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Virginia
May 7, 1901



May 10th, 1901.

Mr. J. W. Whitehurst,
414 Poole Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

My dear Sir:

I have just telegraphed you, on receiving your letter of May seventh. The University of Chicago has nothing whatever to do with "the University Association." The latter organization is living on the name of the University of Chicago, and we can get no redress. The whole matter is a fraudulent piece of work. The authorities of the "Association" have been notified, have acknowledged the fraud, but refuse to do anything. I am under great obligations to you for calling my attention to the matter.

Thanking you, I remain

Very truly yours,

W. R. Harper

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Rev. Dr. W. R. Harper,
Pres. Chicago University,
Dear Sir:



May 10th, 1901.

A gentleman
named Clarence Davis was in
this city last week canvassing
among the Public School Teach-
ers and others, with reference
to their taking a course of
study in literature. He rep-
resents the University Association
of Chicago, Ill. We infer
from his statements that all
who take said course of study
and who graduate therein
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the honored President.

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matter is authorized or sanctioned by you and your faculty? Will the graduates in this course of Literature receive diplomas from the University of Chicago?

I will highly appreciate an early reply, and thanking you in advance for any courtesy which you may extend me, I have the honor to remain

Your obedient servant,
J. W. Whitcomb,
Priv. Atlantic City Public School.

May 10th, 1901.

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May 9th, 1901.

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To Mr. J. W. Whitehurst,

414 Poole Street, Norfolk, Virginia.

Letter received. No connection whatever with Uni-
versity Chicago. Hold representations fraudulent.

William R. Harper

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THOS. T. ECKERT, President and General Manager.



414 Poole Street,
Norfolk, Va.

May 14th 1901.

Rev. Mr. W. R. Harper.

Pres. Chicago University.

My Dear Sir:

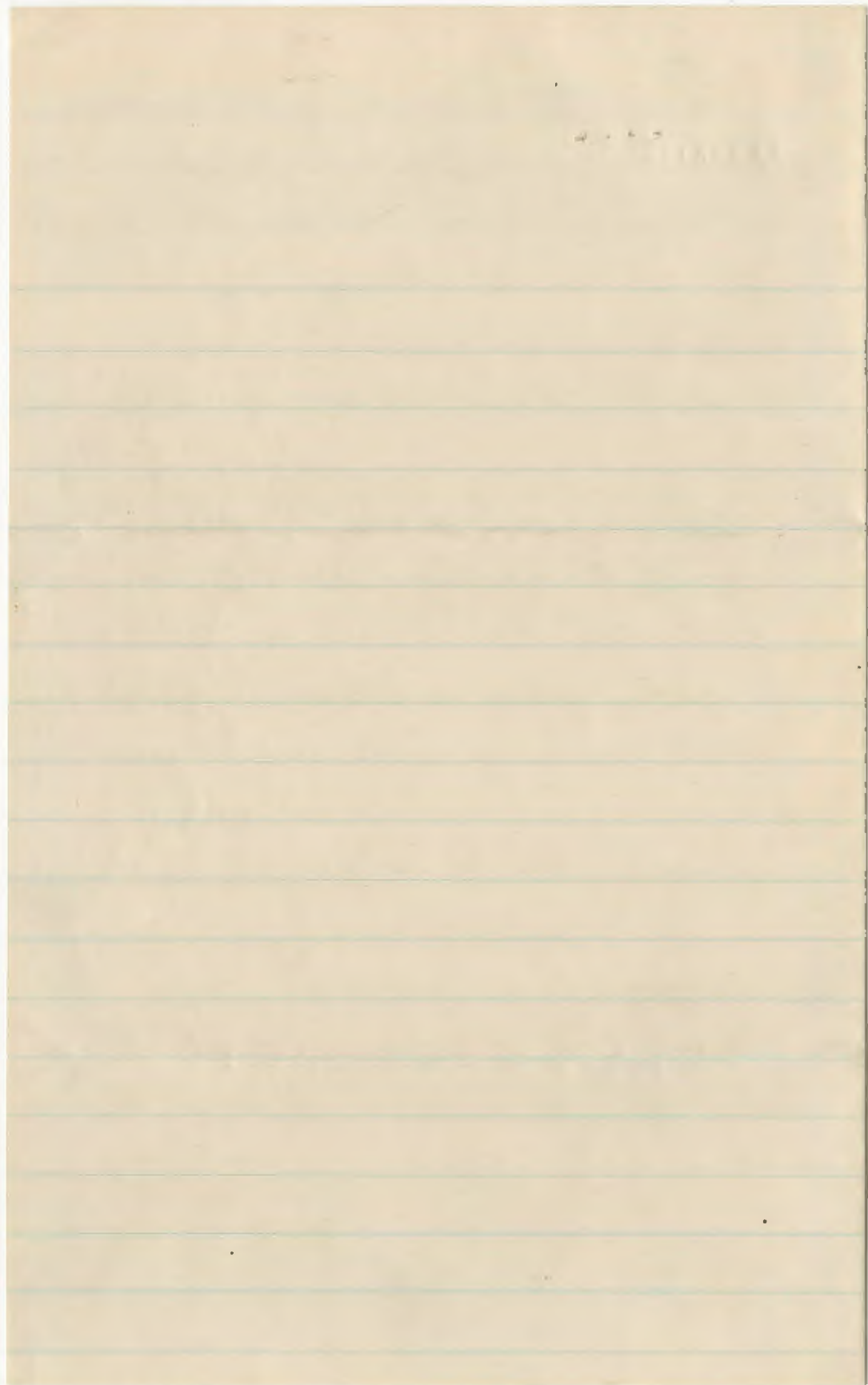
I am much obliged to you for your telegram in answer to my communication of the 7th inst, and also for your letter which came to hand on yesterday. It is very ^{to see} easy that if your Institution wishes to preserve its reputation it must be very careful with reference to its methods of doing business. Hence, I thought it best to make the inquiry. It may be well to state however, that all of the teachers did not understand Mr. Davis to say that the University

Association of Chicago, Illinois is connected with the Chicago University. But he made this impression on my mind and also on the minds of my corps of teachers who were present, when he came to our School on the 30th of April.

We supposed that his plan was an Extension Course of your Institution which would entitle us to certain privileges if we saw proper to avail ourselves of them.

Again, thanking you for your courtesy, I have the honor to remain

Your obedient Servant,
J. W. Whitcomb,
Prin. Atlantic City Public School.



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3 Upper Edward Place,
Russell Square, W.C.
London, July 2/00.

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

Dear Dr Harper,

I am sending you by this morning's mail copies of London morning and evening papers containing reports of the University Extension Congress. You will see by these papers what sort of men countenanced the proceedings and what magnitude the Congress possessed in the eyes of the public. I am really very much impressed with the position attained by University Extension in England. Besides the Chancellors of the great Universities there were also present men like Professor Stuart, Professor Jebb, Mr. Bryce, Sir John Lubbock, and Mr. Goschen, to say nothing of Sadler, Roberts, Berry Mackinder, and other representatives of the University Extension movement. And these public men were present not as lookers-on but officially and actively, taking part in and even leading discussions with the same earnestness and evident sense of the importance of the work as that with which our public and educational men enter into the work of our

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Handwritten signature

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Very respectfully,
J. B. [Name]

President, University of [Name]

Cambridge, Mass.

I am sending you the enclosed which will contain

all the papers and reports and other documents which

you will see by the enclosed.

That part of the proceedings which you will see

in the enclosed is the result of the action of

the committee upon the subject of the

University Extension in [Name].

The great object of the committee was to

bring about a more general and

effective system of extension of the

University of [Name].

The committee has been very

pleased to receive your letter of the

10th inst. and in reply to inform you

that the same has been forwarded to the

educational associations and conferences.

My purpose of writing you has been hindered heretofore by the multitude of things which you can easily imagine have crowded into every day. I have hurried through Liverpool, Chester, Cambridge, Oxford, and thus far through London, and I have tried to see the largest number possible of educational people and to do as much sight-seeing as possible at the same time. These two kinds of activity do not mingle very well and yet I feel that my being here has been worth to me much more than I can express. I am bound to say that the Congress itself rambled a good deal although it was exceedingly stimulating and suggestive, but what I value most of all is my opportunity of seeing and conferring with individuals. I have had a long and pleasant interview with Dr. Furnivall, with Sadler, Mackinder and Wallace, and also with Miss Montgomery of Exeter. Especially with Sadler and Roberts I had a long after-dinner conference. I have become well acquainted with Dr. Fitch, who has been for many years one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools. From him I have learned very much about the condition of education in England, and I can therefore understand much better the part played by

Abstracts of the Proceedings of the Conference

My purpose in writing this report is to describe the work done at the conference and to present the results of the various sessions. The conference was held at the University of California, Berkeley, from July 15 to July 25, 1964. It was organized by the American Mathematical Society and the National Science Foundation. The main topics of the conference were the theory of automata, the theory of computation, and the theory of algorithms. The sessions were held in the morning and afternoon. The morning sessions were devoted to the theory of automata and the theory of computation. The afternoon sessions were devoted to the theory of algorithms. The conference was very successful and it was a pleasure to participate in it. I hope that this report will be of some use to those who are interested in these subjects.

University Extension in this country. This morning I breakfasted by invitation with Mr. Bryce, who was very greatly interested in all that I could tell him of the University of Chicago.

Of course I can give you a more detailed report of my impression of the Congress and of all else, upon my return. One impression very strongly made upon me is, that every Extensioner should clearly understand the whole scheme of Public Education and should know distinctly how University Extension is related to other elements of the work. I am further impressed with the fact that every Extensioner must carry into his work the very same spirit as that which animates the leaders, reformers and promoters of education in its more general branches.

I need not say to you that we are wholly delighted with England and especially with London. I wish it were practicable for me to stay here through the Oxford Summer Meeting. It has, of course, been of the very greatest advantage to me to be here as a representative of the University. The homes which have been opened to us, the sights that we have seen, the men and women whom we have met, have

all been of a different character from those accessible to the ordinary tourist. We now expect to sail for New York by the "Lucania" July 14th. Mrs. Butler joins me in sending cordial regards to you and to your household,

Sincerely yours,

Kath^B Butler.

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the contract should be done at the expense of the
owner. The contractor is not to be held responsible for
any work done by him or his employees, or for any
damages to the property of the owner.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Taylor

December 13, 1910

Mr. Wilcox W. White,
Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 10th inst. was duly received. The so-called "University Research Extension" has no connection with the University of Chicago and never has had such connection. Mr. Oliver J. Thatcher was for some time connected with the Department of History of the University, but resigned several years ago, and since then has had no connection with us. To the best of my knowledge the books which he edited were edited in Chicago by him when he was a member of our faculty, but for a totally different purpose. I presume you will find that they were purchased by this concern and are being sold independently of the original purpose. Mr. Thatcher I judge has no connection with the matter now. The scholarship to which you refer is a matter about which nothing is known here. I am not informed as to whether the "University Research Extension" is doing business in this state. Mr. Thatcher's address is Wilmington, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Judson

December 15, 1920

Mr. Walter W. White,
Lowville, Iowa.

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December 10, 1961.

President of the Chicago University,
Chicago, Ills.

My dear Sir:- Some months ago there was an agent through this section of the state selling books, and represented that he was selling for a concern that goes by the name of the "University Research Extension" and the books were entitled "The Library of Original Sources". The application says: "Oliver J. Thatcher, Ph. D, University of Chicago, Editor-in-Chief". This concern, also, through its agent, represented that with each set of books sold each purchaser should receive a certificate of membership which would entitle such purchaser to a course in the University of Chicago, which course was a sort of supplemental "addition" to the said books. This course, however, was represented to be the "principal" thing procured by the contract. They succeeded in getting hold of the Methodist minister of this place, and when he refused to accept the books, and refused to pay the money on the order he was used for the contract price of the books. Now, I am writing you asking that you kindly advise me as to whether or not there ever was any connection between the University of Chicago and this "University Research Extension" concern. 150,

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DOWN TOWN

CHICAGO, ILL.

The first of the things that I noticed
 when I stepped out of the train was
 the smell of the city. It was a
 strange, pungent odor that I had
 never before. It was a mixture of
 coal, oil, and the various
 industries that were then
 in full swing. The air was
 thick and heavy, and I could
 feel it in my lungs. It was
 a reminder of the progress that
 was being made, but also of the
 cost of that progress. The
 buildings were tall and
 imposing, and they seemed to
 reach for the sky. The streets
 were wide and paved, and they
 were filled with people and
 horse-drawn carriages. It was
 a scene of a city that was
 growing and changing rapidly.
 I had heard that Chicago was
 a great city, and now I knew
 why. It was a city of
 opportunity and ambition.
 It was a city that was
 shaping the future of the
 United States.

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IOWA FALLS, IOWA,

who is this man "Oliver J. Thatcher, Ph. D., University of Chicago"? Is he a professor in your University or is he in any manner connected with the University, or is he merely a man who is a graduate of your University?

Do you know anything further about this "University Research Extension" concern? Are they still doing business in the state of Illinois, and are they permitted to do business in your state?

I shall certainly greatly appreciate any favors you can show us in this matter, by way of information given. Thanking you for answer at your early convenience, I am,

Very truly,

W. White

WILLIAM W. WHITE
LAWYER

IOWA STATE

and in this case, I believe, it is the duty of the
court to see that the law is properly applied.
I will be glad to see you at any time.
Very truly yours,
W. W. White

[Handwritten signature]