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MEMBERSHIP.

Application blanks and other printed matter will be furnished, on request, by National Headquarters.

In case an applicant for membership desires to be enrolled in a given Branch, his application for election should be sent to some officer of that Branch for action. Applications requesting enrollment in a particular Branch, which for any reason come to National Headquarters, will be forwarded to the Branch named. If the Branch elects the applicant to membership in the American English-Speaking Union, the Branch will send a bill to the member elected asking for the payment of five dollars (\$5). On receipt of the \$5, the Branch will forward to National Headquarters the name and address of the recently elected member, together with \$3.50 of this \$5. The receipt of this name and money by National Headquarters will establish the fact of one more name added to the number on which is founded the representation of the Branch, and also will entitle the member to receive the publications of the American English-Speaking Union.

In case an applicant does not desire to be enrolled in any specific Branch, application for election should be sent to National Headquarters, which will undertake the question of election, and in such event will send a bill to the member. In this case of a member not enrolled in a Branch, the \$5 from the member will come to National Headquarters for the exclusive use of the national organization.

The above two paragraphs refer to sustaining memberships with \$5 dues. If the applicant becomes a life member, his dues are \$125, of which \$37.50 is kept by the Branch in which he is enrolled, \$87.50 being forwarded to National Headquarters.

The activities and policies of the American English-Speaking Union will depend upon the officers and members of the Branches. Members who are enrolled in Branches will be heard in the National Council through their representatives; members not enrolled in Branches have no way of making themselves heard. It is accordingly to the interest of each member to be enrolled in a Branch. And it is to the interest of each Branch to make its membership as large as possible, (1) to have a large representation and a correspondingly large influence in the National Council, and (2) to have a strong local organization and added financial resources, since each member means \$1.50 annually for the Branch Treasury.

In acting on election of new members, Branch officers entrusted with that task by direction of their own Branch, should bear in mind the fact that each member enrolled in a Branch of the American English-Speaking Union has a vote effective through a Branch, and consequently a voice in the decision of national policies for the whole organization. It is accordingly desirable and expected that, in addition to the requirement of American citizenship, each Branch will see adequately to the applicant's qualifications for membership before making an election in any individual case. In case of doubt concerning the loyalty or motives of the applicant, election should be denied. The organization can build up sound public opinion concerning the relations between the English-speaking peoples only by examining rigorously the quality of each applicant and by maintaining a high standard.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

Simplicity and brevity are the keynotes of the plan of organization of the American English-Speaking Union, adopted November 29, 1919, which here follows:

1. Any Branch of the American English-Speaking Union which shall be recognized as a Branch by the National Executive Committee hereinafter described, shall be entitled to appoint or elect, according to the size of the membership, delegates to a National Council, as follows: One delegate for the first 50 members; two delegates for the first 200 members; and one additional delegate for each additional 200 members. Each delegate to the National Council shall be responsible to the government of his Branch.

2. The National Council shall be the supreme authority of the American English-Speaking Union, and its decisions shall be binding on all members. The National Council may elect, from the English-Speaking Union membership at large or otherwise, all honorary officers of the American English-Speaking Union, and shall elect from its own membership or the membership at large such executive officers as it may from time to time desire.

3. The executive officers elected by the National Council shall constitute the National Executive Committee, which shall be responsible to the National Council.

On examination of the plan it will be observed that the first consideration is the local autonomy of the Branches, combined with an adequate co-ordination of their activities. The Branches are left free in the conduct of their own local affairs, and since for effective concerted action some supreme authority is necessary, the National Council was devised. Being composed of delegates appointed or elected by the Branches, it is and will be of a character to know and act according to the wishes of the Branches.

The National Council meets at such times as it sees fit. To carry on its work during the interims, it elects a National Executive Committee which is responsible to the National Council and is removed whenever the National Council no longer supports it by a majority vote. This gives the National Executive Committee a tenure of office from which it can be removed at any moment the National Council desires, a new National Executive Committee being elected in accord with the desires of a majority of the National Council. No constitution other than this plan seems at present necessary or desirable. If, however, at some future time, the National Council should decide on some more elaborate plan, it is, of course, free to adopt it.

BRANCH ORGANIZATION.

As requests have been received for suggestions for the government of Branches, it seems desirable to remind each Branch that it is the intention to leave the utmost freedom to members to establish Branches in such ways as they see fit. Accordingly, if a Branch desires to have a constitution more formal than that given below, it can do so. But in order to show how simple a proceeding it is to establish a Branch, the following suggestions are offered.

A group of members not so situated geographically as to make convenient their attendance with any existing Branch, can associate themselves together and establish a Council. If this Council is small enough to permit frequent meetings and effective action, it can undertake the management of its group, electing such officers as are needed, such as a Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. If, however, the membership is so numerous as to require a larger Council, it will then probably be found desirable to elect an Executive Committee to conduct affairs between meetings of the Council. In the former event, the paragraph (2) concerning Executive Committee can be deleted from the following typical Branch constitution:

2. The Council shall elect from the membership of its own Branch, or the American English-Speaking Union membership at large, such executive officers as it from time to time may desire, which officers shall constitute the

..... Executive Committee.

3. The Council (Executive Committee if there is one) shall choose delegates who shall be members of the American English-Speaking Union to represent Branch at any meeting of the National Council of the American English-Speaking Union.

The above three paragraphs, without longer constitution or by-laws, seem adequate for the government of a Branch of any size. Moreover, as under this plan the Council is able to make any provision necessary for the direction of the Branch, it may, whenever occasion warrants, change the constitution. A simple majority rule will very naturally be observed, unless some provision is put in concerning quorums at the meetings of members or at the meetings of the Council. The third paragraph allows delegates to be chosen from the membership of the Branch or from the whole American English-Speaking Union membership, as conditions require.

The object of both the existing national plan of government and the above suggested plan for Branch government is primarily, in both cases, to stimulate responsibility on the part of each member. It is not desirable in any organization with the seriousness of purpose of the American English-Speaking Union to have members, or Branches, become merely routine cogs in the national organization. They should take the same interest in the work of the whole American English-Speaking Union as every voter in the United States and every American State should take in the work of the American

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National Headquarters of the American English-Speaking Union, 130 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, Mass., U. S. A.

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organization of the Union in America is the question to be discussed, and
some differences of opinion have arisen as to the policy to be pursued.

It is believed to be of vital importance for the promotion of better relations between the English-speaking peoples at this most critical juncture that the E. S. U. should be in a position to do really effective work. The Chicago post may not be able to send delegates, but, it seems to me it should at least send an expression of its opinion. I have several communications from Mr. Gardiner, and a proposed basis of organization drafted by him and others in New York, which bear upon the problem. We should, I think discuss these, and be prepared to join intelligently in any steps that may be taken -- if not by direct representation, perhaps by proxy. Obviously conference should be held at an early date. Can you meet with members of the local post at any hour Monday or Tuesday of next week? If you will let me know what time would be convenient for you by telephone I will see that a call is sent out at once. It could be mailed Saturday. I am acting in this matter for Mr. Paul Patton Faris, our secretary, who talked with me about last night over the telephone, but who is for the moment too busily engaged with certain new work that he has undertaken in his editorial position to

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Yours faithfully,

To the Members of the English-Speaking Union in America:

A. We, the undersigned members of the Boston English-Speaking Union, feeling that others share with it in appreciation of the dangers likely to arise from the lack of a national organization, send this statement to each member of the American English-Speaking Union.

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- B. The American English-Speaking Union should "draw together in comradeship the English-Speaking peoples of the world." It should organize to accomplish this and to prevent influences from dividing these peoples. It needs a large membership, but that is not enough; its members in all parts of the country should be active. A nation-wide organization can alone stimulate wise representative action and prevent local and therefore circumscribed control.
- C. With these ends in mind, a meeting on October 28, 1919, passed the Resolutions (printed at the end of this statement) embodying a National Council plan of organization, and called for "delegates to act as members of a Standing Committee on Coordination to meet at the New York City Club, Saturday, November 29, 1919, at 2.30 P. M.," to discuss such a plan.
- D. According to these Resolutions, each Branch must first be recognized as a Branch by the National Executive Committee, which is the administrative committee of a National Council, composed of the delegates of existing Branches.
- E. Each recognized Branch of the American English-Speaking Union may appoint or elect delegates to a National Council according to the number of those of its members paying annual dues of not less than \$5 per annum. At present the American English-Speaking Union supplies its members with two magazines at a cost of \$3 a year; each Branch has its own running expenses; and each Branch should contribute something to the central or national organization. Until a national organization acts upon the question of membership dues, and it seems only safe to consider that the number for purposes of electing delegates shall be the number who now pay not less than \$5 per annum.
- F. As to the amount of representation of each Branch the problem is to balance the needs of the small and the large Branches; otherwise the small Branch not being called on to contribute thought to the national organization will lose its vitality and value as a contributor to an intelligent common opinion, while a large Branch may so overwhelm the small Branches that they will become discouraged while the large will overlook all but a few of the larger Branches.
- G. For these reasons the committee put in the Resolutions that there should be one delegate to the National Council for the first 100 members; 2 delegates for the first 500; and 1 additional delegate for each additional 500 members. Possibly some other ratios will commend themselves to the delegates who will be present at New York on November 29.

The National Council "shall be the supreme authority of the American English-Speaking Union, and its decisions shall be binding on all members." This places the entire control of the American English-Speaking Union in a body of delegates who may, on behalf of their constituents, manage the affairs of the organization in any way they see fit, the American English Speaking Union thus being an organization complete in itself.

The National Council may elect all its honorary officers, but the possibility is left, owing to the fact that these may be chosen "from the English-Speaking Union membership at large, or otherwise," for a complete freedom of choice, so that if desired by the National Council, honorary officers may be chosen from the American membership, or otherwise.

Moreover, the National Council "shall elect from its own membership or the membership at large such executive officers as it may from time to time desire." The election of executive officers from its own membership needs no explanation; but the election of such officers from "the membership at large" deserves notice, because it permits the National Council to elect any member to an executive office, whether or not such member has been elected a delegate from his Branch to the National Council. This suggests the American Presidential Cabinet, which the President chooses from persons who have not been elected to the Congress.

"Executive officers elected by the National Council shall constitute the National Executive Committee, which shall be responsible to the National Council." This forms a cabinet, which may be retained in office for such period as the National Council decides. Complete control of the formation of this National Executive Committee is left in the National Council, because the National Council, as "the supreme authority in the American English-Speaking Union," should be free to formulate its own procedure.

These Resolutions are intended to recognize the fact that the whole membership of the American English-Speaking Union is the ultimate repository of power, but that such power shall be exercised through a representative body, the National Council. In short, this is to be a representative organization.

Obviously the American people will have foreign questions to meet, and some of these will be pushed by interests which desire to divide the English-Speaking peoples of the world. This means that questions of American foreign policy will inevitably come before the American English-Speaking Union, and they must be wisely and firmly met. A mistaken disregard or an unwise consideration might have far-reaching consequences.

America has now within itself the greatest financial and the greatest material resources of the world—a situation in which no nation has hitherto found itself. This premier position is as yet appreciated by only a few. This imposes upon us a stupendous responsibility. Today, not only our national safety, but in a large measure the future of civilization, lies in our hands. The economic perils to western European ideals, as shown by the existing conditions in Europe; the presence of America's first battle fleet in the Pacific; the size and disposition of the defensive resources of the six other English-speaking nations; the rise of competitive groups outside of our civilization; the maintenance of peace within the English-speaking civilization:—these are but a few of the situations and problems which we must and will act upon.

In anticipation of such foreign questions, if for nothing else, a national organization should speedily be formed. Other reasons will appear equally cogent: harmony in meeting internal American problems; the establishment of scholarships at American universities; dealing with other national English-Speaking Unions in the six other English-speaking nations; etc.

We hope that this or some better form of national organization will be considered by each Branch, and that on November 29 a well-studied plan of national organization will be formulated, combining the advantages of a federal system in which local autonomy and joint action may be successfully obtained. the American English-Speaking Union, held October 11.

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Whereas, a meeting of members of the American English-Speaking Union, held October 21, 1919, in New York City, requested that a plan of organization through a National Council be prepared by the committee composed of representatives from Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Chicago, and be transmitted to the branches for consideration and action:

Resolved, October 28, 1919, at New York City, by the said committee that:

- 1. Any branch of the American English-Speaking Union which shall be recognized as a branch by the National Executive Committee hereinafter described, shall be entitled to appoint or elect, according to the size of the membership, delegates to a National Council as follows: 1 delegate for the first 100 members, each paying not less than \$5 per annum; 2 delegates for the first 500 such members; 3 delegates for the first 1000 such members; and 1 additional delegate for each additional 500 such members. The delegates to the National Council shall be responsible to the governments of their branches.
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- These Resolutions shall be forwarded to the above mentioned Branches by W. H. Gardiner, Esq., 123 East 53rd St., New York, N. Y., to whom the replies of the Branches should be addressed.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC CHICAGO

WATKIN W. KNEATH,

THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

AND MANAGER BOND DEPARTMENT

December 1. 1919.

Harry Pratt Judson, Esquire, President, University of Chicago, 58th and Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Judson:

I quote below paragraph from a letter which I received this morning from Major George Haven Putnam:-

"We want to secure representation from the more important of our posts, among which Chicago ranks first, in the general council of the Union. We are now puzzling over some method by which the action of the local posts can be utilized. We may decide to accept on important issues, such as the election of officers for the national organization, votes by mail. I should be glad later to have an opinion on this matter from yourself and your associates."

I replied to Mr. Putnam this morning that, personally, I could see no objection at all to voting by mail, and that I would submit the matter to you and other officers of the local post for their views.

Very sincerely yours,

Treasurer.

Chicago Branch, E.S.U.

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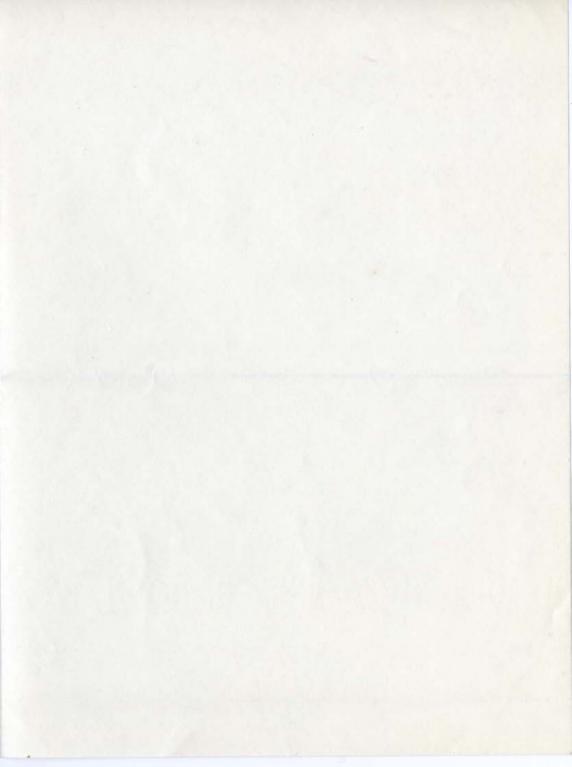
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> MAJOR GEO. HAVEN PUTNAM Secretary-Treasurer

2 West 45th Street, New York

December 20, 1919

Dear Doctor Judson :--

I am writing to acknowledge the receipt this morning of your friendly letter of the 16th.

I report as follows in regard to the matters in question:

I had understood that as Chairman of the Chicago Committee, you had yourself authority either to serve at the meeting as a representative of Chicago, or to appoint a delegate in your place. That also had been the understanding of our friend Mr. Howland.

The group of delegates who were utilized by Mr. Gardiner for putting in his hands the responsibility as the executive chairman could hardly be called representative.

He had given me to understand that no local committee or post with less than 25 members would have a right to a representation, and that until the organization had been completed with such membership, the Committee was not in a position to take part in the Council.

At the meeting in question, he voted on two proxies from St. Joseph, a committee with but twenty-five members, and he had present a delegate from Connecticut, which has as yet no organization, and which had reported but nine members for the whole state. His vote also had been secured by Gardiner.

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The secretary in St. Louis, which has 25 or 26 members, had written that he understood he was not authorized to send a delegate, or to appoint a proxy, because the organization had not yet been completed by the election of a Chairman.

There was no difficulty on the part of Mr. Gardiner, with this careful selection of delegates, and clever use of proxies, in securing his election.

I was obliged to decline to accept a nomination as first Vice President. There could be no advantage to the Union, while there could certainly be continuous discomfort and annoyance to myself, in attempting to carry on work for the Union with an associate in whose loyal cooperation it was not possible to have confidence.

Mr. Taft's decision not to continue as President, a decision confirmed after his first letter by a formal declination of the invitation, was based not upon any word from me,
but upon an examination made by himself and his brother
Henry Taft, of the letters written by Gardiner to certain
correspondents throughout the country and to the London
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to me from Sir Evelyn Wrench.

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Mr. Taft called upon me yssterday to report his final decision in the matter. He regrets, with me, that there should be any interruption with the work of organizing the Union and of furthering its influence. He is, however, convinced with me that this work can be carrideon effectively only when the executive committee has been reshaped.

One of the criticisms sent by Gardiner to the London headquarters was that so little was accomplished while the management of affairs was under my general direction in the matter of securing members. I had made a tentative appointment of Mr. Gardiner as Chairman of the Executive Committee as far back as September, with the understanding that the executive committee to be constituted under his Chairmanship was to act as a committee on organization, and would be charged with the duty of securing members.

Mr. Gardiner gave his energies, however, from the date of his appointment to the work of superceding me as general manager of the affairs of the Union. His close associate, Mr. Kennedy, who had in his hands the direction of the work of the Boston Committee, said frankly at the meeting that the Boston Committee had decided to do nothing in regard to securing members

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Mr. Tuft called upon me yesterday to report his final deduction in the matter. He waster, with me, they there

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There will, of course, at some time be brought together a council that should be fairly representative of an adequate group of local committees and of the whole membership of the Union. Whenever the executive committee may, under the authority of such council, be reshaped under different leadership, Mr. Taft will, if wanted, be ready to resume his presidency. I shall certainly be interested, if I still have the strength, in again taking official position in the Union if my service is required. In the meantime, I am continuing to do work for the Union. I have filled a number of speaking engagements, and I have others still in train.

I am also carrying on active correspondence in its behalf.

The Secretary and the Treasurer selected by Mr. Gardiner, and duly elected by his, so-called, National Council, have declined to serve. They find themselves in accord with Mr. Taft's position.

I have secured during the past few weeks some fifty additional members, but the sending in of the names to London is, of necessity, delayed until Mr. Gardiner secures a treasurer.

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December 29, 1919.

Dear Doctor Judson: -

I judge, from your letter of the 27th this morning at hand, that you find yourself in substantial accord with President Taft, President Thwing, and others in the belief that you cannot be of effective service to the cause of the English-Speaking Union in working in cooperation with the Executive Committee as now shaped. It was because I saw no advantage to the cause in attempting to work in cooperation with men like Gardiner and Kennedy, who had shown themselves untrustworthy and disloyal, that I declined the nomination as First Vice President. I am, however, continuing to do what I can in behalf of the Union. I am accepting speaking engagements from week to week, and utilizing correspondence to secure new members.

I have secured, within the past few weeks, sixty or seventy names with annual dues.

Mr. Gardiner has not yet succeeded in securing a Treasurer and Secretary. The two men just appointed having declined to serve. I had myself been acting as Treasurer until the organization could be completed. I have, however, no authority now to act, and I can only hold the checks until some Treasurer accepts the appointment.

The Secretary of the Union post in Pittsburg.

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Your favor of the 29th instant is received.

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April7,1919

Dear Mr. President:

I am doing what I can, and thus far with very little cooperation from other American members, to bring about an effective organization and an adequate membership list for the American division of the English-Speaking Union. My principal difficulty is in securing publicity. The newspapers, like the Times, who will give a column to some social flummery, are not prepared to recognize the value of an organization like this for maintaining the international relations.

I wish you might be interested at some moment of leisure in writing a line to the paper expressing your approval of the purpose of the English-Speaking Union and your personal interest in its work. Such a letter from you would be quoted throughout the country and would have service in helping forward the publicity campaign.

I am, with cordial regards,

Yours faithfully,

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Chicago, April 10, 1919

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Membership

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Practical Objects

To establish branches wherever the English language is spoken; with the view of promoting locally every movement which makes for the friendship of the English-speaking peoples.

To extend the hand of welcome in every country to English-speak-

ing visitors.

To celebrate jointly such National Festivals as: Shakespeare's Birthday......April 23rd Magna Charta Day. June 15th Independence Day............July 4th
Thanksgiving Day............Nov. (last Thursday)

To make the English-speaking peoples better known to each other by the interchange of visits, by correspondence, by the printed word and lectures, by an interchange of professors and preachers, by sporting contests, and by any other means.

The Festivals are arranged in order of date.

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To take every opportunity through the Press and otherwise of emphasizing the traditions and institutions possessed in common by

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This work will be carried out by means of the distribution of bulletins and publications, the holding of meetings, and the publication in magazines and journals that are in sympathy with our purpose, of articles emphasizing the importance of the Association.

Headquarters

The headquarters of the English-Speaking Union are, for the English Division, in London, and for the American, in New York.

Branches

Each branch of the English-Speaking Union is to be self-governing, and there will be no interference from headquarters so long as a branch carries on practical work tending to promote the spirit of comradeship between the English-speaking peoples.

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With cordial regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

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Honorable W. H. Taft 931 Southern Bldg. Washington, D. C.

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Pointe-a-Pic, P. Q., Canada, July 9, 1919.

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WILLIAM HOWARD GARDINER

TELEPHONE, PLAZA 4238

January 5th, 1920

President Harry Pratt Judson,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear President Judson:

I find your esteemed favor of December 29th on my return to town. You will undoubtedly be interested to hear that in spite of the fact that most of the last month has been devoted to trying to offset certain persistent activities counter to the interests of the A.E.S.U., yet time has been found to increase the membership of a number of the Branches to a remarkable extent and a number of new Branches are being established.

I hope, therefore, that the Chicago Branch under your leadership will forge ahead as rapidly as possible, for after all the present "facts of the situation" are simply a continuation, gradually decreasing, of opposition to broad development with which we have had to contend for many months, and it has been only by persistent effort that we have obtained any progress.

You will also be interested to know that as a result of the above implied opposition the national headquarters have been transferred to Boston, which in itself is a very desirable move because the Pilgrim Tercentenary will make that in some respects the center of the English speaking world during the present year. Mr.Allan Forbes, President of the State Street Trust Company, is the National Treasurer, and Mr. Paul D. Rust, is the National Secretary. The headquarters are at present at 130 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, but plans are now being materialized for the establishment of a Club as a center where our many visitors during the present year may be properly received.

It is the policy of the present management to abstain from direct communication with members in most instances and to leave the responsibility for each Branch in so far as possible in the hands of the Executive officers of each Branch so that the results in increased membership, etc. obtained comparatively in each Branch will spring from the initiative of the management of each Branch, and as I know there are a number of people in Chicago who are very enthusiastic, I trust the growth of the Chicago Branch will be commensurate to this and to the magnitude of Chicago.

With best wishes, believe me,

believe me, Very truly yours Chairman. American E.S.U.

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February 3, 1920

President Harry Pratt Judson, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Judson:

The position set out by some recent correspondence of yours, namely, that under present conditions your attitude toward the Chicago situation is to allow matters to drift along without seeking to increase membership, was discussed yesterday in a meeting of the National Executive Committee, and they have directed me to write you expressing their keen regret at this position taken by you, which they feel can come only from lack of understanding of the real circumstances.

During this discussion in the Committee meeting, the point was made from several quarters that every day of delay in developing our movement since the signing of the Armistice a year ago last November, made it all the more difficult to expand our organization into one of such national influence as it should have; and this because as we get further and further away from the frame of mind current at the time of the signing of the Armistice, people in this country, and throughout the rest of the English-speaking world, are becoming more and more particularistic and are paying less and less attention to our common concerns.

In view of your earnest interest in the movement, I know that you will be very glad to hear that a number of the Branches from coast to coast are forging shead very rapidly, perfecting their organization and increasing their membership. This they have done without the help of a lot of printed matter which is practically completed and which, when sent to them, will be probably of considerable assistance.

Incidental to attending a number of National Executive Committee meetings recently held in Boston, I have had an opportunity to observe matters there in greater detail than elsewhere. A large and representative Boston Council, or general committee, has been formed with an energetic Boston Executive Committee, and under their auspices I had the pleasure of attending a very notable dinner last night given to Mr. John Drinkwater, the author of the play "Abraham Lincoln." After the dinner Mr. Drinkwater spoke to a large audience at Jordan Hall, making an analysis of the functions of the dramatist and the qualities of leadership in statecraft which made Lincoln such a pre-eminently

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This initiative of the Boston Branch, which is, I believe, merely an example of what other Branches are doing, will of course inevitably stimulate interest in and membership for the Boston neighborhood.

The National Executive Committee, realizing that your present attitude is explainable only because of evident lack of information which could only be given in a personal interview, hopes that as the different pieces of literature, which will be issued from now on, come to you they will cause you to reconsider your present position and develop a new interest in the movement.

Sincerely yours.

Chairman

AMERICAN ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION

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THESE ARE the principal developments in the affairs of the American English-Speaking Union, national headquarters, during the past three months:

1. Previous to November 29 the American E. S. U. had as President the Honorable William H. Taft, and as secretary-treasurer and actually national *** Chairman, Major George Haven Putnam of the well known publishing house of New York city.

- 2. At a meeting of the Kree National Council, held at New York Nov. 29, 1919, attended by representatives of several local posts, including Chicago, (represented by Dr. Albert Shaw of New York city), a movement apparently initiated by W. H. Gardiner, Esq., of New York attempted by an objectionable form of "ward politics" to remove from office Major Putnam, secretary-treasurer. Thaction seems to have been less objectionable in its purpose (which was to obtain a progressive organization that would enable the American E. S. Us to enlarge its membership rapidly and take its place before the country as an active supporter of friendship among the world's English-speaking peoples) than in its form and method. sideration for the long and distinguished service of Major Putnam as soldier, publisher and exponent of Anglo-American friendship seemed utterly lacking; the attempt was simply to vote Major Putnam out of office by sheer force of greater pressure. So petty and selfish did the meeting seem that Dr. Shaw declined to attend an adjourned meeting one week later, and that President Taft, for whom the meeting was reported by his brother, who was in attendance, later expressed his utter abhorrence of the spirit of the gathering, intimating that if Major Putnam were forced from office President Taft could not permit himself to continue as American President of the organization.
- 3. At the adjourned meeting, Dec. 6, 1919, the action against Major Putnam was completed, Mr. W. H. Gardiner being elected national chairman in his spead. Mr. James Barnes of New York was elected treasurer, and Major Putnam vice president. Major Putnam did not feel justified, however, in erving as vice president with a co-worker whom he considered so flagrantly disloyal as Mr. Gardiner hadshown himself; yet when Mr. Barnes refused to accept the treasurership Major Putnam of a remarkable regard for the interests of the American E. S. U. was shown by his consent to serve as treasurer until a permanent treasurer could be obtaind.

4. President Taft in a letter to President Judson of Chicago, following the Dec. 6 meeting, again stated his inability to continue as President of the organization. After December 6, therefore, Mr. Taft could not longer be cosidered our national President, though the evident harm that would result if to the cause of the E+ S+ U+ has prevented any formal announcement of the fact.

- 5. Following the above meetings President Judson wrote to Mr. Gardiner, with the approval of the other provisional officers of Chicago post, protesting against the manner of the action against Major Putnam and suggesting that it would be well to regard the election of Mr. Gardiner as wholly provisional, considering the inadequate representation at the meetings of many of the local, semi-organized posts, and considering the yet unorganized condition of the American E. S. U. generally. Mr. Gardiner's reply, while stating his desire to relinquish his new office as soon as possible, defended the action taken at the New York meetings and as to produce the impression that his own plans for the American E. S. U. were to be carried out, regardless of protest.
- 6. By/ December 31 the following changes and appointments had been made by Mr. Gardiner:
- a. As acting treasurer Major Pitnam was superseded by Mr. Alan Forbes of Boston, who however accepted the psoition for only one year at most.
- b. Mr. Paul D. Rust, 154 Bay street/ Setate road, Boston, was appointed secretary. losl Beacon street, Brookline, Mass.,
 - c. Mr. Sinclair Kennedy, was appointed corresponding secretary.
- d. National headquarters were noved from New York city to Boston for the present year.
- 7. A meeting of the National Council has been called for New York city March 15.
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Moreover, loyal friends of the organization find memselves embarrassed, almost to the point of resignation from the E. S. U., at the prospect of permitting their own names to be used in connection with any campaign for new members at the present circumstances. How can they recommend to others an organization whose

management they themselves cannot approve?

Yet such fatal publicity and such marked embarrassment will be likely to result from the proposed national campaign for new members. And the emarrassment is increased by the impending meeting of the National Council. Under these conditions the undersigned feels himself constrained to ask for definite instruc-

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- 1. To call a meeting of the post, submit the facts and offer the resignations of the officers, with no recommendations.
- 2. To call a meeting, submit the facts, ask for instructions and recommend adequate representation at the meeting of the National Council.
- 3. To attempt to get in touch with other posts and prepare a campaign for a change of national officers, proceeding otherwise without calling a meeting of the local post.
- 4. To proceed on the present basis, appoint instructed delegates to the National Council Meeting March 15, and to seek at the meeting to make such changes as may be possible in the circumstances, but refusing in the meantime to campaign for more members.

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For Upholding the Duty of the Republic in International Relations

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The Treaty of Peace and the League of Nations

Prompt Ratification by the United States Essential for the Peace of the World

First.—The Senate of the United States has, for some months, had under consideration the text of the Treaty of Peace which undertakes to make a settlement of the issues of the Great War, and with this Treaty has been connected "a covenant and draft of the constitution of the League of Nations." The report accepting the conditions proposed for the Treaty of Peace, and connecting these conditions with the League, the machinery of which was assumed to be essential for carrying out, or enforcing, the peace conditions, has received the unanimous support of the representatives of fourteen nations.

Second.—The reports from all parts of the world make clear the importance of hastening the confirmation by the United States of the Treaty of Peace, and there is also a substantial consensus of opinion throughout the world that the only way in which there can be any certainty of carrying out the provisions of the Treaty of Peace is through the acceptance of the League of Nations.

Third.—Those who take the ground that the United States should refuse to accept the obligations of the League have failed to present, and are unable to present, any alternative scheme.

Fourth.—The war has made clear that the non-aggressive nations of the world, the nations which are upholders of representative government, have common interests and common ideals. The war has brought into the world of practical politics what had heretofore been a vague ideal; namely, the necessity for a community of nations, with a recognition on the part of each member of such community, of joint interests and of mutual obligations.

Fifth.—A world league has, for ages, been a dream and a prophecy. The foundations of a league of nations are already laid, cemented by the blood of millions of men who fought for justice, and for peace. The only alternative to an acceptance of a world-wide organization of non-aggressive nations is a return to the old political method of balance of power, or of the control of the world's policies by nations acting in groups. This method means further wars.

Sixth.—The American people are face to face with the proposal that America accepts its share of the obligations for maintaining peace and justice throughout the world. The people realize that as we were forced, on the grounds of personal interest in the maintenance of our own liberties as well as for the fulfilment of our obligations, to do our part in the war of German Aggression, we should, in like manner, feel forced to do our part in any future similar war which the weakness of the world might permit. The thing essential today is for the non-aggressive nations to take such action as shall make future wars of aggression impossible. It is for Americans to see to it that, in this crisis of the world, their nation does not stand aloof, but is prepared to take its part in the world's government, as every good citizen takes his part in the government of his own country.

Seventh.—The need for immediate action is urgent and pressing. In great districts of the world there is at this time no trustworthy government. Millions of people are starving and in need of all that is required to make life decent and bearable. The reorganization of industries can take place only when the terms of peace are assured and the World's League begins to assume the control that has been planned for it. Every day's unnecessary delay in bringing about this world's peace and world's order constitutes a crime against civilization.

Eighth.—It is wrongful to incur delay for the sake of reshaping certain provisions of the League which could possibly be worded to better purpose. The essential thing is to make a beginning on the part of the nations which are ready to act together. The Articles of Confederation accepted by the American colonies in 1781 were faulty in the extreme. There was then, as there is now, requirement for immediate action. The first thing was to have the thirteen communities act together. After a few years of experimenting, these communities were able to produce a constitu-

tion which made assured the foundations for the new nation. It has, however, been necessary to adapt this constitution, from time to time, to the changing needs of successive generations.

Ninth.—The League of Nations in like manner provides the machinery for its own amendment and development.

Tenth.—The maintenance of the League and the peace of the world can be assured if the English-speaking peoples will act together within the League for making the rule of the League effective.

Eleventh.—On these several grounds the AMERICAN RIGHTS LEAGUE urges the members of the AMERICAN SENATE, putting to one side petty party interests, or individual ambitions or antagonisms which have already caused serious and disastrous delay, to give now their approval to the Treaty of Peace, and to the compact which is essential for this Treaty, the League of Nations.

With the acceptance should be connected no reservations which are of a nature to make necessary a reopening of questions the adjustment of which has been accepted by the representatives in Paris.

If the reputation and the rightful influence of the United States are to be maintained, the Senate should act promptly.

The League of Nations is striving to place political force under the control of International Law. The world is looking to the United States to do its part.

GEO. HAVEN PUTNAM, Prest. LAWRENCE F. ABBOTT, Secv.

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THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION.

Presidents.

American: Hon. William Howard Taft

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The purpose of the Union is to draw together in a bond of Comradeship the English-speaking peoples of the world.

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Bolieving that the peace of the world and the progress of mankind can be largely helped by a unity in purpose of the English-speaking democracies, we pledge ourselves to promote by every means in our power a good understanding between the peoples of the United States of America and the British Commonwealth.

THE PURPOSES OF THE UNION.

The English-speaking Union aims at increasing the knowledge of one another possessed by the English-speaking peoples. The English-speaking Union aims at no formal alliances; it has nothing to do with governments, but is merely an attempt to promote good fellowship among the English-speaking democracies of the world.

In their common language, common sympathies, common traditions, and common ideals, the English-speaking peoples possess a great common heritage, which nothing can alter. The sacred task to which we now set our hands is to perpetuate for all time the existing sense of comradeship and brotherhood,

MEMBERSHIP.

The English-speaking Union is non-partisan and non-sectarian and is open to men and women alike. It does not concern itself with the internal politics of the English-speaking peoples, and membership cannot in any way conflict with the duties of good citizenship It is realized that each member's first duty is to the land of his birth or adoptions

All persons, men and women, who speak English, who desire to bring about a closer association of the English-speaking peoples, and who are believers in the representative government that these peoples have established, are eligible for membership in the Union.

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In order "to strengthen America in World Affairs by drawing together in the bond of comradeship the English-Speaking peoples," we must: understand our own problems; understand the problems of the other English-Speaking nations, and induce them to understand ours; emphasize our joint English-speaking interests and aims, and make the best use of all opportunities to reinforce a spirit of friendship and confidence.

To do this, the A. E. S. U. plans:

To co-operate in every way possible with sound efforts to foster Americanization;

To encourage the production and a wide reading in this country of periodicals and literature discussing our problems and those of the other English-speaking nations, especially as related to "world affairs"; and to stimulate a similar activity throughout the rest of the English-speaking world;

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To make use of anniversaries and world events to interpret past relations and strengthen a sense of mutual help-

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To make opportunities for English-speaking people from all over the world to get acquainted with us and our concerns by visiting America.

ACTIVITIES.

By way of carrying out these plans, the A. E. S. U. has to date taken action in the following directions:

The distribution of a magazine and other literature;

The establishment of scholarships in American colleges and universities for men and women from the other Englishspeaking countries;

The establishment of Chairs in American educational institutions;

Co-operation in the revision of American school text books to accord with historical facts;

Arranging lectures;

Entertainment of distinguished visitors;

Correspondence with members of similar organizations outside of America;

The founding of club houses and meeting places for the formal and informal use of members;

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2 West 45th Street, New York

September 22.1919.

Dear Dr. Judson: -

I find that your name was duly included in the original list of Vice Presidents of the English-Speaking Union. It is in the schedule both for the English Division and the American Division.

We have a committee of the Union in Chicago with the dollowing officers:

Chairman-

S. J. Duncan-Clarke, Chicago Evening Fost

Secretary-

Rev. Paul Patton Faris, 509 South Wabash Avenue

Breasurer-

W. W. Kneath, 39 South La Salle Street

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If I come to Chicago I shall be glad to have the opportunity of paying my respects to the resident of the University of Chicago.

I am enclosing the announcement of the Union as now printed. We shall have occasion later to add the names of further Vice Presidents.

I am enclosing also Bulletin No.47 of the American Rights League with the contentions of which I trust that you may find yourself in accord.

I am. with much respect.

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Henry Pratt Judson, LL. D.

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I am returning Major Putnam's letter. I had a chat with the Major at the Century Association in New York last week, and therefore know of his plans. I think it would be well to have a dinner for him on the evening of the lith. The open meeting had better be organized on not too large a scale, and we should take great pains to have a number invited who will be sure to be there. The success of the movement depends very much on the impetus we can give it at that time.

Of course it may be better to give a luncheon.

If the 11th is a holiday, however, probably a dinner would be better. At all events I shall be glad to cooperate in any way I can. There will be no difficulty in arranging about the entertainment for the Major.

Very truly yours,

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tinguished member of the Chicago group--as yet unorganized.

A few of us in the rank and file of the local membership have been trying to get the Chicago branch on its feet. If a meeting worthy of the cause can be held on the date named by Major Putnam I think things can be shaped so as to make our group a real factor in the movement. We have about 25 members in Chicago, of whom the majority can be counted upon to take an active share in organizing. We ought to have many more, but in order to obtain them we must do something that will awaken interest. It occurred to me that a group of the members might entertain Major Putnam at dinner should he come to us on November 11, and that an open meeting might be held after the dinner, to be addressed by him, and to which we would make an effort to bring as many of our sympathetic friends as possible.

I would like to have your suggestions. I am present acting in the matter as a sort of unofficial representative of the Chicago group, and as a member of the executive committee of the American division, but I do not wish to go farther unless I am assured of your cooperation and that of other more influential members. November 11 is Armistice day—an appropriate day for such a meeting if it does not conflict with other celebrations.

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Dear Mr. Putnam:

Thank you very much for your favor of the 8th instant.

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I note that Mr. James Barnes of 33 West 42nd St., was duly elected Treasure of the Union.

With kind regards, I remain

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My dear Mr. Barnes:

Major Putnam has been good enough to advise me this morning that you were recently elected Treasurer of the English-Speaking Union, (American Section).

At this writing, I have to report the following named as new members of the Union, and enclose herewith a check for \$8.00 to cover sustaining membership.

Chas. W. Folds, 208 So. La Salle Street, Chicago, Edward O. Brown, 1218 No. State Street, Chicago.

Please be good enough to acknowledge receipt of this letter, and also to send formal receipt to the above named in due course.

Very sincerely yours,

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Mr. Gardiner was elected Executive Chairman and I was nominated for the post of First Vice-President. I was obliged to decline this nomination as I could not consent to attempt further service with an associate who had shown himself so disloyal to his co-worker.

I am enclosing a letter from Mr. Taft who is, on similar grounds, unwilling to continue to serve as President.

The meeting of Saturday comprising, as said, a dozen delegates representing seven local posts or committees, could hardly be called representative of the membership of the League. If, at some future date, a general council that should be really national and representative in character may decide to reshape the Executive Committee, and if, at that time I still possess the requisite strength, I shall be glad to have the opportunity of doing further work for the English-Speaking Union to the service of which I have given a full measure of labor and vitality.

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My dear Major Putnam: --

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I submit the above recommendation as the view of the temporary officers of the Chicago Post and I think in the interest of the cause and not of any individual.

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7th. January 1920.

Dear President Judson,

Major Putnam sent me a copy of your letter to him of December 26th. and I need hardly say how much the British committee regrets that any personal discord amongst some of the members of the American committee should hamper our work. I do trust you will not allow this personal controversy to militate against the success of the movement locally.

I hope to be over on your side in April. I often look back on our last meeting when you did me the honour of lunching with me at the Marlborough Club and I hope I may have the pleasure of renewing our acquaintance.

> With cordial New Year greetings, Yours sincerely,

> > Evelyn Wrench

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January 29, 1920. Dear Mr. Wrench: Your favor of the 7th instant is received. The situation in the Union in this country is not satisfactory. It is true that certain personal elements have been unfortunate. Aside from that the organization was fundamentally erroneous at the start. I do not know whether it is possible to put it here on the right basis. I shall be glad to see you in the spring and will certainly cordially welcome you in Chicago. I remember very pleasantly our meeting in Lendon in 1918. With best wished, I am Very truly yours, Er. Ev HPJ:ME

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509 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago January 10, 1930.

President Harry Pratt Judson, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Judson:

I am deeply distressed by your letter of January 7, inclosing Mr. Gardiner's letter of January 5. The longer Gardiner sticks, the worse things seem to get.

However, I am disposed to retain some optimism. I believe there are better days ahead.

In the meantime, let me express my own earnest hope that you will hold on to the temporary chairmanship of Chicago Post. If ever we needed your backing, it is now!

I am taking the liberty of retaining Mr. Gardiner's letter in order to bring its contents before Mr. Kneath and Mr. Duncan-Clarke.

Sincerely yours,

Provisional Secretary. Chicago Post E.S.U.

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President Harry Pratt Judson, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

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If it were not for the fact that Mr. Duncan-Clark has been ill for ten days, Mr. Kneath and I should propose to you that we consider the advisability of the four of us getting together again, on Mr. Kneath's invitation at the Union League Club, in order to discuss finally the question of the possibility of preventing the wrecking of Chicago Post of the English-Speaking Union.

On account of Mr. Duncan-Clark's illness, however, Mr.
Kneath asked me to suggest to you that we try to hold ourselves in readiness for such a meeting on Mr. Duncan-Clark's recovery. We hope this will be within the next week or ten days. Unless I hear from you to the contrary in the meantime, we shall not communicate with you before that time on The Manta.

Mr. Kneath and I are at one in sincerely hoping that you will see fit to let the Chicago Post temporary chairmanship remain in abeyance for the next ten days or so at least.

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I shall be glad to held the whole matter under advisement until Mr. Auncan-Clarke's recovery which I sincerely hope will be at an early date.

With cordial regards, I am.

Very truly yours

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February 18, 1920.

Paul Patton Faris, Esq., 509 So. Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Taft early in November intimated a desire to resign as Honorary President of the American English-Speaking Union. The present Executive Committee, which was elected in December by the delegates assembled at New York, accepted this resignation with profound regret in view of Mr. Taft's great interest in and activity for the maintenance of good feeling between the English speaking nations.

It gives the Committee great gratification to be able to announce that Hon. Myron T. Herrick, whose name needs no introduction to you, has consented to act as Honorary President. We are to be congratulated upon having interested a man of Mr. Herrick's great ability and international prominence.

We trust that this choice will meet with your hearty approval and that you will now begin an earnest and active campaign for members.

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WATKIN W. KNEATH,

THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

AND MANAGER BOND DEPARTMENT

February 24, 1920.

Dr. Harry Pratt Judson, c/o University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Judson:

At a special meeting of the Local Branch, E.S.U., held February 20th at the Union League Club; after a full discussion, it was unanimously voted inadvisable and inopportune to complete the permanent organization. And by the same vote the temporary organization was discontinued.

The action taken in no wise changes the relation of members of the Local Branch to the E.S.U. as a whole.

At the same meeting the Treasurer was duly authorized, after deduction of the expenses of the Branch, to disburse the amount of special contributions made by certain members.

You very kindly made a special contribution of \$25.00 and your proportion of the balance remaining in the Treasury is \$22.50, check for which amount is enclosed herewith.

Please acknowledge receipt, and oblige.

Very sincerely, yours,

Ex. Provisional Treasurer.

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