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Regulations for the Dormitories.

The following plan has been arranged for the organization of University Houses within and without the Quadrangles, in order to adapt them as nearly as possible to the conditions of well ordered homes. According to this plan each House will have a certain permanence, independence, and individuality, being ruled by its own representatives and laws, advised by its own elected Councillor in the Faculty, and its self-chosen members being united by friendliness and common interests.

It is hoped in this way to secure something of the dignified social life, and the habits of self-guidance and self-control which the American College Dormitory often lacks, and so to increase the interest and value of student life, and more warmly to attach the alumni to the University through pleasant memories of their old Houses.

At present, at least six such Houses will be organized,--three for men, the Divinity House, the Graduate House, and Snell House; and three for women, Beecher, Kelley, and Foster Houses.

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*Dormitories
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Foster

July 26th, 1901

Mrs. George E. Adams,
Chicago.

My dear Mrs. Adams:

The plans for the proposed addition to the Nancy Foster building have been studied quite carefully by Miss Reynolds and some of the other women connected with the University and by the members of the Board of Trustees. I now have them in form in which I should like to submit them to you and through you to your mother, for approval. Do you think she would be willing to look at them? I should like to have you indicate a time when the plans may be taken to your house and explained and when we could receive your criticisms upon them. I cannot tell you how delighted we are to realize that now very soon the actual work will begin.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

July 20th, 1907

My dear Mr. Adams,

Enclosed

is my letter to you.

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addition to the Henry Foster building have been
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W. R. H. H.

Waller

The University of Chicago.

Becher Hall Nov. 25th

Dear Mr. Harper;

Is there anything that I could do towards getting the piano? They are very anxious to have one by Thanksgiving and if one is going to be put in the house could it not be placed here before that day?

May we depend upon you to write to Mrs. Becher suggesting a happy disposal of five or six hundred dollars? The girls will be very much disappointed and discontented when I tell them that the requisition

has been refused and I wish
very much to have something
encouraging to tell them.
I feel that it is of the great-
est importance to disabuse
them of the idea, that seems
to have gained a foothold, that
the University is not anxious
to make the Halls homelike
and pleasant. This seems
the more necessary just at this
time, in view of the fact that
there seems to be an inclina-
tion towards an exodus to
these hotels and boarding
houses which are offering lower
prices. We must make
our Halls so attractive that
none of the girls will think

of leaving - and to do that we must have
something more material than harmony of spirit
and hygienic food -

Very cordially
Elizabeth Hallam

Flint

My dear Dr. Harper;

no date
Enclosed are all the
sub-freshman names I
can get hold of. The
certificate system is, I
think, responsible for the
small number.

Also I think the
circular would better be
sent as it is. If Gale's
& my name appearing at
the end instead of in the
body of the circular will
make the plea less forcible.
Yours sincerely, H.W. Flint

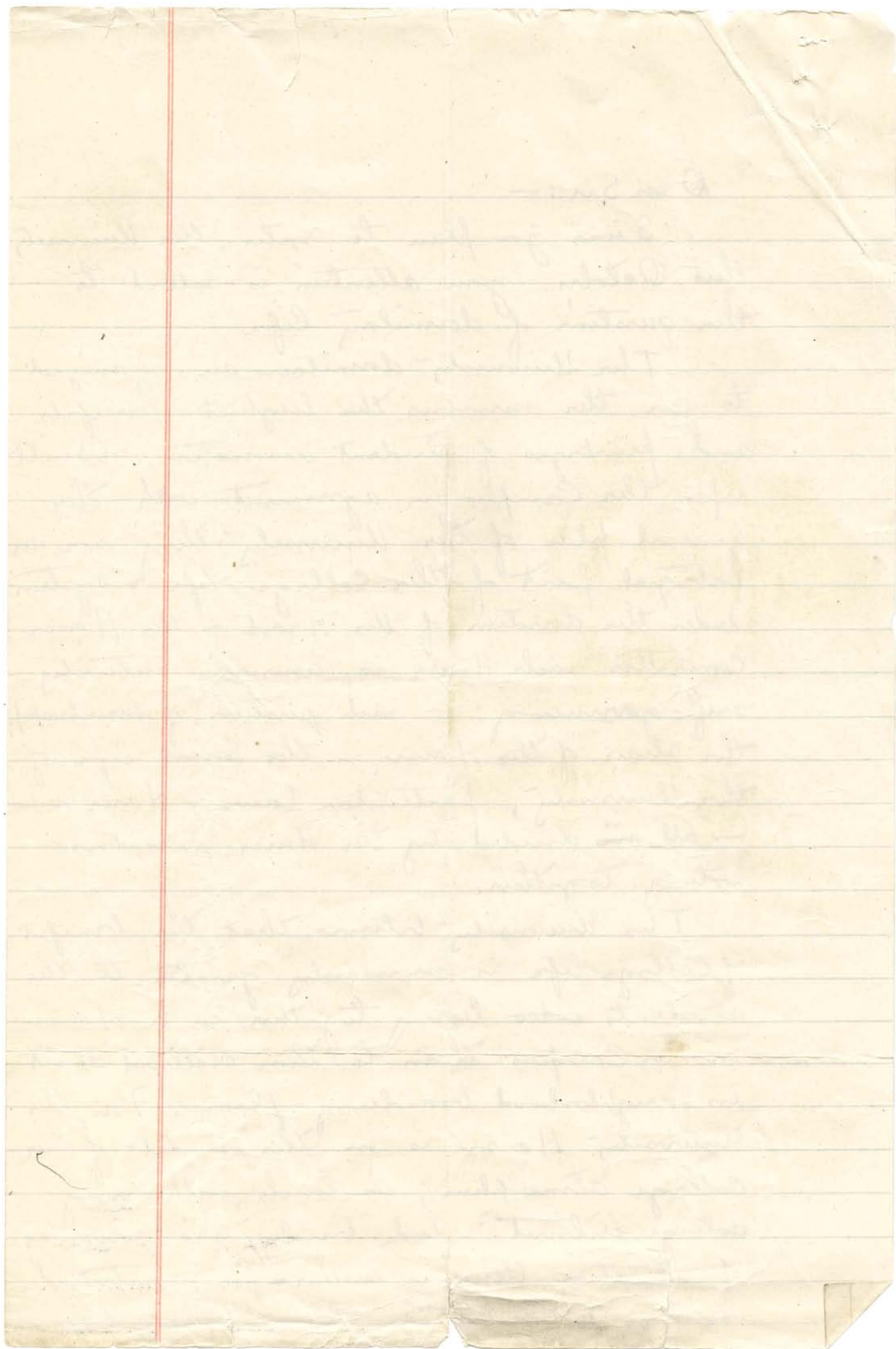
Miss

Dear Sir:—

Since you plan to enter the University this October your attention is called to the question of dormitory life.

The University-dormitories are organized to give the members the highest benefits and privileges of student association. Built upon the Campus in agreement with the general plan of the University they are an integral part of the College life & system. Under the direction of the Head & the House Committee each House is, however, entirely self-governing:— each question of membership, the share of the House in the social life of the University, particular laws & House-rules — all ~~are~~ ^{is} decided by the House-members voting together.

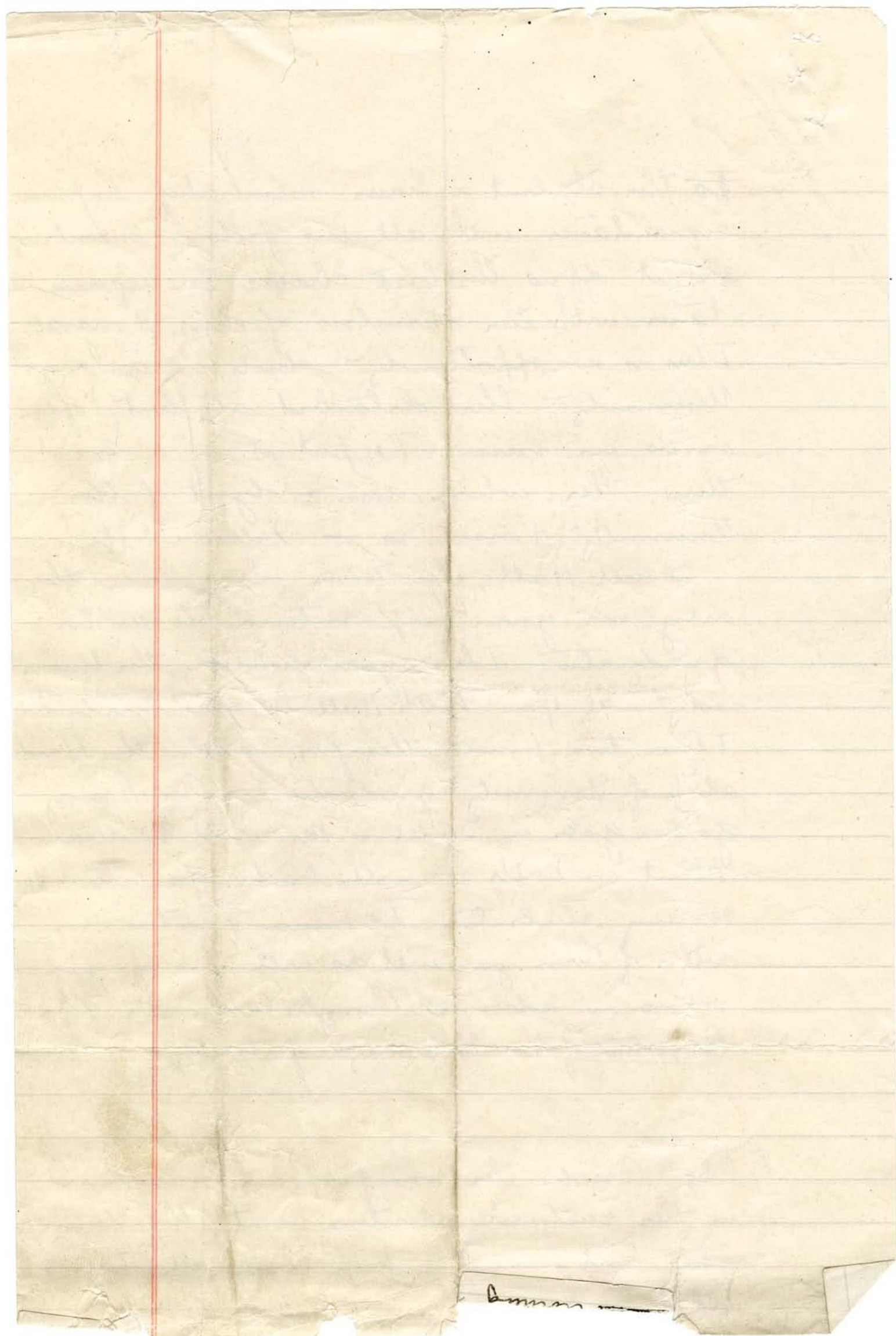
The University believes that the benefit of College life is necessarily greater to the students ~~who~~ living together in a House on the Campus than to those scattered about in neighborhood boarding-places. For, the University House is in the midst of the College atmosphere; in touch with every College interest. And besides this advantage of situation there is another ^{the} far greater advantage of association. ~~In the way of acquaint~~



Thus ~~to~~ the student a house-membership implies acquaintance with all his fellow-members, and it offers the best chance for acquaintance with the members of other Houses. This is an opportunity - which, in a large University, the detached student often seeks in vain. To put it in a word, then, the whole aim & object of the University House is - Fellowship.

Small Hall, heretofore, has been the only one given up entirely to under-graduates. This year, however, the University will open North Hall to undergraduates. These two Houses, therefore, under the Headship of University-graduates - Mr. Henry Gordon Gale in Small & Mr. Nathaniel William Flint in North - will be open to incoming students. To insure quarters in either of them you will do well to engage rooms in advance through letter to the Registrar of the University of Chicago

P.S. Besides the room furniture mentioned in the enclosed advertisement, the University will furnish & keep clean all ^{the} towels & bed linen ~~at the~~ necessary to each lodger.



The Organization of University Houses

Compositing a House

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Houses Outside The Quadrangles*

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¶(3) Membership in a House may be withdrawn by the University Council on recommendation of the Head and Counsellor.

House Rules of the University
The House may be organized outside of the University grounds.

It is in accordance with these regulations, and will be assigned to
new dormitories in the University in the order of application.

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of the University Council, and recommendations
#(3) Membership in a House may be with drawn

CHICAGO

Sept. 18.

Talbot

Dear Dr. Harper

Congratulations on the day!

Last Thursday I rather hastily said that I thought our judgment of last spring in regard to Miss Foster as an available Head of Kelly was still sound. I have already changed my mind! It has happened, somewhat curiously, that I have had a talk with her and have also been told about her eagerness to use her powers (which I must confess can hardly be satisfied by theme correcting). I think she has matured five years during the last year and I am pretty sure that she will bring to the Headship more of the qualities we prize than anybody else who is available.

The decision ^{as to Kelly} ought to be made before the Head of Green is announced.

Faithfully yours,
Marianne Talbot.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF WOMEN
GRADUATE SCHOOL

The University of Chicago
FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO

Sept 12

Dear Dr. [Name]
[Faint handwritten text, mostly illegible due to bleed-through and fading. The text appears to be a letter discussing academic matters, possibly related to the University of Chicago and the Office of the Dean of Women.]

Beecher
BeecherReport of the Organization of
Beecher House.

According to the agreement among the Heads of the Women's Houses, those women in Beecher Hall, who were students of the University, for a term or more, during the year 1892-3, constitute the original members of Beecher House.

These members are as follows:

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| 1. Elizabeth Wallace | 8. Mary Kerr |
| 2. Harriet Agster | 9. Bora Scofield |
| 3. Faith Clark | 10. Alice Van Vliet |
| 4. Rhoda Cutter | 11. Nellie Walker |
| 5. Edith Foster | 12. Madeline Wallen |
| 6. Belva Herron | 13. Frances Williston |
| 7. Ella Asgood | 14. Frances Brown |

The House met and organized
October 12, 1893.

Library
Stacks

According to the agreement made
between the University of Chicago
and the Board of Trustees of the
University of Chicago, the original
manuscripts of the University of
Chicago are to be deposited in the
University of Chicago Library.

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The University of Chicago
October 12, 1893.

1. Professor Frank J. Miller was elected Counselor for the House.
2. Frances C. Brown was elected Secretary and Treasurer.
3. No new rules were adopted, but the House will endeavor to follow during this first term the rules or customs suggested last term by the Heads of the Women's Houses, and adopted by the Council.
The intention is to observe, during this term, the working of these rules, and next term to present to the House, upon its reorganization, the question of rules, for consideration and action.
4. The following House Committee was elected, Elizabeth Wallace and Frances Brown, (Ex Officio)
Frances Williston from 4th floor,

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

WILLIAM R. HARPER, President

CHICAGO Oct. 16. '93.

Pres. W. R. Harper
Chicago.
Ill.

Dear Dr. Harper:

The present members of The Graduate House wish to have information on the following points before proceeding further with their organization:

1) Are the residents of the House responsible for the payment of the interest on the debt of the House no matter how small the number of the residents may be? If, for instance ten rooms are vacant will the ^{fees} expenses of the residents be increased accordingly? Is the limit \$250 per quarter absolute or may that sum be increased?

2) Is the room for a "parlor" or "Common room" ^{by the University} given free of rent? Or is the rent of such a room charged to the residents of the House?

3) Is the House to be held responsible for all cleaning, Janitor work, improvements, and so forth, or will the University pay all expenses in-

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CHICAGO

curved in such ways?

4) What are the terms of paying interest? Suppose a House begins by paying interest on \$200000. Will it go on forever or for a fixed number of years paying interest on the whole sum, or will said sum be diminished yearly by applying ⁱⁿ to its payment ^{of it} a certain fixed part of the ^{yearly} income ~~every year~~ of the House, so that eventually the whole debt will be canceled?

Similarly, if the House furnish a "common room" at an expense of, say, \$40000, will this sum be diminished yearly?

To what use will the sinking fund be put?

Respectfully yours,

Oliver J. Thatcher,
Sec of Nat. House.

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CHICAGO, ILL. 60637
TEL. 733-1611

The University of Chicago

Chicago

Current in hand money?

1) I told me the terms of paying interest?
I suppose a share begins to pay interest on
\$2000. Will it be on interest or for a
fixed number of years paying interest on
the whole sum, or will it be on the
cost of years of applying to the fund?
I think first part of the answer is
of the first? so that eventually the whole debt
will be covered?

Secondly, if the share pay with a common sum
at an expense of 100,000, will the sum be
distributed over 10 years?

It will be with the sinking fund for
Redeeming shares
Oliver J. Thatcher
The J. M. H. House

Dominoes

Kelly
Kelly

University of Chicago, October 18, 1893.

Council

President Wm. R. Harper,

Dear Sir,

The members of Kelly House met on Thursday evening,
October 12, 1893, and organized as follows:

Councillor, Professor J. Lawrence Laughlin

Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Antoinette Cary

House Committee, all the residents of the Hall who were
in attendance at the University last year; viz:

Miss Marion Talbot, Miss V. E. Woodward.

Miss Demia Butler

Miss Antoinette Cary

Miss Grace N. Clark

Miss Louise Comstock

Miss Dora M. Diver

Miss E. Antoinette Ely

Miss Clara Hulbert

Miss Agnes M. Lathe

Miss Bessie Messick

Miss Anna J. McClintock

Miss Frances Pellett

Miss Margaret Purcell

Miss Cora E. Roche

Miss Stella Robertson

Miss Mary E. Sylla

University of Chicago, October 18, 1893.

President Wm. R. Harper,

Dear Sir,

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Miss Emma Butler

Miss Antoinette Cary

Miss Grace W. Clark

Miss Louise Comstock

Miss Dora M. Diver

Miss E. Antoinette Ely

Miss Clara Hubert

Miss Agnes M. Latta

Miss Jessie Cassick

Miss Anna J. "Clinglock

Miss Frances Pellett

Miss Margaret Purcell

Miss Cora E. Roche

Miss Stella Robertson

Miss Mary E. Sylvia

Chicago May 16 1897

Resident W. R. Harper
Chicago

Dear Dr Harper I wish to interest
you in Miss Dorothea Klumpke.
She is a sister of Miss Anna
Klumpke who has painted Mrs
Adams' portrait and mine, and
the portrait of Mrs Foster which
is in Nancy Foster Hall.

Miss Dorothea Klumpke was
born in San Francisco, and educated
in Germany and later in Paris
where she passed her baccalaureate
examination at the age of 21.
Two years later she passed her
"Licence Mathématique" and
then applied for admission to the
Paris Observatory - This was granted

and she is the only woman who as²
astronomer has ever gained en²
trance to the Paris Observatory -
Here she worked under the late
Admiral Monchy who soon recog²
nized her superior ability and
detailed her for important work.
She contributed some valuable re²
searches to the Astronomical
Bulletin for which the French
Government decorated her with
the purple ribbon as Officier
d'Academie - At the astronom-
ical Congress of 1889 she was
appointed assistant Secretary
and corresponding Secretary for
German and English and to
translate and analyze all
foreign astronomical works sent
to the Observatory - In 1892 a
special department was

organized for her as Directrice³
du Bureau des Mesures. To com-
plete the staff for the catalogue
she has trained four girls who
are now her assistants.

Since then she has been
a laborious worker at the ob-
servatory and under Prof Schulkoff
and on Dec 14. 1893 she received
her degree as doctor of sciences
and mathematics of the University
of the Sorbonne. She won her
degree by unanimous vote of the
Faculty. Her Thesis was on the
Rings of Saturn. - In June 1895
she read a paper with stereopticon
illustrations on the "Catalogue
des Etoiles" at the "Société Astronomique"
of France. - This paper was published

in the Bulletin of the Astronomical⁴
Society July 1895 - For several
years she has had a free class
for young men and last
winter lectured on popular
astronomy at Madame Rousseau's
school. The above particulars I get
from her sister Miss Anna Klumpke
Miss Doratha Klumpke wishes to
return to her native country, and
I hope that she would like very much
to be connected with the University
of Chicago - If you will kindly
keep her name in your memory
and further her wishes as far
as you can I shall be greatly
obliged - I think Prof Pickering knows
her well. Very truly yours
J. E. Adams

Son-in-law of Francis Foster

My dear Mother
I received your letter of the 10th inst. and was
glad to hear from you. I am well and hope
this finds you the same. I have not much news
to write at present. I am still in the same
place. I have not yet received your letter of the
15th. I hope it will come soon. I am
very affectionately
Your son
John

Thompson

The University of Chicago (2)

Pres. Harper

My dear Mr. President:-

The enclosed petition grew out of a request originally made by you in conversation with Mr. Hatfield, or so I understand from him. I was unaware of the whole matter until Messrs. Hatfield^{and} Hellen brought the paper to me with the request that I officially transmit it to you. The House members have generously offered to elect me for next quarter but so you will recall, I shall not be here. They feel, though, that the elective principle will stimulate fellowship. Let me add that Arts I. and V. specially commended themselves to me.

Very truly
James Westfall Thompson

March 4. 1897

Chapman

The University of Chicago

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.

in regard to the proposed exchange of

books between the two libraries, and in answer

to inform you that the same has been

referred to the Librarian, who will

be able to advise you as to the

possibility of carrying out the

arrangement proposed, and to

advise you of the result of his

investigation. I am, Sir, very

truly, Sir, your obedient servant,

John D. Johnston, Librarian

Very truly,

John D. Johnston

Chicago, Ill. 1885



To THE PRESIDENT:-

We may be allowed to say that the suggestions herein made are offered in no spirit of criticism, but merely in the hope that a view of the question from the students' side may not be without value. We believe that action along the lines indicated below might lead, not only to a fuller occupancy of Graduate Hall, but also to the development of such a sentiment as the house organization was originally designed to foster.

- I. Better facilities should be afforded new students for examining and selecting rooms.
- II. In view of the comparatively low price of lodgings outside the Quadrangle, and the large number of vacancies in Graduate Hall, a substantial reduction in room-rates might seem advisable. The higher price of single rooms might seem to require particular consideration.
- III. A special reduction to Fellows by uniting a considerable number of them in one residence would seem calculated to develop a solidarity now felt to be lacking.
- IV. The residents in Graduate Hall feel that the selection of a Head could safely and advantageously be left in their hands, subject, of course, to the approval of the University authorities.
- V. The House servants should be made more directly responsible to the Head of the House, subject to appeal, and should be stringently prohibited from accepting gratuities.

Very respectfully,

Transmitted for James Westfall Thompson Head.
Fred B. R. Hellems Secretary.
Henry Rand Hayfield Treasurer.

Graduate Hall, March 2 1897.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above matter.

I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the examination of the papers in your possession.

I have, however, no objection to your making such further investigation as you may deem proper.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Wm. A. R. H. H. H.

Very truly,
Yours,
Wm. A. R. H. H. H.

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Wellesley Hills, Mass.

August 27, 1898.

Dear Dr. Harper.

My mind has been quite at rest since you stated in June that we should understand that Green Hall would not be opened till January and we would therefore postpone our decisions in regard to administration, furnishing, etc. until fall. Reports are now reaching me that it is to be opened October 1st and I am wondering if you have raised up a generation of architects and workmen who can outdo you in speed and rapidity! I am sure you will not allow any risk to be run in having the hall occupied before the plaster is properly dried and I hope you will not permit a repetition of the discomfort and annoyance which has attended the opening of everyone of the five women's halls, through the necessity of having them occupied before they were completed.

If what has seemed impossible is to be achieved and it will be practicable and advisable

Normin Jones
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to open the hall October 1st - I shall be ready to return at any time to undertake the work of furnishing and organizing and do all in my power to reduce the amount of discomfort and confusion. I shall be glad to hear the final decision as soon as it can be reached. I leave here on Saturday morning Sept. 3^d for 269 Commonwealth Ave. Boston, to remain until Monday noon, the 5th when I expect to go to Holderness, N. H. unless it seems advisable for me to return to Chicago, which I shall be entirely ready to do.

I have been gathering information in regard to the administration of women's halls in different colleges and it seems to be true that, whenever it has been tried, the disadvantages of separating freshmen and sophomores from older students have proved to outweigh the disadvantages. I am sure we made the right decision, for the present at least. I have also made inquiries about table ware and have found some that I think will be satisfactory.

Prof. J. W. White and Mr. F. S. Hurlbut have given me a lot of valuable data about the Appointment Committee of Teachers Bureau

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of Harvard. I enclose the papers for you to look at when you have time.

Mrs Cobb spent a day with me recently. She is still tired, but is looking much better.

I have been on the local committee of the Assoc: for the Advancement of Science and have had a good time meeting interesting people from all over the country. I am to help do the honors at Willsley College today.

My family are all well with the exception of those who are in Germany.

You will be interested I think, in some of McDowell's compositions for the piano which I have discovered and enjoyed this summer.

With cordial regards.

Faithfully yours.

Marion Talbot.

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CHICAGO

March 23, 1899.

Dear Doctor Harper;--

Among the many letters which will await you on your return,
I want you to find some expression of my content with my new office.
It has the advantages of accessibility, dignity, quiet, and seclusion.
I have needed this combination greatly ever since the University opened
and have felt confident that so evident a need would be met at the
earliest practicable time.

Faithfully yours,

Marion Talbot.

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THE FACULTY OF
ARTS, LITERATURE AND SCIENCE
OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF WOMEN

The University of Chicago
Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO

March 13, 1893

Dear Doctor Carpenter:

Among the many letters which will reach you on your return,
I trust you will find some expression of my interest in the new edition.
It has the advantage of accessibility, brevity, and accuracy.
I have needed this edition for some time, and the University opened
and have felt confident that no student would be out of the
earliest possible time.

Very respectfully,
Yours,

Harmon Peltot

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Holderness, H. H.

Sept. 11, 1895.

Dear Dr. Harper.

Your letter gave me great pleasure and satisfaction. I am storing up a big fund of strength and energy and shall soon be on hand to help make the necessary decisions in regard to Green Hall. There is one matter, however, that must not wait until I can see you.

Major Rust promised me, before I left town, that he would arrange for a conference with me and Mr. Eckstrom. As I heard nothing from him, I went myself to Mr. Eckstrom and made known to him some arrangements which our experience has shown to be necessary and asked him to let me know if it should prove needful for me to see Major Rust in order to have them adopted. As I heard nothing, I supposed there was no trouble, but, to assure myself, I wrote to Mr. Eckstrom and have but just received a reply to the effect that the trustees have

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Mr. J. H. Packer
Chicago, Ill.

Mr. J. H. Packer

Chicago, Ill.
Apr. 11, 1892

Dear Mr. Packer

Your letter gave me great pleasure
and satisfaction. I am sorry of a big part
of strength and energy and shall soon be on
hand to help make the necessary decision in
favor of your bill. There is one matter however
that must not wait until I can see you.

Profr. Just promises me before
left town that he would arrange for a
lecture with me and Mr. Robertson. As I
have nothing from him, I must myself to
Mr. Robertson and make known to him some
arrangement which in conference has shown
to be necessary and notes him to let me know
if it should prove useful for me to see
Hager there as soon as he is then satisfied.
As I have nothing to suppose there now is
nothing but to secure myself I must
Mr. Robertson and then find a way
to apply to the effect that the trustees have

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decided not to have the connecting doors between the first floor rooms as I requested.

It has caused me much regret that since the preliminary and most satisfactory conferences with you in regard to the general plan, there has been no opportunity to make known the experience in regard to details which has been gained in the past five years on the domestic and social side of the life in the women's halls. In fact, I have never known a building planned and constructed so completely from a country-room and with so little regard to special needs as shown by experience.

I should not trouble you with what perhaps may seem too frank a statement of my views, if it were not that the suggestion I made is of extreme importance and I think should not be rejected by the Trustees without allowing a statement of the reasons why it is desired. The matter has not been called to your attention, or I am sure you would see that it is

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the proposed extension of the term of office of the President of the University of Chicago. I am very sorry that I am unable to give you a more definite answer at this time, but I am sure that you will understand the necessity of the delay. I am, however, very glad to hear that you are so interested in the affairs of the University, and I am sure that your efforts will be most successful. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
The President of the University of Chicago

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entirely improper to require women to sleep in isolated rooms on the first floor of such a building. There should be opportunity to communicate with an adjoining room in case of illness. The experience we have had in all the halls with burglars also makes it desirable that each woman should be able to reach easily another woman, as will be possible from all the rooms in the upper stories.

I am sorry to trouble you with this matter, but it is too important to let pass, as I have other matters, without an appeal to you.

I am planning to be in Chicago on Friday, the 23rd, gather up material for my report and go out of the city again for four or five days. May I have a conference with you about the report on Friday morning? A message sent to Kelly Hall will await my coming. I expect to leave here in a week.

If you have not already seen it, will you glance at an article on "College Women and the New Science" in the September Popular Science Monthly?

Ever faithfully yours.

Marion Talbot.

Answer as
free as
you can
open
spec. for answer
but do not expect
to receive answer

Bullard

Geneva, N. Y. Sept. 13/98.

President W. R. Harper,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir: -

Your favor of September 2nd
is at hand. There is one thing
which I do not understand. You
say that so far as you can now
see there will be no vacancy in
the Department of Mathematics to which
I could be appointed. Now when
I thought some of coming to
Chicago for the summer quarter,
you said that the tuition could
be managed so that I could not
need to pay that. Now am I to
understand that I will have to
pay tuition if I come this winter?
I have not the money to carry me
through the year without borrowing.

While studying for my Ph.D. at
Clark I never was asked to pay
tuition and it seems as if some
means might be devised whereby I
could manage that at least.

One other thing I wish to ask
about. When should I be in
Chicago? I have not seen a
programme or circular in a good
while and I do not know
when the term opens.

Yours very sincerely
Warren G. Bullard

See other things I sent to you
about the new edition of the
Chinese. I have not seen a
copy of the new edition in England
yet and I do not know
when the new first

edition will be sent
to you. I should

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C. W. Reynolds

Dear President Harper,

I desire to make to you the following statement concerning the conditions in Foster relative to fire.

The chief causes from which a fire might result are that there are fifty-two girls in the house most of whom necessarily use lamps, and that gas-jets, unprovided with glasses, are, in all rooms, in the direct-draft between the windows and the ventilators.

The chief reasons why the danger would be great in case of fire are that the single fire escape is at the extreme north-west corner

of the building, that it opens out
of girls' rooms, that the entrance
to these rooms is in close proxim-
ity to the elevator shaft and the
ventilating shaft where the smoke
would certainly be worst, that
the single stair case opens by
windows upon the elevator &
shaft, and that the hose on each
floor is in back rooms where it
would be practically useless if
a fire should occur in any
but the south-west rooms.

May I be allowed to suggest
that the following further
precautions should be taken:

1°. Gas jets should be covered

by globes.

2°. Carefully fitted master-keys should
be put in accessible places on each
floor.

3°. A fire alarm box should be in
close proximity to the women's
halls.

4°. A second fire escape should
be put on the south side of Hotel
opening out of the rooms next to
the south-west rooms.

I shall be greatly relieved if
this matter can receive prompt
attention. I think no other subject
connected with the house life
has given me as much real
anxiety as this. I should be

glad to feel that all measures
conducive to safety had been
taken.

Most sincerely yours,

Myra Reynolds.

Nancy Foster Hall,

October the seventh, 1848.

The University of Chicago

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Talbot

CHICAGO Oct. 10, 1898.

Domestic

My dear Dr. Harper;--

The kitchen of Kelly is dirty. In fact, the whole basement is. But ^{it is} very far from being "desperately" so. The critics must remember that workmen have been tearing out partitions and pulling out masonry, and that there is a continuous shower of dirt and dust from the new building, which is making all the house-keeping in Kelly hard. Some of the jobs, in the basement, it seems to me, might be completed at once, and thus ease the situation, which at best will be very difficult until the new hall is opened. We shall have all we can do to keep up the courage of our working staff.

The experiment of cutting down the service in Foster is resulting in an unsatisfactory state of affairs in the dining-room and I think must not be continued.

Very truly yours,

Marion Talbot.

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ARTS, LETTERS AND SCIENCE
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Talbot

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October 24, 1898.

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My dear Dr. Harper;--

You are always ready to help people out of their difficulties; so I venture to trouble you with a matter which is not so trifling as it may seem.

The enclosed correspondence will explain the situation. Since the decision of the committee will "practically" result in "serious inconvenience" to me, would it be reasonable for me now to ask the reasons which led to the rejection of my request?

May I say that this connecting door would make a suite practicable for the use of the Head acting in my absence, as I would gladly arrange to give her the use of my study?

Faithfully yours,

Marion Talbot.

Dormitory

The University of Chicago

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CHICAGO

October 24, 1914

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My dear Mr. Brewster:-

You are always ready to help people with their difficulties -
that is, to help them to find their way with a matter which is not so
clear as it may seem.

The enclosed correspondence will explain the situation.
Since the decision of the committee "all" practically" results in no-
thing because of the fact, would it be reasonable for me now to ask
the committee to take up the question of my request?

May I say that this committee does not make a definite
decision for the use of the fund acting in my interest, as I would
chiefly attempt to give for the use of my child?

Sincerely yours,

Wm. Brewster

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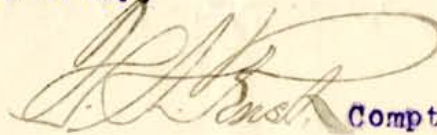
CHICAGO Oct. 21. 1898

My dear Miss Talbot:-

Acknowledging receipt yours yesterday relative to the connecting of a suite of apartments assigned to the head of Green Hall, with rooms to the south thereof; I beg to state that your views upon the subject and recommendations were by me duly submitted to the committee the subject receiving full consideration with a final adverse conclusion.

Regretting that your wishes in the matter and the opinion of the committee are not in accord and trusting that practically there will be no serious inconvenience I remain

Yours truly,



Comptroller

Miss Marion Talbot

Kelly Hall

The University of Chicago

WILLIAM H. HARRIS, PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, Oct. 21, 1888

My dear Miss Tibbot:-

Acknowledging receipt of your yesterday relative to the connecting of a suite of apartments assigned to the head of Green Hall with room to the south thereof I beg to state that your views upon the subject and recommendations were by me duly submitted to the committee the subject receiving full consideration with a final adverse conclusion.

Regretting that your wishes in the matter and the opinion of the committee are not in accord and trusting that practically there will be no serious inconvenience I remain

Yours truly,

Comptroller

Miss Marion Tibbot

Kelly Hall

(Copy.)

Dear Major Rust;--

In view of the inconvenience which the Heads of the Women's Houses have experienced through having their rooms entirely isolated, I made the suggestion last June that there be a door connecting the study of the Head of Green Hall with the adjoining room on the South. As it has been decided that I am to take the Headship of Green, I venture to repeat the suggestion in the form of a request, which seems the more reasonable because of the special arrangements which now exist for preventing communication with other members of the household.

Very truly yours,

The University of Chicago

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Salbot

CHICAGO

November 2, 1898.

OR

Domestic
Dear Dr. Harper;--

I am a good deal concerned about Green Hall and the possibility of opening it next week, even if it is ready. No announcement has yet been made to the students, and I am wondering if we can get enough women by the end of next week ~~to~~ start a house-hold. What is Miss Yeomans to do about servants? There are some whom she can call upon at once, but to others she must give two weeks notice. If you can press some of these matters to a decision, it will be a great help.

Very truly,

Marion Salbot.
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(Dictated)

CHICAGO

November 1, 1925

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Dear Dr. Hays:

I am a good deal concerned about Green's lack of
final opening in next week, even if it is ready. The announcement has
yet been made to the students, and I am wondering how can get enough
women by the end of next week to fill a house-hold. That is what
you have to do about servants. There are some who can call upon
at once, but a telephone call gives two weeks notice. If you can press
some of these matters to a decision, it will be a great help.

Very truly,

Frederic T. Hays

(B. Hays)

The University of Chicago

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Talbot

CHICAGO

November 9, 1898

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Domestic

Dear Dr. Harper;--

In moving into Green Hall, I naturally take my possessions with me with the exception of the wall-paper and the parquetry floors! This leaves the rooms of the Head of the House in Kelly practical-ly bare. There is some House furniture which Miss Yeomans can put in; but a bureau is needed, costing about eighteen or twenty dollars,, and rugs for the two rooms. Can these provisions for Miss Foster's comfort be made before she comes on Saturday?

Very truly,

Marion Talbot.

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November 1, 1908

Received

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Dear Mr. Parker:

In answer to your letter of the 28th, I naturally have my possessions with me with the exception of the self-papers and the parquetry floor. This leaves the room of the head of the house in fairly good condition. There is some loose furniture which Miss Freeman can put up but a bureau is needed, costing about \$10.00 or \$12.00, and a rug for the two rooms. Can these provisions for Miss Freeman's comfort be made before the 15th of December?

Very truly,
Miss Freeman

Miss Freeman

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December 13, 1898.

Dear Dr. Harper;--

There are over fifty applications on file for rooms in Green Hall for the winter quarter. I presume the number will be increased, especially since there are many more applications for Foster than can be accommodated. You realize perhaps that there are 22 rooms in Foster renting for less than \$31.00 per quarter, and three in each of the other halls. Consequently the students finding it necessary to economize turn first to Foster Hall for rooms. Taking the Hall as a whole, however, the rate is not much lower. The average per week in Foster is \$2.53; in Green, \$2.57; in Kelly and Beecher, \$2.83 each. I have interviewed a number of students who live off the Campus, in regard to moving into Green Hall; but it is rather a delicate matter for me personally to press. I find that very many have formed associations and friends in their present quarters, and are unwilling to change; a few prefer what they are pleased to consider the "independence of life" out-side of the dormitories; while many are obliged to economize very strictly. It has been a great pleasure to me to be able to offer some help in the matter, but I find very great reluctance to accept pecuniary aid when it is not absolutely necessary. I have made arrangements with two students, Miss Love and Miss Dehnst, to lessen the expense of their rooms \$12.00 each for the quarter, or \$1.00 a week as you suggested. I trust that it will be a satisfaction to you, as it is to me, to have them in the Hall on these terms.

You will be glad to know that we are finding Green Hall very pleasant to live in. I fear that there will be a good deal of disappointment if the elevator is not in running order at the opening of the quarter, particularly in view of the fact that the price of rooms on the upper floors has been fixed with the use of the elevator in view. We are now in our fifth week of residence and are still

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December 11, 1918

Dear Dr. Harper:

There are now fifty applications for the room in Green Hall for the winter quarter. I presume the number will be increased, especially since there are many more applications for Foster Hall than for Green Hall. You realize perhaps that there are 25 rooms in Foster Hall and 25 in Green Hall. For each room, and there is one of the other halls. Consequently the students finding it necessary to accommodate their first in Foster Hall for rooms. Taking the hall as a whole, however, the more is not much lower. The average per week in Foster is \$2.50; in Green, \$2.50; in Kelly and Becker, \$2.50 each. I have interviewed a number of students who have left the campus, to report to you into Green Hall, but it is rather a difficult matter for me personally to know. I think that very many have formed associations and friends in their present quarters, and are unwilling to change; a few prefer what they are pleased to consider the "independence of life" outside of the normalcy which many are obliged to accommodate very actively. It has been a great pleasure to me to be able to offer some help in the matter, but I feel very great reluctance to accept money now and when it is not absolutely necessary. I have made arrangements with two students, Miss and Miss Belmont, to furnish themselves at their rooms \$12.00 each for the quarter, or \$1.00 a week as you suggested. I think that it will be a satisfaction to you, as it is to me, to have them in the Hall on these terms.

You will be glad to know that we are finding them very pleasant to live in. I think that there will be a good deal of dissatisfaction at the elevator is not in running order at the opening of the quarter, particularly in view of the fact that the price of rooms on the upper floors has diminished with the use of the elevator in view. We are now in our fifth week of residence and are still

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without bells of any kind. The inconvenience and awkwardness, especially at the front door are very great.

I trust that Miss Sherwood's affairs are arranged to your satisfaction. I learn that she supposed that the presentation of her papers from the Brooklyn Heights School made her record clear. On learning from Mr. Salisbury that this was not the case, I left the matter in his hands to be adjusted. The other affair is now, I think, creating no comment. I have had interviews with all the parties immediately concerned.

Very truly yours,

Marion Talbot.

(Dictated.)

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without delay of any kind. The investigation and report made, especially of the

front door are very good.

I trust that Miss Howard's efforts are enough to your satisfaction.

I learn that she suggested that the presentation of her work to the Executive

League School was her record clerk. On January 17th, 1900, she presented this

was not the case, I felt the matter in his hands to be settled. The other at-

tention is now, I think, awaiting my comment. I have had in advance with all the

parties immediately concerned.

Very truly yours,

Reginald A. Harlow

(Dictated.)

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Dear President Harper,

On Friday I had a note from Mrs. Peck asking me to come to Oconomowoc. I answered at once, and rather hastily & fear, saying that I would come Tuesday and stay till Friday. Afterwards I reflected that perhaps, since I am the only "Head of a House" here you would prefer that I should not go away. If so please let me know sometime today. I can easily send word that I shall not be able to come.

Mrs. Adams has made us of Nancy Foster a very beautiful present of six Turkish rugs for the hall and parlor. They make the house look like a different place. Mrs. Adams

Reynolds

brought Miss Neel, a professional decorator with her, to plan for other furnishings of various kinds. This summer an artist from Boston has been with Mrs. Adams for the purpose of painting a portrait of Mrs. Foster. I have seen the portrait. It is very beautiful. Mrs. Adams wishes us to have it and I can assure you that it is my wish, but Mrs. Foster says she can see no reason why her picture should be hung in a hall for which she merely gave the money. A compromise has at last been reached whereby the picture is to be loaned to us for an indefinite period. Mrs. Adams seems to be quite as much interested in having this place beautiful as if

it were her own home.

As Mrs. Adams and Miss Neel were planning they made frequent reference to the effect of this or that "with the firelight falling over it." When they found that as far as the firelight has declined to play Mrs. Adams said at once that she should see Mr. Cobb and she asked if I would go with her if she would make an appointment with him. And Miss Neel said, "I know Mr. Cobb personally. I shall see him too. It spoils things if the chimneys do not work." I told Mrs. Adams that I had at last referred the matter to you and that I was sure it would receive prompt attention, but that I thought it would be a very good thing for her to have a talk with Mr. Cobb too. I hope all the stir about our unhappy fireplaces will

not end in smoke - at least
not in smoke going the
wrong way.

You will be glad to know
that Miss Welch is much better.

To my delight Miss Pratt
and Mrs Richardson are
to remain in the House for
the first quarter at least.

I think that at present
everyone is satisfied with
the board.

Sincerely yours,

Wm Reynolds.

Monday Morning,

September tenth.

1900

Has Mrs.
Foster any
better suggestions?
to President Harper.

Have you come
to any decision about the
management of Foster during
my absence? If not may I
make a suggestion as to
the temporary head: Miss
Katharine Davis seems to
me the best available head.
She has been for some time
Chairman of my Advisory
Committee and she knows
thoroughly the way and
ideals and problems of the
House. She is to take her
Ph.D. degree in July but she
is planning to stay six weeks

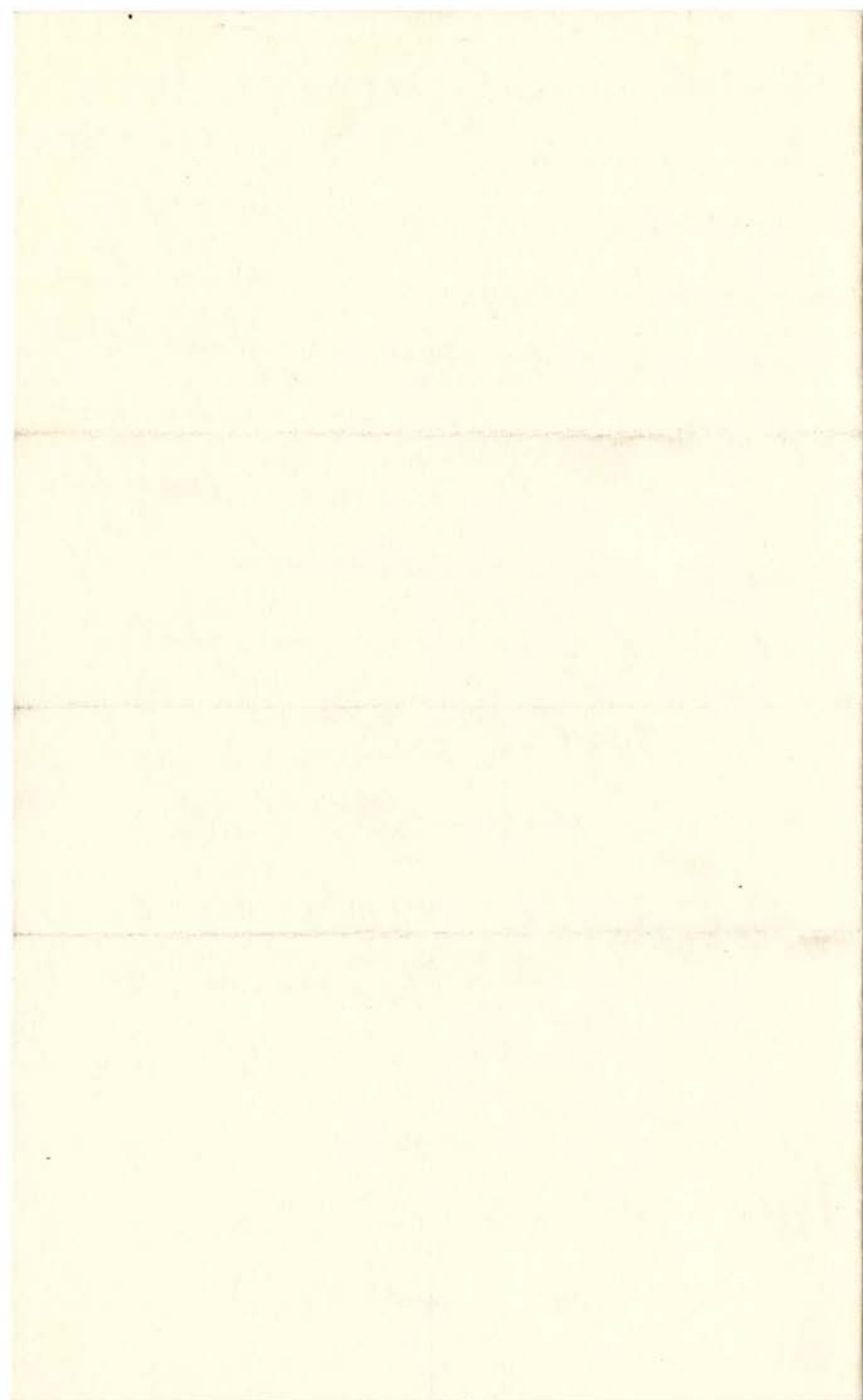
of the summer quarter for
the purpose of revising her
thesis. She could take my
rooms and have her board
as I do. That would be, I
think, sufficient compensa-
tion in a pecuniary way
to induce her to accept
the position in spite of
its demands in time and
energy. She is much liked
in the House. Her good
judgment, her sincerity,
and her fair mindedness
are recognized by all.
Her appointment would
meet the most cordial
support from the members

of the House. Should you
like to talk with me on the
subject? If you decide to
appoint Miss Davis could
the decision be made soon?
I should like to arrange
some little farewell festivities
with that appointment - if
it is to made - in view.

Sincerely yours,
Wynne Reynolds.

Foster Hall,

February 27, 1900.



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Crow Point Mass

August 27, 1900.

OR

Dear President Harper.

I want to express my satis-
faction with the statement made by
Major Rust that the new matron of
the men's halls will probably not be
assigned to residence in one of the women's
halls. Altho Mrs. Congdon made the situa-
tion as easy as was in her power, the
presence of a woman holding such a posi-
tion makes difficulties and problems
which I think the Heads of the Women's
Halls should not be asked to meet if
any other arrangement is possible.
It would be particularly trying if
Mrs. Stokes were to take the position
which is the report which reaches me

but which I can hardly credit as
the work would seem to require an
ability to go up and down stairs
which she lacks.

You may be interested to know
that I use every opportunity to
assure your friends in this part
of the world that your nations are
sufficiently good to enable you
to carry on all your duties and
that you are doing your experimen-
tation along other lines than
fifteen cent fare!

Do not take the trouble to
acknowledge this note.

Ever faithfully yours,

Marion Talbot.

September 17th, 1900.

My dear Miss Wallace:

Your letter of the fifteenth has been received. If it had only come in about two hours earlier, I think I should have committed myself at once on the proposition which you make; but when, just before receiving your letter, Dr. Goodspeed came over to tell me that there were seventy-five applications for rooms beyond the number of rooms that we have, I wondered whether it would not, on the whole, be best to accommodate another girl and to give you a room in Cobb Lecture Hall. You will remember that we have already cut off one room, and we must not cut down the number of rooms at our disposal, or there will be no longer any good reason for having a Beecher Hall. What do you think?

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

September 17th, 1900.

My dear Miss Wallace:

Your letter of the 11th-
teenth has been received. It it had only come
in about two hours earlier, I think I should have
committed myself at once on the proposition which
you make; but when, just before receiving your let-
ter, Dr. Goodspeed came over to tell me that there
were seventy-five applications for rooms beyond
the number of rooms that we have, I wondered
whether it would not, on the whole, be best to ac-
commodate another girl and to give you a room in
Cobb Lecture Hall. You will remember that we have
already cut off one room, and we must not cut down
the number of rooms at our disposal, or there will
be no longer any good reason for having a Beecher
Hall. What do you think?

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

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hold a certain
bill a for

September 15th

University of Chicago

Dear Dr. Harper:-

Although I feel quite bold in asking for Beecher, I feel a certain hesitancy in asking for that which may be deemed as adding only to my personal comfort. However, I trust you will look kindly upon my request. I feel very much hampered for room. I have no place where I can have a table at which to work or quiet in which to work. I have no office at Cobb (I am referring of course, to the coming Quarter) where I may keep my papers connected with my Examiner's work, nor any place in my small sitting room, where this work can be carried on.

I would therefore respectfully ask that I may be granted the use of room No 5 at Beecher Hall during the coming year. I can then hope to have the necessary room, and peace of mind, and shelter from disturbance to accomplish my work with more satisfaction to myself and to the institution.

Very sincerely yours
Elizabeth Hallam

Center
Athol, Mass., Aug. 25, 1900.

Similarities
To the Registrar
of the University of Chicago,
Chicago.

Dear Sir:--

I wish to make formal application for entrance of Miss Myrtie Lynde Drury as a student of your University for the year Beginning October, 1901.

What accommodations have you in the Women's Halls for "home protection" of a young lady? There is no alternative but the Halls as I have implicit faith in your Deans, especially Dean Talbot. You will understand the situation when I say that she has no relatives in your City, and I wish her to have the influence and education of your University. Can you give her this necessary protection? If so make the requisite registration and communicate with me at once as regards fees, etc. Also forward all printed matter, and any explanations that will be helpful.

Are entrance certificates accepted in place of examinations? If so, what, and in what subjects? Also make clear all entrance requirements.

Awaiting immediate reply, I am,

Very respectfully,

Dictated.

Ralph Drury
Commandant.

Dated.

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Chicago.

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To the Registrar

Athol, Mass., Aug. 25, 1900.

Commandant.

, September 2, 1900.

Mr. Ralph Drury,

Athol Centre, Massachusetts.

My Dear Sir:-

I have just received your letter of August 25th in reference to application for entrance of your daughter. I enclose circular with reference to the Women's Halls which will give you full particulars concerning the accommodations for young women. I am sure she will find the life in the halls a very home-like one. The heads of the halls see that every safeguard is placed around the students entrusted to them. Above all, the students who are living in the halls are women of most earnest purpose and the companionship of such women cannot be anything but inspiring. You will make no mistake in engaging rooms in any of the halls. I would suggest that you communicate with the Registrar your preference as to hall and rooms.

Enclosed under another cover copies of

September 2, 1900.

Mr. Ralph Denny,

Attn: Centre, Massachusetts.

My Dear Sir:-

I have just received your letter of August 25th in reference to application for entrance of your daughter. I enclose circular with reference to the Women's Hall which will give you full particulars concerning the accommodations for young women. I am sure she will find the life in the hall a very home-like one. The heads of the hall see that every safeguard is placed around the students entrusted to them. Above all, the students who are living in the hall are women of most earnest purpose and the companionship of such women cannot be anything but inspiring. You will make no mistake in engaging room in any of the hall. I would suggest that you communicate with the Registrar your preference as to hall and room.

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

Of Course Miss R. had been consulting fast prices. I.W.M.

Mr. [unclear] 1901
 The [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
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 Your note of the eighteenth did not reach me until this morning. The schedule of prices was sent over to me and some re-adjustments were made in accordance with my suggestions. But I at that time stated my regret that so large an increase in rentals should be deemed necessary. I had hoped, instead, that at some time we might be able to reduce the room-rent in all the Halls and correspondingly increase the price of board. I felt

sure, also, that the 20% increase coming as it does in the middle of the year, would cause much dissatisfaction. I have learned indirectly that there was much discontent and that several plans were made for parties of girls to live off the campus. But so far as I can discover only two or three of the older women will really go. The mothers of the younger girls refused to let them leave the protection of the Halls. And I think that the girls discov-

ered that though good rooms could be obtained cheaper off the campus, good rooms and board, with advantages of social life, could not be so obtained. So most of them are to remain and there are many who wish to come in, and the house will probably be full. At least it is too late now to do anything but abide the issue.

But there is one point that should be kept in mind. The schedule of prices was made with the idea of securing from Foster

an income equal to that from
Green since they have an
equal number of rooms. But
the bed-rooms of Foster are
inferior to those of Green
in several respects, two of
which - closet-room and
furnishings - are not in the
list of the unchangeables. I
would suggest the following
possible ways of making
the rooms answer in com-
fort and attractiveness the
increased price:

1. Rooms with north and west exposures should have storm windows.
2. The warden cots and the

old mattresses should be disposed of and iron cots and new well-made and well-fitted mattresses should be supplied.

3. Each room should have a rocking-chair.

4. The rooms where the closets are very small should have wardrobes.

The new part of Foster promises to be exceptionally attractive, and the entire first floor will be something to be proud of. Mr. Rust and the architect have certainly been most

considerate and have
done all they could
— within the limits of the
appropriation — to meet
our wishes. Everyone ap-
preciates this and there
is so much delighted
anticipation of our new
possibilities in the way
of ~~the~~ beauty that the
down-stairs seems to
offset the increased
price of the up-stairs.

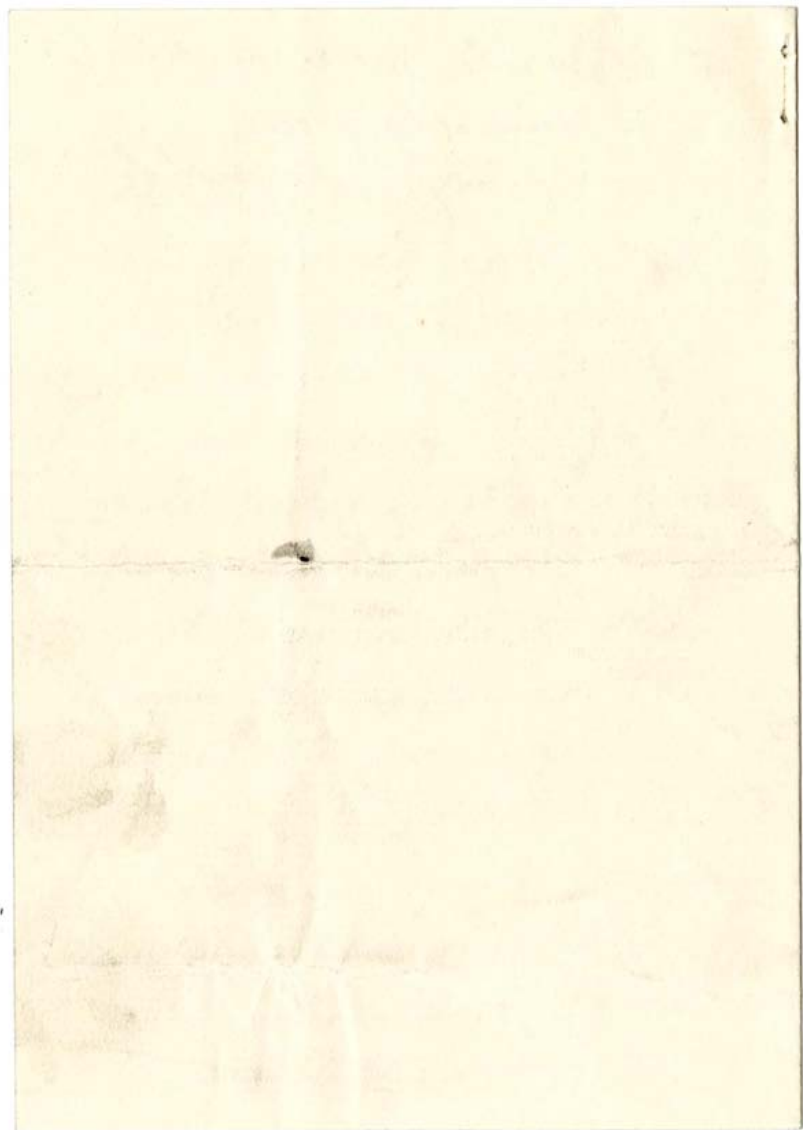
Do you wish to ask
me further questions? If
so I should be glad
to come to your office

or to write more in detail.

Sincerely yours,

Ulysses Reynolds.

Feb. 25, 1901.



June 3rd, 1901.

*Nancy Foster
dear Mrs.*
Domestic

Mrs. George E. Adams,
Chicago.

My dear Mrs. Adams:

It was very pleasant to see Mr. Adams on the street the other day and to hear from him that you were all back and in good health. It is possible that you have already had time to come out and see Nancy Foster Hall. I am sure you will appreciate the beauty of it all. It is now by all odds the most beautiful place we have on the grounds.

I am writing to tell you that Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer has consented to give a short address on Saturday morning, June fifteenth, at twelve o'clock, in connection with the official opening of Foster Hall. This address will be given from a platform erected in front of the Hall.

The opening of Foster Hall will be preceded by laying the corner-stone of Hitchcock Hall and probably by the laying of the corner-stone of the Bartlett gymnasium. At one o'clock we are inviting some of our friends to take luncheon in

June 3rd, 1901.

Down Center

May 28th 1901

Mrs. George F. Adams,
Chicago.

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June 3, 1901

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Nancy Foster Hall. I am writing to ask you to give me a list of your friends who will be your guests on that occasion and whom we may have the pleasure of inviting.

Looking forward with great satisfaction to meeting you again, I remain

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

June 2, 190

Henry & others
June 2, 190

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Henry Foster Hall. I am writing to ask you to give
me a list of your friends who will be your guests
on that occasion and whom we may have the pleasure
of inviting.

Looking forward with great satisfaction

to meeting you again, I remain

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

June 13, 1901.

Permitted
Mr. W. G. Hale,

My dear Mr. Hale:

I have written Mr. George E. Adams asking if he will take part in the formal ceremonies connected with the dedication of Nancy Foster Hall by presenting a key. This ceremony will occur after the corner-stones of the the University Press and Hitchcock Hall have been laid, and in order to avoid any unnecessary confusion I am writing to ask if you will be kind enough to find Mr. Adams and escort him to the platform at the proper time in order that there may be no delay in the beginning of the exercises.

Hoping that you will be willing to do this service,
I remain,

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

June 13, 1901.

Mr. W. G. Hale,

My dear Mr. Hale:

I have written Mr. George E. Adams asking
if he will take part in the formal ceremonies connected
with the dedication of Henry Foster Hall by presenting
a key. This ceremony will occur after the corner-
stone of the University Press and Hitchcock Hall
have been laid, and in order to avoid any unnecessary
confusion I am writing to ask if you will be kind
enough to find Mr. Adams and escort him to the plat-
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Hoping that you will be willing to do this service,

I remain,

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

The University of Chicago

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO Oct. 30, 1902.

My dear Dr. Goodspeed:-

We are as yet doing nothing or next to nothing in the cleaning of Hitchcock Hall, the condition of which is fast becoming a serious reproach to the University. A single scrub man presented himself yesterday afternoon about 2:00 o'clock but he was not furnished with any tools for his work and did no more than partially clean a single room. You will pardon me for calling your attention to this matter. I am greatly disturbed about the condition of things and mortified that the inmates of the House should be obliged to put up with it.

I suspect that the arrangements in the bath-rooms should have very careful inspection before the House is accepted. It seems to be quite impossible to use the shower baths without pretty nearly flooding the outside room. The shower is too high, the water spatters beyond and above the marble partitions, the waste-pipe does not carry it off completely. The partitions are not tight at the base, the screen doors turn the wrong way, and let the water out rather than keep it in. We have not yet received the rubber curtains which were promised us and without them it is impossible to use the showers whatever care may be exercised and leave the room in decent condition for the next comer. Mr. Perkins' attention ought to be called to this and perhaps at your suggestion Mr. Wright, if he is the proper person, would make a careful inspection and report to you.

We are greatly inconvenienced by the lack of bulletin boards. It is a matter of difficulty to get the House Committee or other Committees together having no boards upon which to post

This cleaning is now going on.

But what can be done about this? I am working for Mr. Perkins.

Permittees

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 10, 1901

Dear Mr. Benedict:

We are so glad to hear of your coming to Chicago in the coming of November. The reputation of which in fact has been a serious reproach to the University. A single word and you have yourself yesterday afternoon about 11:00 o'clock but he was not satisfied with my house for his work and his day were then passing when a single word. You will pardon me for calling your attention to this matter. I am greatly interested about the condition of things and worried about the future of the House. I should be obliged to put up with it.

I suppose that the arrangements in the House will have very careful inspection before the House is occupied. It seems to be quite likely that in the winter there will be very nearly flooding the outside room. The money is so high, the water upstairs beyond and above the marble partition, the water-type does not carry it off completely. The partitions are not tight at the base, the wooden doors turn the wrong way, and let the water out rather than keep it in. We have not yet had the water certain which was placed on and which is left. It is beyond the to use the shower without once may be extended and leave the room in great condition for the next owner. Mr. Perkins' attention might be called to this and perhaps suggest a suggestion. I think it will be a good plan, would make a certain suggestion and report to you.

We are greatly interested by the fact of which number. It is a matter of difficulty to get the House Committee or other Committee together having no power upon which to post

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Oct 30, 1902

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notices and being obliged to send all mail through the Bureau of Information from which it appears to be taken away by the students at irregular and uncertain intervals. I say these things because I feel sure that you want to be kept acquainted with the condition of things at Hitchcock.

I have one more thing to add. The basement is filled with refuse of all sort. There is no means of keeping the basement doors which opens on 57th St. closed. I have found them wide open at night. Policemen have called my attention to it. Men of the House go in and out through these doors and having no key they throw the bolt in order that they may find no difficulty in returning that way. It is not necessary that they should use these doors at all, and the doors ought to be furnished with locks so that they cannot be opened without a key even from the inside.

Very truly yours,

A. H. Parker

Head of Hitchcock House.

CHICAGO

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of information from the University of Chicago and the
students of the University of Chicago and the
because I feel that you want to be kept up to date in the
condition of the University of Chicago.
I have one more thing to add. The University of Chicago
with respect to the University of Chicago. There is no reason of course for the
most doors which are open to the University of Chicago. I feel that you will
open at night. I have been called up several times.
One of the doors is open and out the door goes and having no
any more now the door is open and the door is open.
in reference to the University of Chicago. It is not necessary that the door be
leave the door open and the door is open and the door is open.
so that the door is open and the door is open and the door is open.
Very truly yours,

Head of the University of Chicago

W. C. C.

The University of Chicago

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO Nov. 21, 1902.

Domestiques

My dear Mr. President:-

The members of Hitchcock House appointed a committee some time ago to make plans for the House Warming Function. The unfinished condition of the House and the use of the Club Room by the athletic men have made it necessary to postpone this function later than we wished. The committee think now that it should be held on Friday, December 5th and they ask me to submit to you this general plan:

1. It is proposed to open the House from four to six and from eight to twelve, closing the day with dancing in the Club Room. It is thought that the afternoon hours will offer relief from the very large attendance of the evening and will prove convenient to many whom we wish to invite.

2. It is proposed that the invitations shall include the University address list, with possibly some retrenchment, the list that Mrs. Hitchcock may furnish, the residents of the Women's Halls and of the Men's Halls. These will make a very large list, but the committee does not quite know how to do less in this particular occasion.

3. It is reckoned that we shall need \$150 to meet expenses for printing, special service for that afternoon and evening, music for the dancing and the very simple refreshments that it is proposed to serve. Is it quite unreasonable to ask the University to make us an appropriation? Personally I should hesitate very much

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to undertake to raise this sum in the House. We ask it from the University on the ground that it is a unique affair and really the public opening of a new University building; a matter of interest not merely to the friends of the House, but to the entire University community.

Some things are still undone at Hitchcock Hall, but the work can be finished we think and the House put in order by the date ~~named~~. I think that you can understand how embarrassed we have been in making plans by the fact that the workmen are not yet out of the House and the finishing of the House has only very recently been completed, if it can be said even now to be complete.

It is important, of course, that we should know what we can do at once. Any delay would oblige the postponement of the affair until the beginning of the Winter Quarter; ^aserious objection to that postponement is the fact that Mrs. Hitchcock expects to leave the city for a long absence before the first of January.

Yours truly,

A. H. Parker

Head of Hitchcock House

January 13th, 1904.

Domestic
Mrs. E. C. Dudley,

1619 Indiana Avenue, Chicago.

My dear Mrs. Dudley:-

I am very much obliged to you for your kind note of January 11th. In reply I would say that the matters referred to by you in the letter have all been taken up and are under consideration. Immediately upon my return from New York January third I began to plan along lines that would at all events give confidence to those who had relatives in the halls. I think our plans are being well considered and we shall soon have matters in shape which will, I trust, be thoroughly satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

My dear

January 1, 1911.

1111 Indiana Avenue, N. W.

Washington, D. C.

I am very much obliged to you for your
kind note of January 1st. In regard to your
reference to my letter have all been taken up and are under
consideration. I have not yet returned from my trip January 1st
begin to plan ahead, things that would at all events give could not
to those who had relatives in the field. I think our plans are
being well considered and we shall soon have matters in shape which
will, I trust, be thoroughly satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

My dear Dr. Haaper, (23)

Since that terrible
Groggins fire - I have not
been at all comfortable in my
mind about my daughter
Helen living in Foster Hall -
She tells me that there is no
fire drill - no instruction given
as to use of fire escapes or of
fire extinguishers - in fact
she doesn't know whether
there are any such things

down there - and she thinks
you can only get to the fire-
escape, from her floor, through
another girl's room - I said,
"and that girl might lock her
room and be away!"

I am going to ask you - if you
cannot institute a fire drill,
such as they have at Bryn
Mawr - and which undoubtedly
saved several lives the night
one of their big dormitories

burned - and also that the
heads of the halls - should
at least once a month tell
the girls what to do in case
of fire -

I have kept her at home
ever since the fire, but she
thinks she ought to go back
to-morrow and I suppose she
ought to - but I am not going
to feel easy about her any
night - and so I am appealing

To you - very cordially yours.

(Mrs E.C.) Anne Dudley

1619 Indiana Ave

January tenth.

Early in January 1904 the suggestion was made by Professor George E. Vincent that the ticket-holders in the Men's Commons should organize and elect an advisory committee which should represent the diners in all dealings with the administrative authorities of the Commons and for any other desirable purposes. In accordance with this suggestion a committee on organization was chosen and made the following report on January 18th:

We, the committee appointed to draw up a plan for the organization of the patrons of Hutchinson Hall, submit the following recommendations:

I. We recommend the formation of an Advisory Committee to represent the diners in Hutchinson Hall, said Committee to consist of a president, a secretary, and three other members.

- II. The powers and duties of the committee shall be as follows:
- 1) It shall act as an intermediary between the patrons and the administrative officers of the Commons.
 - 2) It shall have power to investigate cases of misconduct in the Commons and to recommend disciplinary action to the University authorities.
 - 3) It shall have power to take action towards promoting social life in the commons.
 - 4) It shall have power to call, at its discretion, meetings of the ticket-holders in the Commons.
 - 5) It shall have charge of the nomination and election of its successors.

III. Members of this committee shall be nominated and elected by the holders of tickets in the Commons.

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1) It shall act as an intermediary between the patrons and the administrative officers of the Commons.

2) It shall have power to investigate cases of misconduct in the Commons and to recommend disciplinary action to the University authorities.

3) It shall have power to recommend to the University authorities the admission of new members to the Commons.

4) It shall have power to call, at its discretion, meetings of the stockholders in the Commons.

5) It shall have charge of the nomination and election of its officers.

III. Members of this committee shall be nominated and elected by the holders of stock in the Commons.

1) Nominations for President, Secretary, and three other members

of the Advisory Committee shall be made at the meeting of the Commons

Wednesday of each quarter. The names of the nominees shall be posted in Hutchinson Hall.

2) The election shall take place on the evening of the third Wednesday of each quarter. The election shall be by ballot. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes for president and secretary respectively, and the three highest on the poll for committeemen, shall be declared elected. *(see minutes Autumn Quarter, 1904 for Amendment to Article III.)*

The above recommendations were unanimously adopted and the committee was instructed to hold the first election.

At the election held on the evening of January 20, 1904, the following officers were chosen:

President: Mr. J. P. Warren.

Secretary: Mr. H. H. Parker.

Committeemen:

Messrs. C. B. Elliott
F. O. Scott
J. B. Watson

The policy which the Advisory Committee is at present following may be sufficiently indicated by the following votes passed at meetings held on January 27th and February 1st:

Resolved: That the Advisory Committee of the Men's Commons wishes to express to Mr. Boylan, the Steward, its confidence in him personally and its approval of his management of the Commons.

Resolved: That the Committee desires to give Mr. Boylan any assistance in its power which may tend to promote the welfare of the Commons, and that the Committee will welcome representations and suggestions from the Steward at any time.

Resolved: That any recommendations the Committee may at any time make to the Steward are intended as friendly suggestions and not as

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Resolved: That, in the opinion of the Advisory Committee, public dinners followed by speeches, as on the occasions of the visit of the Moseley Commission and the football rallies held during the Autumn Quarter, add much to the pleasure of dining in Hutchinson Hall.

Resolved: That the Committee will be pleased to cooperate with the University authorities in arranging for such occasions in the future.

Resolved: That in the opinion of the Committee it is very desirable that dinners to be followed by speeches begin promptly at six o'clock, in order that the regular boarders may not be obliged to wait before being served and in order that the after-dinner exercises may not infringe too far on the time for study or other evening engagements.

H. H. Parker,
Sec.

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W. H. Barker
Sec.

Organization of
Advisory Committee

Harper - Men

The University of Chicago.

#132 South Divinity Hall,

December 5, 1904.

Pres. Wm. R. Harper,

University of Chicago,

My Dear Dr. Harper:-

In reply to your communication of Nov. 29th. I beg leave to present the following report of present conditions at the Men's Commons as I understand them.

I take much pleasure in saying that great improvement has been made in the Commons board this fall. When I prepared my last report, I did not hope for so much progress.

The Advisory Committee for the autumn quarter adopted ~~the~~^{an} arrangement of sitting together at dinner on Monday evenings to hold its meetings. This has proved a great saving of time and makes committee service less onerous. Towards the end of the meal we have called in the Steward, and he has talked over our suggestions with us. This has been an exceedingly satisfactory arrangement. Without exception, Mr. Boylan has accepted our ideas or given excellent reasons for not doing so. Results have been almost immediate, and the Committee now feels for the first time that it is fulfilling its function. Up to the early part of this present quarter, there was almost constant adverse criticism of the board and service, now I hear practically nothing but warm approval.

In behalf of the Committee and of many diners whose opinions on the subject I have heard, I wish to express our hearty endorsement of Mr. Boylan. We feel that he has handled a difficult situation with decided ability and success.

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University of Chicago,

Pres. Mr. R. Harper,

December 2, 1904.

4132 South Divinity Hall,

The University of Chicago.

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Dean Vincent told me some time ago that he had recommended to you the establishment of a University bakery. I heartily endorse the idea in behalf of the Committee, and I suggest that a more palatable grade of graham bread would be one of the possibilities of a new bakery.

Very respectfully yours,

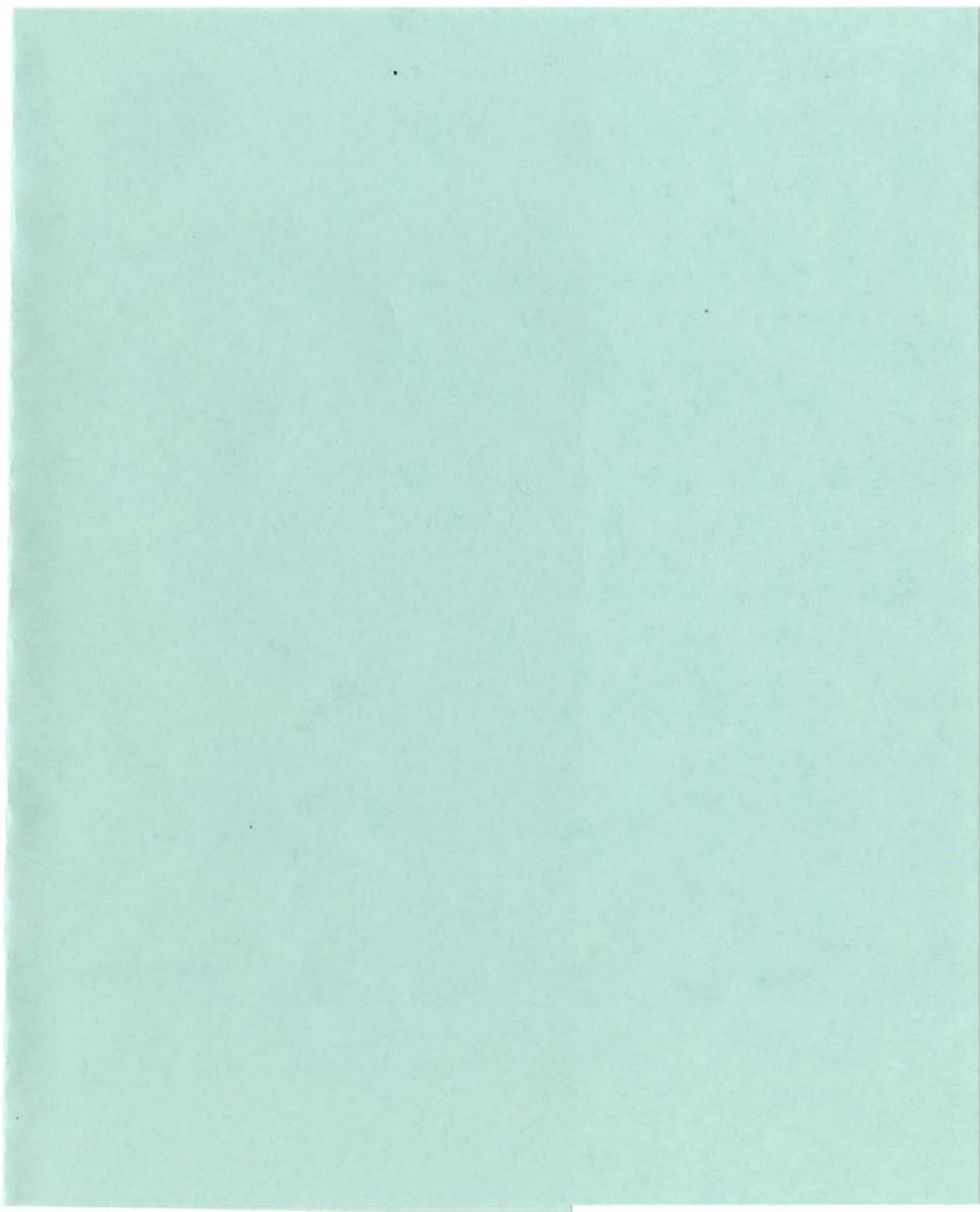
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R. W. ^{Stanton}

Report of R. W. Stanton
Dec 5, 1904

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19 North Hall, April 25, 1904.

My dear Dr. Harper:

In accordance with your suggestion of a few days ago, I have been thinking over the situation at the men's Commons, and now send you the following recommendations, based on my experience as a member of the Advisory Committee and as a diner.

First, I should suggest two changes in the organization and relations of the Committee. It should, I think, consist of six members, three of whom should be elected at the beginning of each quarter to serve for two quarters. Experience and continuity would thus be gained. Ad interim members might be chosen to fill the places of any members absent during a portion of their terms. To avoid dead-locks in the Committee the president might have a vote as a member and, if necessary, also a casting vote as chairman. I do not think, however, that dead-locks are a real danger. Second, I think the Committee should have authority to present matters directly to the Faculty Committee on the Commons as well as to the steward. On details the simplest way, of course, is to speak to the steward. On important questions, however, the Advisory Committee would have much more influence by going directly to the Faculty Committee, which can issue orders to the administrative officers of the Commons. Up to this time the chief difficulty of the Advisory Committee has been in obtaining sufficient consideration from these administrative officers. I believe that in nearly every case the recommendations of the Committee will be reasonable, and that the Faculty Committee will recognize that they are.

In the next place, I believe that some distinct improvements in the board at the Commons are necessary. The weak meal is the lunch. The main trouble with the lunch is that some of the meat dishes are of a coarse grade and unpalatable to the diners. For example, one occa-

sionally has to select from combinations such as these: (I give actual examples)

Beef heart; cold pressed beef; Irish stew.

Short ribs of beef; corned beef and cabbage; veal roll.

Pigs' feet; beef roll; short ribs of beef.

These combinations, it is but just to say, are below the average in quality which the steward gives. As I said in my previous report: "In response to the request of the Committee, the number of meats from which to select at lunch was increased from two to three, roast beef hot or cold has been frequently served, and another vegetable was added. Before this improvement, however, the poor quality of the lunch had driven many men to the café, and the improvement has not yet drawn them back. Even now the occasional appearance of combinations from which one cannot select a good meal seriously hurts the reputation of the lunch. The Advisory Committee discussed the situation at length and decided that the only remedy was to remove a few dishes entirely from the bill of fare. It drew up three lists, which I give below. It was the wish of the Committee that some dish from list I be always served at lunch, that list II be used at the option of the steward, that everything on list III be dropped. The objections to the articles on list III were based in some cases on the undesirable character of the food itself, more often on the apparent impossibility of securing a good quality of it at prices which the management can pay. The Committee presented these lists to the management, not as hard and fast categories, but as a basis for more careful selection. The lists follow:

I.	II.	III.
Steaks	Lamb stew	Pigs' feet.
Chops	Veal stew	Halibut
Lamb	Short ribs of beef	Veal roll
Pork	Veal loaf	Perch
Mutton	New England dinner dinner	Tripe
Veal cutlets	Corned beef and cabbage	Beef-steak pie

I con.

Eggs
 White fish
 Trout
 Baked macaroni and cheese
 Cold meats
 Ham
 Tongue
 Beef
 Pork
 Lamb
 Hot roasts
 Croquettes
 Chicken
 Beef
 Minced ham and eggs.

II con.

Spare ribs
 Squirrel
 Head cheese
 Hamburger steak
 Beef hash
 Liver and bacon
 Pork sausage (in bulk)
 Baked beans
 Frankfurt sausage

III con.

Beef heart
 Stewed kidneys
 Pot roasts
 Beef roll

Since the foregoing recommendations were made the articles on list I have been served more frequently and those on list III less so. I believe, however, that without further advance in this direction the lunch will not become a success.

Another improvement, I think, - and the Committee recommended it - should be made in the lunch. This is in the matter of dessert. Certain soggy articles should be dropped. Others, especially fruit desserts, should be more frequently served. This point is illustrated by lists I and II, given below:

I. Desirable ^Sdesserts.
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Pie
 Sliced fruit
 Rice puddings (well done)
 Prunes
 Tapioca
 Cottage puddings (better grade of sauce)
 Fruit gelatine (with more fruit)
 Baked apples
 Apple sauce
 Pear sauce
 Canned fruits
 Blanc mange

II Undesirable desserts.

Plum pudding
 Bread pudding

Still a further slight improvement is needed in the lunch, - the addition of relishes such as pickles and horse-radish. These things, it would seem, would be within the means of the management, but the Advisory Committee have not been able to secure them.

I can

It can

It can

Wheat
Barley
Oats
Rye
Corn
Sorghum
Millet
Buckwheat
Rice
Wheat
Barley
Oats
Rye
Corn
Sorghum
Millet
Buckwheat
Rice

Wheat
Barley
Oats
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If improvements such as are indicated above were made, and the change of policy were advertised by suitable announcements, I think the patronage of the large hall at lunch time would be distinctly increased. I am not quite sure, however, that it would be increased enough to make the lunch a success from the business point of view. If it should not, it would be clearly proved that the majority of the men prefer an à la carte lunch to a regular meal. If this should appear to be the case, they ought to have it. Personally, I think ~~the~~ regular meals at club tables are of greater social value than à la carte restaurant service can be, but theories cannot always change conditions. If the patronage of the regular lunch does not much increase, I should advise that à la carte breakfasts and lunches be served in the large hall, and that the use of the café be discontinued. Certain shiftings of apparatus would be necessary, but no doubt feasible. The culture value of a more extensive use of the large hall is a consideration in favor of this change. Some economy in administration would be gained by ceasing to run two competing dining rooms at the same time. For regular diners club tables could still be continued. As to the breakfast, the reasons for the change lie in the very small patronage of the present excellent regular breakfast, and in the fact that men's tastes *differ* more at breakfast than at any other meal. A regular meal at ~~dinner~~ should, I think, be continued.

One important point must be added here. If the change to à la carte breakfasts and lunches should be carried out, the prices should be so arranged that a full meal- a meat order or the equivalent, bread and butter, a drink, and dessert- could be had for not more than twenty cents. This is done in numerous restaurants, and was for a time at least the practice at the old café. I am inclined to go beyond this and recom-

mend that the traditional multiple of five cents be abandoned in fixing prices. A glass of milk could be given for two or three cents; butter for a cent; coffee with milk for three cents, without milk for two. This would mean a saving to the diner and would teach sensible economy. For example, a man would not call for a second plate of butter, if one, used with prudence, would suffice. The management would not throw away bread, butter, and milk for coffee on men who do not want them, and would save immensely on second orders. The prices for different meat orders would vary more than at present, and a saving to the boarders without loss to the management would result. I believe that the fixing of prices according to the method here advocated would enable the Commons to give good board at a lower figure than would be possible in any other way. This method has been successfully followed for years in the Foxcroft Club and its successor, ^SRandall Hall, at Harvard University.

In the next place, it seems very desirable that some steps be taken to promote social life at the Commons. Among the possible methods are, first, dinners in honor of distinguished guests, at which brief speeches can be made by both the guests and ~~representatives~~ of the University. The dinners given to the Moseley Commission and, more recently, to the representatives of German scholarship proved the desir^aability of such occasions. Such dinners should begin promptly at six o'clock, in order that the regular diners may not be kept waiting. The speaking should be over by half after seven, in order that evening work and engagements may not be interfered with. I think there is no doubt that the Advisory Committee would be most glad to co-operate with the President of the University in arranging for such meetings. Another prom^aising method of developing social life at the Commons is the holding of dinners to promote interest in student activities. A very successful foot-ball dinner was held last November. There were, however, too many speakers on that occasion.

Dinners for the base-ball team, the track athletes, and the debating team would be equally desirable. Finally, it would be an excellent thing for the musical clubs occasionally to entertain the men for a short time after dinner. Help in this line could be given by the alumni as well. Fixed times, say the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month, would well be selected for occasions such as those suggested above. Several pleasant affairs could doubtless be arranged for the present quarter. In this connection it seems desirable to advise against the too frequent use of the large hall for dinners in which the regular patrons have no part. At such times the cafe is overcrowded and distinctly uncomfortable. The opinion seems to be general that the regular diners should be subjected to this inconvenience no oftener than is absolutely necessary.

It remains only to give the names, as I promised to do, of the members of the Advisory Committee just elected. They are as follows:

President- Dr. R. M. Strong.

Secretary - Frederick Dickinson

Additional members- William C. Healion,

Albert E. Lake,

Dr. George L. Marsh.

Very truly yours,

Joseph Parker Warren

President William R. Harper.

Report of Mr. Warner

April 25, 1904

Joseph P. Warner

Downing

July 30th, 1904.

My dear Mr. Whitwood:-

Please reserve a double room in North Hall to be occupied by George Northrup Simpson. No charge will be made Simpson for his occupancy. There will be room in the suite for one other person who will be charged \$18.00. Simpson will secure this other person. Please note the instruction contained in this letter and hold the room subject to his order. You may select one of the suites which you will find most difficult to rent.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

May 1904

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W. R. Harper

OCT 31, 1904

The University of Chicago

My dear Dr. Harper.

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Mr & Mrs Almond called
upon me in response to a letter
I sent them. Mrs Almond & her
daughters have been here at the
gymnasium & I think we can
arrange to take the young lady
as a private pupil. There seems
to be no other way. I tried to have
them send her to downtown
gymnasium - but for some
reason he want her to work here
with us. He seemed satisfied
when I told him I would give
the young lady my personal

Oct 31 1904

The University of Chicago

attention. You know I am
always glad to give any one
any help along my own line
but you must know that we are
limited as far as these outside
are concerned. If we had the
room & had the time the
University wanted to open its doors
for physical work to those not in
the other work - we could have
many large classes of all ages.

Can you tell me anything in
regard to the students from the
School of Education. There are
a few who come to us weekly
hoping to get in here?

The University of Chicago

attention. If you can
 always speak to you and see
 and keep things very close
 but if you know that we are
 limited as far as these matters
 are concerned. If we have the
 room above the time to be
 University wanted to open it down
 for physical work to them but in
 the other work. We could have
 many things done of all ages.
 Can you tell me any thing in
 regard to the situation from the
 point of education. There are
 a few who come from outside
 looking to get in there?

The University of Chicago

In reply to your letter of the 12th inst.
regarding the ~~attitude~~ ^{attitude}
Association will be glad to repeat
that ~~sympathetic~~ ^{sympathetic} ~~function~~ - will
hand down the letter. that is
not an official recapitulation - that
must come from them -

Truly y

Kellogg Bradley

Oct 31 1904

The University of Chicago

Be happy to see you
again. I have been
looking forward to
seeing you with a
great deal of interest.
I have been thinking
of you very much
and hope you are
well. I have been
very busy but I
will try to find
time to write to
you soon. I hope
you are happy and
well. I have been
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Oct 31 1904

Nov. 2, 1904.

My dear Miss Dudley:-

I have your kind note and thank you for the information which it contains. I agree with you that if we had the opportunity we could do a large work along this line, but I am sure that our duty now is to take care of the girls we have.

Nothing has been done in reference to the students of the School of Education. I am waiting to hear from Mr. Kroh.

I shall be pleased to hear from the Athletic Association.

Yours very truly,

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W. R. Harper

November 7, 1904

My dear Miss Dudley:

I have your note in regard to the proposed dancing class. I hesitate in regard to this greatly and I have asked Miss Talbot to talk with you about it. If you desire, I should be glad myself to take it up.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

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Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

November 3, 1904

The University of Chicago

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Wheeler
Miss
Thank

My dear Mr. Harper.

There are in our depart-
ment a good many women who
are eager to learn to dance.
Women who are living off the
campus, who cannot afford
to pay for lessons in any of
the downtown schools

Would you have any objection
to having me give a series of lessons
one night in the week for a dancing
class. Miss Humeau, a young
woman of great ability is
willing to come here & conduct
such a class with a very small

Send a man with a very small

bathtub & cover bath + window

Woman of great ability is

born. This American, a good

one helped in the work for a century

to develop the life-saving service

which she has and expects

the government should

to pay for lessons in kind of

careless. When correct effort

is made who are living off the

are ready to turn to home

Went a good many houses who

Other are in the report.

My dear Mr. Rogers

Yours truly
John D. Rockefeller

The University of Chicago

November 2 1904

The University of Chicago

charge to the student. It will be
for ~~our~~ our students only. It
seems a good opportunity for them
to get something which will be of
benefit as well as pleasure to them.

It may be we cannot get the
number to make it possible to have
this class, but I want you ap-
praised or disappointed first. This
will not be an advertised

class. I hope very much that

we may do this.

Truly y
C. H. S. S. S.

Nov 1.

The University of Chicago

Chicago, the student. It will be
for over one student only. It
seems a good opportunity for them
to get acquainted with what is of
benefit as well as pleasure to them.
It may be the course of the
month to make it more than
the day, but about you of
first or second year. It is
well not to be an exception

Dear Sir, I hope very much that

we may hear from you.

Yours truly,
John D. Rockefeller

Nov. 1.

The University of Chicago

D.S.

Miss Humeau is lecture class
this year in the School of Education.

Dormitories

November 9, 1904

Mr. James Westfall Thompson,
The University of Chicago.

My dear Mr. Thompson:

I am not sure that I think of any definite criticism to make upon the house system of the University or any suggestions for a policy in the future. Our house life in Hitchcock is so thoroughly desirable that I do not think of anything that we particularly desire added. We have in my opinion the right combination of individual freedom and house loyalty. The house does not make demands on our time large enough to be burdensome and yet in the receptions and house meetings we have an opportunity to become acquainted with each other and develop a little house spirit.

One problem that perplexes me is just how far we should permit instructors to occupy rooms in the hall. They are of course desirable tenants. They are quiet and keep their rooms attractive. On the other hand Dr. Parker feels, as I think we all must, that after all the University dormitories are designed for the use of students and that inasmuch as the number of rooms is not adequate to meet the demands, we ought not to keep students out of the few at our disposal.

November 2, 1904

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Henry P. Chandler,
Secretary to the President.

Chicago, November 10th, 1904.

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Before preparing my annual report
as Director of University Houses, I should be glad if you would
make any suggestions calculated to improve the present house system,
or explicit criticism of it based upon your observation and experi-
ence as *vice-head* ~~or~~ _____ of

Hitchcock House.

Yours very truly,

JAMES WESTFALL THOMPSON,

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Atchafalpa House.

Yours very truly,

JAMES WESTBAIL THOMPSON,

Director of University House.

October 2nd, 1905.

My dear Mrs. Hitchcock:-

Your letter to Mrs. Harper should have been answered some time ago, but they have been slow to let me take up matters of business. I have read it very carefully. The points you suggest are all excellent. I will take them up one by one.

1. Any arrangement which you and Dr. Parker make in reference to the caterer furnishing breakfasts will be approved provided there is no extra expense incurred against the University, and I understand that you cover this point in your letter.

2. We shall be glad to have the hospital fitted up more completely. It would not, in my opinion, be possible for Mr. Raycroft to have his office there. Dr. Small is the University physician not Mr. Raycroft, and we have a regular office in Cobb Hall. Any physician ought to be able to send a student to the hospital and take care of him there. This would include Dr. Raycroft Dr. Small and any others.

3. We shall be glad to have the plan for librarian go on according to the plan of last year if you so desire and if provision is made for the same.

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Hoping that you will pardon my delay and that these matters may be carried out by Dr. Parker in accordance with your instructions, I remain

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

Oct 2, 1902

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W. R. Harper

Roaring Brook, Inn
September 24th/1860.

Dear Mrs Harper:

I am going to write to you about some of the things I want to consult Dr Harper about on my return home, and beg you to use your judgment as to whether he is able to consider them at this time or not.

I would like to test the ^{practical} value of some things at Hitchcock Hall which have not yet been used regularly -

If I could make some arrangement with a caterer to come in each day, and serve breakfast between ~~six~~ ^{eight} and eight o'clock in the room prepared for it, at a moderate price, and put leave every thing in order after them. I would be willing to make up the deficit, if there is any, each month -

The breakfast would be rather the European breakfast: coffee, a serial, fruit & eggs -

This would be the best quality, and would bring into use the ranges that are, I fear, suffering for want of use -

I would like to have Dr Harper's approval before I try the experiment -

Then I would like to fit up the hospital completely, and if possible have Dr Roycroft take charge of the instruments, and possibly have his office there -

Rooming Board. Jan.
18th 1860.

Dear Mr. Parker:

I am going to write to you about some of the things I want to mention. Mr. Parker about in my school room, and I am sure you will be able to consider them as to whether or not it is able to consider them at this time or not.

I would like to list the names of some things at the school of all which have not yet been used regularly -

I could make some arrangement with a cabinet to come in each day, and some breakfast - but I don't like to do that in the room prepared for it, it is a mistake. I don't like to have any thing in room for them. I would be willing to make up the deficit of there is any, each month.

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The appointment of a librarian to watch over the use of the books, was, I think, fairly successful, & I would like to continue it another year - and it would be quite possible for me to arrange for a series of musicals, once a month, in the Library room if it should prove acceptable to the inmates of the hall. - I fear I could not give much attention to the carrying out of these plans before November, but I must begin perfecting the arrangements for them in October - and am writing about them now.

I expected to write you the next day after I saw you, but I came up here with Mrs Lawrence who was suffering from city life through the hot summer. We were rather late in starting for she has been seriously ailing ever since we came, and my letters have been delayed.

We shall be at my home however next Wednesday, Sep. 27th and there you can telephone me, if you like, whether I can see & talk over these things with Dr. Harper or not.

I have not seen but one newspaper since I came two weeks ago, and have had no definite news of you since I left home, but "to think of you is almost prayer." Hoping all things, I am yours, most sincerely,

Annie Hitchcock -

I hope you will tell me if you like the new portrait better than the old one in Hitchcock Hall

I hope you will tell me if you like the way
I have written the above in italics & will
be glad to hear from you on the subject of
all things, I am yours, most sincerely
John H. Johnson

The thing of you is almost perfect. Hoping
I have this much ago. and have been so
I have not seen but one opportunity since
things with a thought a rest.

Now if you like the above I can see that you like
the thing. Of course, I am sure you can tell me
the shall be at my home tomorrow night.

and you shall have been delayed.

from coming along and since we came
over water we in waiting for the two
city life through the hot summer. We
was summer who was suffering from

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I expected to write you the next day after
am writing about them now.

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if it should prove acceptable to the committee
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possible for me to arrange for a series of
of another year - and it would be quite
fairly one and half I would like to continue
over the one of the books, and I think
a opportunity of a Librarian to write

March 2, 1906.

To the Counsellor of Hitchcock Hall,

My dear Mr. Judson:-

Permit me, in reply to the proposition of the Quadrangle Club offering to the University a guest room in the Club House, to submit the following considerations:

(1) The fact that the guest room is in Hitchcock Hall gives a certain prestige and distinction to the House which we should be sorry to lose. More than this, the guest room is often a practical convenience to us when it is not needed by the University. It enables me to offer a nights lodging to friends of residents of the House occasionally, a courtesy which they greatly appreciate. We are able sometimes to use it as a dressing room for ladies at social functions.

(2) I feel quite sure that I can do something for the comfort and entertainment of the University Preacher if he is in Hitchcock which I could not do were he at the Quadrangle Club. Men have often come here who were entire strangers to the University and needed for the first two or three days advice and direction.

(3) Calls are made upon the University Preacher by students, occasionally, outside of his office hours. It is very much more convenient for them to find him at

March 2, 1903.

To the Comptroller of Hilschbach Hall.

My dear Mr. Anderson:-

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the proposition of the Quadrangle Club offering to the

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March 2, 1906

Hitchcock than at the Quadrangle Club. You will agree with me, I think, that we want to encourage in every possible way intercourse between the University Preacher and the student body. It is not nearly so frequent as it should be. We are doing something to promote it if we lodge him in a Hall where he may, if he wishes, easily form acquaintance with students.

(4) The corresponding room on the floor above the Guest Room rents for \$44. single, \$53. double. If the Guest Room were rented to two men a small outlay for furniture would be needed. The furniture now in the room was purchased from the Hitchcock furnishing fund and it is a question whether it should be taken out of the Hall.

Will you kindly present these considerations on behalf of the House to the Acting President of the University?

Yours truly,

A. H. Parker

Head of the House.

March 2, 1902

The University of Chicago
THOMAS M. JOHNS, LL.D., PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF THE RECORDS

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W. H. Gardner

Head of the House.

Hitchcock Hall
Donnell

March 3rd, 1906.

My dear Mr. Lovett:-

Your note of the 20th of February with reference to the room in the Quadrangle Club for the University preacher has been carefully considered. I can see certain advantages in it, but on the other hand there are decided advantages in keeping the preacher's room in Hitchcock. The head of that house, Dr. Parker, is able to do many things for the preacher having him as his neighbor which could not be done if the preacher's room were in the Club. Further, and more important, is this consideration- having a room in Hitchcock students are able easily to call on the preacher and he is able to make appointments in his room very readily which would not be so conveniently the case if the room were in the Club. For these reasons it does not seem to me at present advisable to make the arrangement.

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson

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Very truly yours,

H. P. Johnson

CHICAGO Feb 20, 1906.

My dear Mr. Jackson:

At the request of Professor Small, who will be the next president of the Club, I try to renew the proposal made last year that the University engage a suite of rooms in the Clubhouse for the use of the University ^{or other special guests.} preachers. The Club would rent two rooms for \$300 a year - a reduction of \$60 - it being understood that the Club might itself use the rooms for transient guests at such times as they were not needed by the University.

It is believed that such an arrangement would work to the advantage of both University and Club. The University would be able to rent the room now retained for the preachers' use in Hitchcock; and the Club would gain the presence of the preacher, who is regularly a man whom the faculty members, at least, of the Club are glad to meet and

CHICAGO
Feb 20, 1906

My dear Mr. Jackson:

All the reports of Professor Knell, who will be the next President of the Club, I hope to receive the proposed book and plan for the University of Chicago a list of names in the Clubhouse for the use of the University Press, which the Club would not but receive for \$100 a year - a reduction of \$50 - it has indicated that the Club might itself use the room for transient guests at such times as they were well needed by the University. It is believed that such an arrangement would work to the advantage of both University and Club. The University would be able to rent the room now retained for the President, who is withdrawn, and the Club would gain the presence of the President, who is regularly a man whom the faculty members at least of the Club are glad to meet and

The Quadrangle Club

Feb 20, 1906

CHICAGO

know.

This plan was approved by President Harper a year ago, but in some way failed to be duly authorized by the Committee on expenditures of the University.

Very truly yours,

Robert Moses Lovett.
for the Quadrangle Club.

Feb 21 1906

The Quinsigamond Club

Chicago

Dear Sir,

This plan was approved by the Executive Committee -
you say, but it was not found to be strictly
conforming to the Committee's or other interests
the Committee.

Very truly yours,

Robert Allen Smith
for the Quinsigamond Club.

President of the University. #227
is the only basis on which
I can speak only for
Nancy Foster Hall
The University of Chicago
3/12/06

My dear Mr. Judson:

You asked me to put in
writing my understanding con-
cerning the autonomy of the
Houses. I can speak only for
my own arrangement with
Dr. Harper. The basis on which
I accepted the headship of
Foster and the basis on which
all questions were, so far as
I know, decided was that,
for any matters pertaining
to the house life, my respon-
sibility was directly to the

President of the University, this
is the only basis on which
I can successfully work.

Very sincerely yours,
Myra Brewster

March 18-1906

OCT. 3d. 1906.

TO MR. H. P. JUDSON.
COUNCILOR OF SNELL HALL.

THE NEW MEN WHO HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED ROOMS IN SNELL HALL HAVE BEEN VOTED UPON BY THE OLD MEMBERS ACCORDING TO THE HOUSE REGULATIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY. THE VOTE IS FAVORABLE IN THE CASE OF EVERY MAN EXCEPT MR. D. W. WOODARD, COLORED. IT IS REQUESTED OF THE COUNCILOR OF THE HALL THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE BY WHICH THE RENT PAID ON ROOM 47 BE REFUNDED TO MR. WOODARD AND THAT HE BE DISMISSED FROM SNELL HALL.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

T. M. Sanderson

SEC. OF MEETING.

OCT. 31. 1906.

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SEC. OF MEETING.

The University of Chicago
Founded by John D. Rockefeller
Office of the President

Chicago October 5th, 1906.

My dear Dr. Raycroft:-

I am forwarding herewith a letter to the Councilor of Snell Hall from the Secretary of the house meeting, Mr. T. H. Sanderson. Mr. Sanderson refers to a regulation to be found on page 54 of the University Regulations. It is number 12 of section 26. There is an evident misunderstanding of this regulation on the part of the Secretary of the meeting ^{if not} ~~but~~ on the part of the entire meeting. I believe the interpretation has always been "provided that men were not elected during the first quarter they should not return for another quarter". This is as far as the University regulations apply to this particular case. I have heard it asserted that the Y. M. C. A. reserved the right to determine who should or should not be resident in the house, but I have no official correspondence concerning that point. You will remember that the Y. M. C. A. took charge of the house some three or four years ago. The University, therefore,

The University of Chicago
Chicago, October 21st, 1906

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My dear Mr. Everett:-

I am forwarding herewith a letter to the Council of the University of Chicago from the Secretary of the House of Representatives, Mr. E. B. Tamm, in which Mr. Tamm refers to a regulation to be found on page 34 of the University Regulations. It is number 12 of section 28. There is an evident misunderstanding of this regulation on the part of the Secretary of the meeting, and on the part of the entire meeting. I believe the interpretation has always been "provided that men were not elected during the first quarter they should not return for another quarter". This is as far as the University regulations apply to this particular case. I have heard it asserted that the Y. M. C. A. reserved the right to determine who should or should not be readmitted in the House, but I have no official correspondence concerning that point. You will remember that the Y. M. C. A. took charge of the house some three or four years ago. The University, therefore,

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Chicago

cannot assume the responsibility for barring Mr.
Woodward from his room in Snell. The most that
can be done on our side is to say that he can be
refused his room for next quarter.

Yours very truly,

David A. Robertson

Dr. Joseph E. Raycroft,
The University of Chicago.

June 7, 1908

(Intro)

Stanton 1.

To the President: -

In accordance with your suggestion I herewith respectfully submit, in writing, the following facts. Their nature seems to me to lack that impartial fairness which every undergraduate here so invariably has met with, and has prided himself on, in University Institutions. I therefore protest against the same, as an injustice.

On March 24th. I stopped living at Kelly Hall, and have since been with my family. - I still visited at the Hall, and often lunched there with friends. May, 5th. or 6th. Miss Talbot sent for me, and, in view of the fact that I had formerly been a roommate of Miss Kerns, and must have known her secret marriage, forbade me the house.

Every member of Kelly House whom I told of this, expressed their sense of the injustice of this measure, some of them I believe, to Miss Talbot.

I hold, in the first place, that no self-respecting person would interpret their duty to the house to include reporting any case of violation of rules which was told to them in confidence, and with the most earnest request of secrecy.

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disinterested friendship was most deeply needed.

Personally the fact that my family agreed to my taking such a risk, and that Miss Keen's family knew of her position, relieved me from further moral obligation.

Aside from this, however, the penalty of being forbidden an open house such as Kelly Hall, is certainly only justly visited on a certain class of offenders:—those violating good name or reputation. As Miss Talbot knows how very retired my life has been for two years, as she made no such complaint when I left the hall, & as I have been since then confined to the house in severe illness, I presume she would acquit me of that class of offence. And to no other class, I maintain, is that particular restriction ^{generally} understood to apply.

Miss Talbot, I may add, has been uniformly unfriendly through the four years of my residence in Kelly Hall, chiefly, I believe, through her dislike and disapproval of my roommate, Miss Keen.

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Miss Keen
 Belton, N. C.

June Seventh 1847.

Dormitories

January 13th, 1908.

President Thomas F. Kane,

University of Washington, Seattle.

My dear President Kane:-

Your circular letter of the 21st of December came during my absence in the west. I may say that we are interested here in dormitories; at the same time they are not dormitories in the ordinary sense. Each residence hall is virtually a club organization with a head appointed by the President of the University and an executive committee elected by the student members. Each hall has its own public social organization. In the women's halls there is also provision for dining rooms. We believe that our solution of the matter has been on the whole successful. While, of course, most of our students either live in their own homes or boarding places, at the same time we provide for a considerable number. I believe that we have accommodations now in the residence halls for men and women. There are certain benefits to be obtained from

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June 13, 1908

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Very truly yours,

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Very truly yours,

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Seattle, Washington, Dec. 21, 1907.

My dear Mr. President:

The Regents of our University have entered on their calendar for consideration at the meeting in January or February, before the next issue of the catalogue, the question of the advisability of abolishing our dormitories. Some of the Regents think the dormitories ought not to be maintained by a University. The Faculty very generally think of the dormitories here as a factor for good. I should like to bring to bear on this question the results of the experience of the other universities both for and against the dormitories. Accordingly, it will be a marked favor to us if you will give us the benefit of your experience and your view.

1st. Do you have dormitories?

- a. For men?
- b. For women?

2nd. Do you think they are an advantage or disadvantage?

- a. Economically for the students?
- b. Socially?
- c. Morally?

3rd. Is it your observation that the trend at the universities is toward the dormitory system or away from the dormitory system?

4th. Will you please give your own belief as to the desirability or undesirability of dormitories along with as definite reasons as you can enumerate?

Note: I am putting into this definite form of questions my inquiry so that I may the more definitely compare the answers but feel free to give your views on what you regard the points at issue, whether governed by these points or not.

Your answer to these questions will be a favor which we shall gladly reciprocate at any time the opportunity may come to us.

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1st: Do you have committees?
a. For men?
b. For women?

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Very respectfully yours,

THOMAS W. LANE

President

DR. CHARLES P. SMALL
100 STATE STREET
CHICAGO.

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April 28th 1909

President *Wardson*

Dear Sir

proposed At the house-meeting held in Hitchcock Hall last evening, the question of smoking in the library was discussed. A large majority of those present were in favor of making this change. After a very thorough discussion, they finally decided upon the following plan as the most practical and desirable:— That smoking be permitted in the library until 9.30 in the morning; from noon until two or two thirty in the afternoon; and from six to seven thirty or eight in the evening. It is understood that anyone using this privilege will be a "gentleman", with all the word implies. They voted to have me put this matter before the President, and request permission to try it for a month, so that if found undesirable at the

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End of that time it should be stopped.

They decided also, to have the morning and afternoon newspapers kept upon racks in the library, and the idea prevailed that the room would be made a much more desirable place where they could drop in for a social hour, if permitted to smoke at those times.

I will report to the House as soon as I hear from you.

Very truly yours

Chas. P. Small

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Very truly yours

Charles P. Small

May 3, 1909

Dear Dr. Small:-

Yours of the 28th of April was duly received.

Personally I see no objection to the plan for the library.

Inasmuch as I understand, however, that Mrs. Hitchcock had expressed a wish about the matter I am wondering whether it would not be advisable to hold it until you can consult with her.

Very truly yours,

H. P. J.

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June 2^d. 1909

President Judson

My dear sir:-

In regard to the library attendants in Hitchcock Hall, it seems to me that the plan as outlined by Mr. Bowers is about as practical as possible at the present time. According to this plan, there would be continuous service from 9.30 A.M. to 10. P.M. where now there is nobody on duty during a half hour at noon, and an hour in the evening. Inasmuch as the catalogue system of the Hitchcock library is somewhat complicated, Miss Remmer suggests that the attendants - if they are to act as librarians - be selected, as far as

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100 WEST WYOMING
CHICAGO

June 26 1909

President Johnson

My dear Sir:

In regard to the library attendance in
the building as outlined in
the plan, it seems to me that the plan as outlined is
not feasible at the present time.
Mr. Brown is about as practical as possible in
regarding this plan, the world he continues to
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the morning -
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now being completed, this summer suggests that the
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possible, from among students who may be doing some work along this line. I believe this plan for the library attendants will be more acceptable to the residents of the hall, as it would enable them to take out a book at any time, instead of during just the one hour from seven to eight in the evening as it is now; and the entire appropriation for this service would be no more. I have appointed Mr. Mitchell to succeed Mr. Fairweather, as sub-head of section one.

Very truly yours

Chas. P. Small

June 2, 1907

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I have approached the Librarian & suggested the four quarters, on
each side of the hall.

Very truly yours
Charles P. Small

June 3, 1909

Dear Dr. Small:-

The suggestion of Mr. Bowers probably is as wise as any that could be thought of under the present circumstances. Have you been over with Mr. Arnett the tentative Budget of the Hitchcock Fund? Of course this library matter is a part of it. I suggest that you and he agree on a budget and submit the same to me for approval. I note the appointment of Mr. Mitchell as sub-head of section 1. You will hear from me shortly with regard to Mr. MacClintock.

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New England has been very delightful all summer but I al sure Chicago will seem 'good to me' I hope that somw time during the summer you had some vacation, it hardly seem fair for us all to go away and leave you at work.

Sincerely yours

Gertrude Dudley

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September 8

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Sincerely yours

R R S Guilford Conn

September 8

September 16, 1909

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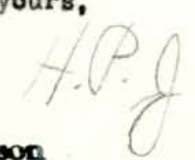
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In regard to the rooms in your letter of the sixteenth. I don't get your point of view. Of course we are agreed that as many students as possible should have the advantages of life in the Halls. But I feel also that the Head should have life made as comfortable and as nerve saving as possible. I should be unwilling to give up the west room with the bath adjoining or to share my bathroom with any Head of the Commons who might be appointed. I shall be glad to have the bathroom on the east side of my hall way removed in fact I feel that it must be done. If you still think it is impossible to add that east room, to the two now assigned the Head, I shall be willing to try the rooms as I had them last year till Christmas. If at that time I find as I did last year, the broken nights were interfering with my ability to work, you will I am sure be willing to appoint some other person as head of Kelly.

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Kelly
My dear Dr Judson,

I am sending you the enclosed not because I think you ought to be bothered with it but because I want something done about the matter.

When I went east last spring Mr MacLean agreed to send me the color schemes and plans for the decoration, the work to be done in September. I wrote reminding him that nothing seemed to be in motion and he replied that the work was to be delayed till I returned that it might be done in accordance with my wishes. After the quarter opened there was delay after delay, Finally a Mr Brown, sent from Marshall Fields appeared, I would hate to think he was their decorator, and his estimate was submitted. I was then desirous of having other estimates made but Mr MacLean advise waiting till the Committee on Expenditures met. The enclosed is the result.

Miss Cannon agrees with me Dr Judson that the condition of Kelly is "disgraceful." The only work that has been done on this first floor for at least four years is the application of an added coat of varnish to dirty woodwork. The House has been postponing its social activities till the hall could be put in order. If we are willing to undergo the inconvenience of three weeks of workmen, two of which would be in the Christmas vacation is there any reason why the work cannot be done this coming month?

Truly yours

November 13

Gertrude Dudley

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THE SECRETARY

Chicago, November 3, 1909.

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Formalities

November 14th, 1907.

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My dear President Judson,

Am enclosing Mr Heckmans letter. We seem to be exactly where we were tow years ago with the authorization coming from a different source. After a year of talking and wiifing, Mr MacLean gave me permission in June 1908 three days before I left for the east to select papers for Kelly. I explained to him it was a matter to be studied, that I had not the time even if I had the ability to do it. He suggested that we have Cowan and Marshall Field submit designs, which he would send me and the work would be done in September. That was agrred upon. In August I wrote reminding him I had heard nothing. Late in September he replied they had decided to have the work wait till my return. For the month following my return I endeavored to keep the matter before Mr MacLean. In November you kindly asked me to a meeting of the Committee on Expenditure. There I learned the reason the work had not been done was because Mr MacLean could not reach me by mail during the summer. The Committee also stated that their desire and intention was to have the work weel done when it wad done and to that end you would leave it for the year, but get all plans complete at once that there would be no need of haste at the end of the year. Ahis last was Mr Heckmans suggestion.

By the Faculty of the University of Chicago

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I feel Dr Judson that we are making a great mistake in giving our students so little that is artistic, Education along aesthetic lines seems to be ignored by the University. Our students

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come from homes of varying standards, , they live in a hall provided by the University that is shabby, inartistic and badly cared for, and they return to their homes with standard of life not any higher from the aesthetic side than when they came. If Kelly is to have

side walls and ceiling decorated could not that work be supervised by an expert who would consider both the appropriate and artistic side ? Of course with the different lines for picture molding, door and window casings, with the four large doors opening into our living rooms and the lights in the living room the cast off fixtures from the press building, I fail to see how the place can be very attractive, but good treatment of the walls would help some.

In view of the consistent effort I have made for two years, and the expenditure of time and energy, to have this work done and done well, the suggestion in Mr Heckmans letter seems most discouraging at this time.

Sincerely yours

June 4 1910

Frederick Duesley

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Suggestions Dormitories

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There was a time when Snell House possessed a more or less complete collection of framed photographs of heads and councillors. One by one these pictures have been stolen, until now only a few are left. The trouble, of course, has been that the pictures were exposed in the public rooms of the halls where none was seen to protect them. In this experience Snell has suffered only as Hitchcock and some of the other halls have suffered. Were such a collection to be made, however, and preserved in the rooms of the head of the house, I think the collection might easily grow and gain value from year to year. My present interest, however, is not in rooms 19 and 20, and ^{their} other associations with the heads from Miss Talbot to Mr. Trowbridge, but with the other rooms of the building.

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Memoranda concerning Hitchcock House:

Sunday Teas. Mary Nugent, of Foster Hall, is so familiar with the routine that I suggest arranging with Miss Colburn to have Mary take charge of the teas during the Winter Quarter. The usual remuneration has been one dollar per Sunday. Cakes should be ordered on Saturday. Usually we have secured desirable things at Dattelbaums on Lake Park Avenue near Fifty-third Street. Sometimes, also, the little Swedish bakery on the north side of Fifty-fifth Street, just east of Greenwood, has good things. Be sure to order, also, lemons and cream. We have been using Ridgway's "Her Majesty's Blend". Our custom has been to pay for whatever we have bought and secure receipts; At the end of a month or so, to prepare a bill of the Hitchcock Fund indebtedness with which to re-imburse ourselves. Make the bill out to the Hitchcock Fund and send it to Mr. Arnett.

Ten O'Clocks. Concerning the Ten O'Clocks I have already conferred with you. The expenses of the Ten O'Clocks have been in part paid from the Hitchcock Fund and in part by myself.

Flowers. McAdams, at Fifty-third and Kimbark, will refill the fern dish on the mantelpiece and supply a big fern for the jardiniere if you will telephone and explain what you desire. If you will O.K. the bill and charge it to the Hitchcock Fund, Mr. Arnett will pay it.

Library. I think there is very little money left in the Library Fund for this year. Miss Perrine can tell you what amount is still available for books, or magazines, or service.

Club Room. The Club Room has been re-decorated and the chairs have been re-finished at a rather large expense. There is a tendency amongst the men, especially in Section 1, to take the new chairs in return for their own old ones. The chairs in the rooms are being re-finished and re-seated with new leather. If the men will only be patient, their chairs will be done. I have also called the attention of the Superintendent's Office to the fact that certain men have removed the arm chairs from the Club Room to their own quarters, and

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Breakfast Room. Miss Colburn will open the Breakfast Room January 4th. It is important that all members of the Hall understand the responsibility incumbent upon each for the upkeep of the Breakfast Room. Miss Colburn has been reasonable in her suggestions, and wishes only cordial support. The lists which were prepared during the Autumn Quarter have become useless through the changes in the house. I suggest that at the first House Meeting the secretary

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Hospital. In case of any sickness, the hospital on the top floor of Section 5 is available. Oscar will prepare it on short notice. If necessary, he will prepare also the nurse's room. Generally, physicians have chosen to send their patients to hospitals where arrangements are more conveniently and regularly made than they can be in a place where no kitchen is maintained throughout the day and night. In case of illness, notify the Hygiene Committee of which the Chairman is Professor E. O. Jordan, and

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Preacher's Room. The preacher's room is primarily for the University Preacher. When no preacher is in residence, the room is available as a guest room at the disposal of the Head of the House. When members of the house have guests in the preacher's room it has been customary to contribute to the House Fund a fee of fifty cents. The fees from the guest room have gone far to reducing the expenses of House Meetings and other house charges. As a matter of fact, I have always felt that the fee should be raised to a dollar, for fifty cents hardly pays the laundering necessary.

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