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Trustees

Chicago, Dec. 4, 1897.

Dr. W. R. Harper,
President, University of Chicago,
City.

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My Dear Dr. Harper:-

I was absent from the city when your letter, relative to the Pullman Institute and Mr. Lowden, was received at my house. I will have no difficulty whatever in arranging for the luncheon with Mr. Lowden, as suggested, but he is at present in New York and the time of his return is rather indefinite. I have had several talks with him and am very sure that he would be glad to meet you; and I will arrange it as soon as possible after his return.

Yours truly,

Willard A. Smith

Chicago, Dec. 4, 1897.

Mr. E. E. Harper,

President, University of Chicago,

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My Dear Mr. Harper:-

I was absent from the city when your letter, relative to the

William Brewster and Mr. London, was received at my home. I will

have in difficulty however in answering for the information with Mr. Lon-

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CHICAGO, January 27th, 1892.

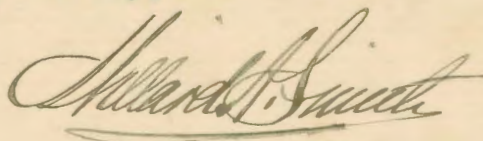
Dr. W. R. Harper,

1212 Chamber of Commerce Building, C h i c a g o.

My Dear Sir:--

Your favor of the 26th inst. is duly received. I return herewith Dr. Andrew's letter. I will arrange the appointment for him for March 27th as suggested. I have telegraphed Dr. Moxom, inviting him to preach for us February 7th, and to address the Social Union on the evening of February 9th. I expect Mr. Gifford to speak the same evening. Will let you know as soon as I hear from Dr. Moxom.

Yours truly,



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CHICAGO, February 27th, 1892.

Dr. W. W. Barber,

1210 Chamber of Commerce Building, Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:--

Your favor of the 26th inst. is duly received. I return
herewith Dr. Andrew's letter. I will arrange the appointment for him
for March 27th as suggested. I have telegraphed Dr. McKim, inviting
him to preach for us February 28th, and to address the Social Union on
the evening of February 28th. I expect Mr. Gilford to speak the same
evening. Will let you know as soon as I hear from Dr. McKim.

Yours truly,



ILLINOIS APPELLATE COURT,
CHAMBERS OF
MR. JUSTICE SMITH.

My dear Dr. Harper

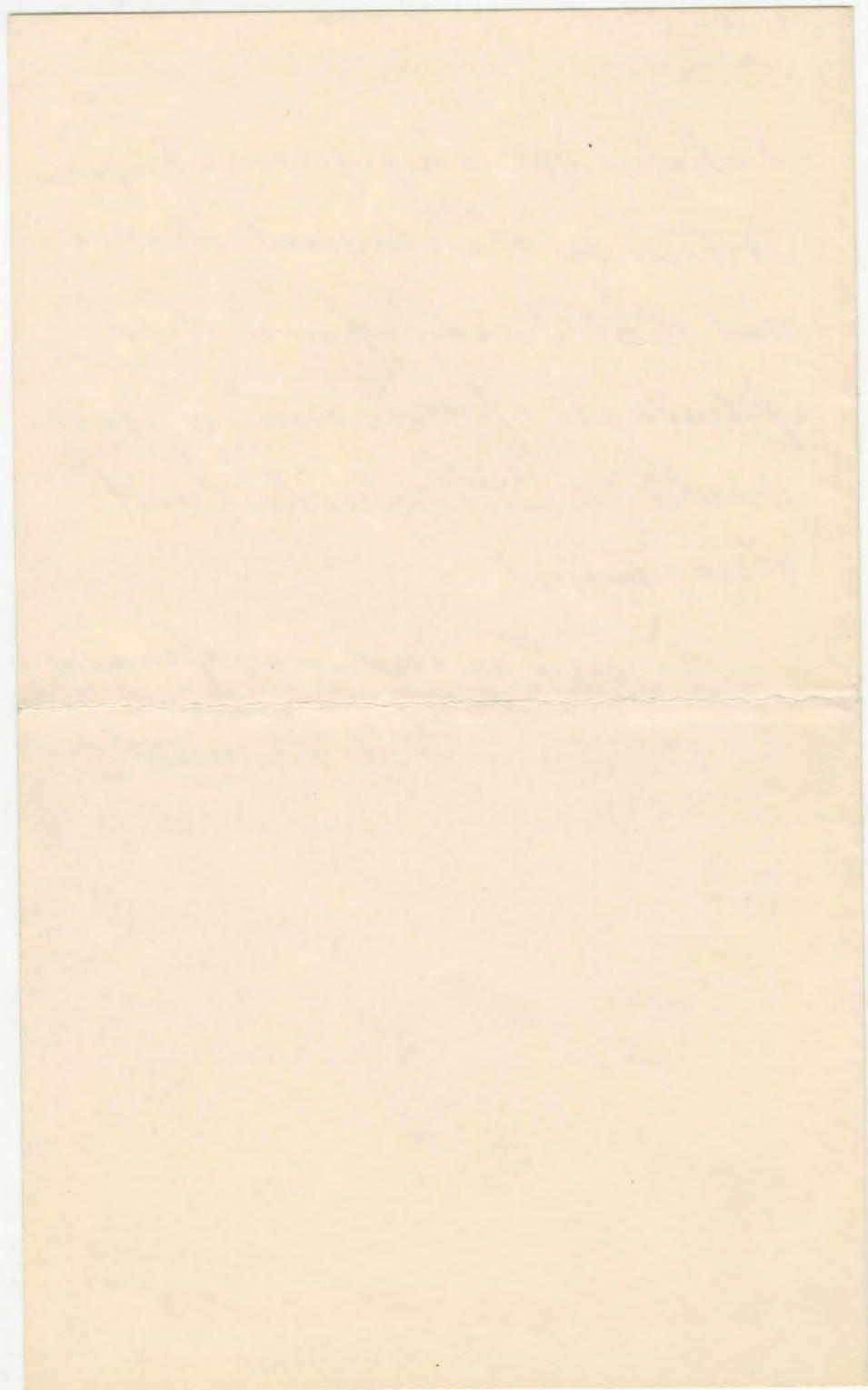
It is with the greatest
pleasure that I acknowledge
the receipt of your interesting
book *Trend in Higher Education*.
I shall always cherish it as
a reminder of one of the
pleasantest and most profitable
associations to me of my life.

This is entirely apart from
the value of the book itself
which, I know, is very great.

By the daily papers
I learn that you are to take
a rest in Lakewood for a time.

I hope it may prove beneficial
to you in the highest degree,
and that I may have the
pleasure of welcoming you
back greatly refreshed and
strengthened.

Yours, in enduring friendship
F. A. Smith



Trustees

sent to all
the Trustees

Chicago, November 29, 1911.

My dear Mr. Smith:-

President Judson was so much interested in and amused by the enclosed leaflet issued for the University of Chicago Alumni Association meeting at the University Club that he desires me to send to you a copy of "The Yearly Buffoon". He trusts you will enjoy it as much as he has.

Sincerely yours,

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Secretary to the President.

Mr. Willard A. Smith,
5306 East End Ave.,
Chicago.

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Secretary to the President.

Mr. Willard A. Smith,
2306 East End Ave.,
Chicago.

Trustees

Chicago, June 12, 1912

My dear Judge Smith:-

Few things gave me more pleasure in connection with the interesting exercises yesterday than the attendance of practically the entire Board of Trustees throughout all the doings. Of course I know that the interest of the Board in the University and in the occasion was very deep. Even so, I wish to extend you my personal thanks and appreciation.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Hon. F. A. Smith,
155 N. Clark St., Chicago.

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Hon. W. A. Smith,
122 W. Clark St., Chicago.

ILLINOIS APPELLATE COURT,
CHAMBERS OF
MR. JUSTICE SMITH.

Chicago July 15 1905

Dr William R. Harper
Sincerely

My dear Dr Harper-

Your letter of June 14th is
at hand regarding a subscription
to cover deficit in current
expenses for the year just closed.

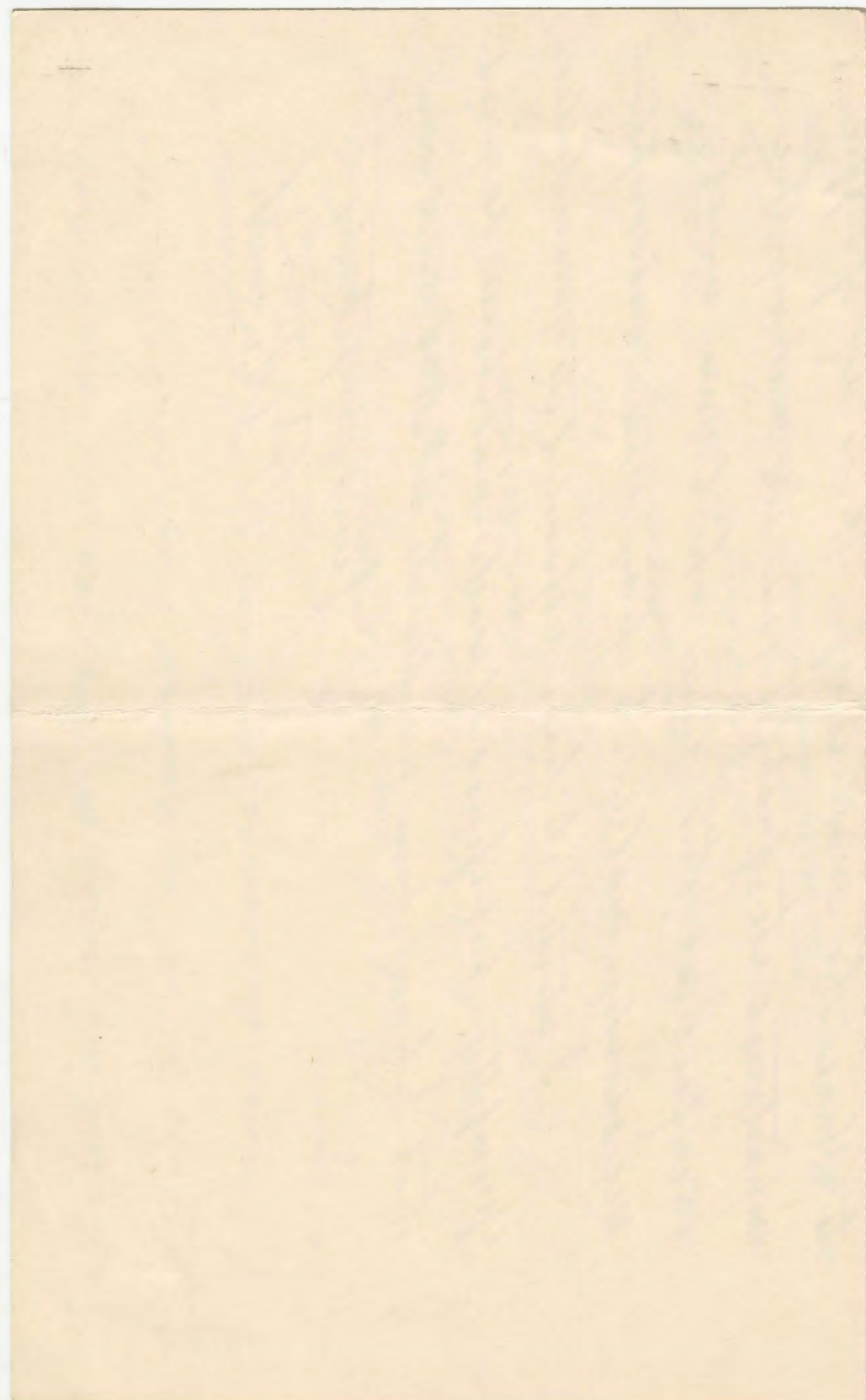
The administrative officers
of the University are to be greatly
commended for their efforts &
for their large measure of
success in cutting out
from the estimated expenses so
large a sum of money. My desire
is to supplement their work
by making a subscription. My
present circumstances however

forbid my doing so. My resources have been drawn upon in various ways so largely, that I cannot subscribe without great difficulty & sacrifice.

Permit me to say in all kindness that I do not think you are called upon to make any gift to the University for the deficit, under the circumstances. The expenses of your illness must necessarily have been very great. In my opinion the trustees ought not to accept a subscription from you. Desirable as it is to clear the matter up, it is not of sufficient importance to justify you in making the sacrifice at this time which you must necessarily make to pay your subscription.

I intended to have responded to your letter promptly, but press of work has been so great that I have been unable to get to it until now.

Yours very truly
F. W. Smith



40TH TO 41ST STS. PARK AVENUE

Murray Hill Hotel

New York, July 8th 1894

Dear Dr. Harper -

I received your telegram last evening and replied in substance that Mr. Felsenthal has the revised proposition of the Training School for submission to our Committee. I intended to talk with you upon that & another subject before I left home for the summer, but there was no opportunity when we both had time.

Mr. Blatchford sent the revised draft of our agreement to me after receiving a copy of the last action of our Board. There is much in it that is unnecessary but I think it harmless. The situation is peculiar & the donors are broad practical men, friendly to the University and I do not think we ought to do much

James A. Smith
fair-splitting with them in the matter of
drafting the agreement. The Training School
people understand that as a Committee we
have no final authority to close any
arrangement with them without first sub-
mitting it to our board, but I think
they are so far satisfied that we can &
will agree upon the matter that they are
going ahead with the preliminary steps.

Now Mr President there is another
matter of far more importance which I have
intended writing you upon, since I had no
opportunity to talk to you about it.
The immediate occasion of the advice
I am about to give, is your appointment
to the School Board.

You are doing too much - working too
hard. You are burning the Candle at
both ends, & I fear the result unless you
blow out the flame at one end. I am
an older man than you are & have seen
a great many wrecks along the shore
of lifes troubled sea, & hardly any of them
can ever be refitted for further use.

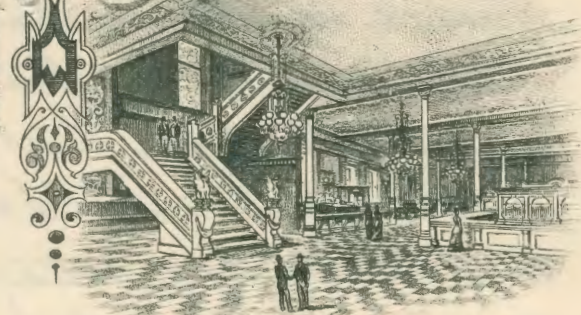
Of course your great work is the
University. There are thousands of men
who will do fairly well as members

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limitations, & disaster follows a breach
of them - Your place is a high place,
in the field of education. Your time, energy
& strength should be given to the University
where it is telling mightily for good
of a permanent Character -

Now Dr I have written you quite a
lecture & I will stop here - I have no
fear but that you will receive what I
have written in the right spirit, & I have
no thought of apologizing for writing it.

I want to add a word with reference
to the Convocation & Mr Rockefeller's wish.
I think the whole affair glorious & in
the highest degree satisfactory. It was
all that could be hoped for. Mr Rockefeller
made a profound impression upon the
board of trustees. I believe that all of
us will be more faithful & earnest as
a result of personal knowledge of and
contact with him - I believe his Cup of
happiness was nearly full, in seeing
with his own eyes what his generosity
is working out -

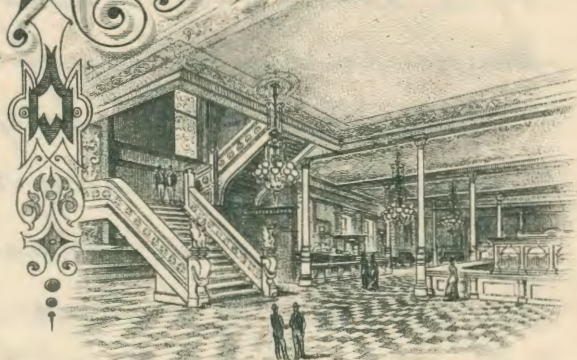
Yours sincerely
A. A. Smith

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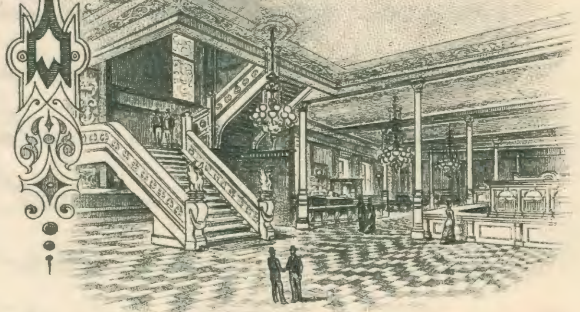
of school boards, but there are very few
College Presidents. I have nothing but
praise for Mayor Swift in his efforts to
raise the standard of the School Board.
I appreciate the importance of that work.
In comparison with your work at the
University, however, it is small, temporary
& likely to be absolutely overturned by the
next whim of a changeable public opinion.
I will say nothing of the adverse criticisms
which will be invited by your acceptance
of the place because I wish to base
my point on the real controlling reason
when I am using pen & paper. If I were
sitting with you I might say many things
of more or less importance. Your health
& unimpaired physical & mental strength
are of the gravest importance to the
University at the present & in the future.
It is my duty, impressed upon me, to
urge this matter upon your attention,
and a little time here & a rainy day
gives me an opportunity to write this
rather long letter to you upon this
point, & I do not expect you to reply
to it. Lock your door & think it over
for a while. Every human being has his

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