Consulat de France,
Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.

Chicago, Dec. 29 1901

My dear Dr. Harper,

I cannot let this year pass away without telling you once more how sincerely we feel with you and how much we wish from the depths of our hearts that the new year brings you nearer to your full reestablishment.

To many sincere hearts may it be that it may be so that we sincerely hope it will be so.

May this new year be a happy one for your whole family.

Yours sincerely and respectfully,

[Signature]
Dr. William A. Harper  
President of the University  

Chicago, August 20, 1891

Mr. President,

Dear Dr. Harper,

I feel particularly glad to be enabled to send you herewith a document signed by M. Delcassé, Minister for foreign affairs of France, and announcing to you that the President of the French Republic has just conferred upon you the "Croix de Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur." I feel personally so much more satisfied, as I had the pleasure, two months ago, of being instrumental in requesting this testimony of high appreciation of your great service in the cause of university education and especially for the cooperation of your great University with the Alliance française, whose branch in this city was founded by myself three years ago. The diploma will be sent later; but I have already received and will have the
pleasure to bring personally to you the decoration
twelff by wavy
as you will have been able to appoint, to
that effect, with me, an hour for our meeting.
with my sincerest felicitation?
remain,
your respectfully and
very sincerely,
H. Merou
French Consul
Dr. William R. Harper
President of the University of
Chicago.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE,
ASHLAND BLOCK,
CHICAGO, ILL.

September 16, 1901
Chicago September 16, 1901

M. H. Nercou,

Consulat de France,
Ashland Block, Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Merou,

I am in receipt of your letter of
the twelfth-instant. I certainly believe that you ought
to be present at the meeting on September twenty-first,
and I will myself propose this at the meeting of the Di-
rectors.

I shall be glad to have an interview with you
before that time. Just where I am to be this week is
not settled. I will try to let you hear from me soon.

Very truly yours,

Dr. William R. Harper
My dear Mr. Melon,

I am in receipt of your letter of

the twenty second. I certainly believe that you ought
to be present at the meeting on September twenty-fourth,
and I will most probably be at the meeting at the time

to do so. I append a copy of my notice with your

letter of. I shall be glad to have an interview with you

on the first time that you may suit me to do this week.

I will try to see you soon.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dr. William M. Harper
Instructor in the University of Chicago

Chicago, September 12th, 1901

Mr. President, Dear Dr. Harper,

I have seen Mr. Catherwood. We have spoken
on the subject. If incorporation is necessary, it will
be desirable to incorporate in a way which will
match the organization of a society under the name of
Mr. Catherwood. But nothing in it shows the name of
Mr. Catherwood. Too much is implied that the society
will be formed by will, in virtue of the

When his presence as a Delegate is announced, I have heard that the

preparations for the meeting will be made. At 1 o'clock, on
Saturday, 21 of this month, at 1 o'clock, the
place, Mr. Catherwood, asked to further
the effort to be further. Mr. Catherwood asked that it be

If the French Consul should be invited officially by the French Consul, it should be further groupings, it should be

not be according to the established forms of action.

The French Consul would report, or any other member would propose, or you would propose, Mr. Catherwood.

It would have been better
presenter at the meeting.

It would have been better

a good to have an official invitation; but

no matter; the way will be. The committee for the

meeting of the committee will be appointed at that

meeting. It is necessary that the formation of
The former institutions, whose place shall be taken by the new one, replacing the old, are necessary points of the new. In one word, it is to be desired that the French face shall be a recognized binding member of that alliance from one of the heads. I am sure that all the gentlemen of the French race will be of another opinion. I could not recommend the French to recognize the alliance from a race that is not a branch of itself, or not so. I have no fear or misgivings as to the letter of the French alliance. If it were to recognize as a member of the alliance from a branch of the French race, it would be a change. The gentlemen of the French race will have to take the matter up. I understand that in Paris, as in London, certain that if we work in harmony we shall be able to do great things. I would like to have a talk with you before the 1st of the month, if you will be so kind as to give me an hour to meet you.

Your very truly and sincerely,

A. Meiney

French consul
Delegate of the alliance from
of Paris.
March 3rd, 1902.

Mr. H. Merou,
Ashland Block, Chicago.

My dear Mr. Merou—

I am very much obliged to you for your letter of February twenty-eighth giving me a copy of the telegram received from His Excellency, the Minister of Foreign Affairs. I appreciate this very greatly.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Paris, February 28, 1902.
Dr. William L. Harper
President of the University of Chicago

Chicago, February 28th, 1902

Dear Dr. Harper,

As you know, at the banquet of the centenary of Victor Hugo, following a cable had been sent by Mr. Delcassé, offering congratulations with some 1,000,000 Americans, and the following chairman:

Cyrus McCormick, and his advisors, chairman.

Diplomatie, Paris

Un groupe de citoyens éminents de Chicago réunis, pour célébrer le centenaire de Victor Hugo, réunis, pour célébrer le centenaire de Victor Hugo, réunis... organiser par M. Harper, président de ce banquet organisé par M. Harper, président, et le Cyrus McCormick, et auquel assiste M. d’Estroumelle comme invité d’honneur, me prie de transmettre à M. Loubet, président de la République, mes hommages sympathiques et mes félicitations. M. Loubet,

j’adresse vous, from his Excellency, Mr. Delcassé, Minister for foreign affairs of France, following words:

Counsel French, Chicago

Le président de la République très sensible aux félicitations dont vous, effet l’interprète à l’occasion du centenaire de Victor Hugo, me, charge de transmettre mes sincères remerciements à M. Harper, Cyrus McCormick et amis.

Delcassé

27 February 1902

I take pleasure in communicating to you with my renewed thanks this high expression of the French feeling of gratitude to the President of the French Republic, in the best and most respectful manner.

French consul
Chicago, November 12th, 1901.

Dr. William R. Harper
President of the University
of Chicago

Mr. President and Dear Sir Harper

I was desirous to see you, but my duties, at this present moment, would have prevented me going to the University. I found, however, the time to go to the University. There I had a visit from Mr. Hyde of the Equitable Co. who was not in his own office, but he had a good talk with the secretary of his office; and I had a good talk with the secretary of his office. He is also the secretary of the office of the Equitable Co., who is also the secretary of the office of the Equitable Co.

I was in New York last week. There I paid a visit to Mr. Hyde and received a letter from you some time ago.

Mr. President and Dear Sir Harper.

I am yours sincerely,

[Signature]
sum of money of which we might dispose in our
cooperation between the University and the Alliance.

As James Hyde writes to me, he would be
pleased to contribute to the Alliance.

The idea of calling a lecture outside of the
regular ones, be it with the sanction of
Harvard or any other college, would be the first to
give to such lectures.

Hyde would be the first to give to such lectures.

The University, in order to obtain that, would be
invited to contribute to the Alliance.

I am glad to say, in regard to our special
branch of Chicago, that the board of trustees appointed
new officers at its last meeting in May. 10, 1941, according
to the by-laws, is now perfected. The board is to complete
the board, to be further a sum of about
fifteen thousand dollars. I had not to interfere in

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written in French, and the letter of the

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convinced that the Alliance was

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perfect. The board is now almost
perfect.
Last internal matter. But in consequence of the personal responsibility which is resting upon me because of the two thousand dollar indebtedness to me by the Robert Lebran's estate, so feel oblige by any conscience to suggest that that fund is not employed to pay such a debt. The intention of the donor was manifestly to help especially the work of the lectures coming from France. It was not absolutely limited. Though it was with the right to grant the practical work of the society, it would not be right to employ the remaining money. It was to pay a debt which was in the form of money. It would not have made if he could the former president would not have made if he could have acted strictly according to his administration. That and accepted by him of that former administration. That was, as you know, that all the expenses had to be covered by the profit coming from the fee of the lectures. From July 19, 1939, to July 19, 1940, no efforts were made to have profit, there were no fee, no profit.

The spirit of the first organization. The tendency to do the work on the more economic way should have wanted to protest against paying during that time her secretary.

At 75, there was no work for such secretary. But as I said, I had not to interfere with the Board of the board, as my chief duty. We have been a new to or any thing which could have been a new for any lack of harmony. Now accepting the case of the debt, I can only suggest that the fund debt is only source of profit which exists at the time the debt was incurred, and not out of the clear profit which may be derived from the fee of the lecture. The current expenses will have been paid. This is for me a case of will never been paid. This is for me a case of

the fee of the lecture. If the board of trustees will accept the suggestion I will be able to give the money that suggestion is will be able to give the money to the treasurer, remembering that the first money to dollars of clear profit have to be employed to the fund Lebran's the same sum which has been guaranteed and will be advanced for the salary of 500 francs. So the fund Lebran's will be and remain intact for the special purpose to which it was unconditionally given.
Doubtless, explain to him the whole situation, and ask for official instructions. I hope, Mr. President, that you will approve and sustain my view on the only course we.

Yours very respectfully and sincerely,

H. (signature)

[Handwritten note: Respect of the above.]

[Further handwritten text: French naval. Trust.}

[Handwritten note: F. S.]

To Mr. [Name]

I am, etc.
March 10th, 1902.

To Whom It May Concern:—

The University of Chicago in co-operation with the French Consul, Mr. Mercou, the bearer of this letter, is desirous of securing for the City of Chicago the location of the proposed Industrial School to be established by the French government. The representatives of the French government have raised the question whether the leading industrial firms of the city would be willing to receive the young engineers, who may come to Chicago in connection with the school, into their establishments. This is very important from the point of view of the French government. Accompanying this letter is a copy of a letter from the representative of the French government, Mr. Weiller. Mr. Mercou has consented to call on certain representative firms and make inquiry on this subject. I beg for him their very courteous reception and consideration, and remain

Yours very truly,

President.
To whom it may concern:

The University of Chicago in cooperation with the Prance Government, Mr. Meron, the President of this University, is engaged on several for the city of Chicago the location of the proposed Hospital. The School of Medicine of the Prance Government have recently been enthusiastic about the teaching infrastructure plans of the city.

I would be willing to receive the young engineers who may come to Chicago in connection with the School. I hope that the students of the University of Chicago. As a copy of a letter from the representative of the Prance Government, Mr. Meron, he sent me concerning to see if you could participate in the representation of them and make inquiries on this subject. I beg for your kind cooperation and remain

Yours very truly

[Signature]
The salary of the Director should be $6,000.

The salary of an assistant to the Director should be $3,000.

House for the Director can be rented at $1200. a year.

A suitable house for the director, including his office, work-rooms and a meeting place for students could be secured for $1500. to $2,000. a year. Such a house minus the work-rooms could be secured for $1200.

The living expenses of the students, including board, room, laundry, clothing, etc. would be from $850. to $500. a year.

The following is an estimate of travelling expenses:

Places within six hours, single fare $8.00; round trip $16.00

" " 12 " " 15.00; " " 30.00

" " 24 " " 20.00; " " 40.00

The University will give all the privileges of students at one-half the regular fee, viz., at $60.00 a year, for all courses.

In case no suitable building in the vicinity of the University can be rented, a building including work-rooms could be erected for the sum of $40,000.; without work-rooms for $30,000.

In case it is necessary to build a house for the director, the University, upon certain conditions, would give the site free of charge.

Whether it would be possible to find an American capitalist to build such a house and make it the property of the University, I am unable to say.

The present facilities at the University of Chicago in laboratories, libraries, museums, etc. are as follows:

Buildings, laboratories & grounds valued at $3,000,000.

Endowments " " 9,000,000.

(See Register)
Further advantages in view for the near future are the establishment of a Law School, and the proposed establishment of a School of Technology.

The University would assist to the fullest extent those students who might wish to remain in the United States and teach.
Further suggestions in view for the near future are the establishment at a Law School and the possibility of establishment of a School of Technology. The University would seem to be a natural centre for these subjects and would might well be familiar in the United States and Canada.
CONSULAT DE FRANCE,
ASHLAND BLOCK,
CHICAGO, ILL.

President Dr. William R. Harper
of the Chicago University

Paris, March 7, 1902

Dear Dr. Harper,

I was yesterday at Agnes McLean's and had a talk with her about the question of offering a par
ship to William A. McLean. He thinks that it would be
by far better to have a parship with the University. I am not sure of
the proper plan, but personally I think it would be
very desirable for you to see personally and individually the
head of the University, Dr. Pullman or anyone in charge
of the following gentlemen: Pullman, Dr. Seymour, Dr.
Wright, Dr. Pullman, Dr. Champion, Dr. Deering, Mr. C.

Chicago.

Chapin, Mr. Wise, Mr. Kimball, Mr. Allen, Mr. Clark,

Chicago.

and that these gentlemen

should be willing to promise in regard of the young man

that he would be willing to promise in regard of the young man

who is to be located at the University of Chicago, after his

examinations, to be able to receive

him in their classes. The result of this investigation

would be the result of this investigation

and that you be able to secure

the signature of each one of us. If I would not be better

I am writing myself if it would not be better

to proceed by way of a kind of circular

in which you would explain

from your university to which you would explain

to these gentlemen the project and the desire expressed

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Chicago.

Chapin, Mr. Wise, Mr. Kimball, Mr. Allen, Mr. Clark,

Chicago.
Dear Dr. Harper,

A few days after I had received the kind introduction, which you sent me to the heads of industry in Chicago, I employed a whole day of industry in Chicago, from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M., to visit about 8 or 10 of them. I had with me equally special introductions from the A.A. Burnham, from the office of the National Business League, and secretary of the resolutions passed some time ago by this French industrial school to be located in Chicago.

The gentlemen managers of about four or five of the different industries were not present in the house, but the promise that they would be at the house of my visit. Some of the members of the executive committee were very nice and sympathetic. They have sent me my nice and respectful letter, showing their willingness to assist as much as they could, and to assist as much as they could.

Some days ago I wrote to you (to Cardon) giving copy of the letter, which I had received giving copy of the letter, which I had received, and mentioning that all the head of industry considered me that all the heads of industry considered me that all the heads of Chicago would do so much as those who

Chicago, March 28th, 1902

Consulat de France,
Ashland Block,
Chicago, Ill.
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CHICAGO, ILL.

Chicago, 190

20 much more because we would always have your personal business closer.

of the national business league.

I write the news to Mr. Mabillan and Weiller in Paris; and certainly such busi

in Canada has now certainly sent back report to France, and we may wait with

confidence for the result.

yours very truly,

A. Merey

French consul
Nov. 14, 1902.

Mr. M. M. M.,

For your thoughtfulness in suggesting the name French Consul, the personal letter copy would be sent. The name is misspelled. Ashland Block, Chicago.

My dear Mr. M.,

I owe you a most earnest and abject apology. I forgot, and neglected to make a note of the engagement with you at 11 o'clock, and an important Committee meeting being called for that hour, I went to the meeting. I have no excuse to offer. I simply wish to beg your pardon most humbly. I do not often make such a mistake, and I am sure that this will not occur again with you. I can only ask you to pardon this one.

I have spent a long time in receiving from Mr. Shepardson the interesting story you have told him, and I am very much interested in what Mr. Liard has done, as well as in the interest of Mr. Lebudy. I am sure that we shall cooperate to make the first of this experiment as satisfactory as possible.

I think you are right in the suggestion that some one should be appointed by the University as a sort of official guardian for these men. I am wondering if we should not find some other person besides Mr. Ingres.

I am very much interested in what you have said concerning the Industrial School and the report of the Committee. I appreciate the fact that all this has come about in the largest measure because of your interest, and it gives me pleasure also to know that your work of which you have spoken to me in times past is nearing completion, and that it is to be so splendidly
published by the Government. For your thoughtfulness in suggesting the
University as one of the persons to whom copies should be sent, I am pro-
foundly grateful.

I am leaving today at 1 o'clock for New York, to be gone until
Wednesday. Immediately upon my return I will call you up by telephone, and
hope to make an engagement to see you some time soon in the city.

important. Thanking you for your kindness and for your many courtesies, I
remain a cordial visitor. I simply regret that one person must nearly,
I do not often see another analyst. Yours very truly,

A view of the progress lying before us, the preservation of the in-
teresting story of our institutions, and the progress in education in what Mr.
Hurd has done, as well as in the Industrial School, I am sure that
we shall cooperate in this experiment as satisfactorily as possible.

I think you are right in suggesting that some one should be ap-
pointed by the University as a sort of official historian for these years. I am
reminding if we should not find some other person besides Mr. Ingers.

I am very much interested in what you have said concerning the
Industrial School and the report of the Committee. I appreciate the fact
that all the figures are due in the latest session because of your interest,
and it gives me pleasure also to know that your work of which you have spoken
in those past 5 years is nearing completion, and that it is to be so splendidly
Rear Admiral C. H. Reffitt, U.S.N.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am returning the enclosed copy of the letter to Rear Admiral W. D. Parker, U.S.N., and in the meantime wish to state that I have the following information:

The Secretary of the Army has been informed of the claims made by Mr. T. E. Reffitt, and I believe that the matter is now in the proper hands.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Home Office
Conversation with H. Mason.

1. Mr. Lind—ministry of Education—has arranged for 4 scholarships of 4,000 francs each.

2. Mr. Sebouy, being informed of this, was pleased and said he would establish 2 additional at same rate.

3. Six scholars assured for 1st year and Mr. Mason pays they will be here within 2 or 3 weeks.

4. Mr. Lind says—of the first years experiment so satisfactory, there will be more money and more students.

5. Mr. Mason thinks some one should be appointed by the University to be sort of official guardian of these men—to see that they are registered in right courses and to be a general advisor. He suggests Mr. Dupre as the best man for this.

6. On Industrial School matter—Mr. Mason has considerable question.

   A committee in Paris, appointed by Ministry of Commerce favors Chicago over Phila. as a result of report made by H. Mason, along lines suggested by conversation with W.P.H.

7. But Committee's report must go to Parliament. To stimulate interest these conversations were held with many, and finally Mr. Jules Gayed gave a dinner to selected men. Lord Sebouy, Ministry of Commerce, Amb. to U.S. which lasted until after midnight—great enthusiasm resulting in the formation of the Franco-American Committee (French section) for the promotion of all matters, intellectual and economic of international importance. An American section of the same committee to be formed.

   This committee is strongly favorable to Chicago as center of French influence in America.

8. Mr. Mason is very anxious to see you soon and tells your stories and brings you special message from Mr. Lind, who he says is a great power in France.
President W. R. Harper,

9 Snell Hall,
Sept 28, 1908.

The University of Chicago Department
of the Young Men's Christian Association
of Chicago

Faculty Exchange,

Dear President Harper,

The cabinet of the Y.M.C.A.
in cooperation with Prof. Burton of the Divinity
school have been working out very carefully a
plan for Bible study for the coming year. A part
of this plan is an extensive Bible study rally to be
held on the evening of Oct 9, 10, and 11 in Mandel
Hall at which Mr. E. B. S. Langhurtry Hall has been
secured to deliver two addresses and through
which it is expected the attendance upon the Univer-
sity's Sunday morning courses will be materially
increased.

I am very desirous of having a talk with you
about the Bible study and about the entire work of the
association. As I have been employed to devote my
entire time to the work of the association next year,
I am very anxious that its plans and purposes should
be clearly understood. Feeling that its attitude on
many things has been greatly changed and that its
ideas and point of view in Bible study are almost
wholly different from those of many other college associations, I should be glad of the opportunity to make these facts known through you to the University administration.

I hesitate to ask at your office how far from the time you could spare would be too short. If you will kindly designate when I could see you for a half or three quarters of an hour, I shall be very greatly obliged.

Yours very truly,

Ralph Merriam.
Mr. H. Merson,

Paris, France.

My dear Mr. Merson:-

I cannot tell you how much pleasure your communication of August 6th has given me. It was certainly full of good news. I am wondering how soon the official statement will come to me in order that I may make a public announcement. This is certainly a very good arrangement.

I think there is great reason to suppose that students who come to us and spend a year will be able to secure good places. You may be certain that the University will render every possible assistance. I should like very much indeed to have you secure the official announcement.

It is also very kind of M. Liard to present to us the complete collection of French History. This will be invaluable. Please express my most sincere thanks to him for this gift.

Hoping to hear from you, and very soon to see you, I remain

Yours very truly,

H. P. Judson
I cannot tell you how much pleasure your communication of Aug. 16th gave me. I was certainly happy at the news. I am monopolizing your time, I know, but I am using it to write you a~

imposing letter. I think there is about something to suppose that Professor who

comes to us and asks a year with a year will be able to succeed. Please

you may be certain that the University will receive every possible

assistance. I should like very much indeed to have you

become the official announcement.

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complete collection of French History, this will be

impossible. Please express my warmest thanks to him

for this letter.

Hoping to hear from you, and very soon to see you I remain

Yours very truly,

F. H. W.
Mr. Henri Merou,  
Consulat de France, Ashland Block, Chicago.

My dear Mr. Merou:

I am delighted to get your letter of July second and to know that another check has been received for the good work. You certainly deserve the congratulations of all friends.

I am hoping that there is nothing in the newspaper reports which would seem to indicate that you may be called away from us.

Congratulating you upon the way things are going, I remain,

Very truly yours,
MR. Hon. Secretary

COMMENDATION FOR PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE

Mr. Hon. Sir:

I am delighted to report that I have been able to complete another task efficiently. I am pleased to know that your recommendations and support have been noted and appreciated. You have always been patient and understanding in your guidance and assistance.

In light of the commendations and letters of recommendation, I am confident that you would be well suited for the position. I am convinced that your previous experience and qualifications make you an excellent fit for the role.

Thank you for your support and guidance. I look forward to the opportunity to work with you.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Date: [Insert Date]
CONSULAT DE FRANCE,
ASHLAND BLOCK,
CHICAGO, ILL.

President Dr. W. R. Harper
of the University of
Chicago

Chicago, July 2, 1907

Dear Dr. Harper,

I receive of the two accompanying
receipt for open lectures at your
university, I beg to have you sincerely
for that courtesy.

I take this occasion to inform you
that I received yesterday a cheque of
$2,988.55 representing the amount
of 15,000 francs which was donated
recently on my request by Dr. Robert
Leb convenience of Paris, to an alliance
of Illinois at Chicago. I have, this
france air of Chicago, I have, this
frances of Chicago, I have, this
equal amount to be charged

Humphrey, treasurer of said
institution, this money was donated
especially for the purpose of organizing
a lecture fee for Dr. F. Santisi.

But as Dr. Santisi cannot come, I
shall give the lecture fee, your very respectfully,

Humphrey
Personal

Doctor Harry Pratt Judson
President of the University of Chicago
Chicago

My dear President

I feel that I must communicate with you on a delicate subject.

It is the custom for any Frenchman arriving in Chicago to call on the representative of the French Republic in this City. For reasons unknown to me Professor Abel Lefranc has elected not to do so.

Under these circumstances I very much regret to inform you that I consider that I must decline any invitations to meet him.

For the past six years, My dear President, our intercourse has always been extremely agreeable and cordial, you have had the kindness to support my endeavours in many occasions and I fully appreciated it and feel
Dear President,

I feel that I want to communicate with you on a delicate subject.

I am the cousin of my President's friend and wish to write to you regarding an important matter.

I understand that you are a man of great influence and that I may count on your assistance in this matter.

I have been acquainted with your presidency and I feel that I can rely on your support.

I am writing to request your assistance in a personal matter.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]
extremely grateful for it, it would therefore be really painful to me that my absence from functions given by you in the honour of this distinguished Frenchman would be given a wrong construction.

To make this point entirely clear to you I have decided to explain to you my position fully.

I remain

My dear President

with most sincere regards

Yours respectfully.

[Signature]

Consul for France
I am extremely flattered by your interest in my work and the suggestion from Mr. Johnson of giving me the opportunity to make some contribution to your firm's policy. I believe a more concrete proposition to make this possible, the appropriate person to whom I have already explained my position fully.

I remain

my best respects

with most sincere regards

Yours respectfully

[Signature]

Count for France
Chicago, 16 January 1915

My dear President,

I have received your kind letter dated January 15 and I am exceedingly sorry to have been the cause of any trouble to you in this connection.

About two years ago a member of the French University has been staying for quite a lapse of time in Chicago and has kept at a distance from the Consulate, the Alliance Française, and anything French in Chicago.

Perhaps this has made me somewhat sensitive as to the national point of view.

Very likely this was unintentional but yet appearances sometimes have to be considered.

I remain,

very cordially yours,

[Signature]

President Harry Grant Yaland
University of Chicago
Jan. 29, 1914

S. Larned
My dear President,

I have had the pleasure to see Professor Lefranç at my office and also at the "Alliance." I have appreciated him as a thorough gentleman. He has promised a lecture for the Alliance. In fact, he, in every conceivable way, has made himself agreeable and pleasant.

To make things quite clear I must say that my previous letter referred to the case of Professor Badger, who, so far as the candidate and the Alliance were concerned, has not been considered as a satisfactory representative of Free Universities in Chicago.

The case
Your, now, certain will be entirely different with Professor Abel Lefrançais.

I owe you many apologies in the circumstances and I remain,

My dear President,
very sincerely yours

[Signature]