

WILLIAMS COLLEGE  
WILLIAMSTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

August 30, 1906

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Michelet: La Prise de la Bastille.  
Erckmann-Chatrian: Histoire d'un homme du peuple  
Victor Hugo: Notre Dame de Paris (120 pp.)

Besides several poems by Victor Hugo and Beranger; also a considerable number of prose compositions were written by Mr. Knight, to my complete satisfaction.

I consider Mr. Knight entitled to the credit he deserves for his most conscientious and accurate work; with absolute regularity and perfectly prepared he came each day to his lessons.

I think that the work done by him is equivalent to about two majors of advanced French in the University of Chicago.

Signed

D. Seidenadel

The above would be accepted as equivalent to courses 3 and 4 in our curriculum.

Signed

Elizabeth Wallace, Examiner Romance Department U. of C.  
October 1, 1906

K. Pietsch  
Acting Head of the Romance Department

Acceptable by the University of Chicago

Signed

A. K. Parker, G., The University Recorder

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A. E. Benson, Sec. of the University Registrar



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Very truly yours,

January 28, 1909

H. P. Judson

My dear Dean Ferry:-

Professor Russell calls my attention to the fact that there is some hesitation on your part in granting credit to a student for work done here during the summer quarter. I daresay you are not informed as to the nature of our summer quarter. We have no summer school. The work of our summer quarter is fully equal in character, quality and results to that of any other quarter in the year. The work is given by the same instructors, and is of the same grade. Owing to the fact that there are fewer distractions than, for instance, during the winter, it is often possible to get from the students more study in quantity. The University from the first has taken pains, so far as possible, to eliminate the summer school idea. It is true that teachers in considerable numbers are permitted during the summer to do a half-quarter of work. This, however, doesn't affect the question at all, as many of these do another half-quarter in another summer; thus they are able to get

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February 4, 1909

President Harry Pratt Judson, LL.D.  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Judson:-

I have yours of the 28th ult. and beg to state in reply that we have all been aware for several years of the fact that the summer school, so-called, at the University of Chicago is a regular quarter of the academic year, and therefore differs in no essential way from the other terms. It was by reason of this knowledge that we decided about 1905 or 1906 to accept credits gained in the summer in the University of Chicago as regularly entitling to credit in this college. On the basis of the decision of the Faculty to this effect I told James H. Knight sometime before the summer of 1906 that we would credit by transfer such courses as he might complete in the University of Chicago in the summer of that year. In September he presented to me a certificate signed by Dr. Seidenadel, a copy of which with its later endorsements I enclose. I explained to him that this paper was in no wise to be accepted by us, inasmuch as it was only a private tutor's statement that a certain amount of work had been done. Questioning revealed the fact that three weeks, or perhaps even a shorter time, comprised the whole extent of Knight's work with this tutor. During these two or three weeks I understood from Knight that he worked





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sometimes four hours a day with the tutor. When I objected to Knight's certificate he procured for me first (if my memory serves me rightly, for I have not yet been able to verify this point) a paper signed by you to the effect that the man named above was an approved tutor. When I called Knight's attention to the fact that all that we had agreed to do was to transfer credits from the University of Chicago, and that we did not propose to give him credit here for anything less than credits on the record books of the University, he returned the paper to Dr. Seidenadel of Chicago and brought it back to me a few days later with the endorsements which I have had copied on it. You will find that the last of these shows that the University of Chicago had incorporated these credits in its books as entitling to <sup>credit for</sup> the completion of regular major courses in the university. Our Faculty were much disturbed at this result, for two reasons. In the first place it seemed to us unwise to allow credit for private tutoring without first examining the candidate on the results of his work. In the second place we were wholly unwilling that our weakest students, among whom Knight was preeminent, should gain credit in some of our harder courses by doing summer work at another institution. We felt that the institution which is to bestow the degree should be the one to give the work for which the degree is to be granted. To be sure we did not contemplate at any time declining to transfer students in full and regular standing, whose residence had continued for two or more terms in the University





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of Chicago, to this college under our standing rules. The thing to which we did object was that our weak men should run away for summer vacations to any institution and complete there courses to which we must grant credit without any examination on our own part, and for which in part at least we must later bestow our degree. Accordingly on June 22, 1907, the Faculty considered the matter at some length and voted not to accept the work which Knight might do in the summer quarter of the University of Chicago as entitling even to the privilege of an examination at our hands. If Knight were to gain our degree at any time, we wished him to do so by work at our own hands.

I sometime ago listed this general question among those to be considered by a Scholarship Committee of our Faculty. It is my expectation that we may be willing either to transfer credits from the University of Chicago summer quarter in the cases of our good students, or to count those courses as sufficient ground in <sup>The Case of</sup> any of our better men for credit in college courses. I expect the Committee will take up this question and reach a decision through the Faculty within a few weeks. I will endeavor to remember to report to you what action may be taken.

With kind regards to you I am

Yours very cordially,

*Fredrick C. Ferry*

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June 11, 1907

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With kind regards to you I am  
Yours very cordially,

Charles F. Barry



February 11, 1909

My dear Dean Ferry:-

Your favor of the 4th inst. with enclosure is received. The accompanying memoranda from the Assistant Recorder will perhaps set forth the facts sufficiently. Mr. Knight was not matriculated in the University of Chicago, and took no work here. The various statements which he obtained were given him of course simply as certifying that he did certain work under one of our official tutors. He would receive no credit for the same on the University books unless he had passed a satisfactory examination. Had he been matriculated and passed such examination satisfactorily he would have received credit.

Very truly yours,

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February 17, 1909

President Harry Pratt Judson, L. L. D.  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Judson:-

Please accept thanks for yours of the 11th inst. with its explanation concerning the statement given by your Recorder to James H. Knight. I have shown the certificate to several of our professors since receiving your letter and am assured by all of them that they would have unhesitatingly interpreted it as I did at the time. It does seem to me that if the phrase "Acceptable by the University of Chicago" were to mean that the credit would be given when some further examination should be passed, that fact ought to have been plainly stated in the paper.

A committee of our Faculty will take up the question of the acceptance of summer work, and also of the acceptance of the work of your regular summer quarter, soon. <sup>I think</sup> (Undoubtedly) some arrangement will be made which will make it possible for certain students to transfer credits in this way from your summer quarter. At the same time I cannot be sure now what the criterion will be.

With kind regards to you I am

Yours very cordially,

*Frederick C. Fung*  
Dean

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Yours very cordially,

Wm. L. Burpee  
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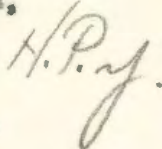
February 20, 1909

My dear Dean Ferry:-

Your favor of the 17th inst. received. I note your understanding of the memorandum sent by our Assistant Recorder. It had never occurred to me that "acceptable" was equivalent to "accepted". Of course you understand that it is not a matter of great moment to the University of Chicago that Williams College should accept our records. Personally I regret, however, that the faculty of my alma mater should have such an attitude in the matter, especially as there are Williams men on our faculty and one of the Williams faculty has been with us and knows something about the institution.

Very truly yours,

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Dean Frederick C. Ferry,  
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February 22, 1909

President Harry Pratt Judson, LL.D.  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Judson:-

I have yours of the 20th inst. I realize that any mis-  
interpretation on our part of the paper submitted in 1906 by Mr.  
Knight should not prejudice in any way our attitude towards the  
credits which are gained regularly in the summer quarter of your  
university year. While I appreciate the fact that it is not a  
matter of great moment to the University of Chicago that we accept  
your records, it does seem to me to be a matter of real moment to  
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tions with which we have relations. Accordingly you may be sure  
that the Committee which the President has asked to take up the  
whole question of the crediting of work from other institutions  
will consider very carefully the matter, and will of course not dis-  
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With kind regards to you, I am

Yours very truly,

*Frederick C. Ferry*

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February 22, 1909

President Harry Pratt Johnson, LL.D.  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Johnson:-

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With kind regards to you, I am

Yours very truly,

Charles F. Chapin



The University of Chicago

Office of the Dean of the Faculties

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now in their discretion.

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*Dean Angell*

Jan. 31, 1914

*Williams College*

President Harry Pratt Judson  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear President Judson:-

I have your letter of the 28th inst. inquiring whether Williams has ever given degrees nunc pro tunc. This used to be the practice but five or six years ago it was abandoned, both Trustees and Faculty reaching the conclusion that we ought to insist upon the performance of the catalogue requirements for the B.A. degree. If a student leaves college near the end of his course, we specify what must be done in order to entitle him to the degree, ordinarily allowing him a specified time within which to satisfy the requirements. This seems to be the most feasible way because the Faculty, acting on the matter at the time of a student's withdrawal, is familiar with his record and knows best under what circumstances he should be entitled to a degree. We have had several earnest encounters with alumni who feel that, because they have achieved success in their vocations, they should now be given a degree. Our reply invariably is that success in other directions does not satisfy the catalogue requirements for graduation. We usually find that the pressure comes from those who desire admittance to a university club. It seems only reasonable that the clubs and not the college should take into consideration success achieved after leaving college. Where this success warrants it, we have been pleased to confer the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

I am pleased to tell you that all goes well with us here and





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H. P. J. --2--

that we are making substantial progress with our endowment funds.

With kind regards and best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

*H. P. J.*

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Sincerely yours,

*H. F. J.*

H.F.J.



Chicago, January 28, 1914.

My dear President Garfield:-

I am wondering whether Williams has ever given degrees nunc pro tunc. In some institutions I know a bachelor's degree has been given to a former student who did not quite finish the undergraduate course, but who made an excellent record in life. I am wondering if Williams has done that, and if so under what conditions.

Trusting that all is going well with the College and with yourself, I am,

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 14, 1916

President H. P. Judson

University of Chicago

Chicago, Ill.

Dear President Judson:-

I have yours of the 11th inst. and cannot let it pass without assuring you of my desire to play off that tie at golf. I sincerely hope you are planning to be here this June and that we may have the pleasure of seeing you and Mrs. Judson often. Presumably I ought to have had compassion on you, but the letter which I am sending out goes to every alumnus,-- myself included.

Sincerely yours,

H. A. Judson

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JOHN F. JOHNSON  
PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD  
JOHN F. JOHNSON  
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April 24, 1918

President H. P. Johnson

University of Chicago

Chicago, Ill.

Dear President Johnson:

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Very truly yours,

John F. Johnson

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Chicago, April 17, 1916

My dear President Garfield:-

Thanks for your note of the 14th inst. Our plans for the summer are not yet made, but if we get in sight of Williamstown I shall foreclose claim on that golf game. I quite appreciate the lack of compassion, but of course we have no compassion for one another, and ought not to have.

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**WILLIAMS CLUB**  
291 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK

FREDERIC T. WOOD, PRESIDENT.  
MARVIN A. CHAPMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT.  
MAX B. BERKING, SECRETARY.  
EDWARD C. PATTERSON, TREASURER.

*Williams College*  
March 24, 1919.

Dr. Harry Pratt Judson,  
President, The University of Chicago,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Judson:-

I beg to thank you for your courtesy in sending to us the information which you were so kind as to note on our war data sheet, with reference to your service to the country in connection with the war and the activities of the American Commission to Negotiate Peace. We are very glad to have these facts and shall greatly appreciate your kindness if you will be willing to send us an autographed photograph of yourself so that we may have it in the Club. Several months before his death the Honorable Francis E. Leupp sent to us his interesting collection of photographs taken while he was in College, including groups, campus scenes, members of the Faculty and individual pictures of the Class of 1870. I am glad to say that we have your picture among the others, but we should like to have a somewhat more recent photograph.

I think you may be interested in the accompanying copy of the "Williams Record" which contains an account of the dinner at the Waldorf on the 28th of February. About seven hundred Williams men attended that reunion. We had splendid letters from Dr. Carter and Professor Hewitt, and telegrams came from a number of alumni who could not be present.

Altogether forty-three Williams men have given their lives in the service of the Government or of our allies during the war and upwards of thirty have been decorated or cited for valor in action. We are all proud of the record of the College and if you have not received all five copies of our war publication "Ephraim Williams, A Soldier", and will let me know what

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201 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK

March 22, 1919

WILLIAM T. WOOD, PHARMACEUTICAL  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY, PHARMACEUTICAL  
DEPARTMENT, 77 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE  
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

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and recent photograph.

I think you may be interested in the accompanying copy of the "William  
Report" which contains an account of the dinner at the Waldorf on the 1st  
of February. About seven hundred William Club members attended that reunion.  
and splendid lecture from Dr. Carter and Professor Wright, and Dr. Williams  
came from a number of places and made us so present.

Altogether forty-three William Club members gave their lives in the war.  
One of the Government of our allies during the war and members of it  
have been designated as allies for valor in action. It was all part of the  
glory of the college and it was not without all five copies of our  
and publication "The William Club" and all for the war.



Harry Pratt Judson,

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March 24, 1919.

copies are missing, I shall be glad to send them to you.

I hope to have the opportunity of meeting you personally ~~some~~ some time.  
Dr. Nathaniel Butler of your Faculty is my uncle and I have several times  
had the pleasure of visiting the Chicago University.

Yours faithfully,

*Frederic T. Wood*

March 22, 1912

Dear Sir,

I am very glad to hear from you and to hear that you are still in the service of the University. I hope to have the opportunity of meeting you personally in the future. I am sure that your work is of great value to the University.

Yours faithfully,  
John J. ...



Chicago, April 1, 1919

Dear Mr. Wood:

Yours of the 24th of March came while I was absent from the city. I am sending an autographed copy of a photograph in accordance with your request. I think I have the copies to which you refer of "Ephraim Williams, a Soldier." I shall be glad to see you if you are here again.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Mr. Frederic T. Wood  
Williams Club  
291 Madison Avenue  
New York City

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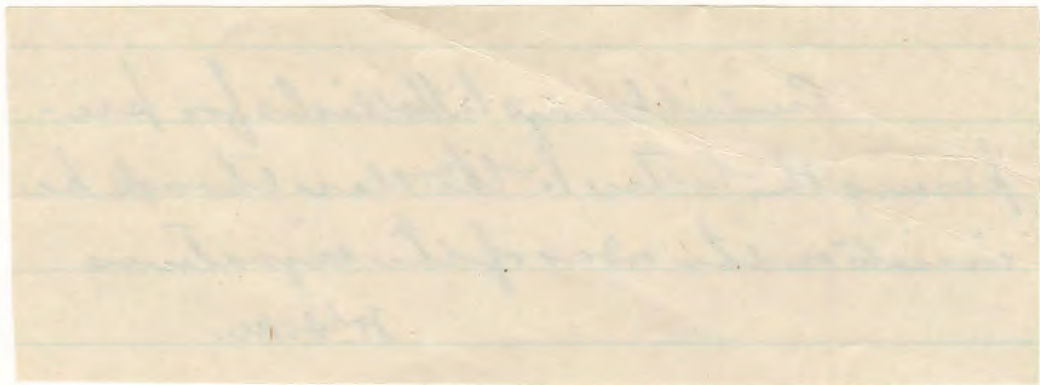
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Mr. Frederic T. Wood  
Williams Club  
221 Madison Avenue  
New York City



Credit belongs to Hollister for pre-  
paring the letter to the class though he  
insists on the order of the signatures.

W.S.M.





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*Williams College*

Troy and Williamstown,  
December 15th, 1919.

Dear Young Classmates of '70 - Williams:-

and especially you. President Harry Pratt Judson

The opportunity of a lifetime will soon be offered you. Never before has it come, and it's reasonable to suppose that never again will it come this way. A College Class semi-centennial is no small event to celebrate.

Our classmate, Charlie Cole, the efficient Secretary of the class, is gone, and the duty of initiating the proceedings for the celebration must fall on someone. The undersigned, who happen to be two of the surviving members living nearest the college, trust you will not consider it a presumption, under the circumstances, if we start the ball.

Subject to your approval, therefore, we submit the following tentative program for your consideration.

FIRST: That the members of the class be on the ground, so far as possible, by Friday, June 18th. This will be Class Day.

SECOND: That the class attend in a body the Alumni meeting on Saturday morning, June 19th in Jesup Hall.

THIRD: That we have our semi-centennial banquet on Saturday evening at seven o'clock, the same to be arranged for by the undersigned.

FOURTH: That we attend the Baccalaureate service on Sunday, June 20th, in a body, and also the Commencement Exercises and Alumni Luncheon on Monday, the 21st.

FIFTH: Attendance on any other functions that the class desire which may be suggested either before or after arrival.

A comparatively recent custom has been established whereby the class having the largest percentage of attendance at each commencement, including those who did not graduate, becomes entitled to have its name inscribed on a large silver cup, as being on the Class Honor Roll, and to hold the cup for the year following. Presentation of the cup is made at the Alumni Luncheon.

Troy and Williamstown  
December 18th, 1913.

Dear Young Classmates of '70 - William-

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'69 took the cup last Commencement. Will '70 1st '69 beat us for the first time at this late stage of this game? We listen for a unanimous "No".

There are fourteen members of the class who graduated who still survive, besides the "sometime" members who are also splendid and loyal fellows. They are still members of '70 and must share in the celebration.

We recognize that it is a considerable time yet before our celebration, but it is none too early to begin our plans and preparation for attendance.

We also appreciate the fact that there are long distances between the residences of some of us and Williamstown, and in some cases physical conditions may not be promising; but, be it remembered, Pullman Sleepers and airplanes are fast supplanting "prairie schooners" and pedestrianism".

And now, to sum up, let every man of '70 drop everything about June 15th next and hie himself to Williamstown, to spend a week of delightful class and college fellowship. It will do a heap of good to you personally, to your class Associates and to the college.

Now, don't throw this letter aside until you have answered it. If you approve the suggestions of this self-constituted committee of the class, just say so, or make any other suggestions that you desire.

We stand ready to do for you just what you want us to do towards making our celebration a splendid success. Call on us for anything and we'll meet it if possible. You just say "I'll be there" and COME.

Just say "Good-bye" to Universities, Cathedrals, Students, patients, clients, policies and customers for one week next June, and let us be boys again and get back to the old Town and shout for Ephraim Williams and for the Class of '70-Williams. Will you do it?

Answer to Mitchell who is on the ground.

Yours for a successful "Jubilee" reunion for '70.

*H. G. Mitchell*  
*Wm. H. Williams*







December 19, 1919

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Very truly yours,

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