MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Public Domain Commission, Lansing.

April 17, 1917.  3 O'clock P.M.

Present, President Kedzie, Messrs. Graham, Wallace, Waterbury and Doherty.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved without reading.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the resolution addressed to the Department of Agriculture relating to minimum prices adopted by the Board at its last meeting, was rescinded.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the resignation of Miss Paulina E. Raven as Extension Specialist in Home Economics was accepted to take effect June 30th next.

The President presented a request from Prof. Sawyer requesting five weeks leave of absence beginning July 1st which was, on motion of Mr. Doherty, granted conditionally, the President to exercise his discretion in the matter.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the following report and recommendation from Director Baldwin in regard to the headquarters of the Extension service in the Upper Peninsula, was approved, and the Secretary was directed to make proper acknowledgment to the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County and also to write to the Secretary of the Escanaba Commercial Club expressing the appreciation of their invitation to establish headquarters at that place.

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President F. S. Kedzie,
East Lansing, Michigan.

Dear President Kedzie:

The Marquette County Board of Supervisors has granted the College very fine office accommodations free of charge for the past three years. At present there seems to be no reason for making a change as suggested by the Board of Supervisors of Delta County. The people of the Upper Peninsula are familiar with the fact that the headquarters of the Extension Work is at Marquette and a change would mean confusion.

I believe it would be well to express appreciation to the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County for the accommodations they are giving and to establish Marquette as the headquarters of our Extension work in the Upper Peninsula for as long a time as the office space is available.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) R. J. Baldwin,
Extension Director.

The President presented a plan of poultry extension work outlined by Prof. Burgess and approved by Director Baldwin, which was on motion of Mr. Wallace, approved.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, Director Baldwin was authorized to employ special county agents for counties not having them as shown on his list, at a salary of $135.00 per month each for a period not exceeding six months, together with expenses except office expense.

On motion adjourned.