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Room 12

CHICAGO February 7, 1899.

My dear President Harper,-

The room over the old Examiner's Office is occupied by three classes in Greek, at 8:30, 11:00 and 12:00, respectively; none of the classes are large. All of them could be shifted to Room 12 which is vacant at these hours, and is a good room. There seems, therefore, to be no difficulty in the way of clearing this room.

Yours truly,

R. D. Tuley

My Dear Mr. Castle:
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J. R. Sept. 7. 1899

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[Faint handwritten notes and signatures, including "C. D. Rockwell" and "J. D. Rockwell"]

CHICAGO Feb. 14, 1899.

My dear President Harper:-

Classrooms on the second floor of Cobb Hall are occupied during the first four hours of the day as follows:-

Hours	No of Room
8:30	2, 7, 12, 15.
9:30	2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15.
11:00	2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15.
12:00	2, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15.

This information was obtained by visiting the classrooms on Thursday Feb. 9th. The statements in the Quarterly Announcements as to the assignment of rooms are incorrect, e.g. classes are assigned to room #6 for five hours in the day, but #6 is not used as a classroom but as a library and study room for undergraduate students; besides two classes ~~are~~ assigned at 9:30 to #12, and two to #8 at 11:00. I presume that Mr. Salisbury got his information from the Quarterly Announcements. It will be seen by the above table that classes in #15 cannot be transferred to #12 or to any other room on the second floor.

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at 9:30 and 11:00. The only rooms on that floor available for classroom use are 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 15. Room 13 is used by Mr. Abbott and 9:30 as an office. Room 14 is an office room which is not used at present but is not large enough to accommodate any class. The classes which occupy room #15 in the first four hours of the day number 16, 27, 18, 25, ^{respectively}. Last quarter room 15 was used for two Greek classes numbering a little less than 40 each. No other room on the floor was available for these large classes.

Next year it will be necessary to divide some of the required courses into sections and the Greek Department will need more instead of fewer rooms. The same is also true of the Latin courses which are required, and the Latin Department will also need more rooms.

Rooms 13 and 14 are two good office rooms, and combined with 12, four or five good offices might be obtained, but another room would be needed for a classroom to replace 12, and whether 12, 13, and 14

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at 7:30 and 8:00. The only exception to this floor
available for discussion are 2, 3, 8, 10, 12, and
12. Room 12 is reserved by the library at 7:30 and
office. Room 12 is an office room which is not
suitable for a private but is not large enough
to accommodate any class. The convenient
meeting rooms in the first four floors of the
library building 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 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Very truly yours
C. V. Carter

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in view adequate accommodations could be afforded in
the new Law School building

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The allied departments of Political Economy, Political Science, Sociology and History, after careful comparison of various alternative plans to obviate the overcrowding due to inadequate quarters report that the prospect of a continued occupancy of Cobb Hall - ~~in view of the decision to shut us out of the new Law School - will result in many~~ raises many serious objections. The difficulties are so weighty that the departments affected believe the continuance in Cobb Hall will improperly handicap their growth, their efficiency, their methods of instruction, their use of materials, their growth, and consequently the University itself. The needs and the means of meeting these needs are so ill adjusted as to ~~seem~~ ^{manifestly} ~~disproportionate~~. For instance, the Department of Political Economy has never had but one ^{and occasional use of another} class-room near the books for six instructors, and no place whatever for private conference with students in the stacks.

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The Common difficulties to be contended against are, in the main, the following:-

- A. Cobb Hall, constructed for small class-rooms, could not be altered, without great expense, to permit the unification of the four departments with a common library stack, a common reading room, and suitable class-rooms adjacent to the books. Their continuance in Cobb Hall, therefore, means an unfortunate emphasis on the

The other departments of Federal Government, to
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 comparison of various alternative plans to those
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 University itself. The needs and the means of
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 Science has more than 100 students but only one
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 A. Little Hall, constructed for small class-rooms,
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separation of subjects, - which is fatal to a
just correlation of scholarly work in these de-
partments. The students, on the contrary, should be
made to feel the broadening contact of men and
ideas outside of, but closely related to, their special
tasks. At present, the dangers of specialization are
~~greatly exaggerated~~ accentuated.

B. The present quarters limit the methods of
instruction. Advanced classes are separated from
the books. Since the libraries at the best are
the places where students can study, the retention
of the present system, by opening a few more
vacated rooms to books, would not remove the
difficulties. In these libraries which are at
once reading rooms & places of study, no talking
can be allowed; and hence the system of conducting
advanced classes and seminars among the books
is an impossibility so long as we remain in Cobb
Hall. Moreover, the withdrawal of junior college
students and the vacation of some class-rooms,
while allowing space for books (in the present
undesirable system) would only expand the existing
usage, without affording the relief asked for.
There would, with increasing numbers, be only more
readers in more badly adjusted rooms.

Also, there is no suitable large class-room
near the books available for present needs.

or with the library
at Wisconsin,

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comparing ~~the~~ ^{the} Historical Library
In ~~comparison~~ only with the A.D. White Historical
Library at Cornell, our facilities may be seen in
a strikingly unfavorable light, - and yet there are
the other ^{departments} ~~subjects~~ ^{now} ~~to be~~ considered. There is needed
by the Group
stack room for at least 50,000 volumes; and
also a common reading room with desks (or
tables) for 200 readers. In a few years even this
space would be inadequate. Probably no other
group in the University - excepting possibly modern
languages - is likely to show the ^{future} growth in numbers
of the Historical Group.

E. In addition, it is evident that the wooden shelves,
the fittings &c. expose the whole valuable collection
of books in Cobb Hall to the dangers of fire.

Moreover, we cannot hope to receive any
donations of books in mass if the present
place of keeping and storing them be continued.
This last point has already had practical
illustration.

F. By assignment to a proper building, it is con-
fidently believed that, with a common library, and
a common library management, a better service
could be provided at a less expense than now.
At present there is unnecessary waste from
duplications of orders, and untrained service, and
losses of books, - largely due to the conditions of
Cobb administration incident to our present ^{system} quarters.

G. Cobb Hall also, offers no facilities for draughting
rooms for statistics, quarters for the journals, museums
for illustration of the work in Commerce, History, &c.
Many boxes of illustrative material are now stored
away unused. A considerable space for maps,
in a room prepared for that purpose, is, to the
Historical department alone, an urgent need.
Such necessities could not be supplied
in Cobb Hall with the other primary demands.

In consideration of these serious drawbacks,
increasing in proportion to the expansion of the work,
we respectfully petition the Trustees for relief.

J. Lawrence Laughlin
Albin W. Small
H. P. Gibson
J. F. Garrison

On the 11th of January
at the meeting

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W. L. Davis

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C. A well lighted common reading room, separate from the stacks nearby, where documents, and materials are stored, is essential. This room should be large enough to contain the journals, periodicals &c. of all four departments, besides the tables for readers. The stacks, ^{the reading room} separate from should be accessible to instructors with classes.

Cobb Hall could not supply this essential requisite for modern teaching. Even now, most materials are removed to the library in another building. Our libraries, moreover, would be the gainers by being placed near that of the Law School.

D. Consequently, a proper library system being impossible in Cobb Hall, we are in the plight such as that of a department of Chemistry without a laboratory. ^{Suitable} This is literally true, that in ^{these} our departments our libraries ^{are} ~~is as~~ distinctly ^{our} a laboratories ~~as in the same~~ just at the ^{in proportion} ~~time~~ ^{as} students ^{are} increasing, our facilities are likely to become ~~more~~ inferior in kind, - if we are remanded to Cobb Hall. After canvassing the possibilities for library space, we believe that any legitimate library (or laboratory) development is impossible there. The ^{alone} ~~retention~~ needs of the Historical department ^{alone} are imperative. There is no place for readers; students stand at their work. A few more rooms would be filled almost at once, and the same evils would remain. Even if we could have the Old Chapel it would be inadequate for our purposes, and it ^{would} ~~is~~ also ^{be} ~~remote~~ ^{our} from ^{our} class-rooms.

The University of Chicago
Ryerson Physical Laboratory

Chicago Aug. 30th 1901



Dear Dr. Harper; -

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I therefore wish to make one or two suggestions.

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2nd) If this plan is not feasible it is possible that an arrangement might be made with the Dep't of Mathematics by which one of their lecture rooms might be used by Mr Angel, and Mr Gale left in possession of #34.

3rd) Although the ~~DEP~~ Dep't of Physics has but one lecture room in which five different courses of lectures must be given this Fall (see program of courses) it is not impossible that an hour might be found for Mr Angel in this room. Such an arrangement would be attended with much inconvenience to our department, but I am certain that the attitude of the Dep't of Physics is not one which will put up with no inconvenience even when the interests of the University are at stake.

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P. A. Millikan

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August 3, 1911

Pine Eyrie
Holderness, N.H.

Mr. Burton.

If it is possible
for me to arrange to go
to Wellesley it will be
an honor to represent
the University at the
inauguration of Presi-
dent Pundleton, altho
I think Mrs Breckin-
ridge as perhaps the

arrangement as nearly satisfactory as
League as the present trying conditions will

perpetuate.

Cordially yours

Marion Talbot.

to have any change in
the plan made with
Mr. Heckman before
I left until I return
and can consult with
the League officers
and others who are
interested. It has always
been understood that
Lexington is under my
direction and I shall be
glad to help devise an

most distinguished and
esteemed graduate of
the College would have
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choice.

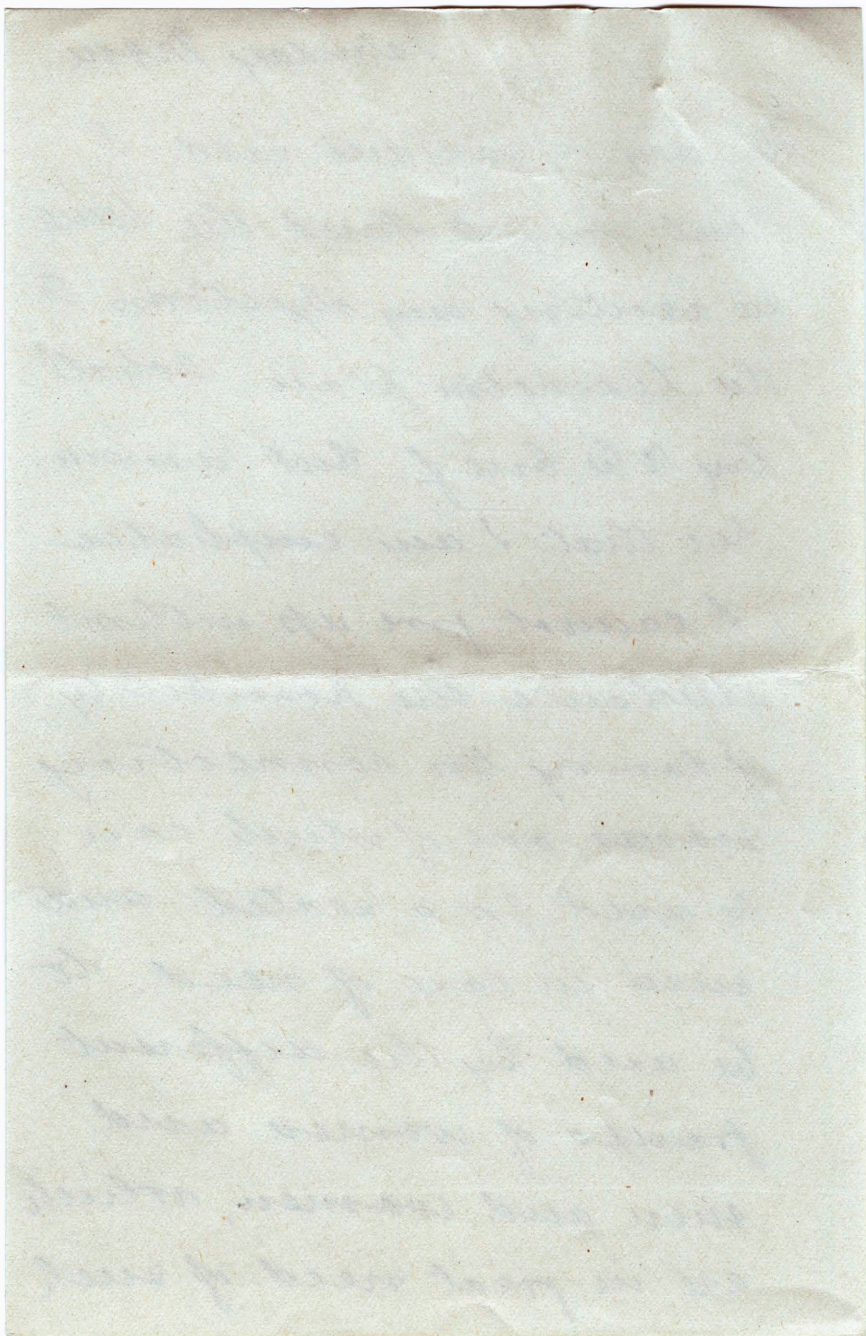
I have heard from
Miss Breckinridge of
the ~~work~~ of the Y. W. C. L.
to secure the space
formerly occupied
by the library in

Leavitt Hall. I
think it extremely im-
portant that this space
should be reserved for
general uses of the
women students. In-
deed I feel so strongly
in the matter that, if
there is any question
in your mind, I
would be glad not

Saturday Morn.

The day is radiant and I don't want to spend the time in reciting my objections to the Leasington place. I shall try to be brief. But remember that I am emphatic.

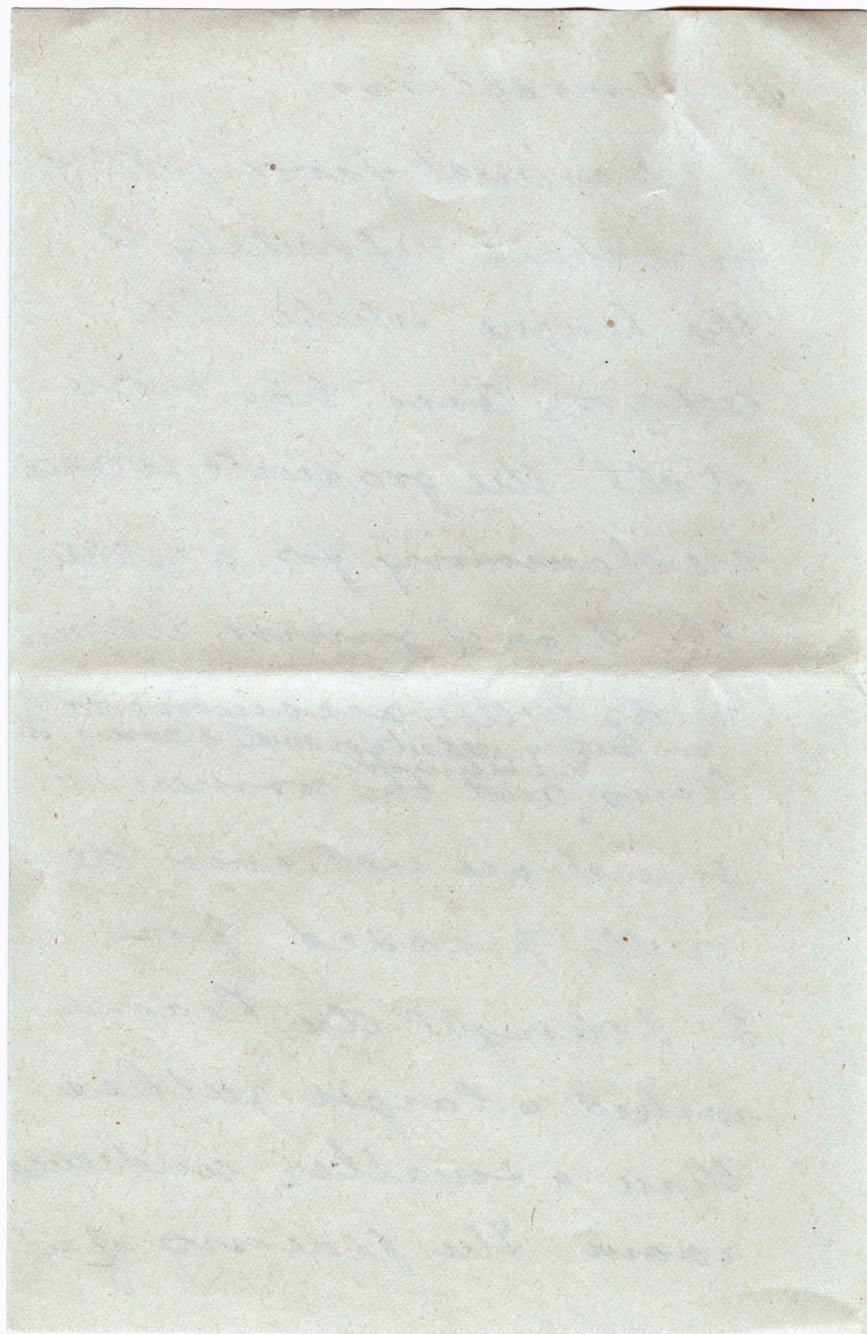
1. I cannot give up without reluctance the possibility of having two connecting rooms, one of which can be used for a seated audience in case of need, to be used by the different groups of women and men and women, which are in great need of such



accommodations

2. I cannot favor giving more space definitely to the League while the Athletic Assocⁿ has none at all. the graduate women are clamoring for a room. the dean of junior women needs better accommoda-
tion. Dudley needs it for small classes, in
tours, ^{the afternoon} and the women in general are not even decently provided for.

3. I thought the League wished a larger rather than a smaller audience room. The placing of a



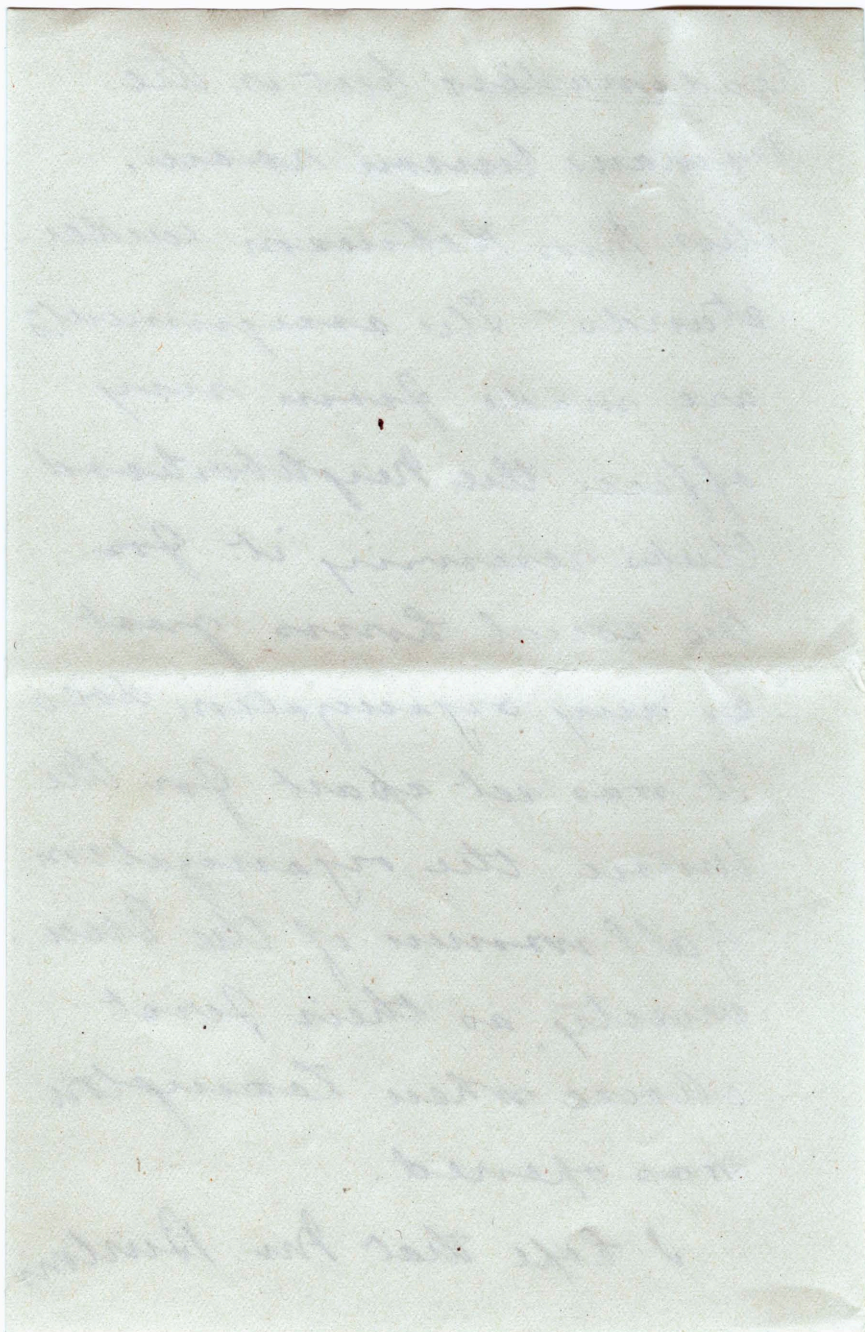
small room between 14 and 15, not only makes it impossible to have the two spacious social rooms adjacent. but gives us a smaller room than 14 is now. Every bit of that space is needed as a study room during the morning.

4. It is true that No. 1 would suit the Neighborhood Clubs as well as 15 for most purposes. but 15 is not the Neighborhood Room. It is their

headquarters but is the
Woman's Union room.

This Miss Robinson under-
stands. The assignments
are made from my
office, the Neighborhood
Clubs reserving it for
the social hours just
as any organization does.
It was set apart for the
Union, the organization
of all women of the Uni-
versity, as their first
choice when Lexington
was opened.

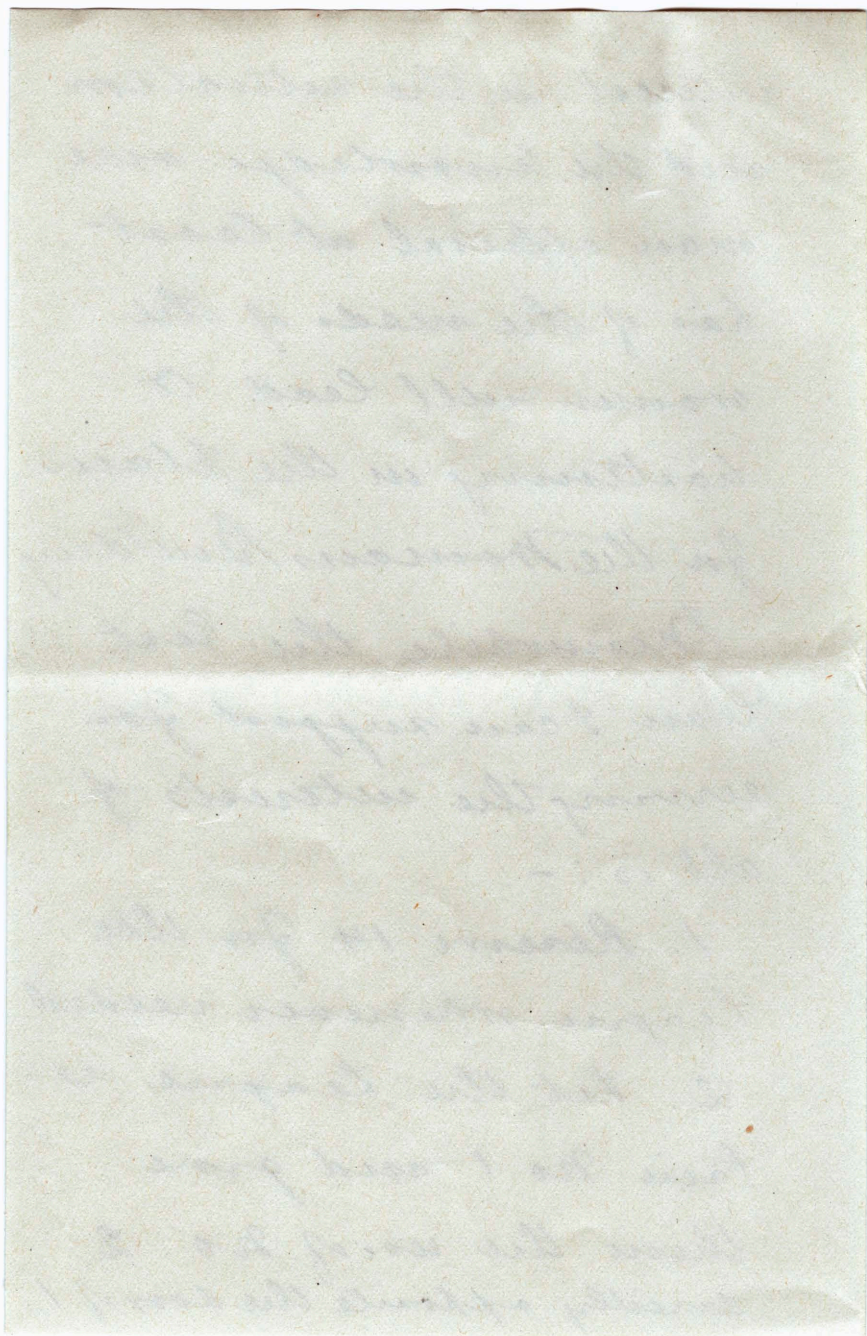
I hope that Mr. Burton's



interest in the situation
and the knowledge one
man official at least
has of the needs of the
women will lead to
hastening in the plans
for the Woman's Building.

Meanwhile the best
plan I can suggest for
serving the interests of
all is :-

1. Reserve 14 for the
League whenever needed
2. Let the League re-
tain No. 1 and give
them the use of No. 2,
directly opposite the door of 1,



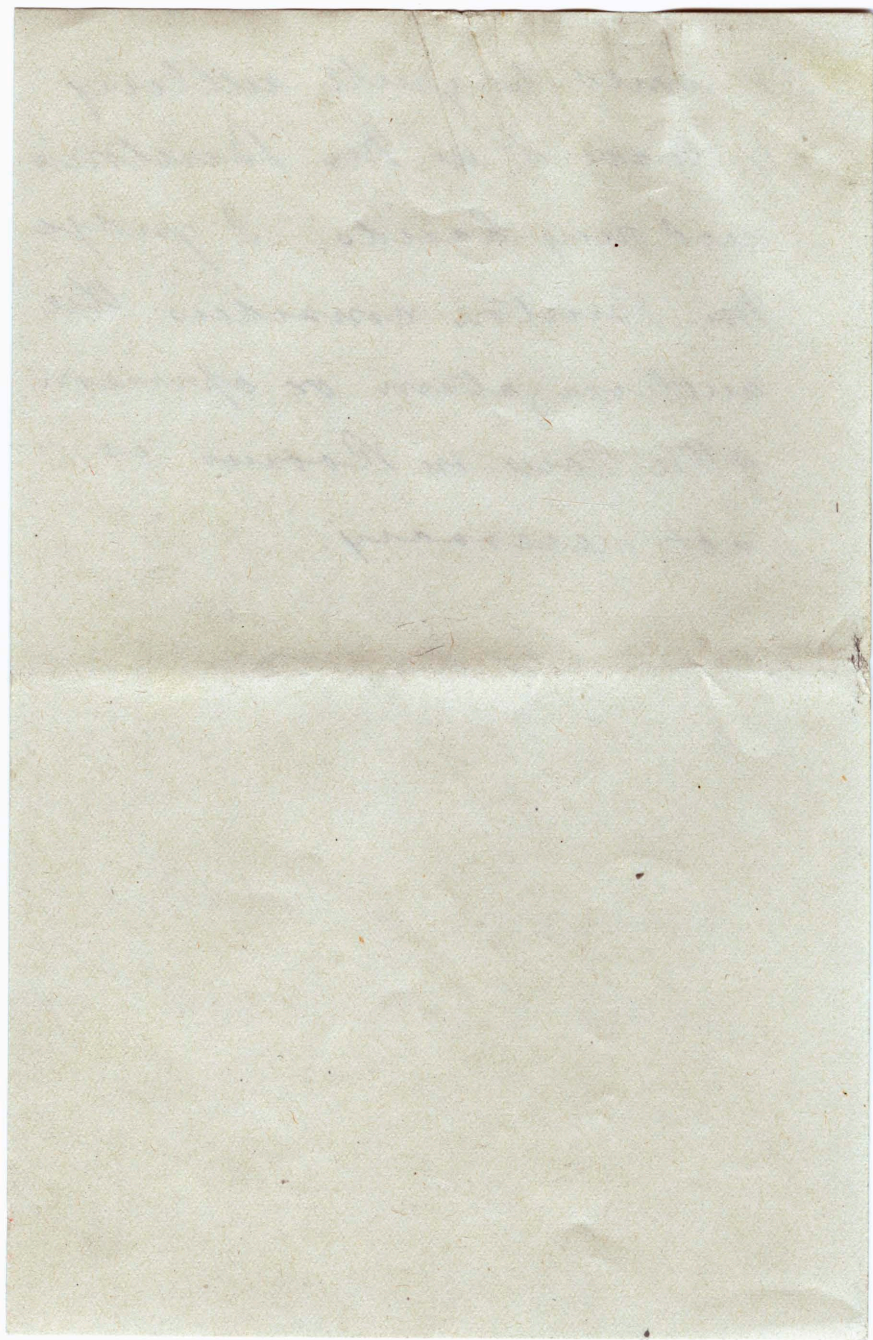
at all times when it is
not needed for classes,
probably from 1 P. M. on,
which I presume would
be favorable hours for
committee meetings and
classes.

I still think the issues
involved are too impor-
tant to justify reaching
a decision of any kind
before all those who are
interested can confer.

Even if this means a delay
until after the president's
return, I should think

My dear mother
I have just received
your letter of the 17th
and I am so glad to hear
from you. I am well and
hope this finds you the same.
I have been thinking of you
very much lately and wondering
how you are getting on.
I have been very busy lately
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to leave it in Mr. Burton's
and my hands. I judge
Mr. Burton considers the
authorization or opinion
of the Com in Rooms is
not necessary.



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CHICAGO Dec. 10 1902

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Yours truly



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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 22, 1903.

Roots Space

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Dear Dr. Harper:-

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Newman Miller.

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Chicago, Illinois

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The University of Chicago

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The Law School

CHICAGO May 19, 1903.

President Harper,

University of Chicago.

Dear Dr. Harper:-

I have received your note with reference to the partitioning of the Reading Room of the Law School. I shall be glad to talk the matter over with you any time and I think it will be very easy to convince you that it is absolutely impossible to sacrifice any part of our ^{available} ~~valuable~~ space.

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Very truly yours,

Ernest Freund

Wm. Miller

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Wm. H. Miller

THE

September 23rd, 1903.

Room
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4536 Lake Ave., Chicago.

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University of Chicago.
A short time ago
Dear Sir: that
of Chicago

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Answered AUG 25 1903

Francis W. Shepardson,

Secretary to the President.

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President U.C.D.C.

Answered AUG 25 1903
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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
DRAMATIC CLUB

BOX 114, FACULTY EXCHANGE
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June 27, 1903.

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President William R. Harper,
University of Chicago.

Dear Sir :

I have at hand a letter from Walker G. McRae, former president of the Dramatic Club in which he says that the time is now ripe to put in an application for a room for the University of Chicago Dramatic Club, in Mandel Hall. Shortly after my election to the presidency of the Dramatic Club, I went to the Recorder and to the Registrar to find out in whose hands was the assignment of rooms in Mandel Hall but both these gentlemen advised me that no one had been appointed to fill the place left vacant by Professor James Westfall Thompson. I, therefore, representing the Dramatic

Club, apply directly to you for a room in
Mandel Hall which shall be the permanent
place of the Dramatic Club. The club now
numbers thirty members and we desire to
have a room large enough to contain the
properties of the club and in which the club
meetings can be held. We believe that the
club has in the past reflected credit on the
institution which it represents, and we further
believe that such a room as we are seeking
is essential to the life of the Dramatic Club.
It has been suggested that one of the large
dressing rooms would answer the purposes of the
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Respectfully,

Albert W. Sherer,

President of the Dramatic Club.

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January 28th, 1903.

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Reynolds

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Room 34
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5238 Woodlawn Avenue,
Chicago.

My dear Professor Whitman:-

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H. R. Hudson

December 17th, 1906.

Room Space

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Your favor of the 12th inst. I find on my return from the east. Of course if suitable arrangements can be made for the Department of Pathology we shall be glad to relieve you. Pending such arrangements, however, it will not do to deprive them of their present quarters. It is with the utmost difficulty that it has been possible to adjust their affairs in the other building and I do not know now of an outside building which would be suitable.

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I think we have done more than our part in this matter, and when it comes to turning down our own work, it certainly seems to me that the present occupants should be ready and willing to vacate. To assume that a temporary loan of the room places the needs of the holders above those of the loaners, does not seem to me to be the "consideration which the circumstances warrant."

If no other room in the laboratories can be found, then why not provide a room in some other building, or even in a house outside the grounds?

We have all had to put up with such quarters, and when we later had the loan of a few rooms in Kent and Ryerson Laboratories, we were several times compelled to move to very unsuitable quarters, and we never put our hosts to the trouble of weighing their needs with our convenience.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR AND
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November 26, 1910.

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The University of Chicago

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Chicago, September 1, 1911

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1. The room formerly occupied as a Junior College library has been refitted for use as an assembly room, capable also of being employed for social purposes.

2. Double doors have been cut between this room and the room at the southwest corner, formerly occupied by the Women's Union, and lately occupied by the Neighborhood Clubs. This was in accordance with Miss Talbot's wishes, and creates a larger space capable of use for social purposes than has previously existed, at the same time providing a much needed assembly room.

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5. The improvement of classroom space referred to above and the provision of the assembly room make it possible, if this should be thought best, to transfer the deans' office from the small room on the south side near the gymnasium to one of the classrooms on the north side. If this is done the deans' room would become available as a committee room and small classroom.

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The Divinity School

Chicago, July 14, 1911.

President Harry Pratt Judson,
The University of Chicago.

My dear President Judson:

I am enclosing this letter from Miss Burton, as it puts very plainly the matter about which I wish to write you. The suggestion as regards the League is one that is really pressing. They have so many members and they have no room. I think that if we could make some exchange with the University so that our present room could be used for the Neighborhood Guilds and let us have the two rooms on the south side of the building ^{Lyington} it would be of great assistance to us. Miss Burton's letter tells how ~~they~~ ^{far} might be used. The only change which ~~we~~ ^{far} might suggest would be that possibly a portion of the library room should be cut off on the east and folding-doors be put between it and the room on the west.

I ought possibly to add that the rooms of the League are used by all the women of the University, whether or not they are members of the League, and this would continue to be our policy. I sincerely hope that some means may be found for meeting the rapidly growing needs of the League.

Yours very truly,

S.M.

Sharon Matthews

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The Divinity School
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Chicago, July 14, 1911.

President Harry Pratt Judson,

The University of Chicago.

My dear President Judson:

I am enclosing this letter from Miss Burton, as it puts very plainly the matter about which I wish to write you. The suggestion as regards the League is one that is really pressing. They have so many members and they have no room. I think that if we could make some exchange with the University so that our present room could be used for the Neighborhood Guild and let us have the two rooms on the south side of the building it would be of great assistance to us. Miss Burton's letter tells how this might be used. The only change which I might suggest would be that possibly a portion of the library room should be cut off on the east and folding-doors be put between it and the room on the west.

I ought possibly to add that the rooms of the League are used by all the women of the University, whether or not they are members of the League, and this would continue to be our policy. I sincerely hope that some means may be found for meeting the rapidly growing needs of the League.

Yours very truly,

S.M.

Lexington Hall

Chicago, July 26, 1911

My dear Miss Robinson:-

The young Women's Christian League, by its secretary and the chairman of the advisory committee, has recently requested of the University that the room formerly occupied as a library in Lexington Hall be assigned to them, and has accompanied it with the suggestion that an exchange of rooms might at the same time be made between the Neighborhood Clubs and the League. The result of this would be that the Club would acquire the room now occupied by the League in the middle of the west front, and that the League would have adjacent rooms on the south side. May I inquire if such an exchange of rooms would be agreeable to the Clubs? You are of course aware that the room they would thus acquire is larger than the one they are now occupying.

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Very truly yours,

EDB
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My dear Professor Mathews, -

I understand that the library has been removed from Lexington Hall, and I am wondering whether the room thus left vacant could not be devoted to the work of the Young Women's Christian League. As you know, we have greatly needed larger quarters in the last few years. Our present room is not large enough for an auditorium, and at not a few of our meetings this year, several of the students have had to stand, and at times we have not even had standing room. Moreover we very much need a larger room for social gatherings. Another imperative need which our present quarters fail to supply is that of a class room, and committee room. Classes and committees must meet in the room that is also used for office and social purposes, and is consequently often noisy and confused.

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