Chicago, March 23, 1925.

President Ernest D. Burton,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Burton:

I wonder whether this would not be a pretty good time strategically from his point of view for William Randolph Hearst to establish a School of Politics? With the present administration not being very well able to control the legislative bodies, it occurs to me that strategically there might be some value in Mr. Hearst's coming out throughout the land with his announcement that he had established at the University of Chicago such a School. Understand he is greatly interested in California but such a thing would not be appropriate there. It would require either the Middle West or New York, with the Middle West the stronger contender in my opinion because Hearst's service extends throughout the country with Chicago a logical center.

Perhaps a School of Journalism to match the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern, combined with our School of Politics might also have some appeal to Mr. Hearst, but I am not very favorable to this project, although would incorporate it if he wished.

I am inclined to think Mr. Hearst wants to be President and I believe the School of Politics would give him great publicity.

For your consideration.

Yours cordially,

HAROLD H. SWIFT

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Ded Mr. Burton:

I wonder whether this may not be a pretty good time after satisfaction from the point of view of William McAdoo's health to establish a School of Politics. With the present administration not satisfied, a School of Politics might come to be very useful to some of the legislative body. It seems to me that intellectually there might be some value in a School of Politics such as the University of Chicago such a School and under the leadership of Professor of the University of Chicago such a School. The subject to which the Middle West of New York and the Middle West the School should be connected with Chicago and serve as an extension from the main body of the University's work.

I am interested to think of a School of Politics which would give him more opportunity for your consideration.

Yours, 
Harold L. Swift
April 20, 1925.

My dear Mr. Moulds:

I did not call up Mr. Hearst. I could not reach Roy D. Keehn and I had so little time in which to reach Mr. Hearst that I preferred not to act so hastily and without preparation.

But the matter needs study and consideration with a view to my seeing him here or in New York. When I approach him I want to do so on his best side fully prepared myself.

We will consider this further.

Very truly yours,

Mr. John. F. Moulds,
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