

The Frances Shimer Academy
OF
The University of Chicago
Office of the Dean

Pres. W. R. Harper,

University of Chicago.

Dear Dr. Harper:-

I inclose herewith a copy of our budget for this year, as requested. You are aware, of course, that we are running under the budget in a good many items, and if there are any details that you wish with regard to the matter I will be very glad to furnish them.

Very truly yours,

P.S. We close tomorrow
Wm

Wm. Key

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rt of inquiry in the Schley case.
t against minority report of the
ough his attorneys and files a pro-
nd now comes Admiral Sampson
happiness in life.
nes Mr. and Mrs. Kessler success-
he Mirror, with the many friends,
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ly respected young lady and has
mable young man. Miss
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Wm. CARROLL, ILL., Dec. 19, 1901.

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MT. CARROLL, ILL.,

JAN 6 1902

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Dear Dr. Harper:

I have no money - Sloan
Per contra is in debt. Mother has a
little and I hope you will not refuse
this I got from Rinehart for you
This makes the \$1000- in all.

Please return notes to me

Yr
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The Standard Printing Machinery
The University of Chicago
Office of the Dean

Mr. Carroll, Ill.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the \$1000.00. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to pay the same. I am sure that you will be able to do so in the future. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. H. Carroll

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MT. CARROLL, ILL.,

DEC 30 1901

My dear Dr Goodspeed=

I do not know how Mrs Shimer could have more strongly expressed her preference for the Executors as trustees than she did, I wholly sympathize with your letter - in its spirit & in its contents. In time it may bring the result aimed at. The fact simply is that Mrs. Harren & Mrs Joy will have to give up their part of the estate - to meet your point. I do not believe they will accept the academy. I am greatly pleased that you take the stand you do.

Sincerely
Wm McKee

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MT. CARROLL, ILL.

My dear Dr. Goodspeeds

I do not know how many students
there have been who have taken the
as a matter of fact the study of
history - in the spirit of an
through the result of the fact
Hansen & others for the purpose of
to read your paper of the
accept the conclusion I am quite
stand you are

Yours truly
W. E. B. DuBois

Jan. 7th, 1902.

My dear Mr. McKee:-

Letter received. Checks all right. Many thanks. Enclosed find notes. Will explain next time I see you.

Hope you will have a good time in Lincoln Nebraska. Telegraph me, if necessary; at all events, let me hear from you very soon.

Yours very truly,

Jan. 7th, 1902.

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Yours very truly,



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OMAHA, NEB., Jan 15

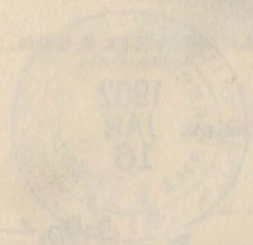
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Dear Dr. Happer -

I send this hand made copy of the Statement of the Executors today in order that you may have it at the earliest possible time.

You are the Chairman of the committee appointed to recommend to the Board a policy and I will await your action in calling a meeting of the Committee or of the Board or both.

I may add that the Conference with the Executors extended over two days and that it was



Dear Mr. [Name]
I am glad to hear that
you have made copy of the
statement of the [Name]
and in order that you
may have it at the earliest
possible time.
You are the
Chairman of the Committee
appointed to recommend
to the Board a factory and
I will send your action
in calling a meeting of
the Committee to the
Board or both.
I am very glad that
the conference with the
executives resulted so far
they were that of [Name]



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thorough and satisfactory. They are pleased with the way the academy is managed and they have no thought but to give it their heartiest support.

Miss Joy and Mrs. Sawyer believe that the Florida property is valuable, tho it is not included in the estimate. The figures in detail show over \$80000-worth of property, but Miss Joy asked us to fix it at \$70000 to be safe.

The property is now bringing in an income



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of over \$2500 a year, or 3% on \$80000.

The property includes 410 acres of Iowa land valued at \$37000⁰⁰, 100 acres of land near Mitchell valued at \$7500⁰⁰ and over \$20000 of notes and mortgages all good except possibly \$1000. The rest of the property is mainly 40 town lots in Courty La \$2000, and over 50 lots in Mitchell at say \$6000.

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 McKee

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OMAHA, NEB.

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possibly \$1500. The rest of
the property is mainly 40
favorable in country for
\$2500, and over 1000
in Witternall at \$25000.
The land was purchased by
today is very productive
and without central
Dr. Miller

copy

Lincoln Neb. Jan 14, 02

W P McKee

Dean of Francis Shimer Academy

Dear Sir:

In response to your inquiries on behalf of the Board, we would say that we do not deem it in accordance with Mrs Shimers desire that we take over the management of the Academy; neither do we believe it her desire that we transfer our trust to the Academy Board.

We do not desire to make any changes in the investments as they now are without consultation with the Board.

Our purpose is, in cooperation with the Board, to seek



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to so invest the property
as to secure the largest income
and this income we propose
to pay over to the Academy
treasurer annually to be
used as the Board of the Academy
deems fit

It is our judgment, based on
the best information we have
been able to obtain, that the
estate is worth, at a conser-
vative valuation, \$70,000.00
(Seventy thousand dollars)
outside of Florida, over
\$50,000 of which is productive,
and that the cash bequests
and debts, apart from the



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bequest for the Academy,
do not amount to more
than \$32000-

We expect to begin to
pay over to the Academy
the income on the residuary
estate as soon as the other
bequests have been paid,
and we expect that it
will be possible for us to
render the Academy sub-
stantial financial aid
for the school year ending
July 1. 1903.

In view ^{however} of the fact
that the estate will not furnish



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a sufficient endowment
for the school. It is our
hope that the Board may see
fit to take immediate
steps to ask the friends of
the school for subscriptions
of at least ten thousand
dollars to pay off the debts
of the academy

Very respectfully yours

(Signed)

Adelia C. Joy
Isabel D. Warren
Winona S. Sawyer



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Jan. 17th, 1902.

My dear Mr. McKee:-

I have received your letters and am
much obliged to you for the information. We should have a talk
some time at an early date.

Yours very truly,

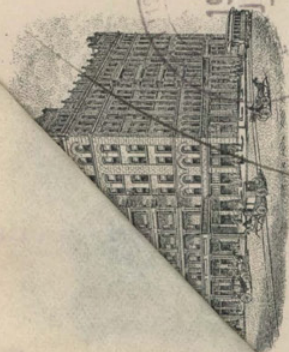
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Yours very truly,





F. J. RICHARDS,
MANAGER.

The Lincoln National Hotel Co.

OWNER.

J. E. MARKEL,
President.



Lincoln, Neb. Jan 13 1902

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Dear Dr Harper:-

The estate figures
up about eighty thousand
dollars outside Florida.
No estimate is put on
that property - the 1500 acres
or more are owned
by the estate there. There
is a farm in Iowa
of 350 acres too estimated
at \$75-\$100 an acre
and 50 town lots and
a smaller farm trade,
nearly \$20000 worth of real
estate in Carroll Co Ill and
\$20000 in notes & mortgages,
more later.

M. Kee

Here till Wednesday probably
Mell is not yet probated. Hope no contest now

1908, July

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MT. CARROLL, ILL., March 10, 1902.

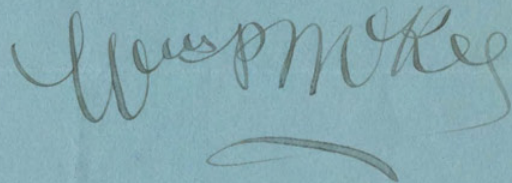
Pres. W. R. Harper,

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Dear Dr. Harper:-

Mr. Rinewalt is unwilling to sign the report presented herewith, though, as you see, Dr. Metcalf has signed it. Mr. Rinewalt is not satisfied that the best thing to do is to go on with this business when we are, as he expresses it, "hung up by the neck". He prefers not to say anything on the matter, and thinks that if the rest of the committee sign it, it will make no difference. I have not yet presented the matter to Mr. Rust and leave that for you to do, as he is the other member of the committee.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. P. M. Key", with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

The University of Chicago
525 University of Chicago
Chicago, Ill.

March 10, 1902.

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Yours truly,

W. R. Harper

Copy
Glenwood, Iowa, March, 12, 1902.

Geo. D. Adams,

President Des Moines College,

Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir:-

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Metter*

I find on examination of my will that there is no permission given me to pay bequests before my death except the bequests to my relation. However, I think I have the power to declare this bequest to the Des Moines College void in my will and proceed to make whatever donations I may see proper during my life time. In view of the great need of buildings and equipment for work at the College, I am willing to agree to give forty thousand dollars for a main administration building less five per cent. per annum on my expectancy of life from the time I pay the money, provided your gymnasium committee composed of citizens of Des Moines City shall raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the erection of a gymnasium building to be erected on the College Campus, and the College authorities shall raise ten thousand dollars for a heating and power plant and five thousand dollars for building equipments. All of these said sums amounting to forty thousand dollars, to be raised by Jan. 1, 1904, and William Atchison Jr., Simon Cassidy and P. M. Starnes shall be the auditing committee to pass on the pledges, if any, are taken in the place of cash.

And it is agreed that if the foregoing propositions are complied with on my part that the bequest to Des Moines College made in my will shall become null and void.

Yours truly,

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Glenwood, Iowa, March 18, 1902.

Geo. D. Adams,

President Des Moines College,

Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir:-

Yours 8th to hand. I have been at a loss to know just how to fix this matter but have written out a paper which will cover the ground because when I give a certain pledge to furnish a certain amount of money by a certain time the bequest in the will must be cancelled. I don't want two obligations out for the same thing, and when you folks are sure of doing your part, I shall be willing to make my part an assured fact. This last proposition is a big benefit to the College over the bequest in the will in this:

Firstly, the bequest is one of the last to be paid.

Secondly, it is not to be paid until after my death.

Thirdly, there is a law now forbids any one from giving more than twenty-five per cent of his estate to corporations organized not for pecuniary benefit. This means schools, colleges, societies and benevolent corporations, and my bequest including the bequest to D.C. will far exceed twenty-five per cent of my estate. We have arranged in the will to get around this law, but may not succeed.

This I now write you for your benefit to be kept quiet, but you can readily see how much better it would be to have this matter have no connection with the will.

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MT. CARROLL, ILL.,

April 3, 1902.

Pres. W. R. Harper,

University of Chicago.

Dear Dr. Harper:-

If you will sign and return inclosed note together with
check for \$60.00, interest due, I will cancel and return to you the old
note now due.

Yours truly,

*Miss C. H.
Have Papa
sign note please
S. H.*

W. R. Miller
Shannon

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Mt. Carmel, Ill.

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W. R. Harper
John D. Jones
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April 18th, 1902.

Dean W. P. McKee,

Mt. Carroll, Illinois.

My dear Brother McKee:

What did you say to me? Will
you ever say it again? Don't you think you owe me
an apology?

Will you kindly sign the enclosed receipt
for Pass #8729, and forever after "hold your peace"?

Yours most sincerely and affectionately,

April 18th, 1902.

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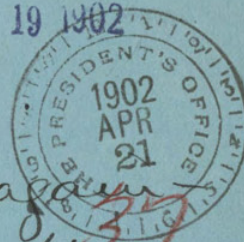
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Dear Dr Harper =

I will never do it again
if you will forgive me this time.
I am certainly beaten - I didn't
think you would get it. I make
full confession. I'll try hard to
be good hereafter.

I feel so large with
my new pasteboard - as tho
I had inherited an estate.

Now if I use it going
to Chicago weekly to pester you
for a better job - you will
wish you had never got it
for me. I'll try to keep still - at
least for a time! With many many
thanks and much love

Pres Harper

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MT. CARROLL, BC, APR. 1902



Dear Dr. Thompson
I have been so busy lately
if you will forgive me this time
I am certainly broken - I didn't
think you would get it. I wish
full confession. I'll try hard to
be good hereafter.
I feel so large with
my new perspective on the
I had submitted my notes
that I was I don't
to be sure, especially to Father for
for a better job you will
look you had never got it
for some all for keep still - at
last for a time. This means in any
that he could & would do
Yours truly
W. H. C.

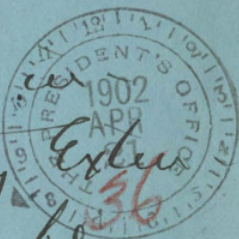
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MT. CARROLL, ILL., APR 19 1902

Dr. Harper

The local trustees are
clined to take up the University
iron work next year. Would it be
reasonable for us to ask a reduction
from the regular rate was much
as the Academy will have to assume
the responsibility if it is done? If so
what?

M. K. Lee



The Francis & Taylor Bookbinding
The University of Chicago
Office of the Dean

MT. CARROLL, ILL., APR 18 1903

Dr. Harper
The local trustees are
pleased to take up the University
from week to week. I have at the
present for you a selection
from the papers and manuscript
as the trustees will have to examine
the responsibility of it. I have
attached
Yours truly
W. H. C.