March 13th, 1914

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I want to use the card to enclose in some of our letters to alumni and others to show them that the men of the University believe in the Association. I expect to get additional statements from Dean Mathews, Dean Linn, the Captain of Football, the Head Marshal, and the President of the Senior Class, and perhaps others.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to M. H. Bickham.

President Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago.
UNIVERSITY MEN THINK OF THE UNIVERSITY Y.M.C.A.:

"In my judgment the movements which have been inaugurated by the Association and which are now gaining momentum have already accomplished more for the student body than has been done in all the previous years of the Association at the University."

- A. A. Stagg

"I am confident that never in the history of the University has the Association been such an effective and helpful force in the life of the student body."

- Dr. E. D. Burton

"The Y.M.C.A. in no respect is an organization trying to compete with the Reynolds Club. Its purpose, as I understand it, is to interest students in social service, in the church, in moral and religious work of all kinds, and it has been remarkably successful in the last two years."

- Sam Wells (President-elect Reynolds Club)
In my judgment the movement which has grown into a
movement by the Association and which the women
enthusiasts of the Association have energetically supported over
the student body from year gone to year the brain
years of the Association at the University.

A. A. O'Rea

I am convinced that never in the history of
the University has the Association been more effective
and helpful to us in the life of the student body.

Dr. E. D. Hurton

"Let the U.A.C.A. be as an expression
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founded, as its means, it is to interest and
in social service to the student, to make such
interesting work of all kinds, and if we can please
for students in the last two years.

Sam Wells (President-elect)
Renaissance Club"
March 13th, 1914.

Chicago, March 14, 1914.

My dear President Judson:

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Sincerely yours,

Mr. O. D. Miller.
The Young Men's Christian Association.
The University of Chicago.

President Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago.
In my judgment the development of the University has proceeded more rapidly than anyone could have anticipated. It is a great joy to me to see the progress made in all the new buildings. I am particularly pleased to note the fine work done by the students.

Office, May 19, 1927,

Dear Mr. Miller:

Your letter was received as the Troy, N.Y., from the President of the University. I am glad to have the opportunity of giving you a report of the activities of the University in the past year. I hope to send you a complete report in a few weeks.

Very truly yours,

H. B. C. [Signature]

The President of the University of Chicago.
My dear President Burton:

The original plan for our Association College building called for a dormitory section which would constitute the east wing of the building. This dormitory was planned to accommodate about one hundred men. For lack of sufficient money, it was not erected.

Our trustees are now considering building this dormitory within the next year or two. It is desired to operate it on a self-sustaining basis. In this connection we face the fact that so far as our own work is concerned, the dormitory would lie idle during the summer, as all of our summer work is at Lake Geneva.

I raise the question as to whether the University might be interested in arranging for the use of this dormitory during the summer quarter. While it is intended for men, it could probably, if desired, be utilized for women during the summer without great difficulty.

Two possible plans are in my mind. Under the first plan the University might take over this section of our building and operate it for the summer quarter upon an agreed business basis, we being responsible for the physical maintenance of the building and the janitor service, everything else being in charge of the University.

Under the second plan, we would operate the building, but with the understanding that we would have the active cooperation of the University, the rates to be charged, etc. being arranged in conference.

I shall appreciate any word from you in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

President Ernest D. Burton
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois
My dear Dr. Butler,

There is no doubt that a well equipped dormitory at the Y.M.C.A. College could be utilized to advantage in housing our Summer Quarter students.

It seems probable that the Y.M.C.A. College would provide for and insist upon practically the same standards as would the University. Consequently I would favor the second plan suggested by Mr. Burt as the method involving the least risk and responsibility on the part of the University.

Very truly yours,

Dr. Nathaniel Butler,
Secretary to the President.

WJM L
July 12, 1934

My dear Dr. Burt:

I have before me your letter to President Burton written under the date of June 26th. The President is disposed to think that the second plan which you have suggested would be one under which we should prefer to work. Of course inasmuch as we cannot foresee for any considerable time what our dormitory situation will be, the University of Chicago could not undertake to make any kind of a contract or promise which would be binding for an indefinite period of time. As a matter of fact, this summer shows a distinct, though not great, falling off in the number of our students. It may be that we are reaching and perhaps have passed the peak of our registration. However, if the situation for future summer sessions should resemble those of the past, we should no doubt be glad to avail ourselves of the plan which you have proposed.

Cordially yours,

Secretary to the President.

President Frank H. Burt
The Y. M. C. A. College
3315 Drexel Avenue
Chicago, Illinois
Memorandum to President Judson:

In re The Young Men's Christian Association College

I. The Instructors of the Y.M.C.A. College

1. They are all men with at least bachelor's degrees. Most of them are A.M. or B.D. or M.D. men. Their work was done at reputable institutions.


3. They are men with ideals of service.

II. The quality of the work done at the College

1. It has not been of the highest grade. In most subjects, students are not granted provisional advanced standing at the University of Chicago until each case has been referred to the departmental examiners.

2. The quality of their work has apparently been improving. At present their course covers three years (on top of a high school course). Next year they will begin a two year course for college graduates.

3. They state that they expect to expand and strengthen all their work. Their President said "he hoped to be able to rely on the University of Chicago for more and more work as time went on."

III. With reference to our connection with them, I append the report of the committee of the College of Commerce and Administration appointed by you to consider this matter.
I. The Introduction of the Y.M.C.A. College

II. A series of reports from various institutions

III. A series of reports from various institutions

IV. A series of reports from various institutions

V. A series of reports from various institutions

VI. A series of reports from various institutions
The committee on relations with the Young Men's Christian Association College reports as follows:

I. Certain relations already exist:

a) Students enter the University with advanced standing from the Y.M.C.A. College. Their claims for advanced standing are referred to departmental examiners.

b) Since 1906 there has been an arrangement by which our senior college students may take nine majors of professional work at the Y.M.C.A. College, the same to be counted toward our bachelor's degree. It is believed that no student has done this.

II. The question for the future resolves itself into two points:

a) Can we arrange to give next year at the University a three hour course on Accounting and Business Law for our own students and for some twenty to twenty-five men from the "graduate course" at the Y.M.C.A. College?

b) Is it desirable to attempt, at this time, to block out a comprehensive scheme of cooperation?

III. The main difficulties obstructing cooperation along either of these lines are as follows:

a) Their students will have difficulty in meeting the prerequisites of our courses.

b) They give 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 hour courses and have worked out a schedule on this basis.

c) Their "terms" do not coincide with our "quarters".

d) Their tuition is $35.00 per term; ours is $40.00 per quarter.

IV. The Committee recommends that

a) We make every reasonable effort to be of service to the Y.M.C.A. College, merely taking care not to jeopardize the proper working of our own organization.

b) We do not attempt at this time to block out a comprehensive scheme of cooperation.

c) We be cautious in modifying our regular work to meet their specific needs next year. Certainly the College of Commerce and Administration can take up such a proposal only provided the matters at issue can be so adjusted as to enable the regular work to be carried on without loss. Presumably University College could take on the work.
Report on Relations with Y.M.C.A. College

We attempt to work out a financial arrangement (the same to be recommended to the board of trustees) which will enable interchange of students to occur readily. Presumably this will involve billing the institutions and not the individual students.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. Marshall
Dean
Report on Reaffirm with Y.M.C.A. College

We are aware of the financial difficulties your school is facing. An emergency statement of accounts has been prepared and submitted to the Board of Directors by the Finance Committee. The accounts show a deficit of $5,000 at the end of the fiscal year. Without immediate action, the institution may be in serious financial trouble.

Sincerely,
[Signature]

Dean
February 14, 1917.

My dear Mr. President:

I am sending you the enclosed letter as a memorandum. After our conference I had sent on to him the agreement as amended by you. He asked me what action would be necessary for the Trustees and I told him that I thought the matter was wholly one of administration.

So far as I can see there is no reason why we should not handle the situation in the future as in the past.

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Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]

President Harry Pratt Judson
University of Chicago
Dean Shailer Mathews,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Mathews:

Our executive committee has approved the working agreement as you reported it back with President Judson’s amendments. I send you copy as I have re-written it changing the word "each" to "either" and inserting the word "only" in the first paragraph and inserting our tuition rate.

Our executive committee referred this to the committee on Faculty and Curriculum for any adjustment which may be necessary as to details. I know of no reason why this may not be considered as officially accepted from our standpoint.

We expect to reorganize our courses for next year on the "major" basis and to make our winter and spring terms which are now a little shorter than yours the same length as yours and on the quarter basis.

What further action from the University standpoint is necessary in order that we may be authorized in publishing this agreement as in effect?

Yours truly,

Frank H. Burt, President
J. Sidney Hotton, Business Manager

5315 Drexel Avenue, Chicago

February 6, 1917.
MEMORANDUM AS TO A WORKING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE Y.M.C.A. COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

1. Students registered in either institution may be registered in the other only upon the approval of the officers of both institutions. This registration shall be made through the administrative officers of the institution to which such students primarily belong, in accordance with such administrative procedure as may prove desirable.

2. Each institution shall pay the tuition charges for such students as it may register for courses in the other institution. It is further agreed that such charges for tuition shall be at the minimum rate per major of course; namely, in the University of Chicago - in the Colleges, $16.66 per major; in the Graduate School of Arts, Literature, and Science, and in the Graduate Divinity School, $13.33 for courses aggregating four or five hours per week - in the Association College, $13.33 for courses aggregating four or five hours per week.

3. Each institution agrees to give advanced standing for the work taken in the other in accordance with its own regulations.
President Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear President Judson:

In behalf of our Trustees and faculty, I wish to express appreciation of your own courtesy and consideration and that of other officers of the University in making possible the working agreement in the interest of our students, which I understand from Dean Matthews has been approved by you. We feel that this will more and more be of very great value to us and we hope to utilize it in increasing measure year by year.

I assume that through your own organization you will make such announcement to the deans of the different schools and to your accounting department, as will make it possible for us to take up with the deans concerned, details regarding different courses. At the present time I think our relationships will be chiefly with the Divinity School, the colleges of arts and sciences, and the college of commerce and administration, although I anticipate that this will extend to other schools in a few years. I enclose copy of agreement as it was approved by our executive committee.

Yours truly,

Frank H. Burt

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MEMO ON RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
AND THE YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION COLLEGE

November 24, 1916

1. That the College have the privilege of announcing certain courses offered by the University, sending its students to the University for such courses, or in some cases the course being offered by the University at the Association College. Courses thus announced by the College not to be duplicated in its own curriculum, and to be made available to its students through the regular tuition charges of the College.

2. That in the case of University students desiring to prepare themselves for the Association vocation, the University utilize the vocational courses offered by the College.

3. That in the case of graduate students desiring to secure both a Master's degree of the University and the professional degree of the College, the University will, under satisfactory conditions, give credit toward its degree for certain of the work offered by the College in its graduate division.

4. That an institutional tuition rate be established by the University in the interests of students of the College, making it possible for a student to take one or more courses at the standard rate of tuition.

5. That arrangements be made by which students of the College may register with their own deans for the courses specified as offered by the University for the College, satisfactory arrangements as to details to be agreed upon between the deans concerned.

6. That scholarships or other financial benefits be offered by the University to students of the College only with the approval of the officers of the College.

7. That consideration be given to plans by which properly credited high school graduates may follow a recommended course at the College and at the University by which, for five years work, the student may secure the Bachelor's Degree of the University and the professional degree of the College.

8. That the above or other agreements entered into with the University should not prevent the College from establishing similar or other relations with other educational institutions if deemed practical and desirable.
Chicago, February 16, 1917

Dear Mr. Mathews:

Thanks for your copy of the correspondence with Mr. Burt on the matter of the arrangement with the Y.M.C.A. College. So far as I can see there is no necessity for Trustee action.

Very truly yours,

H.P. J. - L.

Dean Shailer Mathews
The University of Chicago
Chicago, Ill., 12/12/16.

President Harry P. Judson,
University of Chicago,
City.

Dear President Judson:

A copy of the invitation signed by yourself and President James for the dinner conference to be given at the Union League Club on Wednesday December 13th has not been mailed at an earlier date, because of the correspondence of Doctor Barrett with you.

This call has gone out to all the members of the faculties of the West Side Professional schools. We trust that each college will be well represented, although it is difficult to forecast exactly the attendance.

Thanking you sincerely for the assistance which your co-operation affords, I am,

Very truly yours,

Carl S. Metzger
The presence of over 5,000 students in the college district of the West Side creates a call for housing facilities, social advantages and moral training which the Young Men's Christian Association is prepared to give. The Association is realizing this need and is in a receptive mood provided the colleges show an equal amount of interest.

In order to bring this matter before all the members of the faculties interested, a dinner-conference is called at the Union League Club at six o'clock on Wednesday evening, December 13th.

The undersigned representatives of the universities concerned, Mr. L. Wilbur Messer of the Young Men's Christian Association, as well as representatives of other schools will address the meeting.

This matter is one regarding which no faculty member should feel indifferent. You are earnestly invited to attend this meeting.

Please signify on the return card whether or not you will be present.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Pratt Judson
Edmund J. James

Chicago, Illinois, December 8, 1916
October 5, 1917.

My dear Dr. Judson:

Very anxious to have your first-hand reaction to these questions, in view of the grave apprehension among many thoughtful people that one of the most serious results of the war will be a heavy slump in the number and quality of the young men offering themselves for the ministry. Even in ordinary times for these past few years social service agencies, such as charities, philanthropies, child rescue and home finding societies, Y.M.C.A. work, educational work, and even foreign missionary work, much of which is social and educational, have been making heavy demands upon those who otherwise would probably have entered the regular ministry.

Now has come the war; the multiplied world-wide demands for social, humane, preventive, educational, recreational (including play-ground, boy scouts, girl scouts, campfire girls, etc.), Chaplain, Y.M.C.A. and Red Cross services, make strong appeal to vigorous, red-blooded, chivalrous, self-sacrificing, bold and adventurous spirits; true, the motives to these types of humane service are born largely of the Christian impulse, fostered by the Christian Church, primarily through the preaching of the gospel, and the Christian education of the young, through the various activities of the Church, guided by the pastor.

The conditions precipitated by our world war seem to make a more compelling appeal to the best there is in human sacrifice and service; large numbers who otherwise would go into the regular ministry of our home churches will answer these pressing calls. Is there not in this a grave danger ahead for the Christian Church in America? Must we not have preachers and pastors if we are to have a church in which to nurture these impulses which lead men into the various forms of social, charitable and philanthropic services?

Is this your impression? or do you feel otherwise? What is the duty of the Church under these circumstances? What is the duty of the Colleges founded and fostered by the Church? What can the Theological Schools do? What can the Churches do?
I am very anxious to have your first-hand mental reaction to these questions, in view of the grave problem that to many seems so imminent. I do not expect to quote you, and I realize you cannot give me a seasoned conclusion; I ask only that you give me, off hand, your first impressions, coming from whatever reflection you may have had upon the subject.

An early response is greatly desired.

Faithfully yours,

[Signature]
President.

Dr. Harry P. Judson.
October 11, 1917

Chicago, October 11, 1917

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COOLEY SQUARE ON BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON

Dear President Murlin: October 5, 1917.

Your favor of the 5th inst. is received, and calls attention to a very grave problem.

The war merely accentuates a condition of things which for years past has been prevailing, and which has impressed me as requiring very serious attention. The whole problem of the education of men for the Christian ministry is involved, and it does seem to me that it calls for very careful study and possibly radical readjustment. The conditions of modern life are so different from what they were when our schools were established that there is a real demand for social, humane, preventive, educational, and medical service agencies, such as charities, Y.M.C.A.'s, religious work, educational work, and even foreign mission schools, and a corresponding readjustment of those who otherwise would prosper in the church.

I am wondering if a commission could be devised, representing different branches of the church, which might enter into serious study of the problem.

H. P. J. -D.

President L. H. Murlin regular ministry of our town churches.

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Ottawa, October 7, 1974

Dear President Martin:

Your letter of the 6th inst. is received.

I am aware of the recent controversy concerning the appointment of Charles Whiteway to the position of General Secretary of the Canada Council, and the compromises that were made in the selection process.

I am aware that some sections of the Opposition were critical of the appointment of Mr. Whiteway, as a result of the controversy that arose.

I am certain that the appointment of Mr. Whiteway was a good one, and I hope that the controversy will not affect his work.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

[Title]
Chicago, where students are so busied with their exercises that they have not the time for many of those forms of culture which come with general reading and with leisure to enjoy various forms of art, many students are unable to take advantage of the opportunity to cultivate the religious side of their natures. For many years I was so far away from the campus that I was unable to get in touch with its activities. When I took up my residence in Snell Hall however I was able, because of my year in the men's dormitory, where I often had occasion to know of many specific cases where the personal contact of a Y. M. C. A. man, eager to assist a new student in adjusting himself to a bewildering environment, made a new man not only less lonesome but determined to pass on to the next fellow the warmth of friendship extended to him.

But not only this social function of the Y. M. C. A. in the University, which I got to know particularly, but the religious service as well, deserves emphasis. Though in a University like Snell Hall, The University of Chicago,
Chicago, where students are so busied with class exercises that they have not the time for many of those forms of culture which come with general reading, and with leisure to enjoy various forms of art, many students are unable to take advantage of the opportunity to cultivate the religious side of their natures. The Association has always afforded an opportunity for this cultivation and has gathered together a strong nucleus of earnest young men. The social phase of the work, therefore, and the religious side seem to me to be such as to commend the University of Chicago branch of the Y. M. C. A. to all interested in the University.

The men of the organization are many but have been well trained by Secretary to the President occasion to know of many specific cases where the personal contact of a Y. M. C. A. man, eager to assist a new student in adjusting himself to a bewildering environment, made a new man not only less lonesome but determined to pass on to the next fellow the warmth of friendship extended to him.

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or other means adequate to enable us to take advantage of the opportunities to cultivate the aesthetic side of their nature. The Association has ample reason to appreciate for the outlines shown by our Executive Committee of the work, interest, and the efforts made in the interests of the University of Chicago. Wherever we are to be much as to commend the University of Chicago.