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Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences

Botany

Departmental Correspondence, 1879, 1894-1912

7 letterbooks of Professor Thomas J. Burrill

Significant topics, reports and articles

University of Administration. Headman's Resolution, 1979; granting of doctorates at the University, 8/95; football coach, 1/2 & 27/00; "Some Early Inside History and Its Lessons" - 13 pages on agricultural education at Illinois, 1901; responsibilities of the president of the University with respect to department heads and the Council of Administration, 5/28/01; university becoming first in the country, 10/20/09 and a 7 page proposal for "A State Institute of Sanitary Science and Public Health", 1908.

Departmental Administration. Annual reports of the Botany Department, 4/11/03, 1904, 4/20/06 (8 pages making requests and stating that, in 1892, Illinois was the leading state university in bacteriology); report on graduate work in botany, 2/25/07; discussion of Illinois' loss of leadership in bacteriology, 11/16/06; development of the Department of Botany, 7/10/07; increased botany enrollments, 1909; and annual report of the Botany Department - 11 pages plus a 3 page letter on salaries, 4/29/07.

Faculty. Honorary LL.D. from Northwestern, 1895; 14 page biographical sketch of George E. Morrow. 4/00; messenger service, 10/17/08; faculty salaries, 4/29/07, 2/17 & 8/6/09; staff appointments in botany - 6 pages, 2/3/08 and grade of R. N. Tagore, 5/5/04.

Scientific. Vaccine farm, 7/95; astronomy and observatory, 1895; Natural History library at Normal, 1879; Arbor Day address at Normal - 12 pages, 4/00; Latin names of Illinois trees, 1/11/06; investigations of meat canning methods, 1906; forestry, 5/12/09; plant pathology instruction at Illinois and in the United States in 1863, 1873 and 1879, 9/27/09; diphtheria test laboratory, 11/09; lichens, 12/24/09 and a 6 page resume of bacteriological work at Illinois - "the earliest problems ever solved in regard to bacterial diseases of plants" "I myself read the first paper upon bacteria and their work ever presented in America to a scientific association (exclusive of medical societies)." - need for a professor of bacteriology, 2/25/07.

Personal. The Drink Habit - 13 pages, 6/00; graduate work of Charles F. Hottes in Germany, 3/14/00;

"Report on Forestry" - 8 pages, p. 168 (1909); "Pollution and Purification of Streams" - 10 pages, 1908; graduate work in Botany for 1908-09 - 5 pages, 4/9/09 and Report on the work and needs of the Botany Department - 9 pages, 5/4/09.

Dates of Letterbooks.

Number	Dates
1	3/31/1879 to 6/3/1879; 10/15/1894 to 2/26/1898

2 4/2/1898 to 5/23/1904  
3 3/11/1903 to 11/23/1905  
4 11/13/1905 to 6/17/1907  
5 6/18/1907 to 12/22/1908  
6 12/24/1908 to 1/24/1910  
7 10/9/1903, 1/26 & 28/1904, 11/10/1904, 2/1/1905; 5/11/1905 - 6/4/1912