My dear President Harper:

The enclosed letter is self explanatory. November 9th the American Book Company through Mr. Ambrose asked for a Register of the University of Chicago. When the request reached me, after passing through the Registrar's office, I made the usual answer to the effect that we did not have registers for free distribution, but that they could be had on application to the University Press accompanied by a remittance of seventy-five cents. To this letter the Book Company have answered in a manner which shows very clearly that they are aggrieved.

I do not know how you will feel about the point, but I am of the opinion that we ought to refund to the Book Company the money which they have paid even at the cost of turning our backs squarely upon our previous position. I made the reply that I did on November 15th in accordance with a principle that Registers should not be furnished free of charge to publishing houses who intend to use them for purely business. Inasmuch as Heath & Company have already succeeded in establishing an exception to this principle and the American Book Company it seems to me have equally strong ground, if not stronger, for exemption, would it not
The enclosed letter to seek explanation of a rejection for a registrar or the University of Chicago...

When I received a letter, I sent the same letter to the registrar office. I have not received any further communication yet and we have not received any registration for the University.

Please consider my request for a reappointment as a registrar for next year. To that letter the Book Company have answered with a note which shows very clearly they are not interested.

I do not know why you will not accept the point, but I am at the opinion that we ought to belong to the Book Company. The money which they have saved at the cost of...

I assume any possible disapproval about our previous request. I hope they would consider the letter I sent to the registrar, if they agree on the rejection of our request.

Furthermore, considering the demand as a registrar for next year, I need to know more about...

Please consider my request for a reappointment or explanation of this situation.
be well hereafter to put the leading educational publishing houses of the country like Heath & Company, Ginn & Company, Holt & Company, the American Book Company, and Scott, Foresman & Company upon our regular mailing list? It seems entirely likely that the advantages which would accrue to our Faculties from receiving freely catalogues and even samples of textbooks from time to time, would more than compensate for the trifling cost of the Register.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Mr. Henry Porter Chandler,
Secretary to the President,
University of Chicago, Chicago.

Dear Sir:-

Your esteemed favor of the 23rd inst. is at hand, and we are gratified to have your assurance that you will hereafter be pleased to extend the courtesy of the Annual Register of the University to us as publishers. We shall always be glad to reciprocate any favors you may show us.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY.

By

[Signature]
American Book Company
Publishers of School and College Text-Books

521-531 Wabash Ave., Chicago November 17, 1904

Mr. Henry Porter Chandler
Secretary to the President,
University of Chicago,
Chicago.

Dear sir:

Your favor of the 16th inst. is at hand, advising us that you can supply us with a copy of the Annual Register of the University only upon the payment of 75 cents. We, therefore, forward this amount to the University Press for a copy of the book, containing a list of your faculty. This is the first time we have been asked to pay for a faculty list of any university. The list is desired to enable us to send intelligently complimentary copies of our new publications to such members of the faculty as may be interested in them. A few months ago the President of the University requested copies of such of our publications as were edited by members of the faculty of the University of Chicago for the educational exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition, and we cheerfully sent these copies without charge.

We have also been asked by your librarian and by heads of some of your departments for donations of our publications to the Pedagogical Library of the University, and have always cheerful-
ly complied with such requests, sending sometimes as high as thirty or forty volumes at one time, always without charge, and we regret that you should make it difficult for us to comply with such requests in the future.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY.

BY Thos. Lumbrozo.
Mr. Thomas Ambrose,
The American Book Company,
521 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:
Registrar of University of Chicago,

I regret very much to say that it is not our practice to furnish Annual Registers of the University to publishing houses without charge. The Register is a large and expensive volume and issued in only a limited edition. We therefore ask the price of seventy-five cents for the same. Your application to the University Press, accompanied by remittance for this amount, will be promptly honored.

We should like in special cases like yours to furnish the Register without this formality, because there seems to be a reason for a different policy, but we have learned from experience that if we begin to make exceptions, there is no place to stop. Requests multiply until our principle that Registers can not be generally distributed without charge is undermined.

Yours very truly,

H. P. Chandler
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H. P. Chandler
Secretary to the President
Registrar of University of Chicago,
Chicago.

Dear Sir:-

We should be glad, indeed, to have a copy of the current catalogue of the University, containing a list of the faculty and the branches taught by each member, so that we may intelligently send sample copies of our new books as they may appear from the press from time to time. If you can favor us in this way, we believe that your action will be appreciated as much by the members of the faculty as by ourselves.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY.

By Thos. Ambrose.
American Book Company

Affiliation of Schools and Colleges, Inc.

Dear Sir:

We respectfully ask to have a copy of the above.

Yours truly,

Registrar of University of Chicago

American Book Company