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FELICITATIONS ON THE NEW HOME

Many of the societies and institutions invited to be represented by delegates at the dedication of the new building of the Minnesota Historical Society were naturally unable to

accept the invitation. Most of them responded, however, with letters of congratulation and expressions of appreciation of the work of the society. The following selections from these letters illustrate the community of interests in the field of historical endeavor and the attitude of other institutions toward the Minnesota Historical Society.

AMERICAN BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Your kind invitation for us to be represented at the dedication of your historical building has been referred to me for reply.

We are very grateful for the kindness and regret only that it seems impossible for us to be represented as you request. Please accept our sincere interest in the work and our good wishes in lieu of our presence with you on this delightful occasion.

Respectfully yours,

FRANK G. LEWIS

Librarian

AMERICAN CATHOLIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On behalf of the American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia I beg to thank you for your kind invitation to be represented at the dedication of your Building. The program that you enclosed is very interesting and the print of your Building shows that you are to be congratulated on having obtained such appropriate and artistic results. It is with regret that we must decline your invitation due to the long distance that separates us. We know however that our aims are identical in seeking the collation and perpetuation of the records of American history and ideals; liberty, equality, fraternity and religious tolerance.

Yours truly,

JAMES M. WILLCOX

President

AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

It gives us great pleasure to extend the congratulations of the American Jewish Historical Society to The Minnesota Historical Society on this auspicious event in its career. Your society has

rendered history considerable service through its many and excellent publications which reveal the rich share your state and its people have in the common development of our country. In your new building you should be able to extend your activities and thereby increase the measure of the debt all students of American history owe you for your work.

Very truly yours,

On behalf of the American Jewish Historical Society,	
CYRUS ADLER	ALBERT M. FRIEDENBERG
President	Corresponding Secretary

AMERICAN-SCANDINAVIAN FOUNDATION

We wish to congratulate the Society upon this beautiful new home and, more particularly, upon what you are doing to preserve the literature of the Scandinavian settlements in the Northwest.

We trust that this undertaking will inspire and correlate similar efforts in various parts of the country.

Very truly yours,

HENRY GODDARD LEACH  
Secretary

BUFFALO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Buffalo Historical Society acknowledges with thanks the receipt of your courteous invitation to be represented at the dedication of your new historical building. I regret that it is not convenient to send a delegate for that occasion, but take pleasure in extending to you, as a sister institution, the hearty congratulations and best wishes of the Buffalo Historical Society.

I have the honor to remain

Very truly yours,

FRANK H. SEVERANCE  
Sec'y.

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This Society finds it impracticable to send a representative to be present at the dedication of your Historical Building on May eleventh.

I am, however, directed by vote of the Society to extend to you our hearty felicitations on that occasion, and to wish you increased usefulness and prosperity in your new building.

Very truly yours,

ALBERT C. BATES

Recording Secretary

GEORGIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Please accept our sincere thanks for the honor implied in your kind invitation to be represented at the dedication of your historical building on May 11th.

While it will be impracticable for us to send a personal representative to this important meeting, allow us to congratulate you upon the event, and to wish for your Society that great degree of usefulness which its high purposes so richly deserve. We send you our greetings and best wishes from the empire State of the South.

Very respectfully,

OTIS ASHMORE

Corresponding Secretary

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Let me congratulate your Society on possessing these spacious new quarters and wish it continued and increasing activity.

Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM ROSCOE THAYER

Corresponding Secretary

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA

I wish to thank you for the invitation to have a representative of the school present at the dedication of the historical building on May 11th.

I assure you that the school will probably be represented on this occasion. We rejoice with the members of your Society upon the completion of this excellent building.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. BROWN

President

## MISSOURI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Missouri Historical Society acknowledges the kind invitation of the Minnesota Historical Society to be represented at the dedication of the new historical building, and expresses its thanks and appreciation of this courtesy. It regrets very much its inability to send a representative, and takes this occasion to congratulate the Minnesota Historical Society on the splendid progress it has made and wishes to extend its best wishes for its continued success.

Missouri Historical Society  
STELLA M. DRUMM  
Librarian

## NEW JERSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

I wish, on behalf of our Society, to congratulate you on the building, the picture of which shows that it is in every wise worthy of your very important position as a Society. We are well aware that you are doing good work.

Yours very truly,  
A. V. D. HONEYMAN  
Corresponding Secretary

## NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society acknowledges with thanks the courteous invitation of the Minnesota Historical Society to be present at the dedication of their new building on the occasion of the Sixtieth Anniversary of the admission of Minnesota to the Union, May 11th, 1918, and regrets that remoteness from the centre of its activity will prevent representatives of our Society being officially present at the dedication.

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Society is actuated by sentiments of legitimate envy in viewing the pictorial presentation of your new home, and is living in the hope that in the near future it may be able to emulate the example of your active and energetic society and to welcome you to its new building in New York City the site for which is already provided and paid for.

Trusting that all success may attend this important dedication ceremony and assuring you, our sister Society, of our sympathy and congratulations, I beg to subscribe myself in the name of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

Very truly yours,

JOHN R. TOTTEN

Chairman Executive Committee

RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

I very greatly regret that I cannot myself attend the exercises in connection with the dedication of your new building. Happily however the Rhode Island Historical Society will be ably represented by one of its distinguished members, Professor St. George L. Sioussat, President of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

Felicitating you upon the completion of your new building and wishing for your Society continued success in the historical work it is carrying on I am

Very truly yours,

WILFRED H. MUNRO

President

TENNESSEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

It is with regret that we must decline personal representation on this interesting occasion. However, we are very appreciative of recognition and desire to express our congratulations on the attainment of the much desired new building by your society. You have our continued good wishes for further prosperity and progress.

Very truly yours,

W. A. PROVINE

Corresponding Secretary

TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

We congratulate you upon the completion of this excellent building and trust that it will make it possible for your Society to even further enlarge its effective and useful work in behalf of history.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. RAMSDELL

Cor. Secretary

## VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Please accept the sincere thanks of this Society for your invitation to be represented at the dedication of your new building. There is no organization in the country which can [more] appreciate the need of a new and convenient building in which to do its work and house its collection. Therefore we can, with especial heartiness, congratulate you on your new home. I regret that we cannot, except in spirit, be present on such a pleasant occasion. With best wishes from our Society—

Yours truly,  
W. G. STANARD  
Cor. Secty.

## WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On behalf of the Officers and members of the Washington State Historical Society, we congratulate you on this auspicious occasion. The privilege of dedicating an Historical Building is a happy one.

Complying with your courteous request, that our society be represented at the Dedication, we have the honor of naming Mr. Frank B. Cole, of Tacoma, Washington—a life member of our society—as our delegate, and ask that he may have the privilege of presenting to you our felicitations.

Respectfully Yours,  
W. P. BONNEY  
Secretary

## WYOMING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

I wish to congratulate you upon your splendid success in building this fine new home for your Society. It would have given me great pleasure to have represented the Wyoming Historical Society at your celebration.

Very sincerely,  
AGNES R. WRIGHT  
Custodian



## MISSISSIPPI VALLEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

*Resolution adopted at its meeting in St. Paul, May 9, 10, 11, 1918*

RESOLVED: That we express our pleasure and our congratulations to the Minnesota Historical Society upon the occasion of the dedication of its new historical building, the use of which has added to the pleasures and profit of this gathering.