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New York NY Jan 11th 1906

Mrs. Wm. R. Harper , and Family ,
59th and Lexington ave.

Chgo Ills.

We have your message conveying the sad intelligence of the death of Dr. Harper words cannot express our loss and sorrow and the loss and sorrow of the many who have come under his influence only to be blessed and uplifted his work is well done his task is ended and his reward is sure be assured of our sympathy for you and for each member of your dear family and of our continued interest and affection

Mr and Mrs. John D Rockefeller..

930 am

My dear Mrs. John F. Rockefeller...

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Dated

To

New York 16 Jan
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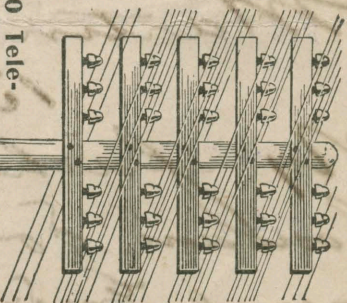
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C.P. New-York Jan 16-06.

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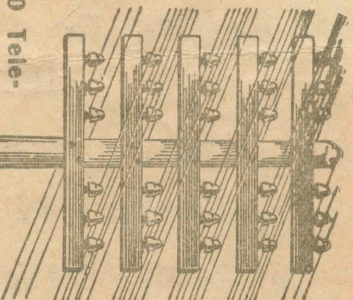
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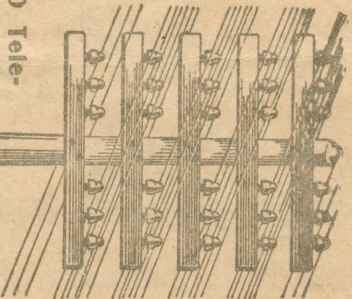
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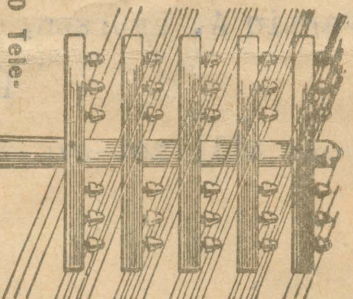
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January 19, 1906.

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I send you herewith confirmations of my three telegrams to Mr.

Ryerson under date of January 16th:

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2. If the Trustees favor the erection of a University Library in memory of Dr. Harper, my father will join with the Doctor's many other friends in Chicago and the East in a contribution towards it.

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1. Of the \$350,000., \$205,000, which is to apply on the deficit of 1906-1907, will be paid upon the call of the Treasurer during that year. The balance of \$145,000 will be paid from now on as called for by the Treasurer.

As to whether the \$1,000,000 for general endowment, payable July 1st, will be paid in cash or securities, or an option to take either or both given to the Trustees, I will advise you as the time approaches.

2. There is no comment to add to this telegram other than that made verbally to Messrs. Ryerson and Hutchinson today, of which they will doubtless inform you.

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Dear Mr. Mcintosh:

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In case you are favorably impressed by the idea, I suggest that some member of the Chicago faculty, who may be coming abroad during the summer vacation be requested to go to Geneva and examine the collection. You would of course want the opinion of some one in whom you had confidence. Or, possibly, it might be agreeable to your brother, Mr. William Rockefeller, who I think is now abroad, to come to Geneva to see it in your behalf, and report his impressions to you.

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I notice that you have recently gone to your Pocantico Hills home, and I recall a very charming day which Mrs. Keene and I spent with Mr. and Mrs. David Milton, your neighbors, a few years ago. Mrs. Milton was one of Mrs. Keene's bridesmaids. They drove us through your estate, and I remember breaking a Commandment by envying you the possession of the golf links around the hill. If we can play the game in the other world, I shall think heaven, supposing I get there, has an added joy.

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Though we are personally unknown to each other, I may, with that fraternal feeling which unites all golfers, hope that you are getting your full share of satisfaction out of the recreation.

Very respectfully yours,

(Sd) Francis B. Keene.

American Consul.

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April 23, 1906.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge, in behalf of Mr May 21st, 1906, your esteemed favor of April 12th with its enclosures, respecting the collection of M. Burkhard Reber illustrating the history of Pharmacy.

I regret to say that it will be impossible for Mr. Rockefeller to do more than Mr. Francis B. Keeneth its enclosure to the Dean of the University of Chicago for such American Consul, Geneva, Switzerland, choose to take. The matter of selection of illustrative material is necessarily left

My dear Sir:-
by Mr. Rockefeller wholly with the University authorities.

Your favor of the 12th of April to
Thanking you for the courtesy of your letter, I am,
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(Sd) F. T. Gates.
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April 23, 1906.

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Thanking you for the courtesy of your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Sd) F. T. Gates.

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American Consul,
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(copy)

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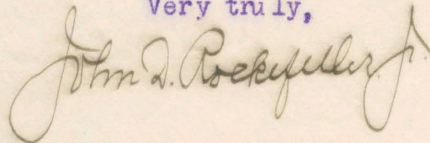
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Kindly advise me the Board's decision in the matter.

Very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John D. Rockefeller Jr.", written in dark ink.

Mr. Martin E. Ryerson, President,
Board of Trustees, University of Chicago,
C h i c a g o, Ill.

26 Broadway
New York

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26 Broadway,
New York.

December 26, 1906.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

I am authorized to say that my father will give to the University of Chicago as of January 1, 1907, income bearing securities of the current market value of about two million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$2,700,000.), the principal of the fund so contributed to be added to the endowment of the University, the income only to be used for the annual corporate expenditures; the income accruing up to July 1, 1908 to be applied as follows:

To meet the deficit of the University from June 30, 1907 to July 1, 1908, as estimated in the budget for that year,	\$205,000.
To meet the deficit of the Law School, as estimated in the budget for the same period, - - - - -	20,000.
To meet the deficit of the Blaine School of Education, as estimated in the budget for the same period, - - - - -	10,000.
To meet increases in expenditure under the headings, "Deemed Important" and "Deemed Desirable", in the budget for the same period, - - - - -	40,000.
For special purposes as requested by the Board, to be more particularly enumerated in a later letter, - - - - -	<u>50,000.</u>
TOTAL, - - - - -	\$325,000.

So much of the above sum total of \$325,000. as shall not be provided from the income of the securities above described, my father will pay in cash as required for actual expenditure by the University.

Very truly yours,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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For special purposes as requested by the Board, to be more particularly enumerated in a later letter, - - - - -	50,000.
TOTAL, - - - - -	\$322,000.

So much of the above sum total of \$322,000. as shall not be provided from the income of the securities above described, my father will pay in cash as required for actual expenditure by the University.

Very truly yours,

John A. Rockefeller

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New York

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Total-----	\$325,000

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Very truly yours,

(signed) John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Mr. Martin A. Ryerson,
President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Dr. J. H. Johnson
Law Office

December 22, 1902

Dear Dr. Johnson:

I am authorized to say that my father will give to the University of Chicago an of January 1, 1903, income bearing securities of the current market value of about two million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$2,700,000.00), the principal of which is to be added to the endowment of the University, the income of which is to be used for the support of the University.

Income accruing up to July 1, 1903, is to be paid to the University. To meet the deficit of the University for the year ending July 1, 1903, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1903, \$100,000.00.

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For special purposes as requested by the Board of Trustees, particularly connected with the University of Chicago.

Total-----
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Yours very truly,
(Signed) John D. Johnston, Jr.

Dr. J. H. Johnson
President, Board of Trustees
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

The above amount is estimated to be paid to the University of Chicago for the year ending July 1, 1903, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1903, \$100,000.00. To meet the deficit of the year ending July 1, 1904, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1904, \$100,000.00. To meet the deficit of the year ending July 1, 1905, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1905, \$100,000.00. To meet the deficit of the year ending July 1, 1906, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1906, \$100,000.00. To meet the deficit of the year ending July 1, 1907, as estimated in the budget for the year ending July 1, 1907, \$100,000.00.

26 Broadway,
New York.

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Dear Mr. Ryerson:

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For greenhouses for the Department of Botany, - - - - - \$2,500.

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For campus improvement, - - - - - 15,000.

For additional cost of drinking water system, - - - - - 21,610.

Total, - - - - - \$49,110.

There is a little margin in the pledge which, in accordance with the terms of the pledge, will not be called for if not needed. The other requests of the Trustees are under advisement.

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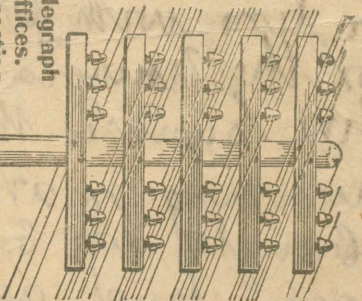
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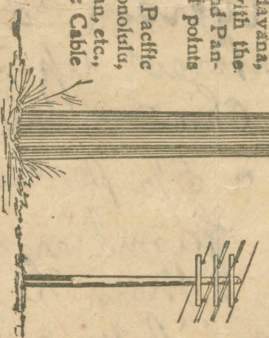
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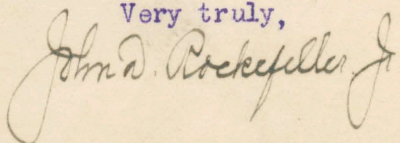
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26 Broadway.
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As to the remaining items:

My father will give ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be used for item 3.
(i.e. for books for Sunday departments)

As to item 2, we feel that it is better to defer action until more definite plans have been made. *(i.e. temporary Students Observatory)*

As to item 8, it is our opinion that the matter can lie over for another year. *(i.e. School of Education lot purchased with endowment funds.)*

As to item 6, we prefer to take no action. *(i.e. subsidy for Memorial volume.)*

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Mr. Martin A. Ryerson,
President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

28 Broadway
New York

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Very truly,

John A. Goodspeed

Mr. Martin A. Ryerson,
President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

26 Broadway.
New York.

March 26, 1907.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

My father will give to the University of Chicago the property on the South side of the Midway Plaisance, from Cottage Grove Avenue to Madison Avenue, which he now holds. This comprises the entire frontage of the nine blocks, and, with the exception of four lots, the remainder of three entire blocks.

The exact cost of this property will appear on Mr. Heckman's books. It approximates \$1,500,000.

The deeds to the property are being sent to Mr. Heckman today with instructions to have them recorded this week.

This transfer of property will necessarily become known as soon as the deeds are recorded. The Trustees are therefore at liberty to announce the gift if they desire to do so.

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Mr. Martin A. Ryerson,
President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago,
204 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

28 Broadway
New York

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University of Chicago,
304 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

26 Broadway,
New York.

Lake George, N. Y.

July 6, 1907.

Dear Mr. McLeish:

I duly received your official letter from the Board regarding the Harper Memorial. The matter will have immediate attention. I feel assured that the terms suggested will be acceptable to Mr. Rockefeller.

Very truly yours,

J. D. Gates

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Chicago, Ill.

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W. D. Porter

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26 Broadway.
New York.

August 1, 1907.

Mr. Andrew MacLeish,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. MacLeish:

Your letter of June 26th to Mr. Gates, in which you say that at the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University held the day before, you were instructed to request from my father a subscription for the Harper Memorial Library, was duly received.

It is my father's understanding that an effort is to be made to secure for that purpose the sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars, (\$800,000.), of which Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, (\$600,000.), is to be for the building, and Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, (\$200,000.), for a fund, the income of which is to be applied to the maintenance of the building. With this understanding, and in consideration of the effort on the part of the Trustees to secure Two hundred thousand dollars, (\$200,000.), of this amount, my father will be responsible for providing Three Dollars, (\$3.00), for every One Dollar, (\$1.00), contributed by others, up to a total to be provided by him of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, (\$600,000.), upon the condition that this pledge shall apply only to such subscriptions as have already been secured or shall be secured for that purpose on or before April 1, 1908, and paid on or before January 1, 1909.

The payment of this pledge will be made in three installments, viz.:

28 Brownway
New York

August 1, 1907.

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Chicago, Illinois.

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Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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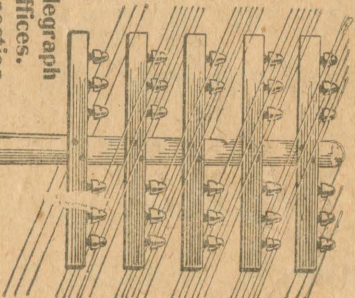
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26 Broadway.
New York.

December 30, 1907.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

My father will cause to be given to the University of Chicago,
as of January 2nd, 1908,

1. For general endowment, securities as per the accompanying list, the present annual income of which is eighty-thousand dollars (\$80,000). One-half of this income to be used for the reduction of the deficit, the other half in whole or in part for increase of salaries or for the reduction of the deficit at the discretion of the Board.
2. For certain objects, a list of which has been submitted by the Board of Trustees and is enclosed herewith, thirty-six thousand dollars, (\$36,000).
3. To provide for the University deficit, estimated at \$155,000., for the year July 1, 1908 to June 30, 1909, including the deficits of the Law School and the Blaine School of Education, as much cash as may be necessary over and above any surplus income accruing during that period and the income of the endowment funds referred to in paragraph No.1 of this letter from January 2nd to July 1st, 1908.
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December 30 1907

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Very truly,

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President of Board of Trustees,
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December 30, 1907

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Ryerson, President Board of Trustees, University of Chicago.

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due January 1923,

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\$300,000 par value New York Central Railroad stock,

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Fund 5% bonds due April 1963.

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due June 1997.

\$100,000 par value Chicago & Alton Railroad 1st Lien 3 1/2% bonds,
due July 1950,

\$100,000 par value Chicago & Alton Refunding Gold 3% bonds due
October 1949,

\$200,000 par value Wisconsin Central R.R. General Mortgage 4% bonds,
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October 1942,

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due July 1942,

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due 1941.

December 30, 1907

List of "certain objects", referred to in Paragraph No.2, of
letter, dated December 30, 1907, from Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. to Mr.
Martin A. Ryerson, President Board of Trustees, University of Chicago.

1.	Books for sundry departments, - - - - -	\$10,000.
2.	Greenhouse for the Department of Zoology, - - -	2,000.
3.	Equipment for sundry departments, - - - - -	5,000.
4.	Campus, - - - - -	15,000.
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	TOTAL, - - -	\$36,000.

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New York.

December 30, 1907.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

Your letter of December 10th with enclosures was duly received. I have this day written you a letter containing a pledge from my father to the University of Chicago, in which the various matters presented in the conference held in my office the early part of the month and in your letter above referred to, have been taken up, with the exception only of items Nos. 2 and 3 in your letter.

We feel that Item No.2, - the strengthening of certain departments,- is not now so urgent in view of the favorable consideration given to Item No.1,-the increase of the present scale of salaries.

Item No.3,-the establishment of a system of retiring allowances,- we regard as most important and deserving of further and serious study. Since we learn that Doctor Judson is to be in New York the early part of the new year we will take advantage of his presence to discuss the matter more fully and exhaustively with him.

In order to make it a matter of record I desire to reiterate the understanding arrived at in a conference between the University representatives and ourselves in this office the early part of the present month, namely, that the funds from the University budget which went formerly to meet the expenses of the Morgan Park Academy should, for the fiscal year July 1, 1908 to June 30, 1909, and thereafter, be used to cover the items appearing in the budget for that period under the headings "Deemed Necessary" and "Deemed Desirable".

Very truly,

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John D. Rockefeller

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Very truly,

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Mr. Martin A. Ryerson,
President, Board of Trustees, University of Chicago.

26 Broadway.
New York.

January 20, 1909.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

I beg to confirm herewith my telegram to you of yesterday,
as follows:

"To provide for the estimated net deficit of the University of Chicago for the year 1909-1910, and for permanent increase of endowment, my father will give to the University as of July first, 1909, income bearing securities, the present net income of which is, in round figures, forty thousand dollars a year."

copy of which I sent to Mr. Heckman in order to make sure of reaching you in time for the annual meeting.

In fulfillment of this pledge my father will cause to be turned over to the University, as of July 1, 1909,

\$425,000 Beech Creek Extension Railroad First Mortgage 3 1/2% bonds,

\$502,000 United States Steel Corporation 5% Collateral Trust Bonds,
Series E.

bearing a total annual income of \$40,025.

It is with the utmost satisfaction that we see the deficit in the annual budget of the University thus permanently wiped out. Toward this goal we have all been working for a number of years. Our crowning reward will be the fact that no deficit shall ever again be allowed to exist in the University budget and I am sure that the Chicago Trustees will agree with the New York Trustees that this is the standard to which we should hereafter measure up.

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Mr. Martin A. Peterson,
President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

26 Broadway
New York

February 1, 1909.

Mr. Andrew McLeish,
Vice-President, Board of Trustees, University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have before me a telegram to President Judson, dated January 25th, and signed Wallace Heckman, which reads as follows:

"Board accepted subscriptions to Harper Memorial aggregating \$188,200, including \$3,000 from Mrs. Blaine; also accepted gift of "Mrs. Hill \$25,000 payable at her death, stated to be for Harper Memorial "and for purpose of inducing others to contribute. Mr. Rockefeller's "admission of her pledge would clinch her legal obligations. Her will "provides for further \$40,000 to the University. Her age is past "eighty two, her expectations of life under mortuary tables as three and "seven-tenths years. She is without family. The gift was on her "initiative, but could not be secured in form to comply with terms of Mr. "Rockefeller's pledge. Board expressed hope Mr. Rockefeller might be "willing to regard Hill subscription as equivalent to the \$12,000 lacking to "make up \$200,000 to carry out present plan."

My father will accept this gift of \$25,000 of Mrs. Hill's as equivalent to the \$12,000 lacking to make up the total of \$200,000 required according to the conditions of his pledge of January 16, 1906.

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John D. Rockefeller

26 Broadway
New York

February 5, 1909.

Dear Mr. McLeish:

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For the recommendations contained in this letter, some of which were modified in a subsequent letter from Doctor Judson to me under date of January 27th, my father will make the following provision:

A. He will cause to be given to the School of Education for a period of five years beginning with July 1, 1909, whatever amount may be necessary each year up to a total of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for general expenses. This is done upon the assurance of President Judson that at the expiration of the five years, if not earlier, the increased income from tuitions through the addition of students will thereafter meet this added annual cost of maintenance.

B. He will cause to be contributed in cash, for the items enumerated below, seventy-six thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$76,960), payable upon the call of the treasurer:

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Forward, - - \$28,000.

26 Broadway
New York

February 2, 1909.

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February 5, 1909

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4. For fire escapes for Kent Chemical Laboratory, - - \$ 760.

5. For a freight lift in Kent Chemical Laboratory, - - \$ 2,300.

6. For special equipment for Bionomics, - - - - - \$ 2,500. ✓

7. For beginning the cataloguing of the special libraries in preparation for the new library building, - - - \$15,000. ✓

8. As a pension, for one year, for Doctor Goodspeed, who, we understand, desires to retire at the beginning of the new fiscal year July 1, 1909, approximately, - - - - - \$ 2,400.

Total, - - - - \$76,960.

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

Mr. Andrew McLeish,
Vice-President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago,
141 State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

February 2, 1909

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Very truly,
John A. Goodspeed

Mr. Andrew McLeish,
Vice-President, Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago,
141 State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

26 Broadway
New York

February 26, 1909.

Dear Mr. Heckman:

I enclose herewith the indenture which you drafted a year or more ago and which my father has signed, releasing the University, so far as his gifts, past and prospective, are concerned, from its agreement that its President shall always be a Baptist and ^{that} two-thirds of its Board of Trustees shall always be Baptists.

Mr. Murphy tells me that this paper should be delivered to the University. You will know best how this should be done in order to make it valid and at the same time to prevent its existence being a matter of common talk or known of outside of the Board of Trustees. Until such time as this whole question shall come up for discussion, if it ever comes up, it is, of course, desirable that the existence of this document should not be known of outside of the Board.

Leaving the matter in your hands, I am,

Very sincerely,

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Chicago, Illinois.

26 Broadway
New York

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THIS INDENTURE made the 24th day of February
One thousand nine hundred and ~~Nine~~, between JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, of the
City, County and State of New York, party of the first part, and THE
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, a corporation organized under the laws of the State
of Illinois, hereinafter called the University, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH, that the party of the first part, in consideration
of one dollar to him in hand paid by the University, receipt whereof is
hereby acknowledged, does hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, ad-
ministrators and assigns release and discharge the University, its suc-
cessors and assigns, from any covenant or condition to the effect that
the President of the University and two-thirds of its Board of Trustees
shall always be members of Baptist churches, which was contained or im-
plied or which may be deemed to have been contained or implied in any
gift of money or other property, real or personal, heretofore made by
him; and does hereby grant, convey, sell, assign, transfer and set over
to the University, its successors and assigns, all gifts whether of money
or other property, real or personal, which he has heretofore made to it,
free and discharged from any such covenant or condition; and covenants
and agrees that any gifts which may hereafter be made by him, whether of
real or personal property, shall be free and discharged from any such cov-
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strument of gift transferring and conveying the same. This instrument is
not intended to express any desire or suggestion that any change should
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provide that if at any time in the future the said University or its Trust-
ees should consider such a change to be advisable, either in the interests
of the University or of the public which it is intended to serve, the
gifts from the party of the first part should not present any legal ob-
stacle to the making of such change.

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of the University or of the public which it is intended to serve, the
same shall be subject to the making of such change.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the party of the first part has hereto set
his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

In Presence of

Delouette Thaus *John D. Rockefeller*

Georgia
State of ~~New York~~)
County of *Richmond* } ss.

I, *M. W. Waller* a Notary Public in
and for said County in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that John
D. Rockefeller, personally known to me to be the same person whose name
is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day
in person, and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said
instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein
set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this *24th* day of
February One thousand nine hundred and ~~seven~~ *nine*

M. W. Waller
Notary Public

My commission
expires Jan. 11th 1901



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his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

In Presence of

Notar Public
John C. Rockefeller

George
State of ~~New York~~
County of ~~Richmond~~
ss.

I, *W. J. Waller*, a Notary Public in

and for said County in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that John
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instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein

set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 24th day of

February One thousand nine hundred and ~~one~~ *twelve*

W. J. Waller
Notary Public

My commission
expires Jan. 11 1891



26 Broadway
New York

June 22, 1909.

7/1/09
From Portland, Oregon

Dear Doctor Judson:

Father desires to give to the University, and I have instructed Mr. Heckman to have deeds prepared in the name of the University therefor, Lots Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, with the improvements thereon, in Block 15, all the lots fronting on Ingleside Avenue, These properties father has recently purchased for \$26,000.

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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

26 Broadway
New York

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These properties father has recently purchased for \$20,000.

Very truly,

John D. Rockefeller

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

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Portland, Ore., July 2nd, 1909.

Mr. Wallace Heckman,

1204 Corn Exchange Bank Bldg.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Heckman:-

Enclosed I am sending correspondence relating to Stetson University which will explain itself. If I do not hear very soon from President Bulley, I shall ask you to take such steps in the matter as may seem to you advisable. As you are aware, affiliation with the Stetson University was formally ended some three years ago.

We have had a pleasant time in this beautiful city, which we are leaving tomorrow for Seattle.

I have received a letter from Mr. Jno. D. Rockefeller, Jr., formally announcing the gift by his father to the University of the lots on Ingleside Ave., at a cost of \$26,000.00. I presume that you have already been officially informed, so that the matter was laid before the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting. If not, of course it can be presented at the July meeting. Mr. MacLeish, Mr. Parker and Mr. Dickerson have all been in attendance at the convention. Mr. Parker should reach home next Sunday and can give you a full report of what has occurred here.

With cordial regards to all the family, I am,

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Portland, Ore., July 2nd, 1903.

Mr. Wallace Beckman,

1204 Court Exchange Bank Bldg.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Beckman:-

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Staten University which will explain itself. If I do not hear
very soon from President Bailey, I shall ask you to take such
steps in the matter as may seem to you advisable. As you are a
member, affiliated with the Staten University was formerly and
ed some three years ago.

We have had a pleasant time in this beautiful city.

which we are leaving tomorrow for Seattle.

I have received a letter from Mr. Jno. W. Rockefeller,
Jr., formerly announcing the gift by his father to the University
of the lots on Lakeside Ave., at a cost of \$25,000.00. I pre-
sume that you have already been officially informed, so that the
matter was laid before the Board of Trustees at the annual meet-
ing. If not, of course it can be presented at the July meeting.
Mr. Macleish, Mr. Parker and Mr. Nicholson have all been in at-
tendance at the convention. Mr. Parker should reach here next
Sunday and can give you a full report of what has occurred here.
With cordial regards to all the family, I am,

Very truly yours,

26 Broadway
New York

December 27, 1909.

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

Confirming the message sent you through Messrs. McLeish and Heckman, I write to say that my father will contribute towards the Harper Memorial Library, in addition to the amounts already pledged, twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). This amount we understand to be required in addition to other amounts already secured over and above the \$600,000 originally contemplated in order to complete and furnish the Library Building as planned.

My father will also contribute whatever sum may be required up to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for temporarily adapting to other university purposes certain portions of the Library Building which for the present will not be required.

Should my father take some general action in connection with the various matters discussed at the meeting recently held in this office of the Trustees of the University, these pledges would be included. Should no such general action be taken the pledges will stand as above.

With the season's greetings, I am,

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Dear Mr. McLeish:

Referring to a memorandum of special needs, for the fiscal year July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1911, amounting to \$89,500., which was presented to this office by the University representatives in December last, my father will cause to be given to the University of Chicago thirty seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$37,600) for the following items which appear on this list:

Retiring Allowances, appearing at \$6,300, subsequently increased in a letter from President Judson to me under date of May 30, 1910, to - - - - - \$7,600.

Cataloguing, - - - - - \$15,000.
We understand this will completely catalogue all of the books now in possession of the University which are to be installed in the library.

Campus Improvements, - - - - - \$15,000.
We understand that this will complete the planting and grading of the campus.
\$37,600.

The other items appearing on the original list have been eliminated,- the Botany Garden, \$25,000, because it has seemed to us that this should be regarded as a permanent improvement and considered in connection with the other permanent improvements suggested; the remaining items because they are all items of current expense which properly belong in the budget and which we understand would have been thus provided for had the budget permitted,- we do not feel that this office should consider items of this character.

26 Broadway
New York

June 10, 1910.

Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

Referring to a memorandum of special needs for the library
sent July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1911, amounting to \$22,500., which was
presented to this office by the University representatives in December
last, my father will have to be given to the University of Chicago
thirty seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$37,600) for the following
items which appear on this list:

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MR. ROCKEFELLER'S FINAL GIFT

26 Broadway, New York
December 13, 1910

To the
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Dear Sirs:

I have this day caused to be set aside for the University of Chicago, from the funds of the General Education Board which are subject to my disposition, income bearing securities of the present market value of approximately Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000), the same to be delivered to the University in ten equal annual instalments beginning January 1, 1911, each instalment to bear income to the University from the date of such delivery only. A list of these securities is appended herewith. In a separate letter of even date my wishes regarding the investment and uses of the fund are more specifically expressed.

It is far better that the University be supported and enlarged by the gifts of many than by those of a single donor. This I have recognized from the beginning, and, accordingly, have sought to assist you in enlisting the interest and securing the contributions of many others, at times by making my own gifts conditional on the gifts of others, and at times by aiding you by means of unconditional gifts to make the University as widely useful, worthy and attractive as possible. Most heartily do I recognize and rejoice in the generous response of the citizens of Chicago and the West. Their contributions to the resources of the University have been, I believe, more than Seven million dollars. It might perhaps be difficult to find a parallel to generosity so large and so widely distributed as this exercised in behalf of an institution so recently founded. I desire to express my appreciation also of the extraordinary wisdom and fidelity which you, as President and Trustees, have shown in conducting the affairs of the University. In the multitude of students so quickly gathered, in the high character of the instruction, in the variety and extent of original research, in the valuable contributions to human knowledge, in the uplifting influence of the University as a whole upon education throughout the West, my highest hopes have been far exceeded. It is these considerations, with others, that move me to sum up in a single and final gift, distributing its payments over a period of many years to come, such further contributions as I have purposed to make to the University. The sum I now give is intended to make provision, with such gifts as may be reasonably expected from others, for such added buildings, equipment and endowment as the departments thus far established will need. This gift completes the task which I have set before myself. The founding and support of new departments or the development of the varied and alluring fields of applied science including medicine, I leave to the wisdom of the Trustees as funds may be furnished for these purposes by other friends of the University.

In making an end to my gifts to the University, as I now do, and in withdrawing from the Board of Trustees my personal representatives, whose resignations I enclose, I am acting on an early and permanent conviction that this great institution being the property of the people should be controlled, conducted and supported by the people, in whose generous efforts for its upbuilding I have been permitted simply to cooperate; and I could wish to consecrate anew to the great cause of education the funds which I have given, if that were

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Very truly yours,

(signed) John D. Rockefeller.

26 Broadway, New York
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University of Chicago
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sirs:

Referring to my letter of gift of even date, I set down here more specifically my wishes regarding the fund therein contributed.

Pending the delivery of the securities, the General Education Board is to have the right from time to time to change the investments, using the same care and having the same discretion as in the case of its own securities. As nearly as is practicable, the deliveries each year are to be made from the various classes of securities in the ratio which the securities of each class bear to the total.

It is my desire that at least the sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) be used for the erection and furnishing of a University Chapel. As the spirit of religion should penetrate and control the University, so that building which represents religion ought to be the central and dominant feature of the University group. The Chapel may appropriately embody those architectural ideals from which the other buildings, now so beautifully harmonious, have taken their spirit, so that all the other buildings on the campus will seem to have caught their inspiration from the Chapel and in turn will seem to be contributing of their worthiest to the Chapel. In this way the group of University buildings, with the Chapel centrally located and dominant in its architecture, may proclaim that the University in its ideal, is dominated by the spirit of religion, all its departments are inspired by the religious feeling, and all its work is directed to the highest ends.

Whether the Chapel can be so planned as to admit of housing the Young Men's Christian Association and all the distinctively religious functions of the University, or whether this will require a separate building, is a matter which can best be decided in connection with the plans of the architects. I will ask you kindly to submit the plans before their final adoption to my son, who will be fully informed regarding my wishes.

Apart from what may be required for the Chapel, the remainder of the fund may be used, in the discretion of the Trustees, for land, buildings or endowment, but no part of the principal sum shall be used for current expenses. No doubt other donors will offer the University many if not all of its needed buildings. Legacies now written in wills, or to be written, will become available from time to time for these and other purposes. I hope, therefore, that this final gift from me may be used for endowment as far as practicable.

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26 Broadway
New York

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The Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago,
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Gentlemen:

I herewith tender my resignation as Trustee of The
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36
New York

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Very truly yours,

James D. Buckley

26 Broadway
New York

December 30, 1910.

To the
President and Trustees of
THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Gentlemen:

In making his gift of December 13th to the University of Chicago it was my father's purpose to close thereby any open accounts between himself and the University. The only account of this nature of which we know is the loan of \$200,000 made to the University for working capital for the University Press in line with my letter to Mr. Ryerson of June 5, 1903. It is not my father's purpose to ask for the payment of this loan. Such payment would consume the first two and a third years of income accruing on his recent gift and delay to that extent the supplying of other University needs. Upon his instructions I am enclosing a statement of the account which with interest accrued and unpaid to December 13th amounts to \$203,322.22, and which account is cancelled as of that date.

Very truly,

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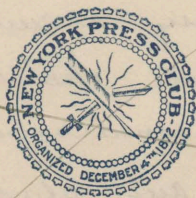
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2. Historical sketch
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358 W 22nd St
Nov 26 '14.

Dear Sir

My publishers, as you
perhaps know, have asked me
to write a somewhat elaborate life
story in book form of John D.
Rackefeller and his philanthropies.
In a more or less desultory way
for the past year, I have gathering
the data from various sources, notably
through Mr Jerome D. Greene, President
Alderman of the University of Va
and others. Mr Rackefeller's gifts
and relationship to the Chicago
University are of course a story and a
history in themselves. I am told
that one of your advocates

Students very recently wrote a
very elaborate sketch of the university
and its remarkable progress. I
should be very glad to have it
and will of course be also more
than happy to include your own
views and comments in my work.

The book I am about to write is
to be profusely illustrated but
here in New York I have been
unable to obtain views of the
Chicago University worth while.
I should like very much to have
a bird's eye photo of the University
and more especially of the Chapel.
I appreciate that I am asking a
good deal of a comparatively stranger
but it is for a common cause - to pay
high tribute to the man who so
richly deserves it. I sincerely hope
you will pardon this scrawl as I
am for the moment without a
secretary.

Faithfully Yours

Randolph Wellsford Smith

To the President }
Chicago University }

I should like also to have a photo of
Hornell and your children Dr. Harper.
Dues.

26 Broadway
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April 16, 1914.

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It may give you some special interest in this report to know that Mr. Rockefeller read the whole of it, including the review, that he requested that every member of the Board of Trustees of the University read it, and that he ordered it laid away with his securities in his safe, where I found it, in order that it might be available in future years.

I shall await your reply with much interest, because if the document is not on file among the papers of the University, it ought to be, and I shall see that it is.

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J. J. Gatto

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Dear Doctor Goodspeed:-

I have your kind letter, but have not answered it because until today I have not been quite certain whether we would be able to send you the file of letter copies complete, duly corrected and with the desired annotations.

Soon after you left, thinking we had got through with the correspondence, we dismissed the extra stenographer whom we had employed for this special purpose. Subsequently, I found a good deal more correspondence and you very kindly enriched the series with still more. This new work fell, of course, on our regular force, and they have been kept quite unusually busy with other things, so that it has not been possible for them to complete the work, and they will require some days or weeks of the vacation to get it done. Naturally, I wish to send you the correspondence, when it goes from my hands, in complete form, and I am sure you sympathize with this desire. Accordingly, I am wondering if you cannot return to our original thought of having the correspondence reach you on your return after the vacation.

The correspondence which I shall send you will cover all the years, beginning with your own letters in 1886, up to January 1, 1893, except such letters as I wrote to Dr. Harper and did not keep copies of. These, you have informed me, are not to be found in Dr. Harper's files. I understand you also to say that the subsequent correspondence, that is, my correspondence with Dr. Harper subsequent to 1893, is also not

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Some of them in his private safe

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sent under his instructions, *often with even slight verbal changes suggested by him, the more accurately to express his precise shade of thought.*

Cordially yours,

A. J. Gates

Dr. T. W. Goodspeed.

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State of Illinois in his private life

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State of Illinois
Cordially yours,
J. P. Morgan

Dr. T. W. Goodspeed.

J. P. Morgan & Co. New York

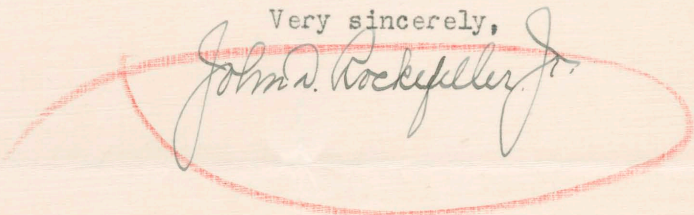
26 Broadway
New York

February 28, 1916.

Dear Dr. Judson:-

Your note of February 26th is received. This is just to congratulate you upon the interesting prospects which you are hopeful are materializing for the University.

Very sincerely,



John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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

25 January
New York

My dear Mr. [Name]
I have just received your letter of the 14th inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well. I am also well and hope
this letter finds you the same. I am very busy at present
but will try to write you more fully soon.

Yours very truly,
[Signature]

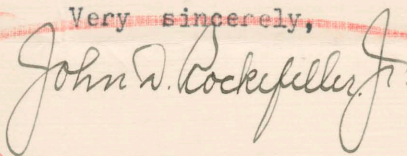
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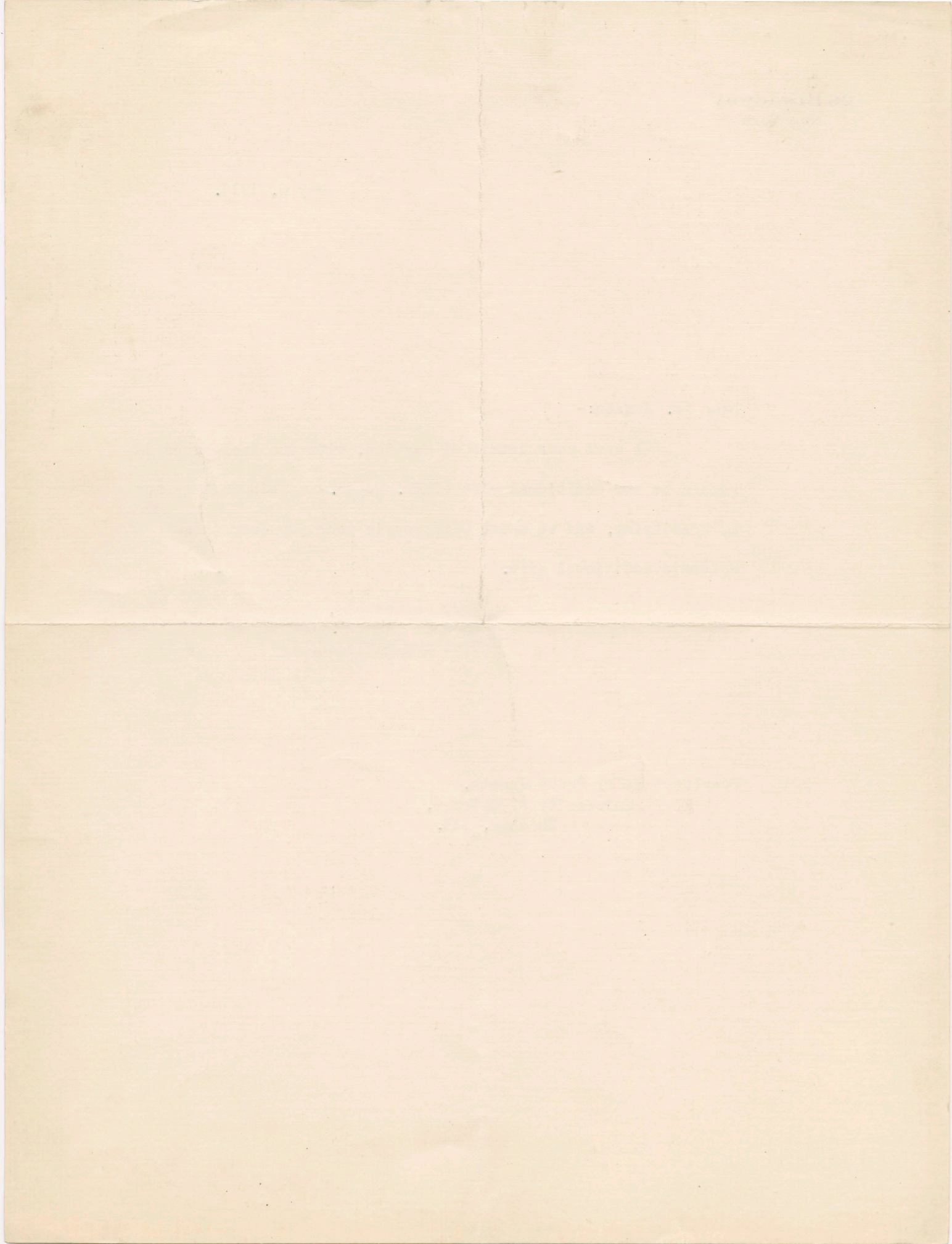
Dear Dr. Judson:-

I have your letter of May 2nd, with its enclosures in regard to the additional gift of Mr. Noyes. This is immensely gratifying, and we unite with you in your joy over this splendid additional gift.

Very sincerely,

John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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



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New York

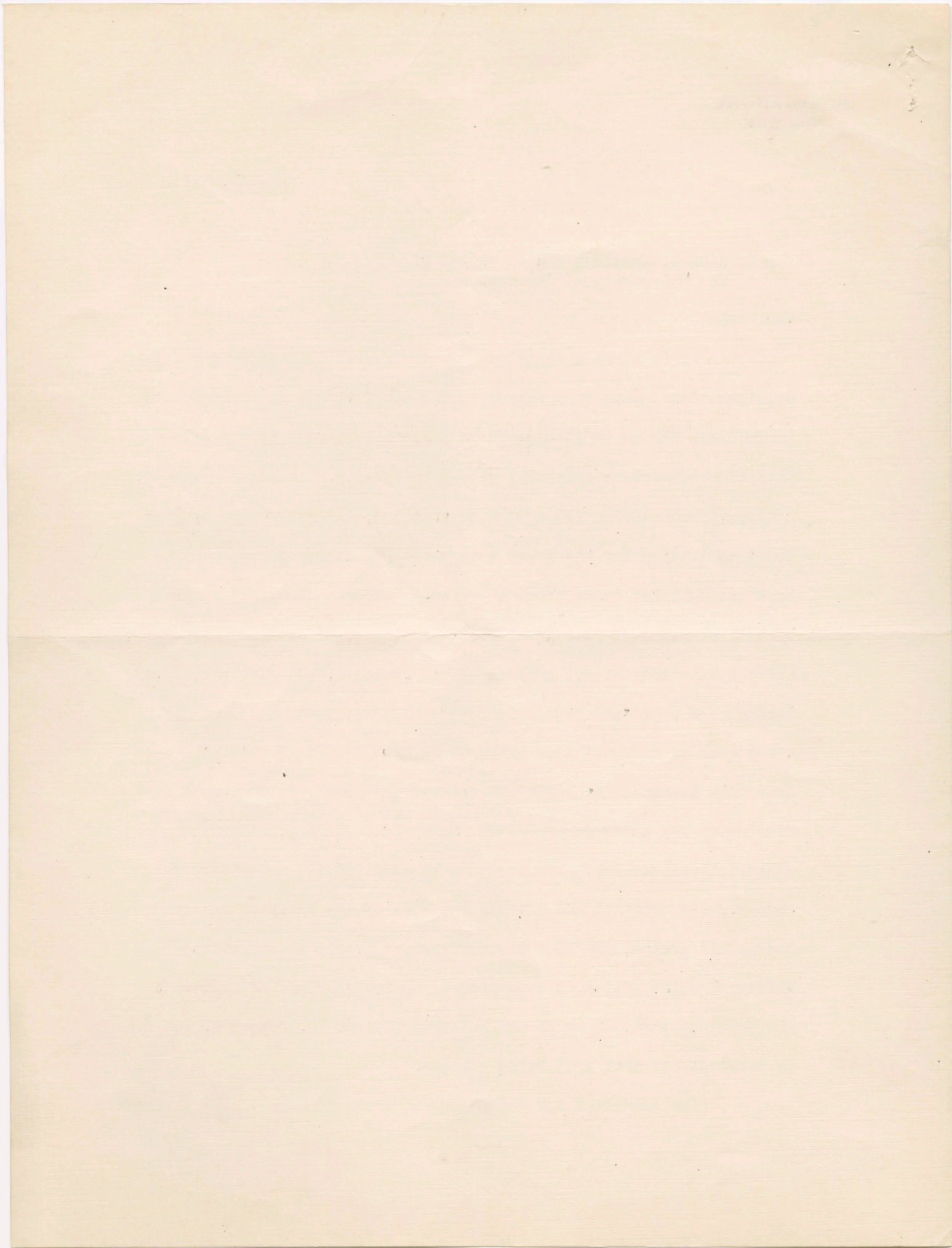
May 31, 1916.

The President, Trustees and Faculties of
The University of Chicago.

Gentlemen:

It is to me a matter of sincere regret that after careful consideration I have been forced to the conclusion that it would be inexpedient for me to attempt to be present in person at the Celebration of the Quarter-Centennial of the University. I cannot refrain, however, from sending you a word of greeting, and expressing my profound admiration for the great work which you and your predecessors have accomplished in so short a period. Under the marvelous constructive genius of your great first president, William Rainey Harper, and the wise and helpful control of the Trustees, the physical, intellectual and spiritual foundations were laid with a breadth and depth which none of us would have ventured to hope for at the beginning. After his lamented death the University was singularly fortunate in finding as his successor President Harry Pratt Judson, under whose conservative leadership the work has been solidified and wisely extended. The faithful and painstaking care of the Trustees has been beyond all praise, and that it has approved itself to the citizens of Chicago and the nation is evidenced by their generous and continued financial support, of which the splendid gift of Mr. Hobart W. Williams is a recent and most gratifying example.

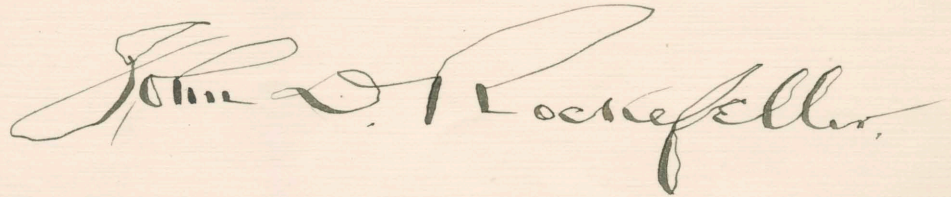
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Faculties in the instruction of youth has already had a profound and far-reaching influence on the intellectual and moral life of the nation; and the achievements of those engaged in research have widened the boundaries of knowledge and spread the fame of the University throughout the world.

With confident belief in the ever increasing usefulness of the University, and with affectionate regards for you all, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John D. Rockefeller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J" and a long, horizontal flourish extending to the right.

June 27, 1916.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

At the recent meeting of the Trustees of the University President Judson presented to the Board your greeting on the occasion of the celebration of the Quarter Centennial of the University. Your message was read by Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. at the ninety-ninth convocation.

Not alone because the Secretary was requested by the Board of Trustees to send a reply to your most welcome message is it a pleasure for him to respond. The request affords a delightful privilege to express on behalf of the Trustees the profound gratitude felt by them as they recall your unprecedented generosity shown in founding, sustaining and perpetuating the University and all that it represents.

The entire University regrets that you were unable to be present during the celebration of this notable anniversary and to see with your own eyes the evidences of progress since you last visited the quadrangles. The new buildings erected since 1901, the libraries, the apparatus, the facilities for research and study, all these illustrate the growth of the institution every advance of which you have inspired.

While you could not but rejoice in the upbuilding of the University upon its physical side, even more would the presence of thousands of students have appealed to your

June 27, 1913.
Mr. John D. Rockefeller--2

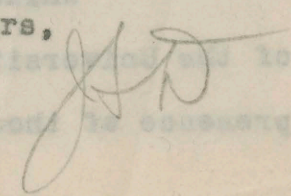
imagination. Their spirit of loyalty to the alma mater, their zeal, their achievements after they leave her fostering care, are highly gratifying to Trustees and teachers, and surely must have gratified you.

The members of the faculties continue to demonstrate their devotion to the University as well as their efficiency in class-room and laboratory. Their spirit of co-operation with each other and with the administration, all so worthy of praise, could not but commend itself to you.

Although you could not be here to see and feel the progress of the University, the Trustees regarded it as a great honor as well as a much-appreciated privilege that they were permitted to greet your son, who so admirably represented the Founder both in public functions of the celebration as well as in its more intimate associations. His presence added much to the success of the whole occasion.

The Trustees believe that you have not only founded the University by gifts of money, you have also endowed it with moral aspirations and spiritual ambitions. On their behalf, then, the Secretary acknowledges your greeting and expresses for them their gratitude and conveys their message of abiding esteem.

Sincerely yours,



26 Broadway
New York

November 1, 1916.

To the Trustees of
The University of Chicago.

~~Gentlemen:~~

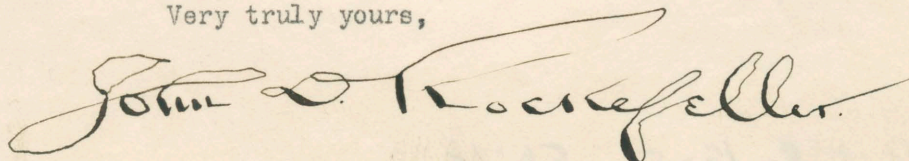
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First, The General Endowment Account comprising all the endowments except \$100,000 for theological instruction; and

Second, The Endowment for Theological Instruction, being the \$100,000 contributed for that specific purpose;

I did not make it clear that I intended to waive the limitations as to the purposes to which the income of the endowments other than the \$100,000 for theological instruction might be applied, now, in order to remove any uncertainty, I hereby state that such limitations are hereby waived, and that the income of all my gifts for endowment other than the \$100,000 fund for theological instruction may be used by the Trustees of the University in their discretion for any of the corporate purposes of the University.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John D. Rockefeller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J" and a long, horizontal flourish extending to the right.

[from Comptroller's Office Endowment File, 6/28/78]

November 1, 1910.

To the Trustees of
The University of Chicago.

Gentlemen:

My attention having been called to the fact that in some of my earlier gifts to the endowment of the University of Chicago there were limitations as to the purposes to which the income should be applied, and that when I consented to the consolidation of the various funds, as evidenced by the letter of my son dated July 10, 1903, which provided that the various Rockefeller Endowment Accounts should be consolidated into two Endowment Accounts:

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Very truly yours,

PP 1889-1955, 56;18

January 27, 1921.

Dear Mr. Rockefeller;

The copy of the Sargent portrait of your father has been received at this office. I need not say how much delighted we are to have it. It impresses me as an excellent copy of an admirable painting. The artist certainly has caught the character in the face.

At the February meeting of the Board of Trustees I shall make formal report on the matter. Mr. Ryerson and I have been discussing the probability of placing it in the Chapel in the Faculty room. I shall expect to confer with you next Monday on the matter of Chapel plans.

Cordially yours,

Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr.
26 Broadway, New York City.

HPJ:JN

January 27, 1881.

Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

The copy of the elegant portrait of your father has been received at this office. I need not say how much delighted we are to have it. It impresses me as an excellent copy of an admirable painting. The artist certainly has caught the character in the face. At the February meeting of the Board of Trustees I shall make formal report on the matter. Mr. Wyer and I have been discussing the probability of placing it in the Chapel in the Faculty room. I shall expect to confer with you next Monday on the matter of Chapel plans.

Cordially yours,

Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr.
25 Broadway, New York City.

WJ:JL

Harold H. Swift
Union Stock Yards
Chicago

December 27,
1923

President Ernest D. Burton,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear President Burton:

Please let me clarify the statement I made to you about ten days ago in reference to the Chapel Fund appropriation of the Rockefeller Final Gift, and to make a slight correction of my statement at the time.

Mr. Rockefeller's letter said, "It is my desire that at least the sum of \$1,500,000 be used for the erection and furnishing of a University Chapel." This was in his second letter which referred to his "letter of gift of even date."

Of the \$10,000,000 we put aside \$1,080,000.00 for this purpose, which on Oct. 31, 1923 had accumulated interest to the sum of..... 528,393.28 making the Chapel Fund on our books as of that date..... \$1,608,393.28

The correction comes here because I told you then that even now the fund had not reached \$1,500,000 while you see it is now over \$1,600,000.

The question I raised was whether we should not have appropriated at least \$1,500,000 of the original \$10,000,000 letting the interest swell that fund rather than appropriating a lesser amount and allowing the interest to swell the fund up to the sum specified, i.e. whether the fund should be on our books \$1,500,000 at the time of the final payment, plus accumulated interest since then, which would now make the fund considerably over \$2,000,000, or whether we are all right as we have done it.

I don't see that there is anything we should do at the moment although some time in the spring after Mr. Arnett is definitely installed in his new position I have in mind to talk to him about it.

Yours cordially,

Harold H. Swift

P.S. My secretary, Mr. Williams, in discussing this matter said to me the other day that he thought the University was in an unhappy position on this whole matter, that from the \$10,000,000 which Mr. Rockefeller gave us the only thing he asked was that \$1,500,000 should build a Chapel. That was 13 years ago and there is no sign of a Chapel yet. Mr. Williams believes the Chapel should have been completed by the time of the final payment and that failure to have it started even now is gross negligence.

H.H.S.

The University of Chicago

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Office of the President

May 3, 1923.

My dear Mr. Dickerson:-

I hereby hand you for preservation in your files the important letter of Mr. John D. Rockefeller dated March 7th 1923, but revised as concerns the last paragraph on May 1st 1923 as indicated in the following letter from him.

May 1, 1923.

Dear Dr. Burton:

In accordance with correspondence which has passed between us, enclosed please find my letter of March 7th, to the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago, with corrections made as suggested.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) John D. Rockefeller,
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Very truly yours,

Mr. J. S. Dickerson,
Office of the Secretary.

Amos D. Burton

The University of Chicago
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
Office of the President

May 21, 1935.

Dear Mr. Blomberg:-

I am sorry that you are disappointed.

John D. Rockefeller named March 1935.

has revised his concerns for the University.

on May 1st 1935 he has asked for the following:

Following for the year 1935.

May 1, 1935.

Dear Mr. Blomberg:

In accordance with our understanding, which
was signed between us, without reserve, and
which was signed for the University of Chicago
on May 1st 1935, I am sending you the following:

Respectfully,
Yours truly,
John D. Rockefeller

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JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER
ORMOND BEACH
FLORIDA

March 7, 1923.

Board of Trustees,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

In 1889 I made my first pledge of \$600,000 towards a million dollars for the foundation of a college in Chicago under Baptist auspices. This pledge was made to the American Baptist Education Society under a plan made by that Society - a plan which met my entire approval. It was hoped that the initial sum would be supplemented by further contributions made by others and that the college would in time have a normal growth.

That growth in fact has been phenomenal. So great was the need, so favorable the location in Chicago, so generous the response of Chicago people, that the college has become a great university of nation-wide influence. Such an institution, with its professional schools and its material contributions to knowledge, is of necessity undenominational in its administration. Realizing this vital and inevitable development, on the 24th day of February, 1909, I executed an indenture whereby I released the University, so far as any gifts of mine were concerned, from the condition in the Articles of Incorporation providing that the President and two-thirds of the Trustees should be members of regular Baptist churches. In making this indenture, I said that this instrument was not intended to express my desire or suggestion that any change should presently be made in the matter of denominational control, but simply to provide that if at any time in the future the University or its Trustees should consider such a change to be advisable, either in the interest of the University or of the public which it is intended to serve, my gifts should not present any legal obstacle to such change.

The development of the University since 1909 has been even more notable than it had been up to that time, and its eminently university character, as distinguished from that of a mere college, has been very significant. I have followed that development with much interest, and from time to time have aided it by such contributions as circumstances seemed to warrant. I understand that my total gifts to the University of Chicago amount to nearly

\$35,000,000, that the gifts of others than Baptists directly to the University total approximately \$15,000,000, and those of still others to non-Baptist institutions, contractually bound to the University, are upwards of \$10,000,000 more.

In the light of these facts, while I by no means urge a change of policy on the part of the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention (which I understand is now the legal name of the body which was incorporated in 1889 as the American Baptist Education Society) yet, if the Board of Education should think it wise to adopt measures for releasing the University from all or any of the denominational restrictions in its Articles of Incorporation and in the tenure of its property, such action would meet with my hearty concurrence.

Very truly yours,

John D. Rockefeller.

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legal name of the body which was incorporated in 1889 as the
American Baptist Education Society) yet, in the Board of Christian
Education should think it wise to adopt measures for releasing
the University from all or any of the denominational restrictions
in its action of incorporation and in the terms of
the charter which it issued to the University.

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Taft

The University of Chicago

Office of the Auditor

Rockefeller
J. D.

June 1, 1924.

The Board of Trustees,

The University of Chicago.

Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith copies of correspondence with reference to the suggested transfer of the sum of \$500,000. from the Rockefeller Final Gift Endowment to the Final Gift Reserve to be used for capital purposes:

- a) Letter from the Auditor to Mr. Arnett under date of May 15, 1924, indicating the reasons for the suggested transfer.
- b) Memorandum from Mr. Arnett under date of May 16, 1924, giving his favorable reaction on the suggested transfer.
- c) Letter from Mr. Swift under date of May 21, 1924, in which he presumes the wise thing to do is to make the transfer, but expresses hesitation lest the amount may be used for other than Power Plant purposes, leaving the University without funds for the latter purpose unless such funds could be raised in the forthcoming campaign.

With reference to Mr. Swift's hesitation in the matter, I beg to suggest that if the transfer be authorized, it is possible to earmark in the Final Gift Reserve \$500,000. as the nucleus of a Power Plant Fund. Should it develop later that sufficient funds are received from other sources for this purpose, then the Board could take action releasing this designation. In view of the attitude of Mr. Arnett and Mr. Swift upon the suggestion contained in my letter to the former under date of May 15, I recommend that the securities and cash mentioned therein be transferred from the Rockefeller Final Gift Endowment to the Final Gift Reserve as of July 1, 1923, as proposed, and that the sum of \$500,000. in the Final Gift Reserve be earmarked as the nucleus of a Power Plant Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Hampton

The University of Chicago

Office of the Auditor

June 1, 1924.

The Board of Trustees,

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Respectfully submitted,

May 15, 1924.

My dear Mr. Arnett:

Referring to communications on the subject of the transfer of the sum of \$500,000. from the Rockefeller Final Gift for the purpose of establishing the nucleus of a Power Plant Fund or for other capital purposes:

You will recall that under the terms of Mr. Rockefeller's Final Gift, after provision for a chapel to cost not less than \$1,500,000., the fund was to be used for endowment, for the erection of buildings for departments existant at the time the gift was made, or for the purchase of land. You will note from the report on the Rockefeller Final Gift which was presented to the Board on December 13, 1923, the disposition of the amount received. At the present time the balance in the Final Gift Reserve, out of which account appropriations have been made from time to time for the purchase of land and the erection of buildings, is

\$291,770.77

Of this amount

125,183.28

is invested in improved real estate near the University, which possibly at some future time may be required for University purposes,

leaving a balance of

\$166,587.49

in the following form:

200 shares A. T. & S. F. stock, pfd.	-	-	\$ 20,350.00
1,000 shares N. Y. Central stock	-	-	108,466.42
88,000 Colo. Industrial 5% bonds	-	-	64,152.50
Cash	-	-	618.57

\$193,587.49

Less amount of outstanding mortgage on
property at 56th St. & University Ave.

27,000.00

Balance - - - - - \$166,587.49

This balance is probably inadequate to finance the pur-

chases of real estate near the University in order to round out our holdings, and leave a balance of any considerable amount for building purposes such as the completion and equipment of the Theology Building.

In making the budget for the year 1923-24 income on the suggested fund of \$500,000. was not included in the original estimate of income for that year, nor has it been necessary to include it in the revised estimates during the year. Furthermore, no income on this sum is included in the estimate of income for the year 1924-25; consequently the transfer of the sum as suggested will not serve to reduce any of our present estimates of income for budget purposes.

In view of the foregoing I suggest that the following securities be transferred from the Rockefeller Final Gift Endowment to the Final Gift Reserve account as of July 1, 1923, and that the income on the investments in the Final Gift Reserve be added to the principal of that fund, with the understanding that at least quarterly a report be made to the Board or to the Finance Committee as to the status of the reserve:

Bonds

100,000 Colorado Industrial	5	-	-	\$ 77,000.	
100,000 St. L., I. M. & S.	4	-	-	83,500.	
100,000 U. S. Steel S. F.	5	-	-	100,200.	
100,000 Western Maryland	4	-	-	86,000.	
100,000 Wisconsin Central	4	-	-	92,750.	\$439,450.

Stock

51,200 A. T. & S. F. Ry. Pfd.	-	-	-	-	52,096.
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Mortgage

Derby Estate	-	-	-	-	-	8,400.
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Cash	-	-	-	-	-	54.
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Total	-	-	-	-	-	<u>\$500,000.</u>
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If this matter could be considered and passed upon before June 30 it would simplify the accounting of the transfer of capital and the interest thereon, and enable us in our annual reports to indicate the new status.

Mr. Trevor Arnett,
City Office.

Yours very truly,
N. C. Plimpton.

changes of real estate near the University in order to round out our holdings, and leave a balance of any considerable amount for building purposes such as the completion and equipment of the Theology Building.

In making the budget for the year 1923-24 income on the suggested fund of \$700,000. was not included in the original estimate of income for that year, nor has it been necessary to include it in the revised estimates during the year. Furthermore, no income on this sum is included in the estimate of income for the year 1924-25; consequently the transfer of the sum as suggested will not serve to reduce any of our present estimates of income for budget purposes.

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100,000	Western Maryland	\$ -	88,000.
100,000	Wisconsin Central	\$ -	92,500.
\$439,400.			
Stock			
51,200	A. T. & S. F. Ry. Pfd.	\$ -	\$2,000.
Mortgages			
	Barby Estate	\$ -	\$ 400.
\$2.			
\$439,400.			
Total - \$700,000.			

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reports to indicate the new status.
 Yours very truly,
 Mr. Trevor Arnett,
 City Office.

May 16, 1924.

N. C. P.

I approve your suggestion that \$500,000. of Final Gift Endowment on which no income is figured for budget purposes, be transferred to Final Gift Reserve where it will be available for Power Plant, or buildings, or land, at the discretion of the Trustees.

Trevor Arnett.

May 10, 1934.

H. C. P.

I approve your suggestion that

\$500,000. of Trust Gift Endowment be

which no income is figured for budget

purpose, be transferred to Trust Gift

Reserve where it will be available for

Power Plant, or buildings, or land, as

the discretion of the Trustee.

Travor Smith

May 21, 1924.

Mr. N. C. Plimpton,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Plimpton:

Referring further to yours of May 5 and Mr. Arnett's notation of May 16 in reference to the \$500,000 from the Rockefeller Final Gift Endowment, which it was proposed to segregate in a Power Plant Fund:

I presume the wise thing to do is to transfer the securities to the Rockefeller Final Gift Reserve, which will make them available for purchase of land or erection of buildings (not medical) etc.

My hesitancy in this matter has been that I am not too sanguine as to the power plant project in our campaign and have feared that if in the Final Gift Reserve the fund might get away from us; but perhaps after all it is the thing to do, hoping and figuring that we will not use it unless rather important demands present themselves.

If you feel like writing the Board for the June meeting along the line you suggested for the May meeting, I shall not oppose it.

Yours cordially,

Harold H. Swift.

May 21, 1934

Mr. W. D. Bishop,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Bishop:

Referring further to your letter of May 15 and to the
notation of May 16 in reference to the \$200,000 from the
Rockefeller Fund, I am glad to hear that it was proposed to
contribute to a power plant fund.

I presume the fund is to be transferred to
account for the Rockefeller Fund, which will
have then available for purchase of land or erection of building
etc. (not medical) etc.

My hesitancy in this matter has been that I am not
too sanguine as to the power plant project in our country and
have feared that if in the First Gift Reserve the fund might
get away from us; but perhaps after all it is the fund to be
hopeful and I think that we will not use it unless rather in
urgent demands present themselves.

If you feel like writing the Board for the fund
cooking along the line you suggested for the May meeting, I
will not oppose it.

Yours cordially,
Harold H. Clark.