10/27, 6

H. C. Speer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--We have already bought Augusta refunding bond No. 12, and have it in the State treasury with No. 11. We paid for it only 90 cents on the dollar.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairchild

10/27, 6

C. B. Walker,

Almena, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I have no doubt that I can find for you a competent teacher of sciences for your six weeks' summer school. Quite possibly you might secure a graduate of some experience, who is now pursuing the post-graduate course. What do you consider a reasonable salary?

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairchild

10/27, 6

Isaac Jones,

Oakley, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--Please find enclosed a trip pass from Oakley to Manhattan, good until November 5th. I hope you are getting all things in shape to leave, so that you will feel satisfied with your work. I hope you can get a little something for the fodder, that it may not seem exactly wasted. We shall be glad to see you, and hope you can find it profitable to stay here.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Painchil.

10/27, 6

W. L. Bell & Co/,

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs:--I see no reason to complain of the proof you send me, and have no doubt it will be satisfactory to my friends. They are better judges of such things than I.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Painchil.

10/27, 6

Supt. J. M. Greenwood,

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir and Friend:--The young lady of whom I wrote you some time since secured a place as teacher of botany and physics in the High School of Detroit, Michigan. I write now to commend another of our graduates, whom I think capable of doing excellent work. Miss Bertha M. Buchaller has been teaching in the Junction City High School for several years past, and still holds her place there. She is considered an excellent teacher, especially of the sciences. She has, however, taken special study in household economy, having gained our second degree for proficiency in that work, several years since. Learning that you are likely to open in your high school a kitchen laboratory, she will be an applicant for the place of instructor. She is mature, an apt student, and a successful teacher, and I think would throw her whole energy into that work. She is certainly worthy your attention as a candidate.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

10/27, 6

D. W. Trine,

Corvallis, Oregon.

Dear Sir:--In answer to yours of October 31st, I enclose some printed matter, and refer you to page 62, of our catalogue, and illustration opposite page 33. The buliding used as our armory and gymnasium is the lower floor complete, except the hall and stairway of the building shown in the picture. It is 46x96 feet on the ground, with 16 foot walls. The equipment is 200 stands of arms, 200 uniforms, with a locker for each, two 3-inch breach-loading cannon, a stand of colors, reloading apparatus, etc. The gymnasium has horizontal bars, parallel bars, rings ladders, clubs, a few dumb bells. We also have a few machines for general exercise. The training in the gymnasium is in charge of one of the older students, who is paid for his services. No systematic gymnastic training is arranged for all the students, but those who volunteer are expected to report regularly. A similar arrangement is made for young la dies in calisthenics. A room 35x60 feet is assigned for that purpose. Their apparatus is confined to clubs, dumb bells, wands, and wall machines.

Hoping this will answer your inquiry, I remain

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

10/28, 6

J. K. Kirk,

Coggshall, Essex, England.

Dear Sir:--Yours of recent date is just received. If you will refer to my letter of May 17th, you will see that the samples of seeds did not arrive. We have therefore no experiment to report. If you care to send us samples for trial next season, we shall be glad to have them.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

10/28, 7

W. L. Bell & Co.,

Kansas City, Mo., Corner 6th & Walnut Sts.

Dear Sirs:--Proof of the picture you have prepared for your portfolio, giving the most important of our buildings, is received. I am much pleased with the grouping and general appearance, although the engraving scarcely does justice to the neat stone work of our buildings. The general effect, however, is essentially correct.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

10/29, 6

Hon. Geo. L. Cole,

Auditor of State,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:—

Please find enclosed fifty cents fee for registration of Bond No. 12, City of Augusta, presented by the State Treasurer, yesterday.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

10/28, 6

Hon. O. L. Atherton, State treasurer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--The Augusta City bonds are due September 19, 1899. See body of bond for fourth installment of interest. They are peculiar in this respect. I will send the fifty cents registration fee to the Auditor today.

I have no triplicate receipt for the $300 paid on bond 2, District 42, Marshall county.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

10/30,

O. E. Noe,

Leon, Kansas.

Dear Sir:—I enclose to you the papers of District 124, Smith county, which I think are essentially correct, and I believe the territory is good. The County Superintendent wrote me in September about these bonds, and I directed him to send the papers to you; but by some mix the postoffice was given Lincoln instead of Leon, and the papers were returned. If you find them satisfactory, I will send on the bonds at once. I also enclose a letter from Mr. Speer, which may be worth looking at, but of course we have no money at present to take the bonds. Our balance in the State Treasury is $

I paid the registration fee, 50 cents, on Anderson City bond No. 13, which you can collect for me if convenient.

I will try to have a list made of bonds due coming due before long. Just at present we have all we can do with the preparation of the biennial report.

Yours truly,

Lew. T. Fairchild

10/30, 6

Hon. J. K. Hudson, State Printer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Enclosed please find receipted requisition for the Signs and Symbols, No. 1632. The second batch arrived yesterday, together with the first. The first came from Lincoln, where I suspected them to be, but Mr. Daughters was away from home in the campaign, and did not find them. We can use the 12,000 to advantage, but they will last three years. As the mistake was ours, I suppose we ought to pay for the extras.

Yours truly,

Leon T. Ramsdell

10/30, 8

Supt. C. U. Nichols,

Smith Center, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I am very sorry that your papers of District 134 were delayed. Mr. Noe's postoffice is Leon, not Lincoln, and was the blunder of our typos, a very easy one to make, since our Treasurer lives at Lincoln. I have sent the papers to Mr. Noe, having already examined them myself, and have no doubt they will prove satisfactory. If so, I shall send you blanks for the bonds early next week.

Yours truly,

Leon T. Ramsdell

10/31,

Hon. J. Bruce Lynch,

Warden State Penitentiary,

Lansing , Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Please do not ship any more coal until you hear from me. We have another fire in our coal pit, caused by getting some wet coal from the last car load. We hope to put it out with comparatively little shoveling, but cannot take care of any more until we have opened this to the bottom.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Fairchild

10/31 6

To the
Chief of Ordnance,
U.S. Army,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Please find enclosed a certified Copy of records of our Board of Regents, as requested in yours of 28th instant, No. 17403.

Yours very respectfully,
Leo. L. Fairchild.
President.

11/2, 6

.. M. Ferguson,

216 West Texas St.,

Denison, Texas.

Dear Sir:--In answer to yours of October 30th, I am glad to testify to the advantage of education for girls in connection with our State Agricultural College. About two hundred of our six hundred students are young women: and we consider their industrial training and scientific education as important as that of the young men. Coeducation, as you know, is a thoroughly established fact in all of the north-west; so thoroughly established that nobody has any question as to its advantages in almost every particular. Nobody would think of proposing any other method in our State institutions. The general moral tone of a community like ours is the better for coeducation, where brothers and sisters meet upon the universal plane of social equality. I send you our catalogue, giving fuller information than a letter can present as to our courses of study and training. We hope to secure, the coming year, a twenty-thousand dollar building devoted to domestic economy, where provision will be made for the industrial training of young women in all the household arts. Our present quarters are badly crowded, and yet are very popular in the State.

Earnest men and women need have no fear of entering upon coeducation with faith. I was trained in such an institution, then spent fifteen years in a college for men only, and now have been seventeen years in this college. For all that pertains to manliness and womanliness in scholarship, character, I consider coeducation best. I could not be per-

Yours truly,

[illegible]

Dear Sir:--I agree with you that it is desirable that a Y.M.C.A. International Institution should have a delegate at the...Institute. I feel, however, that we should be unable to send one. Were it not necessary that I go to Washington this month,I should be inclined to [illegible] myself; but I cannot be absent for both terms. [illegible] expenses myself. But I cannot be absent for both terms.

Yours truly,

John R. Mott,

Chairman International Committee Y.M.C.A.

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I cannot take account. But if one [illegible] I am very [illegible] should be glad to be back to the United States. Of course there will be [illegible] which will require my judgment. I cannot take account. But if one [illegible] I am very [illegible] should be glad to be back to the United States. Of course there will be [illegible] which will require my judgment.

Yours very truly,

11/2, 96

The Ebbitt House,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs:--Please reserve rooms for Prof. S. C. Mason and myself, October 10th. We shall be in Washington during the meeting of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations , as delegates to that Association. Adjoining rooms would be agreeable.

Yours truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild

11/2, 6

Prof. H. . Alvord,

Dairy Division, Dept. Ag.,

Washington, D C.

Dear Sir:--Yours of 30th ult. just received. I expect to be in Washington on the 10th, and prof. Mason, Horticulturist, will be delegate from our Station. . Prof. Georgeson also expects to attend the meetings, although not a delegate. You may expect s on the morning of October 10th at the Ebbitt House

Yours truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild

11 2, 6

Supt. C. J. Nichols,

Smith Center, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I send you today, in a roll, blanks for the issue of bonds of District 124, Smith county. I also enclose to you the bond certificate for completion, when the bonds are issued. As soon as the bonds are issued in due form, they may be forwarded to me, with the certificate, and if satisfactory the warrant will be issued at once. We pay par for 6 % bonds.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/2, 6

Supt. E. Stanley,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Your notice of the meeting of the State Board of Education, November 18th, is received. My journey east is delayed two days, but I think I shall be able to reach Topeka on my return, at noon of the 18th. You may expect me.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/2, 6

F. L. Williams,

Agricola, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Your offer of advertising space in the county course of study is received. I am sorry to say that I have no fund for advertising at present, the Regents having thought it best to make expenditure beyond what has already been made this year.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/3, 6

H. A. Braunsdorf,

Parsons, Kansas.

Dear Sir,--We have tried flax to a limited extent, but have nothing to help you any in handling it. Your name shall be added to our list for distribution of bulletins.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/3, 6

T. H. Cornell,

Director Experiment Station,

College Station, Texas.

Dear Sir --

I will try to the best of my ability to answer your questions in order.

1 Portions of six buildings are occupied by the Station, all but one being furnished at the expense of the State.

2 The buildings erected from the Station fund cost $3,000. The rooms set apart in other buildings I can give no estimate of. They are simply a portion of our extensive college plant.

3 No station money has been expended upon the college buildings.

4 General office and publication room, floor space, 14x30; Chemical laboratory, 25x50; Entomological office, 15x20, and attic, 50x60; Farm office, 14x36, besides extensive barn, and a dwelling for foreman; Veterinary Laboratory, 15x20, and a separate barn; Botanical Laboratory, 14x30, with attic 40x50; Horticultural offices, two, 15x15 each, with three propagating pits attached, 11x60 each.

5 $3,000 from Station fund. All other rooms are furnished in the college buildings.

6 All our buildings are of stone.

7 The Station owns none of the barns or greenhouses except the three propagating pits, the value of which is about $2,000.

Your very truly,

Wm. T. Carrington

11/3, 6

President H. B. Miller,

Corvallis, Oregon.

Dear Sir:--Yours of September 30th, by some accident fell among my private letters, which I always take the liberty to neglect. I discovered it yesterday, and hasten to answer.

I enclose to you a printed statement from our catalogue, from which you can judge the importance given to the Military Department. Drill tactics and military science are required of all able bodied male students in the first and second years, as shown. In third and fourth year military drill is optional, but if chosen is just as strictly required as any other duties. Students are graded in this department upon the same principles as in others, and must pass the requirements to graduate. The Military Department does not in any respect overshadow other departments, nor is military discipline maintained outside of the requirements in the department itself. The professor of military science for discipline outside his own classes and drill, except the usual responsibility of every member of the Faculty.

Yours truly,

Thos. S. Townsend

11/3, 6

J. T. Foley,

201 New Ridge Building,

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:--Yours of yesterday is received. I shall leave Manhattan at the latest date possible to reach Washington City on the morning of Tuesday, November 10th. Unless you have something better than the one and one-third rate secured to the National Grange meeting, I shall take the shortest possible route; though if I had the time I should be pleased to take the journey which your line offers.

Yours truly,

Chas. S. Fairchild.

E. P. Bodle, 11/4, 6

Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--We expect to take part in institutes the coming winter, and will gladly consider an invitation from Chanute. We have never been in your county, and shall take the more interest on that account. I enclose general directions for preliminary work.

Yours truly,

Enclosure.

Leo. J. Fairchild

Hon. W. C. Edwards, Secretary of State, 11/4, 6

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-- Please find enclosed requisition for record book for minutes of the faculty.

Yours truly,

Enclosure.

Leo. J. Fairchild

11/4, 6

Phoebe C. Turner,

Maple Hill, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--We shall be very glad to have you take up special work here next term, but I do not dare to make any promises of employment There are soma thirty or more post-graduate students, and I always make the effort to distribute the work as well as I can. It is not possible always to make it go around, and just now there are some without work.

Yours truly,

Chas. S. Fairchild

11/5, 6

Hon. C. H. Faughters,

Lincoln, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--The students' pay-roll amounts to $1283.39. We also find that we have omitted from the checks drawn forthe pay-rolls yesterday the amount of Miss Bertha Winchip's wages, $30.00. Secretary Graham will pay that from the funds in his care, so that you may send a check to him for that amount also, making $1313.39 altogether.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/5, 6

State Printing Company,

Topeka, Kansas.

Sirs:--I mail to you today copy for bulletin No. 61, from the Experiment Station. I think you had better send the proof of this to Prof. C. C. Georgeson direct, as I may be away from College longer than he, in a trip to Washington. We shall both be at home soon after the 15th.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/5, 6

Supt. Etta Cross,

Osborne, Kansas.

Dear Madam.--Since writing you last I have consulted the District Judge of our district and am compelled to say that although we would be glad to have the bonds of District 58 of your county, it seems improper for us to take them when issued for the purpose indicated in petition and notice. If the district can hold another election, we shall be glad to negotiate for the bonds. I return the papers.

Yours truly,

Wm. T. Fairchild.

11/5, 6

Hon. C. M. Noe,

Ione, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I have sent back the papers of District 58, Osborne county, asking for a new election. Our books show $1039.07 uninvested. $600 of this is promised to Smith county. I expect to leave for Washington on Saturday.

Yours truly,

Wm. T. Fairchild.

11/6, [illegible]

Mrs. Margaret A. Mack,

Junction City, Kansas.

Dear Madam:--It is difficult to define a good education, but in general terms it is such a training of body and mind and soul as will make one able to appreciate and use all his powers to the best results in every relation of life. It includes a command of one's mother tongue an elementary knowledge, at least, of one's relation to all physical surroundings, an introduction to the history of the civilized worldsome acquaintance with the world's literature, and especially a thorough exercise of one's reasoning powers and familiarity with the principles of sound reasoning. Most of the training in mathematics and in the physical sciences serves in this way.

There are various ways of getting such an education. The cheapest and best is to select a good, well-equipped school, and devote yourself to it for from four to seven years. Next best is to surround yourself with good books, find some good advisers, and take up special studies with a view to mastering self in the natural surroundings of life leaving no question unanswered if answer is to be found. This method will take ten years longer, and the result is likely to be less satisfactory. But its results are worth the labor.

Hoping I have furnished a trifle that may help you, I remain

Yours truly,

Wm. J. Fairchilds.

11/6, 6

Ida M. Bonker,

Kuhnbrock, Kansas.

Dear Student:--The words sun, moon, and ship have no gender, and are used with a neuter pronoun, except when personified, in poetry, or in the imaginative speech of excitement or interest, such as a sailor feels in connection with the vessel in which he sails.

Yours truly,

Leo. N. Fairchild

11/6, 6

The Ebbitt House,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs:--Prof. Mason and myself expect to reach Washington on Monday afternoon next, instead of Tuesday morning, as previously announced.

Yours truly,

Leo. N. Fairchild

11/6, 6

Hon. J. Bruce Lynch,

Warden State penitentiary,

Lansing, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Please send us one car of coal next week, and after next week two cars each week until further notice. We have conquered the fire, and shall take more pains to exclude damp coal hereafter.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/6, 6

M. G. Spalding,

Lapland, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--Your postal order for $21 is received. It comes i ample time for my journey. You need not have added the extra dollar, but it shall go to help some other struggling student. I hope you are prospering in every way in your s chool.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/19, 6

D. W. Working,

Secretary State Agricultural College,

Ft. Collins, Colo.

Dear Friend:--

Yours of November 14th I find awaiting my return from Washington. Accept my thanks for your hearty congratulations.

I am very glad to comply with your request for a recommendation and hope that it may be of service. I cannot, of course, certify to your full equipment for the position you seek, since I know nothing of your later studies and work, except by hearsay. I feel sure that you will do most conscientious work, if called to the chair you wish, in sociology.

I have letters also from our friends J. E. Payne and E. H. Snyder, in your behalf. I am very glad to hear from you that Mr. Payne is doing such satisfactory work. It seems to me that the place at Cheyenne Wells could scarcely be better manned than by one as diligent and painstaking as he. We expect soon to publish as a bulletin his thesis for the Master's degree.

Yours truly,

Leo. S. Rowe

11 12,

To the Board of Regents of the State Agricultural College,

Ft. Collins, Colo.

Sirs:--I am informed that Mr. D. W. Working, a graduate of this college of the class of '86, and for several years past secretary of your college, is a candidate for the chair of English and Sociology with you. While Mr. Working's qualifications for the place are doubtless better known to yourselves than to me, I am very glad to testify to his thoroughness as a student in this institution, and his special fitting in the elementary work in English through his training in our Printing Department, where he occupied for a time the position of foreman. His later editorial work and his keen love for literature have no doubt developed his early training so that I should have confidence in his undertaking so responsible a place. I have no hesitation in commending him for upright, earnest and energetic character.

Yours very respectfully,

Wm. T. Fairchild.

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11/19,

Oscar M. Morris,

Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir;--I take great pleasure in sending you an outline of post-graduate study, as requested, and also our annual catalogue, in which you will find, on pages 25 to 35, the studies offered and the requirements for a degree.

As to your working your way through a postgraduate course, it is impossible to make any promises. We endeavor to distribute what work we have among the students here who most need it. There is, however, no assurance that we shall be able to furnish what you desire. I do not think it wise to attempt such a course without having saved something for your means of support when work is not to be had.

Yours truly,

Wm. J. Fairchild.

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11/19, 6

Miss Gertrude Coburn,

Kelly Hall, Univ. of Chicago.

Dear Friend:--I was very glad to learn from your father yesterday of you enjoying study in Chicago, and today, finding your letter awaiting me, I am equally glad to furnish the certificate you ask. Having just returned from a ten days' absence, you must excuse my brief letter.

Yours truly,

Geo. A. Fernekes.

11/19, 6

E. H. Snyder,

Highlands, Colo.

Yours of November 9th I find awaiting my return from Washington. I have already written, at Mr. Working's request, a letter of commendation to the Board of Regents. I shall be very glad if he can obtain the place. But of course all that I can do is to endorse his general scholarship and character, which I have already done. To push the matter by writing special letters would scarcely be in good taste, and might do him more harm than good.

I am glad to hear from you, and shall gladly hear again.

Yours truly, Geo. A. Fernekes

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11/19, 6

Thomas J. Woodworth,

Walnut, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I think we shall be glad to let you enter college upon a certificate from the Walnut high school, but to do that we shall need a statement from the Superintendent, showing the course of study and just what you have accomplished in the course.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairchild

11/19, 6

Frank Craik,

Cheto, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--You will see from our catalogue that it is not w[illegible] to come before the beginning of next term, in January. I hope you will be able to enter at that time.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairchild

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11/19, 6

Hon. J. Bruce Lynch,

Warden State Penitentiary,

Lansing, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Please send us coal as soon as possible, and let us have two cars each week, until further notice. We have received nothing , although I wrote on November 7th, asking for one carload the week following, and two each week thereafter.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Fairchild.

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11/19, 6

Dr. D. B. Eastman,

Asylum for Insane,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--

Mr. L. W. Hayes, a graduate from his college in June last, seeks employment with you as an attendant. Mr. Hayes is a young man of good character, tall and manly in bearing, able in every way to do good work. He is also something of a singer, plays some band instruments, and may be helpful in your entertainments. I have no hesitation in commending him for any work you may have suited to his abilities.

Yours truly,

A. T. Fairchild

11/19, 6

L. W. Hayes,

Reedsville, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I enclose the recommendation you request, hoping that you may succeed in your efforts.

Yours truly,

A. T. Fairchild,

P. S. I have just returned from Washington, D. C.

11/19 , 6

To the Commissary General of Subsistence,

U. S. War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:--Please accept my acknowledgment of the "Manual for Army Cooks," just received, for our college library. It will be of use not only to our students of soldier life, but to our Department of Household Economy.

Very respectfully yours,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/19,

James F. Sarg,

Kempsville, Va.

Dear Sir:--Accept my thanks for copy of your little pamphlet, entitled "A New Dairy Industry" I shall place it in the Experiment Station Library, where it will undoubtedly be of use to some of our special students in such lines. It appears interesting at the first glance.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/19, 6

American Book Company,

521 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ills.

Sirs:--Accept my thanks for a copy of Elementary Meteorology, by Frank Waldo. I shall bring it to the attention of our professor of Physics, who will doubtless find use for it in connection with his classes.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairstein.

11/19, 6

Frank Babcock,

North Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--We have made considerable investigation of Beet-raising in Kansas, and have reached the conclusion that it will not pay unless it should be in a limited locality. I send you the bulletins published upon the subject, with the assurance that we have not thought it wise to continue the experiment longer.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Fairstein

11/194 6

H. F. Harbaugh,

Concord, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Accept my thanks for your kind letter of inquiry. I assure you that I shall be glad to consult in regard to the needs of the college in regard appropriations and legislation. Our biennial report is in the hands of the State printer, and will be sent you as soon as it is printed. It sets forth somewhat distinctly the condition and needs of the college.

Your suggestion in regard to the poor farms, or county farms, I am glad to have. I am in considerable doubt, however, as to whether they are so managed generally as to make experiments upon them amount to much. I do not think they could be made safely points of general seed distribution for the counties. The object of the farm, as I understand it, in such cases, is to reduce the expense of the county for the care of paupers. The addition of seed distribution and experiment would much increase expenses.

I am not prepared to support any plan for making the experiment station a station for general seed raising. The conditions for successful and profitable seed raising in any large quantity, cannot be met in connection with our college work. It certainly was not the purpose of the act of Congress creating the experiment stations, and would very much conflict with the work for which the stations were organized. I think much more could be done for the farmers of the State by some perfected method of seed testing than by any extended effort at seed-raising. At the meeting of the Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Station in Washington last week, steps were taken to secure a

uniform system of seed testing for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the stations of the several states. A committee was appointed for an investigation, and its work is already begun. A little calculation will show the impossibility of supplying pure seed from any one farm, and this is especially difficult in connection with an experiment station trying a multitude of varieties and investigating all sorts of plant diseases. The station can to advantage introduce varieties from time to time, by sending out samples to different localities: but the supply must be comparatively limited.

I shall be glad to send you the publications of the station and of the college. Hoping that you may be able to visit the college before the opening of legislature, I remain

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/19,

President A. W. Harris,

Orono, Maine.

Dear Sir:--remembering your request for suggestions as to the data to be collected in our several colleges, I venture a suggestion or two. The following are items which I would like to know concerning the institutions, aside from the usual data as to fixtures, annual attendance, faculty, library, endowment, etc. First is the distribution of students by classes, and the average age of graduation; second, the total number of graduates to date, and also the number who have secured a second degree by post graduate study, either in the college itself or elsewhere.

As to course of study, I should like to know the variety of courses, and the length in weeks: that is, the number of four years' courses, and the number less than four years. Many of the colleges have so-called business courses, and short courses, which cut a considerable figure in the total attendance.

As to equipment, I wish we could have not only the total value, but its general distribution as to buildings, scientific apparatus, shop tools and machinery, museums, libraries, and farm equipment.

As to income, I would like to see the sources as classified in the annual reports to the commissioner of education, with the addition of special state appropriations for buildings, apparatus, library, and other expenditure. It would also be interesting to know which states contribute to the support by a specific tax, and if possible the rate of

the tax. I believe it would also be perfectly fair, in states where the ...icultural college is separate from the university, to show that fact with the attendance at the university given. In comparisons now the college of Nebraska, associated with the State university gives naturally the total attendance in all departments, while in our state the university attendance cuts no figure.

I would also like to know the character of the station organization, whether independent, or subordinate to college organization, and the number of college professors also doing service as experiment station experts. It would be interesting also to note the number of station publications and the total pages.

I have no idea how you can schedule all these inquiries, if you decide to think it wise. But your ingenuity is sufficient for anything of the kind.

I reached home at midnight last evening, and perhaps have allowed dullness to enter into preceding paragraphs. If so, you will pardon it, in view of my three days' journey, but I do not dare to put off suggestions if they were to do any good. I shall not grumble if you find it impossible to follow these suggestions, but shall be grateful for whatever you are able to do.

Yours truly,

Leo. S. Rowe.

11/21, 6

E. J. Stahl,

Granada, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--Yours of 17th inst. I find awaiting my return from Washington. I enclose a testimonial such as I feel at liberty to give. Any further endorsement of your experience or abilities would be going beyond my right. Your name was up for endorsement by the State Board of Education for Normal Institutes, and I felt wholly incompetent to testify to our success as a teacher, and asked the other members of the Board to judge from your testimonials.

Personally I think of the Reform School as needing a man of more than ordinary experience. It seems to me a more important position than that of city superintendent; and I dare not assume the responsibility of assuring the fitness of any body without a very distinct acquaintance with his work and abilities. Of course I should be glad to have you take the place, if you are worthy of it, as I trust you are.

Yours truly,

Leo. N. Fairchild.

11/31. 6

Hon. J. W. Leedy,

Governor Elect of the State of Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Mr. T. J. Abell, of Scandia, Kansas, writes me that he is a candidate for Superintendent of the State Reform School, and asks my endorsement. Mr. Abell is a graduate of this college, and has had a considerable experience in teaching. Of his general scholarship and character I can testify with satisfaction. Of his special fitness for the place of superintendent, I have no means of judging; as I have never seen his work anywhere, and have no reports from others, it would be improper for me to assume a knowledge which I do not possess. I presume he can furnish testimonials of more explicit character from others who are familiar with his work.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/31. 6

Hon. J. K. Hudson, State Printer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I am loss receipted requisition No. 1826, for binding. Secretary Graham has already acknowledged the receipt of the volumes, but you may desire the regular form.

You sent me the volumes referred to, several bound for me personally. Please send the bill for the same.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/21,

P. S. Reed,

Mayfield Green, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--I am glad to hear from you again, and that you are in such good spirit in spite of your disappointment as to a school. I hope that the future has in store for you some better opportunities, and abundant success. I think your postal orders have found their destination through Secretary Graham, who cared for my mail during my absence attending an association of agricultural colleges at Washington.

Of you pupil, C. B. Montgomery, I know but little, except that he is working for Prof. Papenoe. This I happen to know more especially because he consulted me about going home to vote. I know no reason why why he should not succeed in his work here. He seems zealous, and I think is trying his best.

I neglected your former letter so long that I feared you would not receive my answer, but am glad to know that it was not lost. You will see from the Industrialist that the college is moving on with a larger attendance than ever, so that the chapel gallery is full, and the probability is that all seats will be occupied in the winter term. This means an enrollment of over seven hundred students for the year. We shall be glad of your good words to any one who can help us in the coming legislature.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/21, 0

President J. H. Mills,

Corvallis, Oregon.

Dear Sir:--In answer to your inquiry of November 11th, I have to say that our Armory is the lower floor of a building twelve feet, in which are racks for 200 stands of arms and uniforms. The building was constructed many years ago, at a cost of $12,000, for a barn, and has been used for various purposes, including at one time the entire provision for college classes. The second floor is now devoted to the department of agriculture and veterinary science. It fairly serves our purpose for the present, but is far from being an ideal armory. It is only partially equipped as a gymnasium.

Yours truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild

11/21, 0

W. A. Sherrer,

Clear City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours of November 7th, I find awaiting my return from a meeting of agricultural colleges in Washington. I do not think it worth while for your son to enter classes now, so near the end of the fall term. We cannot admit anybody without examination; but if he is over eighteen years of age, we can allow him to enter special classes to make up deficiencies shown in the examination. The winter term begins January 3rd.

Yours truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild.

11/21, 6

Supt. C. U. Nichols,

Smith Center, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--It is impossible to tell what funds we may have to invest next spring. We try to keep our funds fully invested, and have been saving to meet your offer. Let us hear from you when the district is ready to issue bonds, and we will see what can be done. Your letter has awaited my return from a journey.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/21, 6

J. W. Skaer,

Augusta, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours enclosing fifty cents in payment of registration fee for bond No. 12, City of Augusta, is received. Accept my thanks

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/21, 6

Hon. C. B. Waughters,

Lincoln, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours of November 12th with copy of the Board report is received. I took it for granted that you were too busy to make suggestions, and made up the report for the state printer, thinking that any suggestions coming later could be introduced in the proof. The report was sent to the State Printer last week.

I had a very pleasant trip to Washington, with a profitable meeting of the association. The objects sought in my going were easily accomplished. Indeed, I think the temper of the association was decidedly with me in those matters. You may have noticed that I was chosen president for the next year. This I take as a hearty endorsement of the work of the college, and a proof of its general repute. It certainly can do us no harm to be thus recognized.

I sent to the Auditor yesterday an order for $1327.00, which I hope you will have by the time this reaches you. Mr. Graham will send you the vouchers for October this afternoon. I will not tough any sore places by reference to the election, as I have had mine touched enough in the past two weeks.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/23, 6

H. E. Van Deman,

Parksley, Va.

Dear Sir:--Yours of November 19th is received. I am not a candidate for the position you mention, and shall not become one unless circumstances make it seem especially desirable for the department itself and the adjustment of interests in the states. There is some talk that the Secretaryship may come to the west, in which case the assistant secretary will doubtless be selected from the east. I shall not take any steps to have my name presented, unless I learn that it is desired in the general distribution.

I had entirely lost track of you, and am glad to hear that you are still at work in your favorite field of horticulture.

David left Europe last March, and is now in the island of Java, His address is Buitenzorg. We expect him home next spring.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/ 23, 6

Hon. C. R. Moe,

Leon, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-- I have just drawn warrant No. 899, dated November 21st, 1896, payable to First National Bank, Manhattan, $570, for bonds No.s 1 and 2, District 72 Kay county, Oklahoma. Face, $600. The bonds and papers seem correct, according to promise.

The County Superintendent of Smith county writes that the district No. 124, whose papers we have, does not wish to issue bonds now, since it is too late to build this fall, and asks if we can take the bonds in the spring. I wrote him that we could make no promises, since we should try to keep all the funds invested; and that we had been saving the money for these bonds.

I have nothing further from the Osborne county district, whose papers were incorrect, but suppose they will hold a new election. We have now in the State Treasury awaiting investment $

I suppose you have heard fmm election. I have a good many times, not only here, but on my journey east.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

George Oliver, 11/25, 6

Utopia, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--We expect all students here to take as full a cours as possible while they are here. Every one has three studies, beside the industrial. It will hardly be profitable for you to enter so near the close of our term. The next term begins January 5th. We do not take anybody to teach him simply a trade.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Fairchild.

11/23, 6

J. L. Carney,

Agt. S. P Ry.,

Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--This college will close on Friday noon, December 18th, and the students will desire their tickets on that day. The limit for returning, January 4th, will exactly suit us. I will send you a list of thos who wish to purchase to points beyond your line, as soon as I can obtain information.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Fairchild.

Nov. 23 6

Hon. O. L. Atherton,
Treasurer of State,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed bonds Nos 1 & 2, $600, of District #72, Kay Co., O. T. for deposit in the Permanent Fund of this College.

Expecting the usual receipt in return, I am

Yours truly,
Geo. T. Fairchild

11/24, 6

E. J. Abell,

Scandia, Kansas

Dear Friend:--Yours of yesterday is received, as well as a package of testimonials. I think your testimonials are all that you could wish, and am glad to have seen them. Of course I have no disposition whatever to question their evidence. They seem to be conclusive as to your success in the places you have occupied. I return them today as requested.

I think you misunderstand my position in regard to testimonials. You can easily see how impossible it is for me to make any graduate my candidate for any position. I am very glad to give testimony to everything that comes within my knowledge. But it is impossible for me to pronounce upon the fitness of any one for special work, when all his school opportunities for acquiring skill in that direction are outside of my acquaintance with him. For instance, one of the graduates is a candidate for a professorship in another state. All his special study beyond the elementary course in college, is wholly outside my knowledge. I sent him a testimonial to earnest, studious character and general scholarship. To assert his special fitness without knowledge would be to do just what makes testimonials generally of little worth. The same is true in your case. I have less than the usual knowledge of your success in teaching, chiefly because most of it was before you graduated, when you dropped out so suddenly and unexpectedly from the course. It seems to me that my statement to Governor Leedy carries more weight than if I assumed a knowledge which I do not possess. I will record the testimon-

ials as to success in teaching far better than if I made it in general terms. It is such care in testimonials that makes them of worth everywhere.

I think you are mistaken in supposing that your application was rejected at the State Board of Education. Unfortunately, the State Superintendent had applied to only one other person besides myself for confidential information. As the whole question turned upon your success in teaching and especially in managing, I could not decide it in your favor, although I testified to your preparation. It was simply laid over for further correspondence. The superintendent should have written to two others of your references. It is possible that you may have to wait a year or so for a conductor's certificate, since the Board do not feel disposed to give such certificates without a considerable experience. I see no reason why you cannot have an instructor's certificate without question.

You must remember that all out correspondence hitherto has been about your studies. I think this is the first letter in which you have mentioned the progress in teaching, except in the most incidental way. I am very glad to know of your success from year to year I scarcely knew what you expect in the way of endorsement which is not included in the letter I sent you. You must remember that my letter to Gov. Reedy is of the nature of a personal one, on account of years of acquaintance.

I think the letters you referred, addressed to Prof. Will, were simply provoked by Prof. Will's first letter. But he written his second letter first, no such answers would have been called out.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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Hon. J. H. Hudson,

State printer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir: Your kind favor announcing that no charge is made for binding several volumes for me is received. I feel somewhat embarrassed by not knowing why I deserve such a favor at your hands, or how I can return the kindness. Thanks seem poor compensation for such a material service.

I will try to resume proof of biennial report tomorrow.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/24, 6

Hon. C. C. Woodyear,

Oatville, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I shal l be very glad indeed to help as far as I am able toward your reappointment as a Regent. Among the forty men or more with whom I have had to deal upon the Board, I know of none whose conscientious judgment I have more confidence in than in yours. I shall write the letter you speak of at once. Of course my endorsement may possibly be taken as an effort to retain friends already made for personal consideration, but it ought not to be so taken.

We had a very nice meeting at Washington, and the work for which I desired to go was easily accomplished. No changes were made in the general tone of the Association, and the recognition of my ~~vindi-~~ ~~tion of my~~ sentiments and the repute of our college was very grateful. The honor conferred upon me I could not but appreciate as a recognition of the merits of the Kansas College. I thank you for your congratulations.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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Hon. J. W. Leedy,

Governor Elect of the State of Kansas.

Dear Sir:--The biennial report of the Regents of the Agricultural College is in the hands of the State printer, and will soon be in shape so that I can furnish you an advanced copy. This I shall do at as early a date as possible, hoping that you may find use for it in the preparation of your message to the Legislature. I shall be very much pleased if you find it possible to make us a visit in the near future. If that is not possible, I shall be glad to furnish any explanations you may desire of the needs of the college.

In this connection I wish to say a good word in behalf of the Regents whose terms expire next April. Mr. Hoffman, whom you are well acquainted with, by reputation at least, is a most efficient business man, and his familiarity with the work at the college would make his reappointment exceedingly proper unless he is to be promoted to something more important. Mr. C. E. Goodyear, of Catville, is a thorough-going farmer, whom I have found in our three years of acquaintance to be a man of most upright, straightforward and conscientious judgment in all college matters. There has never been a Regent who has more truly won the confidence of all associated with him, and I am sure no better selection could be made. I speak thus particularly because, not being in public life, Mr. Goodyear may not be as well known.

In the appointment of new regents I have never in all my connection with the college made suggestions to the Governor. But in the possibility of reappointment it seems proper that I should give my tes-

timony to fitness. I should be glad to give a like testimony to the fitness of Regents Secrest, Kelly and Street, if there is a possibility of their securing your appointment. In our own county I know of no one better fitted by interest and general knowledge than Mr. Ed Secrest, of Randolph. Mr. Stratford of Eldorado I think has left the State, or I should be glad to endorse his candidacy.

I hope that some of these who are acquainted with the work of the colleges may at least find a place on the Board; and I am sure that none are better fitted than the present incumbents.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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Manhattan 11/23, 1896

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Geo T Fairchild
President, K.S.A.C.

11/27, 6

Hon. C. N. Noe,

Leon, Kansas.

Dear Sir: --Yours is received. I presume I must have been in fault in paying the 98 for the Cross bonds. I did not have any note of the fact that we were to pay only 92 1/2, and as the papers agreed with our examination in October, and the bond had already been waiting two weeks for my return, I supposed I was doing the right thing in drawing the warrant according to the draft . . There was no interest charged, but this morning I have a letter from Mr. Edwards claiming interest from August 1st. I enclose the letters and papers,

and refer Mr. Edwards to you.

I received the fifty cents from Mr. Skaer as promised. Mr. Edwards was here last Monday, asking us to take another bond from Pottawatomie county for $360. I showed him errors in the papers, and told him to send the whole to you. The district adjoined one whose bonds we already hold.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/27, 6

R. J. Edwards,

Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:--Yours of 25th inst. is at hand. I paid the full amount of the draft, $170, supporing that there could be no interest, because we had held money for the purchase from the first of October, or earlier, and the bonds were not issued until September 1st. I reported the matter to Loan Commissioner Noe, who had authorized the purchase, and he writes me that I have made a mistake , since you offered the bonds , in a letter dated August 30th, saying "It will cost you only 92 1/2 cents and interest." He also thinks the district is numbered 2, instead of 72. I have sent all the papers as well as your letter, to him. Please explain the matter to his satisfaction.

Yours truly,

Geo. J. Fairchild

11/27, 6

John E. Frost,

Land Com. A. T. & S. F. Ry.,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--

Our Prof. A. S. Hitchcock, botanist for the Station, as well as for the College, thinks he could do a good work for scientific knowledge if he could make a collecting trip through Texas to Galveston. Could he render sufficient service to the Santa Fe system to make it worth your while to furnish transportation? He would expect to publish something in regard to the collection on his return, and would, if you should think desirable, furnish you a special report for use in your advertising work. I think we have never before asked for transportation beyond the limits of the State. But if it seems worth while, we shall be glad to reach further. Prof. Hitchcock will go, if it is possible, about the 15th of December, and spend his winter vacation of two weeks.

Yours very truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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John E. Frost,

Land Com. A. T. & S. F. Ry.,

Topeka, Kansas

Dear Sir:--

Yours of 25th inst., announcing that you would furnish transportation for a member of the State Board of Irrigation to Ashfork, Arizona, and that I have been designated to receive that favor, by the President of the Board, is thankfully received. I shall try my best to so arrange my business as to accept the privilege thus granted. If at the last moment I should find it impossible to leave college affairs, could it be so arranged that I might substitute one of our professors who is at work for the State Board of Irrigation to act in my place? I will write to President D. H. Frost in regard to the matter.

Thanking you heartily for an opportunity which I shall very much desire to take, I remain

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/20, 6

D. M. Frost,

President of the State Board of Irrigation,

Garden City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--

I have notice from Mr. John E. Frost, Land Commissioner A. T. & S. F. Ry., that at your suggestion he will furnish transportation for me to attend the Irrigation Congress at Phoenix, December 15th next. I very much desire to attend, and have written Mr. Frost that if I can possibly arrange college business to be absent that week, I will do so. It is the last week of our term and requires more than usual attention on my part, and sometimes there are emergencies which seem to absorb all attention. Could I accept with the proviso that in case I cannot attend, Prof. Hood can go as my representative? Of course he is not a member of the Board of Irrigation , but he is directly engaged in work for the Board. Of course you are the one to designate what shall be done in case it is impossible for me to be absent from the College.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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11/27, 6

A. J. McAdams, M. D.,

Danville, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours of 17th inst. I find unanswered. Our catalogue sent you gives most of the information desired. As to moral influences of the city, the universal testimony places them high. I have ever known better in connection with a college town. The chance of making expenses is limited. There are always some working for their board. But such places are usually taken by older students. We shall be glad to help as far as we are able, any student who comes to us. There is some work at college, which is distributed among a hundred or more

11/27, 6

Principal U. S. C. Busch,

Troy, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours of November 16th was received after the meeting of the State Board of Education, on the 15th. I do not think your application came up for action during my attendance at the Board. I was obliged to leave a half hour before adjournment.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/27, 6

Thomas Tassler,

Batesville, Arkansas.

Dear Friend:--Yours of 21st inst. is duly received, and your questions were answered by Prof. Hood, as enclosed. I think you will find his suggestions valuable.

I am glad to hear of your successful work, and hope that you may be still more successful in the future. I had somehow lost track of you for some years. Your venture in the mill enterprises ought to afford opportunity for growth in various ways.

I am sorry to hear of J. B. Brown's depression. I hope you can cheer him up. I have not heard from him in a long time directly. I do not think that I realized his loss.

I had a letter a few days since from Mr. T. H. Snyder, who seems to be thriving in Colorado. You doubtless know more about him than I.

We do not yet know what the coming legislature will feel able to do for us. We hope the members will be well disposed, and that the work will go forward without serious loss. For the first time we have a graduate among the representatives, Mr. J. C. Davis, of the class of '93.

Let us hear from you as to the success of your ventures.

Yours truly,

Wm. T. Fairchild

11/27, 6

Ernst & Von Spreckelsen,

Hamburg, Germany.

Dear Sirs:—Your favor of October 17th has been taken under consideration by the Council of our Experiment Station, and I am advised to inform you that we are not in situation to contribute to your exhibit of clover and grasses in such a way as to serve your purposes. We do not raise them to any considerable extent, and but small quantities are raised in our immediate neighborhood. I take the liberty to refer you to Messrs. Bartelder & Son, of Lawrence, Kansas, extensive dealers in these and other seeds. I believe that the can be trusted to serve both you and our state in a worthy manner. If they should undertake such an exhibit, I believe it would be satisfactory to all concerned.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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Manhattan 11/27, 1896

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Geo. T. Fairchild
President

11/27, 6

Miss Mary Swenek Woolman,

Teachers' College, New York.

Dear Madam:--In answer to yours of November 10th, I have to say that the city schools of Manhattan have done nothing as yet in the way of rural home teaching. Our State Agricultural College, located here, has been a leader for twenty years in teaching domestic science and art. Mrs. M. E. Goodrich, professor of household economy and hygiene, has made a full report of our work and represented the college at the conference of teachers of domestic economy in Chautauqua, last summer. A brief outline will be found in our extension, on page 40, a copy of which is mailed you.

Yours very truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild

11/27, 6

S. C. Thayer,

Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Friend:- I was glad to find on my return from a visit to Washington your letter announcing appointment to Haskell Institute. I hope it will give you good opportunities for work and growth. It will be convenient enough for you to drop in upon us here once in a while. I hope that more of our boys and girls may find places as they want them in connection with the Indian service.

Remember me kindly to Mrs. Thayer.

Yours truly,

Leo. L. Fairchild

11/27 6

Hon. J. K. Hudson.
State Printer
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I send by express today the cuts needed for our biennial report, save one blue forwarded by Jno. Kansas City. If the latter does not come within three days, please notify me.

I enclose receipted requisition for letterheads

Yours truly.
Wm. T. Fairchild

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W. L. Bell & Co.
Kansas City, Mo.
& Fort Worth, Tex.

Dear Sirs:

Will you send at once to Hon. S. K. Hudson, State Printer, Topeka, Kansas, the cut of our College grounds furnished you last September. I enclose copy for identification.

We need it for our biennial report now in press.

Yours truly,
Geo. T. Fairchild.

Prof. E. B. Cowgill, 11/27 6

Dear Friend:

Secretary Graham has shown me your letter of yesterday, I think, in which you express a judgment as to the wise policy of the College authorities toward State Officers elect exactly in accord with my own. I have already written Gov. Leedy and shall write to others. It was an indirect and round-about way of inviting a visit that I questioned. I shall enjoy inviting Lieut. Governor Harvey to visit the College and inspect its working, and then shall enjoy asking him to address the students when he comes.

I hope to be in Topeka next week for a few hours, and will drop into your office if possible.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/28, 6

Farm Journal,

1024 Race St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:--

Our list of farmers' institutes for the winter is arranged piecemeal. So far as provided for, we have the following:

Russell, Russell county, Dec. 4.

Oneida, Nemaha county, Dec. 10 and 11.

Nortonville, Jefferson county, Dec. 17 and 18.

Oak Grange, Shawnee county, Dec. 17 and 18.

Hackney, Cowley county, Dec. 29 and 30.

Hiawatha, Brown county, Dec. 30.

Overbrook, Osage county, Jan. 21 and 22.

Berryton, Shawnee county, Feb. 11 and 12.

Haven, Reno county, Feb. 11 and 12.

Other dates will be fixed hereafter, each being published in our Industrialist as soon as it is known. If you exchange with the Industrialist, you will secure all the information possessed.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

11/28, 6

W. M. Browning,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--I am glad to hear from you again after all these years, and that you still prize the memories of your college days. You will find a large proportion of the members of the Faculty of your day still here. Prof. Shelton and Prof. Kellerman, I think, are the only members who have left us. Of course there are several new ones, for the college has grown in every way.

I have sent to Mr. Funnell your request in regard to church membership, and it will probably be complied with without question. We should all be glad to know, however, that you have not lost your interest in the church and its work, and shall hope that you find a useful place for yourself in some church, wherever you may reside.

Yours truly,

11/28, 6

C. F. Hamblen,

Greeley, Kansas.

Dear Student:--You have our earnest sympathy in your bereavement. It seems sometimes as if our plans for life would count for nothing. But the eternal plan of all our lives works for the best; and sometimes the bearing of pain and the suffering of bereavement are the best discipline we could have. We are sorry that you must leave, but your responsibilities will be a means of growth.

I do not find the key of which you speak in your letter.

Yours truly,

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11/30, 6

O. L. Utter,

72 Mt. Vernon St.,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Friend:--I am glad to hear from you away down east. I know you must enjoy the advantages of historical associations, of large libraries and the picture gallery which Boston affords. You will also prize an occasional visit to the old ocean, in its various moods. The grades you ask for I enclose on separate sheet.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

To Whom It Concerns :--

This is to certify that Mr. O. L. Utter completed the course of study required for the degree of Bachelor of Science June 1888. During that course he received in the following studies the grades attached, 100 indicating perfect.

General history, 95.

Rhetoric, 94.

Psychology, 93.

Logic, 92.

I am glad to commend him as in every way worthy of confidence.

Respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild,

President

11/30, 6

State printing Co.,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sirs :--I send you today copy for bulletin No. 62. The bill for bulletin 61 is forwarded to the Treasurer for payment.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

P. S. We want 500 copies with plates on plate paper: the rest can be printed with the text on book paper.

G. T. F.

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Hon. J. K. Hudson, State Printer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I shall return proof of the biennial report, galleys 7 to 14 inclusive, today. I should like a few copies of the signatures of the report including the Regents' report, the financial reports, and the President's report. A half dozen will be sufficient, to furnish advance copies to the Governor and a few other officers. Prof. Hitchcock would like two hundred copies of his report, when you reach it. This will be an extra, of course.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

11/30,

Supt. E. Stanley,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I have studied somewhat upon the matter of our biennial report which should go into yours. I do not understand that ours goes into the joint documents, except by publication in your report. If so, it seems to me the record should be as full as space will allow. It should include at least the report of the Regents, the financial statement, and the President's report. I will try to be in Topeka Wednesday afternoon, with proof of these reports, which we can look over together. It seems as if the State Printer should be required to take these up for your report, without charge for composition. He actually does this whether any allowance is made or not.

I sent you on Saturday the papers from the August examination. which I suppose you wish to preserve.

Yours truly,

Leo J. Fairchild.

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Hon.. W. B. Sutton,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I shall try to meet with the Board to morrow morning. Mrs. Fairchild is quite unwell, confined to her bed this morning, and if I should be unable to leave tomorrow morning on the early train, I will do so in the afternoon at three o'clock.

Yours truly,

Leo. T. Fairchild

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F. B. Elliott ,

Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I have received policy No/ 446,888, National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., in favor of War Department of United States, at $441,50, expiring Nov. 27, 1899. The policy is according to my wishes, and I make the voucher for the premium, $6.62, according to your bill.

Yours truly,

Leo T Fairchild

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John.E. Frost,

Land. Com. A. T. & S.F. Ry.,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I shall make eve y effort to so arrange college business that I may attend the National Congress of Irrigation at Phoenix, and will gladly accept your offer of transportation. I shall meet with the State Board of Irrigation tomorrow, and will arrange with them for a substitute should it be impossible for me to go. I will try to see you tomorrow, after such arrangement is made.

Yours very truly,

Leo. J. Fairchild

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Hon . N. B. Tomblin,

Goodland, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Yours of Nov. 28 is received this morning. The New Jersey Agricultural College is called Rutger's College, and is located at New Brunswick. Dr. D. B. Halstead, a brother-in-law of mine, is Professor of Botany there. The name of the President is W. H. Scott.

Yours truly,

Leo. J. Fairchild

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Maj. W. H. Rexford,

Springfield, Mass.

Sir:--Please find enclosed receipt for twenty-five Springfield Cadet Rifles, as per invoice of Nov. 16, 1896.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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Capt. A. H. Russell,

Rock Island, Ills.

Sir:--Please find enclosed receipt for twenty-five sets of accoutrements, as per invoice of of Nov. 20, 1896.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild

To the Chief of Ordnance,

U. S. Army,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:--

I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of twenty-five Springfield Cadet Rifles, calibre 45 hundredths, with accoutrements, as per your order of Nov. 11, 1896. I have insured the same by policy No. 446,688. in the National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn. for $441.50, in favor of the War Department of the United States, for the term of three years from Nov. 27, 1896.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. L. Fairchild.
President of College.

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I. P. Roberts,

Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Sir:--We have but one course for first degree, and this leads to the degree of Bachelor of Science. For the second degree we issue only Master of Science, but mention the specialties upon which the degree is founded. I enclose a leaf from our catalogue giving full particulars.

Yours truly

Geo. L. Fairchild

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Pres. W. H. Olin,

Ottawa, Kansas.

Dear Friend:--Yours of November 19th has been carefully considered, by the Faculty, which appointed a special committee for further consideration, and was finally referred to a sub-committee, and again laid before the Faculty. The settled conviction is that at this time we have not the means and ought not to expend means for a full exhibit of the different departments, and a meager exhibit from a portion of them would misrepresent the college work. Prof. Hood has a paper and will take down two or three barrels of his problems in wood work for distribution among the teachers. I will see that the headquarters of the alumni are furnished with catalogues, circulars, etc., in abundance, and will bring the college albums and a considerable collection of the enlarged pictures with which we can probably ornament the room. The Faculty, as many as attend the State Association, will gladly accept the invitation of the alumni to meet them Wednesday evening, Dec. 3, in the high school building.

We are constrained to be thus limited by the stress of circumstances. Such an exhibit involves a great deal of labor, and a considerable expense, in the way of freights, drayage and handling. The Board decided last summer to make no expenditure for advertising this year. Our funds are entirely insufficient to meet the necessary current expenses, and we must ask the Legislature for help. I think you will understand the situation, and realize that we appreciate your efforts on behalf of the college most highly.

Yours very truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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Hon. C. B. Daughters,

Lincoln, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I should have written you yesterday, but was called to a meeting of the State Board of Irrigation. The Board are very anxious that I should represent them at the National Congress of Irrigation at Phoenix, Arizona. I do not know that it will be possible for me to go, but if it should be, would you think it wise for me to be away the last week in the term?

I shall send an advance copy of the regents' report, including the financial reports and my own, to Governor Leedy, hoping that he will give us some favorable mention in his message to Legislature. Do you think of anything else which should be done at once?

What do you think it best to do about the November pay-rolls? I remember that you said a month ago you felt willing to take the responsibility, since you could be reimbursed in January. If you think best to do so, I will share the risk with you, so far as it is possible for me, but I will not ask it if you feel hesitation about the matter. The collections of December and January amounted to a little over $7,000. Please let me hear from you soon, that I may notify the officers what to expect.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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Hon. J. K. Hudson, State Printer,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--The corrected proofs of yesterday I find satisfactory. Will you kindly mail me three copies of the first signature of our report. I need to use them for certain state officers.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

P.S. I send out for frontispiece today.
G. T. F.

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A. V. Smedgrass,

Little River, Kansas.

Dear Student:--Your reason for leaving college so suddenly is quite sufficient. We are sorry you are obliged to leave, and shall be glad to have you return when you can.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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Supt. E. Stanley,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--I was in Topeka yesterday morning, and intended, as I told Mr. Fellow, to see you before leaving. At noon I found it possible by neglecting you, to take the train home, and as I had left Mrs. Fairchild very ill, it seemed best to do so. I will send you, as promised, an advanced copy of our regents' report, financial reports, and my general report. It seems to me that these, in substance, at least, should appear in the joint documents, which they can do only through your report. If you see parts which can be omitted, without detriment, please suggest. Yours truly, Geo. T. Fairchild.

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Lieut. Joseph Frazier,

Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--Your application for consideration as a possible successor to Capt. Cavenaugh, is received, and will be filed for further reference, with others of similar nature already received.

Yours truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild.

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Principal J. L. Thompson,

Hawkesbury Agricultural College,

Richmond, New South Wales.

Dear Sir:--

Yours of October 12, asking an exchange of seeds, was duly received. The matter has been referred to our superintendents of the farm and garden, who will investigate the matter, and send you such as we have on hand, or can collect in ample time for next year's cropping. We will also write you as to the varieties which they desire from you.

Yours very truly,

Leo. J. Fairchild.

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J. O. Lee,

Commissioner of Agriculture,

Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Sir:--The state has no system of farmers' institutes, but this college has maintained a series each winter since 1881. The general plan is set forth in the enclosed circular, which we send to correspondnts in various parts of the state. We insist above all things th at the program shall represent local interests as well as those of the college.

Yours truly,

Leo. J. Fairchild

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E. D. Caldwell,

Gen. Western Pass. Association,

Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:--

I am advised by Mr. J. L. Carney, Local Agent for the U. P. and A. T. & S. F. Ry. at this place, to write you full particulars of our wishes as to holiday rates for students. We desire that tickets at holiday rates be sold here on the railroads for the four trains, or less, leaving here after noon of December 18th. It will serve every purpose if the tickets can be sold on the 18th for the early morning trains after midnight. Some students would be obliged to lie over at intermediate points on their way home, unless they could take those early trains on Sunday, December 19th. Others could not reach home before Sunday, unless they can leave here Friday afternoon, December 18th.

I have the names of forty students whose route will be over more than one road. The points of transfer are Topeka, between U. P., C., R. I. & P., A. T. & S. F., and M. P.; Lawrence, between U. P. and A. T. & S. F.; Kansas City, between U. P., and K. C. P. S. & M.; Marysville, between U. P. and Grand Island; Winfield, between A. T. & S. F. and M. P.; Junction City, between U. P. and M. K. & T.; Salina, between U. P. and M. P.; Ottawa, between A. T. & S. F. and M. P.

If you desire, I can furnish the name and route of each student using more than one road. Hoping that these terms can be granted, and that we may know soon your decision, I remain

Yours truly,

Leo. J. Frankel

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Hon. J. W. Leedy,

Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir --I send today under another cover the advance copy of our regents' report, together with reports of financial officers and that of president. I trust that you will find them convenient in any consideration you give the college in your message to the legislature. Any explanations you may care for I shall be happy to furnish.

Yours very respectfully,

Geo. T. Fairchild

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M. A. Low, Esq.,

Attorney E. I. Railway,

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:--A severe case of mange affecting a very large herd of cattle at Arthony, Kansas, has come to the notice of our Prof. Mayo, and he would like to investigate it. If you think it proper to furnish a trip pass, good during this month, we shall consider it a great favor. It should be mailed to M. S. Mayo.

Yours very truly,

Geo. T. Fairchild