

This series of quotations from authorities indicates that the story is told consistently through decades, and might be considered sufficient answer to your inquiry. But suspecting that there was something more back of your questions, I decided to put the matter to a test, and asked Fred Ellsworth, "Of course, you were not here Mr. Ellsworth, but what do you know about the McCook bequest?" After a moment's reflection, he replied, "Well, I have read somewhere that he gave a gift of \$12,500 with a later addition of a considerable sum in cash." When Karl Klooz was ^{asked} what he knew he said he did not know a thing but had supposed that Col. McCook was a local ex-army man who owned the Field which he just good-naturedly gave to the K. U. Athletic Association. I thought that if our University people had such ideas the matter must be traced through to some sort of explanation. A short search in the files of the Graduate Magazine revealed this amazing information. The January issue of 1913 contains an article entitled "History and Argument in Tables", with this brief introduction.

"Many facts and figures bearing on matters of University interest now pending before the legislature have been reduced to the form of tables. Some of them are printed here for their interest historically or their value as 'ammunition'." [Sic]

Among other tables is this one:

GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY		Value When Received
1863	Amos A. Lawrence, Cash	\$10,500
	Chas. Robinson, 40A Campus	40,000
1865	Jas. H. Lane, 2.8 A Campus	3,000
	City of Lawrence 5.2 A. Campus	5,000
1866	City of Lawrence for Observatory	500
	North College Building, Donations and Relief Funds	20,000
1870	Proceeds Sale of Bonds by City of Lawrence, used in construction of Fraser Hall	90,500
1890	Chas. Robinson, 4 A. Land	4,000
1891	Chas. Robinson, 6 A. Land	1,200
1890	John J. McCook, 12.5 A. McCook Field	12,500
	John J. McCook, Cash	2,650
1893	Wm. B. Spooner, Cash, used for construction Library Building	91,618
1894	Dr. S. B. Bell, 101 Lots in Rosedale	
1904	Dr. S. B. Bell, 460 A. in Mo. and Lots	
	Proceeds used for Buildings and Grounds at Rosedale	90,000