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President Wiliam R.Harper,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Sir:

I have to suggest that we distribute our doctors' dissertations more freely than heretofore. There are not more than twenty-five Universities both in this country and abroad which can give us an equivalent in kind. But we can distribute our dissertations more freely among historical and other societies,and to the smaller schools. Would it not be worth while to present sets to such institutions as the University of Virginia and the University of Nebraska? These materials are accumulating,and do not become more valuable as time passes. Our students feel also that the University should send out their dissertations instead of storing them up.

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I suggest that we take steps to distribute all but about ten copies of each dissertation,placing them, of course,with a view to deriving the most advantage from them,but not looking for an equivalent in all cases.

Very respectfully yours,

Wm. Morgan

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Theses

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Mr Thomas

Hastings

Received

Chicago, Aug. 12th, 1896.

President Harper:-

Dear Sir,

I talked with Mr. Walker about the cost of getting out the list of doctors' theses of which I spoke to you. If we should publish simply a list of titles, giving the writer's name, university, year of graduation and the briefest statement possible as to publication, the work could be brought within 48 pages. I should be very much in favor of publishing an octavo form a little wider than usual to admit of a double column page, and bound in neat, substantial cloth covers. Think it would be well to take some pains to get a form that could be used for the newspaper index, if we publish it, and any other bibliographical work which we might wish to publish. If this plan were adopted, the cost of a 48 page book would be according to Mr. Walker's estimate $183.60 for 500 copies, or 37¢ per copy; $255.60 for an edition of 1000 copies, or 26¢ per copy. I have been unable to decide yet, even for myself, how many copies would be likely to sell, but it does seem as though universities, and many colleges and libraries would want a copy. And, if we put the price at 50¢, I should think that a good number of graduate students would buy it as a part of their equipment. I am inclined to think that within two or three years we could sell enough to at least pay the cost of printing.

Mr. Walker suggested sending out circular letters to see how many advance orders could be secured. If we wish to issue an edition of 1000 copies, it might be well.

Since talking with you it has occurred to me that it might be possible and desirable to issue an annotated edition. The value of the book would be increased several fold, it seems to me, if, after each title, a brief characterization could be given stating the aim and scope of the work, what new points were discovered, whether the sources were adequate etc. Such a characterization would take 50 to 75 words and would make the work probably two and one half times as large, or 120 pages. As the great majority of the theses have been published within the last fifteen years, most of the authors are now living. Why not communicate with them direct by circular letters, get them to characterize their own theses and then strike them for an order for a copy of the book? They are just the men who would be likely to buy, it seems to me. Probably one hundred theses would have to be characterized by others than their authors, but I think this could be provided for by a division of labor here in the University and by correspondence with the professors under whom they studied at the universities. If this latter plan should be adopted, the cost would be for 1000copies, $489.00 or about 49¢ each.

At any rate the first thing to do is to get the titles of all the theses and the name and address of all the writers of these now living. I intend to do this much at any rate this summer. If you think the work is good, whether or not you wish any share in it, I should be very much obliged if you would have gotten out for me some letters of introduction to the following librarians: N. Murray, Johns Hopkins; Geo. H. Baker, Columbia; Addison Van Name, Yale; Justin Winsor, Harvard; H. L. Koopman, Brown; Raymond C. Davis, Michigan.

Now about publishing the matter. I had a plan for this which I intended to speak to you about when I saw you last, but decided not to then. It is this. Another year of undefined work such as I have had this year is likely to prove unsatisfactory to both me and the University. If my services are needed it would be much better for both, if I were given a recognized place. I have done considerable work in bibliography this year and if I should get out the list of theses and the newspaper index next year it seems as though I might pass as a bibliographer. You have no one on the library force to represent that department of library work. Why not appoint me to that place? Then whatever work I might publish would be signed simply Chicago

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I talked with Dr. Walker about the cost of getting out the list of doctors' theses of which I wrote to you. If we should publish simply a list of titles, giving the writers' name, university, year of graduation, and the department, possible as to publication, the work would be brought within 40 pages. I should be very much in favor of publishing an octavo form a little wider than usual to admit of a double column page, and bound in red, substantial cloth covers. With it would be well to take some pains to get a form that could be used for the three papers later. If we publish it, and any other bibliographical work which we might undertake, the cost would be about, the cost of 40 pages would be proportion to it. Walker's estimate was $20 for 500 copies, or 5¢ per copy; $30 for an edition of 1000 copies, or 3¢ per copy. I have been unable to decide yet, over the pencil, how many copies would be likely to sell, but it does seem as though universities, and many colleges and libraries would want a copy. And, if we get the price at 40¢, I should think that a good number of graduate students would buy it as a part of their equipment. I am inclined to think that within ten or three years we could sell enough to at least pay the cost of printing.

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University, Department of Bibliography, or anything you like.

The bibliographical work I have been doing in the Journal of Sociology ought to be kept up. It cannot fail, if carried on systematically, to help much to give the Journal a good standing and subscription list. They need and expect me to help them in history next year. I have just been working a couple of weeks in the Political Economy library (at your request, communicated through Prof. Judson), but more work will be needed in the fall to secure the reselts. Why not neutralize my position by appointing me to a place in bibliography and then have it understood that, for the present, before the work at the General Library absorbes all my time, I am to work in these four libraries, giving say half my time to history and dividing the rest equally between the other three?

If you should favor the idea of giving me the place in bibliography, I think it would be very desirable to allow me to complete the list of books necessary for the bibliographical department, while on my vacation in the East. I should plan to stop at the Albany Library a week, take special instruction in bibliography and incidentally complete the list of books. When the books are on hand you can at any time commence the university extension bibliographical work which I have spoken to you about and which was, I believe, one of the features of Mr. Vincent's plan, by simply announcing in the Journals and elsewhere that you are prepared to furnish bibliographical information to all who need at a moderate price. A large part of the extension work in bibliography would be in connection with the work of the four departments mentioned. There could be no better way of beginning work, it seems to me, than to begin to prepare and file select lists of books on leading topics connected with history and the social sciences.

It was plain from my interview with you the other day that you were not satisfied with my work for the past year. I was very much disconcerted, for I saw at once the hopelessness of convincing you contrary to the testimony of professors and librarian that my work was good. You asked me if it was satisfactory and I believe I said, yes, without stopping to explain further. I feel it my duty to explain now. It has not been satisfactory to me, for I have accomplished far less than I had expected. I never expected to satisfy Mrs. Dixson. I did hope to satisfy the professors in the department but it is likely that I have failed because I have not tended out at the library as closely as I might, to give assistance to them and their classes. But still, for all that, I say that my work has been satisfactory from the standpoint of the University and from the standpoint of one who would properly estimate the different kinds of work that I have done. I admit that about half my time and energy has been devoted to work on library appliances. But I have paid for all my material, to the extent of $300.00, and the results have gone to the University free of charge, except the $50.00 for the case in the Divinity Library, which barely paid for the carpenter work that I hired on it. The results are good, too, and no one can convince me that they are not. The magazine stand in a perfected form is patented and will be on the market next year. The glass shelf lists are doing their work now in the Social Science Library. Whether they prove practicable for general use or not I shall at least have settled one point in the matter of library economy. I have also invented some appliances for holding newspapers, one for a single newspaper and another for temporarily binding three months issue of a daily paper. The former is for libraries, the latter I plan to sell as an accompaniment to the quarterly newspaper index of Chicago papers which I hope we shall publish. The magazine cases are doing good service in the University now, likewise the plates. The other appliances I trust will be in service next year. You get a direct benefit and also, I claim, an indirect. If we settle points in library economy and get out new library appliances why will it not add to the general reputation of the University, for enterprise and originality in educational work? I know that people and librarians who have visited that department since the appliances were put in have examined and discussed them as though they had got some new ideas at least. The Social Science library is not yet finished by considerable, but the

work is all right so far and a large part of it is original. Prof. Ross who has just come from Leland Stanford after working in it a half day volunteered the testimony that it was "wonderfully complete and systematic" and praised especially my idea of the plate glass shelf lists. It doesn't disturb me a bit because the professors here don't realize the value of my work. They don't happen to have an eye for those things, that is all.

I suppose you have noticed the work that I have done in the back part of the Journal of Sociology. The index, to the first volume is, I believe, the most complete index in any American Journal. The bibliography of magazine articles is very full and requires the bi-monthly inspection of half the periodicals in the University. The bibliography of new books which appears in the last number, is by far the most complete and systematic that has appeared in any American or foreign periodical since the beginning of the year, excepting of course publications devoted exclusively to bibliography. It took something like four days of hard work to compile it, requiring the inspection of several hundred pages of fine print lists of new publications in America, England, France, Germany and Italy. Some of the lists I had to get at the Newberry. If any of my superiors wanted a book while I was away I presume they thought I was taking a stroll in the park. I regret very much that I could not give more time to the details of library work. I thought I would be able to finish my appliances and get the library fixed in such fine shape that everyone would justify me for a temporary neglect of duty, but such work takes a deal of time. I never had any instruction as to the amount of time I was to work except a letter from Mrs. Dixson, setting forth how far removed I was from a regular place on the library force and stating that I merely took the place of two fellows and was expected accordingly to work four hours per day. If that was the case then I am sure that I have worked my allotted time at bona fide library work and an hour a day extra.

If you should see fit to appoint me to the place in bibliography, say on January next, I believe you will not regret it. My inclination to invent is only temporary. The things were needed and I had to work at them till they were finished. Give me the bibliographical problem and I will work that out.

As I said I have had to do some more work in the Political Economy library since I saw you. Now I am working up the bibliography for the next number of the Journal. I shall be unable to complete the cataloguing in Sociology, as I plan to start East next Monday or Tuesday. I should like to finish cataloguing that library.

I am very much obliged to you indeed for the appointment for next year, but unless it is possible to give me a regular position by January next on terms something like the above, (with the understanding, of course, that I resign promptly if the place grows faster than I) I shall ask you to excuse me from it at the end of December.

At any rate I plan to collect the material for the list of theses. If you could send me the letters of introduction by Saturday, I should be very much obliged.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Hastings

5704 Jackson Ave.

PS. Since this was written Prof. Judson incidentally told me that as the fellows in his Department would be draughted into teaching next year, he should be short for attendants in the Polit. Science library. I told him that I was just applying for work next year in the four libraries and that, if I got the place, I could look after his library as well as not. He told me to embody in my application a request from him that I be given permanent charge of ~~his~~ the Political Science library.

C.H.Hartwigs

Hastings (file)

Degrees
PhD
Theses

Chicago University, Feb. 1897.

President Harper :

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the Federation of Graduate Clubs at Baltimore, a plan submitted by me was endorsed, which provides for the publication of an annual list of theses presented at American universities for the degree of PhD., and also for a list of all such theses presented in previous years. The plan has since been approved by the Faculty of the Graduate School of this University.

The annual list of theses will be published in the Handbook of Graduate Clubs, as a part of the regular matter; but the list of earlier theses I have undertaken to compile privately. To obtain material for the latter, I have found it necessary to send out this circular letter to all the living graduates of American universities who have presented theses for the degree of PhD.

The plan has been carefully considered and quite an amount of time and money are being employed to insure its success. You are earnestly requested, therefore, to give it the attention which it deserves. The value of the publication will be greatly impaired, unless it can be made approximately complete.

In order to give a better idea of what is wanted, some statements already obtained are enclosed as samples.

Please fill in the blanks as to the points suggested. Do not on any account omit the characterization. If you cannot give the details as to this mentioned, a general statement will be very acceptable.

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Before sending out the blanks to all the members of the Faculty interested, I wish to get enough sample characterizations to furnish something in the way of a model for the characterization of a thesis in any branch of science. If you will kindly fill out the blank as soon as convenient, I shall be very greatly obliged.

The chief difficulty lies in condensing a satisfactory characterization into 60 words. If you have difficulty with this or any other of the items, so that you wish to speak with me before returning the paper, kindly leave a note for me at the Faculty Exchange and I will see you at any convenient time and place.

Yours respectfully,

C. H. Hastings

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STATEMENT AS TO THESES FOR THE DEGREE OF PhD.

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Name in full. _____

Present address. _____

Most permanent address. _____

If your thesis has been published separately,
give date, no. & size of pp., & no. of copies. _____

If copies are on sale, state of whom
they can be obtained & at what price. _____

If published in any collection of studies,
give date, volume, no. & size of pp. _____

If still in mss. state whether
it is in typewriting or hand-
writing, the no. of copies in
existence, & where located. _____

Exact title of your thesis. _____

Characterize it, in about 60 words, with special reference to its scope, conclusion, and the original matter which differentiates it from other publications in the same general field.

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SAMPLE CHARACTERIZATIONS.

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Bernhard, Adolph. (Chicago, 1894.) University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
ON THE INTRODUCTION OF ACYLS INTO BENZOYLACETICETHER.

A study of substitution & addition phenomena in benzoylacetic ether. Thesis maintained:- Benzoylacetic ether & acetacetic ether show strict analogy in chemical behavior; the action of amidanhydrides upon β-ketonic-ethers is in every way analogous to that of acylchlorides upon their salts; the diacylated β-ketonic ethers & 1-3-diketones require formula 1, the dialkyl derivatives, 2.

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38 pp. 12°/ The author/ Liebig's Annalen, 283:153.

Small, Albion Woodbury. (Johns Hopkins, 1889.) University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
THE BEGINNINGS OF AMERICAN NATIONALITY.

An examination of the records of the Colonial & Continental Congresses to determine nature of the relation between the two. Thesis maintained:- no central authority existed until 1789; it is an optical illusion to accept the letter of the constitution as representing the opinion of the people upon the abstract question of state vs. National sovereignty.
70 pp. 8°/ J.H.U. Studies, V.8, Jan. 1890.

Thomas, William Isaac. (Chicago, 1896.) University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
ON A DIFFERENCE IN THE METABOLISM OF THE SEXES.

Anthropological, ethnological, & medical data showing a difference of physiological attitude toward food in man & woman. In the tendency of the female to store energy for the purpose of reproduction is involved the fact that the beginnings of social organization & of the arts & industries are more closely associated with woman than with man. The theory is new in its social applications.
To be printed./ At present one typewritten copy.

Thompson, James Westfall. (Chicago, 1895.) University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FRENCH MONARCHY UNDER LOUIS VI. 1108 - 37.

Study of the intensive development of the French monarchy under Louis VI. Institutional rather than political history. Louis VI asserted ~~that~~ the strictly royal character of the monarchy & proved its distinction in kind as well as in degree, from feudal institutions around it. Based on study of the sources & the latest French researches. Full bibliography of the general subject.
126 pp. 8°/ University of Chicago Press.

Vincent, George Edgar. (Chicago, 1896.) University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
THE SOCIAL MIND & EDUCATION.

The social tradition grows by differentiation into sciences & their synthesis in Philosophy. Individual mental growth traced as a parallel process. Conclusion: Education should aim at the conscious unification of studies in the College course. Social philosophy the basis for such integration. Differentiated as an attempt to organize into systematic unity ideas developed in connection with several isolated pursuits.
175 pp. 12°/ Am. Book Co./ 1897. (New in press.)

STATEMENT AS TO THESES FOR THE DEGREE OF PhD.

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Name in full.

Most permanent address.

Name of University.

Departments (in order of selection.)

Principal instructor.

No. of typewritten pages in your thesis.

Title of your thesis.

Characterize it in about 60 words, with special reference to its scope, conclusion, and the original matter which differentiates it from other publications in the same general field.

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(By the principal instructor.)

Correction as to characterization.

Signature. _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

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(By the University Official.)

If thesis was published separately,
give date, no., & size of pp., & no. of copies.

If copies are for sale state of whom
they can be obtained.

If in any collection of studies,
give vol. date, & no. & size of pp.

Library

Hastings

File under Hastings

Chicago, Nov. 18th, 1896.

President Harper:-

Dear Sir,

When I first came back you told me to come in in a couple of weeks and you would talk over my case with me. I have been so busy thus far that I have not been able to think much about next year. Now as I have several different points to submit, I thought best to write to you first in regard to them so that you could better reconsider them.

As the rest depend upon whether I get a definite appointment on the library force I will discuss that first. In my letter of last August I suggested that you appoint me to a place in bibliography, allowing me for the present to work in the department libraries on the third floor of Cobb. That would be the most acceptable to me now and I see nothing to prevent it. Feel sure that I would be ready to take up the general bibliographical work of the University after a year of preliminary work in the department libraries mentioned. But in case you are not ready to make further appointments yet as to the General Library force, I would respectfully submit an application for an appointment as Department Librarian of the Social Sciences, with this or an equivalent title in the Catalog and the understanding that I have the four libraries of History, Political Economy, Political Science and Sociology for my field. Mrs. Dixson tells me that her plan as regards me is to eventually put me in charge of those libraries when they should be transferred and form one section in the General Library, so I should think she would probably acquiese. I am doing practically all the work in those libraries at present and am getting them in good order as fast as possible. Am having pretty good success in getting along with the four head professors of these departments and I trust that were you to consult them as to the above appointment there would be no serious objection. Unless this appointment or the one first suggested is possible by the next Convocation I hardly think I shall wish to continue the work.

THE NEWSPAPER INDEX.

I have spoken to Prof. James about the newspaper index. He is still interested in it and I am sure would like to see it carried through. I wrote him about it and suggested some points as to the details of the work. Perhaps he has seen you before this and you two have decided as to practicability. If you have not decided I wish to discuss one or two points as to practicability. As I wrote Prof. James the printers estimate for an edition of 500 copies, four numbers per year, is about $2.68. 32¢ would easily go, the printer says, in advertising, etc. The next consideration is how much we ought to get for the work of compiling the index. To get out the first copy and the next two or three copies will be serious business. To make it the best possible I estimate that by the time the last proof sheets are turned in, it will have used up three or four hours per day of my time during the first quarter, and perhaps two or three hours per day in the succeeding quarters. To make ourselves whole, it seems that a dollar at least ought to be added to the price per year. The Times Index sells for $10 per year. But that price is I think prohibitive. I think the best policy would be to charge $4 or $5 per year and try to interest clergymen, educators, etc, so as to run the circulation up.

As I mentioned before, I have been working on an appliance for binding newspapers as they appear each day. I think it will be successful and that by the time we might be ready to canvass for first orders on the index, I can have it ready to sell as an extra inducement.

Of course so much time spent on the index would seriously detract from my library work. The routine work must go on and the cataloguing ought by no means to stop. If we undertake the index, I respectfully request that I be given some help in the library work. I dont think it is good economy anyway for me to spend my time writing

Chicago, Ill. June, 1939.

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I have spoken to Prof. Torrey about the newspaper index. He is still interested in it and I am sure would like to see it carried through. I wrote him about it and suggested some points as to the details of the work. Perhaps he has seen you before this and you two have decided as to practicability. If you have not decided I wish to discuss one or two points as to practicability. As I wrote Prof. Torrey the printing estimate for an edition of 500 copies, four numbers per year, is about $2.00. And would easily no. the printer says, in advertising, etc. The next consideration is how much we ought to get for the work of compiling the index. To get out the first copy and the next two or three copies will be serious business. To make it the best possible I estimate that by the time the last proof sheets are turned in, it will have used up three or four hours per day of my time during the first quarter, and perhaps two or three hours per day for the succeeding quarters. To make ourselves whole, it seems that a dollar at least ought to be added to the price per year. The Times Index sells for $10 per year. But that price is I think prohibitive. I think the best policy would be to charge $4 or $5 per year and try to interest clergymen, educators, etc. so as to run the circulation up.

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catalog cards and pasting labels on books when it can be done as fast and as well by a girl who, even at my present small salary, can be hired for half the money. In order to give me time for the index and for other work which I must do myself I would like to turn over a good part of this mechanical work to my sister, who is here at the University, studying some and working with me in the library part of the time in order to learn the business. She can write cards as fast and better than I and can do other routine work in the library advantageously, if necessary. I think that if the money could be had to pay her a small sum per hour, say 25¢, or for some equivalent arrangement, it would solve the problem of time for the index.

THE LIST OF PH.D. THESES.

On my return from the East I visited Harvard, Yale, Columbia and Johns Hopkins. I was quite successful and obtained the bulk of the material necessary for the list of Ph D theses about which I spoke to you last summer. I should like to go ahead with the work and then publish it as a bibliographical contribution by the University Library. I am still somewhat in doubt as to whether it had best be simply a list of theses titles, classified and indexed, or whether, in addition there should be added a very brief characterization of the scope and point of each thesis. The latter would, as I reported to you last summer, make the index cost twice as much, but I believe it would make it more than four times as valuable. I am much in favor of it, if it can be made fairly complete. In order to get the material the affair will have to be managed well. I can think of no better plan than to prepare a circular letter and send it to each member of the faculty of this University, who has taken a degree at an American university, asking him to characterize his thesis and give such additional information as is necessary. Then, if after examining the results carefully we still think the characterization desirable, prepare another circular letter and send it to all the PhD graduates of American universities. If we could get the endorsement of the presidents of some of the leading universities it would I think help the matter immensely. The thing to be done is to impress each one to whom we send the letter that it is to be an important publication from which his name must not be omitted. If you do not veto the work and if no better plan appears, I would like to proceed with this at once as far as the letter to the University faculty is concerned. At the end of this letter I have appended a circular letter something like what I should like to send. I am not particular as to the form so long as it covers the ground. Perhaps it would be best for you to sign your name to each of the letters, or, better, take charge of the matter yourself. The work of sending out the circular letters and putting the results in form for publication will be mainly type writing. This work I will turn over to my wife and it will cost you nothing except perhaps about $25 for printing circular letters and for postage. Everyone with whom I have talked thinks the list of theses is a good idea. Mr. Thomas was rather skeptical about the advisability of adding the abstracts, but finally agreed that in view of the advertising that the circular letters would give, it might be the best plan. Mr, Vincent is much in favor of the idea as a whole. Prof. Small thinks the abstract would multiply the value several times.

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to the millions at short notice for a moderate price. The carrying out of this work on a large scale would necessitate an ability and a means of readily sizing up the most important books and magazine articles in the literature of these subjects. This leads me to mention my latest idea as to work in those departments.

QUARTERLY BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE LITERATURE OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES.

I should like to see started at the beginning of this year a bibliographical publication that would do for the literature of these sciences something what the Review of Reviews does for general periodical literature. The work would be an extension and enlargement of the work that I have been doing in the Journal of Sociology, but with other features added. One feature would be so far as I know absolutely new in magazine work. Instead of devoting all the space to lists of books and magazine articles I would use part of it in telling people where to look for reviews of books in other publications. I believe that in the 200 journals or more that I inspect every two months for the Journal of Sociology, nearly all the important new books in the social sciences are reviewed. There is needed simply some medium of communication between the seeker after information and these 200 journals. The idea itself is not original. It is being carried on systematically at the Albany State Library as a means of controlling current general literature, so that purchases of new books may be made with discretion. Why not publish results so that the work may be done once for all? The file of these quarterly publications would be in years to come the most valuable conspectus of the literature of the social sciences imaginable. In addition to this feature, the publication would be timely as there is nothing of the kind in English. In German there are two publications which if both combined would cover something the same ground. I sincerely believe that in view of the increasing quantity and importance of the literature of these branches, here is a chance for some good work. I expect that it would eventually sell among libraries and teachers so that it would easily pay for itself. The printer's estimate would necessitate its being sold for $2 per year. The bare cost of printing an edition of 250 copies being $1.60 per copy. My plan for running such a publication would be to make the departmental advisers, Hill, Vincent, Thompson and Freund editors, with myself as working editor. This plan may be judged impracticable; but I am so sure that it is the right thing and the right time now to begin it, that I wish, at least to go on record as having proposed it. If there is a possibility of obtaining the money to start it the coming year, I should like to discuss the matter with the heads of the departments and the library advisers interested. It would not interfere with the journals in any way. They could use as much of the material as they could afford space for beforehand and yet it would be just as acceptable in the Bibliography.

If I do not hear from you within a week or two, I will come in to see you and trust you will be able to spare me a few minutes to discuss the above.

Yours respectfully,

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Chicago, April 7th, 1896.

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Saw Mr. Hill about the works in the Political Economy Library. Considerable work has been done in that Library and the books classified after a fashion. But the work has not been very well planned and the details left at loose ends. There seems to be, according to Mr. Hill, no crying need of library work, only he has a feeling that nothing is just right and never will be until some one takes hold and remodels the thing generally.

My position is rather uncertain. I was hired to work on the Social Science books and have been told several times that when that was done my occupation would be gone. My instructions as to work have been of diverse different tenors. However I am doing what I believe to be right. I wish to devise and perfect for the Social Science Library a scheme of arrangements and a catalogue so systematic and complete and at the same time so simple that it cannot get out of order, and so that a new student can use the library to advantage the first day he enters it.

I could not promise Mr. Hill that I would undertake to remodel their library at once. But I explained to him that I was working to perfect first of all a plan for a department library which would not need to be remodeled every year. He agreed with me that that was the first and most important thing to do. As soon as I am ready I am to explain to him what my conclusions are. He said there was no special hurry and seemed anxious, as I am, that when anything is done it shall be done correctly. I think that when we have agreed on a plan, a weeks work would fix their library so that it would be entirely systematic and usable and would do very well until it can be thoroughly catalogued in the way I propose to catalogue the Social Science Library.

I regret exceedingly that I have not the work done in the Social Science Library so that I could fix up that of Political Economy. As yet I have done almost nothing that shows. But I am putting in all my time and at least one third of my salary to do the work as I believe it ought to be done. I hope that I shall be allowed to go on with it. I feel sure that if I am the result will be very satisfactory.

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Mr. Hastings work has more than quadrupled the value of the Social. library. After he gets his work there completely systematized, it would certainly be to the advantage of all concerned if he could be employed in other bibliographical work, while entering & separating & refilling further additions in social. a similar work. I find that several of the libraries which my students want to use frequently, might as well be omitted of Russian books, because there is no way to find their contents.

Sincerely

Albert Lucas

Theses

March 11th, 1901.

My dear Mr. Abbott:

In reply to your letter of the twenty-third of February, I would say that my understanding of the case is in accordance with your statement; namely, that provisional judgment on a thesis rests with the committee, while the final decision rests with the members of the classical faculties. I should think, however, that those members of the classical faculties who were not accustomed to undertake graduate work or to do work on theses would be slow to express opinions in reference to cases in which the committee had passed judgment one way or the other.

I remain

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

The University of Chicago

Examination Questions (Duplicate copy) in*.....course,

No.....for the.....term, of the.....Quarter, 189.....

If Instructors in filing their examination questions will kindly use this form they will confer a favor upon the Examiner.

***Insert major or minor as the course may be.**

W. R. Harper

The University of Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 23, 1901

My dear Dr. Harper:

You will remember that a few weeks ago the Classical Conference adopted a compromise rule in regard to thesis committees. This rule in the form in which we received it from you and adopted it reads as follows: "For each dissertation there shall be a committee of two, one of whom shall be the person having special charge of the thesis; the other being the head of the department, or an instructor appointed by such head. It shall be the duty of this committee to judge the thesis and to accept it provisionally, or to reject it. In the former case the student shall be admitted to examination."

The members of the Conference understand that the provisional judgement on the thesis rests with the committee mentioned, and the final decision with the members of the classical

faculties. No case has arisen requiring an interpretation of the rule, but the Conference has instructed me to ask you if our understanding of the rule is correct, so that the proper entry may be made in our minutes.

Faithfully yours

Frank F. Abbott

October 15th, 1901.

Theses

Mr. Paul H. Harms,

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Francis W. Shepardson,
Secretary to the President

HARVARD UNIVERSITY,
CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

7 October 1904.

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My dear Sir:

I am collecting some information concerning the conditions under which the Ph.D. degree is conferred by a number of leading American universities. May I ask you to kindly cause the proper officer to send me (1) the printed instructions which describe the conditions under which the degree may be obtained at Chicago University, if these instructions are printed; and (2) the titles of the theses of the successful candidates during the past academic year.

Thanking you in advance for any reply you may make to this inquiry, I am

Very truly yours
Paul H. Hanus

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CHICAGO January 15, 1903

Dear Mr. President:-

I return this letter of Mr. Miller with the statement that for my part I hope we shall not publish any more doctor's dissertations in the American Journal of Theology, unless they are of the very highest value. In that case I see no reason why we should not charge the doctors something.

Very truly yours,

G.S.G.

G. Goodspeed

Theses

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS.

COPY

December 15, 1902.

President William R. Harper,

The University of Chicago.

Dear Dr. Harper:-

In considering the questions involved in establishing the new Journal of Modern Philology a matter has come to my mine which I believe should receive careful consideration. It refers to an increase in the income of several of the journals which is not being worked systematically at the present time. I refer to the possibility of increasing the income from the publication of thesis material. At the present time we receive almost no income from this source.

It is the custom of some of the journals, notably The Botanical Gazette, The American Journal of Theology and The American Journal of Semitic Languages and Literatures to frequently publish Doctors' dissertations. We have never been in the habit of charging Doctors anything for the material issued in The Botanical Gazette and I do not think the charges have been sufficiently high for material published in The American Journal of Theology and The American Journal of Semitic Languages and Literatures.

It seems to me that Doctors who publish their material in this way could well afford to pay at least half the average cost per page. They would then be saving a large amount over the cost if they issued their material independently and it would not be such a burden upon the University. My idea would be that the charge for manufacturing this material should be made from the Manufacturing Department to cover the whole cost and that the individual should be billed from our Publication Department and the income considered on the same basis as an income from

subscriptions.

I present this suggestion for your consideration and shall be glad to know what you think of the same.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Newman Miller.

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OFFICE OF THE RECORDER

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Please

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Northrup, George Tyler -- Dec. 1906.
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Norton, Frederic Owen -- Dec. 1906.
Owens, Frederick W. -- Aug. 1907.
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Woodhead, Howard - - - Aug. 1907.
Yamanouchi, Shigeo - - - March 1907.
(Botanical Gazette will pub. - Coulter).
Yoshioka, Shen-Ichiro -- June 1907.
(He has permission to wait a year, & holds himself responsible for all custom duties).

Earthrup, Jerge Euler — Dec. 1905.

(Gold pub. in Modern Philology).

Earton, Gradwis Owen — Dec. 1905

Owens, Gradwish W. — — Aug. 1907.

Fee, Lula — — — — — — Aug. 1907.

Fitzsen, Joseph — — — — Aug. 1907.

Fiddle, Oscar — — — — — June 1907.

Fadison, Henry B. — — — Aug. 1907.

Fess, William H. — — — Aug. 1907.

Foyster, James G. — — — June 1907.

Fuesinger, Lustar G. — — — June 1907.

(Gold pub. in Jour. of Infectious Diseases - Ashton).

Schoonover, Roper G. — — Aug. 1907.

Schlefert, Vieter E. — — — June 1907.

Smith, Henry — — — — June 1907.

Smith, Walter F. — — — — June 1907.

Sunderwell, John — — — Dec. 1905.

Zier, Ronnie O. — — — Dec. 1905.

Zet, Lewis O. — — — — Aug. 1907.

Zinsen, Feinhardt — — — June 1907.

Zhampson, Effie E. — — — June 1907.

Winterhill, Anthony C. — Dec. 1905.

Williamson, Edward J. — Aug. 1907.

Wilson, Herman F. — — — Aug. 1907.

Woodhead, Harford — — — Aug. 1907.

Yamamauchi, Shige — — — March 1907

(Botanical Gazette will pub. Author)

Yoshiota, Shin-Ichiro — June 1907.

(He has permission to visit a year, & table himself responsible for all water duties)

Ph. D. Theses not yet received:- 167, Feb. 14. 1908.

Almstedt, Hermann Benjamin, January, 1900, Letter, Oct., 1907. Ms. contains over 6500 lines; will get in as soon as possible.

✓ Ames, Edward Scribner, October, 1895

Arbuthnot, C. Criswell, June, 1903, Letter, December 11, 1907; could pub. now, but hopes to improve it.

✓ Arnold, Joseph Kahn, July, 1899

Atwood, Wallace Walter, June, 1903. Letter, December, 16, 1907. To be published by Gov. probably within six months.

✓ Baird, Philip Castor, January , 1898

Balch, Ernest Alanson, July, 1898. Letter, October, 1907; cannot afford the $300.

✓ Barnard, Edith Ethel, August, 1907

✓ Bawden, Henry Heath, June, 1900

✓ Beckmann, Frederick Ernest, January, 1900

Behan, Warren Palmer, January, 1899. Letter, December 31, 1907; hopes to publish by April, 1908

✓ Beziat,de Bordes, André, October, 1899

✓ Birkhoff, George D., June, 1907

Blair, William Richards, December, 1906. Letter, December 19, 1907; in hands of publishers; out soon

✓ Blunt, Katharine, August, 1907

Börger, Robert Lacey, August, 1907

Bowen, Mary--now Mrs. W. H. Brainerd-- July, 1897. Letter, December 13, 1907; may not be published for some years.

Bretz, Julian Pleasant, August, 1906. Letter, December, 1907; hopes to publish soon as U. S. Government document

Bridgman, Donald Elliott, June, 1907

Bronk, Isabelle, September, 1900. Letter, January, 1908; will probably be out soon.

Bruce, Preston Pishon, December, 1902. Letter, December 19, 1907; needs to visit British Mus., hopes to finish some day

Pm. D. Thesis not yet received:-

Aldendorf, Hermann Benjamin, January, 1909. Letter, Oct., 1907. Pm. contains over 8000 lines; will get in as soon as possible.

Ames, Edward Scribner, October, 1908

Arbuthnot, G. Grinnell, June, 1903. Letter, December 11, 1907; could get now, but hopes to improve it.

Arnold, Joseph Lane, July, 1899

Atwood, Wallace Walter, June, 1903. Letter, December, 16, 1907. To be published by Gov. probably within six months.

Baird, Philip Gaston, January, 1908

Balch, Thomas Atkinson, July, 1898. Letter, October, 1907; cannot affect the $8000.

Barnard, Edith Ethel, August, 1907

Barton, Henry Heath, June, 1900

Beckmann, Frederick Arnold, January, 1900

Belden, Barton Palmer, January, 1899. Letter, December 21, 1907; Hopes to publish by April, 1908

Benint de Sorbet, André, October, 1898

Birchoff, George D., June, 1907

Blair, William Richards, December, 1906. Letter, December 16, 1907; in hands of publishers; out soon

Blunt, Katherine, August, 1907

Böger, Robert Lacey, August, 1907

Bowen, Mary--now Mrs. E. K. Brainerd-- July, 1907. Letter, December 16, 1907; may not be published for some years

Brady, Julian Fleegant, August, 1906. Letter, December, 1907; hopes to publish soon as U. S. Government document

Bridgman, Donald Elliott, June, 1907

Brook, Lucille, September, 1908. Letter, January, 1908; will probably be out soon.

Bruce, Preston Flange, December, 1902. Letter, December 18, 1907; must be vital British law.. Hopes to finish some day

Burchard, Herbert Morse, January , 1900

Caldwell, Wm. June, 1904. Letter Dec., 1907; hopes to publish next summer

Capps, Stephen Reid, June, 1907 . To be pub. by the U. S. Geol. Survey, Salisbury

Case, Carl Delos, October, 1899, L. Dec. 16, 1907; going to write Press about publishing

✓ Castro, Mathilde, August, 1907

Chamberlin, Rollin T. June, 1907. L. May 29, 1907; guaranteed by T. C. Chamberlin

Charters, Werrett Wallace, June, 1904. L. February 24, 1907; Asked about required form

~~Cipriani, Lici Cecilia, April, 1898~~

✓ Clifford, Oliver C. December, 1907

Comparette , F. L. August , 1901. L. April 29, 1907; hopes to have it ready by summer of 1908

Coulter, John Gaylord, December, 1900. L. November 16, 1903; residence in Philippines has prevented getting additional material

✓ Crandall, Re gina Katherine, August, 1902

Cross, George, June, 1900. Card, October 25, 1907; hopes to pub. by Christmas, 1907

✓ Davenport, Herbert Joseph, April, 1898

✓ Davies, Howell Emlyn, April, 1900

Davis, Katherine Bement, June, 1900. L. December, 29, 1907; needs to go back to Bohemia before finishing

Day, Edna Daisy, August, 1906. L. January 9, 1908; to be published by U. S. Gov.

✓ Derby, Ira H., August, 1907

Dodd, Walter Fairleigh, September, 1905. L. December 25, 1907; portions to be published in fournals this year and will be forwarded

Duffree, Charles Claude, June, 1907

Dyer, Gustavus Walker, June, 1907

✓ Emmons, W. Harvey, June, 1904

Emerson, Frank V. , December, 1907

Burlingame, Herbert Morris, January, 1900

Caldwell, S. L., June, 1904. Letter Dec., 1907; hopes to publish next summer

Barge, Stephen Gale, June, 1907 - To be pub. by the U. S. Geol. Survey shortly

Cone, Earl Estes, October, 1905, L. Dec. 16, 1907; going to write more about publishing

Castro, Matilda, August, 1907

Chamberlin, Rollin T. June, 1907. L. May 22, 1907; generalized by T. C. Chamberlin

Chamberlin, Harvey Wallace, June, 1904. L. February 24, 1907; asked about required form

Tilghman, Alex Hamilton, April, 1900

Clifford, Oliver S. December, 1900

Compagnie, T. L. August, 1901. L. April 26, 1907; hopes to have it ready by summer of 1908

Corliss, John Bayford, December, 1900. L. November 16, 1903; residence in Philippines has prevented getting additional material

Crandall, Fe Lina Kathrine, August, 1900

Green, George, June, 1900. Ward. October 22, 1907; hopes to pub. by Christmas, 1907

Davenport, Herbert Joseph, April, 1900

Davies, Howell Evelyn, April, 1900

Davis, Katherine Bement, June, 1900. L. December, 20, 1907; wants to go back to Bohemia before finishing

Day, John Henry, August, 1906. L. January 2, 1908; to be published by U. S. Gov.

Dotey, Ira E., August, 1907

Dodd, Walter Walfelgh, September, 1902. L. December 31, 1907; portions to be published in Journals this year and will be forwarded

Duffres, Charles Glenda, June, 1907

Dyer, Gustavus Walker, June, 1907

Emmons, W. Harvey, June, 1904

Ashton, Frank T., December, 1907

Enteman, Wilhelmine, Marie, June, 1901. 100 copies rec'd 4/1/ 1905; no title page, have written her several times

~~Evans, Lawrence Boyd, formerly Carl Evans Boyd, October, 1897~~

✓ Farley, Albert Allison, August, 1906

Fernald, Grace Maxwell, August, 1907

Ferguson, William Duncan, June, 1906. L.12/20/ 1907; hopes to publish next summer

✓ Forrest, Jacob Dorsey, April, 1900

Garrison, George Pierce, July, 1896. L. 10/ 1907; too busy at present

✓ Goettsch, Charles, June, 1906

✓ Goettsch, Emil, December, 1906

Gould, Chester Nathan, March, 1907 2/28/1907; to be pub. in Mod. Philolgy P. S. Allen

Griffin, Frank Loxley, June, 1906. To be pub.by Am. Math. Soc. E. H. Moore, 1908

Griffith, Reginald Harvey, Spetember, 1905. L. 12/31/ 1907; hopes to pub. at no distant date

Hall, Rob Anderson, August, 1907

Hamilton, Ira Calvert, August, 1907

Hammond, Eleanor Prescott, April, 1898. Prof. Manly will see about this

✓ Harris, Mary Belle, September, 1900

Hasselbring, einrich, June, 1905 L. 1/6/1908; to be pub. by Bot. Gaz. soon

✓ Hatfield, Ethel Glover July 1898.

✓ Hatfield, Henry Rand, July, 1897

Hatton, Aug. Raymond, August, 1907

Heller, Otto, January, 1900, L. Feb ., 1904; hopes to pub. soon

✓ Hewes, Amy, September, 1903

Hilpert, Willis Stose, August, 1906. L 12/25/1907. to be pub. in Am. Chem. Journal about May, 1908

Horne, C. Ellsworth, August, 1907

Howard, Earl Dean, December, 1905. L. 2/3/1908; in hands of Dr. Cummings of U. of C.

Howe, Clifton Durant, December, 1904. L. 12/27/1907, about ready for publication.

Howerth, Ira Woods, April, 1898. L. 11/15/1907; been too busy to pub.; could do it if the U. would give him time

✓ Hulley, Lincoln, October, 1895

Ingold, Louis, August, 1907

Inskeep, Annie Lucy, July, 1898, L. 2/4/1908: impossible to say when it will be published.

Jernegan, Marcus Wilson, August, 1906. L. 2/9/1908; hopes to pub. last of year.

✓ Jonas, Johannes Benoni Eduard, July, 1899

✓ Jones, Haydn Evan, July, 1898

Jones, Florence Nightingale, December, 1903, L. 2/5/08. Hopes to send by Apr. 1908.

Kennedy, Mary Jackson, September, 1905. L. 2/5/1908; will let us know when she can state definite time for pub.

✓ Kirk, Edwin G. , December, 1907

Krebiel, Edward Benjamin, August, 1906. 1/28/1908; to be pub. by Am. Hist. Ass'n by fall of 1908

✓ Leacock, Stephen Butler, June, 1903

Lennes, Nels J. August, 1907

Lewis, Frank Grant, August, 1907

Lillie, Ralph stayner, March, 1901. L. 1/26/1908; has been pub. and will send in soon

Lunn, Art, Constat, June, 1904. L. 2/5/1908; difficult to say when he can publish

✓ Lutz, Frank Eug., December, 1907

McCaskill, Virgil Everett, June, 1901. L. 1/29/1908; hopes it will come out in new journal which has recently been organized.

McCracken, W. , September, 1905. L. 2/6/1908; to be pub. in Am. Chem. Journal about May, 1908, J. Higley

McKnight, Rob. J. G., June, 1907

MacLean, Simon James, July, 1897. L. 1/29/1907; hopes to pub. by fall

✓ MacLean, Annie Marion, January, 1900

✓ McManis, J. T., June, 1904

Howe, Clifton Durant, December, 1906. L. 12/27/1907. about ready for publication

Howerth, Ira Woods, April, 1906. L. 11/15/1907: been too busy to pub.; could do it if the U. would give him time

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Insdorf, Annie Amoy, July, 1906. L. 9/6/1906: impossible to say when it will be pub.

Jernegan, Marcus Wilson, August, 1906. L. 3/9/1906: hope to pub. last of year

Jones, Clarence Edward Edward, July, 1909

Jones, Evelyn Frank, July, 1909

Jones, Florence Nightingale, December, 1909 C. 1/7/1910: Prospects stand fair for pub.1911

Kennedy, Mary Jackson, September, 1906. L. 9/6/1906: will let us know when she can state definite time for pub.

Kirk, Edwin C., December, 1907

Kreibel, Edward Benjamin, August, 1906. L.12/26/1906: to be pub. by Am. Hist. Assn by Fall of 1909

Lancock, Stephen Butler, June, 1908

Lannan, Hale J., August, 1907

Lewis, Frank Grant, August, 1907

Lillie, Ralph Stayton, March, 1901. L. 1/28/1909: has been pub. and will send in soon

Lugar, Art, Bonnet, June, 1906. L. 8/3/1909: difficult to say when he can publish

Lutz, Frank Eugene, December, 1907

McDermott, Virgil Everett, June, 1906. L. 1/29/1909: hopes it will come out in new Journal which has recently been established

McGraken, E., September, 1906. L. 9/6/1906: to be pub. in Am. Hist. Journal about May, 1909. J. Bigley

McKnight, Rob. L. S., June, 1907

Mackenn, Simon James, July, 1907. L. 1/28/1907: hopes to pub. by Fall

Mackenn, Annie Barlow, January, 1909

McKenzie, L. T., June, 1908

MacMillan, Daniel Peter, January, 1899

Mebane, William Nelson, January, 1899

Merritt, Albert Newton, August, 1906. October, 1907; being published,

Meyer, John Jacob, June, 1900. L. 2/8/1908: publishers failed and book is out of print; thesis was only introduction to book however.

Millerd, Clara Elizabeth, June, 1901. Card, Oct., 1907: hopes to pub. this winter

Millis, Harry Alvin, October, 1899

Mitchell, Samuel Childs, October, 1899

Moenkhaus, William J. March, 1903

Moncreiff, William Franklin, Sr., September, 1900

Moore, Ernest Carroll, October, 1898

Moore, Robert Lee, June, 1905

Morgan, Oscar Tunstal, June, 1902. L. 12/2/1907; needs revision and he has no time for it

Moulton, Forest Ray, January, 1900

Mumford, Eben, June, 1906; pub'd in Am. J. Social. 1906. not rec'd at Library

Neilson, C. H., December, 1902

Nelson, Nels Lawrence T. July, 1899

Noé, Adolph Charles von, March, 1905

Norlin, George, August, 1900

Northup, George Tyler, December, 1906. L. 11/19/1907 fr. P. S. Allen, to be pub. in Mod. Philology, 1908

Norton, Frederic Owen, December, 1906

Owen, W. Bishop, August, 1901

Owens, F. W., August, 1907

Pace, Lula, August, 1907

~~Padan, Robert, S.~~ Dezd. June, 1901; thesis to be furnished

Peck, Paul F., August, 1901

Peterson, Jos., August, 1907

Prather, J. McClellan, June, 1901

Ramsay, Franklin Pierce, March, 1903. L. Feb., 1908; says Ms. left with the Dept.

Raymond, Jerome Hall, October, 1895; says he never knew thesis was required

Reichmann, Fritz, March, 1901

Rickert, Martha Edith, October, 1899. L. 9/28/1907; to be pub. by Early Eng. Texts Soc., Prof. Manly.

Riddle, Oscar, June, 1907

Riley, Edgar Francis, August, 1906
Robinson, Edna Moore, August, 1907
Robison, H. Barton, August, 1907

Royster, James Finch, June, 1907

Ruediger, Gustav Ferdinand, June, 1907. To be pub. in Jour. of Infectious diseases, Dr. Hektoen

Schlesinger, Hrm. Irving, September, 1905

Schoonover, Draper Talman, August, 1907

Schub, F. Otto, June, 1901. L. 10/7/1903; will try to pub. soon

Schultz, Alfred Reginald, June, 1905. L. 2/3/1908; to be pub. by Wis. Geol. and Nat-Hist. Survey, hopes soon.

Seidenadel, Charles William, October, 1897

Sethre, J. Olaf, June, 1901

Sharman, Abbie Mary Lyon, June, 1906, Prof. Manly says she has been ill ever since she took degree.

Sharman, Henry B. June, 1906. L. 2/11/1908. hopes to pub. during the present winter

Shelford, Victor Ernest, June, 1907

Sidey, Thomas Kay, April 1900. L. 11/16/1903; hopes to pub. soon

Sinclair, Mary E. December, 1907

Smith, Henry, June, 1907

Smith, Walter Robinson, August, 1907

Soares, Theodore Gerald, July, 1894 L. 2/6/1908; wants to make additions, hopes to get out soon

Sparks, Edwin Erle, September, 1900. L. 2/8/1908; thesis to be part of a vol on International Improvement System, hopes to finish soon.

Staudt, Galvin Klopp, December, 1907

Sterns, Worthy Putnam, June, 1900; L. 11/4/ 1907; it has been impossible for him to pub.; has written Pres. judson about it.

✓Stuart, Henry Waldgrave, June, 1900

Swearingen, G. Crawford, August, 1902; L. 7/16/1907; thesis not finished, hopes to get it done by April or May 1908

Tear, Daniel Ambrose, December, 1906, 2/13/08, Univ. Press are publishing it.

Test, Louis Agassiz, August, 1907

Thiessen, Reinhardt, June, 1907

Thompson, Effie Freeman, June, 1907

Tibbetts, W. Frank, August, 1901; L. 12/13/1903; waiting for the leisure of one o f his teachers

Tight, William George, June, 1902. L., 1/25/ 1904; hopes U. S. Geol. Survey will pub.

Underhill , Anthony Lispenard, December, 1906 L. 2/9/1908to be pub. by Am. Math. Soc.he hopes soon.

Van Deman, Esther Boise, July, 1898; L. 10/6/1903; hopes to pub. soon

✓Wildman, Murray Shipley, September, 1904

✓Willett, Herbert Lockwood, January, 1895

Williamson, E. J. August, 1907

✓Wilson, Delonza Tate, September, 1905

Wilson, Norman Richard, August, 1907; L. 11/27/1907; asks about number of copies required

Woodhead, Howard, August, 1907

Yamanouchi, Shigeo, March, 1907; L. 3/5/1907 . to be pub. in Bot. Gaz. J. M. Coulter

Yoshioka, Chen-Ichiro, June, 1907. L. 5/15/1907; is to have a year to finish.

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The members of the Graduate Club, desiring to prevent waste and misdirection of time and effort in the preparation of papers to be presented for the degree of PhD., as well as to increase their scientific value, ask the endorsement of the Faculty of the Graduate School as to the following plan which the delegates of the club wish to present at the meeting of the Council of Graduate Clubs to be held at Baltimore during the Christmas recess.

1. To Prevent the Choice of the Same Thesis Subject by Students of Different Universities.

This to be effected in the following manner. As soon as a student has chosen a thesis subject and has secured the consent of the instructor most interested, he shall file with the secretary of the University, or some other official designated by the University, a statement indicating the subject of his thesis, its probable scope and the point or points in respect to which he hopes that it will prove an original investigation. It shall be the duty of the official with whom these are filed, to have duplicate copies made and to send them to all the other universities interested. It shall also be his duty to receive and file the corresponding statements sent in by other universities. No one is to have access to these statements except the official. In case of a conflict, he is immediately to inform the student of his own university. The student, unless he can arrange a compromise, must then abandon the subject. Priority in date of filing an original statement shall be sufficient to establish claim to the subject. The expense of providing uniform blanks and of transmitting the duplicate copies is to be met by the payment of a fee at the time of filing the original statement.

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J. D. Forrest
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Committee for the Club.

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G. H. Hastings

Secretary

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Structure and Relationships of American Labyrinthodontidae	Edwin Bayer Branson
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On Precipitated Sulphur	Roy Hutchinson Brownlee
The Staminate Cone and Male Gametophyte of Podocarpus	L. Lancelot Burlingame
The Montana Lobe of the Keewatin Ice Sheet	Fred H. H. Calhoun
A Visual Illusion of Motion During Eye Closure	Harvey Carr
On Amorphous Sulphur: Further Study of the Two Forms of Liquid Sulphur as Dynamic Isomers	Charles MacDonald Carson
The Incarnation and Modern Thought	Carl Delos Case
The Gases in Rocks	Rollin Thomas Chamberlin
Periodic and Loose Sentences in Schiller's Historical Works	Willis Arden Chamberlin
The Susceptibility of Copper and Tin and Their Alloys	Oliver Charles Clifford
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THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

The Graduate School

JANUARY 11, 1922

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3. Ten days before the Convocation at which the degree is to be conferred, three printed or typewritten copies of the dissertation, together with a certificate signed by the Head or Acting Head (or Chairman) of the Department that the copy, as submitted, is accepted as the candidate's dissertation for the Doctor's degree, and approved for publication without alteration, are filed in the office of the Deans of the Graduate Schools. The three typewritten copies are written on paper of uniform size, 8 1/2 by 11 inches, and of a quality

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4. Each dissertation is accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 1200 words in length, together with a certificate by the authorized departmental representative that the same is accepted by the department as a summary of evidence, method, and conclusions. The abstracts are printed in an annual volume. The candidate pays a fee of $10.00 toward the cost of this publication.

5. Illustrative matter --maps, drawings, etc.-- may, upon recommendation of the Department, be omitted from two of the three typewritten copies deposited in the Libraries.

6. The candidate, having fulfilled the preceding requirements, is at liberty to publish his dissertation through such channel and in such way as he sees fit; provided, however, that is the dissertation is in any way modified after its acceptance by the University, he is not at liberty to publish it as the dissertation accepted for his degree, unless the modifications have been approved by the department concerned.

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In pursuance of the above, the committee recommenda the following provisions:

A. That the rule adopted be applicable at once, to all dissertations past due and in preparation.

B. That this legislation shall not be held to estop or embarrass publication at the candidate's discretion, in addition to above, of more complete abstracts or sections or the whole of the dissertation.

C. That one of the three copies shall be made available for consultation in the General Library; that, in general, the second copy be sent to the Departmental Library and the third copy be held in reserve by the Library, the illustrated copy, when there is such, being chosen for the last named purpose.

D. That the Deans be instructed to inform all persons who have received the Doctor's degree from the University, and whose dissertations remain unpublished, that, with the approval of the Department and of the Dean concerned, they may discharge their obligation to the University in the matter of the publication of the dissertation by sending to the University an abstract and fee in accordance with the regulations now adopted ; it being understood that effort will thus be made to include in the initial volumes of the proposed series abstracts of all now unpublished dissertations.

Respectfully submitted

Ernest D. Burton
Charles H. Judd
Rollin D. Salisbury
Julius Stieglitz
Albion W. Small, Chairman.

The University of Chicago Press

5750 ELLIS AVENUE
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December 17, 1923

President Ernest D. Burton
Harper Library

Dear Mr. President:

You will be interested in reading the following recommendation of the Board of University Publications at its meeting on Saturday morning:

Recommended

1. That the abstracts of theses be published in a series to be known as UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO CONTRIBUTIONS, with the following sub-series:

   (1) Philosophy, Psychology, and Education
   (2) Political Economy, Political Science, History, History of Art, Sociology
   (3) Languages and Literature
   (4) Physical Sciences
   (5) Earth Sciences
   (6) Biological Sciences
   (7) Religion

2. That each volume be published as soon as it reaches 125,000 words.

It seemed to me that to put together the Abstracts of Theses in all departments (Arts, or Science, or Divinity) would result in a very unsatisfactory sort of volume. I therefore recommended to the Publication Committee that the group volumes indicated in the above should be issued. I will bring this matter before the next meeting of the Graduate Faculty, so that we can have the benefit of discussion by the representatives of all the departments.

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There are on hand a quite considerable number of bonds which are due and in some instances, long overdue. Dr. Small attempted to get the persons who gave these bonds to come under the new plan and therefore cancel the overdue bonds. Some have done so, but many more of these bonds remain in my office, overdue.

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