MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

President's Office

September 20, 1916.

11:00 O'clock A. M.


The minutes of the previous meeting having been in the hands of the members, were approved without reading.

On motion of Mr. Woodman, the matter of laying the corner stone of the gymnasium was referred to the President and Secretary with power to act.

The President presented to the Board a letter from Prof. Bustace expressing his appreciation of the year's leave of absence given to him.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the salary of Mr. C. E. Wood, Instructor in Wood Shop, was increased from $750.00 to $800.00 beginning September 1st.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, Mr. E. J. Martin was appointed Instructor in Physics at a salary of $1000.00 per year.

The President made the announcement that Mr. Max S. Murray, Second Lieutenant 22d Infantry, had been detailed by the War Department as Assistant Professor of Military Science at Michigan Agricultural College.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the President was authorized to confer the Bachelor of Science degree upon the following persons recommended by the Faculty:

Henry Ahnefeldt Goss, a
Russell Huntington Waldo, a
Frank Marshall Granger, a
James Roland Quinn, e
John Jacob Krammin, e
Wallace Heyser Gillett, a

On motion of Mr. Graham, the following rate of pay was fixed for students employed by the College at common labor.

For continuous labor for whole or half days - 20¢ an hour.

For single hour periods between classes, usually amounting to 45 minutes-------- 15¢.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, an additional instructorship was authorized for the Chemical Department, and Mr. Theodore E. Friedemann was appointed at a salary of $950.00 per year.

The President presented a report from Dr. Lyman regarding the production of hog cholera serum.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, it was directed that the funds now being used to manufacture hog cholera serum be devoted to the investigation of contagious animal diseases.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the following laboratory fees were established: Physics 1 d - $1.00; Zoology 5 - $1.00.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the rule in reference to the refund of room deposits was suspended as to M.A.C. students now in the service of the National Guard.
On motion of Mr. Beaumont, a half-time graduate assistant was granted to the Forestry Department for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the request of Mr. Baldwin, Extension Director, that Mr. J. W. Nicolson be sent to Madison, Wisconsin, to confer with those in charge of the farm crops extension work at the University of Wisconsin, was approved.

On motion of Mr. Woodman, the request of Dr. Bessey that Mr. G. H. Coons and Mr. Nelson be sent to Chicago to study the losses in fruits and vegetables due to rotting in transportation, the expense being estimated at $150.00 to $175.00, was approved. The recommendation of Dr. Bessey that Mr. Ray Nelson and Mr. H. L. Lewis be appointed one-fourth time assistants in celery and potato work respectively, at a salary of $200.00 each, was also approved.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the following recommendations of the Committee on Employees was approved.

That Mr. W. E. Reuling be appointed Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at a salary of $1600.00 in place of Instructor Stark; that Mr. R. H. Bush be appointed Instructor in Mechanical Engineering at a salary of $1000.00 in place of Instructor Eaton; and that Mr. R. G. Bigelow be appointed Instructor in Mechanical Engineering in place of Jay Smith, at a salary of $900.00.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the salary of Mr. G. H. Peters, Assistant in Wood Shop, was raised from $900.00 to $1000.00.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the recommendation of Prof. Plant that Michigan Agricultural College be made an institutional member of the Mathematics Association of America, was approved.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, Dean Shaw was requested to investigate the work of Mr. S. S. Boyce upon milk weed fibre, arrange for winding up the work of the season, and report his findings to the Board at its next meeting and the cost of the work that has been done.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the request of Dr. Bouyoucos that he be permitted to go to Cornell University to consult with Prof. Bancroft in regard to Project Adams 3A, was granted.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the President and Secretary were authorized to contract for the purchase of lots 1, 2, and 3 River Bend Plat, City of East Lansing, known as the White Elephant property, at a sum not to exceed $4000.00.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the following statement in regard to the work of the Field Agent in Marketing, was adopted:

In consideration of the fact that many questions are being asked relative to the power and duties of the Field Agent in Marketing, the State Board of Agriculture deems it advisable to issue the following.

The Field Agent in Marketing shall investigate production and marketing of farm products. He shall assist in the organization of co-operative and other associations and afford them such advice and assistance as he may; shall assist in establishing grades and standards for marketing purposes.
He shall give information to Michigan producers on the market conditions in the various states of the Union and foreign states. He shall gather such facts as may be available regarding the relative crop production and the relative demand, both at home and abroad, and shall gather and present to the agricultural producers and the public all such facts and information as may be attainable regarding such production and market condition.

We do not deem it advisable however, that he enter into the question or practice of fixing or attempting to fix or establish prices on any agricultural products. We deem it the business of the Field Agent in Marketing to supply to the agricultural producers the above information speedily and in plain and concise form so that each individual or co-operative society may judge for themselves when to sell and what prices to demand.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, Mr. Graham was authorized to initial the vouchers.

On motion of Mr. Woodman, the expense accounts of the Board Members were allowed.

On motion adjourned.

Secretary.

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The minutes of the previous meeting having been in the hands of the members, were approved without reading.

On motion of Mr. Beaumont, the following persons were authorized to attend various association meetings with only transportation expenses paid.

' Mr. C. W. Waid, the Official Potato Association of America at Washington, Nov. 12th to 14th.

' Mr. Jas. N. McBride, the Fourth Annual Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits at Chicago, Dec. 5th to 9th.

' Dr. Eben Mumford and Mr. C. B. Cook, Conference of County Agent Leaders at Washington, Nov. 10th to 14th.

Director Baldwin, the same conference and also the Extension Section of the Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations, Nov. 15th to 18th.

'Dean Georgia White, the Conference of Teachers of Home Economics in Land Grant Colleges at Washington, Nov. 15th to 17th.