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John M. Olin

Feb. 9, 1909.

Mr. J. C. Schubert.

City.

Dear Mr. Schubert:-

If you have not already done so, I wish as soon as you can conveniently you would look over the High School building with the "colored gentleman" and see whether there will be any difficulty in having our annual meeting at the High School building. It is getting along where we must decide definitely as to the night and place of the meeting. If it should turn out that meeting cannot be held there we will have to arrange for it at the Woman's building and this I would dislike very much to do.

Yours very truly,

Johnell Olin.

JMO-S

Feb. 9, 1909.

Waukesha Lime & Stone Co.,

Waukesha, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find warrant for $34.31. The amount of your bill is $137.24, being $1 per cubic yard for 137.24 cubic yards of screenings delivered at Madison, Wisconsin. We have paid freight on these screenings and have receipts for same, amounting to $102.93, leaving balance due you of $34.31, for which warrant is enclosed. Please receipt enclosed bill and return same to me, and very much oblige.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Feb. 9, 1909.

Wiedenbeck-Dobelin Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:

Please accept thanks for your liberal subscription to the ...work of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

Feb. 10, 1909.

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:

I enclose herewith letter from John W. Duncan, president of association of park superintendents and also copy of my letter to him. I wish you would take this matter up and determine what you think had better be done.

It might not be a bad thing for us to get up an album. I suppose this is something that would come back to us after the exhibition is over.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

Feb. 10, 1909.

Mr. John F. Icke,

City Engineer, City.

Dear Sir:

Have just received a letter from Mr. Nolen in which he states:

"I believe I forgot to mention in writing about the maps as a basis for the Madison plans that I should like to have the boundaries of marsh land roughly indicated. I presume Mr. Icke could to that without much trouble".

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

Feb. 10, 1909.

Mr. John W. Duncan, Esq.,
President Assn. of Park Supts.,
Jamaica Plain Station,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending you under separate cover copies of the annual report of our association for the years 1902, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908. Will you be so kind as to glance these through and indicate which of the photographs you would like to have us send you copies of. We can furnish you copies of all of these different photographs. You can keep the reports of course. In answering please give the page and year of the report. We can then easily pick out the ones you decide on.

I have turned yours of the 4th over to our secretary C. N. Brown with request that he consider the suggestion of getting up an album. Mr. Brown is the man who has taken all of the pictures found in the different reports.

Very truly yours,

John W. Duncan

Feb. 10, 1909.

Messrs. Kletsch Bros.,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

I write you a note concerning the work of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. I presume you may be somewhat familiar with this work. I am enclosing a copy of the circular and a postal card which we have recently sent out to the citizens here. We wish to raise by private subscription for our work this present year not less than $8,000. I send you under another cover a copy of the last annual report of our association. I wish you would glance the same through. Beginning at page eighty-one you will see the list of subscribers to the work.

I thought as owners of the Park Hotel property here, you would wish to join us on the $25 list. We are to have our annual meeting about the 27th of April and I trust we may have you present at the meeting or at least one of you.

Should be pleased to hear from you as to what you think of the work whether you subscribe or not.

Yours very truly,

J. Sherman Moore

JMO-

JMO-S

(Enc.)

Feb. 10, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of February 8th received with enclosures.

1. I do not think we could get through a bill at this time requiring cities to have a city plan commission. That may come later as an outgrowth of the movement.

2. I do not think we could get the powers given to the commission as to regulating height of buildings etc. That may come later. All that you say is true as to the desirability of such power being given to somebody outside of the common council.

3. I was troubled a good deal about the proper constitution of the commission. I am inclined to think you are right as to leaving off the city attorney and putting on another citizen member. I will try and get that change made.

4. I fully agree with you that the commission ought to have "final authority in any matters". Perhaps I followed too nearly the Connecticut law which I thought met your approval. However, it would not be easy to get the common council to establish a commission which would take away from it absolutely much of its power.

5. A commission form of government would not be at all interfered with by the common council as this bill calls for.

6. I first had in the bill two miles instead of one for the limit of outside property. I am inclined to think it would be better to put the

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limit back to two miles and will suggest that upon the hearing.

7. If we can get this bill through and get started under it, we can much more easily get it amended two years from now so as to give increased powers etc. In the meanwhile we will have the city plan ready and be in better shape for making demands.

8. Perhaps you could suggest some change in that section providing for the taking of the land for public purposes, that would give the city or this commission authority to go outside the city limits and control as to the lay out of the streets etc. in territory that will ultimately come within the city limits. How should it be worded?

9. The subject you suggest for the annual meeting, "Madison a Model State Capital" strikes me very favorably.

10. I have called Mr. Icke's attention to your suggestion that you would like to have "the boundaries of marsh land roughly indicated".

11. I do not think it would be worth your while to call for bids from the Hawkes Nursery Company of Wauwatosa. That is a small concern and we would simply get into trouble trying to deal with them. I think the best firm in the state is the Coe & Converse firm of Ft. Atkinson, both of whom I know and one of whom is a client of mine, and they do not pretend to be able to handle our order.

I enclose herewith a printed copy of the bill providing for commission on city plan.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

(Enc.)

Feb. 10. 1909.

Frances M. Oglivie,

Sec. Edgewood Park Land Company.

City.

Dear Madam:-

Yours of February 4th but post mafked February 10th just received for your subscription of $15 for the work of the association. I note, however, that your letter while it does not make an absolute condition, states that the subscription is given with the understanding " that the Association is to do something this year, if possible, towards the fixing up of the Drive between property owned by this Company and the Dominican Sister at Edgewood." I always believe in being perfectly frank in these matters and I cannot now, on behalf of the association hold out any encouragement that any money will be spent on that road by the association this year. That is not a part of the drive system. Sometime I hope that a road of proper width may be secured from the end of the drive to the sisters' out through the Monroe road. The contract is to be let for macadamizing the main drive in Henry Vilas Park up to the sisters' land this year. Our association expect to continue this macadamizing either this year or in the near future through to the residence of Mr. Chase. We feel that when we have done that we have made a large contribution to the value of the land owned by the Edgewood Park Land Company. We are very much obliged for the subscription and of course wish to co-operate in all ways possible.

Unless you insist upon a condition, I shall put down the subscription at the amount named and again thank you very much for the same.

Yours very truly.

JMO-S

Feb. 11, 1909.

Mr. William C. MacLean,

Park Foreman,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I was out by Tenney Park to-day and a good deal annoyed at what I found there. You will remember that some four or six weeks ago I suggested that you put in something along Thornton Avenue to protect the park from people driving out of the roadway on to the margins, etc. Nothing has been done to carry out this suggestion and the result is that a regular driveway has been constructed and is being used through the park along opposite Thornton Avenue. Now I want you to go down there with a team and go all along Thornton Avenue clear down to Williamson Street bridge, and wherever necessary to protect the margins put in some of those willow logs. These are matters of detail that ought not to fall upon me and ought to be looked after by you, and in no case ought it to be necessary for me to speak of the same thing twice.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Feb. 11, 1909.

Prof. Max Mason,
152 W. Gorham St.,
City.

Dear Mr. Mason:-

Am glad you cut the subscription down to $5.00 under the circumstances. We would a good deal rather one would not give more than he feels he can afford, and I have been in this work long enough to know that each one must judge of the matter according to his own circumstances.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Feb. 11, 1909.

Mr. R. N. Qualey,
City.

Dear Mr. Qualey:- Am pleased at your returning the postal card as you did. I know your interest in the work and would regret to have you subscribe unless you felt entirely able to do so, and let it go over to another year.

Very truly yours.

JMO-D

President.

Feb. 13, 1909.

Alvin and Herman O. Kletzsch,
Republican House,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Your subscription of $25 to the work of the association received with pleasant note endorsed on the card. We wish to thank you very much both for the subscription and for the sentiment.

Yours very truly,

JMO-E

Feb. 16, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I think Mr. Mische asked for a call for a bid by "Eastern Nurseries" but I am not certain. The receipt of their wholesale trade list which I herewith enclose, reminded me of the matter.

Yours very truly,

JMO-E
(Enc.)

Feb. 14, 1909.

Barnes-Crosby Co.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Received your favor of the 13th. I have turned the same over to Charles N. Brown, our secretary, who attends to this branch of our work.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Feb. 20, 1909.

Mr. E. M. Gass,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Inc.)

President.

Feb. 20, 1909.

Mr. M. M. Doran,
1017 Drake St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $53.08 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return and the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Feb. 20, 1909.

Mr. August Grunert,
1902 Railroad St., City.

Dear Sir:-

In regard to your application for work as tender of the locks I will say that you had better see Mr. MacLean, the park foreman, or ex-mayor Curtis. These men have in charge the hiring of the tender of the locks.

(Enc.)

Yours truly,

PRM-S

Feb. 20, 1909.

Messrs. Smith & Deadman,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $8.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Feb. 22, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,

Landscape Architect,

1382 Harvard Square,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I was absent most of last week and this accounts for delay in answering some of your letters. I return the sketch which you sent me. I think it gives you the desired information. You will notice the width of the streets if 80 feet by reason of some being given off the park by the state. Under another cover I send you photograph which I had made by Mr. Schubert.

I will try and write you more fully tomorrow.

Yours very truly,

J. M. Olin.

JMO-S

(Enc.).

Feb. 23, 1909.

Mr. A. H. Brayton,
Publisher La Crosse Tribune,
La Crosse, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Absence from the city on legal business is the reason for delay in answering yours of February 10th.

Under another cover I am sending you the 1906 report of our association. Beginning at page 67 you may find something that would be of interest to you in the good work you have undertaken at La Crosse.

From a careful consideration of the subject, extending over a good many years, it is my firm belief that a city can make no better investment than the securing of lands for public parks. By reason of the increased value upon the taxable property of the city due directly and indirectly to the establishment of public parks, it will be found that not only will the increased taxes arising from such increased value meet all of the expenses incident to the establishment and maintenance of such parks; there will also be left after meeting all such expenses a large sum that the city can use for other city purposes. That has certainly been the result in the city of Madison. The city appropriated for the maintenance of its parks the present year about $12,500. On the most conservative basis, the city is today receiving in increased taxes, by reason of its parks not less than $30,000 per year. After meeting all expenses of maintenance, and paying the interest on all park bonds outstanding, there will be left some $14,000 that the city will use

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toward meeting other municipal expenses. And we are not by any means as yet in the full enjoyment of our park system. Our parks are not yet fully improved. When this is done the results will be even more encouraging.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

Feb. 23, 1909.

Dr. William Trelease,
Director Mo. Botanical Gardens,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I send you report of our association for the year 1907. I am very glad to do this.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

Feb. 23, 1909.

Mr. Charles R. Green,

Librarian Mass. Agricultural College,

Amherst, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Absence from the city on legal business has prevented my answering earlier your favor of February 10.

I send you under another cover the reports of our association other than those which you now have, excepting the report for the year 1902. We are out of reports for that year.

You will notice that there are bound together four of the earlier reports. These are of no particular interest except as indicating the small beginnings of our work. I had printed at a comparatively recent date a few copies of these earlier reports merely for the purpose of completing the records for my own personal use and that of a comparatively few others more especially interested in the work.

Very truly yours,

John C. Olin

JO-S

Feb. 28, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I wrote you yesterday very hurriedly. I will now try and answer other points covered by your letters not answered yesterday.

1. There has been no legislation as yet in this state looking to the general removal of grade crossings. There is a good deal of sentiment, unorganized, in favor of the enactment of some general statute on this subject. There has been in years past considerable talk and some conferences between representatives of the city and the railroads looking toward the construction of one or more viaducts. I think there would be no great difficulty in carrying out for the city of Madison a reasonable plan for removing grade crossings. There certainly ought to be a viaduct at W. Madison. I do not know your ides at all as to what would be considered advisable at E. Madison.

I have not close at hand a copy of the Massachusetts statute although I could get at it by going to the state law library. If you have an extra copy would appreciate getting it.

2. I return the list of questions as to city plan feeling that you can answer these a good deal better than I can. If, for any reason you prefer to sign my name to the answers I hereby authorize you to do so, declaring, however, that you will not make out any promisory note against me.

3. The plan of the second story of the capital building which

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was sent you first, must be returned when you are through with it. I trust you will get all other [illegible] sent without difficulty.

4. I saw Mr. MacLean Saturday and he was to look over Henry Vilas park at once and report to me. I will try and reach him tonight by telephone and then report promptly to you.

5. I send you under another cover another copy of snow scenes with some other photographs.

6. I have attempted now for a month or more to get from you some statement indicating about when you will reach Madison again. Can you not give me at this time some definite reply?

7. The draft of proposed letter to Nurserymen I think is alright. I will keep the copy you sent me.

8. I am exceedingly anxious that we should have the benefit of your services as to the improvement of E. Washington Avenue, and this is one of the reasons why I would like to have you reach Madison at as early a date as possible.

I thank you for copies of paper received. I will use the notice written up as to proposed law on city plan commission with the chairman of that committee.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S
(Enc.)

JMO-

President

Feb. 26, 1909.

Mr. John Ihdler,
Sec'y. Grand Rapids Board of Trade,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of Feb. 23 received.

I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, copy of the last annual report of our association. We shall also be pleased to place you on our mailing list, and will send you copy of the next annual report, which will be out sometime about the middle of May.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

JMO-D

Feb. 26, 1909.

Hon. G. Halford von Koch,
107 W. 109th St.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 24th received. I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Feb. 26, 1909.

Mr. W. Ralph Jones,

863 Hamlen Ave.,

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 22nd duly received.

I regret to say that the one thing in which Madison is still far behind is with reference to the handling of its street trees. Nothing has been done, as yet, in any effective way in this direction. For the last two years the matter has been up in one way and another before the common council. A proposed ordinance is still pending there, but whether it will pass or not is uncertain, and it is not what it ought to be. We hope ultimately to get things in better shape.

I send you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association, which you may be interested in glancing through.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Feb. 26, 1909.

Mr. Benjamin C. Marsh,
Sec'y. Committee on Congestion,
Room 1312, 165 Broadway,
New York.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of Feb. 24 received.

I take pleasure in enclosing herewith two copies of the bill referred to. It has not yet been considered by the committee. Some amendments may be proposed. I think I shall ask to have the city attorney left off and another citizen member substituted in his place. I would also like to have the bill broadened out so as to enable the city to do certain things outside the city limits.

Yours truly,

Johnson Clair

JMO-D
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JMO-D

Feb. 26, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I return herewith the proposed form of letter to the nurserymen. I see that you desired to have it returned.

Mr. MacLean informs me that the only plants necessary to order for Henry Vilas Park are twenty-five burr oak. There should be a special effort made as to these trees to get them small enough and with sufficient root to have a fair chance of making them grow.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

President.

Feb. 26, 1909.

Mr. George Roper,

Rockford, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

At the request of Mr. Corscot, I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, some copies of the reports of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. I send you one of an early report, merely to show you the law under which the association is organized.

JMO-D

Yours truly,

Johnson Oli

President.

Feb. 27, 1909.

Messrs. Widenhorn, Debelin & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.20 to pay your bill. Please receip and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

March 1, 1909.

Munson-Whittaker Co.,

1001 Monadnock Bldg.,

Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of Feb. 16, with enclosures, received. Please accept thanks for same. I shall be pleased to bear in mind your company in connection with what we hope some day to take up here with reference to our street trees.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

March 1, 1909.

Hon. T. C. Richmond,

Madison, Wis.

Dear Mr. Richmond:-

I supposed, until I noticed the other day, that the boat-houses at South Madison, one owned by the agent and one by another person, had been removed long before this. The plan was to have them removed while the ice was on. The ice will soon be out and yet the boat-houses are there. Can you not assist in having them taken out of there so that we can complete the filling this spring?

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Mch. 1,1909.

Mr. Warnock,

Station Agt.,

South Madison, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

I supposed until I went over toward South Madison the other day, that the boat-houses had been removed. The understanding was that these boat-houses next to the track at South Madison were to be removed this winter which the ice was on. Such removal should be attended to at once. We have already been put to quite a good deal of extra expense by not having the boat-houses removed last fall when we wished to put in some filling. We desire to complete that work the first thing this spring, and I wish you would be so kind as to see that the houses are gotten out now while the ice is on.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Mch. 3, 1909.

Mr. C. A. Ballard,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.45 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

J. Sterrett Allen

President.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

Mch. 4, 1909.

Mr. Victor L. Brown,

The Plankinton,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of March 3 received, and contents noted.

The firm that has been doing our dredging here is the La Crosse Dredging Company, and the party to write to is Mr. H. E. Clark, Secretary. A letter addressed to him here will reach him.

I remember you, as stated, as being a member of the law-class, but had forgotten the year.

You will find Mr. Clark and the company he represents very pleasant to deal with.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

Mch. 6, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I received a letter yesterday from the Jewell Nursery Company, stating that they had not yet received any word as to plants this spring, and wanted to know whether we had not better send them a summary of our wants, etc. They may have got the proposition from you before this. It is getting late, and if it has not been sent it certainly should be at once.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olmsted.

President.

Mch. 9, 1909.

Mr. Henry J. Kessenich,
City.

Dear Mr. Kessenich:-

Yours, enclosing check of $25.00 from Mrs. Stevens for the park work, received. Please extend to Mrs. Stevens our thanks for the same.

Very truly yours,

JMO-M.

President.

Mch. 9, 1909.

H. G. Kroncke Hardware Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $.65 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 9, 1909.

Klueter & Company,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $29.05 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 9, 1909.

Mr. P. Lynch,

118 E. Washington Av.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

President.

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(Warrant)

Mch. 9, 1909.

The Mueller Company,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.19 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 9, 1909.

Parkinson-Marling Lumber Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:- Enclosed find warrant for $44.17 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc)

President.

Mch. 9, 1909

Mrs. Z. G. Zimmerman, Jr.,
461 Racine Ave.,
Kenosha, Wis.

Dear Madam:-

Your letter of Feb. 22, to the mayor of this city, has been handed to me for answer. Under another cover, I send you a copy of the last annual report of our association, and also an earlier report which gives the law under which we are organized, the charter, constitution and bylaws. I hope these will furnish you with the information which you desire.

JMO-D

Yours truly,
President.

Mch. 10, 1909.

Wisconsin Telephone Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find check for $1.50 for telephone rent, Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly.

[signature]

President.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

Mch. 10, 1902.

Mr. L. E. Stevens,

City.

Dear Mr. Stevens:-

Yours of March 9 received, concerning position for John A Feiler in Henry Vilas Park. I have forwarded the same to Mr. MacLean, park foreman, with request that when the spring opens he give this man an opportunity to try and see what he can do. We generally have a large force of men employed during the planting season and that gives us an opportunity to test those who are worthy men, and later we keep in our employ only such as show themselves to be fit for the work. We shall be glad to give this gentleman a chance.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

March 10, 1909.

Jewel Nursery Co.,

Lake City, Minn.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of March 9th, just received and contents noted.

You will easily see by referring to the proposition submitted to you, that your offer does not comply with the proposition. You state no reasonable terms by which you will deliver the goods here at Madison and in several other respects I fail to see how the offer complies with the requirements of the proposition submitted.

What I would like to have you do is, to make an exact copy of the list that was submitted to you for the different parks and place opposite each item the price and indicate where the sizes are different from the original proposition submitted.

Then you could make, if you desired to, an additional proposition as to goods that you submit to substitute for other goods, in each case using corresponding numbers found in original proposition so that we can easily refer to the same and then I can submit any such proposition as this to Mr. Nolen, otherwise I have nothing that I could intelligently submit to him.

Inasmuch as the season is getting rather late it will be necessary for you to act promptly in the matter.

To make myself plain we wish the proposition submitted to you, complied with in all respects. That is the only way we can do business.

Yours very truly,

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March 10, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of March 8th received and contents noted. I was somewhat surprised at one part of it, for my understanding was that so far as our work in the city was concerned it was on a three year contract basis. That is the form of the resolution that the common council adopted. I regret if this was not so understood by you. Now for the present year the common council has already fixed the salary budget including $1200. for you. If anything more is paid it will have to be paid out of the voluntary contributions of our members. I dislike for a good many reasons to bring this matter up before the board of directors at this time. I am not complaining at all as to what you state as to the value of your services or as to what you state of other lines of work. As to the University and State Park beard, there is no question if you do that work you should be paid a higher fee.

There is another fact that I think perhaps may be considered by you in this connection, and that is, your employment to prepare a plan for the city. As you know, the whole $2500. necessary to meet this expense come from voluntary contributions. I have worked very hard to bring this matter about and I trust for the present year at least, everything considered, you will feel like doing the work for the city on the same basis as last year.

Is there not also another thing to be considered in this connection? Time is coming within a few years when your work for the association and the

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city will diminish undoubtedly in amount. Yet, so long as I have anything to do with the work I want to continue your services. We can continue them easily at the $1200. even though the amount of the work to be done diminishes considerably.

At any rate I would like to have you consider the whole matter in its bearings upon the work the present year.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

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March 10, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

You will be pleased to know that George B. Burrows, who has recently died has willed to the Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association the south half of what is known as Baywood property for a park. The amount given to the association is a fraction of twelve acres extending from the Westport road through to the lake and lying just beyond what is known as the Fuller woods. It is a beautiful piece of land and I think can be worked out in such a way as to make a very beautiful little park on the lake that some day will be of great service. The land itself is today probably worth close to $15,000.

I have received one bid from the Bay State Nursery and this morning from the Jewel Nursery. The latter bid does not at all comply with the proposition submitted.

Will you please be so kind as to send me a copy of the list of instructions so I can send them to the different [illegible] and sent to me an itemized stat[illegible] of the planting list of Brittingham Park. I have one of Tenney Park but none for Brittingham Park.

Yours very truly,

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Mch. 13, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of March 11 received, enclosing account in the Christian Science Monitor of Boston. I want to thank you very much for this. As you say, some of it is a little overdrawn, but I suppose that won't hurt us very much.

I note what is said that the proposed improvement of the capitol involved the wiping out of some six blocks. I had been for some time intending to write you, asking you, provided you had reached any conclusion on the matter, whether it is your opinion that the securing of proper approaches to the capitol will involve the wiping out of these blocks. There is going to be very strong opposition on the part of a large number of our citizens to the doing of this, to say nothing of the difficulty of getting the legislature to make the necessary appropriation. If you have reached such conclusion, I do not intend to say anything about the matter as yet. If you have reached some other conclusion, I thought you might intimate in a general way to me, so that I might say to some of the men who evidently are cross-grained just now that the proposed plan does not necessarily involve the wiping out of these blocks.

I received last night a telegram from the McGehan & Sons Company as follows: "We promise to supply the complete list of stock for Madison Park in the quantities, varieties and sizes as per list submitted by John O. Nolen delivered freight paid to Madison for a total of $1509, itemized

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bill mailed to-day.

The only other complete bid thus far received is from Ellwanger & Bary, and their bid, f. o. b. cars Rochester, is as follows:

For Tenney Park,	1045.18
Brittingham Park,	744.48
Henry Vilas Park,	7.50
Total,	1797.16

They offer to furnish the entire lot, freight paid to Madison, for the sum of $1848.36. You will thus see that there is just about $340.00 difference between the two bids in favor of Meehan & Sons.

The bid of the Bay State Nurseries is incomplete and is difficult, if not impossible, for me to figure out just how the bid would stand. They do not make a bid covering all the items and propose to substitute some other items for those specified, if desired.

The bid would seem to me to be very low so far as it goes. They say that they will furnish the total delivered here at Madison for $1045. The list for Brittingham Park seems to be complete, but inasmuch as I haven't any copy of that I cannot tell. But the list for Tenney Park is quite incomplete.

Very truly yours,

JMQ-D

Mch. 13, 1909.

Mr. Edward A. Abbott,

Lindsay St.,

Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Sir:-

Your recent letter to the mayor of this city has been turned over by him to me to answer.

Under another cover, I send you a copy of the last annual report of our association and also a copy of an early report, showing law under which our association is organized, etc.

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Yours truly,

President

Mch. 16, 1909.

Jewel Nursery Co.,

Lake City, Minn.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of March 15 just received. Our directors had their regular monthly meeting last night, and awarded the contract for furnishing trees and shrubs to Thomas Meehan & Sons of Dreshertown, Pennsylvania, at $1509 for the entire order delivered at Madison. The next highest complete bid was from Ellwanger & Barry at $1848.

There are many reasons why we find it very desirable to have one firm take the entire order. I no doubt the stock that you can furnish is very excellent material and it is possible a combination might be made by which we could better ourselves by taking part of the stock from you, but this always involves a good deal of labor and more or less trouble, and we like to get rid of that so far as possible.

It has so happened thus far in all our work that either the firm of Ellwanger & Barry or the firm of Thomas Meehan & Sons has got the contract on a bid by some half dozen leading nursery firms, and they have given very excellent satisfaction.

Yours truly,

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John M. Olin

President.

Mch. 16, 1909.

Thomas Meehan & Sons,

Dreshertown, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

Our directors met last evening and after considering all of the bids received, determined to place the order with your firm in accordance with your telegram and also your letter of March 12, the price to you to be $1509 for the goods to be laid down here at Madison in accordance with specifications submitted to you.

I wish to compliment you upon the excellent form in which your bid is submitted. We trust that you will make a special effort to give us a fine lot of goods and that you will give the order prompt attention. Judging from past experience, we shall want goods delivered here at Madison some where about the 18th or 19th of April. We will, however, keep track of the weather and write you again as to date of delivery.

The firm next to your bid was Ellwanger & Barry of Rochester, New York, which firm got the contract, as you know, last year. If you furnish us as good goods as they did last year, we certainly shall have no cause to complain.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

Mch. 17, 1909.

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Thiele, who has worked for us two summers on the river, called yesterday and wanted his old job. Personally I am strongly in favor of hiring Mr. Thiele. I had quite a frank talk with him. I judge that there was just a little friction between him and Mr. Young, but nothing serious. I wish you would see George Young and tell him that I should like very much to have him at the head of the work there this year and that I would like Mr. Thiele and Mr. King to work with him. I am quite sure George will be able to get along all right with the men. Our foremen must understand, of course, that it isn't always easy to get thoroughly good men, and when we do get them, men that are willing to work, we must try and hold on to them.

I made an arrangement last fall for the services of Tim Murphy, who lives on the marsh in Greenbush, to work in Brittingham Park. I have not seen him since.. He is an unusually good workman and I want you to look him up and perhaps you better have him come up and see me. He is a good man to work in for permanent position in that park. He lives nearby and is a hustler, and knows quite a little about doing this kind of work, I think.

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Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

Mch. 18, 1909.

Mr. William G. MacLean,

Park Foreman,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have received from Mr. Nolen. Will also state that the plans reached here this morning and you had better call and get one set of them.

I wrote you yesterday about Mr. Thiele. Last night another man called me up who gave his name as E. L. Lamp, 605 Mills Place, Hudson Park. He said he wanted to get a job for the summer. He has been working in the plow factory. He tells me he has done some work of this kind, and it might be well perhaps for you to look into the matter and see whether he could be profitably employed as a part of the force on the river, Penney Park, etc. I suppose we shall need another man at least there this year by reason of the addition to Sl Park.

Yours truly,

John M. Olmsted

JMO-D

(Enc.)

Mch. 18, 1909.

Mr. E. L. Wheeler,
Asst. Engineer Illinois & Mississippi Canal,
Sterling, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of March 17, 1909, received, and contents noted.

Are you not mistaken in the belief that the River and Harbor Act of March 3, 1909, "provides for making a preliminary examination of the Yahara River with a view of securing a channel four feet deep from Madison to Janesville"? I noticed at the time that there was some provision of this kind attempted to be inserted, but the paper reported that it was defeated. I shall be very happy indeed to learn that such a provision is in the bill, and it would seem as though you ought to know the facts.

I send you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. At page 56 of this report you will notice a map that shows in a general way what we call the Four Lakes Region. The outlet of the Yahara River into the Rock River is some eight or nine miles, I think, below Stoughton, and it is some eight or nine miles, I think, from the outlet of that river along the Rock to Janesville.

This report I send you gives you a general idea of what we have been trying to do here in connecting these lakes. On hearing from you that there is no mistake but what this provision is in the Act, I shall be very pleased indeed to take the matter up further with you and give you more in detail the information which you may desire.

Awaiting reply to this letter, I am.

JMC-D

Very truly yours,

Mch. 18, 1909.

Hoffman Reed Co.,
710 W. Washington Av.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $13.20 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 20, 1909

Mr. G. W. F. Blanchfield,
Bristol, Conn.

Dear Sir:-

I send you, under another cover, copies of the reports of our association so far as we have them.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Mch. 20, 1909.

Dr. Reuben G. Thwaites,

City.

Dear Mr. Thwaites:-

I have collected complete copies of our reports, excepting for one year, and for that year we have none, and we are nearly out of several other years, but I do not know any better use to put them to than turning them over to your society so long as we have any.

JMQ-D

Yours truly,

President.

Mch. 20, 1909

Mr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff,

First Vice President,

American Civic Association,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Woodruff:-

Yours of the 18th received, stating that next clipping sheet would contain fairly extended reference to our work here at Madison. I shall be very glad to see the same.

Very truly yours,

JMQ-D

President.

Mch. 22, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of March 20 just received.

1. I had been counting on your reaching Madison about the 1st of April, but I don't want to interfere with your accepting the invitation at Champaign, Illinois. One thing I had in mind was your getting here in time to spend a day or two with the men on the drives and give some instructions as to the taking out of certain trees and trimming of others and shrubs. It may be that you can do this if you do not arrive until after the visit at Champaign, but I am very apprehensive that it will then be rather late. The spring so far is quite backward, but you can't tell how soon there may be a sudden change.

2. The planting maps for Brittingham Park and Tenney Park came and I think are in very good shape.

3. You wrote something about sending a blue print of Tenney Park completed as a basis for getting a zinc etching for our report. I think we ought to publish your completed map of Tenney Park in our annual report. Hence I trust you will get such map to us as early as possible.

4. I enclose herewith a copy of the report of the citizens' committee which you will remember was appointed to investigate the question of the influence upon values of the work we have been doing here for the last seventeen years. I think the report is in many ways an excellent one. It needs, of course, some explanation for the ordinary person. The plan now is to have

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such statement prepared and then have that and the report published either as a separate document or as a part of the annual report. I am in favor of making it a separate document and printing it in a substantial and neat but not extravagant form, and enough copies so that it can be used for distribution. I should be pleased to have your opinion concerning the same. I may send you later a copy of my statement concerning the same.

Yours truly,

JMQ-D

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 25, 1909.

Mr. L. L. Wheeler,
Asst. Engineer,
Sterling, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of March 24, 1909, with enclosures, received. These enclosures give me some information that I was going to write to you for, that is, whether a survey had been ordered of the Rock River below Janesville. I could not quite see what opportunity there would be for getting the general government to do anything above Janesville unless it was connected with some improvement below Janesville.

I was very much interested in looking through the communications. There is to be a special meeting of the directors of our association on Friday evening, of this week. I will at that meeting bring up the matter for consideration.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

John M. Clair

President.

Mch. 25, 1909.

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $8.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 26, 1909.

Mr. A. C. Fox,

City.

Dear Mr. Fox:-

Your letter of the 25th just received. Mr. Frank Hoyt is out of the city and I cannot therefore get from him the information which, perhaps, I need to properly answer your letter. Do you refer to a subscription for the general work of the association or do you refer to the special subscription made for securing a city plan? As to that subscription, you will remember that I stated to you that I did not wish to have anybody put down anything on that subscription if it was to make any difference with reference to his regular subscription for the work the present year. I started out to raise $1500 from parties who would be willing to contribute specially for that purpose, but I notified every one expressly that I did not wish him to make any subscription toward that special fund if it was to make any difference on his general subscription. You put down $25.00 toward that special fund, but the subscription was made under the circumstances as I have stated them.

You requested me to write you whether the Northern Electric Company had sent its usual subscription of $25.00. That has not been done, and I will appreciate it if you can take the matter up and secure the same subscription as heretofore for our work.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

Mch. 27, 1909.

Parsons Printing & Stationery Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Yours received, enclosing check for $5.00 for Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. Please accept thanks for same.

I note what you say, and only have this to reply:

1. As you know, I am a very busy man and cannot always direct all details, although I have given general instructions to try and distribute our patronage as fairly as possible.

2. Most of those who contribute to the work cannot, as you can see, get any benefit out of it by way of business being thrown to them. Some of us give much of our time as well as considerable money without any hope of financial reward.

3. I have, however, requested Mr. Brown to try and throw your way at least $5.00 worth of printing. and you can always rest assured that [illegible] to be fair.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Mch. 27, 1909.

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

If you can do so, please patronize Parsons Printing and Stationery Company to the amount of $5.00 at least.

Yours truly,

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President.

March 27, 1909.

Mr. William S. [illegible]

Park Fo[illegible]

Dear Sir:-

1. Th[illegible] [illegible] grounds is in very bad shape. It should be fi[illegible] [illegible] should be brought in to cover all that loose [illegible] generally.

2. Th[illegible] [illegible] trees across the Bay Road have not been taken [illegible] attended to. This ought to be done now while [illegible] time comes on.

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JMO-S

John M. Olin.

One of the willows near N.W. Bridge. has been [illegible] [illegible] should be [illegible].

March 27, 1909.

Mr. William G. McLean,

Park Foreman,

City.

Dear Sir:-

1. The bridge on University grounds is in very bad shape. It should be fixed up at each end, boulders should be brought in to cover all that loose quarry stone, and things fixed up generally.

2. The broken limbs on the willow trees across the Bay Road have not been taken off. I supposed this had been attended to. This ought to be done now while you have time and before planting time comes on.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin.

JMO-S

One of the willows near N.W. Bridge. has been [illegible] [illegible]. Should be [illegible].

Mch. 29, 1909.

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $24.65 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 29, 1909.

Klueter & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $34.25 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 29, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,

Landscape Architect,

1382 Harvard Square,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

1. Can you indicate in a general way for what particular parts of the work the expenses were incurred for blueprints, etc., as indicated on bill you sent me, which I herewith return for the purpose indicated? I agree with you fully that this expense should be met by our association.

2. We will talk over the matter of your services after you arrive. I had not forgotten what is contained in your letter of April 6, 1908. I did not at the time give it the construction that you have put upon it. Perhaps I am in error. "I have decided to accept the engagements of the various organizations for one year." I thought at that time you had in mind the work for the different organizations outside of the work for our association, since I had prior to the date of this letter brought the matter before the common council and had got them to pass a resolution favoring your employment for three years, and, as I remember, a copy of this paper containing the action of the council was forwarded to you.

3. I handed your letter, received on Saturday morning, as to maps, etc., to Mr. Brown, with the request that he investigate the matter and write directly to you as deemed necessary. He seemed to think that the printing of maps in color would be very expensive and that there was nothing here as yet from which a photograph could be made for zinc etchings. He says they need a black and white drawing for that. I suppose you have the original of such drawing with you as to the completed plan of Tenney Park.

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4. The annual meeting is to be held on Tuesday evening, April 27. We have fixed upon Tuesday evening instead of Monday, so as to give an opportunity to the legislators to meet.

5. Will you state by return mail the title of your address on that evening just as you would like to have it appear?

6. I should like to have you spend a day or two immediately after you get here with Mr. MacLean in going over some of the drives.

7. I shall be pleased to see your plans for East Madison Station, etc. I wonder whether they are in shape so as to be hung on the wall at the time of our annual meeting.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

Mch. 30, 1909.

Mr. George B. Ferry, Architect,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:- I write to find out what the situation is as to the sketches for bridges in Tenney Park and plans for bath-house and boat-house in Brittingham Park. We are exceedingly anxious, as you know, to get matters started as to this work, and anything you can do to hasten along the plans will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

Jehwell Ave.

President.

JMO-D

Mch. 30, 1909.

Jahn & Ollier Engraving Co.,
84-88 Market St.,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $22.65 to pay your bill against the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

Yours truly,

President.

Mch. 31, 1909.

Hon. J. C. Schubert,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the subscription contract for subscription to the improvement of Tenney Park. I wish you would write out under this subscription heading the names of the parties who subscribed and the amount subscribed by each. As I remember the list, it totaled $1875 and it did not include Mr. Winckley. Perhaps he and some others could be seen who would specially contribute enough to make the amount up to $2,000.

I would like to have this list completed not later than one week from this time, if possible, and gotten back to me so I can use the same in making out my annual report, upon which I am now working.

Yours truly,

Shvell Olin

President.

JMO-D

(Enc.)

Mch. 31, 1909.

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $7.60 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 31, 1909.

King & Walker Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.40 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Mch. 31, 1909.

Mr. E. Hartman,

Sec'y. Masssachusetts Civic League,

3 Joy St., Boston, Mass.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of March 29 received.

It can hardly be said that the American Civic Association has had very much to do with the work of our association here. Our work commenced here seventeen years ago and has been a matter of growth, and perhaps somewhat unique in its character. I am not sure whether you have any copies of our reports. Under another cover, I am sending you a copy of the last annual report, and a copy of an earlier report, which states the law under which our association was reorganized in 1889. We are to have our annual meeting on the 27th of April. I will have your name put on our mailing list and see that a copy of the report is sent to you.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Mch. 31, 1909.

Hon. Halle Steensland,

City.

Dear Mr. Steensland:-

Please accept thanks for copy of agreement as to right of way.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

April 1, 1909.

Mr. A. I. Borgers,
1316 W. Johnson St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I was informed by Mr. Riley, that you were somewhat disappointed that you were not given credit for $6. subscribed last year but only for $5. I regret very much if any such mistake as this has been made. If, however, the subscription was made last year, it would not appear in the report until this year and it may be that that explains the apparent mistake.

Yours very truly,

John Alexander Chas

JMO-S

April 1, 1909.

Messrs. Ellwanger & Barry,

Rochester, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of March 30th received. There was about $340. difference between your bid and that of Thomas Meehan & Sons , and on that account the contract was awarded to that company.

It would have pleased me personally if your firm had secured the contract, for you furnished us last year an unusually fine lot of goods, but the other firm has also, as a rule, given very good satisfaction. I beg your pardon for not having notified you promptly. I should have done so.

Yours very truly,

Johnson Clark

JMO-S

April 2, 1909.

Mr. L. L. Wheeler,
Ass't. Engineer Mississippi Canal Co.,
Sterling, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

The matter of survey of the Yahara River from Janesville to Madison I brought up at the special meeting of the directors of our association. I am now trying to have the boat owners, and those more especially interested in this city, organize and appoint a special committee, who shall take up this whole matter and co-operate with you and all other parties interested. As soon as such committee is appointed, I will inform you of the same so that correspondence may be had directly between the chairman of that committee and yourself.

I am so burdened with the general work of the association that I do not feel I can give such attention to the details of this matter as its importance deserves.

Yours very truly,

Johnson O'Neil

JMO-S

April 2, 1909.

Hon. Elmer Mills,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I understand from Mr. John C. McKenna that you stated to him yesterday, that I had exerted my influence to procure your defeat as a candidate in the primary election, or words to that effect. Now, if you made any such statement, it was absolutely false. Moreover, there was not a shred of evidence known to you upon which you could base any such statement. I have never yet at any time sought to use my influence to defeat members of the council living in other than my own ward. I had absolutely nothing whatever to do with your candidacy. I never spoke to a person on the subject. You cannot find a person in this city who can tell you that I did. This talk of yours is merely in line with similar talk by two or three other members of the council, who have been very active in voting against every proposition with reference to helping or aiding the park work. It is merely an attempt to justify, as I take it, the conduct of some of these aldermen. But in doing this, you ought to at least be truthful in what say and do. I have never treated you in any other than a courteous way. I have never sought to lay one straw in the way of your political ambitions. You may ,by this kind of talk ,injure the work of the association. It may furnish you an excuse for not contributing to the work of the association, although just now one of its main objects is to secure the improvement of Tenney Park and thereby aid you at least indirectly with reference to the lot you own. As a result of the conduct of certain members of the common council, by gross misrepresentations of the facts, as to the park work increasing the burden of taxes etc., our

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subscriptions will in all probability be cut down this year at least from $1500. to $2000. The city will be the looser by just this amount. How the aldermen can figure out that this constant knocking by them of this work is to help the city is more than I can see. It is the city's work and the city's business and the city will either be helped or hurt according [redacted] this work is helped or hurt. Instead of the work being a burden on the tax payers, the city is receiving this year by reason of this work in increased taxes, not less than $10,000 over and above all expenses in the maintenance of parks and by reason of interest charges on park bonds and other expenditures of money for permanent improvements. It would seem that such a work should commend itself to the members of the common council.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

April 2, 1909.

Mr. I. F. Edwards,
Dixon, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor received and contents noted. Please accept thanks for same.

I have had some correspondence with Mr. Wheeler and the matter of the survey of the Yahara River from Janesville to Madison is under consideration. Of course we realize that no work will be done between Janesville and Madison unless the work is carried by the government up to Janesville. I am trying to get the boat owners association and others, more especially interested in such a matter together, to have them organize and appoint a committee that shall have in charge this entire matter. We hope that some one or more may be able to accept your kind invitation and be present at the meeting fixed for April 9th.

I send you under another cover a copy of the last annual report of our association.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

April 2, 1909.

Mr. F. Warren Montgomery,

City.

Dear Mr. Montgomery:-

Like most busy men I presume you may have laid one side the postal card for renewal of your subscription for the work of the association this year. I would personally appreciate if you could keep with us on the same terms as last year. I enclose another card lest you have mislaid the one first sent you.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Secretary Wabesa Land Co.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Can your company not sign the enclosed card for subscription for $25. to the work of the association the present year. We would appreciate it if you could do so. The annual meeting occurs on the 27th of this month and we are desirous of making as good a showing at that time as possible.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Major D. C. Poole,
City.

Dear Mr. Poole:-

We are to have our annual meeting on April 27th next, and I would like very much to have you renew your subscription for the same amount as heretofore of $25. Lest you have laid your card aside I enclose another.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Mr. George C. Riley,
City.

Dear Mr. Riley:-

Do you not think the Madison Square Company could continue its subscription of $25. to the work of the association for the present year. I would appreciate it if you can bring that about. Enclosed please find chard for that purpose.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Mr. E. F. Riley,

City.

Dear Mr. Riley:-

I presume you may have laid to one side the card for renewal of your subscription for the present year to the work of the association. I would appreciate it if you could sign and return the enclosed postal card.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Mr. Joseph Kaiser,

City.

Dear Mr. Kaiser:-

I was a good deal dissapointed at hearing that you declined to subscribe more than $10. for the work of the association for the present year. If you knew how our finances are and how we are struggling to complete the work in Tenney Park this year I am very sure you would feel like continuing your subscription of $25. I would regard it as a personal favor to me if you would continue at that sum. If you will return the enclosed postal card I will see that the $10 is cancelled.

Yours very truly,

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(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Dr. S. J. Fryette,
City.

Dear Mr. Fryette:-

I have not yet received the postal card making your annual subscription to the work of the association for the present year. Perhaps the card has in some way been mislaid or it may not have reached you. For that reason I enclose another. I would appreciate it personally if you would make the same subscription this year as last. We are trying to get these subscriptions closed out before the 27th of April, the date set for our annual meeting. We are hoping to have a good meeting and have decided to invite all the different members of the legislature. Mr. Nolen, our landscape architect is to give an address at the meeting on the subject "Madison the Capital of the State." We think the meeting may have some good results with reference to certain things that we are hoping the legislature will untimately do for the city with reference to the capitol and its approaches.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Mr. T. Weaver,

Corner Johnson and Carroll Sts.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I write to ask whether or not the Oak Ridge Realty Company could not contribute $25. to the work of the association this present season. Nearly all the different land companies give that amount. It is unnecessary for me to say anything to you about the nature and character of the association. I enclose a postal card and would appreciate it if you could secure from the company a subscription in the amount suggested. We are to have our annual meeting on the 27th day of this month and we are anxious to get as many subscribers before that day as possible.

Yours very truly,

Johnson Allen

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(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Secretary Wingra Park Land Co.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

There has not as yet been returned to us the card for the the renewal of the subscription of the Wingra Park Land Company as heretofore of $25. to the work of the asspciation. Can you not see that the enclosed card is signed and returned to me? It would be appreciated if this could be done at as early a date as possible.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Mr. Thomas H. Gill, Atty .,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Gill:-

I presume you may have mislaid the postal card I sent you for the renewal of your subscription to the work of the association. I will appreciate if if you could continue with us.

Yours very truly.

JMO-S
(Enc.)

April 2, 1909.

Dr. Philip Fox,

City.

Dear Mr. Fox:-

I have not yet received your postal card renewing your subscription to the work of the Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association the present year. I presume you intend to keep that up as you always have, but of course I have no right to put your name down without getting expres authority. We are to have our annual meeting on the 27th of this month and I am trying to help a little with the subscriptions.

Yours very truly, John M. Olson

JMO-S

April 3, 1909.

Mr. Ole Norsman,
City Clerk,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours received as to payments by city on account of the parks amounting to $18.30. Please accept thanks for same. As I stated over the telephone, I wish hereafter that you would be so kind as to send any bills of this kind to me, or put them in the hands of Mr. McLean with request that he leave them with me so that I can keep the different accounts correctly.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

April 3, 1909.

Mr. John F. Icke,

City Engineer,

City.

Dear Mr. Icke:-

I would like to get estimates from you as follows:

1. The amount of acres of land in Tenney Park lying between Sherman Avenue and the lake, including the seven lots purchased last year by the city.

2. An estimate of the probable cost of the two toilet buildings etc.-the proper names ~~correctly~~ to be put in.

3. The probable cost of putting in the two drinking fountains.

4. The probable cost of each of the four bridges , stated separately and also perhaps in a lump sum.

I talked with Mr. Ferry this morning over the telephone and he tells me the plans for the bridges will be here by Monday morning.

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin.

JMO-S

Apr. 3, 1909.

Mr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff,

Mrs. 705 North American Bldg.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Woodruff:-

De I am informed that there was forwarded to you a copy of The Municipality. I noticed on reading through the article as published, that there was a ridiculous mistake at page 226, where it prints $150,000 instead of $150,000,000. There are quite a number of other blunders, but most of them are such as are disclosed on the surface.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

April 3, 1909.

Mr. Charles M. Dow,
City.

Dear Mr. Dow:-

There is to be a conference at my office on Monday evening next, at seven-thirty o'clock of a dozen or so persons, to look over the situation of the subscriptions to the park work the present season. I want very much to have you at the meeting. I asked Mr. William Swensen, who is to be present to tell you of the meeting if he saw you, but I thought best also to write you a line. I have arranged with Charles Riley to take charge of the work for the next three weeks. I hope you may be able to give us as you kindly suggested same time next week.

Very truly yours,

John W. Weir.

JWO-S

April 3, 1909.

Mr. Samuel Nielson,
City.

Dear Mr. Nielson:-

There is to be a conference at my office on Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock to look over the situation of the subscriptions to the park work the present year. I am asking about a dozen persons to meet. I am very anxious that you should be present at this meeting. I have asked Mr. George Riley to make it a point to see you, but I also take the pains to write you this letter. I have arranged with Charles Riley to take charge of the work for the next three weeks. It has not been very successfully conducted so far and I am trying to see what can be done to straighten matters out. I am worried about things more than you have any idea of, and I feel as though under the circumstances I must call upon some of the friends of the work for counsel and advice.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

April 5, 1909.

Park Commissioners,

Mr. Lowell, Mass.

Gentlemen:-

I want to thank you very much for a copy of the sixth annual report, 1908, of your board. The report came in my absence sometime ago, and I have been somewhat negligent in acknowledging receipt of the same. I have been exceedingly interested in looking the same through and I thank you very much for the report.

Yours very truly,

J. Howell Olmin

JMO-S

Apr. 6, 1909.

Mr. George B. Ferry, Architect,
c/o Ferry & Clas,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

I return herewith the sketches for bridges in Tenney park after having looked the same over with Mr. Icke and some of the directors.

1. We like the sketch of the road bridge on Thornton Avenue, which I have marked No. 1. Think the bridge had better be constructed after this design.

2. We also like the design of the other bridge, which I have marked No. 2. As I understand, the same plan would be used for the three foot bridges in the park proper. One question raised is whether there would be any material difference in the expense between constructing after this design or after the other and plain design. Mr. Icke thought at first the new design would be much more expensive, but on reflection he thinks there would be practically no difference.

3. Now one thing I am trying to do is to present the matter of these bridges to Hon. D. K. Tenney within the next week or ten days in such a way as will lead him perhaps to bear the expense of constructing the three bridges in the park, or if not the total expense, the greater part of it. In order to present the matter to him in an effective way, we feel that we need a perspective sketch of one of these three bridges. Hence, I wish you would prepare such sketch as soon as possible after the design marked No.2.

Perhaps it would be well also to construct a perspective sketch of the wagon or road bridge which is marked No. 1.

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Mr.

I would like these sketches to be on a scale sufficiently large to present the matter as effectively as possible. We would have them mounted in a simple way, I think, so as to exhibit them at our annual meeting.

I will regard it as a personal favor if you can see that this work is gotten out as promptly as possible.

We would also appreciate it if we could get the plans for the boat and bath house. We ought to hurry that work along as rapidly as possible.

Yours truly,

President.

JMO-D

(Enc.)

Apr. 6, 1909.

Mr. L. W. Cay,

City

Dear Mr. Cay:-

We had a conference last evening at my office of about a dozen persons to look over the situation of our subscriptions to the park work the present year. They are not in as good shape as I wish they were. Mr. Charles Riley has taken hold of the matter and is to have main charge of the work from now on. I told him that I felt that you would be willing to give some time in seeing people living around toward South Madison. We will appreciate it very much if you can give us some help along this line.

Very truly yours,

JMD-D

President.

Apr. 6, 1909.

Mr. George B. Ferry, Architect,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

I have just received blue prints and your letter concerning same. I agree with you that our money will not construct so large and extensive a building. We appointed a special committee, of which Mayor J. C. Schubert is chairman, to look after the construction of the bath-house and boat-house. I have sent the blue prints, with your letter, to him, and he will correspond directly with you. Hereafter, I think you may write direct to him so as to save time and because he is chairman of that special committee. I want to put off upon that committee the details of the work.

I only examined the plans hastily, but they impressed me as being very good and artistic, but I think we will have to, in some way, have them cut down.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 6, 1909.

Cantwell Printing Co.,
Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.75 to pay for enclosed bill.
Please receipt and return same, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Apr. 7, 1909.

Thomas Meehan & Sons,
Dreshertown, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

I have just sent you a telegram as follows: "Please ship goods at once, and oblige. Have written."

I take it that it will be a week or so before the goods can reach me, and by that time our conditions will be favorable for planting.

Yours truly,

President.

Apr. 7, 1909

George B. Ferry, Architect,
c/o Ferry & Clas,
Milwaukee, Wis.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 5 received. You state the matter exactly as I wish to have you look upon it. Mr. Icke is a very good, faithful engineer, but he is not an architect nor especially an artist, and we are anxious, if these bridges are built, to have them so built that people of good taste will be pleased with them.

You will get my letter to-day, stating more in detail what I would like to have done just at this time.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

JMO-D

April 8, 1909.

Hon. Henry Casson,
Sergeant at Arms,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Casson:-

I want to thank you for your letter of April 6th. I never knew before just how this provision got into the River and Harbor Act. The first I knew of it was the receipt of a letter from Mr. Wheeler, assistant enginner at Sterling, Illinois. I agree fully with you but you see how I am being pitched into by somebody in the local Democrat who has not the courage to sign the communication. However, it does not represent the sentiment of the people of Madison.

There is to be a preliminary meeting of the Rock River Association of Illinois at Dixon, Illinois tomorrow and we are trying to have a good representative committee attend this meeting.

I have so much of this kind of work to do, that I am trying to put off the details of working this matter on some other shoulders. The boat men are taking hold of it and I think will accomplish something.

Under another cover I send you a copy of yesterday morning's Democrat.

Yours very truly,

Johnell Aldrich

JMQ-S

April 8, 1909.

Mr. Edward T. Hartman,
Secretary Mass. Civic League,
3 Joy St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 6th received. I was a good deal interested in reading the letter.

Personally my relation to the American Civic Association has always been very friendly, and quite a little correspondence has passed between myself and certain officers of that association, though I have never had the pleasure of meeting many of them personally, and have thus far been too busy at my profession which is that of practicing law to attend any of the meetings of the association.

While the association has always been of course friendly to our work, it is a fact that so far as I now remember it has never particularly, if at all, noticed our work here until the bringing out of this clipping sheet. As I stated in my former letter, the work here originated seventeen years ago and has been carried on wholly independent of the Civic Association or its predecessor. The fact is that we have never expended one dollar to advertise the work we are doing here. It has been a matter of growth. It has involved a very large amount of time and service on the part of a few individuals. Such work cannot as you well know be the result of some outside association or organization. It may be helped in a general way by such outside association but nothing more. And so far as our work here is concerned, I cannot myself see in what respect it has ever been aided by the outside help, other than in that most general sense that the outside association

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through its work tends to create and sustain public sentiment generally throughout the country in favor of the work being done, and I feel as though [illegible] have done some of this missionary work.

In none of the work that we have done have we ever sought or received the advice of any member or officer of the American Civic Association as such. At a certain stage in our work we employed Mr. O. C. Simons of Chicago to do some designing for us. Later we employed permanently the services of Mr. E. T. Mische who was for eight years with the Olmsted Bros, and when he left to superintend the parks at Portland, Oregon, we were very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. John Nolen of Cambridge, Massachusetts. He now does all the designing for our park work, and while he is not with us except for a limited portion of the year, we feel that we have made a very wise arrangement, and that under it we secure permanence in the designing work and thereby are enabled to carry out some definite plan.

If you have not received all of the copies of our reports, I should be glad to send you other copies to complete the set excepting for one year, 1903. We have no more copies of that year.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

April 9, 1909.

Senator T. W. Brazeau,

Senate Chamber,

City.

Dear Mr. Brazeau:-

I enclose herewith copy of letter sent to Senator Sanborn and also copy of proposed joint resolution. I take this short cut method to save time. I wish you could find the time to read through the letter and the proposed resolution, and then use your influence to secure a presentation of the matter by Mr. Nolen before the committee. I am very sure you would be much interested in examination of the plan that has been prepared by Mr. Nolen. It is not the purpose of Mr. Nolen to make public generally this plan until the annual meeting of the association. But as bearing on the proposed joint resolution I feel it wise that the matter should be explained somewhat in detail to the judiciary committee.

Very truly yours,

Johnwell Olin.

JMO-S

(Enc.)

April 9, 1909.

Senator A. W. Sanborn,

City.

Dear Mr. Sanborn:-

I am writing you a note so that you will get it as soon as you return to the city. There are three joint resolutions pending before the judiciary committee of the senate proposing to amend parts of the constitution. Joint resolution number 15S introduced by Senator Donald, has for its object the putting things in shape so that the legislature can legislate especially with reference to the city of Madison. As this proposed amendment is drawn, do you think it would permit the legislature to legislate especially with reference to Madison so as to authorize a bond debt limit beyond five per cent of the assessed value of the property? If it does not, then I would like to have the proposed amendment modified so as to give that power. My reason for doing this is, that in any comprehensive plan for the improvement of Madison and its state capital, the chances are that the city ought in order to handle the problem in any effective way to be able to go beyond five per cent of bonded indebtedness. I wish you and your committee would consider this matter and put the resolution in such shape as would give the power indicated in case you conclude it is not already given by the proposed amendment.

The other matter I write about is a proposed joint resolution which I would like to have your judiciary committee report as a committee resolution. I enclose a copy herewith. A bill is now pending in the assembly 187A which has in it a clause similar to this proposed amendment, limited however, to cities. The committee on cities

in the assembly has reported the bill favorably. There is some doubt in my mind whether such law might not be declared unconstitutional. Such legislation has been enacted in some five of our states within the last four or five years, but its constitutionality has not as yet been passed upon. It seems to me that it would be wise to put the question beyond dispute. It is a power that the state should have if it is ever to do anything effective with reference to the securing of a proper setting for its state capitol.

Mr. Nolen, our landscape architect is here and is to give a special address at our annual meeting, April 27th on the subject "Madison, a Model State Capital". He has prepared suggested plans for the approach to the capitol from Lake Monona, including the improvement of the water front and the securing of a proper railway station at East Madison. We are hoping that we can secure at this meeting the attendance of practically all of the members of the legislature.

Now I would like, if you can so arrange it, to come before your committee with Mr. Nolen and have him explain in a general way these plans, as bearing on the proposed joint resolution submitted herewith. I would also suggest, if you arrange such a meeting, that the members of the committee of the legislature on the capitol and its grounds be asked to be present. I would like also very much to have Senators Whitehead, Stout, Bird and Hudnell and any othersthat you might suggest. I think such a presentation by Mr. Nolen to your committee would satisfy you of the absolute need of such an amendment to the constitution as is proposed, provided the suggested improvements cannot be legally carried out otherwise, and as long as there is any doubt would it not be well to remove such doubt in this way? We would like action at this

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meeting of the legislature so as to save two years of time.

I thought perhaps you might be able to arrange for the hearing suggested sometime next week.

Inasmuch as I have had several talks concerning these matters with Senator Brazeau and he has introduced one of the joint resolutions now pending before the committee, I take the liberty to send to him a copy of the proposed joint resolutions, and also a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

(Enc.)

April 9, 1909.

Messrs. Wiedenbeck, Dobelin & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Your bill for $2.64 against the association received. It is alright of course. We wish however to postpone payment of bills from this date until after the annual meeting which is held April 27th. I will immediately draw warrants after that date for bills between now and that date.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

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April 9, 1909.

Mr. George B. Ferry,

Architect,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Have just received three blue prints and sketch of small wagon bridge.

By consulting my letter of April 6th you will observe that the bridge that I especially desired perspective sketch of was one of the park bridges proper. We cannot very well ask Mr. Tenney to pay for the small bridge on the public road at the outlet of the lagoon. Hence, I wish that you would have prepared a sketch of the park bridge, and on the theory that the rubble-wall of native stone will be used.

While I like very much the perspective sketch you sent, I think a sketch would be a little more serviceable to us that omitted certain things. I would omit for example the tall tree and the evergreen trees and the boy sitting on the bridge fishing. Of course these are minor matters and I merely refer to them by way of suggestion only.

As soon as I get back the sketch I will then submit the whole matter to Mr. Tenney.

Mr. Icke estimates that these four bridges will cost $14,700. I had hoped we might keep them within about $10,000.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

April 9, 1909.

Mr. Benjamin Marsh,

Room 1312,

165 Broadway,

New York.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. John Nolan has just called me up over the telephone and says that he would like to get a copy of a bill now pending before our legislature known as 187A. I enclose herewith a copy of the same. I suggested when I appeared before the committee to amend by striking out the city attorney as one of the members of the commission and substitute in his place another citizen member. The amendment was accepted. The bill is also further amended by making the limit of jurisdiction over lands platted outside of the city one and one-half miles instead of one mile. The bill has been reported by the committee on cities for passage.

I have some question about the constitutionality of section 959-171. On this account, we are proposing a joint resolution to amend the constitution so as to put into the constitution this section making it include however, the state as well as cities. I am inclined to think our court will sustain this law as constitutional but by reason of certain important work we would like to have done by the state and by the capital city here I think it wise to also get the amendment.

Very truly yours,

John A. Olive

JMO-S

(Enc.)

April 10, 1909.

Manz Engraving Co.,
950 Ravenswood Park,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of April 9, received and contents noted.

Will you not hereafter, until further instructed address all your letters as follows: "Charles N. Brown, Secretary Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association."

He tells me he has instructed you to address the letters but you pay no attention to such instruction. I have to send to Mr. Brown every letter you write addressed to the association since that mail comes to me.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

Apr. 12, 1909.

Mr. Fred L. Porter,
4236 Cottage Grove Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your bill for $15.35 against Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association for bubbling cups, etc., received. The same will be paid immediately after April 27. That is the date of our annual meeting and we desire to let all bills from this time until after that meeting stand on account of the method in which we keep our books and render our statements of account at that time. You will be paid promptly after that date.

Yours truly,

JMQ-D

President.

Apr. 12, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

As I understand the arrangement, you are under contract to work for the association for a year commencing April 1, 1909, and extending to April 1, 1910, at $80.00 a month. I write to ascertain whether this is your understanding. The reason I do this is, the fact of your taking an examination at Chicago under the U. S. Civil Service. It is essential to our work that we know what we can rely upon for the year.

Hereafter let us have an understanding that the matter of employment each year is to be brought up not later than the 1st of January. This will give parties on both sides an opportunity to arrange for the year's work.

Please drop me a line in answer to this, and oblige.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

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Apr. 13, 1909.

Mr. John A. Feiler,
1319 Wingra Court,
Madison, Wis.

Dear Sir:- Enclosed find warrant for $1.00 to pay for work for the association. Please receipt the enclosed bill and return same to me in enclosed stamped envelope, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

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Apr. 13, 1909.

Mr. Marvin Hughitt,

President C. & N. W. Railway Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Hughitt:-

The seventeenth anniversary of the work of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association is the [illegible]th of this month. There is to be a banquet, people sitting down [illegible] P. M., followed by an address on the subject "Madison, a Model State Capital," by John Nolen, landscape architect, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. An invitation has been extended to all the members of the legislature to be present as guests of the association and the citizens of Madison. As you may have heard, our association last fall engaged the services of Mr. Nolen to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of the city, including [illegible] approaches to the new state capitol, etc. Mr. Nolen is to present a part of the plan at this meeting.

I think I can best get before you the general scheme by enclosing a copy of the letter to me from Mr. Nolen, under date of April 2, 1909. But one needs to see the design and drawings to at all adequately comprehend the general scheme proposed.

Now I wish to ask whether you and Mr. Gardner, also your general manager, Mr. Ashton, your general superintendent, Mr. Morse, your chief engineer, Mr. Carter, and your general counsel, Mr. Hyzer, could not all be present at this meeting as the guests of the association. We should be much pleased to have you come. I believe you will be interested in the presentation of the subject. Of course, no such plan as this can be carried out except upon the joint effort on the part of the state, the city, and the two

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railway companies. The state will be represented at the meeting through its legislature, and we wish very much that the officers of your road could be with us. I intend to extend a similar invitation to the officials of the St. Paul Railway Company.

This plan is no new idea. It has been under consideration in a quiet way now for something over two years. Of course it cannot be carried out at once. But we desire that it should be carefully considered by your road as well as by the St. Paul Road, before any new depot is constructed at East Madison.

Let me ask that you do me the favor to see that this invitation is laid before the other gentlemen named. You would confer a great favor upon the citizens of Madison if you could all arrange to be with us at this meeting.

Very truly yours,

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(Enc.)

President.

Apr. 13, 1909.

Mr. A. J. Earling,
President C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Earling:-

The seventeenth anniversary of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association is the 27th of this month. There is to be a banquet, people sitting down at 6:00 P. M., followed by an address on the subject, "Madison, a Model State Capital," by John Nolen, landscape architect, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. An invitation has been extended to all the members of the legislature to be present as guests of the association and of the citizens of Madison. As you may have learned, our association last fall engaged the services of Mr. Nolen to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of the city, including proper approaches to the new state capital, etc. Mr. Nolen is to present a part of the plan at this meeting.

I think I can best get before you the general scheme by enclosing a copy of the letter to me from Mr. Nolen, under date of April 2, 1909. But one needs to see the design and drawings to at all adequately comprehend the general scheme proposed.

Now I wish to ask whether you and your general manager, Mr. Underwood, and also Mr. Burton Hanson and your chief engineer and any others of your officials whom you think might be interested, could not all be present at this meeting as the guests of our association. We should be much pleased to have you come. I believe you would be interested in the presentation of the subject. Of course, no such plan as this can be carried out except upon the joint effort on the part of the state, the city, and the two railway

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companies. The state will be represented at the meeting through its legislature, and we wish very much that the officials of your road could be with us. I intend to extend a similar invitation to the officials of the Northwestern Railway Company.

This plan is no new idea. It has been under consideration in a quiet way now for something over two years. Of course it cannot be carried out at once. But we desire that it should be carefully considered by both of the railway companies before any new depot or depots are constructed at East Madison.

May I ask that you do me the favor to see that this invitation is extended to the other gentlemen named? You would confer a great favor upon the citizens of Madison if you could all arrange to be with us at this meeting.

Very truly yours,

JMO-B

(Enc.)

President.

April 12, 1909

Mr. Barrett Potter, Atty.,
Brunswick, Maine.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of April 7, 1909, received. Sec. 8, art. I, of our constitution provides that "no person shall be held to answer for a criminal offense without due process of law, and no person for the same offense shall be put twice in jeopardy of punishment, nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself." In Dunn vs. State, 118 Wis., 82, you will find our statutory provision quoted, and will find that our court has condemned as improper comments of a prosecuting officer on the failure of the accused to testify.

Yours truly,

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Apr. 14, 1909.

Mr. Emil T. Mische,
Superintendent of Parks,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Mische:-

Yours of April 7 received, enclosing circular letter from Mr. Clark of Oklahoma. Please accept thanks for same. I have complied with your request.

I got a circular concerning Oklahoma a few days ago, which was of very decided interest.

Our annual meeting is to occur on the 27th of this month, and Mr. Nolan is to give us an address on "Madison, a Model State Capital." We are trying to get a plan adopted that will accomplish what might be considered big things for this city.

Wishing you much success in every way, I am.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin,
President.

Apr. 14, 1909.

Mr. Will M. Clark,
Board of Park Commissioners,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

I have received a personal letter from Mr. E. T. Mische, superintendent of Parks at Portland, Oregon. Mr. Mische used to be in our service here. He enclosed your circular letter under date of March 31, 1909.

Under another cover, I am sending you some of the more recent reports of our association, thinking that they may afford you some suggestions.

I have been very much interested in glancing through the project you have on hand at your city. If the people of Oklahoma know what is for their own interests, even from the low standpoint of dollars and cents, they will do just as your board is recommending.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin.

President.

Apr. 16, 1909.

Hon. J. C. Schubert, Mayor,

City.

Dear Mr. Schubert:-

I must have in my possession some time Saturday, one week from to-morrow, a statement of the subscriptions for the Tenney Park Improvement. I want the number of say those who gave $75, $50, $25, and so on down. I don't care anything about their names, but I want the facts that will enable me to make a statement in my report the same as I usually do in the annual report, and I must have that the Saturday preceding the meeting.

It would greatly please me if you could get that subscription list up say to $2,000 before that meeting.

It looks as though we are going to have a very large attendance.

Yours truly,

JMG-B

President.

Apr. 16, 1909.

E. G. Caston, Atty.,
Collins, Mississippi.

Dear Sir:-

I have just received your letter of the 14th, and received your telegram at the same time. By reason of not hearing from you, and the time being very short, I telegraphed R. L. & E. L. Dent, and they replied at once. I took it that you likely was out of the city. I am sorry to have troubled you and should have been glad to have had you attend to the business had I heard from you in time.

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Yours truly,

Apr. 15, 1909

Mr. E. O. Hammersley,
City.

Dear Mr. Hammersley:-

I wish you would hand me, as early as Saturday, one week from to-morrow, a statement of the subscriptions you have got for the improvement of the road west of the cemetery. I wish in some way before that date that amount might be gotten up say to at least $500, but I am afraid you cannot do it.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

president.

Apr. 17, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
University Club,
City.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I meant to hand you the enclosed letter from Mr. Cranefield before this. It explains itself. Should be pleased to have you say a word to him some time.

Yours truly,

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(Enc.)

Apr. 17, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I return the statement of Mr. Porter, etc. I wish you would call sometime at the office and get the box and then determine the amount that should be paid and return the bill and statement to me and I will see that it is paid.

Yours truly,

President.

JMO-D
(Enc.)

April 17, 1909

Editor New York Herald,

New York.

Dear Sir:-

I am informed that the Sunday issue of your paper, April 11, contained an article as to the work being carried on by the Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association. Enclosed please find ten cents in stamps for a copy of the paper. I am also sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association.

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(Stamps Enc.)

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

president.

Apr. 17, 1909

Mr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff,

Vice President American Civic Association,

North American Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Woodruff:-

Please accept thanks for clipping from Terre Haute, Indiana, Tribune under date of April 2, 1909.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Apr. 17, 1909.

Mr. A. J. Underwood,

Gen'l. Mngr. C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Underwood:-

On the 13th, I wrote to President Earling, extending an invitation to him and certain other officials of your road to be present at the seventeenth anniversary of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. On meeting casually Mr. Hanson, I learned that President Earling was probably absent in the west, or would be at that time. I hope very much that you can be present and also any other officials of your road that might be interested in the subject referred to in my letter. In the absence of Mr. Earling, could not the vice president come? We should also like very much to have your general counsel, Mr. Peck, and also Mr. Hanson, also your chief engineer and general superintendent, and any others that you might think would wish to be present.

I received a reply this morning, signed by Marvin Hughitt, in which he states: "I have your favor of the 13th inst. regarding the celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association to beheld at Madison on the 27th of this month and on behalf of Messrs. Hyzer, Gaffner, Aishton, Carter, Morse and myself, I am pleased to accept your kind invitation to be present on that occasion."

We hope very much that the St. Paul Company may be represented with us in a similar manner, and I would appreciate it if you could send me a favorable reply.

Very truly yours,

JMC-D

President

Apr. 17, 1909.

Mr. Richard B. Watrous,
Sec'y. American Civic Association,
Harrisburg, Pa.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 13 received, and contents noted.

I will bring the matter referred to before the meeting of our directors on Monday evening next and urge that all the directors, at least, become members of your association. There ought to be a large membership, as you state, here in our city.

I thank you for calling my attention to the Survey issue of the New York Herald, and also for the extra copies of clipping sheets with reference to our work here.

We are planning to have a very good time at the annual meeting of the association, which is to be held April 27 next. We have invited all the members of the legislature and are also inviting the leading railway officials of the two leading roads. I have just received a letter of acceptance from Marvin Hughitt of the Northwestern Road and expect a similar letter from the St. Paul Road. Mr. Nolen is to give an address on "Madison, a Model State Capital." We are planning, of course, to try and have something done here that will make this city a worthy capital of the state.

Yours truly,

JMG-B

President.

Apr, 19, 1909.

Mr. E. O. Kney,

President Madison Choral Union,

City.

My Dear Mr. Kney:-

I have just received your postal card, announcing change of the date from the 22nd to the 27th of April for the last subscription Choral Concert Series. I was very much surprised when I found there had been an announcement for April 27 of this concert. Before fixing the time for the annual meeting of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association, I looked up the dates of these concerts and other matters, and found that your date was April 22, and so we selected April 27. That date was announced something like a month ago in the public press. We were very anxious, as we always have been, to avoid conflict. The result will be that a good many of the people who have paid--and I am one of them-- to the support of these concerts, are denied the opportunity of attending them. Besides it makes a serious conflict in two meetings, both of which, I think, are of general public interest. Of course, it is impossible for us to change the date. Our notices are all published and sent out, invitations have been extended to the meeting to the members of the legislature, railway officials have been invited and have accepted the invitation for April 27, and the date cannot now be modified.

Very truly yours,

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President.

Apr. 19, 1909.

Mr. E. W. McKenna,

Vice President C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Under date of April 13, I wrote to the President of the C. & N. W. Railway Company and also to the President of the St. Paul Company, extending an invitation to the officials of the two roads to attend as guests of our association its seventeenth anniversary. I found out later that likely President Earling was out of the city and might not be able to be here. I then wrote to General Manager Underwood. I did this because, thus far in some way, in dealing with your company, I have been brought in contact almost entirely with Mr. Earling and Mr. Underwood.

I received a letter from President Hughitt, under date of April 16, accepting the invitation, as follows: "I have your favor of the 13th inst., regarding the celebration of the seventeen anniversary of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association to be held at Madison on the 27th of this month, and on behalf of Messrs. Hyzer, Gardner, Aishton, Carter, Morse and myself I am pleased to accept your kind invitation to be present on that occasion."

We should very much like to have the corresponding officers of your road present, or as many of them as can attend, or any others who might be interested in the subject to be discussed at this meeting.

I sent both to President Hughitt and President Earling a copy of a letter which was submitted to me by our landscape architect, Mr. John Nolen, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, with reference to certain plans for the improvement of certain approaches to the capital, the water front of lake

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Monona, and also dealing with the question of a new depot at East Madison. I happen to have an extra copy of that letter and I enclose it herewith.

We now expect that practically all of the members of the legislature will be with us on that evening, and as stated above, it would give us great pleasure if I could hear from your company stating that your officials could be with us.

I do not know how familiar you are with the work we have been trying to do. For this reason, I send you, under another cover, a copy of our last annual report.

A prompt answer would greatly oblige.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

P. S. Could you submit this letter and the copy of Mr. Nolen's letter to your general counsel, Mr. George R. Peck, with a statement that we should be specially interested if he could find it possible to come as one of the officials of your road?

Apr. 19 1909

Dear Mr. Hughitt:-

I am very much pleased that we may have you and the other parties named in yours of the 16th with us at our annual meeting on the 27th of this month, and in this I am sure I express the sentiment of all of the people of this city.

Very truly yours,

John M. Clair

Mr. Marvin Hughitt,
President C. & N. W. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Apr. 19, 1909.

Dear Mr. Tenney:-

I am sending you (1) a copy of that part of my annual report which deals with Tenney Park, (2) a perspective sketch of one of the four proposed new bridges prepared by Mr. Ferry of Milwaukee, (3) a blue print of one of the three park bridges, and (4) a suggestive sketch of one of the proposed sanitaries or outhouses.

The three bridges in the park are all to be as the sketch sent. The bridge on Thornton Avenue will be constructed of same material, but the design is somewhat modified on account of size.

I wish you would do me the favor to read through the report as to this park as I have prepared it. I am free to confess that I do not just know what the outcome will be, considering the temper of some of the council. I am not myself in doubt at all as to what should be done. I have set my heart on seeing all of these proposed improvements completed this year. I cannot add much to the reasons stated in the report. I think it would be most unwise to construct cheap looking bridges. These bridges, as proposed, are not at all extravagant in design. They are in fact plain plain and simple, but neat and substantial, and that is what we want. While they might be narrower than fourteen feet in the clear, they would not look well if made narrower. Mr. Ferry is very positive about that and I think you entertained the same views, as I remember former talks with you. Of course the two existing bridges are temporary, and some time will be removed. They did not cost much and have served their purpose and will not be allowed to remain there very long after we get up such new bridges as are proposed.

Now, I do not know what your purpose is as to further aid, if any,

to this park, either this year or in the future, but it has occurred to me that if you were thinking of rendering further aid at any time, you might feel that assistance given now would count for more than at any future date. If you could see your way to meet the expense of constructing the three bridges in the park proper, paying say one-half this year and the other one-half next, our directors would borrow the half not paid this year and we could get the city to build the other bridge this year, or, if you feel this would be too much, and felt like helping say $7,500, and would make the gift conditioned on the city completing all the bridges this year, I am sure the work would in some way be carried out during the present season.

Whatever you decide to give, I would be pleased, provided it meets your approval, if you could send me a note, stating what you are willing to do, so I would receive it by Friday or Saturday of this week, with the understanding the matter would not be made public until the evening of the annual meeting, April 27. It now looks as though we should have a very large attendance. Among others present will be Marvin Hughitt and other officials of the Northwestern and St. Paul roads. We are trying to secure the building of a new passenger depot at East Madison Station, and that matter will be discussed among others, at the meeting.

I have hesitated very much about writing you this letter lest in some way I might make a mistake or be misunderstood. However, I have always found it best to be perfectly plain in all of this work, feeling that was the best method to pursue and knowing you as I do, I think you prefer that course. Whatever you may do in the matter, will not change my kindly feeling

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toward you with reference to this park. I have simply presented the facts for your consideration, and whatever the outcome is, I fell sure that you will feel I have no other interest in the matter than to serve the public, except that I do feel strongly that this park should be completed as far as possible the present season, largely because of its relations to you.

With kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,

John M. Olin

To Mr. D. K. Tenney,
Madison, Wis.

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Apr. 20, 1909.

Mr. Frank M. Wootton,

City.

Dear Mr. Wootton:- According to the statement from Mr. Hoyt, your subscri
tion of $25.00 for last year has not been paid. The books will be closed
morrow morning. Can you not send a check to-day so your name will appear
the report as having paid, and also renew your subscription for the presen
year.

Yours truly,

John M. Glenn.
President.

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Apr, 20, 1909.

Sinaiko Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

It seems that your subscription for last year of $25.00 to
work of the association has not been paid. Unless a check is got to Mr.
some time to-morrow, your name will not appear in the report as having b
paid. I should regret this and hope that you can close the matter out a
once.

Yours truly,

John M. Glenn.
President.

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Apr. 20, 1909.

Hon. Halle Steelsland,

City.

Dear Mr. Steelsland:-

Yours of April 20 just received, and contents noted. Perhaps nothing I can say will change the decision announced in your letter. I trust, however, that you may not insist at this time upon withdrawing from the board. My reason (or rather one reason) for this is that some people might conclude that there was some friction between you and myself and that this was the cause of your withdrawal. If I felt that there was any feeling of this kind on your part, I certainly should not myself consent, under any circumstances, to continue longer a member of the board. But I am very sur you have no such feeling toward me and I am just as sure that you feel I have no such feeling toward you. I feel that you underestimate your services on th board. Your standing has been such that you have been of very great servic to the board, even though you have not been so active as some of the other members in certain lines of work. Will you not reconsider the matter and not insist upon withdrawing at this time? I would appreciate it personally if you could comply with this request.

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. O'Brien

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for which such bonds were su-

Apr. 20, 1909.

Dr. William Anderson,

La Crosse, Wis.

Dear Mr. Anderson:-

We are to have our annual meeting of our association on April 27, the members to sit down at the dinner table at 6:30 o'clock P. M., and the speaking to commence about eight o'clock. Mr. John Nolen, out landscape architect, is to give an address on the subject of, "Madison, a Model State Capital." We expect to have with us as guests practically all of the legislature and also the presidents of the two leading railway companies and the other leading railway officials of these two roads. Mr. Nolen will present as a part of his talk the plans which he has thus far prepared for the improvement of the city as the capital of the state. We would appreciate it very much if you could be with us on that evening. In order to make necessary provision for the members and guests, I would like a reply as early as Friday of this week.

I would like to get from you some information as follows:

1. The last assessed valuation of the real estate of your city.

2. The rate of tax for the last year.

3. The rate that was put into the budget for park purposes.

4. The amount of bonds authorized recently in your city for purchasing park lands and the vote of the council by which such bonds were authorized.

5. What plan, if any, there is for issuing further bonds.

You would oblige me very much if you could, without too much trouble, give me the above information.

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Yours truly,

Edward Ells

President.

April 21, 1909.

Mr. F. H. Harriman,

Gen. Manager Ill. Central Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

On the 27th of this month we are to celebrate here at Madison the seventeenth anniversary of the work of the Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association. This meeting is to be of unusual interest because of its relations to the state and the two leading railroad companies at least, and perhaps also to your company. Our landscape architect, Mr. John Nolen, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, is to deliver an address on the subject "Madison,s Model State Capital." Some time ago he was employed by our association to prepare a comprehensive plan for the future growth and development of the city, that should take into consideration proper approaches to the new espitol building now being erected and also the whole water front of Lake Monona and especially the securing of a proper depot at East Madison. The plan is to secure there a union station bringing together the St. Paul and Northwestern Companies. I wrote to the presidents of each of these roads suggesting that they be at our meeting together with their leading officials, explaining to them fully what was under consideration, ever sending to them a copy of Mr. Nolen 's letter to me which went into the proposed plans quite thoroughly. I received under date of April 16, 1909, a letter from Marvin Hughitt, president of the Northwestern road, as follows:

"My Dear Mr. Olin:-

I have your favor of the 13th inst. regarding the celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of the Madison Park & Pleasure

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Drive Association to be held at Madison on the 27th of this month, and on behalf of Messrs. Hyzer, Gardner, Aishton, Carter, Morse and myself I am pleased to accept your kind invitation to be present on that occasion."

As you may know, the above named persons are respectively the general counsel, vice-president, general manager, chief engineer, and general superintendent of that road.

We expect this meeting will be followed by some joint resolution of the senate and assembly providing for the appointment by the governor of a committee to look into the whole situation and report to the next legislature.

Now I do not know what interest your road may have in the changes that are proposed. At any rate, we should be pleased to have you and such other officials of your road as you might designate, attend this meeting as the guests of our association, merely asking that you would let me know your answer so I would get it not later than sometime Saturday of this week.

Very truly yours,

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John M. Olin

April 21, 1909.

Dr. N. D. Favill,
100 State St.,
City.

Dear Mr. Favill:-

We are to have, on Tuesday evening next, the seventeenth anniversary of the work of our association. We are making a special feature of the occasion. We expect to have with us as our guests all of the members of the legislature. We also expect to have with us the leading officials of the two leading railroads. Mr. Nolen, our landscape architect has been employed to prepare a comprehensive plan for the development and future growth of the city including the capitol approaches, railroad depots, Etc. He is to present at the meeting by lantern slides and orally, the plans so far as completed. I explained pretty fully what we were trying to do to both Mr. Hughitt and Mr. Sterling and I received under date of April 16th, the following letter from Mr. Hughitt:

"My Dear Mr. Olin:-

I have your favor of the 15th inst. regarding the celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of the Madison Park & Pleasure Drive Association to be held at Madison on the 27th of this month, and on behalf of Messrs. Ryzer, Gardner, Aishton, Carter, Morse and myself I am pleased to accept your kind invitation to be present on that occasion."

As you may know the above persons are respectively the general counsel, vice-president, general manager, chief engineer and general superintendent.

We also expect to have with us some representative citizens from different cities of the state. I would appreciate it very much if in some

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way you could be with us on that occasion. There is to be a banquet at which the guests will sit down at six-thirty at the new High School building and the speaking will commence about eight o'clock. Mr. Nolen is to give a talk on "Madison, a Model State Capital". Hope you can give us a favorable reply.

I was very much interested in the miserable attack made by some of the "gray wolves" upon you recently. I know all about that man Adamson. I was the attorney for the Democrat Printing Company in the li[illegible] suit which he commenced against that company. We plead so much truth that he was glad enough to quit before he got to trial, for after the suit was commenced, among other things we tracked the scoundrel to Chicago and found him in a house of ill fame in a drunken debauch. We proved these facts on him by depositions. I was on the point of sending you a copy of the printed record in that case when I saw that you did not at all need it.

Very sincerely yours,

JMC-S

Apr. 22, 1909.

Hon. Halle Steensland,

City.

Dear Mr. Steensland:-

Yours of April 21 received, and contents noted. S far as I am concerned, I do hope you will look at matters just as though had never been any misunderstanding. I want you very much to remain upo board. I would not say this if I did not mean it. If at some later tim desire to withdraw, merely because you feel that the burden is more than ought to carry but not otherwise, I then should not feel like urging you continue the burden. But on no account would I wish you to withdraw bec of the feeling you have expressed that you are not of as much service to board and the work as some other person might be. I feel that you are w wrong about that. I have always felt so. My opinion has in no respect

Very sincerely yours,

JMO-D

J. M. McClain

President.

Apr. 22, 1909

My Dear Mr. Whitcomb:-

I am very much pleased that you can be with us on the 27th. There are some others coming from Milwaukee, and I think it best to have all of the Milwaukee people meet at the Park Hotel say about five o'clock, and I will arrange to have some one look after all of the guests from Milwaukee. I shall be very busy that evening and on that account will have to arrange with some other party to meet the Milwaukee delegation.

Very sincerely yours,

John W. Weeks

To Mr. H. F. Whitcomb,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Apr. 22, 1909

Mr. A. J. Underwood,
Gen'l. Mngr. C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:-

I am very much pleased that you and Mr. Hanson can be with us on the 27th, and I hope that Mr. George R. Peck may also be able to come. The same mail that brought your letter brought a letter from Mr. E. W. McKenna.

We would be pleased to have you and the other gentlemen who come with you meet at the Park Hotel some time between five and six o'clock. There will be some one of our citizens delegated to meet you at that place and go with you to the meeting.

Very truly yours,

J. Spencer Olin

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Apr. 22, 1909

Dear Mr. Hughitt:-

We should like to have you add to the list of those named in your former letter, Mr. C. A. Cairns, General Passenger & Ticket Agent, and Mr. W. K. Kniskern, Passenger Traffic Manager.

I take it that the train which you would come up on is the one that gets here some time between five and six in the afternoon, and if your party would go directly to the Park Hotel, some of our citizens will meet you there.

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin

To Mr. Marvin Hughitt,
President C. & N. W. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Apr. 22, 1909

Mr. E. W. McKenna,

Second Vice President,

C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:-

I am much pleased to receive yours of April 20, regretting, however, that other business engagements prevent you and Mr. Earling from being present, but of course I understand fully the situation. We shall be very glad indeed to have with us Mr. Underwood, the general manager, and Mr. Hanson, and I trust sincerely that Mr. George R. Peck may be able to come, and if he does come to say just a few words.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Please note your reference to [illegible]

Apr. 22, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

Your perspective sketch of Tenney Park bridge was duly received and I have had it put into a simple frame. Please accept thanks.

Mr. Ickе wishes me to ascertain, before he makes the drawings for the rubble bridges for Tenney Park, "whether the rubble to be used should be 'random rubble with hammer dressed joints' of local stone, and if so, what dressing the surface of the stone should receive."

He furthat states: "The arch, if of local stone, show stones of such thickness that we would probably find it expensive to get them out." Will you reply to thiese matters as promptly as possible, and much oblige?

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

Apr. 22, 1909

Dr. Wendell A. Anderson,

La Crosse, Wis.

Dear Mr. Anderson:-

I want to thank you very much for your kindness in giving me the information in yours of April 21. There is only one thing that I would like further if I could get it. I wanted to know the assessed valuation of your real estate separate from the personal property. If I have that item, I can make a comparison with our city that I could not otherwise made. I regret to trouble you further, but would appreciate it very much if you could get for me in some way this additional information.

Yours truly,

JB-D

President.

Apr. 22, 1909

Mr. William Lindsay,
c/o Lindsay Bros.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Lindsay:-

I am very much pleased that you can be with us on the 27th at our annual meeting. I have arranged to have all of the people coming from Milwaukee meet at the Park Hotel about five o'clock in the afternoon. I will arrange to have some one of our citizens meet all such guests and go with them to the meeting.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

Apr. 23, 1909

Mr. James Gibson,
City.

Dear Mr. Gibson:-

The enclosed copy of letter explains itself.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

President.

Apr. 23, 1909

Mr. Patrick O'Brien,
Division Supt. C. & N. W. Ry. Co.,
Baraboo, Wis.

My Dear Mr. O'Brien:-

Through an oversight of mine, I omitted to send you a special invitation to be present at the seventeenth anniversary of the work of our association, on April 27 next. We sit down at the table at 6:30 promptly at the high school building, and the speaking will commence at eight o'clock. We are to have with us the members of the legislature and the officials of the different railway companies. We should be very much pleased indeed to have you with us on that occasion.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 23, 1909

Mr. J. W. Skinner,

Vice President N. W. Mutual Life Ins. Co.,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Skinner:-

I wish very much that you might be with us as a guest on Tuesday evening next at the seventeenth anniversary of the work of our association. Mr. Whitcomb has kindly consented to come, and also Mr. William Lindsay, and a number of other leading citizens from Milwaukee. We are to have with us the leading officials of the different railway companies and all of the members of the legislature. Mr. Nolen is to deliver an address on "Madison, a Model State Capital", which, I think, you would be interested in hearing. If you decide to come, drop me a line so I will get it as early as Monday morning. I have arranged to have all who come from Milwaukee meet at the Park Hotel between five and six o'clock, at which time and place certain of our citizens will meet you.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Apr. 24, 1909

Dear Mr. Gardner:-

Yours of the 23rd just received. We shall be much pleased indeed to add to the list of guests Mr. W. D. Cantillon, Assistant General Manager, or any others whom you would like to have come with you. We have room for all. Don't cut the number on our account.

Very truly yours,

J. Sterrett McClintock.

To Mr. W. A. Gardner,
Vice President C. & N. W. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Can you not also bring with you Mr. McCullough?

Apr. 24, 1909

Dr. Wendell A. Anderson,

La Crosse, Wis.

Dear Mr. Anderson:-

Your postal card and also the letter received. I regret having put you to so much trouble, but you have given me just the information that I desired.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 24, 1909

Prof. L. S. Smith,

City.

Dear Mr. Smith:-

Please accept thanks for your statement as to subscriptions, amounting to $142.00. You can keep the lists sufficient length of time to close out the whole matter if there are any others whom you think would wish to give. I will talk with you over the telephone, if possible, to-morrow morning. I want to make sure that all those who have subscribed have had an invitation in some way for the meeting and banquet. The meeting promises to be a very large one.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

Apr. 24, 1909

Mr. George H. D. Johnson,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

I would like very much if you could attend the annual meeting of our association, to be held on Tuesday next. We are to have with us all of the members of the legislature and the leading railway officials of the different railway companies, besides a number of leading citizens from Milwaukee and some other places. Mr. Foler, our landscape architect, is to give a talk on "Madison, a Model State Capital." You may know that he has been employed to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of Madison, including proper approaches for the new capitol. He has ready that portion of the plan which deals especially with the approach from Lake Monona to the capitol and the water front, and the securing of a proper station at East Madison. Inasmuch as this whole matter is connected so directly with the capitol, we desire to have with us, if possible, all of the Capitol Commission. The guests and members sit down at the table promptly at 6:30 at the high school building and the speaking will commence about eight o'clock. If you come, be at the Park Hotel some time between five and six, where some one will meet you.

Very truly yours,

John W. Olin

President.

JMO-D

Apr. 24, 1909

Hon. O. H. Ingram,

Eau Claire, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ingram:-

I would like very much if you could attend the annual meeting of our association, to be held on Tuesday next. We are to have with us all of the members of the legislature and the leading railway officials of the different railway companies, besides a number of leading citizens from Milwaukee and some other places. Mr. Nolen, our landscape architect, is to give a talk on "Madison, a Model State Capital." You may know that he has been employed to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of Madison, including proper approaches for the new capitol. He has ready that portion of the plan which deals especially with the approach from Lake Monona to the capitol and the water front, and the securing of a proper station at East Madison. Inasmuch as this whole matter is connected so directly with the capitol, we desire to have with us, if possible, all of the Capitol Commission. The guests and members sit down at the table promptly at 6:30 at the high school building and the speaking will commence about eight o'clock. If you come, be at the Park Hotel some time between five and six, where some one will meet you.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin.

President.

Apr. 24, 1909

Mr. J. A. Van Cleve,

Marinette, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

I would like very much if you could attend the annual meeting of our association, to be held on Tuesday next. We are to have with us all of the members of the legislature and the leading railway officials of the different railway companies, besides a number of leading citizens from Milwaukee and some other places. Mr. Nolen, our landscape architect, is to give a talk on "Madison, a Model State Capital." You may know that he has been employed to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of Madison, including proper approaches for the new capitol. He has ready that portion of the plan which deals especially with the approach from Lake Monona to the capitol and the water front, and the securing of a proper station at East Madison. Inasmuch as this whole matter is connected so directly with the capitol, we desire to have with us, if possible, all of the Capitol Commission. The guests and members sit down at the table promptly at 6:30 at the high school building and the speaking will commence about eight o'clock. If you come, be at the Park Hotel some time between five and six, where some one will meet you.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 26, 1909

Mr. A. C. Clas,

c/o Ferry & Clas,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Clas:-

I have been trying to reach you this afternoon by telephone, but have been, as yet, unsuccessful. I had hoped, before this, to hear from you, stating that you would be with us to-morrow evening. If I do not succeed in talking with you over the telephone, could you call me up in the morning after receiving this, and tell me that you are coming and approximately the number of other persons who may come from Milwaukee, and about what time they will reach Madison and over which road, and very much oblige?

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 26, 1909

Mr. Burton Hanson,

Gen'l. Solicitor, C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Hanson:-

If you can do so without too much trouble, I would appreciate it if you would let me know in the morning by telegram the time when your party will reach Madison and also the station. We would be pleased to have some one meet you if we know just when you will arrive. I think I stated in a former letter that we expect to sit down promptly at the table at 6:30.

I hope very much that Mr. Peck, your General Counsel, may find it possible to be with us.

Very truly yours,

JWO-D

John W. Olin

President.

Apr. 26, 1909

Mr. W. A. Gardner,

Vice President C. & N. W. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Gardner:-

If you could without too much trouble, let me know in the morning, as early as convenient, by telegram when your party will reach Madison, I would appreciate it. We wish to meet you at the train, but do not know just when you will arrive. I think I stated that we are to sit down promptly at the table at 6:30. The meeting is a very informal affair and you are not expected to have any tuxedo or "quill coat", but to dress as we ordinary common country people do here at Madison.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President

If your party gets here in time, and the [illegible] is fit; we should enjoy going over a little [illegible] in [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] Hotel [illegible]

Apr. 26, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 23rd received, enclosing blue prints. I have mitted your letter to Mr. Ieke.

Very truly yours,

President.

JMO-D

Apr. 26, 1909

Mr. John F. Icke,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have received from Mr. Ferry and also return the blue prints which I got from you. I think I returned the sketches of the sanitaries, did I not? If not, please let me know.

JMO-D

(Enc.)

Yours truly,

President.

Apr. 27, 1909

Mr. Burton Hanson,
Gen'l. Solicitor C.M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Mr. Hanson:-

Yours of the 26th received. While I very much regret that you cannot be with us to-night, I am very much pleased that Mr. Peck can find it possible to come and I thank you very much for your courteous letter.

Yours very truly,

J. M. D. Olin

President.

JMO-D

Apr. 28, 1909

Mr. George Raymer,

City.

Dear Mr. Raymer:-

On behalf of the association and citizens generally, I want to express my appreciation of the space you have given in your paper this morning and at other times recently concerning the work of the association. I feel it will be of very great service.

I am sending you herewith the report of the citizens' committee with an introductory statement by the directors of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. The plan is to have three thousand copies of this report published in pamphlet form, and I would suggest that it be of the same size of our annual report, a copy of which I send you for comparison. We would like to have the work neatly done but nothing showy or extravagant. It ought to be good type and good paper. I have sketched out something that I thought might do for the cover. Perhaps you can think of something that will be better. Then there needs to be some judgment used in properly displaying the first page.

I wish you would look it through and give me an estimate of what it would cost to print three thousand copies of the report, including the introductory statement by the directors. We want to send a copy out to each member of the association when we send out the annual report.

Yours truly,

JWO-D

Johnson Rose

President.

April 28, 1909.

Mr. Marvin Hughitt,
President Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Hughitt:-

I am sending you under another cover a copy of the morning Democrat, thinking that you might desire to glance the same through. There is a portion of my annual report, the end of it, containing quotations from different cities etc., which illustrates the extent and wholesome advertising that the city gets from this kind of work.

We all feel here that it was very good of you and the other officials to be with us last night.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

Apr. 29. 1909

Hon. Thomas M. Kearney,

Racine, Wis.

Dear Mr. Kearney:-

Your note of the 27th received. I wish you might have been with us, but of course I understand fully the situation. We had an unusually large gathering.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Apr. 29, 1909

Judge J. M. Jamieson,

Phoenix, Arazona.

Dear Sir:-

At the suggestion of Stephen W. Gilman, I am sending you a copy of the annual report of our association for last year. As soon as the new report is out, I will also send you a copy of that.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President

Mr. R. B. Watrous,

Sec'y. American Civic Association,

Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Mr. Watrous:-

Thank you very much for the telegram which was received and read at our annual meeting. I send you, under another cover, a copy of the Democrat, which contains a complete copy of my report and a pretty full report of the other proceedings. We had the largest number at the table that ever gathered at any banquet table in this city. There were between 450 and 475 guests. Of course, when our annual report is printed, we shall be pleased to send you a copy.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

Apr. 29, 1909

Prof. Stephen W. Gilman,

City.

My dear Mr. Gilman:- Yours of April 28 received. I have mailed to Judge Jamieson a copy of the last report, as suggested, and will also see that he gets a copy of the report for this year as soon as it is published.

I was not quite certain what the effect of my address would be. I liked to say some things which I did say, but after a good deal of thought felt that it perhaps was best to do so. Thanking you for your kindly words,

Very truly yours,

President.

JMC-D

April 29, 1909.

Democrat Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of April 28, 1909, received offering to print 3000 of citizen's report for $81.50. This is to include, as stated by Mr. Ketchum over the telephone ~~of~~ the printing of the introductory statement by the board of directors. This is merely to confirm my statement over the telephone to Mr. Ketchum that we desire to have you ~~see to~~ Goshen Cain publishing the report.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

April 30, 1909.

Messrs. Ferry & Clas,

Architects,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of April 28, 1909, received concerning bath house plans, and today the blue prints for boat house received. I showed your letter to Mayor Schubert and turned over to him the boat house blue prints and asked him to correspond with you at once. He is exceedingly fearful that these bath house plans cannot be used in the particular location in question. He is to go down today or tomorrow with the committee and look matters over and then write you.

Yours very truly,

Johnson & Clas

JJD-S

Apr. 30, 1909.

Mr. George G. Sutherland,

Janesville, Wis.

Dear Mr. Sutherland:-

Yours received, returning ticket. Please accept thanks. Regret that you could not attend. We had the room, as it turned out.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 1, 1909.

Mr. Alfred C. Clas,

Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Clas:-

Thank you very much for your pleasant note of the 29th. I regret some things about the meeting. Perhaps I talked too long, and I think Mr. Nolen made the same mistake along that line, but what was still more disastrous was the way the slides got mixed up and the operation of the lantern. I felt as though we failed to accomplish the very point for which the meeting was largely held. However, I am having the ground plans showing the proposed improvement framed, and I think will be hung up in the capitol in a good conspicuous place and will remain there during the rest of the session. Senator Hudnall has, as you perhaps have noticed introduced a joint resolution for the appointment by the Governor of a committee of seven of which he is chairman, the others to be composed of one member of each of the houses and four from the state at large to investigate and report to the next legislature as to capitol approaches etc. This will enable us to get the matter started. It will be necessary to carry on a campaign of education for the next three or four years, so that the meeting will accomplish, I think all that we could expect at this time.

Thanking you very much for your being here as well as the other Milwaukee gentlemen, and for your interest in the matter, I am

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

May 1, 1909

Thomas Meehan & Sons,

Dreshertown, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of April 29 received, and contents noted. I have turned the same over to our park foreman. Mr. Nolen is still here. The goods came in the car in good condition, upon the whole, as I am informed. As soon as we get them planted, I will settle with you.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

May 3, 1909

Mr. Herbert Adams,
c/o Dubuque Park Commission,
Dubuque, Iowa.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of April 30 received and contents noted; also copy of your report. I have been very much interested in looking the same through. It seems to me that you have made an excellent showing.

I shall be only too glad to meet you and your brother and Judge Shiras if you make a trip this way this summer. Please let me know a day or two in advance of your coming, if possible.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 4, 1909

Mr. Will H. Clark,
Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

I want to congratulate you heartily on the great success you have had at Oklahoma in securing the bond issue for parks. It is a remarkable victory and you are entitled to great credit.

Yours truly,

JMC-D.

May 4, 1909

Mr. Walter S. Hopkins,
Tarrytown, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

At the suggestion of your brother, Andrew W. Hopkins, I am sending you a copy of the last annual report of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

May 4, 1909.

Mr. W. B. Crabtree,
c/o N. E. Mfg. Co.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of May 3 received. Please accept thanks for same. You do not state the amount of your subscription. As you know, we have different amounts, running from $25.00 down to $5.00. Would you be so kind as to write down the amount you and your Mr. Goll are willing to give for the present year and return the enclosed letter to me, and very much oblige?

I am sending, under another cover, a copy of our last annual report to Mr. Goll. Of course, he will get a copy of the new report.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

President.

May 4, 1909

Mr. E. W. McKenna,

Second Vice President,

C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co.,

Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Mr. McKenna:-

Your note of May 3 received as to mistake between "monograph" and "monologue". Please accept thanks for same.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

May 8, 1909

Captain W. A. Thompson,

La Crosse, Wis.

Dear Mr. Thompson:-

Yours of May 6 received. As to the pink and white clover growing along driveway, I can only say that we never have seen any clover. Whatever is there has come in naturally. The inquirer may have reference to some Alsik Clover growing in the fields.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

May 10, 1909

Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association,

To M. M. Doran,

For 130 loads of top soil, at 60¢ per load, Tenney Park Improvement, amounting to, $78.00

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt in full for the above bill.

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May 10, 1909.

Mr. F. Warren Montgomery,

City.

Dear Mr. Montgomery:-

I become responsible for twenty-two tickets for the annual dinner of the association. Of these, twelve were for railway officials. I intend to take care of ten of the tickets myself. I am asking four parties to take care of the twelve tickets for the railway officials and wish to know whether you would be willing to take care of three of these tickets. I am asking Mr. Jones to take care of three, Messrs. Sanborn & Blake three, and Messrs. Richmond, Jackman & Swensen three. If this is agreeable to you, would you be so kind as to send me a check for $33? Of course you understand there is nothing obligatory in this matter, and I would appreciate whatever you may feel like doing.

Yours very truly,

John W. Weir

JMO-S

May 10,1909.

Messrs. Richmond, Jackman & Swansen, Attys.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

I became responsible for twenty-two tickets for the annual dinner. Of these, twelve were for railway officials. I am asking four parties to become responsible for these twelve tickets and wish to know whether your firm would be willing to take care of three of them. I have asked Burr W. Jones to take care of three, F. Warren Montgomery to take care of three, and the firm of Sanborn & Blake for three. If this is agreeable to you please send me a check for this amount and very much oblige.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olsen

JMO-S

May 10, 1909.

Messrs. Sanborn & Blake, Attys.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

I became responsible for twenty-two guests at the annual dinner. Of these, twelve were railway officials. I intend to take care of ten out of the twenty-two tickets myself. Would you be willing to pay for three tickets for the three railway officials of the St. Paul road? I intend to ask Burr W. Jones to take care of three tickets, Mr. Montgomery of three and Messrs. Richmond, Jackman & Swanson three. If this meets your approval please send me a check for $3. Of course you will understand there is nothing obligatory about this, but I thought considering your relation toward the St. Paul company you might feel in doing as suggested.

Yours very truly,

JMC-S.

May 10, 1909.

Mr. Burr W. Jones,

City.

Dear Mr. Jones:

I became responsible for twenty-two tickets for guests for the annual dinner of the association. Of these, twelve were for railway officials. I intend to take care of ten of the guests and would like, if it meets with your approval to have you assist somewhat on the railway officials. Could you be responsible for three tickets being $3? I intend to ask Mr. Montgomery to be responsible for three, the firm of Richmond, Jackman & Swansen for three and the firm of Sanborn & Blake for three. If this is agreeable to you please send me a check for $3 and very much oblige.

Yours very truly,

John M. Clair

JMC-S

[illegible] to pay your bill. Please

May 10, 1909

Wiedenbeck, Dobelin & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $5.22 to pay your two bills. Please receipt both bills, and return same to me, and oblige.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Warrant)

(2 Encls.)

President.

May 10, 1909

F. C. Blied & Co.,

117 W. Main,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $19.50 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909

M. Brahany & Son,
213 E. Main St.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $11.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909

Mautz Bros.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.50 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909

Parkinson-Marling Lumber Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $9.25 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909

Mr. Louis A. Geffert,

204 E. Washington Ave.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find two warrants, one for $5.00 and the other for $4.96, to pay your bill. Please sign the $5.00 warrant on the back, which has been endorsed to Frank W. Hoyt, Treasurer, and return same to me, and this will pay your subscription for this year. Please receipt and return also the enclosed bill.

(2 Warrants)

(Enc.)

Yours truly,

President.

May 10, 1909

Cantwell Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909.

Mr. David Stephens,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.30 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 10, 1909

J. Manz Engraving Co.,
75 E. Monroe St.,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrants aggregating $113.22. Please receipt all of the enclosed bills and return same to me, and oblige.

Yours truly,

JMC-D
(4 Warrants)
(4 Encls.)

President.

May 10, 1909

Mr. Fred L. Porter,
4236 Cottage Grove Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $15.45 for fifteen bubbling cups. Please receipt enclosed bill and return same to me, and oblige.

Yours truly,

JMC-D
(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Should be in office book page 530

May 10, 1909.

Wisconsin Telephone Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find check for $5.35 to pay telephone rent and toll bill.

Yours truly,

(Check)

May 10, 1909.

Prof. W. F. Dearborn,
218 W. Gilman St.,
City.

In office book page 530

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find check for $1.00, annual assessment on members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Check)

May 10, 1909

In office book
page 531

Mr. John A. Aylward,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find check for $1.50 for ticket, etc., in connection with the last meeting of the Six O'Clock Club.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Check)

May 10, 1909

In office book.
page 531

Messrs. Wolff, Kubly & Hirsig,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find check for $5.05 for your bill under date of May 1.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Check)

On office book page 532.

May 10, 1909.

Mrs. M. E. Jenner,
Bayside Inn,
City.

Dear Madam:-

Enclosed find check for $10.00 as per agreement made with you in connection with Citizens' Meeting.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Check)

May 10, 1909

W. W. E. Chase,
302 State St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of May 10 received and contents noted. I have referred the matter to Mr. MacLean with instructions to act.

Yours truly,

JMO-H

President.

May 10, 1909

Mr. Charles H. Hudson,
Treas. Madison Land & Improvement Co.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

The enclosed letter returned to me shows that I made a mistake. I wish you could send in the subscription for that company the same as heretofore.

Yours truly,

JMC-D
(Encls.)

President.

May 10, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I want you to make it plain to people you deal with that they must send their bills first to you. I enclose a bill from Kroncke Bros. for you to indicate to what account it is to be charged. Are you trading any with Blied & Schneider?

Enclosed you will find letter from Mr. Chase, which I wish you would look into.

(2 Encls.)

Yours truly,

President.

May 11, 1909.

Mr. John F. Ioke,
City Engineer,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Clarke, of the Dredging Company wants to have the grade [illegible] for the fill between Sherman Avenue and the lake. My idea has been that this ought to be in keeping with the other portion of the fill. Said grade will run to the north. Just how much fall there ought to be from this end of the [illegible] to the outlet where the [illegible] is I do not know. He went no more than will be necessary to carry the water off.

He also wants to know the quantity of dirt [illegible] left to be used to raise the approaches for the bridge across the [illegible] Sherman Avenue. If you could give him these grades sometime soon I would appreciate it.

Yours very truly,

John W. Clarke.

JWC-S

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[illegible] to be charged. Are you grading

May 12, 1909

Messrs. Sanborn & Blake,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Please accept thanks for your check of $3.00 for three tickets for St. Paul Railway officials, annual dinner of association.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 12, 1909

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

Enclosed I hand you check for $3.00 from Sanborn & Blake for three tickets for St. Paul Railway officials.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Check)

President.

E. C. Sparhawk

May 11, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,

Landscape Architect,

1382 Harvard Square,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have received from Dr. Edward Kremers for your consideration. I also enclose a copy of my reply to him.

I also enclose herewith a bill and warrant for $100 to apply on your services for this year for the city. I have decided, after talking the matter over with some of the directors, to send you a check of $100 at the beginning of each month, as we prefer to pay in this way, unless you object. Hence, on the first of June you will receive another warrant for $100 and thereafter they will come along regularly at the beginning of each month. All you need to do is to receipt the bill accompanying the warrant and return same to me.

As to expenses you have incurred in certain directions, I wish you would send me an itemized bill for the same and try so far as possible in making out the bills to indicate the account to which they must be charged, that is whether to Tenney Park Improvement or Brittingham Park, etc. This merely to aid us in keeping our accounts.

You may have been to some expense in connection with lantern slides for work here. I think you ought to keep account of all such items and present them quite promptly for payment so that you will not be out of pocket. Each item may be small in itself but I can easily see how they might aggregate quite a considerable amount.

All of the proposed constitutional amendments have passed the senate. They are four in number as follows:

1. Joint resolution 65S. This gives the state and all cities power in taking lands for public purposes to acquire more than needed and sell back.

2. Joint resolution 25S. This removes the debt limit of $100,000, gives the state authority to run in debt not exceeding one per cent of the assessed value for securing lands and make permanent improvements thereon and to issue fifty year bonds. This would enable the state to incur an indebtedness at the present time of some $25,000,000.

3. Joint resolution 32S. This gives to cities the right to issue a fifty year bond for purchasing and permanently improving lands.

4. Joint resolution 15S. This authorizes the state to legislate especially with reference to the city at which is located the seat of government and state university, including power to change the charter and the bond debt limit. At first the judiciary committee reported this proposed resolution for indefinite postponement. I got it re-referred and at the suggestion of one of the committee, left out the word "Madison", and put in the language above so that the term "Madison" does not appear in the resolution. The resolution as redrawn was reported unanimously by the committee, and unanimously passed by the senate. You see upon what a slender thread hangs sometimes the most important matters.

I feel quite certain that all of these resolutions will pass the house. I think also the resolution pending in the senate to appoint a committee of seven, of which the Governor shall be chairman, the other members to be appointed by the Governor, one from each house and four from the state

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a large, will be adopted by the senate, said committee to investigate and rert at the next general session of the legislature as to the desirability acquiring lands for capitol approaches, etc. If this goes through with the oer joint resolutions above, we shall have secured at this meeting of the legislature every bit of legislation suggested in my address before the citizen's meeting on January 26th last. In some ways I feel as though sentiment was coming our way and that by a proper campaign of education the next four years, the state will be in a position to do something in a vigorous way and will then be disposed to do it.

I presume you have noticed that in the April number of Park and Cemetery there is a leading article somewhat illustrated on "Wisconsin's Four Proposed State Parks". All such advertising as this I feel is very helpful, and I want to here express to you my appreciation of the help you have given the work here at Madison and in the state by calling attention in various papers, etc., to our work. I feel as though we are indebted to you for very much of the helpful and healthy advertising. It may serve at the same time - and I sincerely hope it will - to advertise your own work, and I trust that there may come from it all proper financial returns.

Very sincerely yours,

[signature]

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(Warrant)

(Enc.)

May 11, 1909.

Dr. Edward Kremers,
Chemical Bldg.,
City.

Dear Mr. Kremers:-

Yours of May 8, received, and contents noted. I have sent the same to Mr. Nolen for his consideration. I think there ought to be a subway on Monroe Street and also on Mill Street. The city [illegible] a great wrong when it permitted the improvements on Mill Street to be made as they are. Of course neither of these suggestions would meet the difficulty at the point where the little boy was so shockingly killed on the university grounds. The location of the St. Paul tracks through the university grounds at this grade is a matter Mr. Nolen has considered, but I do not think he has been able to see any feasible way as yet of getting these tracks out of the university grounds.

Very truly yours,

JMO-S

[illegible] association. Please accept [illegible]

May 13, 1909

Mr. P. Lynch,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.50 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Allen

President.

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

May 13, 1909

Messrs. Richmond, Jackman & Swansen,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of May 11 received, enclosing check for $3.00 toward annual dinner of association. Please accept thanks for same.

Yours truly,

John M. Allen

President.

JMO-D

May 13, 1909

Hon. James A. Frear,
Sec'y. of State,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to thank you for copy of Joint Resolution No. 89, extending thanks of the legislature to the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 13, 1909

Mr. J. A. Steinle,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $16.25, being for 130 loads of dirt drawn by Mr. Doran, at 12½¢ per load. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

May 14, 1909

Mr. C. J. Post,
Board of Park and Cemetery Commissioners,
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dear Sir;-

Under another cover, I send you copy of annual report for 1908. I will also see that you are mailed a report for this year, which will be out about the 1st of June.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President

May 14, 1909

Mr. B.F. Harris,
Prest. Chamber of Commerce,
Champaign, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 12th received and contents noted.

I am sending you, under another cover, some of the reports of our association which may be of some service to you. We expect the report for this year to be out about the 1st of June and I will try and remember to have a copy sent to you.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President

May 15, 1909

Streissguth-Petran Engraving Co.,
No. 5 Wells St.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find four warrants, one for $3.15, one for $3.78, one for $27.36 and one for $21.25, to pay your bills against the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. Please receipt and return all of the enclosed bills, and oblige.

(4 Warrants)
(4 Encls.)

Yours truly,
[signature]
President.

May 17, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

George W. Smith, one of the aldermen, spoke to me the other evening about some suggestion you were to make, as he stated, as to a light at the mouth of the Yahara River for the aid of boat-men, etc. I told him I did not remember that you had said anything about it and would write to you.

I suppose you will be at Washington next week, attending the conference on City Planning. Undoubtedly you will have a fine time. I wish very much I could be there, but of course it is impossible. Thank you for your kindness in suggesting to Mr. Marsh that he write to me about being there. After the conference is over, it might be possible for you to prepare something that we could get into our papers here that would be helpful.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 17, 1909

Mr. Benjamin Marsh,
Executive Secretary,
Room 1220, 165 Broadway,
New York.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours of May 14 received and contents noted. I should be delighted to attend the conference on City Planning to be held at Washington, as you suggest, but it is absolutely impossible for me to do so. I certainly hope Mr. Nolen will be there.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

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May 18, 1909.

Mr. William G. MacLean,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed I hand you two statements from Mr. Ballard. I do not want to pay this without a proper bill: He is very anxious for his money. Will you attend to the matter, making out one bill for both statements, as promptly as you can, and return same to me so I can send him warrant?

I notice you are getting all of the lawn grass seed from the Olds Company.

JMO-D
(Enc.)

Yours truly,

May 18, 1909

Wiedenbeck, Dobelin & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.10 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

H. G. Kroncke Hardware Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $7.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

Klneter & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $34.90 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

Messrs. Newbury & Peper,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.07 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

Doyon & Rayne Lumber Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $5.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

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(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

Mr. Joseph Dottl,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $26.40 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

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Mr. Stephen Roth,
R. F. D.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $5.60 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

May 18, 1909

D. L. Olds Seed Co.,
Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find two warrants, one for $15.50 and the other for $33.00, to pay your bills against the Association. Please receipt and return both bills to me, and oblige.

Yours truly,

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(2 Warrants)
(1 Enc.)

President.

Ma- 18, 1909

Fuller & Johnson Mfg. Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Confirming the talk I had over the telephone this morning with your Mr. Noe, I have put your company down for twenty-five extra copies of the annual report of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association, to be paid for upon delivery at the rate of twenty cents each.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President

May 18, 1909

Mr. Henry Casserley,

c/o Democrat Printing Co.,

City.

My Dear Mr. Casserley:-

I have read with interest yours of the 15th. There is much in favor of what you say, but I do not think it would be possible under the circumstances to carry out the plan suggested. Will see you some time and talk matters over with you personally.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

May 18, 1909

Mr. John Corscot,
Gen'l. Mngr. Madison Gas & Electric Co.,
City.

Dear Mr. Corscot:-

Confirming our talk over the telephone this morning, I have put the Madison Gas & Electric Company down for fifty extra copies of the annual report of the association, to be paid for upon delivery at the rate of twenty cents each.

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Yours truly,

President.

May 18, 1909

Gisholt Machine Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Confirming the telephone talk I had this morning with Mr. Johnson, I have put down your company for twenty-five extra copies of the annual report of the association, to be paid for upon delivery at twenty cents each.

Yours truly.

JMO-D

President.

May 18, 1909

Northern Electric Mfg. Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Confirming my talk over the telephone with your Mr. Coll, I have put down your company for fifty extra copies of the annual report of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association, to be paid for upon delivery at twenty-cents each.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

May 19, 1909

Mr. F. W. Montgomery,
City.

Dear Mr. Montgomery:-

I have, confirming our talk over the telephone yesterday, put in an order for twenty-five extra copies of the annual report of the association to be paid for by you upon the delivery of the same at twenty cents each.

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Yours truly,

President.

May 19, 1909

Mr. W. S. Goll,
Mngr. N. E. Mfg. Co.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of May 18 received, enclosing check for $10 as subscription to the work of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association the present season. I want to thank you very much for the same. I have turned the check over to Mr. Hoyt.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

May 20, 1909.

Mr. Burr W. Jones,
City.

Dear Mr. Jones:-

Your check for $3 received and I have turned the same over to Mr. Brown. Please accept thanks for same.

Yours very truly,

JMC-S

May 20, 1909.

Mr. [illegible] Frish,

c/o Advance Thresher Co.,

City.

Dear Mr. Frish:-

Your letter of May 19th received, as to an automobile drive over the Lake Mendota Drive system on Saturday morning, June 5th. [illegible] the association, I will assume the authority to permit this drive but under the following restrictions:

1. I wish that you would take the lead, and thus set the pace, and that the automobiles should not be run over ten miles an hour, except where you may think it absolutely necessary to get up some of the hills. There are many places where they [illegible] cannot run as fast as that speed.

2. There should not be more than one automobile on the rustic bridge at the same time. This is a matter you must be very careful about. The bridge is strong enough for one heavy machine but I would not risk more than that on the bridge at one time. It would be well for you to arrange to have someone stationed at this bridge to notify those useing machines of this fact.

3. There is a much better route for your drive than the one you indicate. If you can be in the procession on Wednesday afternoon of next week when the drive is to be given to the legislators, I think you will conclude the route that is being laid out for that drive is very much superior to the one indicated in your letter.

4. Expect you will see to it that notice is given in the public press two or three days in advance of the time set for the automobile ride, of the fact and of the time so that the public will be fully notified.

Yours very truly,

[illegible]

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May 20, 1909.

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

Enclosed I hand you check for $3 from Mr. Jones for three tickets for dinner.

Yours very truly,

John M. Clark

JMC-S

(Check)

May 22, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I return to you what purports to be duplicate bills in Klueter matter. I have more trouble with what you buy from this firm than most all other bills put together. I do not think there is any need of this. Now what I want you to do is to have Klueter Brothers make out another bill in detail of what we still owe them, if anything, up to the present time, and let us settle the matter. You will notice there is not one of these bills which indicates to what account it is to be charged. This always necessitates either my personally looking up the matter or writing a letter to you to have you do it. I wish you would try and see if you cannot hereafter get the bills to me in shape so that we can pay them without any further trouble. Now I have to return to you this morning the little bill in favor of Ballard because I don't know to what account to charge that, and yet it is made out in your own hand writing. He has been up here a number of times for the money and ought to have been paid before this.

Yours truly,

Johnson Clair

President.

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(Encls.)

May 22, 1909

Fuller & Johnson Mfg. Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:- Enclosed find check for $2.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

Johnett Clair

President.

May 22, 1909

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:- Enclosed find warrant for $7.50 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

Johnett Clair

President.

May 24, 1909.

Hon. Hallo Steenslend,

City.

Dear Mr. Steenslend:-

Your kind note of the 22nd received. I regret very much that you cannot go with the legislators on Wednesday. Perhaps the weather will be bad Wednesday and the drive will be put off then until Thursday, and you might perhaps go with us. It is uncertain that I can go myself by reason of some business engagements. I hope, however, to be able to arrange matters. I was pleased to know what you said about the trees on Yonge Street. It was about what I though it might be. People who want to find fault can find plenty of chance for it. I think if the plans made for that street could be carried out fully and the poles gotten off, the people along that street would ultimately be very much delighted.

Yours very truly.

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May 25, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I have got to pay to Thomas Meehan & Sons their bill for trees right away. I have a second bill sent me yesterday. Their bill amounts to $1484.85 instead of $1509. Do you know how much of this is to go to Temney Park and how much to Brittingham Park? In other words, is there anything to indicate the amount of the deductions on the two orders? I want to straighten this out to-morrow forenoon, if possible.

You had better plan to be at the intersection of Main street and West Washington Avenue to-morrow afternoon about five o'clock, so as to turn the automobiles along Main street at this point and thus keep them from going upon West Washington Avenue. It would be well if you could have another one of your men, say Mr. Butler, stationed at the intersection of Bedford and Main streets, so as to direct the automobiles to go down on Bedford street to Wilson. If the weather is unfavorable, the ride will be postponed until Thursday.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

May 25, 1909

Thomas Meehan & Sons,

Dreshertown, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

Your bill, amounting to $1484.85 against the association, is received. I will see that the same is paid within a few days. I want to see the park foreman and get a statement from him. I do not know whether there are some items of freight to be paid at this end of the line or not. I will ascertain that fact, however, and write you again soon, and make also a remittance.

Yours truly,

John W. McClure

President.

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May 26, 1909

Mr. C. A. Ballard,

1042 Erin St.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.90 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. McClain

President.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

May 27, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I had a talk with Michael Kujawa at Henry Vilas Park yesterday afternoon, and he made a special plea that he be furnished one other good man for Henry Vilas Park, saying that he believed that he and another man could take care of that park in good shape and that he would like very much to try it. I think its a good thing to encourage a man like Kujawa and I want to make such an arrangement.

I know a man, Mr. Anderson, who was for a good many years a sidewalk inspector for the city. He wants to work steadily for our association. Mr. Sullivan commends him very highly and would like to have him work for the city. He is willing to commence at once with a view of making good, but we would have to pay him $2.25 per day. Another year we may want to transfer him to Tenney Park because of convenience in location, but he is willing to take the work in Henry Vilas Park and wants to start to-morrow morning. I have told him he could go over there and commence work to-morrow morning, but he would have to take the chances of our not being able to carry the plan through. I told him plainly I wanted first to consult you. I think, however, that it would be wise for us to secure his services and drop off some of the poorer or more inefficient men. Anderson is one of those men that we ought to try and get hold of and keep for our work. I write you this because I may not be able to get word to you by telephone this evening.

JMO-D

Very truly yours,

John Nolen
President.

May 27, 1909

Thomas Meehan & Sons, Nurserymen,
Dreshertown, Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find three warrants, one for $61[illegible], one for $6.50, and one for $865.85, aggregating $1484.85, to pay your bill for nursery stock furnished the Association this spring after making proper deductions as per bill last rendered.

We have had, upon the whole, a favorable spring for planting, and while some of the plants furnished seem rather small to me, our park foreman says they came with good roots and thinks they will do well.

Please receipt and return the three bills enclosed, and oblige.

Yours truly,

[signature]

President.

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(3 Warrants)
(3 Encls.)

May 29, 1909

Superintendent Board of Park Commissioners,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of May 27 received and contents noted. We expect our ne report to be out in a few days and I will see that a copy is sent to you.

Yours truly,

[signature]

JMO-D

President.

May 31, 1909

Hon. H. L. Ehern,

City.

Dear Mr. Ehern:-

I regret exceedingly that through an oversight there was a notice sent to you to pay $5.00 subscription to the association. That money was paid to Mr. McKenna and through a mere oversight he had omitted to send in a list of those who had paid. It was marked paid on the original list and if the stenographer who did the copying had copied the entry as she should, there would have been no trouble. This error was not made by any stenographer in my office. Hoping you will excuse the oversight, I am,

JMO-D

Very truly yours, John W. Alvin

June 2, 1909

Mr. J. A. Steinle,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $16.63, being payment on account for 333 loads of dirt hauled by M. M. Doran during May, 1909, at 12½¢ per load. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

John W. Alvin

President.

June 2, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of May 29 I find upon my return to the city from Milwaukee.

I enclose herewith warrant for $100, due June 1.

We were successful with everything in the legislature excepting the joint resolution appointing a committee to investigate as to capitol approaches, etc., and report to the next legislature. This was defeated in the assembly, after having been unanimously passed in the senate. It got tangled up with some other matters and the legislature felt pretty cross, and so it went down. I regret this, although it is not perhaps a vital matter. A good many who voted against it claimed that it ought not to come up until two years from now; that we ought to wait until the capitol was farther along, and that it was bad politics for the Republican Party just now, since the people would think the legislature had committed itself to an expenditure which might amount to as much as the construction of the capitol, etc., etc.

I am much obliged for your reference to Mr. Marsh's book on city planning. You did not state the publisher, etc. If you will write to the publisher, directing him to send me a copy with the bill, I will be much obliged.

JMO-D
(Warrant)
(Enc.)

Yours truly,

Lucius L. Olin

President

June 4, 1909.

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Chase has been in again complaining that the water in Lake Wingra is very low, that the valve at the lock is open, that the lower gates are open, and that no water is running over the spill way. He says that unless something is done he proposes to make complaint to the Vilas estate. I wish you would look into this at once and determine how much the lake could be now raised with safety and I wish you would determine, if you can, if the bank could, with a reasonable expenditure of money, be raised with safety, to make the lake higher than it can now be done with safety. We want to keep Mr. Chase good natured so far as possible and keep the water as high as we can without endangering other interests.

Yours very truly,

JMO-S

June 4, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I expected you to call at the office before this to lobk over with Miss Deutsch the Klueter bills to see if we could not in some way straighten out that matter. You will remember, I called your attention to the fact over the telephone, as I remember, that you had O. K'd. a bill that we had already paid. This matter ought to be straightened out as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

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June 5, 1909

Mr. John A. Aylward,
City Attorney,
City.

My Dear Sir:-

Your note of June 3 just received. I am very much interested, as you know, in the proper improvement of East Washington Avenue. I am thoroughly satisfied that Mr. Nolen's suggestions, which are substantially along the lines originally suggested by Mr. Simonds, are correct.

I do not know as I can give you much aid in the way of citing you to what other cities have done along this line by this method of improving streets. Any one who has traveled at all, especially in Europe, knows how superior such treatment would be to the putting in of a wide macadam in the center. I wonder if you could not get a good portion of the council to go to Chicago and look over the streets, parks and playgrounds, etc., in that city. It would be a mighty good investment, I think, for the city to make. Indeed, I would be very glad to contribute toward a fund to meet the expenses of such a trip, if necessary.

If I were in your place I would drop a letter to Mr. John Nolen at his address 1382 Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass., and ask him to furnish you in as concrete a form as possible any information at his hand that would be of service to you. I am sure that he would be pleased to do anything in his power to help the Board.

It is a strange thing that a suspicion that the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association prefers any particular plan of improvement should arouse opposition on the part of the council. I wonder if the council have entirely forgotten that, acting in pursuance of a resolution unanimously

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adopted by the council during Mayor Groves' administration, the directors of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association secured the services of Mr. Simonds and paid him out of its general funds $100 to prepare a plan for the improvement of this avenue. Such is the fact, however.

Thanking you for your letter and wishing to aid in all possible ways your present plan, I am.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John W. Olin,

President.

June 9, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Will you please note on the enclosed bill to what branch of the work the same should be charged and then return same, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Enc.)

John W. Olin

President.

June 9, 1909

Klueter & Company,

City.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose herewith three warrants for bills against the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. Please receipt and return the three bills enclosed.

As you know, we have had a great deal of trouble about your bills. Oftentimes we have had bills send for goods that we had already paid for, and in other cases the bills have been badly mixed so that, everything considered, it has caused a good deal of trouble. There ought to be some method by which all of this could be easily avoided.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(3 Warrants)

(3 Encls.)

President.

June 9, 1909

Mr. William C. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a statement I prepared last year from figures you gave me as to planting of trees and shrubs. Please be careful to return this to me as it is the only copy I have. Please put in shape a similar statement for the present year as near as the facts will warrant and get them to me as soon as you can, and very much oblige.

JMO-D

Yours truly,

President.

June 12, 1909

Mr. John E. Hayes,
518 W. Wilson St.
City.

Dear Mr. Hayes:-

I do not approve at all of what was said in the Journal last night as to your relation to the parks, and I have sent a little statement to the paper over my own signature this morning. On the contrary, I feel that you have cooperated, especially of late years, in securing the promotion of the park work, and as I remember you were the first one who advocated the levying of a half mill tax for park maintenance. As I remember, you made a statement in favor of that something like a year before the tax was levied.

While I think that you are wrong in your present position concerning the extension of Monona Street across Brittingham Park, it does not follow that you are favoring that project with any other than correct motive. I believe and trust that when you fully consider all the arguments for and against, you will conclude that the road ought not to be thus extended, but you are entitled to your opinion in this matter the same as I or any other person without having your motives questioned.

Very sincerely yours,

JHO-L

John Olin

President.

June 12, 1909

Mr. Richard B. Watrous,
Sec'y. American Civic Assn.,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Mr. Watrous:-

In answer to yours of June 8, will say that the President of the Forty Thousand Club is Mr. T. C. Murray. He is a very fine fellow and I think is the person to write to.

Under another cover I am sending you a copy of our annual report, together with another report on parks as a municipal investment.

WMC-D

Yours truly,

President.

June 12, 1909

Mr. John Ihler,
Sec'y Municipal Affairs Committee,
Grand Rapids Board of Trade,
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Ihler:-

Yours of June 10 received. I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association, together with a pamphlet on Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment. I should be pleased to her what you think of the same.

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Yours truly,

President.

June 16, 1909

Messrs. Dresser & Rhodes,
107 King St.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

I wish you would separate the enclosed bill and put the first item down as a charge against the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association "Kearney Park Improvement."

The other three items should be put down as against the association with the special minute, "City Plan." On receipt of these bills thus separated, I will send you a warrant for both of them at once. I ask you to do this in order to keep our accounts straight.

Yours truly,

John Galbraith

President.

JHD-D
(Enc.)

June 16, 1909

M. Brahany & Son,
215 E. Main St.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $9.80 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. Alvis

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

June 16, 1909

Mr. Theo Kupfer,
629 E. Mifflin St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find four warrants, one for $5.05, one for $17.28, one for $15.08 and one for $6.02, to pay your bills against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. Alvis

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4 Enc.)

June 16, 1909

Mr. C. A. Ballard,
1042 Erin St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.50 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. Weir

President

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

June 16, 1909

Hon. David Stephens,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $7.35 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. Weir

President

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

June 16, 1909

M. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $7.50 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

June 16, 1909

Hoffman Feed Co.,

710 W. Washington Av.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find two warrants, one for $34.65 and one for $21.55, to pay your two bills against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(2 Warrants)

Encl.

President.

June 17, 1909

Messrs. Schult & Pierson,

Corner State and Johnson Sts.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

The enclosed was handed to me by Mr. Hoyt. John Anderson did work for the association for a short time, but is not working for it now. I do not make a practice of collecting bills against the men working for the association, since it mixes up our accounts.

Yours truly,

(Enc.)

June 17, 1909

Mr. L. L. Wheeler,
Asst. Engineer,
U. S. Engineer's Office,
Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Mr. Wheeler:-

I am sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association as I promised I would do when I saw you here.

I got a very pleasant letter from Major Riche' and have just answered the same.

I have urged him to come up to Madison and spend a day or two with me the first week in July, or later in the month if more convenient to him. Perhaps you can do something that would aid in getting him to come.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

June 17, 1909

Mr. C. S. Riche',
Major Corps of Engineers,
U. S. Engineer's Office,
Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of June 15 came in my absence from the city. I was very much interested in reading the same. Of course, we people at Madison would not expect that the U. S. Government would do anything to improve the Yahara River unless the Rock River were improved to Janesville, and not until after that work was done. We had hoped, however, that the U. S. Government might decide to do something after the Rock River was improved.

I note what you say as to the extent the United States might be willing to aid in case no money expenditure were involved, and the kind of law suggested by you that might possibly be enacted. I shall be pleased to bring this matter before our board of directors for consideration.

Would it not be possible for you to come up to Madison for a day or two? I should very much enjoy showing you about our city and our drives. We could also go around the two upper and larger lakes by boat, passing through our lock. If you could come and would notify me a few days in advance, I should be pleased to secure a room for you at the University Club, where I think you would enjoy meeting a number of men connected with our University. Could you not arrange to spend a day or two with me some time the first week in July, or later in the month if more convenient to you?

I am sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association, thinking that you might be interested in looking the same through.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

June 18, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1362 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I have been intending to write to you for several days, but have been very busy and have been away from the city quite a little. I will now try to take up various matters that you are interested in:

1. In the first place, I would like to know now, as definitely as you can state, when you think you will reach Madison again. I am planning for a vacation of a month and I cannot take it until after July 21. The probability is that I will leave some where about the 1st of August. If so, I am likely to be away most of the time that you are here. If I am right in this, would it be possible for you to arrange to be here say the latter half of July, so that I might perhaps have the opportunity of being here part of the time while you are here?

2. I enclose herewith a letter which I have received from W. G. Kirchoffer, Secretary of the Municipality. I have advised him to write to you directly. I think you understand the general character of this convention. I have not held out any encouragement that you could address the meeting. It furnishes a very excellent opportunity to get before all of the representatives of the different cities of the state, and you may think it worth your while to do something along the lines suggested.

3. I received copy of your letter of June 8, sent to Mr. Aylward, concerning East Washington Avenue improvement. It is an excellent letter and I think will do good. There is [illegible] opposition to the proposed

improvement as there is to everything here, but I rather think the majority of the owners will favor the plan of boulevarding the center of the street.

4. Before the session of the legislature closed, the senate, of its own motion, introduced and passed, I guess unanimously, resolution No. 238, in the words following:

"Resolved, That there be appointed by the president of the senate a committee consisting of three holdover members, to consider and report to the next regular session of the legislature upon an adequate and appropriate setting of the new state capitol and its approaches, and upon other matters affecting the interests of the state in connection with its capitol."

Under this resolution, the presiding officer of the senate, the Lieutenant Governor, appointed as chairman of the committee Senator J. M. Whitehead of Janesville, and as the other two members of the committee Senator Bodenstab of Milwaukee, and James of Richland Center. They are all holdover senators. I had a conference with Senator Whitehead before leaving the city the other day. He is, upon the whole, the most substantial and influential member of the senate, having served here for fourteen years, and is to serve another two years. He is a member of the committee on capitol and grounds. I do not think he is as yet very enthusiastic about the possibility of carrying through the plan as proposed by you. He thinks it would be a grand thing if the people of the state would favor it, but he fears the tax payers cannot be brought up to favoring the plan. He suggested a great deal might be done by me if I would take the matter up in the way of giving addresses in different parts of the state, etc. I told him

J. M.-3

I felt I could hardly take the time for such educational work. I think the first thing to do is to educate Mr. Whitehead. Everything that can be done toward putting into his hands literature, etc., will be helpful. He will, as he stated to me, be very glad to get all such information and give the matter careful study and consideration. I lay the matter before you at this time so that you can bear it in mind and determine what you think had better be done. I will be very glad to co-operate with you and with the members of the committee in all reasonable ways toward bringing this desired result about.

In this connection I am sending you a copy of each of the four joint resolutions that were passed proposing to amend the constitution, one being joint resolution No. 158, one joint resolution No. 258, one joint resolution No. 638, (all these three pertain to Madison, as you will observe, directly or indirectly) and joint resolution 328.

I think these are all very essential and I believe they will pass the next legislature and will also be adopted by the people, provided some missionary work is done. As you know, they have to be passed by the next legislature and then submitted to a vote. I am thinking of preparing a little statement some time soon, calling attention to these different proposed amendments and to what they mean for the state, and publishing it in at least our papers, and perhaps some of the leading papers of the state.

I am also sending you a copy of joint resolution No. 89, extending thanks to our association for the banquet.

5. As to your inquiry as to whether the planting work came out

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satisfactory this spring. I think, upon the whole, it came out very satisfactorily. There seem to be some plants wanting in the proposed planting in Brittingham Park. Then we were unable to do the planting along next to Johnson street, in Tenney Park, by reason of the slowness with which the work was done by the city in getting that street ready. We had to set out the plants in another part of the park, using that as a nursery until next spring. There was a mistake in some way in not having the plants ordered for the three blocks lying just south of Brittingham Park and adjoining West Washington Avenue projected. It was our plan and purpose to have those three blocks planted this spring, but through some misunderstanding the plants were not ordered for this part of the work. We have had an exceedingly favorable season for the work and I think practically everything planted is growing.

Henry Vilas Park is looking splendid and also the other parks so far as the work has been completed.

6. The plan of projecting Monona street across Brittingham Park is still hanging fire before the street committee. We had a hearing on the matter and this resulted in delay. I cannot really think that the Council will do such a thing as this, and yet they may. If so, it is most discouraging.

7. There is a resolution pending before the finance committee to provide funds for completing Tenney Park bridges. The committee has not yet acted on the matter, but we expect it will act prior to the adjourned meeting on June 25, and that the matter will then be determined as to

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whether bonds will be issued or not to do this work this spring. If you have time, it might be well if you could dictate to me a letter that I might use before the finance committee or before the council, as to the necessity of completing these bridges at this time.

8. I note what you say in yours of June 4, as to work you are to do as chairman of the Committee on Parks and Reservations of the American Civic Association, and especially that part of the work which can be done in towns and small cities by voluntary effort. You state that you would like to have me serve as a member of the committee. You also add: "There would be nothing to do practically, except to let me use your name and go over the matter with me some time when I am in Madison, helping me to prepare the right sort of a statement."

With this understanding, I have no objection to your using my name. I would not generally consent to such an arrangement, but knowing you as I do, I feel that I can, with entire safety, attach my name to anything that you will recommend or propose.

I am glad that you are on this committee and am glad that you are to take up this piece of work. It will be very helpful.

9. I am sending you to-day by express twenty copies of the last annual report of the association, together with twenty copies of the pamphlet on Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment.

10. I received your bills for expenses in drafting design for Penney Park and for map of Madison Park system. I will bring the matter up before our board, which meets next Monday evening. May I make a suggestion

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in this connection without giving offense? Personally, I shall favor paying, as presented, the bill for drafting service in connection with Tenney Park. The other bill is for work about which I am in doubt as to just how it was ordered, etc. I apprehend the bills may seem somewhat large to the directors. I wish I might see you personally concerning the matter. You having paid out this money, I feel that you ought to be reimbursed. At the same time, I wonder if there is any way in which this item of expense could be somewhat reduced by having a part of such work at least done here at Madison by Mr. Ilke. I present this for your consideration and wish you would write me frankly about the matter.

11. It seems that, in some way, your check, referred to in your letter to Mr. Hoyt of June 10, No. 1278, has never been presented to the bank. It would seem that this is through some fault of mine. If you could send a duplicate check for the same amount, you would be entirely protected.

Yours truly,

JDO-D

(6 Encls.)

President.

12. Have you considered further the suggestion of arranging for a series of meetings in different cities in the States and whether these meetings should be arranged for the fall vice versa for the summer vice?

13. The legislature appropriated $100,000 for State Parks, $50,000 for each of the next 2 yrs. - This is a splendid start. I think.

J. M. D.

June 18, 1909

Messrs. Dresen & Rhodes,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find two warrants, one for $8.90 and one for $2.50 to pay your bills against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(2 Warrants)

(2 Bills.)

President.

June 22, 1909

Mr. C. W. Constantine,

City

Dear Sir:-

I hope very much that you will write an argent letter, or have Mr. Norsman do so, to all the members of the council outside the finance committee, asking them to be present at the hearing on Thursday evening, so that the matter can be fully considered before the meeting of the council. I hope very much also that all members of the finance committee will be there.

JMO-D

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin

June 22, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

At our meeting last evening the directors voted unanimously that the bill presented by you for $123.75 for 165 hours' work at 75¢ per hour for drafting design and planting plans for Tenney Park be paid, and I enclose herewith a warrant for that amount, and also enclose the bill and ask you to receipt and return same to me.

The other bill, amounting to $44.25, was not passed on. I read to the board that portion of my letter which I wrote you pertaining to this matter, and I don't wish you to understand that there was any feeling against paying the bill, but the suggestion was made that the matter rest until hearing from you.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

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(Warrant)
(Enc.)

June 25, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,

Lake Mills, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

I am sending you herewith, according to our talk over the telephone this morning, a suggestive sketch drawn by Mr. Nolen for two sanitaries in Tenney Park; also, out of over-precaution, I am sending you, under another cover, another copy of our last annual report. The map in that report of Tenney Park shows the location of these two proposed buildings, one near the intersection of Marston Avenue and Sherman Avenue, and the other at the intersection of Marston Avenue and Johnson street. We are exceedingly anxious to have these buildings put up at once. The plans enclosed are, as stated, merely suggestive. I think they are more elaborate than we would like to put up, and it occurs to me that the buildings, if built according to the outside sketch, would attract too much attention. Now you will know just what we need. These buildings are to accommodate this park not only for the present but for the future, the park being in all about forty-five or forty-seven acres in area. It is so located as to be largely used. If you can cut down the ground plan and still feel that the buildings will be large enough, of course I shall be pleased to have you do it. Our funds are limited. At the same time, we wish to put up a building that is appropriate and that is permanent. You will indicate to us the kind of material to be used, whether brick, stone or cement, or combination of these materials. The foundations will be concrete.

I will appreciate it very much if you can get back to us promptly plans sufficient to enable Mr. Lake to go ahead and prepare plans and specifi-

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ostions for the letting of a contract.

Yours truly,

JMO-B

(Enc.)

President.

June 25, 1909

Hon. George W. Smith,
1238 E. Dayton St.,
City.

Dear Mr. Smith:-

I write to ask you to send me balance due on lots 1 and 2, Parkside Subdivision, of $200. We have not funds on hand to meet the obligations of the association at the end of this month unless the city gets to us the balance remaining of the bond issue. I hope very much you can get me a check before the close of this month. Immediately on receipt of check I will prepare deed to you and furnish abstract.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

President.

June 25, 1909

Mr. Fred Hanson,
10 N. Baldwin,
City.

Dear Mr. Hanson:-

You will remember our talk on Sunday morning last. I wish you would send me a check by return mail for $200 for balance due on lots 14 and 15, Parkside Subdivision. I will then send you deed and abstract. We are in need of funds to meet our obligations at the end of this month. I hope you will help us out without fail.

Yours truly,

JHD-D

President.

June 25, 1909

Hon. Elmer E. Mills,
1051 Williamson St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

There remains unpaid on lot 17, Parkside Subdivision, the sum of $135.30. The time has come when we must have this money to meet our obligations. We have complied in all respects with the agreement on our part. Indeed, much more has been done than was contemplated at the time the contract was entered into. Please send me a check for the above amount, and I will have prepared a deed to you of the lot and will also hand you an abstract without any charge. I trust you will get me the check by return mail, if possible, or certainly not later than the end of this month. We have not now on hand funds enough to meet our obligations.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

June 25, 1909

Mr. William C. Hanlean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I had a little talk with Mr. Doran this morning about the depth of the top filling. He said he thought you were getting it in some places three six inches deep. Of course, he may be mistaken, but I thought I would call your attention to the fact that we are going to be short of funds, and while we want to have that filling done as it should be even though we borrow money, yet we ought to watch things carefully so as not to do any unnecessary filling.

Very truly yours,
President

JWC-D

June 25, 1909

Miss. Grace M. Layden,
[illegible] W. Gilmer St.,
[illegible].

Dear Madam:-

I am sending you under another cover, as requested, a copy of the last annual report of the association.

Yours truly,

President.

J C-D

June 26, 1909

Frank W. Hoyt, Treas.,
City.

Dear Mr. Hoyt:-

I enclose herewith copy of special subscription list for constructing macadamized road extending north of Catholic Cemetery. I also enclose check of Mr. Hammersley to pay the subscription of him and myself for $200.00 toward this work. Will you see that notices are sent out to the other subscribers, asking them to send in to you their subscriptions? You need not keep this separate from the other funds; just place it in with the general funds of the association. The original subscription list is with me.

Yours truly,

JWO-D
(Check)
(Enc.)

June 26, 1909

Mr. Vroman Mason, Atty.,
City.

Dear Mr. Mason:-

Mr. Hammersley has just handed me the special subscription list for aiding in constructing the macadam road along north of the Catholic Cemetery for something over half a mile. The subscriptions at the present time aggregate $385. Of this amount, Mr. Hammersley and I give $200 and the Highland Park Company have subscribed $75.00. I have just written a strong letter to George C. Sayle, asking him to contribute toward this work $100. I wonder if your company could not raise its subscription to $100. This would make, in case Mr. Sayle complies with the request, our subscriptions an even $500, and I would like very much to get that amount for the work. We need it very badly this year. We are building an unusually good road. We are putting in as much as nine inches of stone and have spared no pains in the grading, rolling, etc.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

June 26, 1909

Mr. Clark M. Rosecrane,
Wells Bldg.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Rosecranz:-

Thank you very much for your courtesy in extending time to answer in cases against Continental Realty Company.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

June 26, 1909

Mr. R.J.Haight,
Publisher Park & Cemetery,
324 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Haight:-

Yours of June 25 received. Am pleased that you propose calling attention to our work in the July issue of Park and Cemetery. You had better write directly for the cuts to Charles N. Brown, Madison, Wis., since he has possession of them and will be pleased to forward them directly to you. Please state to him that I requested this.

JMO-D

Yours truly,

President.

June 26, 1909

Mr. H. E. Clark,
2014 Madison St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I shall be able to pay in full your bill for filling Tenney Park by the 2nd or 3rd of July.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

John M. Olin

President.

June 26, 1909

Hon. E. J. Cunningham,
Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Dear Mr. Cunningham:-

It was kind of you to write your note of the 25th, enclosing clipping from your paper. I received the paper but I am also exceedingly pleased at your kind letter of the 25th.

I hope the Governor will have the good sense to continue you on the Civil Service Commission, but I don't feel certain what he intends to do.

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Yours truly,

John M. Olin

June 26, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1362 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of June 22 received, enclosing copy of letter to Mr. Kirchhoffer. I am glad that you can speak at Marinette. Under another cover, I send you a copy of this morning's Democrat, which will show you what the council did. It is some discouraging, but the feeling seemed to be all right and the bridges will be put up next year, I think, without doubt. I think I would rather have delay than to put up one bridge this year and then perhaps not get the other for a number of years.

I understand from Mr. Kirchoffer that your meeting at Marinette will be on the evening of July 22. Hence, I suppose you will be here at Madison as early as July 23, if not before. I would like to have you think over the matters here and indicate to me, perhaps before you come, what you think you would like specially to give attention to while here on this trip. I will also do the same so that we can compare notes as soon as you get here.

I think I will let the small bill for drafting services go until you come here and we will adjust the matter at that time.

Yours truly,

JNO-D

Schwill Adams

President.

E. H. Banks

June 26, 1909

Mr. George C. Sayle,
City.

Dear Mr. Sayle:-

I write you concerning the subscription for macadamizing of the road from the cemetery corner west for something over half a mile. This is a matter I have spoken with you about before. We have a special subscription list for that work amounting to $385.00. Mr. Hammersley and I have put down $200 of that amount, and the Highland Park Company $75.00. Your family (I do not know just how the ownership stands but assume from what Mr. Hammersley says the land will ultimately come to you) owns by far the largest frontage on this road of any one party. I am exceedingly anxious to get the subscription list for this work up to $500. I am going to ask the Highland Park Company to add another $25 to its $75, and I want you to give toward the work a subscription of $100. Before doing so, I wish you would drive out some time to-morrow, if not before, and look over the road that we are building. I am very sure that you will consider that a subscription of $100 is a very reasonable sum under the circumstances. Sooner or later you will wish to have access to this road to accommodate your land. Of course, when that time comes, we shall want to arrange to have as little damage done to the road as possible. We are building a good road. Our foreman says we are putting in nine inches of stone. We are going to have it rolled by the city steam roller. We had the ground rolled by the heaviest steam roller before putting on the stone. I shall be very much pleased to hear from you at as early a date as possible concerning the matter, and trust that you will send in your name for such an amount

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as you feel, under all the circumstances, would be just and right.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

June 28, 1909

Mr. Charles S. McFarland,
37 Bayview Ave.,
South Norwalk, Conn.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of June 25 received. Under another cover, I am sending you copy of pamphlet called for, Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment, and also a copy of our last annual report. Should be pleased to know that they get to you. As you will observe, our work here has been of rather an unusual character so far as raising a larger portion of the funds for carrying it on is concerned.

JMC-D

Yours truly,

President.

June 28, 1909

Mr. Hobart S. Johnson,

City.

Dear Mr. Johnson:-

Yours of June 26 received, with reference to change in road for automobiles and for temporary purpose along part of Earwell Drive. There is only one point which I would like to have you modify, and that is the statement on the sketch by Mr. Coombs that we must "put up a substantial fence." Everything else is entirely satisfactory, but I wish this language might be modified somewhat. As you know, this is simply a temporary matter and I think we could put in a fence that would be entirely satisfactory so far as keeping stock, etc., out, by the use of three wires, and at the same time not put us to the expense of getting substantial cedar posts for the fence. Lumber, as you know, is exceedingly high these days. Would you have any objection, if we thought best, to removing the posts that are in the old fence and using them? I do not know that we would want to do this, for on looking the matter over it might involve more expense than putting in other posts, provided we were allowed a good deal of freedom as to the kind of posts we use.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

JMO-D

June 28, 1909

Hon. Elmer E. Mills,

1051 Williamson St.,

City.

My Dear Sir:-

Yours received, enclosing check for $135.50, balance of purchase price on lot 17, Parkside Subdivision. I enclose herewith warranty deed for same and also abstract.

Yours truly,

John W. Allen,

President.

JWA-D

(2 Encls.)

June 30, 1909

Mr. E. C. Hammersley,

City.

Dear Mr. Hammersley:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have received from Mr. George C. Sayle. You will see from it that he intends to do nothing. I wonder if you could make a trip to Chicago some time soon and lay the matter before Mrs. Sayle. If she is intending to give any part of this property to her son, and would be willing to pay say $100 and charge that up against his interest, it would be a fine thing. I would be glad to pay your expenses if you could make a trip down to Chicago, provided you think before going it would be of any service.

I have written to Mr. Vroman Mason to see if I couldn't get him to raise the subscription of the Highland Park Company up to $100, and if we get $100 from Mrs. Sayle it would make an even $500.

As I estimate the cost, it will be not less than $2500 for the 185 rods of road, or say $13.50 per rod, counting both sides of the road. Now I estimate that Mrs. Sayle has at least 40 rods fronting on this road. If so, counting her side as one-half of the $13.50 or $6.75 per running rod, would make, provided she was meeting the expense opposite her property, not less that $270. It would seem as though that interest ought to be willing to pay the amount named of $100, especially when it is considered that we are paying $200 and only getting the road so it touches our land.

JMO-D

(Enc.)

Yours truly,

John M. Olmsted

June 30, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,
c/o Ferry & Clas,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

Yours received, enclosing sketch for sanitary houses in Tenney Park. I have turned the whole matter over to Mr. Icke after talking with him, and write to you to see whether or not we could not cheapen these structures without losing much in appearance or effect. As I take it, these are structures that will ultimately be practically covered with vines of some kind. If so, how would it do to construct them of concrete cast in mold, leaving the outside somewhat rough and plaster the inside so as to be smooth? Then for the roof, how would it do to use gray glazed tile? I ask this because Mr. McCarthy has quite a large quantity of such tile left over from the construction of the stock pavilion building on the University grounds and I apprehend we could get this tile at a very low rate.

The council has voted not to construct the Tenney Park bridges this year. but has practically committed itself to construct them in 1910.

I wish you could write me by return mail as to what you think of the above suggestions. The buildings, of course, would not look so well for a year or two, but ultimately they would be practicaly covered with vines. I want, however, to be guided by your advice in the matter and will appreciate a prompt reply.

May I ask what the situation is as to bath house and boat house for Brittingham Park? I do not know what the cause of the delay is. As you know, this matter was turned over to a committee of our directors, and I

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have tried not to interfere any more than necessary. I wish you would write me frankly so that I can hurry matters up at this end of the line if the cause of the delay is with our committee. The erection of these buildings should be commenced without further delay.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

President.

July 1, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,
c/o Ferry & Clas, Architects,
Milwaukee, Wis'

Dear Sir:-

Yours of June 30 received, enclosing sketch as to water closets. I will turn the same over to Mr. Icke.

You will get my letter this morning, concerning the proposed sanitaries for Tenney Park, amd I hope to hear from you by to-morrow.

Yours truly,

JMQ-D

President.

July 1, 1909

Cantwell Printing Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

July 2, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of June 30 just received. I will assume the responsibility of sending you a warrant for the bill for drafting map of Madison park system, being $44.25.

I will tell Mr. Icke what you want as to school grounds, etc. I will try and write you more fully in a few days, indicating certain things that I would like to have you attend to while here on this next visit.

Yours truly,

JMO -D
(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

P. S. Enclosed also find warrant for $100 for month of June. Please receipt and return enclosed bill.

July 2, 1909

Mr. H. E. Clark, Sec'y.,
LaCrosse Dredging Co.,
Madison, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find warrant for $2166.34 to pay for filling seven lots between Sherman Avenue and Lake Mendota, Penney Park Addition. You will find attached to the proposed receipt the certificate of Mr. Ieke. Will you please sign the receipt and return same, including the certificate, and very much oblige?

JMO-D
(Warrant)
(Encl.)

Yours truly,

John M. Olin
President.

July 2, 1909

Mr. M. J. Douglas,
Editor Dunn County News,
Menononie, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

I want to thank you very much for the copy of your paper of July 1 and the very excellent editorial concerning our park work here. If I can at any time be of any assistance to you, please call on me.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

John M. Olin
President.

July 2, 1909

Mr. Fred Hanson,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I regret exceedingly being compelled to write to you again about paying the balance on your two lots, Parkside Subdivision. Mr. Mills has straightened up his matter and we have sent him a deed. We need the money to pay our obligations. You remember the talk we had one Sunday morning, and you promised me that you would straighten the matter out right away. Now Mr. Hanson, I wish you would do this without further delay.

Of course you saw what was done as to the park bridges. The resolution that was passed, however, commits the council to the construction of these bridges next year. We will try and get the contract let the first thing in the spring. The two drinking fountains and sanitaries we expect to put up at the earliest date possible.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

J. Mott Olin

President.

July 2, 1909

Hr. C. W. Constantine,

City.

Dear Mr. Constantine:-

I enclose herewith a bill against the city for $7.16, being one-third the cost of printing by the Democrat Company three thousand copies of the report on Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment. The total cost of printing the three thousand copies was $81.50. You will remember that it was arranged while you were on the Board that the city would take one thousand of these reports and pay one-third the cost, while the association would pay for the other two thousand, one thousand to be sent out this year in connection with the report, and the other one thousand to be kept as a document to be distributed as called for. Will you be so kind as to see that a warrant is drawn to our association and sent to me for the amount of the enclosed bill, and much oblige?

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Enc.)

John W. Olin

President.

July 1, 1909

M. John F. Icke,
City Engineer,
City.

My Dear Sir:-

I have just received a letter from Mr. Nolen in which he says: "Will you please ask Mr. Icke to have ready for me a survey of the High school property, showing the street and sid-walk lines, the building, and existing trees? I presume I can get from the committee blue prints of the basement and first floor plans of the building."

Mr. Nolen expects to reach Madison some where about the 22nd of July and would like this information by the time he arrives, if possible.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

July 2, 1909

Democrat Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $81.50 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warant)

(Enc.)

President.

July 3, 1909

Mr. George B. Ferry,
c/o Ferry & Clas, Architects,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Mr. Ferry:-

I have just received yours of July 2, for which please accept thanks.

I will refer what you say as to concrete roof, etc., for sanitaries, at once to Mr. Icke, and I will say I wish you would prepare a full size corner section for Mr. Icke as you suggest.

As to the bath-house and boat-house in Brittingham Park, there are some special reasons why it is desirable to begin construction first of the bath-house. There is great demand for that, and the money is provided by Mr. Brittingham. The Mayor feels that if they should commence to construct the boat-house, omitting the bath-house until a later date, there would be trouble. The city is to pay for the boat-house. I myself would like very much to have the work started on the bath-house at once, and I will appreciate it if you will do everything in your power from this time on to hurry that matter.

Yours truly,

Jehiel Ellis

President.

July 8, 1909

Mr. J. A. Steinle,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosef find warrant for $109.87 to pay for 879 loads of dirt hauled by Mr. Doran during month of June. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

(Warrant)

(Inc.)

July 6, 1909

Mr. Charles E. Brown,
Sec'y. The Wisconsin Archeological Society.
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of July 2 received and contents noted. If you will have written out just the wording you want to have put on the different signs and specify the different locations, I will try and have such signs made and put up so far as anything comes within the jurisdiction of our association.

Yours truly.

JMO-D

President.

July 6, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Please indicate to what account these two bills should be charged.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(2 Encls.)

President.

July 6, 1909

Mr. J. D. Dort,
Flint, Michigan.

Dear Sir:-

At the suggestion of Mr. Warren H. Manning of Boston, I am sending you, under another cover, a copy of the last annual report of our association, together with a copy of the pamphlet on Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President

July 6, 1909

Mr. Warren H. Manning,
Landscape Designer,
1101 Tremont Bldg., Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Manning:-

Yours of July 1 received. Please accept thanks for same.

I take pleasure in sending, as suggested by you, copy of pamphlet to Mr. J. D. Dort, Flint, Michigan.

Yours truly,

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president.

July 6, 1909.

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Mr. Charles H. Brown,

Dc City.

r Mr. Brown:-

I enclose herewith a bill which I have just received from

a ntwell Printing Company. I wish you would look into it and see whether

M m think it ought to be paid at this sum. I also wish to know whether you

ave collected from the various corporations the amount that is coming from

J them for the extra reports. Then there is a bill for 150 copies from the

ity that I suppose has not been paid. As we get in these two sums it will

leave the sum at $553.40 that comes out of our funds.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

Enc.

President.

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July 7, 1909

Mr. James E. Moseley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.85 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John W. Blair

President.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

July 8, 1909

Mr. August Roden,

Editor State Journal,

City.

Dear Mr. Roden:-

The enclosed editorial from the issue of the Milwaukee Free Press of Sunday, July 4, is such an excellent editorial in a leading paper of the state, that I thought perhaps you might like to run it in the Journal, with, perhaps, a short editorial, calling attention to the advertising that Madison is getting through the work that is being done. Will you be so kind as to return the clipping to me when you are through with it, and very much oblige?

Yours truly,

JMC-D

(Enc.)

President.

July 8, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have just received from Mr. Chase. If he states the facts, you must do something to stop the water running out through that valve, even if it becomes necessary to put in bags of sand to accomplish the purpose.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Wm.)

President.

July 8, 1909

Mr. E. P. Myrick,
Editor Milwaukee Free Press,
Milwaukee, Wis.

My Dear Mr. Myrick:-

I want to thank you very much for your excellent editorial in your issue of July 4, concerning Parks and Playgrounds at Madison. Any one can see that this is written by a person who appreciates such things, and I want to assure you of my appreciation of the article.

With kind regards.

JMO-D

Very truly yours,

President.

July 8, 1909

Mr. W. R. Chase,

302 State St.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of July 7 received. I not only notified Mr. MacLean, but had a talk with him at my office concerning the water at Lake Wingra. He informed me, greatly to my surprise, that somebody, he apprehends it was the ice men,- monkeyed with the valve so that they have got it in such shape that its impossible to close it, and the only way to stop the water from running out would be to put in bags of sand opposite where the valve is. If its necessary to do so, this might be done. I enclose my letter to him with instructions to this effect.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

JMO-D

Enc.)

July 10, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I thought I would write you so that you might receive the letter prior to your starting on the trip west. I intended to write at an earlier date.

And first let me say in the outset, that while I may call attention to certain matters of detail, yet after all, the work must be left largely in your hands, and I want to feel that you have it in charge and that your recommendations will be carried out by the board unless there is some strong reason for not doing so.

1. I agree with you that Tenney Park and Brittingham Park, including the improvements to South Madison, should be completed as rapidly as possible. But since the bridges cannot be erected in Tenney Park until next year, I think, our board of directors will conclude that we had better let the seven filled lots between the Avenue and the lake remain just as they are until the bridges are built. This matter will come up before our meeting one week from Monday night. The thing to do, I feel, is to manage matters so that when the bridges are built they will all be built together and not in piece-meal. We need the sand that has been thrown out and the extra filling for concrete work and filling for abutments, and having paid for the same we cannot now afford to foregoing the using of it.

2. I agree with you that the subject of playgrounds should receive more attention. I feel as though their interests are being sadly ne

lected. We have not treated rightly the donors of some of these grounds, and the city is not getting the benefit it should from the money that has thus far been expended by the city and from the gifts made by individuals. I may be mistaken, but I have not yet seen any manifestation of any particular interest in this subject by the school authorities and I think the time has come when there ought to be some understanding about this matter, whether the school board is going to push the interests of the playgrounds or whether that is to be done by the directors of our association.

3. The city will need all the help that it can get from you as to East Washington Avenue improvement. I send you, under another cover, a copy of this morning's Democrat, which contains some information that may be of interest to you. The board of public works, I understand, will report in favor of parking the center, and then the fight will come on as to whether or not such report will be adopted by the council.

4. I note what you say about the drives. I would like, if possible, while you are here this time, to have you look over the same pretty thoroughly, with a view of determining as to the trimming and character of trimming to be done not only for the trees but for the shrubs. Some of our shrubs are not in as good condition as they ought to be, those that have been planted longest.

5. It is our purpose, if possible, this year, to grade, ready for planting and seeding, that portion of Brittingham Park which lies to the east of Main Street extended, including the triangle. I think it would be well for you to study parts of this section with a view of giving directions as to the proper grading of different parts of it. I feel that this

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portion of our work has lost somewhat since the absence of Mr. Mische, for Mr. MacLean is by no means a substitute for Mr. Mische in this kind of work. As time passes, I appreciate more and more the value of Mr. Mische's work upon the ground. This is most plainly shown in the work in Henry Vilas Park. Of course, I realize you cannot give attention to the details of that portion of the work as did Mr. Mische, and all we can ask is that while you are here you will help all you can along that line.

6. If our general funds will permit of it, we shall likely extend the macadam work from the city limits at the Sisters' property through that property. As you will remember, the city is to macadamize the main drive in Henry Vilas Park up to the city limits and we would like to extend that macadam work through the Sisters' property if we have the means to do it. This being so, it might be well for you to examine, while here, the plans prepared by Mr. Mische for the exact location of that driveway.

7. I note what you say about the larger improvements of Madison, State Street, etc. In this connection, I call attention to a matter of legislation which I have omitted heretofore to mention, namely that through the efforts of our local assemblyman, Dr. Smith, the legislature finally adopted a bill, appropriating $17,500 toward the improvement of State Street, Park Street and University Avenue, the $17,500 to meet the expense of asphalting such portions of said streets as run opposite property owned by the state. This was on condition that all poles and wires, other than those for the street railway, be removed from the streets, and as to the poles for the street railway, they are to be iron poles similar to those around the park. Now the question is to come up before the council whether this proposition should be accepted by the city and the improvement made. There

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will be some opposition to going ahead, but I feel that a refusal to do so will not be regarded favorably by the legislature, unless you determine that it would be unwise to expend this money in making these improvements now by reason of the fact that the street should be widened, and in that event this money would be largely wasted. I don't know how you would look upon this matter. Perhaps the improvements could be made so that there would not be much loss. I call attention to the matter for your consideration.

8. While here this time, I wish you could consider the kind of improvement that ought to be made along the St. Paul right of way through the city. Perhaps you are not yet ready to recommend that portion of the general plan.

9. I wish also that you could bear in mind the approaches and surroundings generally of the new viaduct on Spooner Street over the Illinois Central track. It would be a good thing while you are here, if you could meet him, to talk this matter over with Judge Stevens, who is exceedingly interested in all that work in this part of the city.

10. Do you want any meeting called of the committee of fifty while you are here on this trip? You can let me know after your arrival.

11. I would like to have a statement of expenses thus far incurred on work connected with the city plan, that is, so far as you can present them. I want to keep our indebtedness paid up in connection with that work so that we may know just where we are financially.

Yours truly,

EHO-D

President.

Mr. Severt Aasen,
332 W. Baldwin St.,
City.

July 10, 1909

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith some correspondence, together with a sketch as to building of drives for automobiles. You can use, if you think best, the posts already there in the old fence.

You must have Mr. Steensland come out and indicate to you where the road is on the Bluff.

MO-D
Enc.)

Yours truly,

President.

July 10, 1909

Mr. M. E. Clark,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Reyler is complaining bitterly to me about your not having removed the dredging outfit opposite his lots. I told him I would write to you about the matter. Perhaps you could put them around next to the St. Paul Railway Company track for the present without any objection on the part of the association.

Yours truly,

Manager

MO-D

July 12. 1909

Mr. Fred Hanson,

10 N. Baldwin,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I write again concerning the balance due of $200 from you on lots in Parkside Subdivision. Everybody excepting yourself has paid up in full. Now I must say I am a good deal disappointed in not hearing from you after the talk we had in the park some two or three weeks ago. I do not intend to write to you again about the matter. I feel as though I had done all the writing I ought to do. I will wait a few days to see if you will not get to me the check. before doing anything further

Yours truly,

JMO-D

J. Mott Olin

President.

July 12, 1909.

Mautz Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.00 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed leaf, and oblige.

Yours truly.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

July 12, 1909

Mr. T. C. Richmond,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Under date of Oct. 15, 1907, a contract was entered into in writing between yourself and a large number of other parties owning lands adjoining Lake Monona Bay and the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association. In this agreement certain things were to be done by the association and certain things were to be done by the property owners. On the part of the association, it was to take speedy steps to protect and preserve the lake shore from erosion or washing away. On the part of the lot owners, it was agreed that they dedicate a street sixty-six feet in width, for park and boulevard purposes, and that along the southerly side of the same there should be constructed "on or before Dec. 31, 1908" "a granolithic sidewalk" "not less than five feet in width."

It was further agreed on the part of the lot owners that they would "on or before Dec. 31, 1910" construct "a good and sufficient macadam drive, which shall be, including the cement gutter, twenty-four feet in width."

It was further agreed on the part of the lot owners that they "shall enter into a written agreement among themselves, in and by which they and each of them, will fix and decide upon a building line on the front and at the sides of all of their lake lots, and also a minimum price for the building and erection of any building that may be built upon said lake lots or any of them."

It was further agreed on behalf of the association "that the said association shall proceed with all reasonable dispatch, after the grading up

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and surfacing of said drive, and the lots adjoining, are completed, to seed down to grass and plant with shrubbery said park strip."

On the part of the association, it did not wait in the doing of the grading of all of the land between the twenty-four foot macadam and the lake. It did not wait until the lot owners had constructed a macadam road, as it might have done under the agreement, but it proceeded last year and duly graded all of said land before the lot owners had even constructed the walk or done anything toward constructing the macadam street.

I think it is to be much regretted, that, as I understand, nothing as yet has been done by the lot owners toward fixing a building line or even toward dividing up the shore line among themselves. By the close of this year, under the contract, there should be completed the macadam roadway, and certainly the contract fixing the building line, etc., should have been entered into long before this.

The association has expended a large amount of money in an honest effort on its part to fully comply with the said contract. Considerable damage was done this last spring by washing of the waves to the shores and a large additional expense will be put upon the association in repairing this damage. As representing the association, I feel that the lot owners cannot expect the association to spend any more money until they have done something to comply with their part of the agreement.

Mr. Nolen is to be here about the 22nd of this month, and while he is here we would like to have him make a design for the planting of the strip between the macadam and the lake. He stated to me that before he could properly make this design, he ought to know definitely the side lot lines

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of each lot fronting on the lake. This may seem unnecessary to you, but I know that Mr. Nolen regards it as very essential. Moreover, we need to know where these lot lines are coming to enable us to properly place the walks or paths from the property down to the water's edge. These walks or paths must all be located before our planting is done.

Let me say further that a large portion of this property is being badly neglected. That portion extending from the city around to substantially your property, that part where the filling is soft, is now grown up to a thick growth of young willows, weeds, etc., so thick that the sun has no opportunity to get in, and the result is that the ground is not being dried out. The lot owners ought to lose no time in getting in there with scythes and cleaning this ground off so that the sun can dry it out.

Again, I would suggest that the people owning this property should get together without further delay and in some way enter into a contract for the construction of this macadam road. You cannot possibly build it ~~next Summer, under the~~ now within the time provided by the contract. You ought, however, during this summer and fall, ~~have done one cut out~~ the line of the road, getting it to a proper grade so that the heavy stone can be drawn in for the bottom of the macadam during the winter months. It is absolutely necessary to do this in order to construct the western half of this road. If you wait until next spring, it will be impossible for you to get upon that portion of the ground with any load and there will be another delay of another year.

Let me close this long letter by urging upon you and the other lot owners that I do not think it is fair to the association that this matter should be allowed to drag any longer, and I appeal to you and the other lot

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owners to get together and do what the written contract requires on the part of the lot owners.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olsen

President.

July 12, 1909

Mr. George W. Smith,
1238 East Dayton St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of July 9 received, enclosing check for $200 in full for lots 1 and 2, in Parkside Subdivision. As I remember, there is some incumbrance on this property, unless it has been removed, and I write to inquire whether matters are in such shape now that we can give the warranty deed direct to you. We could limit our warranty to our own acts, but I thought I would drop you this line before preparing the deed.

Please accept thanks for the check. This closes everything out excepting $200 from Mr. Hansson.

Yours truly,

JMO-B

President.

July 13, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a letter which I have just received from Alderman Mautz. As soon as Mr. Nolen comes, I wish you would submit this letter to him and then go with him to the place complained of and have him determine what should be done to remove any danger incident to the planting.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

(Enc.)

John M. Olin

President.

July 13, 1909

Hon. B. F. Mautz,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Your communication under date of July 12 received. I have referred the same to Mr. W. G. MacLean, park foreman, with request that as soon as Mr. Nolen arrives, which will be about the 22nd of this month, he submit the matter to Mr. Nolen, and that he and Mr. Nolen Promptly look over the situation and determine what should be done. I enclose herewith a copy of the letter which I have sent to Mr. MacLean.

Very truly yours,

JMC-D

(Inc.)

John M. Olin

President

July 15, 1909

Mr. J. A. Steinle,

City

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $39.62 to pay for dirt hauled by Mr. Doran during this month, up to and including July 15. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

July 15, 1909

r. E. F. Pasnack,

811 University Ave.,

City.

ar Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $927.62 for crushed stone and screenings for construction of macadam road extending from corner of Catholic Cemetery through to Owen Park. Please receipt enclosed bill and return same mptly, and oblige.

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Yours truly.

John M. Olin

President.

July 17, 1909

Dr. A. H. Lee,

City.

Dear Sir:

I hope to be in the office Monday morning, and will try and see you then about the note to the Northeastern Slate Company. Before advising you, I need to get at some further facts. I return to you the note and correspondence submitted.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-D

(Encls.)

July 17, 1909

Mr. W. W. Warner,

City.

Dear Mr. Warner:-

I regret that I cannot see you personally. I could easily make plainer my feeling with reference to writing Mr. Gardner. As I remember his letter, I think, without any word from me, his road will give the $200. I have always been pretty careful in requesting aid of the railway companies. As a rule, I have never gone to them for little things, feeling it much better to appeal to them for more important aid. There are some large matters on which we must get help in the near future, especially from the Northwestern, which I will explain to you later.

Moreover, I can's quite see any special ground of appeal to the Northwestern exists. It is very different with the St. Paul. But here, again, this contemplated improvement means quite a large expense to the St. Paul in raising their tracks at at least two places, as I remember; and it seems to me a meeting of this expense would be their full share.

I want to help you all I can and as evidence of that fact, you may put me down for an additional $25.00. Will try and see you as soon as I am out again.

Sincerely yours,

J. Horace McFarland

JMO-D

July 17, 1909

Major C. E. Mills,

U. S. Engineer's Office,

Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Mills:

Yours of July 16 received. I have just sent you a telegram, asking if you could postpone your trip to Thursday, July 22. I am now confined to my bed with rather a severe attack of lumbago, and have been since Tuesday morning last. I hope to be out on Monday. I am due to attend the annual meeting of the trustees of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company in Milwaukee on Thursday and Wednesday of next week. It is a meeting that I must attend if I am able to be there. If my condition is such on Monday as to make doubtful about my being able to be with you on Thursday, I will telegraph you on Monday. I regret exceedingly conflict in dates and hope that you may be able to modify date as suggested and that I may be able to be out by Monday.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

July 19, 1909

Major C. S. Riche',
U. S. Engineer's Office,
Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I am still confined to the house and am very apprehensive tha
I may not be able to be out by either Wednesday or Thursday of this week.
Regret this exceedingly for I should enjoy very much showing you about th
two lakes and our city. If this is the only time that you can come, I s
be pleased to arrange to have Mr. W. W. Warner, Mr. Schubert, our mayor,
other citizens meet you and show you some attention. But if you could, w
out inconvenience; postpone the visit until some time next week, it would
give me great pleasure to be with you. I will also send you a telegram t
morning.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

July 19, 1909

Major C. S. Riche,

U. S. Engineer's Office,

Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Your telegram came after I had sent a telegram and letter to you. I have just sent a second telegram, asking you to come as planned, and that I will make arrangements.

I hope you may be able to remain over until Thursday. I feel quite sure that I shall be out by that time, if not by Wednesday. I have explained the situation fully to Mr. W. W. Warner, who is much interested in this plan to connect the lakes, and arrangements will be made to take you around the upper two of our four lakes, between which Madison lies.

Very truly yours,

JMM-D

John M. Clair.

July 19, 1909

Mr. W. W. Warner,
City.

Dear Mr. Warner:-

You will remember Major Riché's letter and his plan of visiting Madison. I received a letter Saturday last, saying he would arrive here at seven o'clock Wednesday morning, as I now remember the hour. The letter is on my table at the office. I wrote him that I was confined to my bed and that if I did get out I must attend the annual meeting of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company on Wednesday of this week, and asked him if he could not postpone trip until Thursday, or until next week. I have received a telegram this morning stating that he would come on Wednesday and might possibly remain over ~~until Thursday~~; that other engagements made it impossible for him to come at a later date.

Hence he will be here Wednesday morning, I take it. I shall be unable to arrange for entertaining him and wish to ask you to take charge of the matter. I would suggest merely that he be given a ride around Menotand also Monona; and that you see a number of prominent citizens to go withyou and him. I would merely suggest Mayor Schubert, William R. Dagley, W. H. Curtis, but you will know whom to ask. I would ascertain as soon as possible after he arrives whether he would remain over Thursday, and if he can, it would be a nice thing to give a dinner party for him--an informal matter-- at the University Club, and try and have ten or a dozen people meet him, with an understanding that the expense be divided among the people who attend or in any other way you think best.

Major Riché stands quite high up in this government work, and it

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will be a fine thing to make upon him a favorable impression. If he remains over Thursday, I would suggest that we arrange to give him an automobile ride over the western or Lake Mendota drive system. Automobiles are permitted on that drive that forenoon. You can count on me joining with you or any others in meeting the expense of entertaining Major Riché. He ought in some way to be met at the train and in all ways possible made to feel while he is here, that we are glad to have him with us.

Pardon me for making these hasty suggestions, for you know quite as well, if not better, than any one else, just what ought to be done. Please let me know whether you can attend to this matter as suggested, and will very much oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

July 20, 1909

Prof. William D. Conover,
Prest. State Board of Control,
City.

Dear Mr. Conover:-

I have your note of the 19th. I shall be only too glad to let you have copies of the two reports free of any charge. I feel you will make good use of them. I have requested that these copies be sent to your office with this note.

I have been intending to come in and see you about the matter we discussed before the Board, but have been confined to my bed for a week with lumbago. As soon as I am out, I would like to have a talk with you and see if we cannot come to some agreement that will be mutually advantageous.

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin
President.

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July 20, 1909

Mr. C. N. Brown,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

Do you know anything about the enclosed bill for $56.30, presented by the Spragens & Hathaway Company against our Association? I cannot in any way connect it with any of our work, unless it has something to do with frames for pictures for Seattle Fair.

Yours truly,

John M. Oleis

President.

July 22, 1909

W. Brahany & Son,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.25 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Oleis

President.

July 22, 1909

Mautz Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for sixty cents to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

July 22, 1909

Mr. C. F. Cooley.

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $20.25 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

July 22, 1909

Messrs Hoffman Food Co.,
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $66.50 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

Johnm. Olin.

President.

July 22, 1909

Messrs. Newbury & Roper.
City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.30 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

Johnm. Olin

President.

July 22, 1909

Messrs. Blied & Schneider,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $12.50 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

John M. Clair

President.

July 22, 1909

Cantwell Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for thirty cents to pay your bill. Please receipt and return enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

John M. Clair

President.

July 22, 1909

International Harvester Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.85 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

July 22, 1909

Messrs. Sumner & Morris,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find five warrants, one for $14.05, one for $2.60, one for $5.86, one for $24.05, and one for $13.70, to pay your bills against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

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(5 Enc.)

July 23, 1909

Mr. John F. Icke,
City Engineer,
City.

My Dear Sir:-

Am just back to the office for the first time. Yesterday Mr. MacLean called at the house a good deal disturbed, about the width of the macadam along by the Beyler property. He tells me that the macadam street is planned for twenty-eight feet and that the strip for sidewalk and tree bank, instead of being limited to sixteen feet, according to the contract, is sixteen and one-half feet. If this is true, then it cuts out [illegible] feet from our park strip. He showed me the plan drawn by Mr. Mischo for these blocks and a red line showing where the width of the street would come, and if made as planned according to his drawing it will cut right into our sidewalk and disarrange things generally. Moreover, under a contract between Beyler, and also with Chase, we have no right to put in a street of that width. We are limited to a street twenty-four feet in width, including curb and everything. While this would not, I presume, bind the city, and the property inside the city limits, provided a street had already been in existence, I think it is binding under the circumstances. I asked Mr. MacLean to have the work stopped, if possible, until you returned. I think it will be a great misfortune to have this street constructed of this width. It would be out of keeping with the street and roadway beyond to South Madison and would disfigure very much our plans. Moreover, it seems to me a wholly needless expense. The city must pay at least one-half of this extra width, and at the same time it loses between four and five feet of its park strip, which is very much needed.

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I don't wish to be finding fault, but it does seem to me that hereafter, as to all streets that effect in any way our park work, those representing the park work ought to be consulted. Certain the plans already made and on file in the park superintendent's office ought to be consulted. It would avoid a good deal of trouble, and I think save a good deal of expense. I write you this, sending a letter to your house as well as to the office, so that you will get it just as soon as you return to Madison, which I understand will be to-morrow morning. I hope you will take the matter up at once and put in the street according to our contract with a strip not exceeding fifteen feet for sidewalk and tree bank and with a roadway, including curb, gutter and everything, not exceeding twenty-four feet.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

July 23, 1909

Mr. Stephen Child,
Landscape Architect,
15 Ashburton Place,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of July 21 received. Under another cover, I am sending you some copies of our reports.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

July 23, 1909

Mr. Charles N. Brown,
City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

I received a long letter from Mr. Mische, which I thought you might be interested in looking through. Hence, I send you a copy of the same.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

President.

July 23, 1909

Mr. O. D. Brandenburg,
Editor Democrat,
City.

Dear Mr. Brandenburg:-

The enclosed is a copy of an article appearing in the Boston Evening Transcript for Wednesday, June 30, 1909.

Yours truly,

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(Enc.)

President.

July 23, 1909

Mr. August Roden,
Mngr. State Journal,
City.

Dear Mr. Roden:-

The enclosed from a Spokane paper shows that our work is attracting attention in the west as well as in the east. You can return it to me in the enclosed stamped envelope.

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(Enc.)

Yours truly,

President.

July 23, 1909

Mr. Emil T. Mische,
Park Supt.,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Mische:-

I have been intending to write you before in answer to yours of June 23. I have been out of the office with lumbago for some ten days. I am much obliged for the suggestions in your letter. Some of them I think are very excellent and will be helpful.

I have noticed with great pleasure your article in Park and Cemetery on our work here. We feel indebted to you.

Yours truly,

Harold Clark

President.

July 25, 1909

Mr. Frank W. Hoyt,
City.

Dear Mr. Hoyt:-

Some time ago Mr. James Conklin, when in my office, very generously stated that they intended to put down for their interests this year for the general work of the association $50.00, and he authorized me to put that amount down. Hence, you may change their subscription from $25.00 to $50.00.

Very truly yours,

John W. Alvord

President.

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July 26, 1909

Mr. James Conklin,
City.

Dear Mr. Conklin:-

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have just sent to Mr. Hoyt, which I think is in accordance with our talk. Thanking you very much for the additional subscription, I am.

Very truly yours,

John W. Alvord

President.

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July 27, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
c/o University Club,
City.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I was a good deal disappointed that you were not with us at our meeting last night. A number of matters are up now for consideration that need very prompt attention, one of them being the sanitary building. We left that to a committee of three with instructions that that committee acting with you and Mr. Ioke should determine on a plan, and that then Mr. Ioke should go ahead with the work. The men went down this morning at nine o'clock to meet Mr. Ioke to locate the foundation, and the plan is to have the construction of that commenced at once. The point of difference between us seems to be as to the roof, whether it should be cement or tile. A tile roof is a good deal more expensive, and the suggestion was made by one or two that the cement might be colored red. I wish you would talk over with Mr. Ioke the plans sufficient so that you fully understand them and see whether you have any suggestions to make as to the plumbing and the arrangement of the plumbing, etc. etc.

Another matter that is very pressing is the deciding upon changes to be made in the location of the driveway extending through Owen Park. We passed a resolution last night authorizing the expenditure of not to exceed $2000 in continuing this macadam work from the end of the present macadam. I have had Severt and Mr. MacLean out once looking over the ground, but I would now like them to go out with you some day this week and put in stakes where you think the road ought to go. It is a pretty important matter to

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get the grades and location of this road correct. Then I would like, if I am able to, to go out some time Sunday, if not before, with you, and look over the ground. If I am able to get away, I intend to leave Madison on Monday for the month of August. I am in a good deal of doubt now whether I shall be able to get off, but I hope to.

Another matter are some changes proposed on part of Parwell Drive in order to enable the people who live on Maple Bluff to get in there with automobiles. There is a committee of three appointed on this matter, Mayor Schubert, Charles N. Brow and Mr. Schlimgen. The arrangement last night was that you, together with this committee and Mr. Steensland and the lot owners interested, and also Mr. MacLean and Severt, should go out and look the location over, we voting that your determination in the matter should be final. I enclose a rough sketch which will be of some service when you get upon the ground I think. We want, if possible, to get an additional rod of ground on the southerly side of the drive through these woods out as far as the turn on the top of the hill at least. It looks now as though there was a chance of securing some such concession so that we can broaden somewhat the road and make of this drive a six foot driveway.

I think Mr. Ickes, and the Mayor also, feel that they need your help in locating exactly the bath house. I was very much delighted that we got bids on both bath house and boat house within the money available for the putting up of these buildings, especially the bath house, the lower bid being a little less than $6200, whereas Mr. Brittingham's offer is to give $7500.

It might be well when you go down there, if you can get hold of Mr. Brittingham, to have him go along, although I am not sure that any good

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would come of this. Perhaps he would get a better impression if he goes down and looks over the park later in the season.

We voted last night to go ahead with the grading of this park, including the triangle, and to borrow such money as may be necessary to enable us to do the work.

I am sending this to you because I would like to have it reach you as early as possible.

If I determine to go away at the beginning of next week, do you want a special meeting of the directors called some time this week to consider the city plan and any other matters that you feel like bringing before the board?

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin

President.

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(Enc.)

July 27, 1909

Major J. C. Schubert,

City.

Dear Mr. Schubert:-

I was going to read a long letter which I got from Mr. Mischa, but we did not have time last night. I enclose herewith a typewritten copy of it for your perusal. You need not return it.

It occurred to me--but I presume you will think of that and a great many other things--that it would be a good thing if you could get Mr. Montgomery to put on his cars some advertising sheet of the band concert in Henry Vilas Park next Sunday afternoon, the weather being pleasant. I believe he would be willing to meet the expense of such advertising.

I would also be sure to arrange to have some sprinkling cart go over the roads in Henry Vilas Park Saturday afternoon and also, if possible, Sunday morning, so as to have them free from dust.

Yours truly,

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(Enc.)

John M. Olin

President.

July 27, 1909.

Cantwell Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose you warrant for $563.40, which Mr. Brown says is the amount due you after giving us credit for three hundred and twenty-five copies delivered to other parties. I include in the warrant to you pay for the one hundred and fifty copies furnished to the city. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and very much oblige.

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(Warrant)

(Enc.)

Yours truly,

Johnson. Clair

President

July 27, 1909

Hon. C. W. Constantine,

Chairman of Committee on Claims,

City.

Dear Mr. Constantine:-

I enclose herewith a bill for $30.00 for 150 copies of the annual report of the association at twenty cents each. We have paid the Cantwell Printing Company for printing the same, and I would appreciate it if you could see that a warrant is got to me for the above amount at an early date.

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Very truly yours, Johnson Clair

President.

July 27, 1909

Hon. George W. Smith,

City.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending you herewith a warranty deed of lots 1 and 2, Parkside Subdivision, and also an abstract to go with each lot. You will notice that our warranty is a general warranty, excepting, however, any act done by yourself. That is put in there to cover the incumbrance and is all that is necessary to be done. I don't think its necessary for you to draw any new instrument with reference to the incumbrance. It is perfectly good as it stands.

Yours truly,

JMC-D

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John M. Olin

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Mr. W. W. Warner,

City.

Dear Mr. Warner:-

Yours of July 26, with enclosures, received. The letter from Dr. Harper I return herewith. It is characteristic and is a good illustration of a man rushing forward with his opinions without knowing at all the facts.

I also note the subscription contract heading. Perhaps, under the peculiar wording of this, it would be well for you to have Mr. Banks, or his company, collect in the funds. I think perhaps it would. This is not a material matter and its always best to cut as close to the line as you can.

I agree with you that it is very plain on the face of the contract that it would be a diversion of these funds to go ahead and construct a lock at the outlet of Waubesa before doing all the work necessary toward properly connecting Monona and Waubesa.

I do not, however, fully agree with you as to the wording of the contract, "it is proposed to complete the said work before the close of the year 1909" being such a condition as would avoid the subscription in case the work for any good reason was not completed this year. I think at most all that could be required would be to use reasonable effort in doing the work this year, and when you do that you have complied fully with the contract. You will notice that the language is "it is proposed to complete the work", etc. It does not state specifically that this is a condition precedent to the binding force of the subscriptions. I think you could collect the subscriptions although you did no work this year, provided you did all

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that you could toward getting ready to start the work. However, if you can within reason start the work this fall and go as far as possible with it, I think it would be well to do so.

Among engineers, whose opinion we want to get, I would mention John F. Lobe and Mr. H. E. Clark, especially the latter. There is no man that I know of whose judgment would go farther with me than his in a matter of this kind.

As I may suggest, I think before any contract is drawn between our association and any land owner, there will have to be not only the survey made as talked over yesterday, but there should be a meeting of your association, or those who have had charge of the matter, and the whole matter discussed, and a line of action determined on.

I hope now, if I am able to do so, to leave here on Monday or Tuesday of next week to be gone a month. Hence, I may not be here at the time when you desire to have these contracts drawn, but I may, before going, sketch out a form of contract that may be filled in by the description and names of parties later. I will do so if I can, but, as you know, I do not want that I should be bothered a great deal about this work, especially in my present condition, and I am only doing what I do because of my feeling toward you in the matter.

Yours truly,

John M. Clair

President.

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(Enc.)

July 28, 1909

Mr. Charles G. Riley,

City.

My Dear Mr. Riley:-

Yours of July 27 received. I have sent Mr. McKenna a check for $100. I take it that he has straightened out the matter of payment of certain subscriptions to him. If not, will you see that this is done at once?

I enclose herewith a warrant to you for $200 to apply on services. Please receipt enclosed bill and return same to me.

Of course this pay is only for the three thousand subscriptions secured above the four thousand, and we shall expect, of course, to pay for additional subscriptions over the seven thousand.

Yours truly,

John W. Alvis

President.

JMC-D

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

July 28, 1909

Mr. John C. McKenna,

City,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find warrant for $100. I asked Mr. Riley to seeyou and have you and him adjust the division of the pay for the subscriptions and then let me know and I would pay according to the adjustment. He writes me a letter under date of July 27 that you would be satisfied with $100, and in pursuance of that statement I am sending you the enclosed. Please receipt the enclosed bill and return same to me, and oblige.

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(Enc.)

Yours truly,

President

July 30, 1909

Caxtwell Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of July 28, 1909, received. You may credit the $2.60, which was over paid in the warrant sent you for $563.40, to the account of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association.

Yours truly,

President.

July 30, 1909

Mr. Charles N. Brown,
Sec'y. Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association,
City.

My Dear Mr. Brown:-

I have been strongly urged at different times by members of the Golf Club who own automobiles that our directors ought to permit them, under very stringent regulations, to pass over the drive to the point where the road turns off to enter the golf grounds. The directors all know where this point is. It seems that those who own automobiles are Frank W. Jacobs, Joe Davies, a Mr. Gary, a Dr. Wheeler, a Mr. Goll, who is connected with the Northern Electrical Company, and Prof. Reber, making in all six persons. They claim that the road they now must take crossing the railroad tracks is very dangerous for them at different times besides being in very bad condition. They are willing, if permitted to use the drive, that the rate of speed should be cut down to six miles an hour and also that any permission granted them should be granted with the understanding that the Golf Association would undertake to see that no person other than members use the drive for automobiles. Personally I do not think there would be any danger in granting the request temporarily say for the present season. I told some of the parties interested that I would write to you and ask you to lay the matter before the special meeting of the directors which will in all probability be held next week to consider the city plan. Of course, as you know, I will not be present at that meeting and merely write this letter to express my opinion on the matter.

It is but just to say that they occupy the position of being own

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with others, of land adjoining the drive, or through which the drive passes.

Yours truly,

JMO-B

President.

July 30, 1909

Mr. Philip W. Foster,

Landscape Architect,

15 Ashburton Place,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of July 26 received. I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, copies of the reports of our association for the years 1904, 1906, 1907, 1908 and 1909, and also a pamphlet on Madison Parks as a Municipal Investment.

Yours truly,

JMO-B

President.

July 31, 1909

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

Sec'y. Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter which I have just dictated to Mr. W. W. Warner. As you know, our directors have never, as yet, acted on the matter of connecting these lakes, although it is something that has been recommended in the annual report for a good many years, and I think it is a very desirable thing to have accomplished. I think, however, the matter ought to be managed in such a way as to not put the association under financial obligation to any greater extent than may be absolutely necessary.

If title to land must be secured--as I think it must--in order to complete the improvement, then our association is the only body that can take such land in a proper way in trust and hold it for the benefit of the people. But as indicated in my letter, we do not wish these people who have been taking the laboring ore in the securing of this money to feel that we are trying to get possession of it or control it. On the other hand, if our association is ultimately to assume jurisdiction of the water-way, we then are vitally interested in having the work done as it should be.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

(Enc.)

President.

July 31, 1909

Mr. Charles N. Brown,

Sec'y. Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

I have signed some warrants in blank that can be used by you during my month's absence if bills come in. I apprehend there will not be but very few.

I think you had better send out, as secretary, notices for the regular monthly meeting to be held on the third Monday in September. The meeting can be held at my office if you desire. If you will notify the clerk, he will make such arrangements as may be necessary for opening up the office at the proper time.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

President.

July 31, 1909.

Mr. W. W. Warner,

City.

My Dear Mr. Warner:-

Yours of July 28 came to me at my house, and I will write you the best answer I can before leaving the city, which I hope to be able to do next Tuesday.

1. Before leaving, I will write a letter to Mr. Charles N. Brown, our secretary, asking him, when the proper time comes, if it does before my return, to prepare the contract between our association and any of the land owners from whom it is necessary to get concessions, and will ask him to look at the contracts I prepared in a similar matter for the Henry Vilas Park improvement. Mr. Brown can prepare these just as well as I can, and I am sure will be glad to do so if other conditions are complied with as indicated in this letter.

2. I think such contract ought to provide for the securing of a strip of land wherever possible of a width of not less than eight rods. Out of these eight rods would be taken not only the thirty feet for the bottom of the canal way, but the slopes of the bank, which, together with the bottom of the canal way, will probably use up about half of the area. The other four rods will be needed for the embankment and the parkway and the construction, perhaps, of a roadway on one side as was discussed between you and me.

3. Before this matter comes before our directors, there should be a meeting of your committee, and the whole matter gone over, and a request should come from them to our association to take hold of the matter to the extent at least of acquiring the legal title to the land needed for carry-

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ing out the improvement. Our directors would not wish to be interfering with the work which you and your committee have thus far carried on.

4. After your committee or board have acted upon the matter, it would then be brought before our board for consideration.

5. It seems to me that the first thing you will determine is whether you are going down through the wide spread or there must necessarily be constructed an independent channel. You will get the reports of your engineers on this matter. It has always seemed pretty clear to my mind that you must have, for a part of the way, an independent channel, and if this is the conclusion reached, you must necessarily also get title to the land through which you pass.

6. In case the engineers report in favor of the excavation of the channel, then it seems to me that the order in which the work ought to proceed is as follows: The work of excavating the channel should be done first. Observation can then be made as to whether such excavation will materially lower the water in Lake Monona. If it does not do so, then there will be no need of constructing a lock at a point some where below the socalled black bridge, and any money now subscribed not needed for the work of connecting Monona and Waubesa can be used in constructing a lock at the outlet of Waubesa, on condition, however, that the people living on Lake Kegonsa will raise sufficient additional funds to extend the improvement down to that lake. If, however, the constructing of the channel does lower the lake, then the next piece of work should be the putting in of such lock at this point as is necessary to maintain the waters of Lake Monona at a proper height. Upon reflection, it is my opinion that some cheap and inexpensive lock ought to be put in there at this time,

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if possible, even though at some later date it might be necessary to bear it out in case the Government ever took jurisdiction over this waterway. You certainly have not got money enough to put in a solid substantial cement lock at this place, and from some talks that I had some years ago with Dr. McConnell and his brother, I take it that some cheap form of lock might be constructed that would answer the purpose. This could be constructed with the means you have at your disposal and thereby the whole expense of connecting the two lakes, even on the theory of constructing the lock, would be met by your present subscriptions.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

John M. Olin

July 31, 1909

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
University Club, City.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

I am sending you a copy of a letter which I have found this morning among the papers sent to me by Mr. Mische at the time evidently when he handed me the sketch of the proposed addition to Henry Vilas Park, about which we talked last evening. I thought this communication ought to accompany the sketch, as giving Mr. Mische's ideas.

Yours truly,

July 31, 1909.

Mr. C. S. Riche,
Major Corps U. S. Engineers,
Rock Island, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I regret to say that yours of July 24 found me flat on my back again. I was not able to get out to the office to do anything until yesterday. I must leave for a much needed rest on Tuesday of next week. I have not, therefore, had the opportunity to give to the matter you submitted as much thought and consideration as I would like, but after considering the matter as fully as I have been able to under the circumstances, it seems to me that the people between Madison and Janesville interested in the improvement of the Yahara are not in any position to ask any legislation until such steps have been taken by the U. S. Government as will indicate that the Rock River is to be improved as far as Janesville. Such a step would make that river a navigable stream for commerce and the jurisdiction over the stream as to commerce would be exercised by the U. S. Government. When this is done, then I can see how the U. S. Government can reach out and say by its legislation, etc., that these lakes and this river are essential to the maintenance of the Rock River as an avenue of commerce. But until action is taken as indicated, the lakes and the Yahara River between Madison and Janesville are, as it seems to me, wholly a matter within the state of Wisconsin over which the U. S. Government would have no control.

The people here at Madison feel very much indebted to you for the suggestion made and for the interest you have taken in the project we have of connecting these lakes, and it seems to me at a later date the suggestion made by you may prove to be very beneficial, but I hardly think we

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are in a position as yet to take advantage of the suggestion.

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter and hoping some time that I may be able to show you some attention if you come to our city again, I am.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D

July 31, 1909

Mr. W. W. Warner,
City.

Dear Mr. Warner:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter which I have sent to Major Riché.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

Aug. 2, 1909.

Mr. Frank W. Hoyt,

City.

Dear Mr. Hoyt:-

In looking through some scraps of paper in my pocket book I came across the enclosed check signed by A. M. Richardson payable to you for $10. I have an indistinct recollection about this matter. I think Mr. Richardson was one of those subscribers for a special fund for extending the Lake Mendota macadum across Mendota Beach. Perhaps it is too late to make use of this check but I thought I would send it to you.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

JMO-S

(Check)

Sept. 3, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:

I am just back to my office this morning feeling quite a little refreshed after a month's vacation. I have not had time to look into the work of the association. I found, however, on my table a letter from Mr. Meyer, who is chairman of the Railroad Commission of Wisconsin, and I enclose a copy of the same herewith for your consideration.

Yours very truly,

John M. Olin

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(Enc.)

Sept. 3, 1909.

Mr. F. J. Bell,
Sec'y. Park Board,
Winona, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of Aug. 20 I found upon my return from a vacation this morning. I take pleasure in sending you a copy of an early report of our association, containing the constitution and bylaws and the statute under which we are organized.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 3, 1909.

Olmstead Bros.,
Landscape Architects,
Brookline, Mass.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of Sept. 1 received. I take pleasure in sending you, under another cover, two copies of the report referred to on the subject of Parks as a [illegible].

Yours truly,

JMO-D

President.

Sept. 3, 1909.

Hon. B. H. Meyer,
c/o Railroad Commission of Wisconsin,
Madison, Wis.

Dear Mr. Meyer:-

I find, upon my return to the office this morning, your letter of Sept. 1. I thank you for the suggestions made. I will see that the matter is brought before the board of directors and I will also forward a copy of your letter to Mr. Nolen so that he may consider the same.

Very sincerely yours,

JMO-D

President.

Sept. 3, 1909.

Mr. William Lyman,
c/o Lyman, Richie & Co.,
159 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

Upon my return to the office this morning after a month's absence, I find your very kind letter of Aug. 10, with reference to the matter of automobiles on Farwell Drive. That was a matter I was very glad indeed to have adjusted to the entire satisfaction of Mr. Cassoday and yourself and I think you people were entirely right.

JMO-D

Yours truly,

President

Sept. 4, 1909

Wiedenbeck, Dobelin & Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.01 to pay your three bills, one for $.71, one for $.10, and one for $1.20, against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(3 Encls.)

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

Fuller & Johnson Mfg. Co.,

Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $2.50 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

International Harvester Co.,

Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $7.28 to pay your two bills, one for $5.88 and the other for $1.40, against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(2 Encls.)

John M. Olin

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

M. Brahany & Son,

213 East Main St.,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.15 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

John M. Olin

President.

Mr. P. Lynch,

City,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.50 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

Parkinson-Marling Lumber Co.,

Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $18.25 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $59.38 to pay your four bills against the Association, one for $19.00, one for $14.25, one for $7.13 and one for $19.00. Please receipt and return the enclosed bills, and oblige.

(Warrant)

(4 Encls.)

Yours truly,

John M. Olin

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

Cantwell Printing Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.50 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

John M. Olin

President.

Sept. 4, 1909

Mr. Joseph Dottl,
512 S. Park St.,
City

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $27.10 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)
(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 7, 1909.

Piper Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter which I have received from Prof. Cairns for your consideration. An automobile delivery wagon is not permitted on this drive at any time and no automobiles of any kind are permitted on the drive on Saturday. I would like to ascertain, before taking any further steps, whether your firm had knowledge of the automobile going over the drive at the time named.

JMO-D
(Enc.)

Very truly yours,

John M. Olin
President

Sept. 7, 1909.

O'Malley & Castle,

Madison, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find check for $11.30 to pay for your bill against me personally for fencing wire and staples.

Yours truly,

JMO-D
(Check)

John M. Olin

Sept. 7, 1909

Prof. W. B. Cairns,
2010 Madison St.,
City.

Dear Mr. Cairns:-

Your favor of Sept. 4 duly received. Please accept thanks for same. I will take the matter up with Piper Brothers. I agree substantially with all you say. One provoking thing about this is that the Piper Brothers are persons who do not contribute anything toward the maintenance of our drives and have not done so for years!

JMC-P

Yours truly,

John M. Olin
President.

Sept. 7, 1909

Mr. William G. MacLean,
Park Foreman,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Please minute on the enclosed bill to what branch of the work it should be charged, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Enc.)

John M. Olin
President.

Sept. 9, 1909

Doyon & Rayne Lumber Co.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $1.28 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 9, 1909

Kroncke Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $6.30 to pay your bill against the Association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 9, 1909

[illegible] $3.00 to pay your bill against the [illegible] the enclosed Bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

President.

Sept. 9, 1909

O'Malley & Castle,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed find warrant for $3.86 to pay your bill against the association. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 11, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,
Landscape Architect,
1382 Harvard Square,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of Sept. 8 duly received. Please accept thanks for the enclosed snap shots.

I regret the oversight in payments to you. I have given directions so that hereafter I think you will get the monthly payment promptly. Enclosed you will find a warrant for $200 for salary for work on behalf of city, and also $200 to apply on services for city plan, and $23.00 to apply on hotel expenses. Your statement of the terms of the contract as to expenses agrees fully with my understanding, namely, that so far as you were put to extra expense by reason of the city plan, such expense should be paid out of the city plan fund. I thank you for sending the bill at this time, since we wish to keep matters paid up as we go along.

Under another cover, I am sending you a copy of this morning's Democrat. You will see from this what the council finally has done. I had not the heart to write you about the situation until after the meeting last night. Upon my return, I have done some quiet work along the line that was adopted by the council last night. You will see that the effect is to leave out the three blocks between Butler and Blount streets, and to continue the boulevarding of the whole avenue up to Blount. But the joke of the situation is, that the council has ordered a wide ninety foot macadam from Pinckney clear down to Blount. Now this is just what Father Knox and the other objectors do not want. What they wanted was a much narrower maca-

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dam so as to leave on either side about forty foot of a grass plat to furnish an addition to their private yards, and in case of Father Knox to furnish a playground for his school children. But under the plan adopted, there will be left, after taking out six feet on each side for sidewalk, a grass plat of only fifteen feet, not a very large area for a playground. Moreover, as I understand, the extra cost of the wide macadam will amount to not less than $150 per lot. The idea of Mr. Ickes, myself, the mayor and others was, that if we would secure this compromise, and then improve the street by commencing at the east and working toward the city, the owners of property in these three blocks would see the difference and ultimately desire the boulevard improvement. At any rate, *I am sure they will* not want the improvement as ordered by the council *if they can* help it.

A matter has recently come up that I desire to consult you about. The parties named must be kept entirely between us, so that in any answer you may make to this part of my letter you may omit referring to the name. One morning since my return, Dr. Charles Vilas, brother of the late William F. Vilas, came into my office and said that he wanted to do something for the association and wanted to know whether I had anything in mind. I talked over with him first the construction of a bridge across the Yahara near the outlet, and then it was disclosed that what he wished to do was in memory of his mother and the idea of a bridge did not strike him favorably. He wanted me to consider the matter and make some suggestion if I could. Upon reflection and consultation with Mrs. Olin, I thought the erection of an artistic drinking fountain would be appropriate. I then had another talk with him and made this suggestion. He had already considered this somewhat, but

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there were two objections made by him, one the expense of erecting something that would be really handsome, and the other the matter of a location. He is willing to contribute $10,000 with the idea of putting in, before it is through, $15,000. He left with the understanding I should think the matter over further, and I was also to submit the question to you. I suggested as a possible location of the fountain Wisconsin Avenue, between the city hall and post office building. It has occurred to me since that perhaps a better place would be where the present socalled market is and that perhaps the gift might be conditioned upon the boulevard being extended up to Butler street. I wish you would think the matter over and see whether you can help us out in some way.

I note what you say about the trees on my ground. I think without much doubt, I agree fully with all you say. The difference is between Mrs. Olin and me. I do not hesitate to take out a tree when necessary and I have known for a long time that we have entirely too many on our ground. I wish you would determine the plan of improvement which you think would be best, and I think I can arrange to have it carried out.

I have decided that I must resign as a member of the board of directors of the association. I feel I must do this both in justice to myself and family and in justice to my business. While I am better than I was, I am not by any means back to my usual health. I feel the time has come when I must throw off, so far as possible, extra work. Confidentially I will say that I intend to give up the work in the law school as early at least as the end of the college year. I would give it up now if I could do so.

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The work has been going along, I think, as well as could be expected. Sevelt is now getting the road-bed ready through Owen Park. The cutting out makes a wide hole and there will have to be a good deal of planting done along parts of the old roadway and along the edges of this new road. This is one of the things I shall want to have you bear in mind on your next visit and indicate what planting should be done.

Very truly yours,

JMO-D
(3 Warrants)
(3 Encls.)

President.

Sept. 13, 1909

Charles W. Brown, Atty.,

City.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

I enclose herewith some snap shots which I have received in a letter from Mr. Nolen. In it he says, concerning them:

"One of East Washington Avenue shows beyond question the use that will be made of the wide planting strip on East Washington Avenue wherever there is a business frontage. It might be worth while producing this in the local paper. The views of the valley from Owen Park suggest the charm of that country, and I hope you can get Mr. Brown to take some large pictures before the trees lose their foliage. The other views are marked on the back."

You can make such use of them as you think best and of the suggestions.

Yours truly,

JMG-D

(Encls.)

President.

Sept, 13, 1909.

Piper Bros.,

City.

Gentlemen:-

Your of the 10th received and contents noted.

I must say that I am somewhat disappointed. I had hoped that your driver had, without your knowledge, violated the rules by crossing the bay road.

That road is not properly used at any time as a business road. Moreover, it was wholly unnecessary, in order to reach Eagle Heights, for your driver or any one to have gone across the bay road. All he needed to do was to go out on the regular Middleton road to a point just beyond where you turn to the cemetery and then have gone over what is known as the Isom hill. In that way he could have got to Eagle Heights without getting upon the drive at all, except such portion of it as is on Mr. Raymer's and my own land, which is really a private road. He could have avoided the bay road entirely.

The reference to Dr. C. A. Harper I do not quite understand, since he has nothing to do with the control of the drives.

I will lay your letter and that of Prof. Cairns, and a copy of my reply, before the board of directors at its meeting one week from to-night.

Yours truly,

JMO-D

Julius M. Olin

President.

Sept. 13, 1909

H. Wesley Dubbs,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 10th received and contents noted. I will lay the same before the meeting of the directors at its regular monthly meeting one week from to-night. Personally, I should be opposed to our association, as such, spending any money in this kind of advertising. Indeed we would have no right to do so for none of our funds could be properly used in that way.

JMO-B

Yours truly,

John M. Klein

President

Sept. 15, 1909

Mr. C. F. Cooley,

City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find warrant for $31.00 to pay your bill. Please receipt and return the enclosed bill, and oblige.

Yours truly,

(Warrant)

(Enc.)

President.

Sept. 20, 1909.

Mr. John F. Icke,
City Engineer,
City.

My Dear Sir:-

I have studied quite a good deal the triangle situation. I think by careful planning we can get the land in fair shape for park purposes substantially with the dirt there now, but it is going to require careful planning, and we want your help at this time before anything further is done.

We want to find out how low we can have the top of the road above the present level of the water in the lake. We want it just as low as we can have it, and also so that the top of it when completed will be but a very little above the adjoining park area, substantially the same as the macadum road in Henry Viles Park. Now, as aiding toward this, I have suggested to Mr. MacLean that he see you and have you give him grade stakes throughout the length of the proposed new road. Then I told him to cut out the present dirt within the limits of the road and to a depth below where the bottom of the permanent road will be, and then fill in such excavation up to where the bottom of the permanent road will be with material that we will get from the triangle between the two tracks, and also sand and gravel from the bank of the present fill. In this way we will be saving the good dirt, and at the same time be aiding in getting a foundation for the road.

I wish you could take this matter up with Mr. MacLean as soon as possible, and make to him any suggestions that occur to you.

Yours truly,

President.

JMO-S

Sept. 20, 1909.

Mr. John Nolen,

Landscape Architect,

1582 Harvard Square,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nolen:-

Yours of September 15, 1909. was duly received.

1. I have sent as requested to Mr. William P. Bancroft, Williamson, Delaware, copies of "Parks as Municipal Investment." I also send you under another cover one-half dozen copies of such report.

2. I enclose herewith a copy of my resignation as president and director of the association which I intend to hand in this evening at the meeting of the board. On many accounts I regret to take this step, but it seems to me I am under all the circumstances wise in doing so. I do not know, of course, what the directors will do in filling my place as president. Everything considered, I feel that perhaps the mayor is the best person to select.

3. I would like to hear from you as soon as possible and before the expiration of ten days with reference to the matter I submitted concerning a possible gift of Dr. Vilas. I met him yesterday, and unless we suggest something that meets his approval within a short time, he will turn his memorial gift in other directions than through our association.

4. Mr. MacLean is to send to you today copy of part of plan of Brittingham Park showing location of bath house for the purpose of having you sketch in the new walk that I apprehend must be constructed from the foot of Monona Street over to the bath house and also sketch in the change in the walk along the lake which I understand is to be brought along in front

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of the bath house and then continue along the lake toward the tracks.

5. I regret that this was not done at an earlier date. I came back to find that Mr. Maclean had gone ahead with the grading of this portion of the park without reference to such a walk and in such a way as will necessitate the needless expenditure of several hundreds of dollars to now get that whole portion of the park properly graded. I had hoped while you were here the last time that you would indicate definitely to Mr. MacLean not only where this walk should go, but the general character of the grading. I do not think it safe to leave such matter to Mr. MacLean and it is quite annoying to have to have the work done over again at increased and needless expense. This is just what we had to do last year with reference to that portion of Brittingham Park lying south and west of Main Street.

6. Another matter that greatly disappoints me is, that the whole of the driveway between the turn south of the bath house and railway tracks is, I should judge, at least a foot higher than it ought to be. This is a matter that I spoke with Mr. MacLean especially about before my vacation. I think you and I talked over the southwesterly end of this drive near Beylers, which is also too high, while you were here, and I expected that that mistake would not be repeated in the further end of the road.

7. Another piece of work that I think will have to be largely added to and in a measure done over, is the work done in protecting the bank along Brittingham Park. If left as Mr. MacLean has it, I am very sure that the first heavy southeast wind we have in the spring with the lake fairly high, will cut it all out.

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8. I also find difficulty with the filling in the triangle, that the filling is not as high as it should be through much of the area. By wise planning the difficulty can be largely remedied, but here again Mr. Maclean has gone ahead in a way to necessitate largely of doing the work over again a second time.

Very truly yours,

J. Murdoch Maclean

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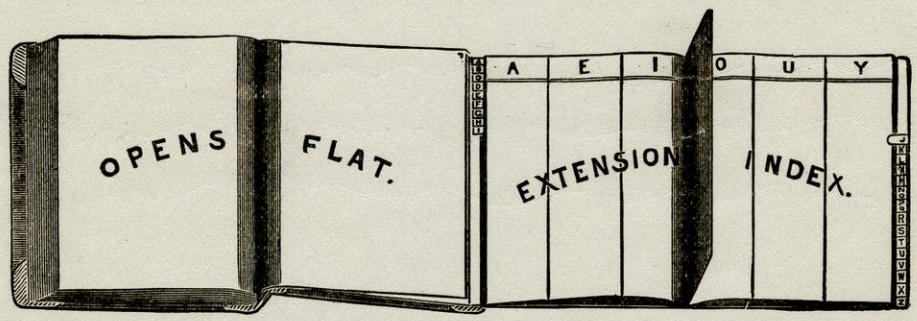

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