

Prof. W.R. Harper:-
University of Chicago,

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In accordance with your request, I have the pleasure to report as follows, upon the plan of caps and gowns for instructors and students:-

The recent vote of the Trustees of the University, making the wearing of caps and gowns on official occasions obligatory on professors and instructors, and requesting the same of students, renders any statement of the reasons for or against the system unnecessary. Passing by that side of the matter, I shall report only upon the system of gowns which seems most fitting for our purposes.

I enclose herewith information obtained regarding the system as now existing at Oxford University, England, undoubtedly the most thorough one in use. At Oxford, it will be observed, gowns are differentiated according to the degree held by the wearer, e.g. A.B., A.M., D.C.L., &c., &c. The gown worn in different schools (e.g. law, music, divinity, &c.) varies in cut and style; but in each style, the degree held by the wearer may be indicated by a distinguishing hood worn over the gown on official occasions. It may be properly questioned, however, whether it may not be a better policy for the University of Chicago - at least for the present - to adopt the principle of distinguishing the academic rank of the wearer by a special style of gown; then, at any time in the future, it will be easy to add distinguishing hoods for special degrees.

On this latter principle, I make the following recommendations, referring to the book of plates accompanying this report:

1. For all head-professors and professors, a black gown in style similar to the M.A. gown, except that the sleeve be flowing.
2. For all associate-professors, assistant-professors, instructors, tutors, and all members of the staff of instruction below the rank of professor, including fellows, a black gown in style similar to the B.A. gown.
3. For all students, graduate and undergraduate, academic and professional, a black gown in style similar to the old commoner's gown at Oxford.

In ^{all} these cases, hoods are omitted for the present; it being, in my judgment, desirable to attempt only what can be done in season for the opening of the University. In support of the above recommendations, it is to be observed that a very simple and inexpensive scheme is presented; but from this basis modifications can easily be made in the future without disturbance. Regarding (1) it may be well to say that at Oxford the gown worn by professors on ordinary occasions is the M.A. gown, more elaborate costumes being assumed on state occasions. The hood, moreover, is an added mark of distinction and show. Here, note that in the plate representing "Clergyman" the length and fit of the hood is better shown than in the plates of the M.A. and A.B. gowns.

For the first time, the following
negotiations, referring to the
the report:
For all less-professors and professors, a third year
in the winter to the 1st year, completed the same
in spring
For all students - professors, assistant professors, instructors,
tutors, and all members of the staff of instruction, within
the grant of professor, including fellows, a third year
in the winter to the 1st year
For all students, graduate students, independent, assistant
and professors, a third year in the winter to the
the summer's year of effort
The three cases look into the first, it being
in my judgment, should be a study only what is
in season for the spring of the summer. It is sufficient
the above recommendations, the two others that a very
single recommendation, which is presented to the
basis of the first, can lead to a study in the first
winter, which is presented to the first year of the first
that of the first year, the first year, the first year, the first year
recourse to the 1st year, the first year, the first year, the first year
admission in the summer, the first year, the first year, the first year
with a view of the first year, the first year, the first year, the first year
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the first year, the first year, the first year, the first year, the first year
and the first year

Regarding (3), please note the recommendation in favor of the old commoner's gown, which is a more becoming length than the one now in use at Oxford.

From the enclosed list of prices sent by an Oxford outfitter, it will be seen that the price of gowns for class 1 will be from \$5.20 to \$7.50; class 2, ditto; and class 3, from \$3.00 to \$4.12. These are prices in England. Caps cost several dollars. In 1886, at the celebration of the 250th anniversary of Harvard University, caps were furnished, I recall, by Messrs. Bent & Bush, Hatters, Washington St., Boston.

Inasmuch as gowns & caps should be ready by October 1st, without fail, I advise immediate action, as follows:-

1. Lay the book of costumes, with samples of materials, before some responsible firm of outfitters in Chicago, who shall with all possible speed order a sample of each gown and cap from the Oxford outfitter, getting as much information as possible on the details of making and fitting.

From these samples which can be in Chicago within a month, the firm can make to order any number wanted by October 1st.

When such details are settled, the University can send a brief circular to each officer of instruction, stating the requirement as to gowns and caps, and the firm who will supply them when ordered.

Very respectfully submitted by
J. Lawrence Laughlin.

August 6, 1892.

When samples are ordered let someone of us send our order.

August 1, 1892

My dear Mr. Brewster,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the proposed exhibition of the American Ornithologists Union at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, 1892.

I am very glad to hear that you are so interested in the project, and I am sure that the Union will be very glad to have you as a member of the committee.

I have already written to the Secretary of the Union, Mr. J. A. Allen, and have asked him to write to you in regard to the matter.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. A. Allen

Bristol

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

290 55th St.

no date

(13)

President Harper.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a list of the faculty on which I have marked out the names of those who have gowns to my knowledge up to date. You will be pleased to see how nearly complete the list is. Besides these, about 140 students are gowned and the sentiment is that lack of money is the only cause that prevents the wider use.

I have shipped all the loan gowns and shall not be able to provide any in the future.

Very Respectfully
Charles L. Bristol.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

220 22 St.

(18)

President Hopper

Dear Sir,

I enclose a list of the faculty
on which I have marked out the names of those
who have given to my knowledge up to date.
You will be pleased to see how nearly complete
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Very Respectfully
Charles A. Smith

Director

Feb. 14, 1893.

Bristol

DIRECTORY OF OFFICERS AND INSTRUCTORS.

ABBREVIATIONS.

C-----Cobb Lecture Hall.
a, b, c, d-----1st, 2d, 3d and 4th floors of Cobb Lecture Hall.
S-----Science Hall, cor. 55th St. and Lexington Av.
Numerals-----Numbers of rooms.

*Academic
Cap &*

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March 26 1894,

President Harper

Dear Sir,

In response to your request to prepare a statement concerning the regulation of cap and gowns, I have the pleasure ~~to~~ of presenting the following scheme for your consideration.

I wish to call your attention to the portion relating to the Doctor's gown, for therein I suggest the only change from the existing order of things. My reasons for making this suggestion are, in the main, two: that the present system, founded as it is on academic rank, intra muros, does not provide a suitable gown for those whom the University sends forth with her stamp of approval.

If the gown now worn by the Instructor be also the Doctor's gown, he will have a gown of proper dignity wherever he chooses to wear it, and his title implies that he is also equipped to take equal rank with an Instructor.

With this amendment, the scheme following is but an attempt to express the conditions which now obtain in the patterns of gowns: if I can aid you further I shall be happy so to do.

Very Respectfully
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C. L. Brinton

COLUMBIA COLLEGE
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY

Butler

replied

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Academic
Dress

May 14, 1896.

President W. R. Harper,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Harper:

I take pleasure in enclosing to you herewith, in response to your letter of the 12th, copies of our statute regarding academic costume, together with some statements issued from the office of the President concerning the operation of the same. I may say that there are some points of detail not yet satisfactorily adjusted. It is, for example, intended that the Doctors of Medicine should not be permitted to wear a costume signifying equal rank of the Doctors of Philosophy. Questions of this kind remain to be settled satisfactorily, but you will see that the general scheme is in operation.

Yours very truly,

Nicholas Murray Butler

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Judson

CHICAGO

June 18, 1896.

My dear President:

Although I am not in residence, I must enter my protest to the action taken on the cab and gun business. It seems to me peculiarly unfortunate in every respect. In the first place all this frippery of colas and trunks is a distinct retrogression to the customs of the dark ages, from which the better part of a Saxon civilization has rescued the costume of gentlemen. Our simple black gowns are well enough. In the second place, there is no earthly reason for the display of academic rank by dress. In the army there is a simple and practical reason of daily occurrence, which compels it. But as there is no such reason at all. It is simply buggered in. In the third place, it compels an extravagant and useless expenditure. I am virtually obliged to throw away at least \$60 - money which I need for other purposes, every dollar of it. But I have to waste it on this rubbish. And much more is the expense felt by many who are far less able to afford it than I. It is idle

to say that they can wait. The moral pressure
is virtual compulsion. The net effect is to convert
the faculty into a paralytic organ guided & controlled
for the benefit, mainly, by Cottrell and Leonard.

I am heartily disgusted with the
whole business.

Very truly Yrs,

H. P. Hudson.

THE FACULTIES OF
ARTS, LITERATURE, AND SCIENCE

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF THE
JUNIOR COLLEGES

The University of Chicago

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER



CHICAGO Jan. 4, 1901.

President Harper.

My Dear Dr. Harper: <

I inclose a note from Mr. Clark about the wearing of gowns in the Declamation Contest. You see that he differs very strongly in the matter. Is there any appropriate body for the discussion of this matter, or do you wish to have it dropped?

Yours sincerely,

George E. Vincent
Dean.

THE FACULTIES OF
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Jan. 7th, 1902.

My dear Mr. Vincent:-

I have read Mr. Clark's note, and it seems to me to be an extravagant and entirely one-sided statement. The body before which the matter may be discussed is the Board of Student Organizations. I have no desire to have the subject dropped. The proper way will be a recommendation from the Board of Student Organizations to the Board of Trustees, since the wearing of cap and gown is a matter contained in one of the statutes. I am still of the opinion that we shall make a very serious mistake if we make this change. You will remember that one of the strongest arguments in favor of the cap and gown is that it covers a thread-bare suit. I have personal knowledge that some men could not present themselves respectably without the gown.

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W. R. H.

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Yours very truly,

W. R. H.

Dear Miss Vincent:

There were eleven judges who were unanimous in their opinion regarding the gown. This opinion is, as it were, non-professional. To that view I add mine, that not only was the use of the gown a hindrance, but it was cumbersome, inappropriate, + unartistic, + vital in striking opposition to the apparel the student will wear in real life, in the parlour + rostrum, or at the bar. I sincerely hope it will be omitted in the future.

Sincerely Yours

S. H. Clark

Could you see Dr. Harper explain, I am sure he would change his views.

FACULTIES OF
LITERATURE, AND SCIENCE
—
OF THE DEAN OF THE
FOR COLLEGES

The University of Chicago
FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER



CHICAGO

Jan. 9, 1902.

President Harper.

My Dear Dr. Harper:-

In reply to your note of Jan 7 about
Public Speaking contests and academic costume, I will say that I
have notified Mr. Clark, and he can do what he pleases about
bringing the matter before the Board of Student Organizations. His
opinion is a most important one to be considered.

Yours sincerely,

George E. Vincent.
Dean.

UNIVERSITY OF
NATURE AND SCIENCE
THE DEAN OF THE
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Academic Press

Chicago, May 10, 1912

Messrs. Cotrell & Leonard,

Albany, New York.

Gentlemen:-

The gowns and caps are a great success: so much so that the Director of the Library, who is to be one of the central figures in our dedication of the Harper Memorial Library, has asked me to secure for him a silk gown of the same quality as the one you sent to us, #8, \$45.00. The gown should be exactly the same in length and other measurements except the sleeves. The sleeves should be about one inch and one-half shorter than the one which you sent us. Instead of being labeled 'University of Chicago' it should be marked 'E.D.BURTON'. The Junior Dean of Medical Students has also seen the gown, and has asked me to order for him a gown #7, cost, \$35.00. His measurements are: Height, 5 ft. 10 in.; weight, 180 lbs.; chest, 39 in.; distance from top of collar to ground, 62 1-2 in. Mr. Burton's gown should have the black facings, like the one sent to us. Dr. Wells desires the blue velvet of Ph.D. for facings. Dr. Wells wants also a broadcloth cap, size 6 7-8, \$2.25, black tassel. Mr. Burton desires a gilt cap-tassel - without the cap itself.

Sincerely yours,

D.A.R. - L.

Secretary to the President

Handwritten:
C. G. Burrows

Chicago, May 10, 1912

Messrs. Cotrell & Leonard,

Albany, New York.

Gentlemen:-

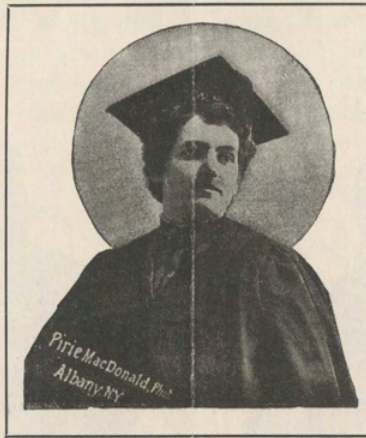
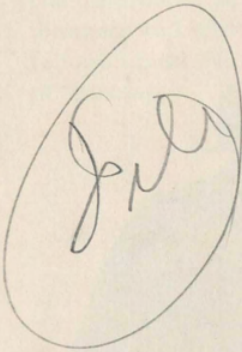
The gown and caps are a great success: so much so that the Director of the Library, who is to be one of the central figures in our dedication of the Harper Memorial Library, has asked me to secure for him a silk gown of the same quality as the one you sent to us, \$45.00. The gown should be exactly the same in length and other measurements except the sleeves. The sleeves should be about one inch and one-half shorter than the one which you sent us. Instead of being labeled 'University of Chicago', it should be marked 'E.D. BURTON'. The Junior Dean of Medical Students has also seen the gown, and has asked me to order for him a gown \$35.00. His measurements are: Height, 5 ft. 10 in.; weight, 180 lbs.; chest, 39 in.; distance from top of collar to ground, 62 1/2 in. Mr. Burton's gown should have the black facings, like the one sent to us. Dr. Wells desires the blue velvet of Ph.D. for facings. Dr. Wells wants also a broadcloth cap, size 6 7/8, \$2.25, black tassel. Mr. Burton desires a gift cap-tassel - without the cap itself.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President

D.A.R. - L.

With Compliments of *Bristol*
C. L. Bristol.



THE

Cap and Gown in America.

GARDNER COTRELL LEONARD, B. A.

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472 and 474 BROADWAY,

Makers of Caps and Gowns to the American Universities,

1894.



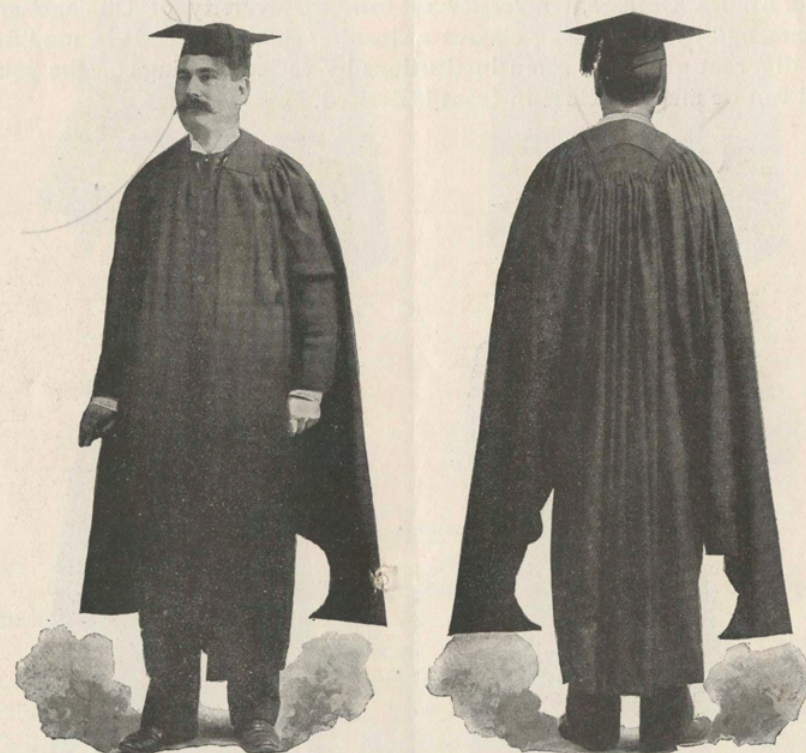
TYPE 7.

THE CAP AND GOWN IN AMERICA.

BY GARDNER COTRELL LEONARD, B. A. WILLIAMS.

THE custom of wearing caps and gowns on appropriate occasions is fast becoming fixed in the higher educational institutions of this country. It has passed the stage of student fad or ecclesiastical requirement; it has overcome the quiet national anglophobia, because it has been tried in our leading centres of higher education, and approved by both the æsthetic and the utilitarian sense.

The academic gown, as used in America, is really a uniform. On its historic and picturesque side it serves to remind those who don it of the continuity and dignity of learning, and recalls the honored roll of English-speaking University men. On its democratic side, it subdues the differences in dress arising from the differences in taste, fashion manners and wealth, and clothes all with the outward grace of equal fellowship which has ever been claimed as an inner fact in the republic of learning.



TYPE 2.

The plates shown in this article are from a series of photographs contributed by the writer to the World's Fair Exhibit of the Regents of the University of the State of New York, showing the gowns used in this country and in New York State. They are types which form a system broadly accepted, and which may be adapted to the organization in any university or college.

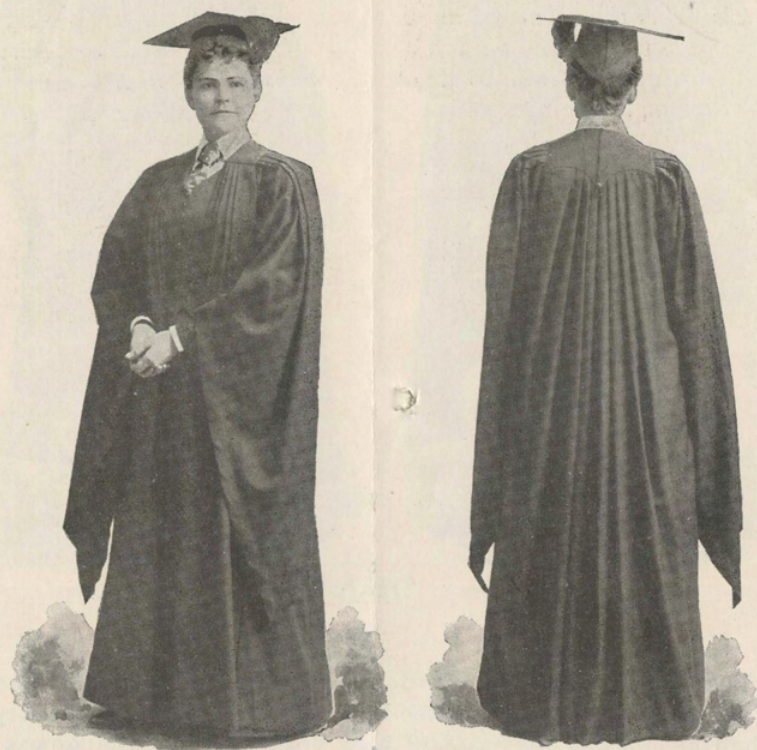
Type 7 is the gown of highest dignity. It is worn by the Chancellor, the President, the Members of Corporation, the heads of the Faculty, the Divines, and the Judges of our Higher Courts. The outlines are ample, the shirring the finest, the fabrics the richest.

Type 2 is the Oxford, Cambridge and Edinburgh Doctor's gown, not so well known, but used with varying cordings in some of our best

systems. This is the gown of the President and the Professors of the University of Chicago, where, perhaps, the most complete system of gowns has been installed. The Faculty of Brown wears it.

The technical difficulties of all these gowns have been mastered by our American gown-makers.

Type 5 is a gown of wide choice, always graceful, and commends itself particularly to women's colleges, although not confined to them. It is the Wellesley gown, and is also worn at Wells, Mount Holyoke College, Elmira College, University of Iowa, University of Chicago and others, and by graduating classes at leading seminaries. It is modified for different grades in some institutions by varied cordings on the yoke, and can be made to close in front if desired.



TYPE 5.

Type 10 is a gown of simple design, though by proper proportions it is very effective. It covers the apparel quite completely, and where an inexpensive outfit is desired it merits favor, requiring less labor in making than the closed Type 6c. It has none of the fine shirring which shows below the yoke in Types 7, 2 or 6. It was the first pattern used at Yale, Williams and some other colleges, and is used at Franklin and Marshall, Hampdon-Sidney, Biddle University and elsewhere.



TYPE 10.

The typical American college gown, however, is shown in Type 6, the Oxford Bachelors' gown.

It is worn at Harvard, Amherst, Dartmouth, Tufts, Union, Beloit, Lafayette, University of Vermont, Dickinson, Wesleyan, South Western Presbyterian University, New York University, Napa, Livingstone College, Trinity and others. Modified to close in front as shown in Type 6c it is worn at Yale and Williams.

The beauty of its workmanship, the fullness yet softness of its lines and draping, its adaptability by proper cutting to the man or woman whose shoulders fill it, have contributed to its wide adoption and made it the true American gown, for which the writer has heard only words of praise.

The cap is throughout the Oxford cap, or Mortar Board. The cap with stiff skull part is still used, but has been displaced in best outfits for men by that with a folding skull part, an improvement which admits of carrying easily when off the head and packing compactly at any time. It fits a man's head more comfortably, stays on more firmly and cannot get out of shape unless the flat board is broken.

For women's caps the stiff-skulled cap is more adapted and is made with less depth in the crown. The boards of all caps properly made are proofed with shellac to resist rain.

Hoods for the learned degrees have for the most part been worn in this country by those receiving degrees from English universities. The code is a long one and differs in different British universities. The Bachelor's hood is trimmed with white fur, the Oxford M. A. hood is lined with crimson silk, the Cambridge M. A. with white silk. The Oxford D. D. is of scarlet cloth lined with black silk; the Cambridge D. D., of scarlet cloth lined with pink silk; the Oxford D. C. L., or its equivalent, the LL. D., is of scarlet cloth lined with crimson silk; the Cambridge LL. D., scarlet cloth lined with pink silk, and so on through the list. If hoods are to find general use in this country, the Oxford practice should be followed, for, with our hundreds of institutions conferring degrees, there may easily arise hopeless confusion.

There seems to be a decided tendency towards the use of hoods, the varying types of gowns serving to mark the relative positions of their wearers. Our American mind could easily master the intricacies of special hoods, using the Bachelor's for all the subordinate degrees conferred. The moderately utilitarian side of the question is the one which has been most influential in establishing the gown, and the hood lends dignity and distinction.



TYPE 6c.



TYPE 6.

The gown uniforms a body of scholars, overcoming the nondescript dress of any considerable number of men or women. On the score of economy it saves many a young man or woman considerable expenditure at the end of a course, when there is the least left to spend, but when it is desirable to make the best appearance. In colleges where gowns are worn throughout the year, the plainest suit or dresses may be worn beneath them.

Gown-makers, on account of manufacturing largely and obtaining their fabrics at first hands, are able to provide outfits at prices often less than the cost of the material if purchased through the local channels of trade.

The simple measurements are usually taken and the outfits delivered through a committee appointed by a class and recommended by some officer of the faculty. In this way colleges and universities wherever situated are easily and satisfactorily supplied.

The general adoption of cap and gown for appropriate occasions throughout the year, for general wear or for wear during the few weeks around commencement time, has been no surprise to one who has watched for ten years the growth of this custom which embodies both beauty and utility.

GARDNER COTRELL LEONARD.

WE are prepared to supply, on short notice, outfits for classes or individuals. All gowns are made to measures, and the prices vary according to the qualities of the fabrics and the amount of material and labor required for the different types, ranging as follows: Types 5 and 10, \$3.00 to \$13.50; type 6, \$4.00 to \$14.50; types 2 and 7, \$9.75 to \$50.00. Samples of fabrics, sample gowns and caps will be gladly sent on application. The prices of Caps are as follows: No. 1, covered with finest broadcloth, \$2.50; No. 2, covered with broadcloth, \$2.00; No. 3, covered with broadcloth, \$1.75; No. 4, covered with serge, \$1.75; No. 5, covered with serge, \$1.50; No. 6, covered with serge \$1.25. These prices are for classes. Single caps or gowns 10 per cent. extra. Caps Nos. 1, 2 and 3 have either stiff or folding skull part; Nos. 4, 5 and 6 have stiff skull part. In ordering state whether for men or women.

The following is a good form for order.

Name	Fabric	Chest Under Arms	Length (Tape Loose)	Posture, if not Erect	Style Cap	Size of Hat or Head
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Where height, weight and posture are sent to us, we can fit quite accurately.

We put the owner's initials in silk inside of the yoke of each gown, and pack each in a box with a wooden shoulder hanger.

A mohair bag for carrying outfit is supplied by us at 50 or 75 cents.

We make hoods for the various degrees, and will be glad to quote the prices.

Correspondence upon any point relating to caps, gowns and hoods is cordially invited.

COTRELL & LEONARD,

472 and 474 Broadway,

ALBANY, N. Y.



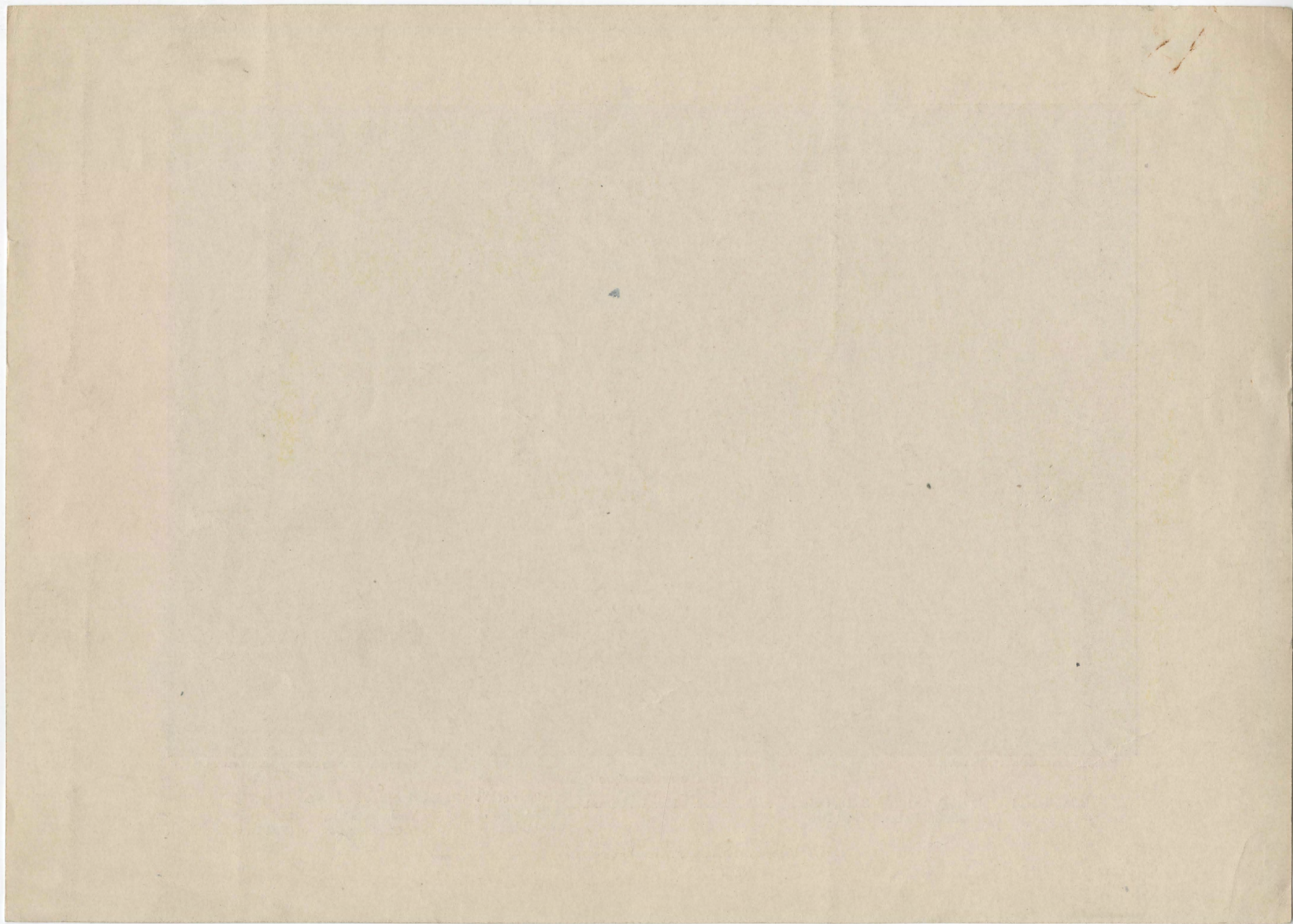
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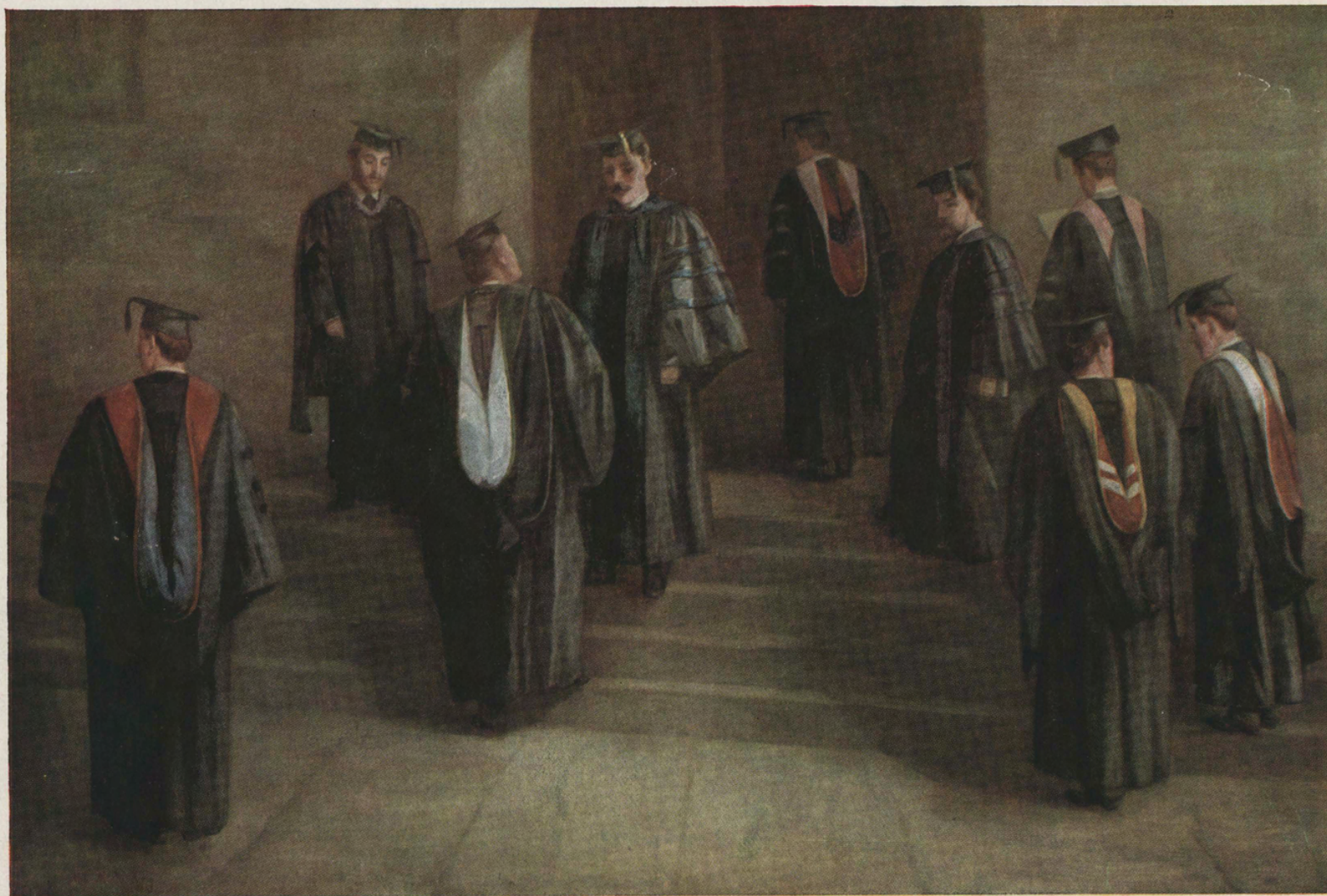
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BRITISH USAGE IN ACADEMIC COSTUME.

B.A., Oxford	D.D., Oxford	Sc.D., Oxford	M.A., Oxford.	Mus.D., Oxford.	Pensioner of	D.D., Edinburgh (Full Dress).
	(Convocation Robe).	(Full Dress).			Trinity College,	Vice-Chancellor,
					Cambridge.	Cambridge.
						D.C.L., Oxford
						(Full Dress).

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AMERICAN INTERCOLLEGIATE SYSTEM.

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LL.M.

M.D. (Columbia).

Ph.D.

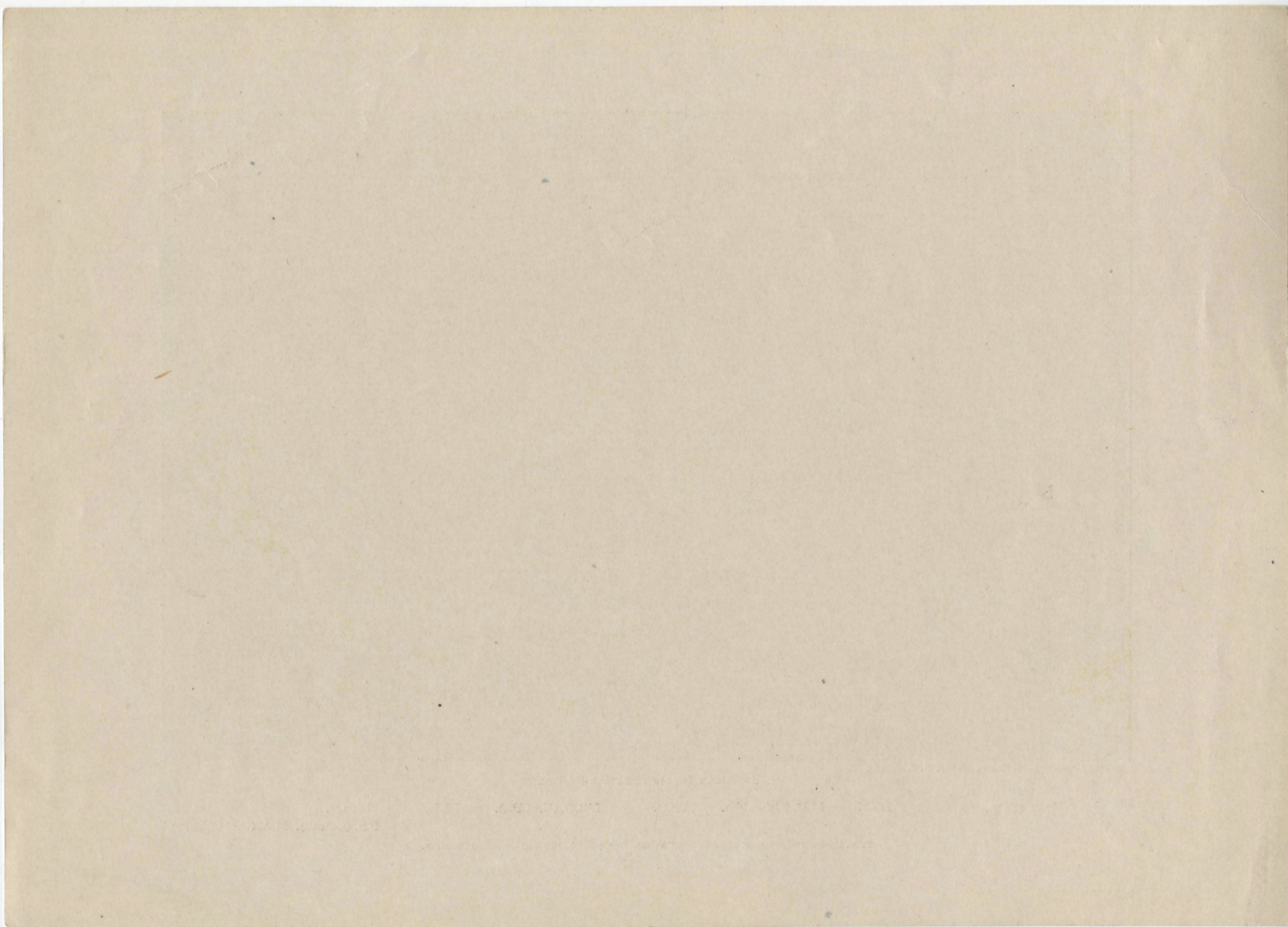
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INTERCOLLEGIATE BUREAU OF
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Leonard

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MAKERS OF
Caps, Gowns & Hoods
TO THE
AMERICAN COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES

472 - 478 BROADWAY

Albany, N.Y. Oct., 1,

Pres. Wm. R. Harper,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir,,

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Does Mr. Mallory remember?

In reply to your favor of Sept. 27 th., just received, I would say that my recollection of the conversation in which I am sure Mr. Mallory will coincide, was, that the "students outfits" mentioned in the contract, are the same as the "Bachelor's outfits" mentioned in our bill and that such outfits consisted of the plain gown with the pointed sleeves and the plain cap, and that these are further described in the contract, as the class that are rented at \$1.00 an outfit for one day, \$1.25 for two days, \$1.50 for three days and we think you will also remember that it was in consideration of the guarantee that these rates were established and in consideration of this guarantee that we had available in Chicago on the first of July, '96, the unparalleled number of 700 rental outfits, of which, only a small number were used and paid for; it was the rental of these outfits, call them "students outfits" or "Bachelor's outfits" as one likes, that we figured out in the statement sent to you and we considered that the rental of the Doctor's gowns and Master's gowns and the hoods of various kinds which we provided, had no bearing at all on the guarantee of \$500. As I recall my



42-125 Broadway

Handwritten:
Mr. Wm. H. Harper
Chicago, Ill.

Albany N.Y.

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conversation with you, I stated that we would make up the Doctor's gowns and Master's gowns and the various hoods and send them on, in such numbers as we thought best, on our own speculation, at the rental prices which we thought advisable, after conferring with you and Mr. Mallory.

It seems clear to me that the guarantee of \$500. in rentals for students outfits, even to look at the matter technically, refers only to the outfits which were rented at the prices \$1.00, \$1.25, and \$1.50 and could not possibly refer to the rentals of outfits or parts of outfits for Master's and Doctor's gowns, nor to single hoods which were rented at different prices.

Trusting that this will recall to you the understanding at the time, and awaiting your further advices, I am,

Yours very truly,

Gardner Leonard

conversation with you, I stated that we would make up the Doctor's
gown and Master's gown and the various heads and then on, in
such numbers as we thought best, on our own responsibility, at the rental
prices which we thought advisable after consulting with you and Mr.
Malory.

It seems clear to me that the question of rental in rentals for
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Respectfully,
Yours very truly,

and awaiting your further advice, I am,

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James W. Malory

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Albany, N.Y. May 6, 1898

Leonard

*What does
Mr. Mallory
say?*

Pres. W. R. Harper,

Chicago, Ill.

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Dear Sir.,

Your letter of May 3 rd., leads me to believe that you have not a copy of the contract which you offered me when I was in Chicago and that while your recollection of the matter may be perfectly fair I feel that Mr. Mallory is most unfair, ungentlemanly and unchristian-like with regard to this contract. He understood perfectly that students outfits, cap and gown, meant the simple pointed sleeved gown and plain cap which was the kind that we agreed to have 700 of on hand at your Convocation. This is further indicated by the prices mentioned in the contract which are for that class of rentals only; furthermore I have never received a word from Mr. Mallory although I wrote to him on the 2 nd. of Dec., 1897 a courteous letter asking him to personally look over my letters to you and to be frank enough to state to me over his signature his recollection of the matter; this letter I had registered and hold the receipt from the Post Office Department signed by Mr. Mallory.

I am surprised that you should take such a peculiar view of the contract if you have a copy of it, and endeavor to avoid its conditions which have been lived up to by us in a scrupulous manner. I know that you were disappointed in not having a larger number of rentals at the "Rockefeller Convocation when you estimated that you would need 700, which

we had on hand for you under the guarantee, but at which time only about 130 or 140 were used but we rendered our service and except for the contract we would have been right in *charging* at least \$700.00 for the use of the gowns at that Convocation; furthermore you agreed to the extension of the contract at an expense not to exceed \$40.00 and this extension you apparently decline to pay for although we only charged you the actual amount \$32.50.

Our case is a just one and if Mr. Mallory were put on the stand in any case in court he would have to perjure himself or else admit the terms of the contract as we have stated them. We have no way to know what you understood by the contract aside from what the contract reads but it is certain that the prices mentioned in the contract could refer but to one class of outfits and on this class of outfits we have credited up, against guarantee in the contract, every penny received in the way of rentals it being perfectly understood that all other class of goods which we were privileged to put on rental were on our own speculation independent of the contract.

I only ask what is fair in the matter; I do not find any fault with the poor returns from the Doctors and Masters gowns and of the scores of hoods of various degrees which we made up for your University, many of which have never turned in a cent of return but I do feel that I am entitled to fair treatment at your hands, the man who has been decorated with degrees in Law, Divinity and Philosophy.

I trust that you will interrogate Mr. Mallory definitely on this point if the contract which we enclose does not seem to you to be perfectly clear. It is a true copy of the one in our possession.

Yours very truly,

Garrett Leonard

CHICAGO

May 11, 1898.

My dear Dr. Harper, -

The general impression which this letter of Mr. Leonard leaves is one of warmth, not to say radiancy. It seems to be mainly concerned with his estimation of one or two men.

With reference to myself there is this much to be said:

I did receive a letter from him at about the time he mentions, did receipt for it, and never replied to it. This perhaps merits the amount of epithet which he has accumulated here. In extenuation this may be said, that immediately upon receipt of his letter I went to see Miss Cobb to secure from her the contract and other correspondence in order that I might answer his request. It was at a time when she was out of the city and Mr. Shepardson and I could not find the desired material. In the course of a few days I called again at the office, but she had not returned. After that time Mr. Leonard's letter to me dropped out of my horizon some way. It was lost or left somewhere, and as a result was never answered. This, I recognize, was an unfortunate occurrence.

Now as to my recollection of the agreement with Mr. Cotrell & Leonard. The distinct impression left upon my mind after our several talks was that the \$500. which we guaranteed was to be met by the rental of any and all furnishings which their agent should place. This impression was strengthened throughout the year by the frequent reports made by their "regularly appointed agent", Mr. Kern, as to the rate at which we were approaching the \$500. sum. There was an arrangement for an extension of time within which the \$500. might be secured. At the expiration of this extended period Mr. Kern reported that the amount of rentals exceeded our guarantee by something like \$4.00. It was his opinion, as it was

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The above sums up my impressions of the arrangement between Mr. Leonard and the University.

On the other hand, from a ^{a copy of which he herewith submits} strict interpretation of the contract, I believe we could be held for any difference between the sum received from rentals of student outfits, (cap and gown) and the \$500. guarantee, plus the sum which we agreed to pay for the extension of time in the contract.

Trusting that I have made myself clear, I remain

Very truly yours,

H. T. Mallory

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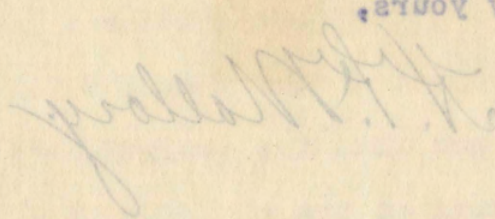
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Very truly yours,



March 27

Chicago, April 27, 1912.

Messrs. Spaulding & Co., Bros.,
332 S. Michigan Ave.,
Chicago.

Gentlemen:-

I left in your charge the other day a sample baton and asked for an estimate as to cost. Your report over the telephone I have received and wish now to order the supply of which I spoke.

Please make two (2) batons the same size as the sample with ebony shaft and gold ferrule and head. Please make also ten batons the same size as the sample with mahogany or rose-wood shaft worked up as a dark maroon color. These instead of gold should have silver ferrules and heads. The finish of the silver I am a bit uncertain about. Should it be bright or a Florentine gray in order to look well with the mahogany staff? The price of the silver batons you have already given me over the telephone. Please telephone me the price of the ebony and gold ones.

The engraving on each staff will consist of the name as given hereunder. The dates I shall have to give you later. Please do not do the engraving until you have given me an estimate of the cost of engraving also the coat of arms of the University on the

Chicago, April 27, 1938

Dear Mr. [Name]
[Address]
Chicago

Dear Sir:

I felt in your message the other day a single note and asked for an estimate as to cost. Your report near the telephone I have received and wish now to order the supply of which I spoke.

Please note two (2) before the same size as the sample with strong shell and gold handle and head. Please note also the

following the same size as the sample with strong shell and gold handle worked up as a pair of shoes. These instead of gold

should have silver handles and heads. The finish of the silver I am a bit uncertain about. Would it be bright or a duller

gray in color or just half way the silver color? The price of the silver shoes you have already given me was \$1.00.

Please estimate on the above. I would like to have the shoes made as soon as possible. The shipping charges will be added to the cost of the shoes.

Very respectfully,
[Signature]

It will be the pleasure of the company to have the shoes made as soon as possible. The shipping charges will be added to the cost of the shoes.

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head. If the coat of arms is not put on the flat surface the name can be put there. The engraving on the sample, by the way, seems to me to be old-fashioned. Will you propose another form of lettering?

- 1 Lee Wilder Maxwell
- 2 Hugo Morris Friend
- 3 John Fryer Moulds
- 4 Alvin Frederick Kramer
- 5 Winston Patrick Henry
- 6 Cyrus LeRoy Baldrige
- 7 Robert Witt Baird

Sincerely yours,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President
Secretary to the President.

DAR-D

Chicago, May 21, 1912

Messrs. Spaulding & Company,

Michigan Ave. & Van Buren St., Chicago.

Gentlemen:-

I am enclosing the design which I wish to have engraved upon the head of each baton ordered some time since. You will remember that in addition to the coat of arms, which will be engraved on the flat head, a name and date is to be engraved somewhere upon the metal. I suppose this ought to be engraved on the side. I should be glad to have your suggestion as to the best arrangement of the lettering. Please telephone me the cost of this. The first estimate was not based upon any knowledge as to the design.

Sincerely yours,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President
Secretary to the President

D.A.R. - L.

Chicago, Nov. 12, 1911

Western Publishing & Company,

251 Madison Ave., 5th Floor N.Y., Chicago.

Gentlemen:-

I am enclosing the design which I wish to have engraved

upon the head of each book ordered from this office. You will

remember that in addition to the cost of work, which will be engraved

on the flat head, a round and flat is to be engraved somewhere near

the center. I suppose this ought to be engraved on the side. I

should be glad to have your suggestion as to the best arrangement

of the lettering. Please telephone me the next of time. The

first estimate was not sent you my knowledge as to the design.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. Ransom

Manager of the

University of Chicago

Yours truly,

Chicago, May 28, 1912

Gentlemen:

With regard to the marshals' batons, please engrave the coat of arms on the back of the sample baton which was sent to you. The list of names and dates for the engravings is as follows:

Hugo Morris Friend,	1905-6
John Fryer Moulds,	1906-7
Alvin Frederick Kramer,	1907-9
Winston Patrick Henry,	1909-10
Robert Witt Baird,	1911-12
Cyrus Leroy Baldrige,	1910-11
Chester Sharon Bell,	1912-13
<i>Mrs. Maxwell</i>	<i>14-15</i>

Sincerely yours,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President
Secretary to the President.

D.A.R.-R.P.

Messrs. Spalding & Company,
Michigan Avenue,
Chicago.

Jan. 12, 1906.

*Official
Etiquette*
Mr. Edward Capps,

the University of Chicago.

My dear Mr. Capps:-

The bearers on behalf of the University Senate on Saturday and on Sunday will be Messrs. Burton, Hulbert, Judson, and Small; on behalf of the University Council, Messrs. Capps, Goodspeed, Shepardson, and Vincent. The bearers will wear dark clothes (Prince Albert coats), black ties and black gloves. Cap and gown will be worn if the weather permits; if the weather is inclement, dark overcoats and silk hats. Of course, any gentleman may, at his discretion, wear his overcoat under his gown.

Very truly yours,

Harry Pratt Judson.

Jan. 12, 1906.

Handwritten signature: J. H. Johnson

Mr. Edward Gappa,

the University of Chicago.

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Very truly yours,

John H. Johnson.

W. B. Fernald
Ch. B. Fernald

Chicago, December 20, 1912.

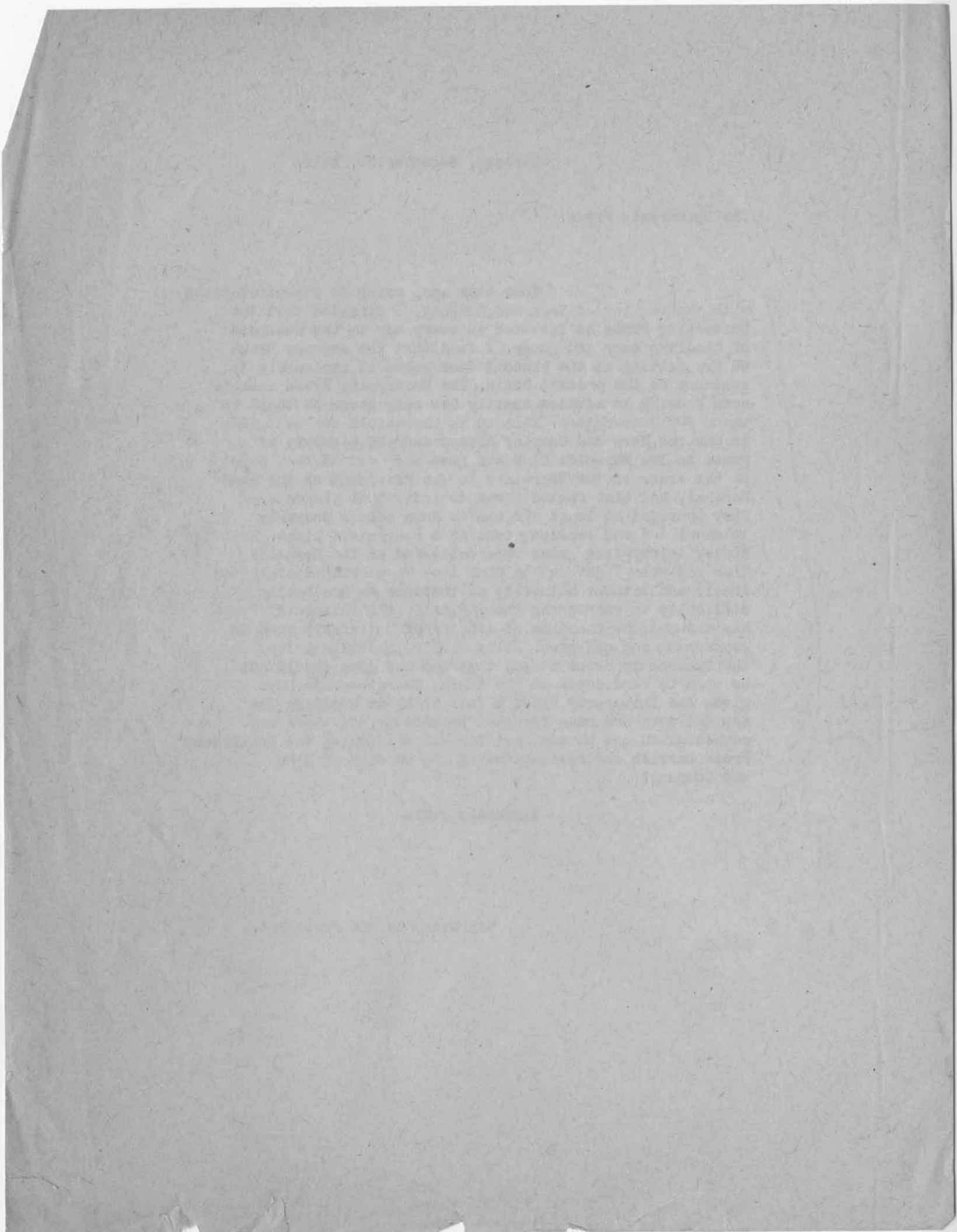
The University Press.

Some time ago, owing to dissatisfaction with the service of Kern and Company, I directed that the University Press be favoured in every way in the business of handling caps and gowns. I find that the service which we are getting at the present time makes it impossible to continue on the present basis. The University Press insists upon knowing in advance exactly how many gowns we shall be using for Convocation. This it is impossible for us to say in advance. Kern and Company always carried a supply of gowns to the Reynolds Club and gave them out at that point on the order of the Secretary to the President or the Head Marshal, and also rented gowns to individual students. They provided at least one man as gown master properly to check out and receive gowns at a convenient place. Last Sunday thirty-five gowns were delivered at the Reynolds Club and when I got to the Club they were being distributed freely and without authority so that now we are having difficulty in recovering them. Finally the University Press has assumed the position of arbiter of University customs concerning cap and gown. It is wholly impertinent for the University Press to say that cap and gown should not be worn by candidates at the Sunday Exercises. We have given the University Press a fair trial at handling the cap and gown business for the University. Is there any reason which can be advanced for not abandoning the University Press service and re-instituting the service of Kern and Company?

Sincerely yours

Secretary to the President.

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March 9, 1909

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My dear Sir:

At the University of Chicago the regulation was adopted early in the organization of the institute whereby the cap and gown became the official garment for Convocation and all public appearances, for students and professors. This regulation is as follows:

- Academic Dress*
1. On all occasions on which degrees are conferred or honors bestowed, by instructors and students participating in the exercises.
 2. At all final examinations for higher degrees, by instructors and students.
 3. At the regular Chapel Assembly, by those who conduct the service, and by the members of the Faculty in attendance.
 4. At all public lectures delivered by the instructors of the University at the University; and at public lectures delivered by instructors of the University, in such cases as the instructor may deem best.
 5. By students at all official public exhibitions.
 6. At Official University Receptions.
 7. At meetings of the University Congregation.

The regulations respecting the official dress are as follows:

1. Trustees, members of the Faculties, candidates for degrees, and all members of the University participating in official functions are authorized to wear the official dress.
2. The official dress consists of the gown, the cap, and the hood.
3. The pattern and material for gowns, caps and hoods are those usually adopted by colleges and universities.
4. The color is black.
5. For the Bachelor's and Master's degrees, the gowns are un-

trimmed. For the Doctor's degree the gown is faced down the front with black velvet, with bars of the same across the sleeves, or the facings and cross-bars may be of velvet of the same color as the binding of the edging of the hood.

6. The hood for the Doctor's or Master's degree is of the customary length, not exceeding four feet; that for the Bachelor's degree three-fourths of that length. The hood is lined with maroon. The binding or edging is not more than six inches in width, and is of silk, satin or velvet, the color distinctive of the Faculty to which the degree pertains; that is, for the Faculties of Arts, Literature and Science, white, dark blue, or yellow; for the faculty of Law, purple; for the Faculty of Medicine, green.

7. The cap is ornamented with a long tassel attached to the middle point at the top. The tassel of the Doctor's cap may be in whole or in part of gold thread.

8. Members of the Trustees are entitled during their term of office to wear the gown of highest dignity, and, if possessed of an academic degree, the hood appropriate to such a degree.

9. Members of the Faculties and persons officially connected with the University who have been recipients of academic honors from other universities or colleges in good standing may assume the corresponding academic costume as described, provided that such rights shall terminate when connection with the University ceases.

10. Instructors who have received degrees from other universities are at liberty to wear hoods lined either with the colors of the university conferring the degree, or with the maroon of the University of Chicago.

11. These regulations apply to all Bachelors, Masters and Doctors receiving degrees at Convocation, and all members of the University taking part in official celebrations. They present themselves in the cap and gown appropriate to the degree.

12. The University presents to each candidate for the Doctor's degree, duly qualified, the hood appropriate to the degree.

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I think that these regulations will answer your question of March 2nd. under paragraphs one and two.

As to your third question, the University is in no position to answer finally. The President's office is in recdpt of many requests like your own for full information concerning its regulations ~~concerning~~ official garments. All of these requests seem to indicate a desire on the part of the inquiring institute to intraduce the use of the cap and gown. There is no way of estimating, of course, the number of institutions where the cap and gown has ceased to be used, because of the conservatism of academic tradition. However, I imagine that the number of institutions in the second group is smaller than the number of those in the first group. This is merely an impression, however, based upon the presence of correspondence in the one case, and the absence of any facts in the other.

Yours very truly,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President

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Mr. Thomas F. Kane,
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UNIVERSITY STATION,

Seattle, Washington,

March 2, 1909.

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*Dad: Will you
answer for the President?*

My dear President:-

There has been for a couple of years much interest here in the question of the faculty wearing caps and gowns at commencement time. The graduating classes wear the caps and gowns and they urge the faculty almost every year to join them in this attire.

Some of the faculty are very ardent in their support of the plan, others are more or less indifferent and some are strongly opposed. I write to inquire what the custom is with you.

1. Do the members of the faculty wear the caps and gowns at the commencement exercises?

2. If the gowns are worn, is there a difference in usage among the members of the faculty in the different schools of the University?

3. Do you feel that the tendency in university customs is against the wearing of the gowns or toward the extended use of them at commencement time?

An early answer to these questions with any additional comment that you wish to volunteer will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. Kane
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The University of Minnesota

Office of the Dean of Women

June 21, 1911

Registrar of Chicago University
Chicago
Illinois



My dear Sir

Will you kindly send me a copy of any by-law or regulation of your university touching the subject of academic costume? This university is at present framing such a regulation; and the committee, of which I am secretary, is seeking precise

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Very truly yours
(Miss) Ada L. Comstock

Present address

Woorhead, Minnesota

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Chicago, June 28, 1911.

My dear Madam:-

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