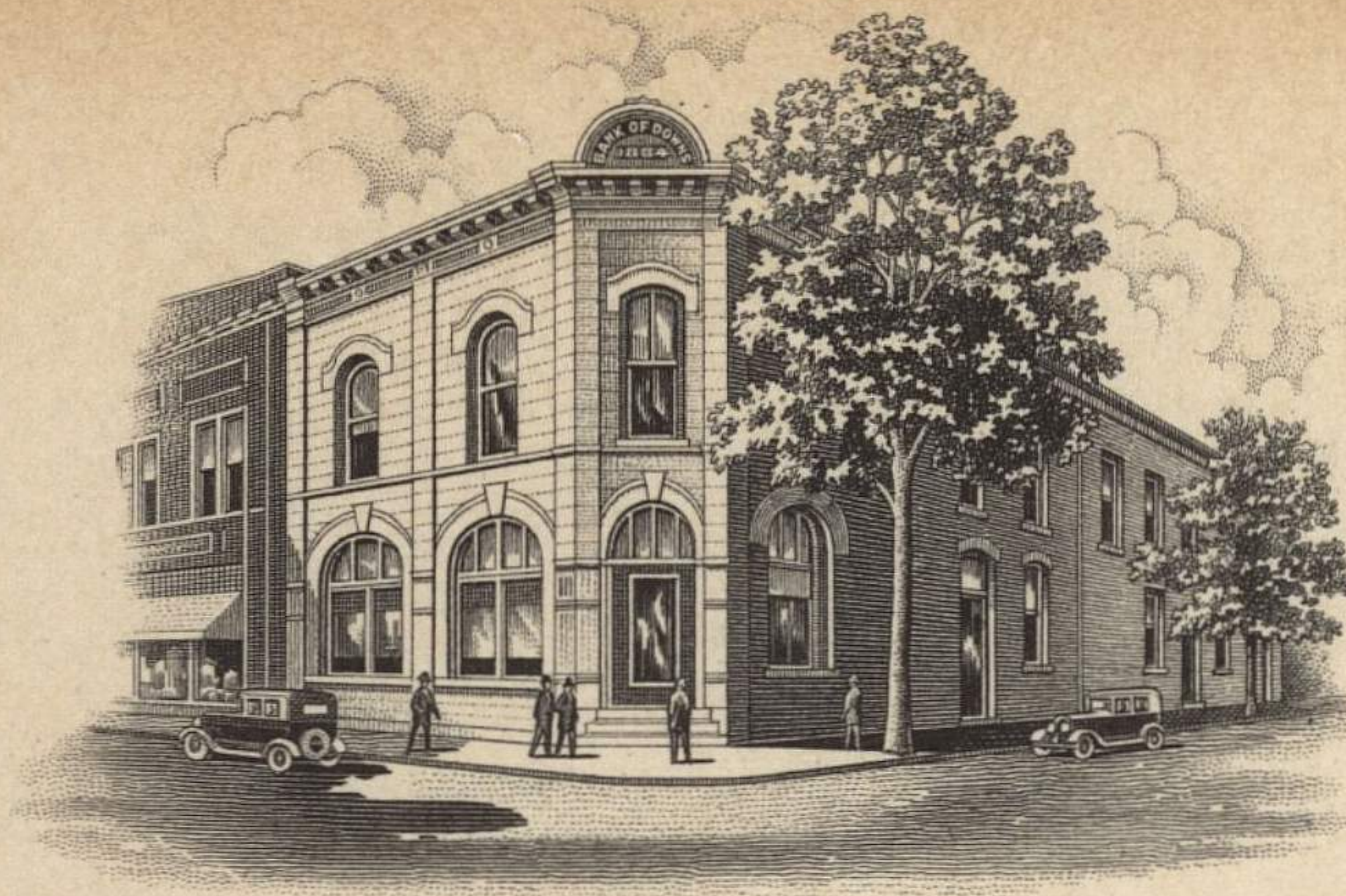


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Dr. Forrest C. Allen, Director
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Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear "Phog" :-

Vance Hall has been over to talk with me several times lately and he is absolutely coming to K U if he can make the grade with his finances. Just last week he told a couple of College Coaches who were here with flattering offers that he had wanted to go to K U for several years and that if he could just make his grades down there and play on Phog Allen's Team he would just about have reached his athletic goal. He didn't know that he could make it with the job you had in mind but wants to come to K U so badly that he will be down there trying at any rate.

He wanted to come down the first of the week and talk things over with you but the fellows from here who were going to Topeka decided to put it off so he won't get to come to Lawrence until about time for School to start next Fall. Helen goes to K.C. tomorrow to take Billy for his monthly turn with the Dentist but Vance has to attend his Graduation Exercises tomorrow night so couldn't go along with her. He leaves Tuesday for work on a ranch in Texas where he worked last year, and the last month of this Summer he will spend in Canada with some Downs folks who have a Lodge in the Lake of the Woods country, as their guest. I hope that he comes back from Texas as much bigger and huskier looking as last year. He seemed to grow inches and gain a lot of weight and said the hard work and sunshine did it for him.

If there is anything you can suggest that I do at this end please let me know. I do feel certain that Vance will be there in the Fall and that no one will get to him this Summer. Every time some one contacts him he comes to see me and jokes about their flattery and the rosy picture they paint for him at other Schools. You certainly did the exactly right thing when you talked just the opposite from all the others about hard work and steady application, and offered nothing on a silver platter. His being away all Summer will keep him from being bothered by other Coaches, especially from the smaller Schools, and he doesn't like their line any way.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely Yours, *W. J. Harrison.*