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Chicago, October 7, 1913.

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1902	Mandel Window
1903	Class Seat in front of Cobb Hall
1904	Harper Memorial Library
1905	" " "
1906	Bulletin Boards
1907	Cobb Hall Entrance Lamps
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1909	Harper Memorial Library Clock
1910	" " "
1911	University Seal in Mitchell Tower
1912	University Athletic Field Gate

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Yours truly,

(Signed) Trevor Arnett.

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Classified

Desert Laboratory,
Tucson, Ariz.,
June 20, 1914.

Prof. D. A. Robertson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Prof. Robertson:

Remembering how you aided me in the details concerning the selection of the gift of my class and its presentation, I am writing to you rather than to the auditor or anyone more intimately concerned, with whom I am not personally acquainted, with regard to the customary disposal of the balance of these contributions. Our class gave \$500.00 to be used for the purchase and installation on the campus of the University coat-of-arms in bronze. The total expenses were somewhere in the neighborhood of half of this amount.

I have at hand a letter from Ned Earle, who was made chairman of the Executive Committee at the last reunion, advising that he was instructed to find out if we could deposit the balance to our own account in order to take advantage of the interest accruing, the use for this to be decided upon later. You may remember that once we spoke of setting the fund aside as the nucleus of a scholarship or something of that nature. I am decidedly in favor of such disposition rather than for use in the maintenance of class publications, etc., which can be supported by other means.

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Will you oblige me by letting me know what has been the custom in the past, and, if you are willing, in case there is no tradition, what you think would be a good one for the future?

Very truly yours

Edmond R. Long.

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Edward D. Long

Chicago, June 29, 1914

Dear Mr. Long:

I sympathize with you in your position concerning your class gift. I shall learn from Mr. Arnett the methods used in handling similar funds, and let you know. The class this year, by the way, has established a Loan Fund.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President.

D.A.R.-D.

Mr. Esmond R. Long
Desert Laboratory
Tucson, Arizona.

Chicago, June 28, 1914

Dear Mr. Lang:

I sympathize with you in your position concerning your class gift. I shall keep for Mr. Arnold the methods used in handling similar funds, and let you know. The class this year, by the way, has established a loan fund.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President.

E.A.H.-G.

Mr. Bernard H. Lang
Genet Laboratory
Tucson, Arizona.

Chicago, July 30, 1914

Dear Mr. Long:-

I am enclosing a letter from Mr. Arnett on the subject of your class gift balance. I heartily agree with him that there is much good that could be done by the establishment of another loan fund.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE
TO THE CHICAGO FEDERAL BUILDING TO
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Cobb
HENRY IVES COBB
ARCHITECT

100 WASHINGTON ST., CHICAGO, ILL. May 23, 1896.

esq
Wm. R. Harper, Esq.,

Prest. Chicago University, Chicago.

My dear Doctor:-- I am just in receipt of the following:

" 6040 Washington Ave. May 21, '96.

Mr. Henry I. Cobb, Architect
100 Washington St.

My Dear Sir:--

The class of '96 of the University are considering the leaving of a memorial on the campus. We think that a large, attractive boulder would be a good thing for the purpose. Do you know how we can get one best and from whom: Could you give me an idea of probable cost, including transportation, etc.? Any information you can give us will be gratefully received.

Very truly yours,

Wm. E. Moffatt."

I think the question of leaving memorials at the University by the different classes is something that should be very carefully considered before a precedent is started. A big boulder on the campus strikes me very unfavorable. They had much better plant a tree than have a rough boulder, but better yet some arrangement should be made in one of the buildings for such things, but you probably have different ideas on this matter as to what you wish done. I have simply acknowledged its receipt and stated that I would consult with you.

Yours very truly,

Henry I. Cobb



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Harris Trust and Savings Bank

Organized as N.W. Harris & Co. 1882. Incorporated 1907

Capital & Surplus \$3,000,000

Class gift
Chicago

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September 14, 1912

President Harry Pratt Judson.
University of Chicago.

Dear Sir,

The gate which Mr. Robertson has suggested as a suitable gift for the class of 1912 is acceptable to the class. I shall notify Mr. Curtis Rogers our Treasurer of this and have him send \$500.00 to the University.

Sincerely,
Arthur D'O'Neill

Wells Fargo and Company Bank

Capital & Surplus \$2,000,000

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September 14, 1912

President Howard Northrup

University of Chicago

Dear Sir,

The gate which Mr. Rogers has

suggested as a suitable gift for the

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and I shall notify Mr. Rogers on

the receipt of this and have him

send \$200.00 to the University.

Sincerely,
Arthur D. Little

Chicago, May 24, 1912

Dear Mr. O'Neill:-

President Judson desires me to say that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds has not as yet been able to complete plans for the improvements on Marshall Field. This Committee or Board of Trustees cannot take action therefore, until the week after next.

Sincerely yours,

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Presidents File

Class Gift
1913

C H I C A G O

March
16th
1920.

Pres. Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago,
C h i c a g o.

Dear Mr. President:-

Owing to the interruption of the great war and the time necessarily consumed in the re-adjustment from its effects, the matter of presenting to the University of Chicago an appropriate class gift from the Class of 1913 has been delayed, and only at the present time are we able to present to you and to the trustees of the University a plan for such a gift.

There has been, amongst the members of the class, considerable and earnest discussion as to what gift might be made by our class that is within the bounds of our financial ability and is, at the same time, a suitable and acceptable one to the University. Many discussions have been had with the University's architects, particularly Mr. Hodgson, and it has finally been decided that a cast iron or bronze flagstaff base would be a gift which would come closest to satisfying all of the requirements. Mr. Hodgson has expressed himself to us as most enthusiastic over such a gift and Mr. Hutchinson, with whom we have discussed the matter, has informed us that he would strongly favor it. Detailed plans and specifications have been drawn up and prepared by Mr. Hodgson's office, and he has received from various contractors bids for putting up such a flagstaff base, the lowest of which is \$1145.00 for cast iron and \$1815.00 for bronze.

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March 16, 1920

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We are very fearful that, if prices keep on rising as they have been doing, the cost of our gift to the University will rise accordingly and that, unless contracts are immediately let for the erection of such a gift, the financing of the proposition will become increasingly difficult as time goes on. Quick action is, therefore, greatly desirable. It will take some little time to collect the \$600.00 additional that is needed and, if the University waits to let these contracts until the full amount is collected, the cost may soar 25%. We are reluctant to assume personal liability for this \$600.00 and yet, if the University so insists, we shall execute our personal note for that amount, made payable to the University to secure them in case we are unable to collect the additional \$600.00.

May we ask, therefore, that you consider the question of this gift, taking the same up with whomever you deem advisable, allowing us to hear from you at your earliest convenience as to what steps we should next take and directing the proper parties to let the contracts and to go ahead with the erection of the gift.

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March 16, 1920

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Desiring to express to you
our keenest appreciation of the interest which you
have always taken in our class, we remain, Mr.
President,

Sincerely yours,

W. S. McPherson Jr. & Chester Bell.

Class Treasurer and Chairman of
Class Gift Committee.

WSH:EM

March 10, 1950

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Desiring to express to you
our kindest appreciation of the interest which you
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President,

Sincerely yours,



Class Treasurer and Chairman of
Class Gift Committee.

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Chicago May 16, 1912.

President Harry Pratt Judson.
University of Chicago.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the Gift Committee of the class of
1912, I have been instructed to submit a gift of five
hundred dollars to be used in the purchase of an
ornamental iron gate for the student's entrance of the
Marshall Field. We would appreciate it if the Board
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Arthur P. Davis

~~Total cost~~ 100 1700 820
 Total Cost of "C" Bench 24
 Previous gift of class
 Present gift of class
 Total gifts of class 500
 350
 June 9th 1905

The President and fellow members of the class of 1903
 Your committee on the collection of funds for the
 1903 Bench, - as appointed at the annual
 meeting of this class on June 11th 1904, -
 compiled what purports to be a complete list
 of the class of 1903. This list was made up of
 those whose names appeared in the Class Blue-
 book, in the Cap & Gown, on the signed constitution
 of the class, on the class roll on the 1903
 Commencement program, and in the graduation
 lists for degrees taken in Sept 1902, December
 1902, April 1903, June 1903 and September 1903.
 From the afore mentioned sources an alphabetical
 roll was arranged, - aggregating 367 names. Of
 this number, Mr Hogeland, - the class treasurer
 of our senior year, - had collected from 84
 only - 82 giving three dollars (\$3.00) each, and
 two giving one dollar (\$1.00) each.

The names of the
 eighty-four people from whom Mr Hogeland
 had made collections, were then deleted, by a
 red ink line from the rolls, and the list was
 in turn mailed to the sixteen members of the
 class who were present at our annual meeting
 last June, and who made themselves a

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June 9, 1905

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committee of the whole for this work. Every one of these sixteen members, selected such names as they would promise to report on, and returned the list to the chairman of the bench committee with a designation of their selection. On his receipt of the list the chairman made record of those for whom each member pledged himself responsible, and, deleting the names so recorded, sent the list on to another member of the committee of the whole. In this way (130) one hundred and thirty names were selected by the committee. The list was then sent to Miss Julia Hobbs - the class secretary, - who wrote a form letter to the (53) hundred, and fifty three persons remaining.

This canvass has taken a year of more or less constant work. Over seventy letters have been written by the chairman of the Bench committee to the sixteen members of the committee of the whole, along. From the two hundred and eighty three (283) members of the class of 1903 who did not pay their tax to Mr. Vogelaud we have obtained the following results:

(see next page)

Committee of the whole for the whole body
one of these fifteen members selected such names
as they would promise to report on and returned
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results:
(list not yet)

June 9, 1905

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- 124 One hundred & twenty four did not reply to the letters sent:
86 Eighty-six were not seen or written to by those who promised to do so.
37 Thirty seven we were unable to reach; their letters being ret'd. etc.
7 Seven informed us they were not members of the class.
3 Three were unable to pay.

1 One promised to pay but we have been unable to collect.

1 Paid fifteen dollars (\$15. -) a total of \$15.00

1 One paid five " (5.00) " " " 5.00

1 One " three and a half dollars (3.50) " " " 3.50

19 Nineteen paid three " (3.00) " " " 57.00

1 One " two dollars and twenty cents (2.20) " " " 2.20

1 " " two dollars (2.00) " " " 2.00

1 " " one dollar (1.00) " " " 1.00

The 283 people to whom one or more letters were written contributed to the fund eighty five $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars. \$85.70

The time, typewriting, postage, stationery, etc., used in this work have all been contributed by the committee and those who assisted in the canvass. Although no charges have been presented for this particular work, the chairman has received the two attached bills for work done for the class. What is your pleasure as to the disposition of these charges aggregating nine dollars and eighty four cents. (\$9.84)? The committee respectfully asks

June 9, 1905

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your instructions on these invoices and begs to be discharged, as the committee feels that there will be no further returns from those who are still delinquent in their bench subscriptions.

Walker M. Laury, Chairman

Adendum

7/4 Additional subscription of \$3⁰⁰ received; Making 20 which have paid 3⁰⁰ + redrawing to 123 the number who have not replied, a total of \$78⁸⁶ who therefore paid the University, through Mr. H. P. Chandler.

6/11/05

By vote of the class of 1903 the committee was instructed to deduct the \$9⁸⁴; covering properly approved bills - from the \$85⁷⁰ collected by the committee, and to issue a certified check, payable to the University of Chicago, for the balance of (\$75⁸⁶) seventy five dollars and eighty six cents. The committee was then discharged and the President of the class appointed Miss Agnes Kaufman chairman of a committee of four, which was to call upon President Harper and submit to him a brief of the report of the Bench committee together with the money collected by them, and make suitable arrangements for cutting the 1903 minerals in the Bench.

W. M. Laury

President William R. Harper,
The University of Chicago.

As I understand it, the main point for the Class of 1903, in connection with the "C Bench", has not been settled; ~~that is~~ whether or not the numerals "1903" are to be carved on it. The Committee stated that such was the wish of the class. In case the University was unwilling to grant this recognition, in view of the small proportion of the cost contributed, the Committee suggested an inscription to this effect: "Built by the University of Chicago with the Class of 1903". My feeling, as I indicated in my letter of the 7th, is that in view of the faithfulness of the Committee, not of the class, and the advantage of cementing to the University the loyalty of men of the stamp of Hair and McLaury, I am of the opinion that some recognition would be wise.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

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J. C. Johnson

The University of Chicago.

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W. R. Harper

Office of the President

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The university of Chicago.

My dear President Harper:-

Saturday afternoon Mr. Hair and Mr. McLaury called on me and in behalf of the Class of 1903 turned over a check for \$78.86 as the final installment on the class gift of the "C Bench". I learn from Mr. Arnett that the class has paid \$180 previously, raising the total contribution to \$258.86. The total cost of the bench was \$1700 of which Wellse Brothers, the contractors, gave \$700. Thus the class has given a little more than one-seventh of the total cost, and about one-third of the proportion which the University has been obliged to bear.

It is unfortunate, to my mind, that a form of gift was adopted in which , at the best, the class could bear only a small share. It would be better for a class to give a smaller thing and really give it themselves, but since the character of the gift is fixed, the question remains what acknowledgment shall be made to the class.

August 7th, 1905.

August 27th 1903
Dear Mr. Harper

Chicago

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The University of Chicago

Founded by John D. Rockefeller

Office of the President

Aug 7, 1908

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Chicago

The committee stated that they desired to have the numerals 1903 carved on the bench. I am aware that the understanding was that the class should give \$600. Inasmuch as it comes forward with only \$258.86, it is a fair question whether such recognition is proper.

There is another side, however, and that is that a systematic canvass has been made of all the members of the class by the committee whose report I append. No one can talk with Mr. Hair and Mr. McLaury without the feeling that, taking up the matter when they did, they have done all that was possible. Although the class as a whole does not deserve recognition, these men have worked faithfully and devotedly. They are men whose loyalty to the University for the future may be worth much. I am rather of the opinion that under the circumstances, in view of their faithfulness, it will be well to carve the initials which are requested. It should be understood, however, that in the future class gifts, however small they may be, are to be really class gifts and not investments of the University to which the class contributes a minor portion. This appeals to

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Yours very truly,

Henry Porter Chandler

Aug 7, 1902

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

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Chicago

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Yours very truly,

Henry D. Janney

*Class
register*

Class of 1905

February 13, 1908

My dear Mr. Blair:-

I am glad to have from you a statement concerning the exact condition of the '05 gift. I had not known just what the inception of this movement was. The proposition I shall explain to President Judson that he may offer some grounds for procedure on the part of the Class.

The immediate vicinity of Haskell is not likely soon to be planted with trees, particularly because of the coming erection of the Harper Memorial Library to the south and the likelihood of damaging trees during the erection of the building. I fail to see why you should blame yourself for any delay which has been experienced in the placing of the Class gift. Apparently there has been some lack of understanding on the part of the University as to what the Class desired. I think as you say that President Harper never took up the matter of planting a line of trees except in a tentative way. As soon as I get any information from the University end I shall be glad to forward it to you.

Though much campus improvement is under way the flooding of the

Class of 1902

[Handwritten signature]

February 13, 1908

My dear Mr. Blair:-

I am glad to have from you a statement concerning the exact condition of the '02 gift. I had not known just what the inception of this movement was. The proposition I shall explain to President Hudson that he may offer some grounds for procedure on the part of the Class.

The immediate vicinity of Haskell is not likely soon to be planted with trees, particularly because of the coming erection of the Harper Memorial Library to the south and the likelihood of damaging trees during the erection of the building. I fail to see why you should blame yourself for any delay which has been experienced in the placing of the Class gift. Apparently there has been some lack of understanding on the part of the University as to what the Class desired. I think as you say that President Harper never took up the matter of planting a line of trees except in a tentative way. As soon as I got any information from the University and I shall be glad to forward it to you.

Though much campus improvement is under way the flooding of the

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Feb 7, 1908.

My dear Mr. Robinson,

I today found the enclosed letter which had not been posted.

I have seen it reported in Chicago papers that the midway lagoon is a "probability" and that campus improvements of a different nature than heretofore announced might be made. How much of this is to be attributed to the "fancy" of reporters I don't know.

Yours sincerely
Clyde Blair.

1890

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Big Red Ranch
Clearmont Wyo

Jan 30 - 08

My dear Mr Robertson,

Your kind ltr
8th inst received and I thank
you for your reference to the
gift of class 1905. I had
several conferences with President
Harper when we were considering
the advisability of a class gift
and were attempting to decide
what it should be.

Inasmuch as it was
understood that the whole
campus should eventually
be improved with trees we
decided to give a double row
of elm trees to university.
President Harper said that
university would plant

Refined Book
Charmant 1890

Jan 20 - 1890

My dear Mr. Robertson

Dear friend

It is a pleasure and a thank
you for your reference to the
gifts of June 1887. I had
several conferences with friends
before when we were considering
the expediency of a new gift
and were attempting to decide
what it should be.
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of the true to humanity.
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pay for cost of trees and
for a tablet pointing out
"Os Lane". Moreover he was
to see that that portion of
campus we selected, the walk
in front of Harrell, should
be set out to trees first. His
illness of course delayed all
this and I doubt before he ever
spoke to Mr. McLean regarding it.

You might determine for me if
it is the wish of President
Johnson that our gift be as
originally outlined. ~~If~~^{Even} if he agrees
and there is no immediate
prospect of that portion of the
campus being improved

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the case. However he was
to see that the picture of
countryside in white, the walls
in front of the hall, should
be set out to this first. His
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this and I don't think he was
able to do more regarding it.
The night before for one if
it is the work of painting
pictures that you wish to see
originally written. If of the same
and there is no number
proof of the picture of the
countryside being improved

we might better change the gift. It has certainly been delayed long enough apparently through no fault of the class. Perhaps tho I may have 'pushed' the work "more" and now had some sort of gift representing.

I don't believe we should do the same as every other class practically - give a window. I should be pleased to hear other suggestions you might have in line with university improvement.

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2. Building lamps for east foyer entrance of Mandel Hall. There is no street lamp near this entrance and at night the doorway is very dark.

3. A clock installed in a suitably designed case either for the Reynolds Club, the dining-room of Hutchinson Hall, or the reading-room of the Law School.

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I am writing for information as to the intention of the class. Is it the intent still to plant such a row of trees or is it the intention of the class to allow this money to lie in the bank until it has accumulated some interest and then to give a larger gift, perhaps on the day of the fifth annual reunion? Of course it is not any of my business how the Class of 1905 conducts its affairs, but it seems to me that this last suggestion might have something in it of interest. Two years from next June you will be holding your first big reunion; why not make that occasion a gala one by

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My dear President Harper,
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class of 1903, I desire to
inform you that ways
and means for the payment
of the class gift, was
discussed at length, in
the class-meeting held
Alumni Day, at which
fourteen members were present.
A working committee with
Mr. Walke, McSawry as chair-
man, was elected. This
committee is to supply
to these fourteen persons

the list of delinquent taxpayers, and the fourteen, in turn, are to select from the list those whom they can solicit personally. In this way, we hope to obtain the original sum promised, from those originally responsible. Failing in this, several members of the class will try to make up the deficit. It is a matter of

deep concern and chagrin to those of the class who understand the situation.

Very respectfully,

Joseph C. V. King

(Former Secretary of the class)

Thoson, South Dakota
July eighteenth,
Nineteen hundred and four.

The Daily Maroon

THE OFFICIAL STUDENT NEWSPAPER OF
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TELEPHONE MIDWAY 800, LOCAL 162

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Chairman of the
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Gifts

Feb. 25, 1904.

Class of 1903

Mr. Chas. B. Elliott,
Charles Hitchcock Hall.

Dear Mr. Elliott:

I am much obliged to you for the information contained in your letter of February 22d. It might be well for you to turn over the money to the Auditor of the University, Mr. Arnett.

I should be glad to have you think of what we ought to do in reference to the matter. It will be impossible to go forward with putting in the stone bench next spring until the money has been secured. Have you anything to suggest.

Very truly yours,

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Feb. 22, 1904.

Class of 1902

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President W. R. Harper,
The University of Chicago,
Dear Doctor Harper:

Some time ago you
inquired concerning returns from the
letters sent to delinquent members of
the class of nineteen three regarding
the class gift. At that time I reported
only \$3.00 received; now I have on hand
\$25.00, which I can turn over to you, if
you desire.

Very truly,

Chas. B. Elliott.

February, twenty second,
nineteen four.

1777
The University of Cambridge
Library

March 1st, 1906.

Esq.
Mr. Hermon L. Bockway,

1945 Maple Street,

Evanston, Illinois.

My dear Sir:-

Mr. T. J. Hair is the President of the Class of 1903 which gave the "C Bench" to which you refer. The total cost of the bench was about \$1700, the contractor contributing \$700 and the University helping the class in providing for the balance.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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I interpret this correspondence to signify that the University has already appropriated the gift of this class for this purpose, and that it only remains to carry out the action already voted.

Very truly yours,

Ernest D. Burton
E.D.B.

President H. P. Judson,
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Chicago, May 28, 1913

Dear Mr. Burton:-

I have your note of the 20th inst. You are certainly quite right with regard to the status of the gift of the Class of 1908. I suggest that you proceed at once, in conjunction with Mr. Arnett, who knows about the funds, and the architects, who ought to know about the plans, to see what can be done in the matter.

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