

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

June 7, 1915.

The Board of Trustees,

The University of Chicago,

Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

Will the University of Chicago accept long-time bonds of a total par value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), payable from taxes, with power of sale if deemed necessary to prevent ultimate loss, for the following described purposes, and with the privilege to my wife or myself of at any time adding on the same terms and for the same purposes to said sum:

First. To pay the interest or income from said bonds or from the proceeds of said bonds, as the same may accrue and be collected, to me, Jesse L. Rosenberger, during the remainder of my life, which payments may be made by checks to my order, sent to the addresses from time to time furnished therefor, proper indorsements of which checks shall be deemed sufficient receipts. And should my wife, Susan E. Rosenberger, survive me, such payments shall be made to her, or to her order, or for her use and benefit, during the full period of her survivorship, or the remainder of her life.

Second. After the death of the survivor of us and the proper discontinuance of such payments, said principal sum represented by the principal of said bonds or the proceeds and reinvestments thereof, shall be used for the endowment and maintenance, in perpetuity, of what shall be known as the

"Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund." The income only of this fund shall ever be used, and then only to provide, from time to time, at, or in connection with, the University of Chicago, of what shall be known as the "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures," or for the publication, or to aid in the publication, of such of said lectures as it may be deemed best to preserve and give circulation in book form, mention to be made that they are published by, or with the aid of, the "Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund."

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Will the University of Chicago accept long-time bonds of a total
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sults: ~~and with the privilege of selling the bonds at any time at the~~
adding on the same terms and for the same purposes to said sum:
First. To pay the interest on income from said bonds or from the proceeds
of said bonds, as the same may accrue and be collected, to me, Isaac E. Rosen-
berger, during the remainder of my life, which payments may be made by checks
to my order, sent to the address from time to time furnished hereafter, prop-
erly indorsed of which checks shall be deemed sufficient receipts. And
should my wife, Susan E. Rosenberger, survive me, such payments shall be made
to her, or to her order, or for her use and benefit, during the full period
of her survivorship, or the remainder of her life.
Second. After the death of the survivor of us and the power herein-
before granted, said principal and interest shall be paid to the trustees of
said bonds or the proceeds and reinvestments thereof, shall be used for the
endowment and maintenance, in perpetuity, of what shall be known as the
"Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund." The income only of this fund shall ever
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the aid of, the "Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund."

It is desired that the "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures" shall be of as distinct an individuality and forceful a character as they may practicably be made, and, above all, as beneficial as possible to the University, and, through it, to the world, especially adding to the sum of practical human knowledge and aiding with the more vital problems of human life. To this end, they would perhaps best be kept in the field of sciences relating to human society and welfare, the particular topics to be determined by the Board of Trustees from time to time. To give the lectures persons of eminence in scholarship or other respects making them authorities on their respective subjects should be chosen.

Any income, or portions of income, from this endowment, not used for "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures," or in the publication thereof, shall be added to the principal of the endowment, and the latter may be permitted to grow to any extent desired. It is also suggested that, so far as may be deemed practicable and wise, any proceeds received from any of the lectures or their publication may well be added, either to the principal of the endowment, or to the usable income thereof, as may be preferred.

This endowment my wife, Susan E. Rosenberger (nee Susan E. Colver, a graduate of the old University of Chicago, class of 1882), and I wish to make, and, in doing it, to associate with our family name that of Mrs. Rosenberger's father, the late Reverend Charles K. Colver (1821-1896), a Baptist minister of exceptionally strong character, deep scholarship, profound convictions, and much ability, yet very simple and sincere in his life, who was also an earnest promoter of sound education, and made the first subscription to the fund for the establishment of the present University of Chicago. He was a son of the Reverend Nathaniel Colver, D. D., (1794-1870), who was the first theological professor in the old University of Chicago and one of the founders of, and the first instructor for, what has now become the Divinity School.

Yours very respectfully,

Countersigned:

Susan E. Rosenberger.

Jesse L. Rosenberger.

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2000 Lake View Avenue, Chicago
June 1, 1917

The Board of Trustees,
The University of Chicago.

Dear Sirs:

With the University of Chicago's record of a total new value of one thousand dollars (\$10,000) payable from taxes, with power of sale if deemed necessary to prevent ultimate loss for the following described property, and with the right of appeal to the State of Illinois in the event of a sale, I am sure that the same property is well worth

First. To pay the interest on income from said bonds or from the proceeds of said bonds, as the same may accrue and be collected, to Mr. James L. Rosenberger, during the remainder of my life, which payments may be made by check to my order, sent to the address from time to time furnished to the proper authorities of which address shall be deemed sufficient. And should my wife, Susan L. Rosenberger, survive me, such payments shall be made to her, or to her executors, or her assigns and heirs, during the full period of her survivorship, or the remainder of her life.

Second. After the death of the survivor of us and the proper administration of such payments, said principal and interest shall be paid to the principal of said bonds or the proceeds and reinvestments thereof, shall be paid for the remainder and maintenance in perpetuity, of what shall be known as the "Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund." The income only of this fund shall ever be used, and then only to provide, from time to time, an orator in connection with the University of Chicago, or what shall be known as the Colver-Rosenberger Professor, or for the publication, or to aid in the publication of any of said lectures as it may be deemed best to preserve and give circulation in form, mention to be made that they are published by, or with the aid of, the "Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund."

It is desired that the "Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund" shall be of an intimate and individual character as far as possible to the University, and throughout its history, especially during the time of national human progress and with the new vital problems of human life. To this end, they would perhaps best be kept in the field of sciences relating to human society and welfare, the particular topics to be determined by the Board of Trustees from time to time. To give the Lecture Fund an emphasis in scholarship or other respects making them attractive to their respective subjects should be desired.

Any income, or portions of income, from this endowment not used for "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures," or in the publication thereof, shall be added to the principal of the endowment and the latter may be permitted to grow to any extent desired. It is also suggested that, so far as may be deemed practicable and wise, any proceeds received from any of the lectures or their publication may well be added, either to the principal of the endowment, or to the usable income thereof, as may be preferred.

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It is requested that either no publicity be given now, if accepted, or at least none associating the names of the founders with the amount and personal provisions.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) Jesse L. Rosenberger

Countersigned: Susan E. Rosenberger

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This endowment my wife, Susan E. Rosenberger (nee Susan E. Colver, a graduate of the old University of Chicago, class of 1887), and I wish to make, and in doing so, we associate with our family name that of Mrs. Rosenberger's father, the late Reverend Daniel Colver (1811-1887), a 1841's minister of exceptionally strong character, deep scholarship, profound conviction, and much ability, yet very simple and sincere in his life, who was also an earnest promoter of sound education, and made the first subscription to the fund for the establishment of the present University of Chicago. He was the son of the Reverend Nathaniel Colver, D.D., (1794-1870), who was the first theological professor in the old University of Chicago and one of the founders of, and the first instructor for, what has now become the Divinity School.

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Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) Jesse L. Rosenberger

Counter-signed: Susan E. Rosenberger

Chicago, February 25, 1915

Dear Mr. Dickerson:-

Herewith I am returning the material with regard to the proposed Rosenberger gift. I should suggest either:

1. That the fund be designated to the Board of Trustees as a gift for the endowment of a fellowship, with the preference expressed in the letter of gift that such fellowship be placed in the Divinity School, preferably in the field of religious education. This would not tie it up for all time, in case in the process of years it might seem better to devote it to some other field. Or,

2. That the fund be used for the purchase of books for the library in a designated field in the Divinity School.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

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The University is fortunate in that it has friends who have given large amounts for its founding; there are also those whose generosity is shown by gifts of smaller amounts and these equally exemplify their thoughtfulness and their high regard for the University and its ideals.

One of this latter class of gifts is the series of donations recently made by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rosenberger. Mrs. Rosenberger is a graduate of the old University of Chicago in the Class of 1882, while the former was also a student of the same historic institution.

The first of their gifts consisted of real estate in Chicago, the proceeds of the sale of which is to create the Nathaniel Colver Lectureship and Publication Fund. The income from the fund is to be used for lectures to be given from time to time by eminent scholars on religious, biblical, moral, sociological or other vital subjects.

The second gift established the Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund, its purpose being to provide lectures that shall add to the sum of practical human knowledge and aid in the solution of the more vital problems of human life.

The third gift provided for the Colver-Rosenberger Fellowship, the income of which is to be used to stimulate students to noble and unselfish studies and endeavors for the benefit of mankind. The fourth gift doubled the amount of the fund in the Colver-Rosenberger Fellowship, while the fifth founded a scholarship which is to be awarded in such branch of the field of knowledge touching the relations and welfare of human society as seems to have the most important bearing on the dominant problems of the times.

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Dear Dr. Judson:

I am sending to you herewith ~~a paragraph~~ ^{a few paragraphs} concerning the Colver-Rosenberger gifts which you doubtless can so alter as to make ~~it~~ ^{them} suitable for your purposes:

The University is fortunate in that it has ~~not only~~ ^{friends who have} given ~~re~~ ^{shown} large amounts ~~but~~ ^{for its founding; there are also} those whose generosity is ~~exemplified~~ ^{and these, too, equally,} by gifts ~~which although~~ ^{or} of small amounts ~~not only~~ ^{exemplify} their generosity, ~~but their~~ thoughtfulness and their high regard for the University and its ideals.

One of this ~~class~~ ^{latter} of gifts is the series of donations ~~made~~ ^{recently} by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rosenberger. Mrs. Rosenberger is a graduate of the old University of Chicago in the ~~Class~~ ^{Class} of 1882 while the former was also a student of the same historic ~~school~~ ^{institution}.

The first of the ~~in~~ ^{is} gifts consisted ~~of a conveyance~~ ^{ed} of real estate in ~~the city of~~ Chicago, ~~the appraised value of which is~~ ^{\$4,000} dollars, the proceeds of the sale of which is to create the Nathaniel Colver Lectureship and Publication Fund. The income ~~from~~ ^{the fund is} ~~from which is~~ ^{for} to be used ~~to defray the expenses of the Nathaniel Colver~~ Lectures to be given from time to time by ~~persons of~~ eminent scholarship on religious, biblical, moral, sociological or other vital subjects.

The second gift ~~created~~ ^{established provided} the Colver-Rosenberger ^{ger} Lecture Fund, ~~the~~ ^{its} purpose ~~of this fund~~ being to provide lectures that shall ~~be of~~ ^{distinct individuality and forceful character,} adding to the sum of practical human knowledge and aiding ~~in the solution of~~ ^{in the solution of} the more vital problems of human life.

Dear Dr. Hudson:

I am sending to you herewith a check concerning the Colver-Rosenberger gifts which you doubtless can see after as to make it suitable for your purposes:

The University is fortunate in that it has received gifts of large amounts and those whose generosity is exemplified by gifts of small amounts, and their high regard for the University and its ideals.

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~~blems of human life.~~

The fourth gift ^{doubled} ~~duplicated~~ the amount of the fund in the
Colver-Rosenberger Fellowship, while the fifth ^{founded} ~~is~~ a scholarship
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Very truly,
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Very truly,
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2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
March 15, 1915.

The Board of Trustees,
The University of Chicago.

Gentlemen:

My wife, Susan E. Rosenberger, formerly Susan E. Colver, a graduate of the old University of Chicago, Class of 1882, and I, Jesse L. Rosenberger, are executing to The University of Chicago a deed to the old Colver Homestead, in Chicago, described as:

Lots 20, 21, 22 and 23, in Block 2, in University Subdivision of that part of the South half of North East fractional quarter lying West of Cottage Grove Avenue of Section 34, T. 39 N., R. 14 E. of the 3rd P. M., in Cook County, Illinois.

This we take pleasure in doing for the purpose of endowing, with the proceeds of said property, together with such income therefrom and other funds as your Board may at any time think best to add thereto, a Nathaniel Colver Lectureship and Publication Fund, to be permanently maintained, the income from which, or any portion thereof not added to the principal, to be used to defray the expenses of lectures or lecture courses, to be known as the "Nathaniel Colver Lectures," to be given from time to time by persons of eminent scholarship or other special qualifications, on religious, biblical, moral, sociological, or other vital subjects, and to be delivered preferably in, or in connection with the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, but at the discretion of your Board in, or in connection with, any department of the University; or portions of such available income, instead of being used to pay for lectures, may, from time to time, be used, when deemed best, to publish, or assist in the publication, in book form, of any of said lectures previously delivered.

But any of the net income from said endowment not used for lectures or the publication thereof shall, together with any of the proceeds of said lectures or their publication which your Board may allow, be added to the principal of the endowment, which may be permitted to grow to any size that your Board may deem best. And should said property be maintained or developed, or any portion of said endowment be invested, in conjunction with other funds, the proportion of principal or income to be allotted to this endowment may be determined by your Board.

Mrs. Rosenberger is a granddaughter of the Reverend Nathaniel Colver, D. D. (1794-1870), whose name it is hereby desired to honor, and who, it may perhaps here properly be recalled, was a noted Baptist divine and abolitionist, who was in various ways interested, and aided, in the founding of the Baptist Union Theological Seminary, now the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, as well as the first theological professor in the old University of Chicago and first teacher for the Seminary, and later did the actual work in founding what became the Richmond Theological Seminary and became afterwards a fundamental part of what is now the Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Rosenberger and I hope that you will accept this deed and endowment, and make of the latter as much as possible.

Countersigned:

Susan E. Rosenberger.

Yours very respectfully,

Jesse L. Rosenberger

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Chicago, December 3, 1918.

Dr. J. Spencer Dickerson,
Secretary of ~~The~~ Board of Trustees
of The University of Chicago,
~~Chicago, Illinois.~~

~~My dear Doctor Dickerson:~~

It is with a heavy heart that I hereby notify
you of the death of my wife, Susan E. Rosenberger, on
November 19, 1918.)

(As you know, she was Susan Esther Colver,
a graduate of the old University of Chicago, Class of
1882, daughter of Reverend Charles Kendrick Colver,
and granddaughter of Nathaniel Colver, D.D., whose
names will be connected, in time, with lectures, etc.,
which she and I provided for ultimately at The University
of Chicago.

~~But please publish nothing of this.~~

~~Very respectfully yours,~~

Jesse L. Rosenberger.

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Dr. J. Spencer Dickinson,
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Chicago, Illinois.

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of Chicago.

But please hold no mourning.

Very respectfully yours,

James L. Rosenberger

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

April 17, 1917.

Dr. J. S. Dickerson,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Dickerson:

We are very glad indeed to know that the painting is liked at Hitchcock Hall. Please consider that it comes from Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rosenberger, and not from me alone, as I believe I omitted to mention. Moreover, we would like to have you feel that it was intended as an expression of appreciation to the Head of the Hall for much consideration shown us.

(This requires no answer.)

With many thanks to you for what you have done for us, and with the best wishes of us both for the success of the great work in which you are engaged, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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Sincerely yours,

Jesse L. Rosenberger

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
March 31, 1917.

Dr. J. Spencer Dickerson,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Doctor Dickerson:

It was a happy surprise to us, when we saw in the Annual Register for 1915-1916 what you so kindly said, on page 10, under the heading of "SPECIAL LECTURES," about those which we were permitted to found. We never expected to see any advance notice of them; and the notice given was much better than any we could have looked for, if any had been anticipated. To suggest the slightest change seems arrogant presumption, and yet I did that very thing yesterday, and you took it so kindly that I am going to communicate, for what it may be deemed worth, a thought or two occurring to me since then.

How would it be to make the contemplated change in the second sentence of the first notice read:

"It is a memorial to Mrs. Rosenberger's grandfather, Dr. Nathaniel Colver, a noted Baptist divine and abolitionist...."

the new matter being underscored here simply to distinguish it? It seems to me that this is a little more compact than what was decided on yesterday, and so will at least save a little space. But as you marked it yesterday it is all right, unless you yourself think that this suggestion of further reflection is an improvement.

Again, how would you favor an insertion, as below, in the second notice, the new matter being likewise indicated here by underscoring?

"The Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund was given by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rosenberger, in part to honor the memory of the latter's father, Rev. Charles K. Colver, a man of rare character and scholarship. The income from this fund,...."

Or perhaps you can improve on this; and, if desired, either notice or both might be shortened in some other respect to make room for this or similar additional matter, which it seems to us might be a beneficial addition, if practicable to be made, which, of course, we gladly leave entirely to your good judgment.

We are interestedly waiting to hear the result of your interview with Dr. Judson about the prize or medal matter. If it is not wise and desirable, of course we want to know it. As I explained yesterday, we were not looking at this time for a place for money. Least of all did we see how we could do anything that we would like to do for the medical school, as much as we rejoice in the prospect of its being established. Between that and anything but the prize or medal project (if pronounced good), we think that it would be better if we could add a thousand dollars to the principal of The Colver-Rosenberger Scholarship Fund. I would like to explain further that my idea of a medal was something more like what I believe is called The Helen Culver Medal, given at infrequent intervals by the Chicago Geographical Society, to such persons as Peary, Amundsen, etc., if I remember rightly; but covering a much wider field, and which might be alternated with the cash prize, as circumstances might suggest.

Thanking you for whatever you may do, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Jesse L. Rosenberger.

P.S. Have just received copy of letter to Mr. Linn. It is splendid. I hope that it may do much good. I thank you for sending me the copy. J.L.R.

8 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
March 21, 1917.

Dr. J. Spencer Dickerson,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Doctor Dickerson:

It was a happy surprise to me, when we saw in the Annual Register for 1916-1917 what you so kindly said, on page 10, under the heading of "SPECIAL LECTURES," about those which we were permitted to found. We never expected to see any advance notice of them; and the notice given was much better than any we could have looked for, if any had been anticipated. To suggest the slightest change seems arrogant presumption, and yet I did that very thing yesterday, and you took it so kindly that I am going to communicate, for what it may be deemed worth, a thought or two occurring to me since then.

How would it be to make the contemplated change in the second sentence of the first notice read:

"It is a memorial to Mrs. Rosenberger's grandfather, Dr. Nathaniel Colver, a noted Baptist divine and abolitionist...."

The new matter being underscored here simply to distinguish it? It seems to me that this is a little more compact than what was decided on yesterday, and so will at least save a little space. But as you marked it yesterday it is all right, unless you yourself think that this suggestion of further reflection is an improvement.

Again, how would you favor an insertion, as below, in the second notice, the new matter being likewise indicated here by underlining?

"The Colver-Rosenberger Lecture Fund was given by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rosenberger, in part to honor the memory of the latter's father, Rev. Charles K. Colver, a man of rare character and scholarship. The income from this fund...."

Or perhaps you can improve on this; and, if desired, either notice or both might be shortened in some other respect to make room for this or similar additional matter, which it seems to me might be a beneficial addition, if practicable to be made, which, of course, we gladly leave entirely to your good judgment.

We are interestedly waiting to hear the result of your interview with Dr. Judson about the prize or medal matter. If it is not wise and desirable, of course we want to know it. As I explained yesterday, we were not looking at this time for a place for money. Least of all did we see how we could do anything that we would like to do for the medical school, as much as we rejoice in the prospect of its being established. Between that and anything but the prize or medal project (if pronounced good), we think that it would be better if we could add a thousand dollars to the principal of the Colver-Rosenberger Scholarship Fund. I would like to explain further that my idea of a medal was something more like what I believe is called The Helen Colver Medal, given at frequent intervals by the Chicago Geographical Society, to such persons as Perry, Amundsen, etc., if I remember rightly; but covering a much wider field, and which might be alternated with the cash prize, as circumstances might suggest.

Thanking you for whatever you may do, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Jesse L. Rosenberger

P.S. Your first revised copy of letter to the fund is splendid. I hope it may be much more than a suggestion.

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

November 9, 1916.

Dr. J. Spencer Dickerson,
Secretary, The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear doctor Dickerson:

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We have been keenly disappointed in the apparent shrinkage of the value of the Thirty-fifth property, but we hope that in the good business hands which it now is it may before a great while be made to realize a reasonable sum for "The Nathaniel Colver Lectureship and Publication Fund," so that the lectureship may be inaugurated.

Again thanking you for your kindness, and with the best wishes from us both for yourself and for the University,

I remain,

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Isse L. Rosenberger.

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Yours very respectfully,

James L. Rosenberger

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

February 17, 1916.

Mr. J. Spencer Dickerson,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Mrs. Rosenberger and I were very much surprised to receive a copy of The Daily Maroon of the 15th and to see therein what you wrote about the Colver and the Colver-Rosenberger endowments. It is a beautiful expression of appreciation for which we both thank you most sincerely.

We hope that your statement and particularly its last paragraph may inspire many others to seek the satisfaction to be found in aiding the University to better aid humanity, and especially to enjoy the pleasure of doing it through you and the other present administrative officers of the University.

We are very glad that the way was opened for us to do what we have done. It is a great satisfaction to think of it.

Once more we thank you for all that you have done for us. We hope that you may long be spared for your good work.

Sincerely yours,

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Sincerely yours,

Grace L. Rosenberger

J.L. Rosenberger

Has given already \$21,000.

Desires - or is willing - to give additional \$7,000

Has given to the Fellowship \$5,000.

" " " " Lectureship 5,000. (land)

" " " " Lecture Fund 10,000.

What do you recommend?

He is considering:

1. Adding \$5,000 to the Fellowship Fund & \$2,000 to some other object, say a scholarship.

*
H.P. J. approves this

2. Adding less than \$5,000 to the Fellowship (say \$3,000) and more than \$2,000 (say \$4,000) to a scholarship.

3. \$5,000 to Fellowship and \$2,000 to a book fund.

4. \$7,000 to scholarships designating the "average student" class.

5. Divide between scholarships and books

COMMITTEE ON EXPENDITURES.

October 4, 1915.

3M work reports	B.M.O. Exp.	1773.	6.50
2500 letterheads	Rec. " "	2016.	7.70
Service as proctor	" " "	" "	1.75
Cut yellow cards	Inf. " "	553.	.25
3M envelopes	Med.D. "	92.	8.60
Chemicals	#7 S. of Ed.	490.	50.
Mis. purchases	#13 " "	250.	50.
2M postals	Gen. Lib. S&E	2458.	4.75
1 typewriter-1 roller	" " "	" "	73.
1M cards	Com. & Adm.	--	4.95
1M letterheads	" " "	--	3.50
Mis. S & E orders	Astron. E&E	1225.	200.
1 week's work (Broberg)	Physics E&E	4425.	18.75
Ex. time (Mehren)	" " "	" "	8.40
50 guinea pigs	Path. E&E	897.	17.50
Repr. apparatus	" " "	" "	1.50
500 cards	Phys. Cult. E&E	1062.	2.75
1M circulars	Am. Inst. S.L.	300.	3.
3M copies leaflet	" " " "	" "	32.
Shipping chgs.	" " " "	" "	4.33

Above requisitions were approved this date.

Secretary.

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
July 23, 1915.

Mr. J. Spencer Dickerson, Secretary,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Your three letters of the 22nd instant received.

Mrs. Rosenberger and I appreciate very highly your kind words now, as we have the assistance which you have rendered us in doing what we have done. We thank you heartily for all.

The copy of the news item submitted covers admirably, with the word "eventually," the point which we discussed, on which we were most sensitive. I still think that the "item" is far too "generous" to the "donors," but I am not supposed to have seen it, and, as it is right in line with your "generous" treatment of us all through these transactions, leave it in this respect to your judgment, subject to any revision you may think best to make. One suggestion, ~~however~~, occurs to me, if not too late, and if you yourself think it best to adopt it, namely, that it might be well to insert, in the first line of the third paragraph, after the word "honor," the words "Mrs. Rosenberger's father," making it read: "This endowment is intended to honor Mrs. Rosenberger's father, the late Rev. Charles K. Colver," etc., or in some other way indicate the relationship.

I want to leave entirely to you the wording of what goes on the plate on the oil portrait in Haskell, but, to aid you a little, if possible, suggest the following as perhaps containing some point you would like:

Reverend Nathaniel Colver, D. D.,
1794-1870

Stalwart Baptist Preacher, Abolitionist, Educator;
First Theological Professor in the Old University of
Chicago and One of the Founders of, and First Teacher for,
the Baptist Theological Seminary now the Divinity School.

But you choose your own wording and have any needed retouching done on the frame, and send me the bill, please.

Yours very truly,

Jesse L. Rosenberger

2638 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
July 28, 1915.

Mr. J. Spencer Dickerson, Secretary,
The University of Chicago,
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John L. Rosenberger

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
March 4, 1915.

Mr. J. S. Dickerson, Secretary,
University of Chicago,
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*See Letters also
from H. J. T. Barton*

My dear Mr. Dickerson:

Mrs. Rosenberger and I thank you and Dr. Judson for the trouble you have taken to make the suggestions contained in your letter of the third instant. Still we think that we would like to do something different from the suggestions, and are glad to know that you will welcome counter suggestions from us.

In the first place, we would like, if possible, if anything is done, to do something more distinctive for the name and memory of my wife's grandfather, the Rev. Nathaniel Colver, D. D. There have been those who thought that he was given scant credit for what he did towards establishing Baptist theological instruction in Chicago, but whether the criticism be justified or not, we simply want now to honor his name the best we can.

You ask if we do not want to aid ministerial education? We would be glad to, but that is now secondary. If it were primary, we believe that we could make any dollars invested count for much more in the educational direction by giving them to one of the Baptist missionary societies, which I intimated in my first talk was under consideration.

Nor would we care to put the whole into a book fund. Our original thought was to found perhaps a \$1,000 endowment for a prize, if a suitable one could be suggested and would be acceptable, for Dr. Colver, in the Divinity school. Then, when the idea occurred of possibly turning over to the University the property where he lived, it seemed as though there would be enough some day for perhaps a couple of such prize endowments for him, and a couple for his son, the Rev. Charles K. Colver, my wife's father, which might be founded in connection with the School of Education, or elsewhere, with perhaps as much more for one or two book funds, in their respective names.

The property ought to bring \$8,000 or \$10,000 some time, though it may not be for years; and it might bring more. Assuming that, how would it be, instead of the foregoing, if it seems better, to you, to endow with the University a \$1,000 fund for a Rev. Nathaniel Colver, D. D., (or leaving off the title) prize, which would make about \$50 a year, to be awarded preferably in the Divinity School, and use the balance of the proceeds of the property to endow a lectureship in the same name, perhaps for a public lecture course on some important religious, moral, educational, or other subject, preferably in connection with the Divinity School. If the fund should be too small at first it could be allowed to grow before being used, and then the lectures given from time to time, every other year, or less frequently, as deemed best, and occasionally the fund be used to publish the lectures already given, when deemed best, instead of being used for a new course.

Now, if either of these suggestions strikes you favorably, we would appreciate your advice as to which one you favor, and what you would suggest as the best thing that could be done along that line. We would also thank you for as early advice as you can conveniently give, as we must ~~must~~ determine very soon what we are going to do with the property, whether hold it and rent it longer, or possibly consider other plans for its use, as I told you we had partially considered before communicating with you.

Yours very truly,

J. L. Rosenberger.

2222 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
March 4, 1918.

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Copy for Dr. Dickerson.

February 11, 1915.

My dear Mr. President:

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1. That the money be designated for the endowment of a fellowship in the Divinity School, preferably for a student working in the field of religious education or preparing for educational work, to be known as the Colver Divinity Fellowship.
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Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Ernest D. Burton

President H. P. Judson,

The University of Chicago.

EDB-N

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In his letter he says that any one of the following funds would be greatly helped by the amount which you and Mrs. Rosenberger had in mind, viz.,

- a-Library books
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March 8, 1915.

Mr. J. L. Rosenberger,
2628 Lakeview Avenue,
Chicago.

Dear Mr. Rosenberger:

I have your esteemed favor of
March 4 and have sent your letter to President Judson.
Just as soon as I hear from him, I will let you know.
I am confident that President Judson will be able to
suggest something that will be possible to you and help-
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I am sure I speak on behalf of the friends of the
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March 3, 1915.

Mr. J. L. Rosenberger,
2628 Lakeview Avenue,
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My dear Mr. Rosenberger:

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2. That the fund be used for the purchase of books for the library in a designated field in the Divinity School.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience and if I may serve you in any way or if I can make any other suggestions for you, I shall be only too glad so to do.

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2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

April 24, 1915.

Mr. J. S. Dickerson,

Secretary, University of Chicago,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Dickerson:

Mrs. Rosenberger and I appreciate very much, and thank you sincerely for, your gracious letter of the 22nd. The personal feeling expressed in it particularly charms us. In fact, I could not refrain from taking it down to show it to Mr. Heckman and to Mr. Fairweather, to inspire them a bit more for the part of the work that now remains to them to do toward making the undertaking a success, before the task becomes one of administration. We are more than pleased with the reception given to the project by yourself, Dr. Judson, Mr. Heckman, and the others who have in any way had to do with it. It is a most agreeable surprise to find room, and such a welcome, for such a thing at such a big institution and among such busy men. Still, as you so well suggest, there is a sentimental and moral significance of greater importance than the amount of the contribution, if I may put it that way.

Again, thanking you most heartily, I remain

Very truly yours,

J. L. Rosenberger.

3838 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

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Mr. Heiman, and the others who have in any way had to do with
it. It is a most agreeable surprise to find room, and such a
welcome, for such a thing at such a big institution and among
such busy men. Still, as you so well suggest, there is a senti-
mental and moral significance of greater importance than the
amount of the contribution, if I may put it that way.
Again, thanking you most heartily, I remain

Very truly yours,

L. Rosenberger

June 2, 1913.

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2628 Lake View Avenue,
Chicago, Ills.

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President Judson suggests that the proposed lectureship shall fall in the field of sciences relating to human society, including history, government, law, economics, and the like, the particular topics to be determined by the Board of Trustees from time to time.

By providing for a general rather than a specific fund there is much greater certainty that the lectures would be made helpful through all future years. The field suggested is quite in keeping, it seems to me, with the high ideals which you and Mrs. Rosenberger desire to promote, while the selection of the specific topics by the Trustees would be sure to provide material which would tend to be practical and useful.

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Very truly yours,

2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,

May 21, 1915.

Mr. J. S. Dickerson, Secretary,

University of Chicago,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

It was one fund, of about \$15,000, that I had in mind when I wrote to you May 6th. I spoke of "funds" because it seemed to me that possibly the most good could be done with the money by dividing it, in its application, into two funds, one of \$10,000 or \$12,000 to endow the proposed "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures," and the balance to endow a "Colver-Rosenberger Student Aid Loan Fund," but I did not know, and merely put it that way in order to present the question, and get light on it.

What Mrs. Rosenberger and I desire in this connection is to make every dollar do the most good in the long run that seems possible, and, so far as practicable, give the entire fund a distinctive work. The problem is also made somewhat more difficult by the fact that the endowment is not to go into practical operation for perhaps two or three decades, and by the fact that the University apparently has already large funds available for lectures. But I thought that you and Dr. Judson would be able to find a happy solution of the difficulty. Lectures seemed to me to be the best available object for which to use the money, if just the right subject for them could be found. I should like to think that they would be a distinct and perpetual benefit to the University, and, through it, to the world, while the honor of delivering them would be coveted, in time, by eminent scholars. That is the dream. What can be done, in fact? The whole fund can be used for the one purpose, if that is thought best.

Yours very truly,

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Joseph L. Rosenberger

May 25, 1915.

Mr. J. L. Rosenberger,
2623 Lake View Avenue,
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Mr. Rosenberger:

Your very kind note of May 21
I found upon my arrival in the City. Dr. Judson
will be home in a few days and I will take the matter
up with him and write once more.

With sincere regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Secret

May 25, 1915.

Mr. J. I. Rosenberger,
2628 Lake View Avenue,
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Mr. Rosenberger:

Your very kind note of May 21

I found upon my arrival in the City. Dr. Jackson
will be home in a few days and I will take the matter
up with him and write once more.

With sincere regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Secret

May 15, 1915.

Mr. Jesse L. Rosenberger,
2628 Lake View Avenue,
Chicago.

My dear Mr. Rosenberger:

I have today seen President Judson who has just returned to the City. He believes that the Trustees of the University should be willing to accept the funds of which you speak in your letter of May 6, and to pay over the interest on the securities to you as it might accrue.

He looks also with favor upon the other matters to which you refer. If the University is willing to accept the funds as you so generously proposed, do you want to have some definite suggestions made to you with reference to the uses to which such funds might be put? Do I understand you that there are two funds, one of say \$10,000, and one of \$4,000 or \$5,000?

Will you let me have answers to these questions and as soon as I return from the East on May 24, I shall be glad to get more definite answers to the questions which you ask.

Very truly yours,

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2828 Lake View Avenue,
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2628 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.,
May 6, 1915.

Mr. J. S. Dickerson, Secretary,
University of Chicago,
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*(see letter dated June 1,
instead of this)*

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Mrs. Rosenberger and I feel that we have been treated so well in what we have attempted to do toward establishing the "Nathaniel Colver Lectures" that we want to ask for your best suggestions along a new line.

Would the University be willing to accept, for endowment in perpetuity, a fund, or funds, to be turned over in say long-time 5% per cent. municipal bonds, the income to be paid to us, and the survivor of us, during life? This, I wish it understood, would be primarily for Mrs. Rosenberger's benefit, but, for convenience, the payments might be made to me, in my name, while both lived, as they should be in case of my survivorship, though to Mrs. Rosenberger in case of her survivorship.

Naturally, we think that this condition might last a long time, but, in a sense, the University will still be young, when we are old, even if we live to old age, and would finally and certainly get the benefit of the endowment, or endowments.

So our next question is, if the first is answered in the affirmative, what would be the wisest and most distinctive purpose for which say a permanent \$10,000 endowment, to take effect, possibly, twenty or thirty years hence, could be made? Can you suggest anything better than another endowment of lectures, perhaps to be known as the "Colver-Rosenberger Lectures," in honor of Mrs. Rosenberger's father, Reverend Charles K. Colver, and for the donors, which is the only way that Mrs. Rosenberger will let herself be included? If lectures, what would be the wisest and best designation as to subject, or subjects? These we would not have in connection with the Divinity School particularly, or probably at all. But we would like to have the lectures among the most important and helpful delivered at or in connection with the University. Would such a designation as "Vital Problems of Life," "Recent Advances in Human Knowledge," or something along that line be best? Or would you think better to relate them to some department, as that of science, or education, morals, or sociology?

Would it be wise to similarly endow, in perpetuity, with say a \$4,000 or \$5,000 fund, a "Colver-Rosenberger Student Aid Loan Fund"? Will that be much needed at that distance in the future, and thereafter? What, if anything, can you suggest as being a better subject of endowment for this fund? Our idea would be to have only the income of this fund, as also only the income of the lecture fund, used, after we have had the benefit thereof during our lives. Repaid loans might be accounted, and added to, either principal or usable income, of the loan fund.

Suggestions of any character will be welcomed.

Yours very respectfully,

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2828 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
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May 28, 1918

Dr. T. W. Goodspeed,
Faculty Exchange.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

Mr. Arnett asked me on your behalf to give you the particulars of the several Rosenberger gifts to the University. I am enclosing herewith copies of all the letters of gift for the several different funds. You will see that Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberger have made all told five different gifts, besides the provision of funds for the Rosenberger Medal, of which I am enclosing also a copy of the original letter of gift.

" You may be interested to know how Mr. Rosenberger happened to make these gifts. First of all, Mr. Rosenberger was a former student of the old University of Chicago and his wife, as you will see by the letters of gift, was one of its graduates. One day he came into my office to ask my advice or at least to consult me about turning over to some charitable or educational organization the property which his wife had inherited from her father. It was the block of houses on Thirty-fifth Street, where you will perhaps remember Dr. Colver used to live. I discussed with him the possibility of giving the property to several different kinds of organizations, particularly missionary societies, endeavoring meanwhile to ascertain as near as possible what his own particular wishes in the matter might be. Eventually, the possibility of giving his money to the University was considered and I pointed out to him the solidarity of the University, the conservatism with which its affairs were administered, the care which the Trustees gave to its permanent funds and similar matters. The result was that, after consultation with his wife, they decided to deed the property to the University.

I may say to you that this property was not of any great value and has not proved to be of any material help to the University thus far, although in time it may prove to have some value. The manner in which the first gift was considered, the thoughtful care given by President Judson and Mr. Heckman to the matter of the property, very much impressed Mr. Rosenberger, and the result was that he made a subsequent gift in June, and has given as you will see the several gifts amounting, all told, to something like thirty-five or forty thousand dollars, and the later gifts all came as I have in-

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timated by reason of the careful supervision given to the acceptance of the first gift.

I do not suppose you can use any such facts as the foregoing discloses, but at least it will be, I am sure, interesting to you.

With reference to the Hyde gift, there is little to be said so far as the records of the University show. As I understand it, the friends of Dr. Hyde have created what is known as the Hyde Memorial Fund, of which Dr. Oliver S. Ormsby, of Rush Medical College is the (or a) trustee. The intention is, as I understand it, to create an endowment fund for the establishment and maintenance of a medical department in the University of Chicago. The income from this fund is to be used for research in skin diseases and cancer under the direction of the head of the department of dermatology at the graduate school. No formal action has been taken by the Board of Trustees of the University, however, with reference to this fund or with reference to the establishment of a medical department. Doubtless the matter will develop in the future and formal action eventually will be taken. It might be well, therefore, if there is no particular reason for haste, to defer your descriptive article to some later date.

Very truly yours,

J. S. Dickerson

Secretary.

The University of Chicago
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