

JUDGE'S CHAMBERS,
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
Northern District of Illinois,
CHICAGO.



July 5, 1900.

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There is another thing that I have been waiting to talk with you about, and that is the growing need of this community for a law school like that of Harvard. There is a very great demand for it under the auspices of an educational institution like the University of Chicago. I do not see why the time is not ripe for you to take it in hand. We have a number of what I should call "cheap" institutions, and it is my judgment that the University could come very near to absorbing them all. I believe it would be self sustaining almost from the first. Of course, you would have to establish it upon a first class basis, with first class instructors, but they are right here in town. I am sure that the prestige



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April 24th, 1901.

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Mr. H. H. Kohlfaat,

Times-Herald Building, Chicago.

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Nov. 26th, 1901.

Mr. H. H. Kohlfaat,

The Record Herald, Chicago.

My dear Mr. Kohlfaat:-

I am writing to suggest, if I may be permitted to do so, that it would be very gratifying to all concerned if special recognition could be made in your Friday morning paper of the laying of the corner stone of the Bartlett Gymnasium. Mr. Bartlett is a representative citizen. He is doing a really great thing. While mention has been made several times of the fact, it does not seem to me that we have adequately expressed our appreciation. I am sure that if there is anything which the Record-Herald can do to show honor to a Chicago citizen who has made so beautiful a gift ~~for the~~ interests of Chicago people and those of the country, it will be done.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly,

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Trustee

April 29th, 1903.

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239 Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

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239 Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

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Feb. 16, 1905.

Feb. 18, 1905.

President W. R. Harper,

University of Chicago, Chicago.

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Dear Dr. Harper:— It is very good of you to write me under date of February 16. I had a good deal of anxiety about your last summer, now the tables are turned. Perhaps your return about is for a play. We are going to hope for the best and fight the hardest. It looks like a pretty serious matter, but perhaps it will come out right. Meanwhile, I am not sure but what absolute rest for six months is the great pleasure of life in Germany, where you were heard of the University of Chicago and occasionally meet- ing you. I have enjoyed association with you on the even tenor of your way with the Board at Lewis Institute very greatly, more than headings, etc., but I can't tell you. I am hoping that we if that able of yours work together a long time. You are a man of great expediency.

Yours very cordially, hearts we believe in you, and believe you will triumph yet. Only quit work.

W. R. Harper

With great regard,

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Chicago.

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I could breathe into
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ing here I have heard
of just such cases as yours
which cheer me greatly.
Do you know, I thought
I could see you again at ^{some} ~~some~~
happy at Lake Geneva
I am building there and
really expect to be more
neighborly than last year.
Keep up your courage.
That's half the battle.
There is a subtle relation

MEXICAN GULF HOTEL
PASS CHRISTIAN, MISS.
E. F. CARROLL, PROPRIETOR

Feb. 30 1900

Dear Dr. Harper, ✓

Mrs. R. Edith & Helen are
with me spending a few
days at this place.

Have you ever seen it?
It's simple & lovely. The
Mississippi Sound spreads
out before us like an ocean.
The air is balmy and
the flowers & nesting birds
do the rest. I have been
thinking of you and wishing

bracing. we have the pine
woods here too. In the
distance we see scores
of huffers dragging for
oysters, which are still
good. I think you like
them. Mrs H. the girls & I
have been out gathering
flowers & have an accom-
pany them to your room.

I have a charming letter
from the President. I greatly
appreciate it. Now our doctors
we all send love & Good cheer.

Affec^y Yours

President Wm
R. Hunter

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between these bading & mind of ours
which we are need to cultivate.
If you were here, we's take you long
beautiful rides or go sailing far into
the gulf. Then we'd fish and catch
lots of sea trout, red-snappers &c.
There's one thing you can't do here,
you can't work. It's queer how well
it suits my mood. From all I can
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March 10th, 1905.

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My dear Judge Kohlseat:-

I cannot thank you too heartily for the comforting and encouraging words in your letter of March 7th. The future is not as bright as it might be, but after all it is not altogether dark. If the kind words of friends such as yourself can help a man, I surely ought to be greatly helped. I appreciate exceedingly your letter and thank you for it from the bottom of my heart.

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My dear Dr. Harper:-

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September 15th, 1905.

My dear Mr. Kohlsaat:-

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I heard in the East that some of the matters had been straightened out I hope that this means great relief.

I have been having a pretty hard time this summer. Pain almost continuously. Last week was a particularly bad week up at Battle Creek. I am feeling better at this time. You will hardly recognize me since I am down to 167 pounds with my clothes; 156 without my clothes. This is just fifty pounds less than I weighed two years ago at this time.

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United States Circuit Court
for the Seventh Circuit.

Chambers of
Judge Christian C. Kohlsaat,
Chicago.

Dec. 26, 1905.

Dear Dr. Harper:-

Your very kind and welcome letter was received Christmas morning. There was no gift which came to me which gave me so much pleasure. I have not burdened you with letters, because I had heard that you were extremely busy with University affairs. Lewis Institute, thanks to the impetus you gave it, is proceeding along its usual prosperous lines, having suffered no diminution of attendance or interest. We have not had a meeting since I came home from the lake, but expect to have one in January when I hope you may be able to attend.

I do hope you may soon take your accustomed place in the social world of Chicago, as I have come across your chair a good many times of late. It would have made your ears burn could you have heard all the good things said about you at the Jusserand dinner. It needed only your presence there to have made it perfect.

I thank you for your references to myself, and should feel somewhat embarrassed did I not know that no sentiment you express toward me can exceed that which I most cordially feel toward you. I trust that your good constitution and your superb courage together with the devotion of the host of friends may make this holiday season one of happiness to you, and in due time bring you again into full service.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Harper, I am

Very sincerely and tenderly yours,

To President Wm. R. Harper,
Chicago.

C. C. Kohlsaat

