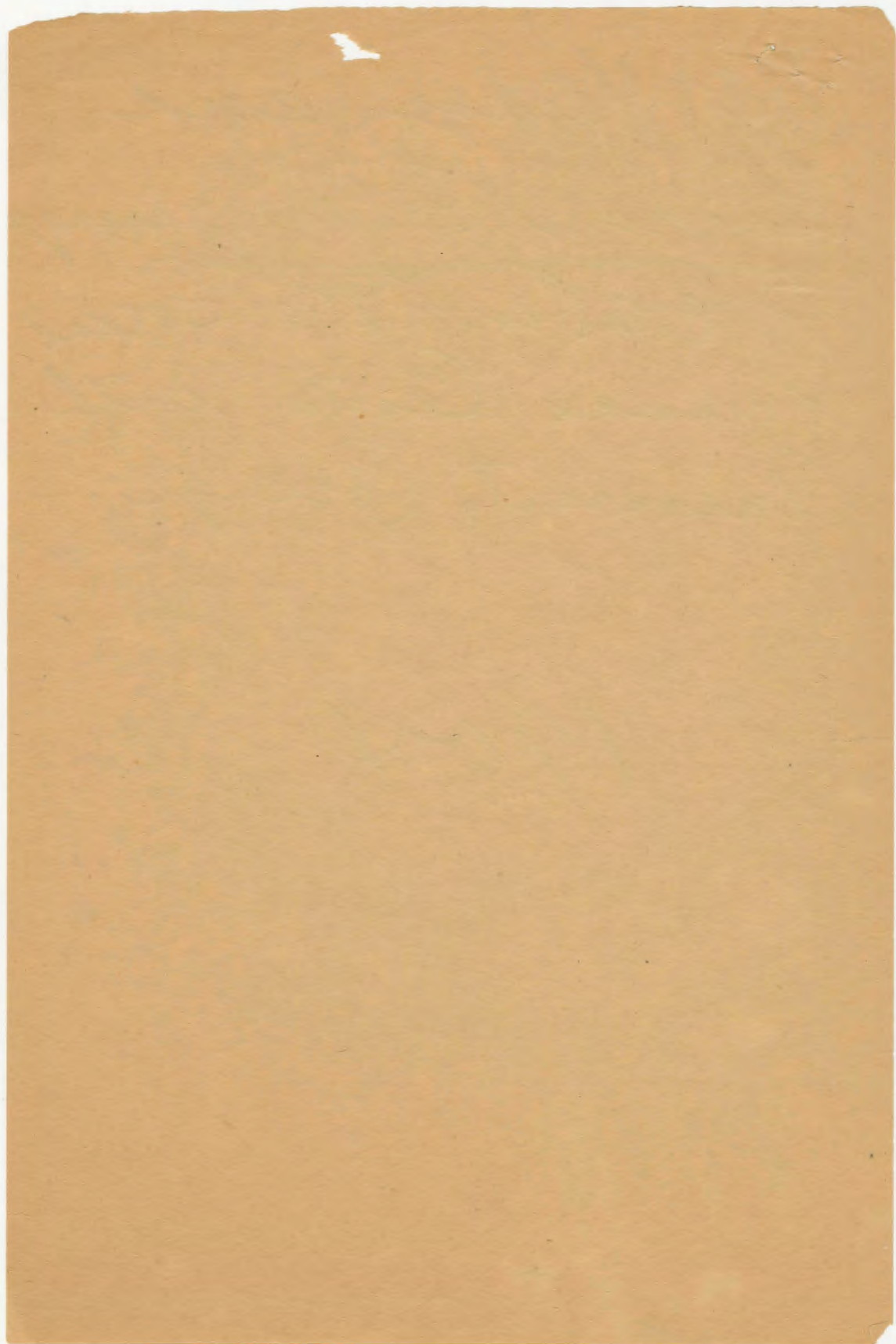


Pres. Harper and
Graham Taylor arrange
to combine the Social
Science Center with
University College.

1904



Chicago Commons

140 North Union St.

Nov. 7, 1898.

Taylor

My Dear Dr. Harper:-

After long silence upon the part of the Springfield folks, this morning's mail brings the unexpected information that the Board of Trustees of the Bible Normal College unanimously decided it to be inexpedient to enter into relationship with the University.

I am surprised at this action, although I was by no means sure what their decision would be. While regretting that my mission has failed so ingloriously, I have the satisfaction of feeling that I did the best I could in the premises.

Truly yours,

Graham Taylor.



Where there is anything growing, one
former is worth a thousand reformers.
—Horace Mann.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

Springfield, Mass.,

Sept. 14th. 1898

RESOLVED ::

That Prof. Graham Taylor D.D. be commissioned by this board
of Trustees to reopen negotiations with Pres. William R. Harper with
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the University of Chicago

*A true copy of a vote passed by the Board of
Trustees of the Bible Normal College, Sept. 14, 1898*

Attest

Edwin F. Lyford

Clerk



Office of the Secretary
The University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Springfield, Ill.

Sept. 14, 1917

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A true copy of a vote passed at the Board of
Trustees of the Bible Normal College, Sept. 14, 1917

Witness

Graham Taylor

Secretary

Chicago Commons

140 North Union St.

Taylor

Sept. 15, 1898.

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My Dear Dr. Harper:-

I was summoned to Springfield from Rochester, New York, to attend the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bible Normal College on Wednesday. Upon my arrival I found the situation so much more favorable to the idea of affiliating the College with the University than Prof. Willett and I supposed it would be that I telegraphed him to that effect. Your action evidently anticipated this information, and, together with Prof. Willett's letter, was read in full before the Board. The regret at the withdrawal of the proposition was so general and genuine, and the enclosed action so unanimous and hopeful, that I consented to act in the premises in accordance with their request. Will you kindly intimate at your earliest convenience whether you wish to confer with me to this end, and if so, where and when we may meet? The earlier the appointment can be made the better it will suit my convenience, as the opening of the Seminary always subjects me to a considerable pressure for several days before and after the exercises begin. In case you wish to telephone me, call Main 3115.

Yours very truly,

Graham Taylor.

Chicago Commons

100 East Lake St.

Sept. 15, 1922.

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My Dear Dr. Herbert:-

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Yours very truly,

Frederick Taylor

CHICAGO COMMONS

GRAND AVE. AND MORGAN ST.

Dec. 5, 1903.

My dear President Harper,

At your very earliest convenience I wish to confer with you over the scheme for social service study classes in the University extension division, which, by the aid of data gathered abroad and with the approval of Prof. Henderson, Small and Payne, are ready to be put into effect next quarter. A local constituency has already been assured in the club of Charity and Correctional Workers who have unanimously endorsed the movement and have appointed an able committee to cooperate with me in it. Hoping that we can get your prompt approval so that we can make early announcements of at least a beginning, I am

Truly yours,

Graham Taylor.

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GRAND AVE. AND MORGAN ST.

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Feb. 6, 1925.

My dear President Harper,

At your very earliest convenience I wish to confer with you over the scheme for social service study classes in the University extension division, which, by the aid of data gathered abroad and with the approval of Prof. Henderson, Swail and Payne, are ready to be put into effect next quarter. A local constituency has already been ascertained in the club of Charity and Correctional Workers who have unanimously endorsed the movement and have appointed an able committee to cooperate with me in it. Hoping that we can get your prompt approval and that we can make early announcement of at least a beginning, I am

Truly yours,

William L. Harper

February 11th, 1904.

Dr. Graham Taylor,

Chicago Commons, Grand Ave. & Morgan St.

My dear Dr. Taylor:

I have been reading your letter of January 6th and appreciate very much indeed the great work you are undertaking for us. You may be sure that I shall stand back of it in every possible way. The only point I had in mind in my former letter was that we must be careful not to incur expense until we know where the money is coming from to pay it. You know how business men feel in matters like this. I congratulate you on the beginning which has been made.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

My dear President
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Yours very truly,

W. R. Hart

CHICAGO COMMONS

GRAND AVE. AND MORGAN ST.

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Jan. 6, 1904.

My dear President Harper,

I heard only yesterday from the last of the enclosed list of instructors to respond to my invitation to cooperate in our Social Science Center. I waited for his reply in order to inform you that all of the now completed list have agreed to teach without remuneration. The only expenses thus far incurred are for printing and posting the university extension division announcements of the Social Science Center and whatever cost may be involved in providing a room for the class. The travelling expense of Mr. Alexander Johnson from Fort Wayne to Chicago and return for not more than two trips should be provided for. These facilities could be supplied, I understood, within the limits of the present budget. The registration fees will, from the start, furnish a little additional income. After consultation with Dr. Hastings H. Hart, Mr. Ernest P. Bicknell and Mr. Payne we agreed that as the course extended to only thirty-seven lectures this first season, the fees, payable in advance, should be \$8 for the entire course, half rates being offered to the institutional and settlement workers. Next year when we should enter upon a two years course the rate should be slightly increased.

While the present prospects are very satisfactory and promising I told Mr. Payne, as I remarked to you, that the plans to make the Social Science Center more thorough and to extend it by correspondence courses and outlying centers would cost more than the fees could be expected to cover. I meant him to infer no more than that. If I do not greatly mistake the signs of large success this enterprise promises to give as great return for what may be invested in it by the University as anything undertaken by the extension division.

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CHICAGO COMMONS

JAN. 8, 1904.

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After consultation with Mr. Jennings H. Hart, Mr. Payne, I thought
and Mr. Payne has agreed that as the course extended to only thirty-
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be \$5 for the entire course, half rates being offered to the insti-

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In teaching I am willing, and the others, to earn the right to earn by demonstrating the value and possibilities of this movement. The administrative initiative upon which success depends, however, involves a tax upon my time and personal attention which you will not under-estimate or expect to be given entirely gratuitously. this first and hardest season. But I am driving no bargain in serving a cause I have so deeply at heart and would rather give all the work it is costing me than not to have it done. With the other instructors, I will take nothing for my teaching as I wish no discrimination to be made in my favor, even tho I bear so much larger a share of that work.

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CHICAGO COMMONS

GRAND AVE. AND MORGAN ST.

Address through August
Macatawa -
Michigan -

Chicago, July 31, 1904.

My dear Dr. Harper,

Professors Small, Henderson, Cummings and myself, after full discussion, agree:

(1) That it is ^a distinct administrative advance to combine the "Social Science Center" with the University College, which is sure to prove advantageous to both enterprises.

(2) That the course leading to a certificate shall consist of three majors or six minors, running from October through March, and shall include one or two evening lectures each week during the six months upon which a more general attendance shall be promoted.

(3) That the fee for the three majors or their equivalents shall be twenty dollars, the same as teachers are now charged at the University College, with five dollars additional as a registration fee for those entering for a certificate.

(4) That extension rates be charged for attendance upon ^{single} lectures or series of them.

(5) That the curriculum in addition to such courses as the University College can offer, (in economics, ethics, psychology, Bible, etc.) two majors and four minors be provided for, to be given by Mr. Alexander Johnson in Institutional Administration, Mr. E.R. Bicknell in Charity Organization Methods, Dr. A. Hastings Hart on Child Saving, Miss Julia C. Lathrop on Public Charities, by myself on several topics including religious pedagogy, and by specialists on their topics in the lecture course. It was also suggested by Mr. Cummings that he and I offer a joint course in industrial history to both groups of students.

The expenses involved in providing for the additional courses and the administration of the ^{field} clerical work, I estimate to be at most five hundred dollars for the major to be given by Mr. Johnson, eight hundred dollars for four minors at two hundred dollars each, four hundred and fifty dollars for ^{at least} twenty-six special lectures averaging ten dollars each with allowance for travelling expenses, six hundred and fifty dollars for one major together with special lectures, weekly personal conferences with ~~with~~ students and administration of field work by myself, -- a total of twenty four hundred dollars for the coming year. Tuition fees may not exceed five hundred dollars.

I suggest that the title of this group of studies shall read:

"University College, Department of Social Arts and Science" or "Social Arts and Science Institute".

Kindly let me hear as soon as possible whether I may begin at once to give notice of the continuance of the work, to be followed later by duly authorized official announcement.

Respectfully Submitted - Graham Taylor.

CHICAGO COMMONS

Chicago, July 21, 1934.

My dear Dr. Harper,

Professor Gail, Henderson, Cummings and myself, after full

discussion, agree:

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Respectfully submitted,
Alexander J. Henderson

Aug. 3rd, 1904.

Professor Graham Taylor,
Macatawa, Mich.

My dear Professor Taylor:-

I have received your letter of July 31st. The committee seems to have done its work quite thoroughly, and the results speak for themselves. Will you allow me to make the following queries:—

1. I do not quite understand why the fee for three majors, or six minors, should not be more than \$20.00. The fee at the University for three majors is \$40.00. If my memory serves me correctly, the fee at the University College is at least \$30.00, this lower fee being due to the fact that Mrs. Blaine has furnished the money, but that is solely for teachers. My question is, why may we not charge for the three majors, \$30. or \$40.? I am sending this same point to Mr. Cummings.

2. Is it not possible to reduce the cost of the major to be given by Mr. Johnson, as well as the money offered also for the minors? If Mr. Johnson is in the city he will be doing a great many other things aside from this. If that could be figured at \$300., and the minors at \$100. each, and \$300. for the lectures, we would have a total of \$1,000. in addition to the money required for yourself.

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February 17, 1905.

Mr. Graham Taylor,
The Chicago Commons.

My dear Mr. Taylor:

It was very good of you to write to me so kindly and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I think you have struck the keynote of the University of Chicago,--at all events, what we have tried to make it. It is perhaps almost a paradox that a University so greatly indebted to the wealthiest man in the country should be so democratic through and through, and this is something which many people cannot understand and will not believe. I am going to believe that you will never lose a good opportunity of showing to the public that this is true.

With great appreciation of your kindness and help in this work, I remain

Yours very cordially,

W. R. Harper

February 17, 1908.

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If the tuition fees on the other basis would amount to \$500., as you suggest in your letter, on the basis which I propose above they would reach nearly \$1,000., so that we might this year on this new basis almost cover expenses outside of the \$650. provided for you. In order to make this certain I would myself try to secure the sum of \$500. so that in case the tuition fees fell short we might come out square. I do not see how we can go further than this, and I am wondering whether this, which would be a very distinct advance upon last year, might not be feasible.

I notice the suggestion of the title and think that the suggestion is an excellent one- The University College, Department of Social Arts and Science.

If you think this scheme can be worked through, I am willing to have you announce it at once. If not, please let me hear from you. I note the suggestion in reference to Mr. Lawson.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Harper

If the tuition fees on the other basis would amount to \$200., as you suggest in your letter, on the basis which I propose above they would reach nearly \$1,000., so that we might this year on this new basis almost cover expenses outside of the \$250. provided for you. In order to make this certain I would myself try to secure the sum of \$200. so that in case the tuition fees fell short we might come out square. I do not see how we can go further than this, and I am wondering whether this, which would be a very distinct advance upon last year, might not be feasible.

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August 3rd, 1905.

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Mr. Graham Taylor,
Chicago Commons,
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My dear Mr. Taylor:-

Inasmuch as you are to be the University Preacher on August 27th, Convocation Sunday, we shall hope for the privilege of regarding you as our Convocation Chaplain. I wonder if you can arrange to act in this capacity, and offer the opening prayer and present the benediction at the Convocation exercises Friday afternoon, September 1st, at three o'clock. Thursday evening, August 31st, the Convocation Reception will be held. Members and friends of the University are always anxious to meet at this time the Chaplain, so that I hope, with Mrs. Taylor, you can arrange to be present and join Mr. Hamlin Garland, the Convocation Orator, and Mrs. Garland, to receive with the President's party.

Yours very truly,

August 3rd, 1902

Answer

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Yours very truly,

Chicago Commons

Grand Ave. and Morgan St.

December 13, 1905.

Miss Mary R. Cobb,

University of Chicago.

My dear Miss Cobb:-

Enclosed please find the estimate

I made of the expense of the Institute of Social Science
and Arts for 1905-06, which I return for your file.

I am sending Professor Sparks a typewritten copy of
it for his own use.

I was informed by Professors Small and Henderson
yesterday of President Harper's decision regarding
the Institute, and have already made other very
favorable arrangements for continuing its work on
an inter-academic basis. So the official connection
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Thanking you for all your courtesies, I am

Truly yours,

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Chicago Commons
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Charles D. Lummis

The University of Chicago

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Institute of Social Science and Arts

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203 MICHIGAN AVE.
CHICAGO

Estimate of Institute of Social Science and Arts for 1905-6.

Director's Salary, including instruction	500.00
Incidental expense for printing, postage &c	200.00
Autumn Quarter	
1 Course 12 periods	120.00
2 ^d Course 12 periods (6 by Director)	60.00
Winter Quarter	120.00
1 Course 12 periods	60.00
2 ^d Course 12 periods (6 by Director)	60.00
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	\$ 1,060.00
Estimated income from fees	275.00
Provided for in budget for Director's Prof. Salary	785.00
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Estimated net cost	\$ 280.00

Graham Taylor.

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Director's salary, including retirement
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60.00

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