

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES**

December 7-8, 1956

**For the confidential information
of the Board of Trustee**

President Hansen called the Board of Trustees to order in the Board room at 10:15 a.m. on December 7. The following members were present: Hansen, Reed, Sullivan, Brough, Jones, McIntire, Bush and, ex-officio, Humphrey. Miss Linford joined the meeting at 10:40, Mr. Chamberlain at 10:50, and Mr. Peck at 11:30. Absent were: McCracken, Patterson, and Newton and, ex-officio, Simpson.

Mr. Brough moved that the minutes of the September 27-28 meeting of the Board of Trustees be approved as written. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Sullivan moved, Mrs. Bush seconded, and it was carried that the Board authorize the following appointments:

1. Miss Margaret Schluckebier as Home Demonstration Agent in Converse County, effective January 1, 1957, at a salary rate of \$5,208 on a twelve-month basis.

2. Miss Audrey Joan Pranter as Home Demonstration Agent-at-Large, effective October 15, 1956, at a salary rate of \$4,008 on a twelve-month basis.

3. Mr. Leslie L. Haas as Assistant County Agent in Carbon County, effective December 10, 1956, at a salary rate of \$4,200 on a twelve-month basis.

4. Mr. Robert D. Burman as Instructor and Research Assistant in Agricultural Engineering, effective December 1, 1956, at a salary rate of \$4,800 on a twelve-month basis.

5. Dr. Roger D. Hannay as Supply Instructor in Music, effective February 1, 1957, at a salary rate of \$2,250 for the second semester of the 1956-57 academic year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPOINTMENTS

Schluckebier

Pranter

Haas

Burman

Hannay

6. Dr. John H. Whitmer as Director of the Student Health Service, with the rank of Professor, effective January 7, 1957, at a salary rate of \$11,004 on a twelve-month basis.

Whitmer

For the information of the Board President Humphrey presented the following resignations:

RESIGNATIONS

1. Mr. Jack F. Rhoades, Research Assistant in Agricultural Economics effective November 1, 1956, to accept a position with the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Rhoades

2. Mr. Neff H. Tippets, Supply Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, effective November 30, 1956, to accept a position with the Bureau of Reclamation.

Tippets

3. Mr. James E. Vance, Assistant Professor of Geography, effective June 1, 1956, to accept a position with the University of Nebraska.

Vance

1. Mr. Reed moved that the Board approve the request of Mr. William E. Johnson, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy, for a leave without pay for the spring semester of the 1956-57 academic year to permit him to continue work toward the Ph.D. degree in pharmacy at the State College of Washington. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Johnson

2. Mr. Reed moved that the Board approve the request of Dr. R. H. Bruce, Dean of the Graduate School, for a sabbatical leave for the nine-month period September 10, 1957 to June 10, 1958 for the purpose of examining graduate programs in action, both in this country and in Europe. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

Bruce

3. Mr. Sullivan moved that the Board approve the request of Dr. Ruth Hudson, Professor of English, for a sabbatical leave for the second semester of the 1957-58 academic year to permit her to concentrate her research efforts and writing activities on preparation of a handbook and bibliographical guide for course in literature of the West. Mrs. Bush seconded the motion and it was carried.

Hudson

Mr. Brough moved, Mr. Sullivan seconded, and it was carried that the following sabbatical leaves be approved:

4. Dr. Hugh W. Hetherington, Professor of English, for the academic year 1957-58 to permit him to complete a study and write a book dealing with the reputation of Herman Melville in England and America during his lifetime (1819-91). Hetherington

5. Dr. W. G. Solheim, Professor of Botany, for the academic year 1957-58 to permit him to do special research on two projects in the National Fungus Collections at Beltsville, Maryland. Solheim

6. Mr. McIntire moved that the Board approve a sabbatical leave for Dr. H. H. Trachsel, Head of the Department of Political Science, for the second semester of the 1957-58 academic year to permit him to go to Washington and study the various aspects of the operation of the federal government, both domestic and international. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reed and carried. Trachsel

Mrs. Bush moved, Mr. Brough seconded, and it was carried that the Board authorize the following sabbatical leaves:

7. Miss Helen Miller, Extension Home Management Specialist, for one year, beginning July 1, 1957, to permit her to work toward the Master's degree in extension education and home management. Miller

8. Mr. Orville Nicholls, County Agent in Converse County, for the period September 1, 1957 to June 1, 1958 to permit him to work toward the Master's degree in agronomy at the University of Wyoming. Nicholls

9. Mr. Wesley J. Seamands, County Agent in Albany County, for the period October 15, 1957 to August 22, 1958 to permit him to work toward a Master's degree at the University of Wyoming. Seamands

10. Miss Irene Payne, Instructor and Research Assistant in Home Economics, for the academic year 1957-58 to permit her to work toward the Ph.D. degree in biochemistry at Cornell University. Payne

It was then moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Brough, and carried that the Board approve the following sabbatical leaves:

11. Mr. George T. Davis, Associate Professor of Animal Production, for the fall semester of the 1957-58 academic year to permit him to study at the University of California in Davis.

Davis

12. Dr. Robert P. Pfeifer, Associate Professor of Agronomy, for the period May 1, 1958 to September 15, 1958 to permit him to study and do research in Sweden and Scotland.

Pfeifer

13. Mr. Reed moved that the Board defer action on the request of Miss Edna Furness for a sabbatical leave for the second semester of the 1957-58 academic year to permit her to do postdoctoral work in the field of language arts at Stanford University pending further investigation of her request. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

Furness

1. Wyoming Days Tour. Mr. Chamberlain moved that an appropriation of \$750 be authorized from the General Fund to provide additional funds needed for the Wyoming Days tour, sponsored by the A.S.U.W. and tentatively scheduled for March 25-29. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

BUDGET CHANGES

Wyoming Days Tour

2. Arts and Sciences Building Door Locks. Mr. Reed moved that the Board authorize an appropriation of \$594 from the University Building Improvement Fund to cover the cost of changing the locks on 54 doors in the Arts and Sciences building. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

Arts and Sciences
Building Door Locks

3. Jackson Hole Biological Research Station. Mr. Jones moved that the Board authorize an appropriation of \$350 from the General Fund to cover the cost of a new outboard motor for the Station. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

Jackson Hole Biologi-
cal Research Station

4. Library. Mr. Jones moved that an appropriation of \$1,085.50 be authorized from the General Fund to permit employing a half-time cataloguer for the period December 15, 1956 to June 30, 1957 for the purpose of cataloguing books purchased with Coe funds and those received from the Denver Club collection. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

5. Information Service. Action on the request for an appropriation of \$171.60 to permit cutting a door between the two offices occupied by the Information Service was deferred to give the Trustees an opportunity to look at the offices and see whether or not they thought the expenditure should be made.

Graduate. Mr. Peck moved that the Board approve President Humphrey's recommendation that non-resident graduate scholarship holders be granted benefits of \$172.50 per semester (the amount of the non-resident fee plus \$67.50). Mrs. Bush seconded the motion and it was carried.

Summer School. Mr. Chamberlain moved that the Board authorize raising the part-time registration fee for Summer School from \$7.50 to \$10.00 per credit hour, effective with the 1957 Summer School. Mr. Brough seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the proposed budget for the operation of the Summer School for the period July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958, totaling \$129,446, be tentatively approved pending approval of the University's Legislative budget requests. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried.

Mr. Sullivan moved that the Board approve the tentative budget for the American Studies Program for the period July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958, totaling \$58,817. Mr. Brough seconded the motion and it was carried.

LibraryInformation ServiceSCHOLARSHIPSGraduateFEE CHANGESummer SchoolSUMMER SCHOOL BUDGETBUDGET FOR AMERICAN
STUDIES PROGRAM

Mr. Jones moved that the Board approve the request of the Director of Physical Education and Intercollegiate Athletics for permission for the basketball team to make one trip by plane during the 1956-57 season-- to Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the game there on January 4--with the understanding that parental permission would be secured for all members of the team making the trip. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

AIR TRAVEL FOR
BASKETBALL TEAM

President Humphrey presented to the Trustees an estimate provided by Mr. Andrew Larson, landscape architect, of the cost of the work recommended in connection with the development of the Nelson Memorial Garden. Mr. Nelson's estimate totaled \$30,000, but he explained that the cost could be raised or lowered depending on funds available. President Humphrey pointed out that no funds were available at the present time to carry out any part of the project. Mr. Reed moved that the Board acknowledge receipt of the estimate and advise Mr. Larson that at such time as funds become available various phases of the work will be undertaken. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

NELSON MEMORIAL
GARDEN

Dr. Humphrey reported to the Trustees that he had been advised by Mr. John L. Montgomery, Jr. of Smith, Barney and Company of the New York Stock Exchange's requirement that a special form be completed each time a transaction takes place. He stated that a special resolution by the Board would be required, and he presented a form which he stated would be acceptable. After some discussion, it was moved by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, and carried that the following resolution be adopted:

COE SECURITIES

RESOLVED that the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees and the President of the University of Wyoming, representing the Trustees of the University of Wyoming, a body corporate, are hereby authorized to sell assign and transfer stocks, bonds, evidences of interest, evidences of indebtedness and/or of other obligation, and all other securities, corporate or

otherwise, now or hereafter held by this corporation in its own right or in any fiduciary capacity, and to execute any and all instruments necessary, proper or desirable for the purpose; further that any past action in accordance herewith is hereby ratified and confirmed; and further, that any officer of this corporation is hereby authorized to certify this resolution to whom it may concern.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:20 and reassembled at 2:00 p.m., with Mr. McCracken present in addition to those who were present for the morning session.

Information Service. Dr. Humphrey asked the Trustees for their decision on the request for an appropriation to cut a door between the two offices occupied by the Information Service, and it was the consensus of the group that the request should not be approved.

For the information of the Trustees Dr. Humphrey presented a letter from the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds reporting on the cost of remodeling twelve Butler Hut apartments. The report indicated that the average cost, not including replacement of twelve obsolete gas ranges, was \$627.80 per Butler Hut, and the average cost including replacement of the ranges was \$691.80.

Dr. Humphrey presented for the Board's consideration a revised option on the land owned by the Suburban Improvement Company east of the campus. He pointed out that the changes requested by the Board at the July meeting had been made and that the revised option had been signed by the owners of the property. During the discussion which followed, Dr. Humphrey told about his conference with the President of the Union Pacific Railroad, and later with other representatives of the Railroad, concerning the possibility of securing 80 acres of land owned by the Railroad east of the campus. He stated that he did not have a definite proposition

BUDGET CHANGE

Information Service

COST OF REMODELING
BUTLER HUTS

PURCHASE OF LAND EAST
OF CAMPUS

to present to the Board but he felt sure the University would be able to secure the land at a very reasonable cost.

Some Trustees expressed the opinion that if the University could secure the Union Pacific land it probably would not be interested in the land owned by the Suburban Improvement Company. Others felt, however, that because of the better location of the Suburban Improvement Company land serious consideration should be given to purchasing at least 40 acres of it. After some further discussion it was moved by Mrs. Bush that the Board accept the proposed option and authorize the President and the Secretary of the Board to sign it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brough and carried.

In compliance with the Board's request, the President presented a report prepared by the Director of Finance and Budget showing a tabulation of the average daily bank balances in the local banks for 1955-56 and the first quarter of 1956-57. The report pointed out that currently federal funds are on deposit in the Bank of Laramie and all other funds are on deposit in the First National Bank.

AVERAGE DAILY BANK BALANCES

Mrs. Bush moved that the Board approve the request of Mr. Oscar J. Olson, carpenter in the Buildings and Grounds Department, that he be placed on retirement effective January 1, 1957. Mr. Reed seconded the motion and it was carried.

RETIREMENT

Olson

For the information of the Trustees the following change orders were reported:

CHANGE ORDERS

- 1. New Steam Tunnel - Garton & Garton - Change Order No. 2:

Add: An additional 25 feet of tunnel @ \$27.50 per lineal foot. \$ 687.50

2. Library and American Studies Building - Spiegelberg
Lumber and Building Company - Change Order No. 3:

Add: Complete the interior finish of the unfinished third floor, and finishing of rooms on the first floor, both in American Studies Wing, as shown on Drawing No. 100, dated September 1, 1956. \$20,390.00

3. Library and American Studies Building - Spiegelberg
Lumber and Building Company - Change Order No. 4:

Add: Install additional drainage tile around tunnels as indicated by drawing furnished by Hitchcock and Hitchcock and approved by Mr. C. B. Jensen. . 696.00

President Humphrey stated that the Board had already given authorization to pay the Workmen's Compensation claims in connection with the death of a faculty member (Mr. W. McNab Miller) and the injury of a student (Dan Doody). He reported that claims received to date totaled \$13,155.30 for Mr. Miller and \$3,938.99 for Mr. Doody.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION
CLAIMS

The Trustees considered a request from Mr. George Barnes of the Barnes Wrecker Service for permission to erect an advertising sign 20' x 12' on the Moudy land opposite his place of business. Mr. McCracken moved that Mr. Barnes' request be approved, that he be charged an annual rental of \$30.00, and that the lease contain a cancellation clause permitting the University to cancel the lease at any time. Mrs. Bush seconded the motion and it was carried.

ADVERTISING SIGN

Turning to the Addendum to the President's Report, the Trustees considered first a recommendation that Dr. Helen Souders be appointed Associate Professor of Home Economics and Associate Home Economist, effective August 20, 1957, at a salary rate of \$7,200 on a twelve-month basis. Mrs. Bush moved that the appointment be approved. Mr. Chamberlain seconded the motion and it was carried.

APPOINTMENT

Souders

For the information of the Trustees President Humphrey reported the resignation of Mr. LeRoy Coleman as Assistant County Agent in Albany County, effective December 28, 1956, to go into business with his father.

RESIGNATION

Coleman

1. Department of Chemistry. Mr. Chamberlain moved that the Board authorize an appropriation of \$3,300 from the General Fund to provide emergency teaching funds for the Department for the second semester of the 1956-57 academic year. Mr. McCracken seconded the motion and it was carried.

BUDGET CHANGES

Department of Chemistry

2. Studies and Statistics. Mr. McCracken moved that an appropriation of \$250 be authorized from the General Fund to provide additional secretarial help needed in preparing the budget digest for the Ways and Means Committee. Mr. Chamberlain seconded the motion and it was carried.

Studies and Statistics

3. IBM Bureau. Mr. Jones moved that the Board authorize an appropriation of \$368 from the General Fund to provide funds needed to take care of the increased rental on IBM machines to become effective March 1, 1957. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

IBM Bureau

4. Department of Athletics. Dr. Humphrey presented a letter from Mr. G. J. Jacoby, Director of Physical Education and Intercollegiate Athletics, suggesting that the Board might wish to provide a bonus for the football coaching staff in recognition of the successful season and the Mountain States Athletic Conference football championship. After some discussion, Mr. McIntire moved that a bonus of \$2,500 be given, Coach Dickens to receive not less than \$600 of that amount and the remainder to be distributed by Director Jacoby and Coach Dickens. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and it was carried.

Department of Athletics

Mr. McCracken moved that the Board authorize holding Field Summer Schools in Powell, Sheridan, Torrington, and Riverton during the summer

FIELD SUMMER SCHOOLS

of 1957, provided enrollment in each community is sufficient to cover the cost of the program. Mrs. Bush seconded the motion and it was carried.

At 3:10 p.m. Congressman Keith Thomson, who had called earlier in the day to ask if he might appear before the Board, was invited into the meeting. After President Hansen had expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board for Mr. Thomson's taking time to come to Laramie and appear before the Board, Mr. Thomson stated that he had not been "entirely happy for sometime with the educational situation at the University." He stated that he had the "continual feeling that education at the University is going backward instead of forward." He referred specifically to the College of Law, which he implied had deteriorated greatly in the years since World War II. He stated that he had received a copy of the unofficial report of the recent inspection of the College and that he wanted something done to restore the standing of the College and maintain its accreditation. He added that he had no solution to propose but that unless something was done to correct the situation his children would not attend the University.

Mr. Thomson then went to a discussion of the political activities on the part of University faculty. His principal objection, he said, was to a professor making partisan political speeches under University auspices and under pretense of speaking about his trip to Russia. He stated that he thought there should be a Board policy setting forth the extent of the political activity in which University faculty might engage. He made no suggestion as to what the policy should be but emphasized his feeling that there should be a policy.

Several Trustees questioned Mr. Thomson on the various criticisms which he mentioned and asked for evidence to support his criticisms. He stated that he could provide such evidence and would be glad to do so.

CONGRESSMAN KEITH
THOMSON'S APPEARANCE
BEFORE BOARD

President Humphrey pointed out that academically the University ranks among the top ten per cent of colleges and universities in the nation, that it is accredited by, or holds membership in, 21 national organizations, and that he felt the University was as strong academically as an institution could be.

After Mr. Thomson had left the meeting, some Trustees expressed the feeling that many of his statements were without foundation and that he should be asked to document his criticisms.

President Humphrey stated that he had prepared a confidential report on the recent inspection of the College of Law by a representative of the American Bar Association which he would like to have the Board consider. In the report Dr. Humphrey told about the methods used by the inspector for the American Bar Association and about the estimate of these methods as given by the North Central Association generalist who was present for the inspection. He commented on the corrections suggested by the inspector and stated that he felt none of the criticisms made was serious. He expressed regret with regard to the unfortunate publicity concerning the accrediting of the College of Law and stated that the reason for the publicity was the wide distribution throughout the state of the unofficial report sent to the Dean of the College of Law by the American Bar Association representative following his inspection.

At the conclusion of his report, Dr. Humphrey pointed out that if the inspection had been made last spring as originally scheduled it would have been possible to include provision for necessary corrections in the 1957-59 budget. Even so, he stated, many of the corrections had been provided for in the Legislative budget. He requested authorization to ask

COLLEGE OF LAW
INSPECTION

the Governor to amend the budget to include an additional faculty member for the College of Law, the amount to be determined by the Board.

After some discussion, Mr. McIntire moved that President Humphrey be authorized to ask the Governor to amend the budget request to include \$17,500 for the College of Law, \$15,000 to be used for the salary of a new faculty member and \$2,500 to take care of other corrections suggested by the American Bar Association inspector. Mr. McCracken seconded the motion and it was carried. (See amendment to motion on page 740 of this book.)

The Trustees then discussed the desirability of writing a letter to the Chairman of the American Bar Association reporting the situation that developed as a result of the suggestion on the part of the inspector that his unofficial report be shown to any interested persons in the state, and of releasing a news article stating that the Board of Trustees had taken steps to meet the requirements of the American Bar Association and assure continued accreditation of the College of Law. Mr. McCracken and Mr. Peck were asked to prepare the news article for release the following morning, and the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

When the Board reassembled at 10:15 a.m. on December 8, Mrs. Patterson and Mr. Newton were present in addition to those who were present for the previous day's session. Mr. Jones left the meeting at 11:45.

President Humphrey reported the interest of Holzinger-Schropfer & Associates of Casper in being considered as architects for the proposed addition to the Wyoming Union building. He stated that he thought the Board probably would want to defer selection of an architect until funds for the addition actually become available. Mr. McIntire spoke of the feeling in Casper that architectural work on the University campus is

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UNION

somewhat of a closed corporation and stated that he thought Holzinger-Schropfer & Associates should be advised that their firm would be considered for the work when funds become available. There was general agreement on Mr. McIntire's suggestion, and Dr. Humphrey stated that he would so advise the Casper firm.

Dr. Humphrey informed the Board about his contacts with Vice Admiral Emory S. Land, a distinguished alumnus of the University, which had resulted in a letter from Admiral Land stating the possibility of his being able to contribute \$50,000 for an aeronautical engineering building on the University campus, provided the amount could be matched by the state and provided the Board of Trustees would be willing to establish and maintain a chair in aeronautical engineering.

The President went on to say that he thought the Legislature should be asked to match Admiral Land's contribution but that he did not feel it would be advisable to construct a small aeronautical engineering building separate from the Engineering building. He explained that he and Dean Person had discussed the possibility of constructing another unit of the Engineering building similar to the one already in use and that he would like to see the aeronautical engineering laboratory provided for as a part of that unit.

Mr. McIntire stated that he was a member of the Education Committee of the Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association and that he was of the opinion the Association had plans for asking the University to expand its program in petroleum engineering. He suggested that President Humphrey meet with the Committee and attempt to enlist the support of the petroleum industry for a request to the Legislature for funds with which to develop a first-class petroleum engineering curriculum.

After some further discussion, it was moved by Mr. McIntire that President Humphrey be authorized to meet with the Education Committee of

POSSIBLE GIFT FROM
VICE ADMIRAL EMORY S.
LAND

the Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association to discuss the problem of petroleum engineering and that, if the Committee can assure him of the interest and cooperation of the petroleum industry in such a course, the President be authorized to tell the Committee that the Board of Trustees will ask the Legislature for an appropriation to expand the College of Engineering to provide facilities and personnel for establishment of accredited curricula in petroleum and aeronautical engineering. Mr. Reed seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Reed then moved that President Humphrey be authorized to write Admiral Land, thank him for his very generous offer, and report the action taken by the Board. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. McIntire raised two questions with regard to the proposed agreement with the Pacific Power and Light Company. One had to do with the demand charge of \$1.25 per kilowatt for the excess kilowatts of billing demand, and the other concerned basing the rate on the customer's maintaining at the point of delivery a power factor of 85% lagging, or higher. Mr. McIntire stated that he felt the University could, by negotiation, secure better provisions with regard to the two points mentioned. Mr. Chamberlain moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to try to work out better provisions and, if unsuccessful in its efforts, that it be authorized to give approval to the agreement as proposed. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and it was carried.

For the information of the Board the President presented financial statements prepared by the Director of Finance and Budget with regard to the W. R. Coe instructional and construction funds.

Mr. McIntire stated that he thought perhaps the Board should reconsider the amount to be included in the supplemental request to the

AGREEMENT WITH PACIFIC
POWER AND LIGHT
COMPANY

W. R. COE FUNDS

COLLEGE OF LAW
INSPECTION

Legislature for making the corrections suggested by the American Bar Association inspector. He mentioned specifically the inspector's suggestions regarding provision for scholarships and distinguished law lecturers. There was some difference of opinion among the Trustees as to the amount to be requested for distinguished law lecturers. President Humphrey stated that he would confer with Dean Hamilton and would request the amount he and the Dean agreed upon.

Mr. Sullivan then moved that the previous day's motion be amended to authorize President Humphrey to ask the Governor to include in the budget the additional amount of \$22,000 (figure arrived at after conference with Dean Hamilton)--\$15,000 for the salary of a new faculty member, \$4,000 for distinguished law lecturers, \$2,400 for research assistants, and \$600 for other minor corrections that need to be made. Mr. Brough seconded the motion to amend and it was carried.

Dr. Humphrey read to the Trustees a letter addressed to the Chairman of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, which he had drafted to see whether or not the Trustees wished to have him send it. It was agreed that the letter should be written and should be included as a part of the minutes, as follows:

December 11, 1956

Mr. Herbert W. Clark, Chairman
Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar
American Bar Association
Crocker Building
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Clark:

At the direction of the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming, I am writing this letter to report an unfortunate situation that has developed in the state with regard to the recent inspection of the College of Law by a representative of the American Bar Association. I believe you will also be interested in having this information.

Following the inspection, the American Bar Association representative wrote a seven-page letter to the Dean of the University College of Law setting forth criticisms which he stated would be included in his recommendation to the Association. A postscript on that letter indicated that it was not confidential and could be shown to any interested person. The letter was shown to a great many people, and as a result some news articles that were very harmful to the University received rather wide circulation in the state. The publicity resulting from the distribution of the letter came about before the Board of Trustees had a meeting to discuss the unofficial report from the examiner. (I assume that an official report containing the decision of the Association will reach us at a later date.)

Since the inspection of the University's College of Law was postponed from last spring until this fall, the University's budget requests for the 1957-59 biennium had already been prepared before the inspection took place. However, the Board has authorized me to request a supplementary appropriation to make corrections suggested by the American Bar Association representative. I have no doubt that we shall be able to make all the corrections necessary to maintain the accredited status of the College of Law. But it will take a great deal of effort on the part of the Board and the administration of the University to repair the damage to the University caused by the release of your representative's letter. The Board hopes that in the future there will not be a recurrence of this unfortunate situation.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Humphrey
President

At 11:45 a.m. architects Porter and Bradley, three engineers employed by the architectural firm, the Director of Finance and Budget, and the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds were invited into the meeting to report on a situation that had been discovered in the process of remodeling the old Geology building. Speaking for the group, Mr. Porter stated that the foundation of the building was not as sound as the architects had been led by the soundness of the walls to believe it would be. He pointed out that the concrete footings had crumbled and that, while the concrete was still 12 inches wide in some places, in others it was only six inches. He went on to say that it was possible the soil would take the additional load to be placed on the building in the remodeling and, if so, no correction would need to be made. He stated the opinion, however, that it would probably be necessary to

GEOLOGY BUILDING
REMODELING

replace the footings on the east and west sides of the building, the sides on which the additional load would be placed. Dr. Humphrey called attention to the balance of \$12,353 remaining in the Geology building remodeling fund and the balance of \$4,000 remaining in the appropriation for the construction of Service building Unit III. Mr. Porter stated that he felt sure the necessary corrections could be made for a cost well within the \$16,353 available.

After the visitors had left the meeting, Mr. Chamberlain moved that the Committee on Physical Plant and Equipment be authorized to consider the final report of the architects on the proposed correction and to take such action as it deems necessary to take care of the situation, and that if additional funds should be needed the balance remaining in the fund for construction of Unit III of the Service building be transferred to the old Geology building remodeling fund. Mr. Peck seconded the motion and it was carried.

Miss Linford distributed to the Trustees copies of a report and recommendations made by the Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards of the Wyoming Education Association at a meeting held on the University campus in November. She explained the functions of the Commission and outlined some of the projects it had undertaken. She then called attention to the recommendations made by the Commission, as follows: (1) increase in budgets of the University and the community and junior colleges to provide for improvement in program for education of teachers; (2) provision for a general education program of 40 semester hours; (3) consideration of counseling load as an integral part of teacher load; (4) designation of subject content courses by subject name rather than by title "Education"; (5) addition of personnel and travel

REPORT ON MEETING OF
COMMISSION ON TEACHER
EDUCATION AND PRO-
FESSIONAL STANDARDS

funds to provide for off-campus student teaching experience; and
(6) accreditation of the teacher education program by the State Board of Education.

Following Miss Linford's presentation, Dr. Humphrey stated that he felt there was a great deal of merit in the Commission's recommendations. He recommended that they be approved in principle and that he be authorized to work with the Dean of the College of Education and the cognate Deans in an effort to carry the recommendations into effect as rapidly as possible. Mr. Peck moved that the Board approve the President's recommendation. Mr. Newton seconded the motion and it was carried.

Dr. Humphrey reported that he had recently received a check for \$2,000 from Mr. Arthur B. Belfer, President of the Belco Company, to be used for awarding five scholarships of \$400 each to freshmen enrolled as geology or petroleum engineering majors at the University. He stated that he felt sure this was the beginning of a number of substantial contributions from Mr. Belfer. The Board asked that President Humphrey express appreciation to Mr. Belfer on its behalf.

The Trustees turned their attention to a statement taken from the Second Biennial Report of the Permanent Legislative Ways and Means Committee listing recommendations affecting the University. The Committee recommended that all funds of all departments, institutions, and agencies of the state be deposited with the State Treasurer, that all insurance of the state and its agencies be placed under the control of the State Board of Supplies, and that an adjustment be made in all statutory salaries and in certain non-statutory salaries not presently limited.

Mr. L. G. Meeboer, Director of Finance and Budget, was invited into the meeting to explain to the Trustees the effect of the first recommendation on the University. He pointed out that depositing all funds with

GIFT FROM ARTHUR B.
BELFER

RECOMMENDATIONS OF
PERMANENT WAYS AND
MEANS COMMITTEE

the State Treasurer would result in duplication of effort, in extra cost to the state, and in loss to the University of interest currently received on local investments and on state funds on deposit with the State Treasurer. Mr. Meeboer and President Humphrey also reviewed the harmful effects to the University of having all insurance controlled by the State Board of Supplies and of having top administrative salaries at the University placed under statutory control.

A number of comments and suggestions were made by the Trustees. Mr. Chamberlain suggested that it might be worthwhile to try to persuade the Legislature to delay action on the recommendations at least until the study being made by the National Association of Governing Boards with regard to legislative control of state-supported institutions of higher learning is completed. It was also suggested that President Humphrey and Mr. Meeboer should prepare a brief setting forth the reasons why the recommendations would be harmful to the University. Mr. Reed moved that Mr. Chamberlain be asked to meet with the Permanent Ways and Means Committee to discuss the recommendations. Mrs. Patterson seconded the motion and it was carried.

President Humphrey suggested that the date for the next meeting be left open for the present. He stated that he felt it would probably be necessary to have a meeting after the opening of the Legislative session but that the date would need to be determined by developments of the next few weeks. His suggestion was agreeable to the Trustees.

For consideration by the Board Dr. Humphrey presented two suggested constitutional amendments relating to junior and community colleges. He pointed out that he had had these prepared by the University's legal advisor following the joint meeting of the Board of Trustees and the State Board of Education in September. There was objection on the part

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of some Trustees to attempting to control the establishment of two-year colleges through a constitutional amendment. Mr. Chamberlain pointed out that it would be two years before an amendment could be voted on and that in the meantime several more colleges could be established. Mention was made of plans already under way to establish colleges in Riverton, Thermopolis, and Evanston. Mr. Chamberlain went on to say that he thought it might be well to have both an amendment and some statutory legislation to control establishment of additional colleges.

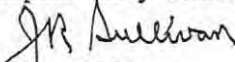
After some further discussion, it was moved by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, and carried that President Humphrey be directed to meet with the heads of the junior and community colleges in the state and attempt to arrive at some accord as regards a constitutional amendment and statutory legislation to control establishment of additional colleges in the state.

For the information of the Board President Humphrey distributed copies of a tabulation of the University Information Service stories and photographs published in Wyoming newspapers during October and November. The tabulation indicated that during the two-month period 545 stories and photographs were published in Wyoming and regional newspapers.

President Hansen appointed Mr. McCracken, Mr. Reed, and Mrs. Patterson to serve as Trustee members of the Faculty-Trustee Committee on Honorary Degrees. Dr. Humphrey asked the Trustees to bring with them to the next meeting any nominations they might have for consideration by the Committee.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


J. R. Sullivan
Secretary

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