Chicago, Ill.
July 24, 1895

Brother W. R. Harper,
University, Chicago.

Ours, Sir:

On returning from the Baltimore Convention, I fondly intended to visit a few days at the Summer School, at the University.

On applying to the Registrar at the University, for a room as visitor for a few days, I was flatly refused—no reasons being given. I come prepared to pay the usual rates.
A kindly gentleman now offering me his room on Sunday. Of course, after the Rehearsal’s refusal I went to a hotel.

You have sent our invitations to the Morgan Park Alumni to come to convocation. Here is my answer: I expect to come in 100 years.

I promise too, to urge my friends of the Morgan Park Alumni to come in the same delightfully indefinite time.
The plan to draw the old alumni closer to the Divinity School has already worked in one case—in an opposite direction.

I would not feel thus had I not been informed that there was an abundance of room in the dormitories of the Divinity School. I regret the inconvenience, and the conditions that led to it.

Very truly,

H.M. Smith,

Morgan Park Alumni

of 80. Address,

Missouri Valley, Iowa.
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215 N. Church St.
Newark, Ohio

President Mr. R. Harper:

Dear Dr,

As an alumnus of the Old University, I am glad to hear of the action of the Trustees of the University. I believe it will create a deeper interest on the part of the Alumni of the Old, in all that pertains to the New University. It will be impossible for me to be present at the Convocation. If my presence is not necessary to receive the diploma, I will gladly accept it at once the sum necessary to meet the expenses, otherwise I shall hope to be present at some future time.

Yours very truly, R. H. Patt

June 32, 96.
My dear Dr. Harper:

A young man here is thinking about entering the University. He is a graduate of the High School. What credit do you give high school students from Grand Rapids? Or what would be his standing at the University?

I understand you are giving students from the Old University—duplicate degree, or a science from the New University. I received the A. M. from Old U. Does the new proposition mean anything for me?

Belo is at home and in good health. He has not yet found anything to do, and the busy times are it will be difficult to secure employment for him not having any practical experience. If I were settled at Evanston or Anglewood he could live at home and go on with his work at the University.

Sincerely,

O. W. Van Osdell.
My Dear Dr. Harper:

As an Alumnus of the old University of Chicago it has been peculiarly gratifying to me to be classed among the sons of the University. I think the Alumni as a body appreciate to the fullest extent the relations which exist between the present university and those who graduated from the old institution. The action of the authorities in re-enacting the degrees we obtained from the university has been the means of drawing us into such close and intimate relationship that we consider ourselves in fact the sons of the University of Chicago. It has suggested itself to me that material evidence of the re-enactment of these degrees, in the form of a diploma or suitable statement of the fact would be highly appreciated by all of us. I have consulted a number of the old Alumni with reference to this and the feeling has been universal that such an act on your part would be very acceptable. Undoubtedly the Alumni would be willing, as I am, to bear whatever expenses might be attached to the issuing of such a diploma. If such a thing can be accomplished it will, I am sure, serve to bring us into a more cordial and intimate relationship with the University of to-day, than exists now. Can not the matter be presented to the Board of Trustees? If it can be accomplished it will be very much appreciated. I am

Yours sincerely,

John Edwin Rhodes, M. D.
Class '76.
Mr. Peter Harper:

An effort to raise the prestige of the University

Colleagues of the University, board of regents, or anyone who has been

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the University. The task of the president... the University and the name of

its members to further the advance of the project.

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the University of Chicago. It can be extended to the Board of Trustees.

I am

F. N. Shambaugh
Boston, April 20, 1897

Prof. Mrs. R. Hooper

Dear Dr. Hooper,

I shall accept your very courteous invitation to the July Session, but in the Convocation Week.

The Twenty-fifth Anniversary is very promising from the Old University. Some neo-nominalism of sentiment, as well as some semi-lunatic, decline to continue our invitation, unless one of your presence.

You may rely on my presence (D.V.)

Yours very truly,

Nathan E. Wood
Yale avenue.

There is a movement under way to form a new University of Chicago Alumni association, and a meeting of graduates of the institution is to be held in the near future, when an organization will be perfected.
CHICAGO, Dec. 1907

My dear Ruggles: I clipped this from the Journal today.

Is such a move on foot. I believe something should be done for the old alumni to have representation of such a thing as done. I am rather inclined to the opinion now that as there are enough of the new Alumni to form such an association it would be best to have them have the active management of affairs, and at the same time the Alumni of the Old University should be recognized as a component part of the Institution. What do you think?

Very truly,

John Edwin Rhodes
Pres. Wm. R. Harper,
Chicago.

Dear Sir:—

I see by the University Weekly that there is a movement on foot for the organization of a new University of Chicago Alumni Association. I have also received from the President of the Collegiate Alumni Association the clipping which I enclose in this. I concur with Dr. Rhodes in the opinion that the new alumni are now enough in number to take the active management of the alumni association, and I think that the old alumni generally will concur in this opinion and that by the time the next annual meeting comes around, we would all be very willing to turn over to the new alumni the management of the Association, but how the new alumni, or any body of the new alumni can change the existing order of things and ignore either the old alumni or the organized Collegiate Alumni Association, I do not quite see. I understand that there is a feeling among certain of the new alumni to do this thing, that is, ignore the old alumni and the old association, and I imagine that that is the class of graduates that is behind this movement. I have never felt, however, that such was the general feeling of the new alumni and have certainly felt that as far as the administrative bodies of the University were concerned the old alumni were recognized as a component part of the Institution. If any movement is on foot to re-organize the Association or to form a new Association that shall have the support of the University, I believe with Dr. Rhodes that the old alumni should have representation and should be recognized in the matter of such organization as a component part of the alumni body and of the Institution, as in fact, they are.
December 17, 1924

Dear Mr. H. H. Harken,

I was glad to note the University Weekly's front page article on the question of a new University of Chicago Alumni Association. I have the highest opinion of the Board of the College Alumni Association and feel that they are all doing their best to further the interests of the University.

I am writing to express my own opinion on the matter. I think that the Alumni Association, with its large membership, can do much to promote the welfare of the University. I believe that the Alumni Association should be given more power and authority to carry out its objectives. I am convinced that the Alumni Association can make a real contribution to the University.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
If you have knowledge of any such movement, will you kindly put this into the hands of someone who will see to it that in the organization of any Association that may be formed, the old alumni shall not be ignored. I might add that Mr. Fred D. Nichols, as one of the officers of the Collegiate Alumni Association, has taken considerable interest in the matters of the Association and we have talked the matter over together at different times and he agreed to talk with you at some time with reference to the feeling of the new alumni in reference to the Association, and perhaps has done so. I do not think that he favors a new association but does favor an active interest in the old association on the part of the new alumni.

Yours truly,

Edward Buzzell

Sec.
If you have knowledge of any such movement, will you kindly put it into the hands of someone who will see to it that it gets to the attention of any Association that may be interested. The only spirit not to be ignored is that of the Alliance, and the Alliance Association and others of similar interest in the matters of the Association may have similar feelings. It is not in our power to stop with the writing of a letter to all Association, any more than it is. I do not think that I have a reason to believe that any Association has given or will give an active interest in the matter.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Handwritten notes and corrections]

Mr. Peter Van Schaack,
37 22nd. Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Father: -

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 4th inst. and take this opportunity of conveying to Professor and Mrs. Young my appreciation of the very kind interest which they have taken in the matter of my obtaining a Degree from the new University of Chicago.

In 1877 I entered the regular Classical course in the old University of Chicago, graduating in 1881; later, graduating from the Union College of Law in Chicago, 1885.

I was on the Board of Trustees of the University, I think, during the years '82, '83 and '84, under the Presidency of Dr. Galusha Anderson.

It was a physical impossibility for me to go to Chicago to receive my new Degree on account of my health.

I was compelled to leave Chicago in 1891, by reason of chronic asthma, having ever since made my home in Denver.

Since 1891, I tried to make two visits to Chicago, but both resulted disastrously, and during the few days that I was in the City was confined to my bed with a most aggravated and protracted attack
of my disease, and on both occasions was urged by my physician to leave town without further delay.

My not being present at any of the University convocations was not due to any lack of interest on my part in the matter of my Degree, but was simply because that even the Presidency of the College would not be a sufficient temptation for me to risk a repetition of my former experiences in Chicago.

I have three sons, all of whom aspire to take a Degree at the Chicago University.

Hoping that President Harper can consistently give my application for a Degree his favorable consideration, I remain,

Your affectionate Son,

Henry.
Dec. 22, 1899.

Dr. W. R. Harper,
University of Chicago,
Chicago.

Dear Dr. Harper:

In reply to your letter of the 18th inst. would say that we have called a meeting of the old graduates, who have discussed the question of the new coat of arms for the new University of Chicago. They are all of the opinion, on account of the courtesies extended by you, that the new coat of arms is preferable. If you will get
Dear Mr. Heenan,

University of Chicago
Chicago

I'm writing to you today at the request of the President of the University Group to express our concern about the recent changes in the community. We feel that this will have an impact on the university's reputation and the quality of education.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
up such a design and forward to me at the University Club, I will see that it is put in the proper place.

Very truly yours,

Henry A. Knott

Reports this morning
The main portion of these files covers President Harper's Administration and the earlier part of President Judson's, 1906-12.

This blue sheet indicates that the letter to which it is attached belongs in the period 1912-1923 of President Judson's Administration, or in President Burton's Administration, 1923-1925.
December 6, 1916.

Dear President Judson:

The name of the alumnus of whom I spoke to you yesterday is George W. Thomas. He is believed to be the oldest living graduate of the old University. Mr. Schenk of the Law School library believes that he could be interested in this new movement for medical education and might be induced to give from five to ten thousand dollars.

Yours very truly,

President Harry Pratt Judson.
December 6, 1916

Dear President Judson:

The name of the Slavonic School I spoke to you recently is George W. Thomas. He is president of the Slavonic Graduate of the old University of Wisconsin at the New School Library.

Professor Thomas is interested in the new movement for university education and might be interested to live from the new Cyanide solvation and write to you.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

President Mark Cartwright
Chicago, December 7, 1916

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Thanks for your note of the 6th inst. with regard to Mr. Thomas. I shall keep the matter in hand until the right time comes.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Mr. J. S. Dickerson
The University of Chicago
Chicago, December 8, 1946

Dear Mr. Mckeyson:

I am sorry to hear that the G.P. factor is not working as expected. I am sure that the matter will be settled in time.

Mr. L. E. Drewes
The University of Chicago
2009 Lake Park Ave.
Cleveland, Jan 25, 1917,

My dear Prof. Jones,

I have your form of the 18th.

I could not at present join in the movement as you suggested.

Yours sincerely,

E.H. Thomas.
June 12th, 1902.

Mr. S. J. Winegar,
3614 South Hamilton avenue, Chicago.

Dear Sir:

Your letter to President Harper is at hand, and I am glad to know that you are planning to come to the convocation. I do not understand the enclosure of ten dollars for the Master's degree. I inquired of Dean Mathews, of the divinity school, and he does not know of any correspondence with you. The University does not give the degree of Master except after at least one year of residence and the completion of certain requirements as to special study, thesis, etcetera. It occurs to me that you may have thought that the University works under the old plan by which the degree was conferred on graduates of a certain number of years' standing. If you have had correspondence with some administrative office in regard to taking the degree, under our rules, please excuse me for calling your attention to it, and let me know the facts. I hold the ten dollars awaiting your reply.

Very truly yours,
June 18th, 1929

[Address]

Mr. E.L. Muncie,
3572 South Hamilton Avenue, Chicago

Dear Mr. Muncie,

I am pleased to receive your letter of June 18th, 1929. I am happy to know that you are planning to come to this country.

The University of Illinois offers a variety of graduate programs in the field of mathematics and computer science. I have not heard of any correspondence with you, but I am glad to hear of the interest you are taking in mathematics and the computer science.

The University does not give the degree of Master of Science after one year of residence and the completion of all the requirements for the degree as specified in the catalog. It is true that you may have heard that the University works under the plan of three years' work for the degree, but this is not correct. The University works under the plan of one year of residence and the completion of all the requirements for the degree as specified in the catalog.

I hope you have good health and success in your studies.

With best wishes,

[Signature]
To R. Harper, Esq.,
University of Chicago,
my Dear President:

With pleasure I acknowledge the receipt of enclosed, accepted invitations.

Find within $1000 fee for parchment announcing degree A.M.

I am exceedingly anxious to begin the studies required in securing degree Ph.D.
Please put me in communication with proper officials.

Very truly, S. H. Vinoger.
3614 S. Hamilton Ave.

Answered JUN 13, 1902.

Francis W. Shepardson,
Secretary to the President.

Dear Sir,

I had been informed some years since, and I think by circular letter from the President, that the New University had voted to extend to the graduates of the Old University the Master's degree from application under the customary conditions, viz., "The continuation in literary studies for a period of three years, and the payment of half tuition fee."
Several of my classmates in University and Seminary have taken the Master's degree without the year's residence. That I know.

I refer to the classes of '79 A. of '82 Union Theological Seminary.

Of course I do not ask any special favors; primarily the usual. If you will kindly refer the matter to Dr. Hunter or Dean Hurdle, they will recall the facts, if my impressions are correct. If I am wrong advise me and return the $100.

Very truly,

[Signature]