

3 May 1983

The Bishop's Committee  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
P.O. Box 365  
State Street at 6th Avenue  
Grinnell, Iowa 50112

ATTENTION: Theresa Walker

Dear Ms. Walker:

It was good to talk with you last evening and I am writing to affirm my enthusiastic recommendation of the Prairie Organ Co., which has been renovating the action of the large Holtkamp organ here at Hollins. Their work has been skillful and efficient, employing first-class materials and tools. Business matters, such as scheduling, ordering materials, and billing, have been well handled and planned.

By virtue of his wide experience as a builder of mechanical action organs (first under the direction of Kurt Roderer and later with his own firm) and as a big city organ maintenance man, Walter Bradford has become a knowledgeable professional. His advice is valuable.

I am acquainted with Mr. Bradford's work as an organ builder and visited his shop as he and Ron were constructing a substantial tracker instrument for a Woodlawn, Illinois church. The work was beautifully planned and executed, with fine hardwoods, modern action parts, and imported metal pipework. Three years ago Mr. Bradford installed a small, new Flentrop organ in my home, and thanks to his patient work, it has functioned flawlessly.

I believe that the members of St. Paul's church are wise to be investing in a small organ, and my endorsement of the Prairie Organ Company is without reservation.

Sincerely,

James Leland  
Associate Professor of Music  
Chapel Organist and Choirmaster