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June 20, 1933

Professor Frank G. Dickinson, Secy-Treas.
Amer. Assoc. Univ. Teachers of Insurance
University of Illinois
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Professor Dickinson:

This is merely a note to advise that the suggestions for our Association's December program have practically all come in, and you have certainly done your share in this particular.

I am leaving to-morrow for a month's absence, and shall take all of the suggestions with me with a view to moulding them into a more or less rounded program. I hope to have this completed by the time I return on July 20, and at that time shall send the same to you for further suggestions and also ideas as to the selection of authors for the papers.

Most of the suggestions seem to deal with current matters, and this makes me feel that it might be best not to have the program definitely completed until Fall. Yet I shall do considerable work on the matter prior to that time, so that things may move speedily when October arrives.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

S. S. Huebner
President

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Professor S. S. Huebner,
Wharton School of Finance & Commerce,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Professor Huebner:

The applications for membership of Dean Frank A. Neff,
of the College of Commerce, Wichita University, Wichita, Kansas,
Professor A. C. James, Economics Department, Western Reserve
University, Cleveland, Ohio, and Professor John H. Magee,
Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Maine, Orono, Me.,
bring our total membership to fifty. Again I congratulate you
upon your successful campaign. Perhaps we will have sixty be-
fore the summer vacation begins.

I favor holding the business session at ~~one of~~ the
noon luncheons. We are more likely to be apt to have the group
we desire at that time. I know the pressure being brought to
bear upon you to have the program ~~paper~~ formulated very soon.
I agree that it might be well for us to have at least one out-
standing insurance company executive speak at the afternoon
session. I am not so sure about the morning session because
it might be that the prestige of the insurance company execu-
tive would over-balance the program, and somewhat belittle the
papers presented by the academic man. I would not raise this
objection, however, for the afternoon session. I am wondering
also if in the morning we might not expect the meeting to start
a little bit late. We might, therefore, devote the morning
meeting entirely to one topic, and have two topics in the after-
noon.

I think it would be fine for us to have a stenographic
report of the discussions from the floor, and that the program
should be short enough to make definite allowance for discussion.
How much is it going to cost for such stenographic service? The
other associations, as you know, do not have a stenographic re-
port of duscussions. Of course, we are free to introduce ~~inova-~~
tions in our procedure.

Your suggestion to issue a considerable number of
invitations strikes me as being one of the best shcemes possi-
ble to increase interest, and at the same time, to promote mem-
bership in our society. This matter of invitations should be
left entirely in your hands.

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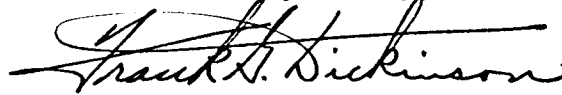
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I think we should strive to make our papers of the research variety in order that our society might, from its inception, sponsor the movement towards more and more research in the field of insurance. Speaking confidentially I feel that Professor Kulp's paper was the standard we really want to follow. Of course, you may not agree with me on this point, and may be able to strike a happy medium between popular interest and scientific contribution to our field of study.

I have a hazy recollection that the Philadelphia hotels were offering to furnish a room for the president and secretary of each association. I am not yet sure that it will be possible for me to come. Such a concession on the part of the hotel would make my trip more probable. Perhaps there is some minimum number of persons required for this privilege.

Yours very truly,


Secretary-Treasurer.