

The University of Chicago

University College

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

November 1, 1928

W. H. Hays

Mr. B. E. Sunny
Illinois Bell Telephone Company
212 W. Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Sunny:

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Very sincerely yours,

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Mr. E. E. Smyth
Illinois Bell Telephone Company
312 W. Washington Street
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E. E. Smyth, Dean

November 5, 1928

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If you have to change your location from the Kesner Building, I suggest that you talk with Mrs. Lobbell and see if you can make arrangements for space in the new building. I think that you can.

Yours truly,

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Mr. C. F. Huth, Dean University College
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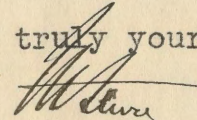
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Dear Mr. Woodward:

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L. R. Steere

Mr. Frederic Woodward
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Harold H. Swift
Union Stock Yards
Chicago

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October 30, 1928

Mr. F. C. Woodward,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Woodward:

I acknowledge yours of October 26, enclosing copy of letter from Mr. Huth on matters pertaining to the University College.

The problem seems to me a very proper one to engage the attention of all of our Trustees but particularly the new Committee on Development which was provided at the last meeting. I am to confer with Mr. Haynes within a few days about the personnel of that Committee and will ask him to see that the problems presented by Mr. Huth are soon put to the Committee.

Cordially yours,

Harold H. Swift

Frank H. Smith
University of Chicago
Chicago

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There is no doubt in my mind that if we fail to provide such quarters as we need, we shall miss a great opportunity. The financial difficulty, however, is very serious, and I confess that I see no way out at the present time.

Is there any feasible way of acquiring space for chemical laboratory work downtown? Our relations with the chemists seem to me to be particularly valuable, and I should be sorry if we were unable to meet their particular needs.

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Mr. L. R. Steere,
The University of Chicago,
189 West Madison Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

October 28, 1928

My dear Mr. Stearns:

Enclosed you will find a copy of an interesting letter which I have just received from Mr. Hugh Dean of University College. I wish you would be good enough to read it, and I should like to talk the matter over with you at some convenient time.

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133 West Madison Street,
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University College in the last several years has particularly been stressing certain groups of courses in which it cooperates with certain industrial and quasi academic organizations in the city. It has done this in the feeling that the service of the University could thus be made most definitely apparent to the community. Among these ventures the work in advanced Chemistry has been notably successful and in the nature of things seems to me to be of greatest promise. Last year we had a total of 219 registrations in these courses. This year we have enlarged the program to three courses each quarter and the present registration is just 100 for the fall quarter.

In checking over the people attending these courses, I find that the attendance runs between 85 and 90 per cent graduate student, and that many of the men attending are in very responsible positions as executives and research men in the industrial laboratories of the city. Thus, for instance, the gentleman at the head of the chemical activities at Swift and Company is now registered in two of our courses.

The above is said as an introduction to the really significant problem which is arising in connection with this work. Several times in the past the Committee of the Chicago Section of the American Chemical Society has raised the question of whether it might be possible for us to give to this group laboratory work downtown. So far we have been able to appease them by suggesting that those who wanted this work might take it in the evening on the campus. The argument of the Committee, however, and I see its full validity, is that a very large percentage of their men could not possibly take advantage of such an opportunity. In this connection it now appears that both Northwestern University and Lewis Institute have made tentative offers to this committee of satisfying just this want. The committee does not wish to undertake work except under the auspices of

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Furthermore, the Public Lecture phase of our work is increasingly pushing us to the conclusion that larger and more adequate facilities be provided. The Art Institute has been unusually sympathetic to our program and they have done everything in their power to make us comfortable. However, both last year and this year certain series have suffered because the space facilities were not sufficient. While it may be regarded as good advertising for us to have to turn people away it must also be taken into account that many friends of the University cannot be accommodated and their irritation over our lack of space is justified. We do not propose to make these Public Lectures into formal addresses to very large audiences. We want to keep them informal and intimate. It seems to me that this would still be possible if University College, in a building specially devoted to its work and the University's activities downtown, controlled an auditorium seating approximately 800 people. Fullerton Hall with standing room accommodates at most 530 to 540. Even then the men in charge are coming close to violating the fire ordinances. This Quarter two of our three series were sold out to serial ticket holders before the first lecture. In all meetings so far we have had to turn away people and this inevitably affects the later attendance during the year. I have canvassed the available auditoria only to find that they are either too large or quite too expensive for the type of thing we are endeavoring to do. The question therefore of more suitable quarters for this phase of our activity has also, to my mind, reached an acute stage.

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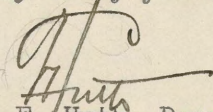
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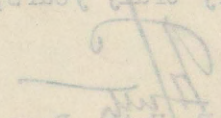


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Institute of Meat Packing

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INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN MEAT PACKERS
IN CO-OPERATION

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

August 1, 1927

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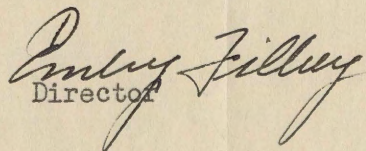
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It is not at all clear that our use of space in the Masonic Temple would free that organization from tax payment to the amount of \$80,000 annually. At best they could be released from tax payment on the fraction of space actually used for educational purposes. Even then it would not be possible to secure release on any space for which a rental charge was being made. In other words, our payment of rental for space in the Masonic Building would interfere with any claim on their part for tax release.

As you are aware, any discussion affecting accrediting relationships would have to go through Mr. Payne's office. The organization would, I am sure, have a long way to go before they could gain admission to the North Central Association.

Sincerely yours,


Director

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Institute of Great Britain

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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(Copy for President Max Mason)

July 25, 1927.

Memorandum to Mr. Filbey:

Subject: Classroom space for University College.

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Assistant to the President.

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Copies sent to President Max Mason and Mr. Carl F. Huth

7-26-27

Project postponed indefinitely -
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*Union City
Spokane*

CHICAGO

START ON BOUL MICH AND LAKE BUILDING SOON

Value of Project Said to
Be \$5,500,000.

Workings of the old five story building at the southwest corner of Michigan avenue and Lake street will start this week, to get ready for the twenty-three story skyscraper announced recently.

The new building will be owned by the Michigan-Lake Building corporation, of which Frederick T. Hoyt is president and Charles L. Schwerin vice president. A \$3,200,000 bond issue has been underwritten by Lawrence Stern & Co.

Alfred Alschuler's plans call for face brick on all sides and an elevation minus the big cornice and horizontal lines so popular with many Chicago architects. The value of land and completed building is placed at \$5,500,000 by the owners.

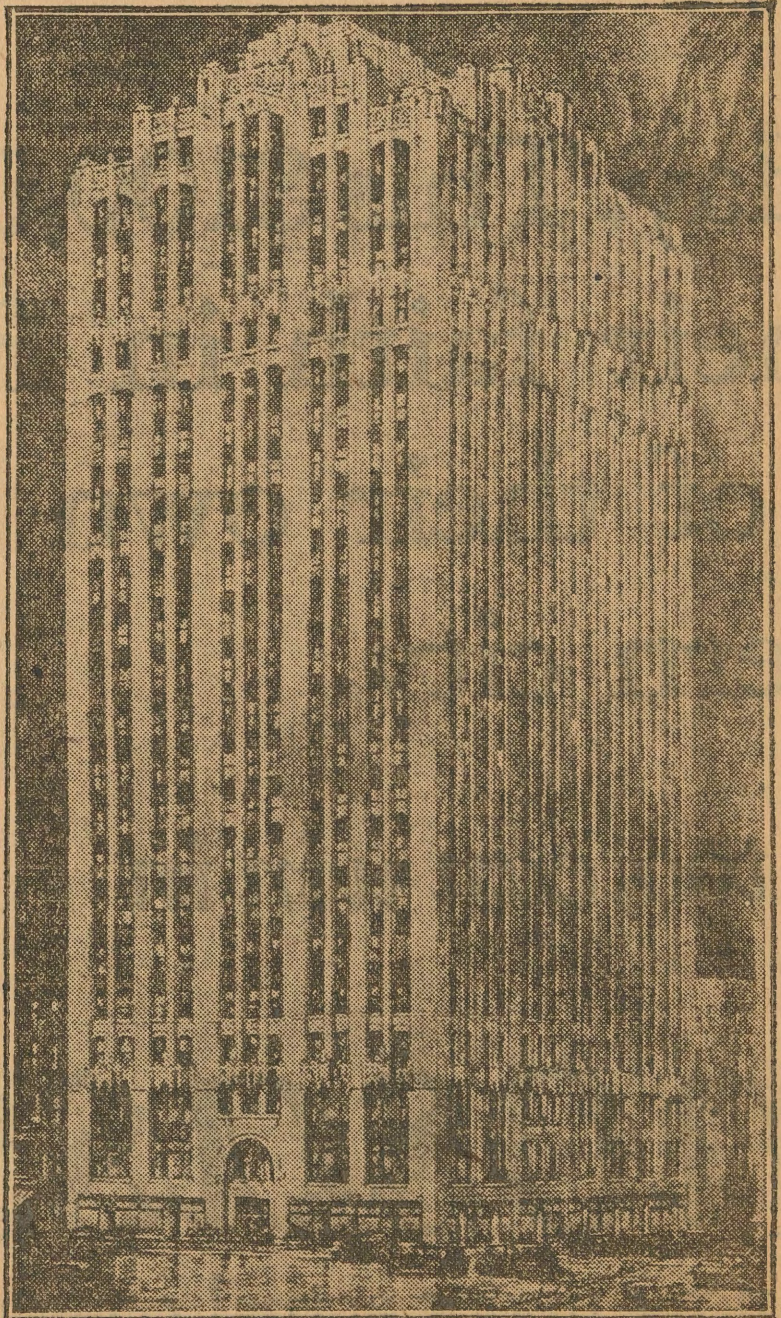
The new building will be under the management of Robert White & Co. It will have shops on the ground floor and offices above. Several floors will be devoted to physicians and dentists.

EMPLOYEES OF COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE PICK THEIR LEADERS

The 450 employees of the county recorder's office recently held the annual election of the Joseph F. Haas Welfare association at which William C. Porter was reelected president for his third term. The other officers elected were Albert J. Becker, vice president; Bertha Austin, financial secretary.



\$5,500,000 Boul Mich Project



Work is to start at once on the above \$5,500,000 office building at the southwest corner of Michigan avenue and Lake street, designed by Alfred S. Alschuler, financed by Lawrence Stern & Co., and owned by the Michigan-Lake Building corporation. Details are given in another column of this section.

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now under actual construction

Prepared when the "Ruell Pike" was being discussed
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE: NEW QUARTERS

Projected net classroom, office, etc. space
(exclusive auditorium)

Projected Bldg.

3rd to 5th floors inclusive at respectively

3rd - 12300 minus 3080 =	9220
4th - 12300 minus 2420 =	9880
	19100
5th - 12300	12300

31400 sq. ft.

Plus space available for expansion on
6th and 7th floors

6th - 12300)	
7th - 11400)	23700

55100 sq. ft.

Add to possible total class and office space of

55100 sq. ft.

Auditorium space:

Projected 70x54
plus 17x54 (balcony)

about 4700 sq. ft.

Total class and auditorium

59800 sq. ft.

Present space (1928-29)

Moser	7500 sq. ft.
Bryant & Stratton	13500 sq. ft.
11th floor	5500 sq. ft.

Total

26500 sq. ft.

Proposed by the Board of Trustees
 and the Faculty
 UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, NEW QUENY

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Tables: Not as broad as in Harper Reading Room and with less waste space.

To allow for 100 to 150 readers at a time.

Sq. Ft. space required for tables etc. and shelving as above, with tables 3ft.6in. broad, an allowance of 25 sq. ft. per person - thus for 100 persons a room of 2500 sq. ft. - This, I think is a liberal allowance.

A Room 54x54 would allow for about 2900 sq. ft. and amply hold 100 readers, shelving for 9000 volumes and attendants' desk.

Reading Room Book Space

Shelf Space - 25 books per normal steel shelf

Average Sections of 7 shelves high = 175 volumes

At 50 sections = space for 8750 volumes -
roughly 9000 volumes

READING ROOM

Tables: Not as good as in former Reading Room and with less
space.

To allow for 100 to 150 persons at a time.

20 ft. space required for tables etc. and shelving as above,
with tables 27 ft. 6 in. broad, on side area of 75 sq.
ft. per person - thus for 100 persons a room of 1800
sq. ft. - This, I think is a liberal allowance.

A room 24 ft. wide and 100 ft. long would allow for about 1800 sq. ft. and amply hold
100 readers, shelving for 8000 volumes and attendants.
check.

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Shelf Space - 25 books per normal steel shelf

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Room of 27x15 ft - 405 sq. ft. will accomodate, at 7 sq. ft. per student and allowing for one 4 ft. aisle (4x15 - 60 sq. ft.) and desk space, about 40 students.

READING ROOM

Seating for 100 readers at tables 3ft.6in. at 25 sq.ft. per person -
2500 sq. ft.

50 sections of steel book shelving at about 2 ft. width (each
holding 175 vols in the 7 shelves) -

100 running feet, or at most 100 sq. ft. total

Total room space exclusive exits etc. in space 54x54: 2916 sq. ft.
minus 2500 plus 100 sq. ft. - 2500.

516 surplus sq. ft. ample for desk and counter space.

