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Dear President Harper

Dean Capps tells me that the group of students, who objected so seriously, not long ago, to continuing their work under Mr. Philip S. Allen, have reported to the office, through one of their own number, that they now like their instructor (Allen) so well that they wish they might study under his direction during the coming quarter. This is certainly a complete vindication of my position in the matter, as defined in the presence of yourself and of Deans Capps and Mac Clintock, and ought to be borne in mind in adjusting similar situations in the future.

ON

Yours faithfully,

Starr Willard Cutting

12/13/1898.

12/18/1894

Allen

The Students in the second class in Elementary German wish to express their appreciation of Dr Allen as a teacher. Now that the Quarter draws to a close they desire it to be known how much they have enjoyed the most instructive and interesting work done with Dr Allen, + his unfailing courtesy and patience have made the two hours a day a real pleasure. The students hope that if it is possible they may continue their study with Dr Allen.-

Edith Palmer Smith
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The University of Chicago.

Dr. W. R. Harper,
Pres't, The University of Chicago.

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My dear Sir;-

A little over a year ago, on accepting an Assistantship in German for one year, I was told that on completion of one year's satisfactory teaching I would be given an associateship in German at $1000.

Knowing that the schedule of next year's classes is now made out, knowing that my instruction has been satisfactory to the German dept., & not having had definite word from you in the interval, I would esteem it a favor to hear from you at your early convenience regarding my possible continuance in the university as a modest member of its teaching staff.

Please excuse the necessity which prompts this letter & believe me

Yours very truly

Philip S. Allen

Feb. 3, 1900.

Sept. 2nd, 1902.

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612 West 60th Place
Chicago

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It is my wish to lay my plans somewhat before you in the near future. I should not desire, that is, to commit myself finally in the matter, until I had seen you. Could you find it in your convenience and pleasure to give me an early appointment?

Sincerely yours,

Philip S. Allen.

August 30th, 1902.

612 West 60th Place
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Sincerely yours,

Charles Scott.

August 30th, 1902.

October 24th, 1902.

My dear Mr. Allen:-

I have your letter of October 22nd. I appreciate thoroughly your position, and join with you in the understanding that you will go ahead in your work for the Journal irrespective of the promotion. I understand, of course, that it would hardly be right for you to accept the managing editorship permanently unless the University should express its appreciation of the fact. You will believe me when I say that at the proper time this matter will be given full consideration.

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October 24th, 1902.

Mr. Philip Allen

The University of Chicago

President William R. Harper,
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My dear Dr. Harper:-

I think you understood that the other matter I wished to speak about last evening was my appointment to an assistant professorship. I believe I should receive such appointment for two reasons:

1). As editor of the Journal it would be advisable for me to have a rank which denoted a more permanent connection with the University than my present one does.

2). As editor of the Journal I should have to give up at once much of the outside business which has hitherto yielded me the major part of my income.

I wish to know your decision in this matter of promotion very soon, of course, but wish you distinctly to understand that I shall go ahead to do what I can for the Journal for some time, irrespective of how you may decide as to the promotion. Only, I should not feel justified in accepting the managing editorship permanently.

Yours very truly,

Philip Allen

October 22, 1902.

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MODERN PHILOLOGY

February 21st, 1903.

My dear Mr. Allen:-

Your letter of February 17th is at hand. I have conferred with Mr. Miller, and we approve the poposition to made the advertising of Modern Phology separate. There seem to be good reasons for this. I am glad to know that everything is moving on satisfactorily.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

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My dear Dr. Harper:-

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My dear Dr. Harper:-

I have urged Mr. Newman Miller very strongly to treat the advertising pages of Modern Philology as a proposition entirely separate from the advertising of any other journal or journals.

My reason for this is purely a financial one. It looks now as if I could secure not less than six pages of advertising for the first (June) issue of Modern Philology at an average price of $15 a page. I can do better than this in future issues, if I have a free hand. I do not now see why our estimate of $350 for the year's advertising can not be slightly exceeded. If our newest venture is put in with the general combination of University journals we shall lose at least $250 by it.

The sky is all blue ahead of us. We have already 100 subscribers, more good material than we can possibly print in our first two issues, and everybody's good-will (except Mr. Wheeler's).

Sincerely yours,

Philip S. Allen

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President William R. Harper,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Sir:-

Pursuant to your expressed desire to be informed of the outcome of my conversation with Mr. Jenkins I enclose you letter from him received today. May I beg for its immediate return?

Mr. Carpenter has answered the Kittredge letter which I presented to you yesterday in such a way that the troubled waters will be smoothed.

I would add a word in justice to Mr. Jenkins. His behavior in this unpleasant matter has been more than admirable, and, had it not been for his one unfortunate indiscretion, I should have been most sorry to permit of his retirement from the board. He will continue on his own suggestion to referee the contributions in Romance Philology which come to us, but without publishment of the fact.

This letter will require no answer unless you should care to comment upon my treatment of this case.

Sincerely yours,

Philip S. Allen

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President William R. Harper,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Sir:-

The first number of the quarterly journal, Modern Philology, to appear June 1, 1903, is now in type. Nearly two hundred subscribers have already been secured, advertising matter is being arranged for (eight publishing houses have taken a page each at $15 a page), and the editors have received over three hundred letters from University scholars at home and abroad promising cordial interest and co-operation.

Under these circumstances and at this time, therefore, it seems wise to convey to you the clear outlines which the University plan to stimulate scholarship in modern languages through the medium of Modern Philology has assumed.

The undertaking is a more complete success than was remotely guessed at the moment of its inception. Studies of excellent character and wide scope in the field of English, Germanic, Romance and Celtic investigation, as well as of Comparative Literature and Culture History, have appeared in a very flood. Such of this material as was not of compelling importance has been regularly rejected, but the large residuum of the best work which the country has had to offer us is now at our office awaiting the compositor. At the lowest estimate for the first volume, after the policy of rigid exclusion of second-best material has been pursued, not

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less than EIGHT HUNDRED PRINTED PAGES will be required to carry and present what is absolutely essential.

Contributions have already reached us from widely-known specialists in England, Germany and France. It now seems as if it would be given us at The University of Chicago to establish the first really international journal devoted to research in the modern literary and linguistic field. The opportunity is great and the present moment is in more than one way decisive of the good future which awaits our effort.

The new estimated expenditure which I should gladly have you consider in the light of the foregoing is as follows:

800 pages at $2.50 a page.....	$2,000.00
other expenses.....	500.00
	$2,500.00

Instead of the estimate previously rendered which was:

600 pages at $2.50 a page.....	$1,500.00
other expenses.....	500.00
	$2,000.00

An INCREASE over expenditures previously considered: $500.00

I call your attention, Sir, to the fact that this Journal stands alone among the University periodicals in this country in covering THE WHOLE MODERN FIELD. Four great departments of The University of Chicago (representing numerically one-seventh of the total registration) contribute to it. It is a type and symbol of the new birth of University effort in Modern Language throughout the country.

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It is by no means improbable that the receipts of Modern Philology will considerably exceed the first estimate, as well as its expenditures. Fifteen Hundred Dollars are already assured us, divided as follows:

300 subscribers at $3.00.....	$900.00
advertisements.....	400.00
dissertations.....	200.00
	$1,500.00

And the better the journal can be made, the larger its scope, the wider its treatment-- the greater subscription list will it surely attain. Attention is called to this item for in the last analysis it represents the real strength of any such special undertaking. A total of seven hundred paid subscribers is not too large for a future volume of Modern Philology to secure, and this list will bring a steady income of $2,100.00 from a single source. Such an estimate may be deemed conservative because the width of field occupied by this journal makes it attractive, even

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necessary to an exceptionally large body of University and College men. It is no idle prophecy to say that Modern Philology may look forward to a near future when it shall require no subvention of any kind to assist it in the perfecting of its work.

This presentation of the immediate need of a slightly larger working capital that Modern Philology may successfully cope with the pleasant situation which confronts it has seemed to me imperative. I sincerely hope that you will find a way to authorize the suggested increased expenditure of Five Hundred Dollars.

I am, my dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

Philip Schuyler Allen

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President William R. Harper,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Sir:-

Referring to the question of my salary as Assistant Professor of German and to the amount of my University service I would say that I should like to teach full time (nine months a year) and receive full salary. The reason why I can afford to do this is that I have now saved up seven months of vacation credit which I intend to devote largely to the editing of Modern Philology. If I should teach only two-thirds time as is suggested in the contract which reached me recently from the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, I should then only need to devote two months work to my University teaching during the coming year, July 1-1903 June 30-1904, which I think you will agree would be very undesirable.

May I hope to hear from you soon with regard to this matter? I have written Mr. Goodspeed that the decision of the amount of teaching and salary under my new appointment is being considered by you.

Very truly yours,

Philip S. Allen

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President W. R. Harper,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Sir:-

With regard to the matter of exchanges of Modern Philology, mentioned in your recent note to me - I shall be very glad to act in accordance with the precedent already established by the other University journals. To this end I shall take the matter up at once with Mr. Newman Miller.

Sincerely yours,

D.

Philip S. Allen

PHILIP SCHUYLER ALLEN
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May 6th, 1903.

My dear Mr. Allen:-

I am in receipt of your letter of April 29th with the questions and facts stated. I thank you, and will be able to communicate with you at an early date.

Yours very truly,

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President William R. Harper,

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My dear Sir:-

Herewith I submit report of the two meetings of the Fraternity Committee of Twelve which you desired me to call. An exact copy of enclosed report I am sending in this mail to Mr. McLaury, Chairman of Committee; another copy to Professor F. F. Abbott, the Quadrangle Club.

The form of certain questions might be clearer and the English employed in them better, but I have purposely refrained from alteration of any kind that I might not be suspected of tampering.

If you wish me to act further in the matter I shall be at your service at any time.

Very truly yours,

Philip S. Allen

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November 4th, 1903.

Mr. Philip S. Allen,

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My dear Sir:-

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I am sure that you will carry out the request made in our last interview to present to me as early as possible the business statement which you yourself will vouch for as to the expenses of the journal for the present year and the amount of

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The University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois
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University of Chicago, City.

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My dear Dr. Harper:

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If you have occasion or desire to let me present the details of this proposal to you I should gladly hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

D.

Philip S Allen

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Pres. Wm. R. Harper,

City.

My dear Dr. Harper:-

I am, of course, much pleased to learn of your action regarding the deficit of Modern Philology and shall be glad to look after the $200 as you suggest.

There is no reason why the journal ever needs to have a dollar deficit again in case you are able, as I hope you will be, to add $500 to the present subvention. I have a asked for an appointment with you and want to talk the future of the journal over with you as soon as possible.

Please accept my thanks for the decided personal interest you have manifested regarding Modern Philology. Without your constant help I should have been in bad case indeed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Philip S. Allen.

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July 19, 1905.

My dear Mr. Allen:-

Mr. Miller has notified me of the situation in reference to Modern Philology. I think you will agree that I did my part in clearing away over $1,300 of the debt, and that we shall be, so far as the past is concerned, in good shape when you are able to pick up the $200 remaining. The question comes up now as to the present year, and I think we ought to consider that very seriously. One thing is certain. We must not let ourselves get into this shape again.

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