

ALBERT A. SPRAGUE
MICHIGAN AVENUE & RANDOLPH STREET
CHICAGO

Jan 18 - 1904

Rev. Mr. R. Harper D.D.

Pres. University of Chicago
Chicago

My dear Sir:-

Yours of 13th inst., asking for
help to install an exhibit in the Louisiana
Purchase Exposition at St. Louis for the
University of Chicago, rec'd.

It is not pleasant for me to say "No", so I
will avail myself of Felix's excuse -
"Wait for a more convenient season."

The demands on me are so many and heavy -
and especially have I pledged myself for
a large sum to the Chicago Orchestra
Association - that I am turning a deaf
ear to most new appeals, and eliminating
or diminishing contributions in other directions.

I trust, however, that you are assured
I am in sympathy with your great and
beneficent work.

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Jan 14 - 1904

Mr. Wm. R. Harper, D.D.

President of University of Chicago

My dear Sir:

I am writing you to advise in the business
of the University of Chicago, which is the
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I had understood the Trustees had
appropriated a specific sum for this Exhibit.

Certainly, it seems to me, they have the
authority to do so; - not of course out of the
Endowment funds; - for advertising, as for
any other legitimate expense.

Other Educational Institutions, I am sure
have done so.

With great regard, I am

Sincerely yours

A. A. Sprague

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I have investigated the matter and
apparently a specific law of this kind.
Certainly, it seems to me that from the
evidence to be obtained of some one of the
Bureau's files - for determining only
any other legitimate office.
The Bureau's investigation, I am sure
has been so.

With great respect, I am
Sincerely,
A. A. Sprague