

This file of letters be-
longs to J. T. Willard

If not otherwise disposed of at my death,
place them in the historical archives of
the College. I have had many of
them copied. These are checked. ✓

J. T. Willard

Nov. 7, 1942

Kansas State Agricultural College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

FRANCIS H. WHITE, A. M.,

PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.

20 Holly Ave., Cambridge, Mass
Sept. 25/97

Dear President

In reply to yours of 22nd. As I said
in my last letter I believe the circular has done us some
injury - how much I know not. To make a labored defense
of the half truths, vague statements and whole lies, contained in
the circular does not seem wise to me and I as one of
the "outs" object to any such thing going ~~into~~ over the currency
would not contribute a penny towards the purpose. If
however, in some dignified and natural way the parts of the
circular most likely to be believed and doing injury could
be answered it would seem to me desirable to do so.
Perhaps your article for the Journal of Sociology will answer

the purpose - in which went Prof. Surgeon and others could send in an order for a number of copies of the article - printed separately and distribute them whenever they would do good.

I immediately in receipt of your statement in the "Capital" ordered from that paper ~~the~~ ^{five} copies which with those you have sent me will answer my purpose.

Prof. Bemis has written me the enclosed letter. I replied in substance as follows: - The President will regret as I should, any errors that may have crept into the statement - I had no knowledge as to what was to be said except that it was to be a "plain statement of facts." if you (Prof Bemis) were alluded to as a well known contributor to the Arena then was an error - you are certainly "well known" but not as a contributor to that periodical; perhaps he meant to state, if he was alluding to you, that you were

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selected men for your writings and because you were an
reformer than because of your ability as a teacher. This was
a surprise of his, as I remember his statement, the text not
being then before me - and my own impression is that the
Industrialist made much more of a reputation as a writer
than teacher.

Kansas State Agricultural College,

Manhattan, Kansas.

FRANCIS H. WHITE, A. M.,

PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.

I have heard Pres. Fairchild speak of you a number
times both before and since the reorganization but never
in other than in a kindly spirit.

The above is very close to my statement. I suppose he
hoped I would bring this letter to your attention, but it
seems to me he would have done better and been
altogether more direct and frank if he had written his
complaint to you - this I think, is what I should have done.
It strikes me as rather a remarkable case of obtuseness
if he supposes he was selected because of his reputation.

a "teacher". There is no question in my mind that
his being turned out of Chicago amounts because of radical
interviews (so charged) and his own active reform work
was the reason for his being thought for & chosen.

All goes well with us. I have received a very nice
letter from Prof. Ephraim Aveston a member of the Committee
on Fellowships & Scholarships &c. in answer to a brief letter
mine stating a few facts in my life and applying for a scholarship.
I enclose it as a matter of interest. I have enclosed it
next time some one writes.

I find the Harvard Library pleasant to work in and have
already used it considerably - Love to all
Truly Yours
Francis

Kansas State Agricultural College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

FRANCIS H. WHITE, A. M.,
PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.

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20 Holly Ave, Cambridge, Mass.
Sept 15/97

Dear President, ✓

Just a brief note to tell you that on learning from Edwin the Outlook had endorsed the Reorganization Circular and urging me to use them I considered the matter for a few days and then wrote Dr. Chas. B. Spahr who I felt quite sure wrote the editorial. I attempted no elaborate defence but told him after reading the article I felt like one who had been clubbed by ruffians and left on the road side and then clubbed again by my friends who mistook me for the ruffians.

suggested the "Republican" objections, to the old management
was probably ^{the result of} ~~the~~ dissatisfaction with the Experiment
Station - then being persons who grew impatient at
scientific study of subjects requiring time and demanding
immediate result. I also told him of the honore you
had received from the Am. Assoc. of Agricultural
Colleges - & from the alumni &c -; what Hoffman
had said as to reasons for dismissals from College
platform & showed at length that the chief aim of
the Hoffman-Will conspiracy was to make the
College influence radical - this I showed they had
done & the older men would have stood in the
way. ~~for~~ In short I made, I think, a forcible and
earnest protest. The result you will see in Spahr's
letter to me. I do not expect him to take up the
matter again soon in the Outlook, but I hope
you will be sure to mail him your statement or send
it to me to send to him. Certainly my letter will

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make him somewhat more careful not to take everything that will or a few disgruntled Republicans assert as absolute truth.

By the way I told him frankly my opinion of Will which I said was not very high. That I did not suppose he would lie out right, but he would tell half truths, slide over opposing evidence, be satisfied with the appearance of right if it worked to his advantage. I hope this will put him somewhat on his guard. Spahr being a radical to a considerable extent, a friend of Benissore - makes him inclined to favor Will.

We hope you will carry out your plan of making an extended visiting trip. You will be warmly welcomed by all of us. In my opinion you can live no more reasonably and

respectably in any large⁴ city than in Boston or rather
a suburb of Boston - This in case you should find our
quarters too cramped for you or the children too noisy. Of course you know
we should be delighted to have you with us.

We are taking good care of our health - eating
an abundance of food though we do not purchase
the high priced meats &c - Our work is now so
organized that the washing occupies only one morning
the ironing another, baking another, sweeping another
of Annas time - This gives her most ^{each} of the afternoons
free. Anna went to church last Sunday morning while
I took care of the children.

The domestic arrangements now being quite well
arranged I am getting in some good work in my
book and in preparation for the year's work - there is
much to be done -

Halsted is now recovering nicely from his second tooth.
Affectionately Francis

Kansas State Agricultural College.

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Experiment Station.

C. C. GEORGESON, M. Sc.,
Professor of Agriculture,
Superintendent of Farm.

F. C. BURTIS, M. Sc., Assistant.
D. H. Otis, M. Sc., Assistant.

Manhattan, Kan.,

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Dear President:-

I enclose a letter from Pres. Koos, which may interest you, although you may have heard from him in response to your letter in favor of Dr. Mayo. His evidence, however, is entitled to some weight. If everybody thought as he does there would be no need of a reply to their circular. I have gotten definite promises to contribute to expense from nobody except Dr. Mayo. Popewell asked for more details, and I told him all I knew, but I have not heard from him since. Breese first said he would bear his share, and some days

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Later he virtually backed out. I have not heard from Prof. White.

Prof. Lantz has been away so I have not had a discussion with him about it.

The expense may be too heavy if it is to be divided between four or five of us. But I am nevertheless in favor of publishing it in some paper, and buying extra copies enough to send, duly marked, to all agricultural college and experiment station officials.

Did you see the Star's eulogy of the Leedy administration? The paragraph which fully and freely stated that the changes here were for political purposes and to conform to the governor's idea, is valuable for our defence.

The new superintendent of sewing has

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left. She resigned Saturday and took
the 5 o'clock train home Sunday morning.
She stated at her boarding place that
her reason for resigning was that she
would not be bossed by Mrs. Campbell.
Mrs. C. explained to her class yesterday
that she resigned because of ill health!!
So the fun is beginning in fine shape.
Nobody likes Mrs. C. Some of the girls
are on the point of rebellion I am told. We have
a student girl. She says They have learned
nothing so far in her dept. except to make
coffee and lemon pie. They usually
wait nearly the whole hour for the teacher
and when she comes she excuses them.
The whole thing is a farce. A student
boarding at Paine's gave his opinion

of Bemis's lectures at Table, in the
presence of two members of the faculty,
to the effect that they were "regular
anarchist speeches" and that he did
not care to hear such stuff.

Mrs. Campbell gives a lecture on hygiene
to the whole body of students every Wednesday
morning. Dr. Ross attended one of them.
I asked him what he thought of it. He
replied, "She is a pleasant enough
speaker, but she didn't say much."

Mrs. Kedzie would have made two
points to her one. But enough.

I have nothing, whatever, that I feel
sure of, in view as yet. This much
vacation begins to fall on me.

Mrs. G. sends love to Mrs. Fairchild and
Mr. Hirschner. She tells me to say that she
has not been as well any fall while she lived in
the old stone house on the hill, as she is this fall.

Sincerely yours C. C. Greenwood.

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Amherst, Mass., September 24th, 1897.

President Geo. T. Fairchild,

Kansas City,

Missouri.

Dear President Fairchild,

Accept my thanks for your letter of the 21st, contain-
ing your nomination of committee on indexing agricultural literature. I
will at once notify them and instruct them in regard to their duties.

I know of no better man in whose shoes you could stand than Harry
Hopkins of Kansas, and, in fact, I know of no better man - if I may be per-
mitted to say so - to stand in those shoes.

I hope you may be able to give me a call, as you suggest in your let-
ter.

I am

Yours very truly,

H H Goodell

Dictated.

31 Eddy St. Ithaca N.Y. Sept. 24 - 1897 -
 Post. G. F. Fauchel

209 Elmwood Ave. Kansas City, Mo.

Dear President Fauchel:

Your very kind letter with enclosure from the Capital came yesterday I was very glad indeed to get the extra copy of your excellent "vindication". I believe it will set these reasonable people of Kansas to thinking and show some of them the evil way into which they have fallen. Post. Roofs wrote me he did not know just when the decision regarding the extermination would be reached but he hoped soon.

Dr. Sedgwick wrote that he hoped the "Roofs" would come down without shooting and if I didn't get the place it wouldn't be his fault.

Prof. Sage informed me today that I had been selected by the Biological Professors as a candidate to be presented to the Faculty for a fellowship in the University this pays \$300⁰⁰ per year and I have been informed that a nomination is equivalent to an election. Of course

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this fellowship depends on my staying here - I am
~~now~~ in a quandary whether I ought to accept the
 Storer place should it be ten days or more.

I am just getting started in my work here
 and am ~~so~~ ^{very} pleased at the prospects for my
 work and with the men under whom I shall work

Mrs. Mayo and children are still in Mich. where
 they will remain until my future is decided
 All love and

We have had a great deal of rain here but
 no hard frosts yet.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Fancher and yourself
 I am

Yours sincerely

N. D. Mayo
 31 Eddy St.
 Ithaca N.Y.

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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE.

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Dictation No. 94.

October 13, 1897.

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Pres. Geo. T. Fairchild,
809 Elmwood Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear President Fairchild:

I have your letter of October 12 with enclosure, and, as soon as President Will, who was elected your successor, files his bond, will turn the amount over to him, together with the bank book. We have arranged to spend the money very soon and the fund will then entirely disappear.

You can hardly understand the sense of loneliness which affected me during the last meeting of the State Board of Education. Various causes promoted this. In all of our contentions, I have found you a most wise and unprejudiced counsellor. While occasionally we differ on some points, I have ever felt the honesty of your heart and the force of your argument. Our ideals have been so nearly alike and our conception of the responsibilities of our position have been so high, that you have more nearly seemed a kindred spirit than any other man I have met in the Sunflower state. The present members of the Board are genial enough and considerate enough, but I could wish them possessed of larger hearts and broader views of education. Of course, it may be true that I am narrower myself than I think; at any rate, I am praying for grace to do my part more zealously than heretofore.

Your letter tells me that you do not expect to return to Kansas. That is the last stroke which completes the tragedy. I

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do not look upon it as an ordinary affair, for it means so much to Kansas, and to me personally. It is probable that the change at Manhattan has opened the eyes of the people of all parties in such a way that a similar attempt will not be repeated in the next decade, but that does not, in any way, solace me in my bereavement. I read your manly and dignified statement with much interest and am assured that it has helped to clarify the popular notion of the situation at Manhattan.

A thousand thanks to you, my friend, for your many kindnesses to me and for the benefit which association with you has constantly been to me. I regret that we have not been able to be together more and enjoy each others friendship more fully.

I had hoped that you and Mrs. Fairchild might visit us before leaving the state. Is it yet too late? Could you not arrange your date of leaving Kansas City so as to give us at least a short visit? You have many friends here who would give you a cordial welcome.

You do not tell me where you are going nor what you plan to do. I trust that after a reasonable rest, you may take up some work which will enable you to extend your field of usefulness and be of even greater service to the youth of our land.

Mrs. Taylor joins me in love to you both and also in this urgent request that you run down for a short visit with us.

Sincerely yours,

A. R. Taylor



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Ottawa, Kansas, 12/23/1897
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President Geo. T. Fairchild
139 S. Pine Ave. Albany N.Y.

Dear Friend:-

While I know you are too far away from us to be with us in person, at our N.S.A.C. Reunion, this year, will you think of us at that hour & that our number may know that you remember us, will you kindly send me a letter of greeting that I may read at our reunion? The time of reunion will be Thursday night Dec. 30th at National Hotel parlors. Kindly direct the letter to me at Topelka-Hall Hotel.

Enclosed please find the badge for our social reunion. I planned it to be an historical souvenir - date of founding &c

names of its four presidents, which I feel should
be there as the last name is simply a populish C
circle on left of unit figure. However I trust that
he is simply on ~~prob~~ probation & that the period
will be suddenly & quickly cut off by the candidate
refused full membership.

It is useless to disguise the fact, ~~all~~ our old
Alumni look to you as our college father
& from you we want a word of greeting.
Kindly send it, so I can get it by the 30th
at Lopska.

In the name of our Reunion Association I send
you its best wishes & hopes for a
bright new year.

Faithfully your former pupil,
W. F. Olm of '89.
Pres. Reunion Association

WILLIAM R. HARPER
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Sep. 23. '97.

Dr Geo. J. Fairchild:

Dear Sir:

I have read your article with deep interest. As soon
as the other members of the staff have read it I
will write you again, and this will be done at the earliest
possible date.

Yours cordially,

C. R. Henderson.

Onondaga, Michigan 9/17/1897

President G. L. Sanchez

809 Elmwood Ave. Kansas City

Dear President:

President. Rooms of the
Storrs Agricultural College
Conn. In reply to my
letter inquiring about
the salary & duties of the
superintendent's position there
has written me asking
me to put before some
credentials before the
Board at my earliest
convenience.

If you can write a letter
for me to President Rooms

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I shall be greatly obliged
to you & in consequence to
bother you so much
writing letters -

I start tomorrow morning
for Schoa New York and
my address will be
Care R. P. Carpenter, 31. Eddy
St. Schoa N.Y.

Many thanks for Capital
I added a fervent, Amen!
to it.

We are all well, Louisa
is doing finely. Kindest
regards to Mrs. & Archid
Yours sincerely
M. May

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Manhattan, Kansas, Sept. 20, 1897.

Rev. George J. Fairchild, L.L.D.
Kansas City Mo.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned pastors, and ministers of the Gospel in Manhattan Kansas where you were for seventeen years president of the State Agricultural College take pleasure in assuring ^{you} of the high esteem in which we hold you.

We have ever found you an upright man, considerate of others' convictions, while possessing the courage of your own.

The breadth and thoroughness of your scholarship rank you among educational leaders.

Your ability as a preacher of the Gospel and your catholicity of spirit have always made you welcome in our pulpits.

Your work as president of the college has been the main force that has put the institution in the front rank of schools of its kind in the world.

Your administration has been characterized by the wisdom that holds fast that which has been tried and

proven good, while it sets its face to the future and presses forward to apprehend all that is new and true.

Your ability as a leader is shown in the ability of the associates who have stood by you with well-nigh unanimous and affectionate loyalty, and by the character of the men and women who have graduated from the College.

We regret your removal from us. We shall long miss your strong genial presence. We shall ever hold you in loving fraternal regard. Your place in the history of education is secure.

We tender you our heart-felt, Christian greeting and affection.

Yours in sincerity,

Edward Gill Pastor Methodist Episcopal Church

R. J. Phipps, Pastor Presb. Church.

R. M. Jinnell, Pastor Congl Church.

E. S. Riley " Baptist Church

W. S. Lowe, Pastor Christian Church.

J. T. Copley " Synagogue

Manhattan Kas

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Mr. G. T. Fairchild-

Dear Sir & Bro-

As secretary
of the Ministerial Union of
Manhattan I send you a copy
of Resolutions which were
unanimously passed at the
meeting of the Union yes-
terday morning.

Please accept them as an
expression in a private way
of the high esteem in
which we hold you.

Sincerely-

W. S. Lower

219 York Street New Haven Ct

Sept. 13, 1877

President Geo. T. Fairchild

Manhattan, Kansas

My dear President, -

Mrs. Clarke and I want to be of the number of those Alumni who remember you most gratefully at this time of trial and disquietude. I have just finished reading your open letter in the columns of the Topeka Capital and feel with more appreciation than ever before the quiet dignity and Christian gentlemanliness with which you have demeaned yourself amid misrepresentation and ~~the~~ implications more hard to bear, no doubt, than open falsehood. The tone of the two explanations - yours and ^{of the} ~~that~~ President Steed - is enough to enable any large man to know that on one side there is a man, balanced and erect, strong in himself which ^{strength} a faith in another than self guarantees; and that on the other side there is a man of small caliber - not further to be characterized

That reserve of strength which the consciousness of being right gives I always delight to see.

How much of perplexity this affair involves as you look toward future plans I shall not venture to speculate, - I only hope that such a plan will open to you as will enable you to feel both at home and in a position where all of your energy and usefulness may be needed.

I need not say that you stand abundantly vindicated. I know that in your own thought you are far beyond the point of wanting vindication. It is the thwarted desire to do for a beloved child of your nurturing that must now inflict the pain - and in it all, whatever your disappointment, pain, sense of dethronement, or sense of inner triumph which despises to be comforted - what ever your emotion, believe me, you have our kindest sympathy and remembrance.

I saw in the Manhattan papers, occasionally

sent to me, an account of David's return and that somehow warmed my heart anew for the old place which has now lost so much of its attraction to me. The President, David, and Mr. Funnell - these are the ones with whom I associate my tender memories of Waukegan - take them away and I am afraid that I live in New Haven.

I hope - to say a word of myself - to get the Ph.D. next year and then my one aim will be the ministry. I shall probably spend two years in the Seminary so that my active work is some yet some three years off and I am getting impatient at the delay. I teach next year as I did the past year 6 hours weekly - ^{Elementary} trigonometry to Sophomores. This with some private tutoring enables us to live although it of course hinders my best work in the Graduate Dept somewhat.

W² - Mrs Clarke, Helen, and I - Keep well
and trust that our long sojourn here at the
University may be fruitful of growth rather
than of mental groove making. I sometimes
wonder if I shall outtake the self I perhaps
would have been had I gone directly to work, or
if I perhaps have outgrown that possible self.
However both heretofore and now we have tried to
move as guided by that Hand so plainly directive
of your own course and in whose guidance you
so ardently believe.

With kindest remembrances, I repeat

I am sincerely yours

Clement G. Clarke



CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT

R. C. KEDZIE, M. A., M. D., PROFESSOR.
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What
your plans?
Could do us,

Michigan AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

THORN SMITH, B. S.,
ASSISTANT EXPERIMENT STATION.

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Agricultural College, P. O. Sept. 18th 1897

Dear Brother George

Your copy of Topeka Capital in which you make such a Capital reply to the Board (Slab?) of Agriculture was received & read with great interest & satisfaction. There will be no reply to it by the Board tho they make work at it tho the Industrialist. I showed the article to Prof. Edwards who spoke in flattering terms of the effective answer & expose you made. We all feel a deep interest in the action in Kansas & whenever I get fresh news, it is eagerly sought by the faculty. I fear the Pops have wrecked the R. A. or injured it for all time, I do not see how it can be put back into the old place of Confidence & Esteem.

Betty Cornell has gone to Roria, where she finds a hearty welcome. She will build up a strong department there, but she will miss certain elements of strength & comfort she found in Manhattan. I need not name them to you.

Our College year has opened with such an influx of Steedents as was never seen before. Our new Steedents (mainly freshmen) will reach 200.

our bona fide enrollment for this term will exceed 350. Every room is full, & all the rooms we can get near the College. Many have to go to Lansing for accommodation. The M. A. C. Record has raised our record.

Dr Mayo has gone to Cornell, but has applied for place as Prof. Vet. in Storrs School in Conn. & I am helping as far as I can. His father, Perry Mayo, was in too bad odor in this State for Fred to get a place here. "Visiting the sins of the fathers on the children" is scripturally true in Mich. especially for Pops.

Pearl remains here for her Senior year, & will graduate in Woman's College next June. It is very pleasant for us to have her here. After she has graduated, she will spend a year in some Eastern School.

Word from Oberlin informs us that Prof. Janine is recovering from typhoid, & Lucy is getting over the effects of her fall.

Dear people are in usual health save that Ella is worn & weary, & without the aid in the kitchen that mother's life's pathway. My health is very good for "74 years," & two lectures a day! I used to think that 60 was very old! How our perspective changes with change of position. But young or old we all send love to you & Lotty, to Agnes & her family circle.

Yours faithfully
R. B. Redzie

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

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Department of Botany.

W. H. Kottlerman, Ph. D., Professor

J. H. Schaffner, M. S., Assistant

Columbus, O., Sept 17 1881
22Mrs. Fairchild
to be confirmed

Please accept thanks for the very interesting & open letter which you kindly sent me. I have read it with the closest attention & greatest care. I am glad you have published it. It is the course your friends will approve though the enemy may writ & squall its teeth! I tried to read it as a disinterested party - & my conclusion was that enough but not too much was said, & all said in the right way. I will show this copy to Mrs. Confield - if you have not sent him one - & to others here who were especially interested in the affair. I want to send a copy to Prof. Ames, an acquaintance & classmate of Mrs. Willis, who was here last year (now in Pennsylvania). In fact, if you have 2 or 3 copies spare I would make use of them.

I was glad & much relieved when you laid bare the reported tuberculous case - I was intending to write & return me at Manhattan & find out the facts. I receive the Industrialist as usual - & I heard

What uses that sheet is now put.

I may say now, that I am extremely disappointed that you were not placed at the head of Oberlin College. I did all I could working to that end, but it seems that the authorities had fixed their mind on some one more actively engaged in the church organization as such. I was sure your election there would be a great gain both to Oberlin & to Ohio - & urged the same in the August letter I could write. But perhaps all things are for the best as they come about - in the long run!

I am thanking you for your letter, & for remembering me with a copy I remain

Yours respectfully

W. H. Kellogg

Kansas State Agricultural College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

FRANCIS H. WHITE, A. M.,
PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.

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201 Hall Ave. Cambridge, Mass.
Sept 16/97

Dear President,

I have had your statement printed in the Topeka Capital of Sept 10 and thank you both for the service you have done to the "Cause" by the clear, convincing presentation of facts and also for your thoughtfulness in sending us a copy. On its receipt Anna and I sat down and I read every word of it to her. As usual you struck the nail squarely on the head. In order to throw them again on the defensive where they properly belong

was absolutely necessary" to show the animus of the charge
conclusively - once this gets thought into the public con-
sciousness, the conspirators' charges lose a great
deal of force. We must not deceive ourselves, however,
on the supposition that that reorganization circular
has done their cause no good. I am convinced
after talking with Prof. Small who I set almost right again
I think after a quarter of an hour's talk, also ~~and~~ ⁱⁿ
friends in office who had seen the quotations from
circular in Public Opinion, also from Spahr's article
in Outlook and talks with others in Manhattan that
the circular has really done us all harm - how
much I do not know - but some I am sure. Probably
you are right, however, in assuming that it needs or rather
should receive an answer. Still if the right occasion
comes to show the ability, fitness or of the various
discharged members of the Faculty without perhaps appearing
to be making a labored defense of them I think it would
be well to do so..... I immediately cut out your statement

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PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE.

and enclosed it in a brief letter to Spahr, telling him I wished him to read it, expressing regret he could not know you and see how impossible it would have been for a man of your ability and conscientiousness to let the college get in such a state as the circular charged. I also expressed my sincere regret and dissatisfaction that when you had brought the college up to a position from which you were getting ready for further advances your work should be cut short.

Please send the Spahr letter to Edwin when next you write him, rather please send at once. He is very much concerned about the Outlook matter and I think has written some of the editors.

To him

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May I say a word as to our hopes and desires for you? Do not take what I have to say as ~~the~~ "advice" for I do not consider myself capable of advising you and, frankly, as I grow older, I feel myself less and less inclined to "advise" anyone. There are so many factors in the problem no one but the person advised can know and perhaps he too is ignorant of much that he ought to know in order to make a wise decision. All I aim to do is to say what ^{in my opinion} I think I should like to see you follow.

In the first place it gives me actual pain to think of your active educational work coming to an end when I know there are at the very least ten years of fine service for humanity within you were the right opportunity at hand. Frankly, though, I fear unless it can be shown strongly that you are fully "up with the times", in touch with the most modern conditions, pushing right on - there are few Boards of Regents or Trustees

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but would pass you by ^{younger} ~~for~~ inferior men who were ^{you} ~~you~~.
 May I not urge you to do (what perhaps you have
 already planned to do) make this year one of special
 study of College and especially technical education. Visit
 institutions at home and perhaps abroad and write a
 series of articles for the Educational Review - whose editor
 you already know - setting forth your criticisms and
 suggestions? Later this series might be moulded into
 book form - Opportunities for occasional supply preaching
 would no doubt come to you in various places, yet ^{this} ~~the~~
 church work should be secondary - your chief work this
 year I hope to see an extensive and intensive study of
 existing College conditions. During the last ten years ^{there}
 have been a number of educational experiments tried
 surely these will yield food for thought and suggestion.

I do not think it necessary to enlarge upon this idea but mean to have you understand I feel the desirability of carrying it out strongly. Let it be understood and announced, as it might be done easily and in a dignified way in the Capital & the City Journal Nationalist or - that President Fairchild will devote the next year to a careful study of educational institutions at home and abroad. I do not suppose there would be any money in such work but it would be a good thing for education and perhaps might work out to your advantage. Meanwhile shorter articles might appear in the Western School Journal and other minor educational publications. I wish, too, you might place an article on Agricultural & Technical or scientific education in the Popular Science Monthly. It seems to me much could be said for such a year of work and as I have yet to see you fail in anything you undertook to do I am sure it would work out all right if ever you bent yourself to the task.

Affectionately
Francis.

J. B. Anderson, President.
Geo. S. Murphy, Cashier.

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C. F. Little, Vice Pres.
M. J. Franklin, Asst. Cash.

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Manhattan, Kans. Sept 11th 1897

Hon Geo S Farnchuid
Kansas City Mo
Dear Sir

Yours of 10 received - and I hand
you herewith deposit tickets
for the envelope also your
two months checks from College
Your Insurance premium was
paid the 9th and receipt mailed
you at the address given
New York Life Building

I read your article
in yesterdays Capital with great
satisfaction it seems to me
they will have to try - then hand
again - their insubstantial scheme has
fallen flat
Thos S Murphy

4/29, 97

My dear President

When I wrote to
the Outlook Co to change the
address of my magazine, I was
tempted to write the letter
I enclose to you.

I send it to you because
as you know, I am apt to
talk too much, and you have
done so splendidly in that
article in the Capital (which
just came to me today) that
I am not at all sure it
is wise to send this.

Will you please read
it, and then mark either
the letter or the card, just
which you think is best,
I shall make a
letter soon - in return for the
good letter Auntie sent me -

Always your affectionate niece
Fannie J. Kedge

Kansas State Agricultural College.

Experiment Station.

C. C. GEORGESON, M. Sc.,
Professor of Agriculture,
Superintendent of Farm.

F. C. BURTIS, M. Sc., Assistant.
D. H. Otis, M. Sc., Assistant.

Sept.

Manhattan, Kan.,

Sept. 11

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Dear Prsdt. Fairchild:

Thanks for your photo 'duly received. Thanks
also for your statement in the Capital. It is very good but it is scarcely
enough. Rev. Mr. Tunnel met me this morning on the street and he asked
me to tell you that it was his firm conviction ^{etc} that we ought to issue
a circular to meet theirs. that we had no idea of the injury they
had done us all over the country especially in the East; they had sent
their 20,000 circulars to every person and to every institution in
the country with whom we might have influence for the avowed purpose
of injuring us and a good many good people believed them. He cited the case
of the OUTLOOK which he stated this week published a libel on all of us
to the effect that none of us were fit to teach in a college.
and he reasoned that if the O. took that view we could not afford to
remain passive. He said further that people here would see that it
did not cost us more than the work of composing it. I do not know what
authority he has for this statement.

If you agree in such a plan I will come down to Kansas City and
talk it over with you. Kindly let me know what you think of it.
They have paid for both July and August.

Mrs. G. sends regards to Mrs. Fairchild.

sincerely yours

C. C. Georgeson

Manhattan, Kansas, Sept. 24, 1897

I will act on the suggestion
in your letter, at once.

We are pretty well + pretty
busy.

Mrs J. joins me in
kind remembrance ~~you~~
yourself + all yours.

R. M. J. Tunnell.

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Rev. Geo. J. Fairchild
809 Elmwood Avenue
Kansas City, Mo.

Manhattan, Sept. 11-197 . 143

Dear Friend:-

I have just seen Prof. Fayler
and informed him of what I have
just written you. He concurs fully
in the idea set forth by Rev. Tammell.
He thinks that something must
be done, and at once.

yours O. C. George

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President Geo. F. Fairchild
809 Elmwood Avenue
Kansas City Mo.

Newark N.J. Sept 10/97
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My dear President:-

I desire to express my personal pleasure at the splendid manner in which you have shattered the beautiful structure of mendacity so laboriously constructed by the "Wreck Heap", the "Artful Dodger" and the other shifty characters of whom Dickens shed blood for the prototypes. Your statement is unanswerable; unassailable, and it has called forth the unqualified commendation of all your friends here. I am glad you determined to break silence, in justice to yourself and to the people of this State who are entitled to know the facts. Of course like Sentimental Tommy, Mr. Will

doubtless will endeavor to "find a way", but to fairly and squarely meet your statements he cannot.

It is wholly astonishing to me that a person so wholly lacking in all that goes to make up a man or a gentleman has been able to succeed in the least in the educational world.

Whether ~~longer~~ the fortuitous combination such as existed here, obtains but rarely for his ilk. I have attended Chapel a couple of times recently and have been positively amazed at the brazen impudence of the man. He actually prays. He does not sit in the center of a faculty circle, but off at the side, ^{out of sight} if I have been in his place, having stolen the livings of the resolution, I should at least have the nerve to wear it before my audience.

Students are being admitted here on wholly
 insufficient showing I am told. I am
 informed that persons who have failed to
 attend the County grammar school
 certificates are yet admitted, goodness
 knows how. In point of fact, the self-
 evident intention is to pack the roll of
 the Matriculates at all hazards.

The inconceivable idiocy of the
 Intercourse scare which the ignorant
 Regent Manager raised, seems to have
 passed but slowly on Populist in-
 telligence. Only when it appeared
 that the town was being given the
 name of a plague-spot and that
 students might be deterred from
 coming here, did the availability of
 this little game of politics seem
 questionable to these stupid blunderers.

Mr Will has given me the

"advanced" German class which
 meets three times a week. He himself
 in the guise of Carlyle's Professor - of
 things - in-general takes the beginners.
 It is to be trusted that by the efforts
 of both of us, Populist youth will
 be enabled in the future to study
 the phenomena of distribution on the
 per capita plan ^{based on} at the inspired ratio
 of 16-to-1 from the original German
 Economic writers. Next year, however
 I trust I may be in an institution
 whose execution is fairly honest as
 men go, and in which the ass-
 istant in Botany shall not be a
 person non compos mentis on most
 points in which rational men concern.
 With kindest regards to Mrs Fairchild
 and Mr & Mrs ^{Kingman & Knapp}
 Very sincerely yours
 Herbert Spencer

LINCOLN, KANSAS.

Apr. 12th 1847

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Pres. Geo. J. Fanchild
Minhatten Kans.

Dear Sir: I was sorry
I could not have a long talk with
you before leaving, but my
business was in such shape & felt-
I must come home. I can not
express the contempt I have for each
member of the majority. I shall have
something to say for the public before
long & should like to talk with you first.

LINCOLN, KANSAS.

Will you kindly look over the accounts
books & let me know just what
the balance is in the genl fund
& the overdraft in the station fund.
I would to know whether I can
meet you next time.

Respectfully,

C. B. Daughters

Manhattan Kansas.

Oct. 11 1897
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Mr. Geo L. Fairchild,

Dear Friend - I write to tell you that I go to Ruston La. Start tomorrow afternoon. I am to teach Domestic Science at a salary of \$1000 per year in the State Industrial School. I know almost nothing about the school but Mrs Redger recommends me and I knew she wanted me to go. All the correspondence was by telegraph and that cannot be very full. I am very thankful to her for her kindness to me. And hope I may be able to impart to others much of the good learned from you and she. And be a credit to you. I hear yourself and Mrs Fairchild start on a trip Wednesday. Hope you may have a pleasant

time. Remember me to Mrs Fairchild.

Yours Loyally

Loy F. Harner.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT
BURLINGTON

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FRANK A. WAUGH
PROFESSOR OF HORTICULTURE

My dear friend: We thank
you very much for remember-
ing us with the print from
the Capital which we had not
otherwise seen— It seems to me
to be the best of your writing
that I have seen; but you
had a very cogent inspiration
such as, let us hope, you may
never have again—

Everything goes on here
slowly and surely as
usual. We are becoming
steadily better satisfied with

our fortunes, and I hope it is not by the relinquishment of ambitions or ideals. It is not because ambitions or ideals are being rapidly realized, either. Perhaps it is because our plans are settling, clarifying, simplifying, that we are better content to work a little less feverishly and wait a little more coolly.

I am very much hoping now-a-days that Fred Sears will be our neighbor in Nova Scotia.

Very truly yours,

F. A. Waugh

27th September, 1897.

Dr. Geo. J. Fairchild,
Kansas City.

Scandia, Kansas, ¹³⁸
Aug 6-1897

Mrs. Geo. T. Fairchild,
Mahattan, Kansas,

Dear Friend;

My application for a State Certificate
and certified to by you, is recd. Allow me to thank
you for your kindness.

Kindly consider me one of the thousands
of old College students who hold you in the
greatest esteem. To us, the College seems not
the College without Mrs. Fairchild. If

there was any ground for criticism —
 such criticism — a great many closely
 associated with the college, were ^{totally} ignorant
 of it, until last Spring.

Again, accept my kindest regards,

Yours very truly,
 J. D. Phelps.

P. S.

We all hope you will be offered
 a situation in harmony with your worth. Mr.
 Buckley asked me yesterday, about it.

J. D.

Manhattan July 11th 1897-

Dear President,

We send by Prof. Mason a circular just received brought to us this Sunday morning by Thompson - Thinking you might wish to have it for thought on your way back we forward it to you -

It seems to me full of half truths and whole lies and I hope a brief circular in reply will be issued ^{and} sent out widely - I amused myself for a few moments in jotting down some comments on their charges - Of course I have not touched all the points that could be made in reply, but you may like to know what passes in the mind of ~~one~~ fairly familiar with the College in reaching it rapidly and without time for full thought.

All are well enjoying the cool weather

Truly Yours,
Francis

Thompson said very emphatically that Will wrote the circular. No doubt however, Hoffman had much to do with it.

The circular is manifestly unfair and untruthful and ~~has no one~~ ^{no one} capable of writing such a thing could treat economics in an impartial and scientific way. ^{the product of}
Even populist graduates will not enjoy this tirade against the institution from which

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Comments suggested by the "Statement of the Board"

1. The first sentence is a curious reflection on certain strong members of previous democratic, republican or populist boards & at the same time a tribute to President's Fairchild's ability, power to influence men and ideas as to management of institutions, etc.

The second sentence ^{contains} no doubt a partial truth, but taken as a whole is a falsehood.

2. "The tendency in the ~~past~~ to swamp the Faculty with half-educated men has been so marked as to excite comment."

An examination of the list especially of those discharged will reveal the falsity of this charge. "Special preparatum" is obtained not merely in Universities but by experience - especially true of the industries & special sciences bearing directly on industries, e.g. Georges's experience & positions held & honors conferred by Association of Ag. Colleges - estimation of him by Dept. of Agriculture's work - &c. - Mayo had done post graduate work & received professional degree - Fairley's long experience - White's training at Princeton & honor at graduation - Massey's work and estimate of same by Dept. of Ag. &c. - no degrees from College - Hoffman's public statement as to efficiency of professors - "difference in fundamental principles" &c. - Quite a number of ~~large number~~ inefficient men retained if College was "swamped" with such.

3. "Inefficiency of the Agricultural ~~and~~ compared with the other departments of the College is notorious, both at the College and throughout the State." ... "every attempt to strengthen resisted".

An absolute falsehood as far as strengthening the department is concerned. Easy to know growth in a number of directions and new opportunities given. As far as the professor is concerned it is a curious time to charge inefficiency - now holding the chairmanship of a his section in the "Assen." & a commission by Dept of Ag. Charge in last year.

Charge in last sentence vague and lacks proof & easily refuted - without
students taking postgrad work in Hort Dept.
4. If this refers to Printing Office ^{separately} - the work turned out by that Dept & the number
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5- Probably refers to Veterinary Dept. & neglect the fact that State duties have been added to its work & that experiment station work are an important part of duties. Cannot be shown that Vet. Dept. could have taken work of other depts. to advantage.

6- "Conduct of Ex. Station has in cases been scandalous". Capital's article based in part at least on misinformation. In it was no charge of inefficiency - a quotation from that article as to the general efficiency of College work would be desirable -

If Popewell has some experimental work in progress as I suppose he has it would be desirable to state its nature and read them people & others a little lecture on expecting immediate & startling results from ~~some~~ ^{really} scientific investigations.

7. Admitted in large part as to first paragraph -
Accuracy of second paragraph & inspiration apparently to Hoffmann's could be commended on nearly -

3rd paragraph a pop. speech and needs only to be quoted in part at least to show a fundamental reason for reorganization that fair minded men would refuse to accept. "Overwhelming majority of Faculty" is quite true, but reflects somewhat upon the value of the suggestion - especially as many of those who rejected proposed changes have been retained.

As to the political aspects - ^{retiring} The President, a strong Republican" the Pres. elect. - an independent - comparison of political records & work would show the ^{retiring} miserable falsehood here -

"Of the 14 members of the old Faculty to whom positions were offered, 12 were understood to be Republicans" If true, proves nothing. Necessary to retain some old professors that work might go forward. Probably few or no Populists or Silver Democrats were found competent to fill places. These retained as usual but for a year and quite possible may be retained. Few or no assistants have been employed who were not opposed to politics."

Dr. C. H. Chapman, of Eugene, who, it is rumored, has resigned the presidency of the state university, is expected to return home this week from an Eastern trip. No official announcement of his resignation has been given out, and the university regents decline to discuss the matter, pending the return of Dr. Chapman.

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ERNEST R. NICHOLS, A. M.,
PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS.

Manhattan, Kas.,

Aug 20,

1897

Pres. Geo. T. Fairchild,
809 Elmwood Ave., Kansas City.
Dear Friend,

The inclosed clipping from the Portland "Oregonian" may interest you. We found the coast climate delightful and business, owing to the gold excitement, quite lively. We returned from Portland to San Francisco by steamer, my first ocean voyage, then to Los Angeles and home by the Santa Fe, reaching here last Saturday. The cool weather here makes us forget that we are away from Portland. It is nice to get home and if the outlook at the College were more favorable, I would feel enthusiastic for the coming year.

Mrs. Nichols joins me in best wishes to Mrs. Fairchild and yourself.

Yours truly,

E. Nichols

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Oberlin, Aug. 16th., 1897.

Dear Brother George:-

I am getting impatient to hear some word from you as to your plans & prospects. Your last letter, as I think, came in June, & I have had no word since that gave me any information. I had a letter from Ned a day or two ago with a little pamphlet containing his marriage ceremony, but not an allusion to you. I have seen papers indicating your presence at the Milwaukee & Minneapolis meetings, at least the last & that is all. Please sit right down & write some comprehensive statement telling the present state of facts. We do not seem to be settled here as yet. The Trustees elected Dr. Slocum near the end of June, & he has visited Oberlin, but has not announced that he can accept. I do not expect him, but he may come.

As to our family--James & his family are still with us, planning to leave for Tabor next Friday. Carlos & Lucy are with us & will remain for the present, occupied with the settlement of his Father's estate, & looking at the Brownhelm way for a pleasant little farm where he can make his home for the rest of his days. Catharine is as usual--not strong but comfortable- I do not know how much you have heard about Mary Gerrish Frances, coming here to die from the cancer cure in Massachusetts. Her daughter came from California, & was with her till her death. She was buried Saturday July 10th., & Minnie went home a week later.

We are all in comfortable health & send you & yours our love
Faithfully.

Jas. H. Fairchild

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Topeka, Kas.,

Aug. 14th 1897.

Received
"29th 11-5"
Forest Hill

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Prof. Geo. T. Fairchild,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to ask that when you make your statement with reference to the causes which led to the late unpleasantness at the State Agricultural College, you will give the "Capital" an opportunity to publish it first. I think you will recognize the fact that in matters pertaining to the State Agricultural College, the people of Kansas depend upon the "Capital" for information. It would be a good plan, I believe, to have it published in plate form for the country papers.

If you contemplate writing the matter in the near future, we should be pleased to have the manuscript early enough to give you a proof before publication so you could have the matter exactly as you desired it.

Yours very truly,

Dell Keizer

Business Manager.

will furnish about Sep 1st

Dell Keizer

Reno, Nevada. Aug., 3rd., 1897.

President George T. Fairchild,

Manhattan, Kas.

My Dear Friend:-

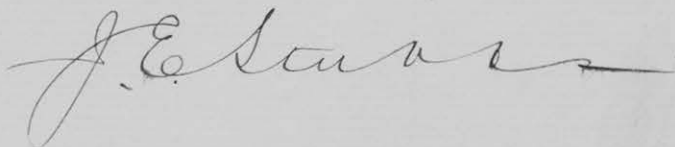
I have just read your kind letter of July the 26th., with reference to Mr F. C. Burtis of your Department of agriculture.

I have filed the letter with special consideration, and will as soon as our plan of organization is settled, take up the subject of putting a man in charge of the department of Stock Husbandry in our Station.

You may say to Mr Burtis that your recommendation of him is sufficient evidence to me that he is a desirable man for our field of work.

Hoping to hear soon that you are pleasantly settled, in a worthy position, I remain, my Dear Mr Fairchild,

very cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. E. Stuart". The signature is fluid and extends horizontally across the page.

Columbus, O. June 12. '97

My dear Dr. Fairchild.

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Your favor of the 12th ult. addressed to me at Cincinnati, was detained there near a month; and now I fear that it is too late to serve you, since I learn from my son, who resides at Parkersburg, W. Va. (now here for a day), that the University Board is now in session. I am very sorry since, with the assistance of my son, I could have interested the Board in you, I am sure.

I have just written a strong letter to the Board and hope it may not be too late. I can but regard the reorganization of your Faculty for Populistic Reasons, a mischievous transaction. I shall be delighted to hear that you are called to W. Virginia. I have two sons in that growing State.

Most truly yours,

E. E. White

Portland, Oregon, June 7th. 1897.

President Geo. T. Fairchild,
Manhattan, Kansas .

Dear Sir :-

I am this day in receipt of your favor of the
2nd. inst. and hasten to reply .

While I appreciate your indisposition to make application formally for
the Presidency of our College, yet it is plain to me that by refraining
from such action you are making it very difficult for those who are
disposed to work for your election, and to support you for the position.
Others are actively in the field : the election will be made at the
Annual Meeting on June 30th. as I advised you, I believe .

So far as information about the Institution avails to induce you to
decide to enter for the race I will furnish all I can, by mailing to you
today, the following reports etc. 1. Report of President of Board of
Regents for 1893 : 2 . The same report for 1895 . 3 . Catalogue of the
College for 1892-3. 4 . The same for 1895-6.

The Catalogue for 1896-7-is not yet printed .

The College and Station are in good favor now with both the State and
with the Grange . The annual meeting of the State Grange was held at
Corvallis last week, and the Committee of investigation reported very
favorably to the College and Station .

The Department of Household Economy is, I believe, the best in the whole
Union . This may seem a bold thing to say : but it is my deliberate ~~op-~~
opinion, after having the other reports under consideration .

The faculty is quite efficient, with possibly one or two exceptions .

There is very good feeling in the faculty, and much loyalty to the Insti-
tution as a whole . The Board of Regents were a good deal disturbed ~~by~~

Wallis

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the year before last, and last year, by the entrance at the Annual Meeting of 1895 of three newly appointed Regents coincidently with the appearance of three new ex-officio State officers ; thus bringing ⁱⁿ at once ~~of~~ a new majority of the Board : (a condition supposed to have been guarded against by the Act of Incorporation .) But there has been much good feeling gradually evoked among the members : now there is no dividing line left between new members and old . And I honestly think that any man possessing enough force to be elected by a substantial majority of the Board will receive thorough and hearty support . I know that all the Regents to whom I have talked on this subject share my judgment on this subject . Unless this condition existed I assure you I would not have suggested your becoming a candidate .

As to salary I do not expect any difficulty in increasing the President's salary, who conjoins the Directorship of the Station, to \$3000 a year . Although no house goes with the Presidency, there are good houses to be rented close by the College grounds and farm, and at very low rents - not exceeding \$15. a month ; and possibly somewhat less .

President Bloss taught Political Economy and Logic, I think . President Miller teaches Political Economy only . But both of them did a good deal of work at Farmers' Institutes, and in lecturing at various points .

The work of the President and Director is full of interest, and can be made just as hard and full as a good man chooses . Neither you nor I would appreciate a position where there was not much work to be done, and good work too, or I am much mistaken in my estimate of you and your work at Kansas .

If in reply to this letter you indicate to me that you will become a candidate it will give me much pleasure to do what I can for your election . But my advice to you is either to "go in " for the place now, or to have

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nothing more to say about it . I think this course is the only one fair to the Board of Regents and to others who might be applicants but who would be deterred if it were known that you lay in the background ready to accept the position if "the lightning struck you" after the Board meeting was over .

I trust that you will understand and excuse this plain speaking . The time is very short before the day of election ,and it is necessary to know where every one stands .

Very truly yours,

Wallis Nash

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OF OREGON.

Office of

J. T. APPERSON, President of Board of Regents.

Oregon City, Oregon.....

of our college and station. We can only hope
 to bring this branch of work up to a favorable standing
 with other institutions by securing some one of
 experience and knowledge in this line of
 work. I am lead to believe that if you
 can be induced to enter upon this work
 that in a short period of time our people
 will recognize and appreciate the great
 advantages that will result there from.

Hoping to hear from you and that
 I may have a favorable answer from you
 relative to this matter.

I am respectfully yours

J. T. Apperson

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Mr Geo F Fairchild
Manhattan Kansas
Dear Sir

Oregon City, Oregon June 2/97

When informed the Hon
Secretary of Agriculture, has recommended to
me in very strong terms, yourself as a suitable
and eminently qualified person to take charge
as President and Director the Agricultural
College and Station of this State at Corvallis
I am anxious about securing some one fitted
in this great and important branch of work
to aid in developing this great State.

The Board of Regents will meet on
June 30th when the question of the election
of the President and Director of the College and
Station will be acted upon - would you
allow your name to be presented for
the position and if so upon what terms
as to salary and tenure of office

I hope you may be willing to allow
your name presented. I know that we should
secure some one possessing those qualifications
such as I believe you possess from what the
Hon Secretary has wrote me to take charge

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Wm. Willis Reed,

Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:--While I gratefully appreciate your expressed confidence in me, and in my request that I offer myself as a candidate for the presidency of the Agricultural College of Oregon, I do not feel that I am sufficiently informed as to the conditions of the college, and more, invited in the position, or the general sympathies of the State towards the institution, to submit myself as being an applicant. I have been out of the college for some position, and as such am not conversant with the conditions of the college.

I shall complete my work here on June 20th next, and it may be that I should be given, upon examination, of all circumstances, to take up the work which your college offers. At present I am in a position to make no definite decision. Other propositions are before me, similar to yours, with different advantages. But I am in the same situation with reference to these.

Your other questions for pay not even to have answered, but briefly, \$3,500 is a small salary unless the work is light. I have had \$5,000, with house, and no work, I was fifteen years in the Agricultural College of Michigan, and in how long my eighteenth year at this college. I was thirty-eight years of age, in good health and abilities. Should it ever been better, I was Finnish testimonials of my work from all over the country.

Thanking you again for your appreciation, I remain

Wm. Willis Reed,

Wallis NASH & BOOTHE,
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW,
OFFICES : 406 COMMERCIAL BLOCK,
PORTLAND, OREGON.
TELEPHONE 566 P. O. Box 667.

WALLIS NASH.
& BOOTHE.

Portland, Oregon, May 29th. 1897 .

President Geo. T. Fairchild,

Manhattan, Kansas .

Dear Sir :-

From a letter I have received this morning from Dr. True I am led to believe that you might, if circumstances were favorable, accept the Presidency of the Oregon Agricultural College, and Directorship of the Station .

I am writing quite unofficially, as a simple member of the Board of Regents, from the first beginning of the College . But, I am also writing to you in confidence to ask the following questions . I shall, however, preface my questions by saying that after the resignation of Dr. John M. Bloss last year, the Board, by a small majority, resolved to place at the head of the Institution a man of business and affairs, without any experience whatever in educational matters, and without any special scientific education or attainments . During the year now closing Mr. Miller has been more successful than I, for one, expected . But there are many indications leading me and others to believe that a majority of the Regents would not support him for re-election at the Annual meeting on the 30th. of June .

But my own course at that meeting, and that of several others of the Regents would be determined by knowing who would be elected if Mr. Miller fails . If a man of undoubted record in the department of this technical and scientific education were before us I believe that he would be chosen by a large majority : but unless such a candidate were before us several of the members would hesitate to displace Mr. Miller lest we might go farther and fare worse .

Wallis ~~NASH & BOOTHE,~~
 ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW,
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 PORTLAND, OREGON.
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WALLIS NASH.
~~J. F. BOOTHE.~~

For many years I have been accustomed to follow your work at the Kansas College, and to look on you as a leader in our lines .

I ask therefore :-

- 1 . Would you be willing to place before our Board an application for election to the Presidency of the Oregon College ?
- 2 . What is the lowest salary that you would accept for the double position of President and Director ? We have been paying only \$2500 a year.
- 3 . If your name were to come before us it would be needful that work should be done previously in the line of introducing you by reputation and testimonial to several of the more recently elected members of the Board who are not familiar with the history of the other Agricultural Colleges . In that event, would you take steps to make your candidacy successful, by sending on the necessary letters and testimonials? To those who know you this is of course not necessary . But to other members of the Board this kind of formality is a matter of course.
- 4 . What is your age, and where have you been at work , say, for the 15 years past ?

Please answer me at once, as the time is short . Our Board meets on the 30th. of June, and much would have to be done in anticipation .

Yours faithfully,

Wallis Nash

6/14, 1864

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Hon. Hollis Aach,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Your earnest letter with catalogues and reports has received in the midst of our Commencement week, and delay in answering is accounted for by this fact.

I have given thought, at intervals of quiet during the week, to your suggestion. I am interested in the possibilities for your institution, and appreciate the good you do here. But I am not ready, just now, to engage myself for the enterprise. I believe that many years of continuous work in upbuilding, where the weight of responsibility has rested upon me, and I would prefer a place of more stable work in the movement at home at

ready fairly well. This, however,
would not delay me long, if the
health of Mrs. Fairbanks were good,
so that she could endure comfortably
the thought of putting a long journey
between us and our children. We
have five grown up children, all of
whom, will leave their homes east
of this place. To increase our distance
in a year long journey, seems to be
practically cutting off all intercourse
except by mail, and being almost
an invalid now, she dreams not of
travel.

A similar request to your husband
for an Eastern State Institution, and
for the above reasons I prefer to omit
the matter. If later you wish to con-
sider me again, I shall listen.

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June 7, 1897.

Hon. J. E. Apperzett,
President of Board of Regents,
Oregon City, Oregon.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of June 2d is just received. I thank you for confidence expressed in my abilities, and am gratified for such recognition. At present I am not sufficiently informed in regard to the condition of your agricultural college to know whether I would accept under any circumstances. It has not been my custom to allow my name to be considered, unless there was at least a probability that I should be willing to undertake the work if the general conditions were favorable. In regard to your college I know almost nothing, not even having seen the catalogue for several years. I was acquainted with Pres. Bliss, and had a visit once from his predecessor. I have been through the beautiful valley of the Willamette. I have some idea of the possible future for your fertile State. Further than that I have none of the information necessary to decide as to the question you ask.

My grown up family are all likely to be in the eastern part of the United States, and the inducements are strong to find work within reach of them. Mr. Fairchild especially feels the desirability of some association with the children. In Oregon we should feel almost

isolated, and there must be strong inducements in the work to take me there. A letter from Mr. Wallis Nash, of Portland, Oregon, received last week, I have answered to much the same effect. I certainly cannot offer myself as a candidate for the place. It is possible that such conditions may appear in the future as to make me willing to consider a call to the place, should it be tendered me.

Yours sincerely,

Geo. T. Fairchild

New Jersey

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BOTANICAL DEPARTMENT.

EDWARD B. VOORHEES,
DIRECTOR.

PROF. BYRON D. HALSTED,
BOTANIST AND HORTICULTURIST.

Agricultural College Experiment Station.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 28", 1897.

President G. T. Fairchild,
Manhattan,
Kansas.

Dear George:-

Your esteemed favor of the 25th inst., is this day received, and I am delighted that matters are getting on so well in connection with the securing of another College. The fact that Mr. Sturgiss is urging you to become a candidate for the position at Morgantown leads me to conclude that you have the right of way in that direction. Some days ago I wrote Mr. Sturgiss a letter as I had promised to do when further information arrived. If there is anything that can be done from this part of the country in any way please let me know at once. It seems to me from all that I can gather that the Institution is upon its feet and growing in favor in the hearts of the people and the esteem of the Legislature.

Hope is not entirely abandoned that you may receive a call from Oberlin; but not for ~~my~~ brother's sake would I consider it; but for the worth that lies within yourself. There surely could be no mistake in their offering the place to you.

There must be many things in connection with your leaving Manhattan that are very trying, and trust that Lottie when she once gets settled at either Oberlin or Morgantown will find that the change will do her both mentally and physically very much good.

Yours very sincerely,

Byron D. Halsted

The Pennsylvania State College

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE.

H. P. ARMSBY, PH. D., DEAN.

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BELLEFONTE EXCHANGE.

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State College, Centre Co., Pa.

June 1st, 1897.

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Pres't Geo. T. Fairchild,
Manhattan, Kansas,

Dear Sir:--

Your favor of May 27th was received yesterday and I have taken great pleasure in writing Hon. Geo. C. Sturgis in the sense suggested.

With best wishes,

Yours very truly,

H. P. Armsby

Dean.

Personal.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF EXPERIMENT STATIONS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 7, 1897.

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President G. T. Fairchild,
Kansas Agricultural College,
Manhattan, Kan. ✓

Dear Sir:-

I have lately returned from a visit to the West Virginia University. While there I had an interview with a new board of regents. It did not appear at all certain that they would decide to remove the president of the institution, and in accordance with my usual policy I urged the desirability of permanency of tenure for college and station officers. However, incidentally I took occasion to refer to the success and present prosperity of the Kansas Agricultural College under your management, so that I feel sure that in case they decide to consider you with reference to the presidency of the West Virginia University, they will feel that you have my strong endorsement.

I have heard from Mr. Wallis Nash of Portland, Oregon, to whom I wrote with reference to the presidency of the Oregon Agricultural College, and I think very likely by this time you have heard from him on this matter. I think that there is a good chance of building up a strong institution in Oregon along lines in which you have so successfully worked hitherto. If you feel inclined to consider the position there and will inform me by telegram or otherwise, I shall be pleased to write other members of the board regarding you.

Very sincerely yours,

A. C. True

OFFICE OF
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Sedgwick County, Kansas.

P. L. ARNETT, CLERK.
C. E. GOODYEAR, DEPUTY CLERK.Wichita, Kansas, April 15th 1897.

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Jus Geo. T. Fairchild

Dear Sir

When I sent you the warrants I did not have time to write you but thought I would write you a few lines later on. Yesterday I received yours of the 9th inst. I only go home Sundays and thank you for the kind words spoken. I am sure that you do not regret the severing of my connection with the Board and Faculty any more than I do and had I been in position to choose or rather to follow my own inclination I would much prefer to be a member of your Board than the position I hold now. However I have a family and I can do much more towards educating them now than I could before. I like this work and it pays fairly well and I find that I can do the work without fretting myself. There are three of us and part of the time 4 in the office and it is 6 days in the week from 8³⁰ am to 12^m and from 1³⁰ to 5 P.M. The hours are short and the work light coming off the farm. I am completely disgusted at

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Wichita, Kansas, 1897.



SEDGWICK COUNTY COURT HOUSE

the action of the Legislature. It does seem to me sometimes like us Paps were incapable of working out our own salvation. They have acted like a great big booby who having got the worst of a fight down town, comes home and beats his wife and kicks the dog. About all this Legislature has done is to strike down the hands of those who helped them to position, and the greatest liars on earth; men have written to me and others that they would do so and so, and, lo, and behold, when it comes to the vote they vote for just the other thing. I have not asked much of them but the little that I did ask for I did not even get respectful hearing. They were certainly weak or untruthful and then the idea of pretending to know how to regulate the salaries at the State Educational Institutions. If it were not so serious it would make a grand farce. You may write me down as a "Pap ashamed of his party." I am going to keep my mouth shut and saw wood. I tried to do some good for you folks but most of them seemed determined to bring everything down to the farm hand basis. With kind regards to Mrs Fairchild and the many friends I have there I will

close by wishing you a harmonious Board to deal
with, and as much success in the future as you have
had heretofore in the up building of the school. I feel
proud of the College and my connections with it and
I am also proud of the Faculty that has been the means
of giving it the reputation it enjoys and I am any
thing but proud of the spirit, that will if followed
up drive our ablest educators from the State.

I am yours Truly

C. E. Goodyear.

Kansas State Insane Asylum.

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In Answer to Yours of

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Topeka, Kas.

June 15 1897

Geo. F. Fanchied Pres.

Manhattan. Kans

My dear Sir,

I do not think it at all probable I will be able to do anything for Miss Jones of whom you write. Our Honorable Board of Trustees have taken to electing sewing girls, chambermaids in formal session and spending their action on their reports and publishing it in the papers! And they going to elect populists to all the places in the Asylum, and the republicans will be let out, - they do not agree with the B. M. board (small b) on fundamental principles!

If any thing should seem favorable to Miss Jones before I leave, Aug 1st I will be glad to aid her.

Thanking you for your kind expressions and hoping we shall all see better political as well as material times, I remain

Most sincerely yours

E. A. Prescott

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Chicago, Illinois, June 5, 1897.

Prof. Geo. T. Fairchild,
Manhattan, Kansas.

My Dear Sir:-

I wish at your early convenience you would send me your latest and best photograph with a sketch of your life for publication in the Orange Judd Farmer at some future date. We are making a collection of data concerning agricultural college and experiment station men and would like very much to have the above to complete our list.

Thanking you in advance and hoping to get an early and favorable reply.

Yours truly,

G. A. Samuel
Managing Editor.

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Castle View
Steyning
Sussex

June 9th/97

Dear President

Having only just
reached home from
Egypt. I was not able
to write in time for
the Alumni reunion.

I am very sorry
to hear of the special

object of it. I am
sure all those who
have ~~ever~~ been under
your training, are
very sorry to hear
that you are leaving.

I for one have always
looked forward to
revisiting the K.S.A.C.
and meeting with friends
they were four happy
years spent there.

I am sorry not to be
able to meet at the reunion
so many friends, and
after this it will not
be the same again.

I shall think of
your meeting together
tomorrow evening, and
wish that I could be
with you. My best
wishes to all!

Yours Most Sincerely
Minnie Lowell

Warner, San Diego Co. Cal.

June 14, '97.

Dear Pres. Fairchild: - 21

Will you please send me a record of my standing while I was in college and also a word of recommendation from yourself for me as a student if you feel that you can give it.

All of us K. S. G. C. people, and there are several in the county, are disgusted with the change to be made in the College faculty next year. We feel as if it will not be "our college" any more.

Yours respectfully,

Clara M. Hayes,

San Diego Co.

Warner,
Calif.

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Jno. E. Frost, Land Commissioner.
W. D. Gossett, Chief Clerk.

Topeka, Kansas, June 18th, 1897.

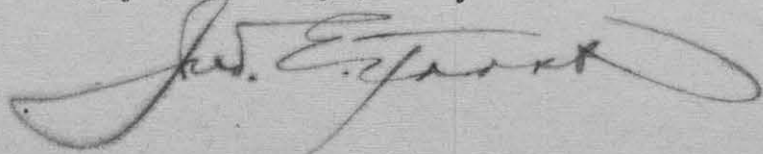
Hon. Geo. T. Fairchild,
Prest. Kas. State Agricultural College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

My Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your valued favor of 17th inst., for which I am obliged. I am glad to know that the tests of the Campbell subsurface packer and of the Campbell soil culture scheme are being carefully carried on. I presume that published reports will appear in due course, but if this is not the plan, I will be obliged if you will kindly ask Prof. Will to have me furnished with special reports by letter from time to time.

Trusting that you will keep me advised of your address after you sever your connections with the College, and with my highest regards and best wishes for your continued success wherever you may be, and with my congratulations in advance to whatever institution shall be so fortunate as to secure your invaluable service, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. E. Frost", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Washington, D.C., 116
319 B St. S.E.,
June 14, 1897.

Dear President:

I desire to thank you for the good letter to Secretary Wilson favoring my candidacy for the position of Chief Clerk of the Department of Agriculture. I have delayed as I was led to believe that the matter would be taken up promptly and in that event could give you the result with my gratitude. A change in the office is expected on the first of July and the contest ~~has~~ is now between an Iowa gentleman and myself, and both of us appear to be equally confident. All the time, however, the Secretary "keeps on saying nothing."

I observe that Populism was not satisfied with its first attack on the College, but has been at it again. Surely the Regents of that faith cannot regard

their actions as being good politics, and I have an idea that Kansas in the next election will make it known unmistakably that their actions were not based on common sense. I trust that the Republicans, when they get in power, will not be equally foolish.

I know the men whom Gov. Leedy made Regents and I know nothing good about anyone of them. Possibly the Governor appointed them through ignorance, but he could not have hurt the College more if his plans had been those of the worst knave. A strange coincidence, indeed!

I am scanning the daily papers carefully to see who will be fortunate enough to secure your future services.

Thanking you again for your kindness, I am

Very truly yours,

Geo. F. Thompson

Kansas State Agricultural College.

OSCAR E. OLIN

PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

ALICE RUPP, INSTRUCTOR

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Manhattan, Kas.,

June 29

1897

President Geo. T. Fairchild,

Dear Friend:

I have no right to intrude upon your time; but I feel that I cannot let tomorrow go by without expressing my personal gratitude to you for all the kindness and the help of the past twelve years. I came to you a stranger with little to recommend me, and you have been patient with my unfitness, strong to advise me, and wise in brotherly guidance.

The even-handed firmness, the broad-mindedness, and the clear-sightedness that have been a constant inspiration to your faculty, have been peculiarly helpful to me, and if I have been taught to reach any measure of success I make grateful acknowledgment to you for your precepts and example.

The world has double need of all its workers now - especially those who are as sane and as broadly fitted as you, so I know your years of usefulness will have no break; but I want you to know before we separate how many both young and old, date the strength of their lives from their association with you.

Faithfully yours
O. E. Olin



Seventh and Messanie Streets.

General Agents for STANDARD CEMENT PLASTER

St. Joseph, Mo.,

July 1st 1897

Geo. T. Fairchild Esq.

Manhattan Kans.

My Dear Sir— While it has been some years since had the pleasure of seeing and talking with you but have not forgotten you.

Have just read in paper of the changes being made in the faculty. Am undecided as to proper course, that is, whether to congratulate you or condole.

Financially I presume you will gain, but conscientious people do not enjoy such treatment as you have received.

The writer has a distinct remembrance of the many kind ~~words~~ he received from you and the good advice offered by you when

J. D. HARTMAN.



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E. W. RITCHLIN.

If you wanted a
few Caps of lumber
could write a better
letter & think
best

St. Joseph, Mo.,

Student at the K. S. A. C.

Doubtless there are thousands who you
may have forgotten has the same feelings
of sincere love for you that the writer
has.

Am glad to say my life has been successful
in a measure, though the past three years
has been hard ones for me. My wife had
long seign of sickness before death relieved her.

Am blessed with a boy that gives promise
of being a better student than his Papa was.
He has led his classes in the public schools thus
far.

With sincere affection for
yourself and family I remain yours truly
J. D. Hartman

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Bowbrouk, Ks., June 26 1893
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Pres Geo J Fairchild,
Manhattan, Ks.,
Dear Sir:

Do not think because we have kept still that we have not regretted the condition of affairs at M. Indeed we feel very keenly the loss of Kansas sustains in your going and the strong men and women who have aided you in making our college the best of its kind. Studying the situation carefully we believe ~~and~~ we had better never return and graduate. The bitterness and the uncertainty of the ability ^{of new men} makes it seem but do not finish. You can hardly realize what this means to us. We, of this short grass region,

have suffered from the collapse
of the boom, grasshoppers, hail, drought
hot winds, cut worms, chinch bugs and
crop failures but they are not to be
compared with this last affliction
known as populism. The peculiarity
of the malady is to over ride
much that is good and fresh
disrespect for law and order.

The nearly three years spent at
the K.S.G.B. will never be
forgotten and coming in
contact with you has made
life seem grander and broader.

I can only unite with thousands
of others who have known you
in wishing you well and I feel
a personal debt to you for what
you have done for me.

It is useless to express my contempt
for your treachery.

May God spare you long years
for labor. Respectfully
S. J. Wilkin