Society is shure to grow up if this course is followed by new valuable varieties.

Very cardially Yours

D. H. Swerding.

P.O. Adress. Freeport R.O

This Society is supported by the State for the benefit of its citizens. It is not a money making institution. Applicants for membership are requested to use the following form.

3.4.16 191

A. W. LATHAM, Sec'y Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Dear Sir:

Please enter my name O. B. WARREN

Post office ....., as a ~~new~~ life member of the society for 191....., for which I enclose ~~$1.00~~ $10.00 the ~~annual~~ fee. Besides the Report and Magazine, you may send me plant premiums Nos. 11 and 17 or 14

For my special premium as a ~~new~~ life member please send me the following:

Sample of best hardy grapes for St Louis Co. by express

Signed O. B. Warren

Post office Hibbing, Minn

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An Acquaintance of Yours

wrote that you were interested in Horticulture and **should be a member** of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Are You interested in:

Fruit Growing?
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Or any other branch of horticulture?

This society touches all these. It should do you good, and you would do us good.

See what You Will Get as a new member:

1. **Trees, Fruit and Flowers of Minnesota,** a cloth bound book of 500 pages.

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4. As special premium, **Amateur Fruit Growing,** cloth, or **Vegetable Gardening,** paper, by Prof. S. B. Green.

All for One Dollar--Worth Four Dollars.

Read carefully the enclosed folder describing the society and its work, and remit annual fee without delay to **secure early advantages** of membership.

Shall I send you a sample copy of our monthly? Address and remit to

A. W. LATHAM, Sec'y.,
Minnesota State Horticultural Society,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minn.

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B. WALLNER, JR., SECRETARY
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WEST ST. PAUL, MINN., Feb. 17 1916

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

Dear Sir:-

Kindly deliver to bearer Mr. Fuel Year books.

Yours Respectfully

B. Wallner Jr.
Sec'y.

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EVERGREENS THAT LIVE

WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Feb. 15 1916.

A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn

Dear Friend:

Responding to yours of the 14 th. What I ment by paying twice for the same service was this: It appears to me to be the duty of the institut~~ion~~ to do anything that will best serve the farmers of the state. I know of nothing that has proved more useful in the past for the small time and effort required than advertising our society. I think they are paid to do it by the appropriations they receive from the state and that anything that the society does will be a duplication.

Of course, it will be better for the society to go and increase it's usefulness even if we have to pay for such service. I hope it will not be required.

As I have opportunity I will speak to Mr. Cashman and others about the possibility of bringing our attention to bear upon the case. Four or five hundred dollars would be a sum worth while, I believe.

I am very glad to know that you approve the idea of enlarging the social side of the society. My wife and I will be glad to do all that we can to help it forward. I appreciate very fully the advantages of our present meeting place and am truly delighted to find out that one-third of those registering were of the gentler sex. Perhaps you have mentioned this in the Secretaries Corner. It is worth making a note of, I think.

As I wrote to you a day or two ago, if the strawberry proposition looks good to you and you are willing to undertake it there can be no objection. As a Nursery we don't want to fuss with small fruit distributions.

A very green Stang.
You can guess at it anyhow.

Cordially yours,

WEDGE NURSERY

Clarence Wedge

EVERGREENS THAT LIVE

WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

Feby 23,1916.

A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr.Cashman of Oatonna in regard to the proposed distribution of strawberries. He says that he has written you to the same effect. The more I consider the matter, the more I am convinced that you had better let it alone. The leading nurseymen of the state are feeling very jealous at this time in regard to free distribution of plants, except such as are sent for strictly experimental purposes and I think may self ~~N~~ that policy is not generally to be commended. I believe that I would drop the matter and let the effort go out in some direction that will provoke less criticism.

Very truly yours,

WEDGE NURSERY

Clarence Wedge

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ELBOW LAKE, MINN., Feb. 8, 1916. 19

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

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find 50 cents for which I wish you would send me a copy of Prof. S. B. Green's "Amateur Fruit Growing".

I want this book very badly, and know of no other place to get it.

Sincerely yours,

E. Wulfsberg

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
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DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE

DECEMBER 24, 1915.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secretary,
Minnesota State Horticultural Society,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Latham:

Your kind favor of December 20th received. I shall be very glad, indeed to hold other appointments so as to leave the date free to meet with you next year, in accordance with your kind invitation. I hope that nothing will prevent me from the pleasure of meeting with your Society at that time.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Whitten
PROF. OF HORTICULTURE

Dec. 5 — 8

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