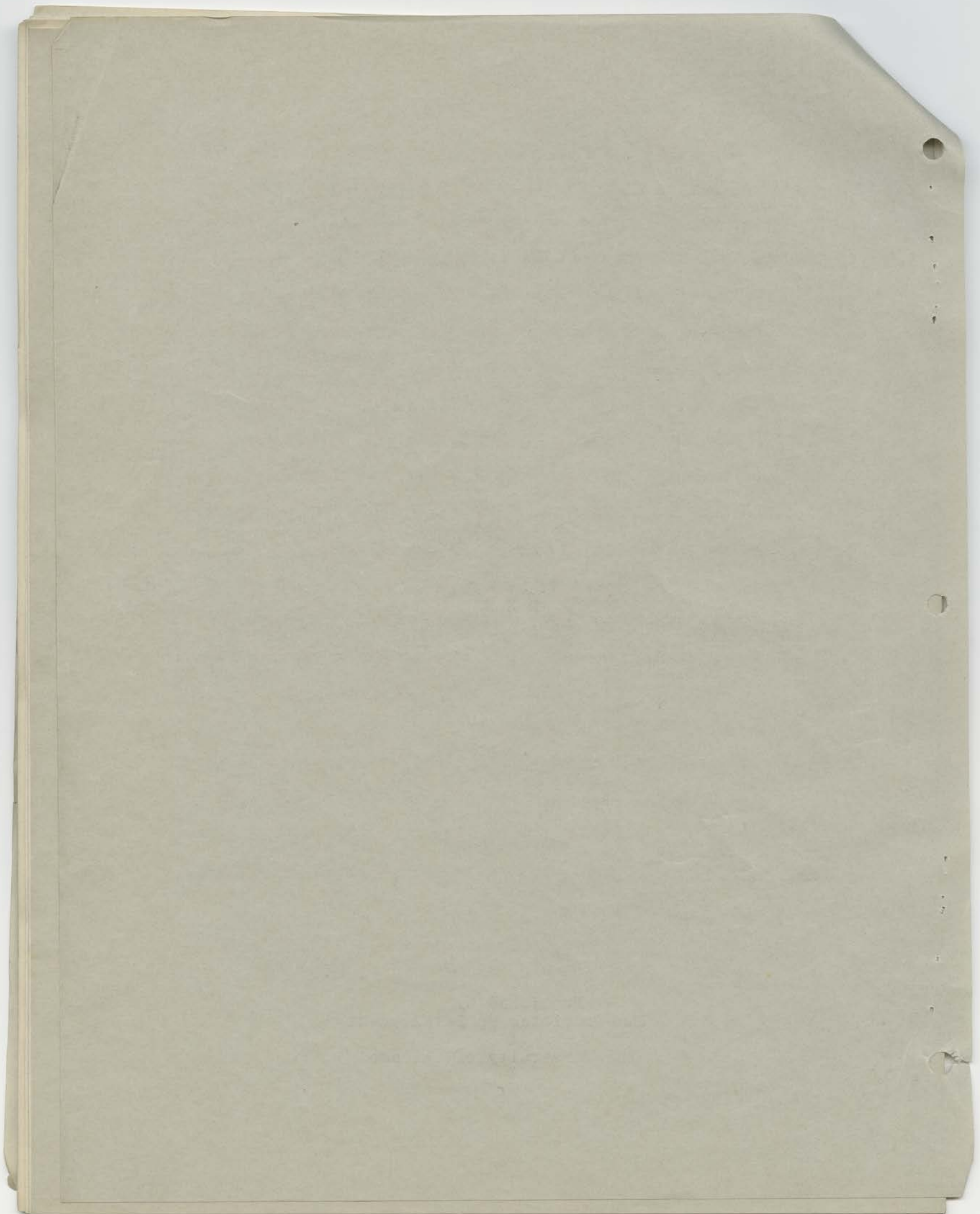


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And thus the loss of a great figure in education from the University of Chicago is not the University's loss alone; it is the community's loss, a loss to half the country.

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Men Who Have Been Lost.

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The causes for the losses have been various. Some have left to accept higher administrative positions, but the number of cases in which men have left to accept similar positions on other faculties makes it clear that the University's lack of funds to provide adequate salaries or proper facilities for work has often been the cause of a loss.

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Harvard	\$63,800,000	\$35,600,000	38
Columbia	48,000,000	34,000,000	32
Yale	39,697,000	28,283,000	52
Chicago	31,992,000	28,327,000	44
Stanford	28,189,000	24,499,000	44
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Johns Hopkins	178
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### The Salary of the Professor

The result of the failure of financial resources to keep pace with the growth of the student body is that salaries at the University do not compare favorably with those at other great universities of the country. The following schedule shows the range of salaries at some of the leading universities:

<u>University</u>	<u>Professor</u>	<u>Associate Professor</u>	<u>Assistant Professor</u>
Harvard	\$6000 - \$8000	\$5000 - \$5500	\$3500 - \$4500
Columbia	6000 - 8000	4500 - 5000	3000 - 3600
Yale	5000 - 8000	4500 - 5000	3000 - 5000
Princeton	4000 - 7000	3500 - 5000	2500 - 4000
Chicago	4500 - 8000	3500 - 4500	2700 - 3500

The maximum salary today at the University of Chicago is only 14 per cent higher than the salary which President Harper paid his leading professors in 1892! The average salaries paid at the University in Arts, Literature and Science are:

Professor	\$5,537
Associate Professor	3,877
Assistant Professor	3,010
Instructor	2,077

To make a single comparison, the case of Columbia may be cited. That institution, in all fields, pays 153 salaries higher than the average at Chicago. The lower limit of Columbia's and Harvard's range of salaries for professors is higher than the average salary of a professor at Chicago. Columbia pays 26 extraordinary salaries of \$10,000 or more.

The comparison between the professor's salary and that of the men in other professions or in business or industry has received too much publicity to need any discussion here. The American people spend eight cents each for professors' salaries in a year, while they spend three dollars for ice cream and nine dollars for pornography and cosmetics!

A Proposal To Grant "Distinguished Service Professorships."

The preceding pages have shown that the outstanding need at the University of Chicago is the necessity for additional endowment which will make it possible for the University to keep its present distinguished men and to add others. A notable proposal to raise a considerable portion of the necessary \$5,000,000 for endowment is the plan of President Ernest D. Burton to create at the University a number of "Distinguished Service Professorships" to which shall be attached the special salary of \$10,000 a year. In announcing this plan recently, Dr. Burton said:

"To hold such a professorship would be the highest honor the University could confer on any member of its faculty or to anyone whom it was calling to its service.

"To endow such a professorship in the sum of \$200,000 is one of the best ways in which that sum of money can be used. It will enable the University not only to offer a stimulating prize to the professor, but to obtain invaluable assistance to its teaching and investigative studies.

"To associate one's name with such a professorship, the William Henry Jones Distinguished Service Professorship for example - is to render a great service to scholarship and to the University. At the same time one insures one's own remembrance through the association of one's name with the name of a long succession of distinguished scholars."



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