

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**OF THE**  
**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS**

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**January 11, 1926**



The January meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held at the Blackstone Hotel, in Chicago, at 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday, January 11, 1926.

When the Board convened, the following members were present: President Noble, Mrs. Busey, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Ickes, Mr. Trees.

President Kinley was present.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

The Secretary presented the minutes of the special meeting of December 28, 1925.

The Minutes were approved as printed on pages 489 to 499 above.

**RADIO STATION**

Mr. Trees made a report of progress on the negotiations with Mr. Sullivan for the new radio station.

At this point, Mr. Barr took his place with the Board.

**MATTERS PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT KINLEY**

The Board considered the following matters presented by the President of the University.

**PROXY FOR SOUTHERN PACIFIC STOCK**

(1) A proxy for voting the shares of Southern Pacific stock owned by the University.

On motion of Mr. Barr, the officers of the Board were authorized to execute this proxy.

**REPORTS ON HESSEL LAND**

(2) The following letters from the University Attorneys and the Comptroller on the purchase of the Hessel land.

January 7, 1926

*President David Kinley, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois*

In re: J. F. Hessel Land

DEAR PRESIDENT KINLEY:

In the matter of the petition of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois for the condemnation of the J. F. Hessel tract of land, in the County Court of Champaign County, Illinois, we beg to report that following the execution and ratification of the written agreement entered into between J. F. Hessel and The Board of Trustees, on December 31, 1925, a hearing was had before the County Court. At that time a jury was impaneled under the provisions of the Eminent Domain Act and the testimony of several competent and reliable witnesses, as to the fair value of the property in question, was submitted to the jury. These witnesses testified that in their judgment the sum of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand (\$125,000) Dollars was a fair price for the land involved in the condemnation proceeding. The jury then returned a verdict finding that the said amount of \$125,000 was fair compensation to be paid to Mr. Hessel, and the County Court entered a judgment upon the verdict of the jury to the same effect.

The land involved in the condemnation proceeding did not cover that portion of the Hessel tract which is included within the boundaries of the street dedicated across the tract, known as "Hessel Boulevard." The written agreement entered into between Mr. Hessel and The Board required Mr. Hessel, in addition to execute and deliver his Warranty Deed conveying to The Board the land involved in the condemnation proceeding, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, and also to execute and deliver to The Board his special Warranty Deed conveying that part of the Hessel tract which is included within the boundaries of Hessel Boulevard, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except his dedication of the same as a street, and warranting the same as to his own acts.

Pursuant to the terms of the written agreement providing for settlement of the contract, a meeting was had at the Citizens State Bank of Champaign, Illinois, on the morning of January 2, 1926. Mr. Hessel, however, was not ready at that time to complete the settlement and the meeting was thereupon adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p. m. of the same day, at which time there met at the Citizens State Bank Mr. C. D. Thomas, the attorney for Mr. Hessel, the Treasurer, Comptroller, and the Superintendent of Business Operations of the University, the Secretary of The Board, and the attorneys for The Board.

Prior to this time the attorneys for The Board had examined the abstract of title covering the Hessel tract and found the same to comply with Mr. Hessel's

contract, and to show merchantable title in Mr. Hessel except as to one strip of about one-fifth of an acre.

At this meeting on January 2, which was settlement date under the contract, Mr. Hessel through his attorney tendered his deeds called for under the contract, together with the receipt of the City Collector of Champaign County, Illinois, showing payment in full of all special assessments against the property. Settlement with Mr. Hessel was thereupon had as follows:

The deeds from Mr. Hessel, together with the receipt for the payment of special assessments, were delivered to the representatives of The Board of Trustees, and voucher was delivered to Mr. Hessel's attorney, payable to Mr. Hessel individually, in the sum of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Five Hundred (\$125,500) Dollars, leaving a balance unpaid of the purchase price under the agreement of Fifteen Hundred Dollars. This \$1500 to be paid to Mr. Hessel as soon as the defect in his title above herein referred to was corrected; Mr. Hessel's attorney being of the opinion that this defect could be corrected within the course of two or three weeks. Under the contract with Mr. Hessel the purchase price was to bear interest at the rate of five percent per annum from and after January 2, 1926, if not paid on that date. Therefore, under this settlement The Board is obligated to pay interest only on the \$1500 of the purchase price which is withheld until such time as Mr. Hessel makes the correction on the title above noted. Mr. Hessel at this time also delivered receipts acknowledging payment to him by The Board of the said sum of \$125,500.

The deeds executed by Mr. Hessel conveying the premises to The Board of Trustees were recorded immediately.

As soon as the correction on the title has been made and the transaction completely closed, we will be pleased to make a full and complete report of the entire transaction.

Very respectfully,

GREEN & PALMER

By WILLIAM G. PALMER

*COMPTROLLER'S REPORT ON RECEIPT OF DEED  
FOR HESSEL LAND*

January 5, 1926

*President David Kinley, University of Illinois*

MY DEAR PRESIDENT KINLEY:

I beg to advise you that on Saturday, January 2nd, a partial settlement was made on the contract for the purchase of land from J. F. Hessel at the Citizens State Bank, Champaign. The persons present were Mr. H. I. Green, Mr. W. G. Palmer, Mr. A. M. Burke, Mr. C. D. Thomas (representing Mr. Hessel), Professor J. M. White, Mr. H. E. Cunningham, and myself.

Mr. Thomas presented deeds for the land to be purchased which were approved by our attorneys. In accordance with their instructions, I delivered to Mr. Thomas, who presented authority from Mr. Hessel to accept payment for the latter, a University warrant for \$125,500 in exchange for the deeds. The balance of \$1,500 of the purchase price is being withheld pending the completion of the abstract to the satisfaction of our attorneys. Upon their advice, it is my intention to pay this balance to Mr. Hessel. The deeds received have been filed for record.

A receipt was presented by Mr. Thomas showing the payment of all special assessments against the property in full. The only remaining encumbrance consists of the general taxes for 1925, estimated at \$250, which are payable by Mr. Hessel and cannot be paid until March.

Very truly yours,

LLOYD MOREY

*Comptroller*

This report was received for record.

**VACATION OF HESSEL BOULEVARD**

(3) On suggestion of Professor White, I recommend that Green and Palmer be employed as attorneys for the University, to take the necessary steps to have Hessel Boulevard east of the Illinois Central tracks vacated.

On motion of Mrs. Busey, this recommendation was concurred in.

**REPORT ON COLLEGE PLACE LOT**

(4) The Comptroller reports that the purchase of Lot 86 in College Place from Fannie B. Sherfy (Minutes, March 1, 1923, page 154) has been concluded in accordance with the Minutes of December 8, 1925, page 478, and the papers have been deposited with the Secretary of the Board.

This report was received for record.

**INVESTMENT OF TRUST FUNDS**

(5) A statement from the Comptroller that something over \$6000 has accumulated in the May Fete fund under the administration of the department of Physical Education for women, with a recommendation that this money be invested and the income be made available for expenditure for special purposes for the benefit of women students in physical education; also that Third Liberty Bonds of a par value of \$250 be sold and the proceeds combined with certain small balances aggregating \$268.57 in various permanent funds, and that the total amount of \$6500, more or less, be invested in bonds authorized by the Illinois statutes, the income, of course, to be applied in proportion to the several funds involved.

**BALANCES IN VARIOUS PERMANENT FUNDS NOVEMBER 30, 1925**

Thrift Committee Economics Prize Fund.....	\$	8.23
Gehrmann Lectureship Fund.....		57.23
English Poetry Prize Fund.....		33.62
Plym Fellowship Fund.....		41.39
Gregory Scholarship Fund.....		119.10
Rea Scholarship Fund.....		9.00
<i>Total</i> .....		<u>\$268.57</u>

**LIBERTY BONDS HELD AS INVESTMENTS OF PERMANENT FUNDS***Third Liberty Bonds*

Thrift Prize Fund.....	\$200.00	
Rea Scholarship Fund.....	50.00	\$250.00

*Second Liberty Bonds*

English Poetry Prize Fund.....	350.00	
Rea Scholarship Fund.....	150.00	
Guild Memorial Prize Fund.....	100.00	600.00

*Fourth Liberty Bonds*

Thrift Prize Fund.....	50.00	
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*Total*.....\$900.00

The Comptroller and the Treasurer were authorized and directed to sell the Third Liberty Bonds as recommended, and the matter of the investment of the combined fund of \$6500 was referred to the Finance Committee for a recommendation (see page 508).

**GIFT FROM THE MELLON INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH**

(6) Under the authority given me by the Board I have accepted a gift of \$3000 from the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research of the University of Pittsburgh for research work in the College of Medicine.

This report was received for record.

**GROSS PRIZE IN ARCHITECTURE**

(7) Last spring I accepted the offer of a prize of \$100 from Mr. Christian Gross, Secretary of the American Embassy at Paris, to be awarded for a design problem in architecture. It was impossible to include the competition in the regular program last year but it was held this fall and completed in December.

This report was received for record.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR PROFESSOR H. S. V. JONES**

(8) With the approval of the Chairman of the Department of English, and the Acting Dean of the College, Professor H. S. V. Jones requests a leave of absence next year under our rules. I recommend that this be granted.

On motion of Mrs. Grigsby, this leave was granted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR PROFESSOR C. E. BRADBURY**

(9) With the approval of the Acting Head of the Department of Art and Design, and the Acting Dean of the College, Professor C. E. Bradbury requests a leave of absence next year under our rules. I recommend that this be granted.

On motion of Mr. Barr, this leave was granted.

**EMERITUS PROFESSORSHIPS FOR DR. BACON  
AND DR. DAVISON**

(10) On recommendation of the Dean of the College of Medicine I request that the title of Professor *Emeritus* be given to Dr. Charles Davison and Dr. Charles Sumner Bacon. Dr. Davison left our service at the close of last year and Dr. Bacon leaves at the close of this semester. Dr. Davison has been on our faculty since 1899 and Dr. Bacon since 1903.

On motion of Mrs. Ickes, this recommendation was approved.

**ADDITIONS TO FLORICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

(11) Dean Mumford requests the appointment of Mr. Otto H. Amling of Maywood, Illinois, and Mr. George J. Ball of Glen Ellyn, Illinois, as members of the Floriculture Advisory Committee in place of Messrs. A. T. Hey and W. N. Rudd who recently died.

On motion of Mrs. Evans, these appointments were made.

**APPROPRIATION FOR MEATS LABORATORY  
AND SALESROOM**

(12) On request of Dean Mumford and Professor White, I recommend that the sum of \$2,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the Reserve and Contingent Fund to complete the reconstruction of the refrigerating conduits and other accessory parts of the refrigerating plant in the old creamery laboratory, which has been transferred to the Department of Animal Husbandry for its use.

This appropriation was made by the following vote: Aye, President Noble, Mr. Barr, Mrs. Busey, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Ickes, Mr. Trees; no, none; absent, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Blair, Mr. Small, Mr. Wham.

The matter of slaughtering animals in the old Agricultural building was referred to the Committee on Agriculture for investigation and report.

**APPROPRIATION FOR MEDICAL LIBRARY**

(13) Dean Davis, at the request of the Library Committee of the College of Medicine, asks for an additional appropriation for the Medical Library. I recommend that \$1500 be appropriated from the Reserve and Contingent Fund for the purchase of additional book shelves at the College of Medicine, that the sum of \$3600 from the same fund be appropriated for the purchase of additional books, and \$400 from the same fund for additional help, making a total of \$5,500.

On motion of Mrs. Evans, this appropriation was made, by the following vote: Aye, President Noble, Mr. Barr, Mrs. Busey, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Ickes, Mr. Trees; no, none; absent, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Blair, Mr. Small, Mr. Wham.

**APPROPRIATION FOR COOK COUNTY  
EXPERIMENT STATION**

(14) Dean Mumford recommends that the receipts from the sale of produce from the Cook County Experiment Station, amounting on December 31 last to \$1176.21, be appropriated to the Cook County Experiment Station for labor in connection with the greenhouses. Accordingly I recommend that the sum of \$1200, or so much thereof as may come from the sale of produce from the Cook County Experiment Station, be appropriated for this purpose.

On motion of Mrs. Grigsby, this appropriation was made, by the following vote: Aye, President Noble, Mr. Barr, Mrs. Busey, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Ickes, Mr. Trees; no, none; absent, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Blair, Mr. Small, Mr. Wham.

**DEATH OF PROFESSOR WALTER L. HARRIS**

(15) Assistant Professor Walter L. Harris of the College of Education died on December 17, 1925. He was in his second year of service. Under the Retiring Allowances and Death Benefits System, Assistant Professor Harris' estate is entitled to 10% of the cash portion of his annual compensation, amounting to \$350.

I therefore recommend that an appropriation of \$350 be made from the Reserve and Contingent Fund for this purpose and that the Comptroller be authorized to pay this amount to the legal representatives of Professor Harris.

On motion of Mr. Trees, this recommendation was adopted. The appropriation was made by the following vote: Aye, President Noble, Mr. Barr, Mrs. Busey, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Ickes, Mr. Trees; no, none; absent, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Blair, Mr. Small, Mr. Wham.

**DEATH OF MRS. SNYDER**

(16) I have a telegram from California stating that Mrs. Mary S. Snyder died on Thursday, January 7. I am making inquiry as to the expenses of the funeral arrangements and ask your authority to see that every proper expenditure connected with the burial of Mrs. Snyder is met out of the income of the Snyder fund, which she has been receiving for several years.

On motion of Mrs. Evans, this expenditure was authorized.

**BEQUEST FROM GERTRUDE E. HAWEIS  
OF HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA**

(17) The following letter together with copy of the will mentioned were duly received by me:

December 10, 1925

*Trustees of University of Illinois, Champaign, Illinois*

DEAR SIRS:

Enclosed find copy of the Will, which I drafted June 4, 1925, for Gertrude E. Haweis, deceased, (formerly Gertrude E. Wallace of Havana, Illinois) in which you are mentioned and the original of which I filed in Court here and which is set for hearing January 5, 1926.

Assuming that you are interested in having a copy, I am mailing you one.

Yours faithfully,

LUCIEN GRAY

607 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

The paragraph of the will relating to the University is as follows:

"*SECOND*: I give, devise and bequeath to the Trustees of the University of Illinois in the City of Champaign, Illinois, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, (\$10,000.00), to be known as the "E. A. Wallace Memorial Scholarship", and I request that the Trustees of said University invest and re-invest said sum in safe and sound interest bearing notes secured by mortgages being a first lien—except current non-delinquent taxes and assessments—on the fee simple title of improved farm lands in the State of Illinois; said lands to be of the fair market value of at least twice the amount of the said notes secured thereon; I direct that said Trustees collect and use the net income from said notes in payment of the board and tuition of such young man student or students residing in the city of Havana, Illinois, and taking a regular course in said University, as shall be selected and directed each year by the Board of Education of said City of Havana; said Trustees shall on or before August 1st, in each year, report in writing to said Board of Education, the condition of said fund, the net annual income thereof, accrued and accruing, with a list and description of the notes and mortgages in said fund and from whom owing and how and by what lands secured."

On motion of Mr. Barr, this bequest was accepted.

#### REGISTRATION OF STUDENTS

(18) The Council of Administration transmits a recommendation that beginning with September, 1926, the registration of students in the University for the first semester be divided into three parts; first, registration for freshmen on Friday, preceding the beginning of class instruction; second, registration for graduate students on Friday and Saturday preceding the beginning of class instruction; and third, registration for all other students on the following Monday and Tuesday; class instruction to begin on Wednesday as heretofore.

I recommend approval.

On motion of Mrs. Ickes, this recommendation was approved.

#### THEFT OF MICROSCOPES

(19) The Comptroller reports the theft of two microscopes from Room 317 of the Physics Building in the latter part of November. These microscopes originally cost \$151.75 and had a replacement value of possibly \$250.

No trace of them has been found, but the investigation is still under way.

This report was received for record.

#### THEFT OF PLATINUM CRUCIBLES

(20) The Comptroller reports the loss of three platinum crucibles from the Division of Animal Nutrition of the Department of Animal Husbandry. The report indicates that these crucibles disappeared sometime between July 16 and November 13. They were last seen about July 16 when they were placed in a vault. When they were missed several weeks later no trace of them could be found.

This report was received for record.

#### REPORT ON CONTRACTS AND PURCHASE ORDERS

(21) The Comptroller's report of contracts executed and purchase orders in excess of \$1000 from December 3, 1925, to January 7, 1926.

#### CONTRACTS EXECUTED BY THE COMPTROLLER

Contract executed in accordance with special Board action December 8, 1925:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Item</i>
Rogers Printing Company	\$6500 (Approx.)	December 17, 1925	Printing and Binding 21,000 copies of the 1925-26 Annual Register.

## Miscellaneous contract executed under general regulations:

Name	Amount	Date	Item
Ayers and France	Unit rate of \$2 per foot	December 29, 1925	Boring two test holes for footings for the Pharmacy Building.

## Lease contract executed under general regulations:

Lease From	Property	Rental	Date	Tenure
Fairview Park Cemetery Association, DeKalb, Illinois	36½ acres for Agronomy Experiment Field	\$362.50 per year	December 15, 1925	January 1, 1926 to December 31, 1930

## PURCHASE ORDERS ISSUED

Date	Amount	Department	Firm	Description	Procedure
12-9-25	\$1239.30	Supervising Architect	English Bros.	Hauling	Arranged by Supervising Architect
12-9-25	\$2250.00	Physical Plant	Spring Creek Coal Company	Coal	Quoted Price
12-14-25	\$1000.00	University Press	Geo. Banta Publishing Co.	Printing	Under existing Contract
12-29-25	\$1276.72	Chemistry	The Pfaudler Co.	Laboratory Equipment	Quoted Price

H. M. EDWARDS  
Purchasing Agent

This report was received for record.

## RETIRING ALLOWANCES

(22) A statement concerning persons on the staff who have reached the age of retirement, but have not served the University the minimum of fifteen years required in the provisions for retiring allowances adopted by the Board; with a request for instructions in case the Board wishes to deviate from the time requirement.

No action was taken in this matter.

## DEATH OF DEAN EYCLESHYMER

(23) Announcement of the death of Dr. Albert Chauncey Eycleshymer, formerly Dean of the College of Medicine, on December 29, 1925.

On motion of Mrs. Busey, the President of the University was requested to convey to Mrs. Eycleshymer an expression of the sympathy of the Board.

## INVESTMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

The Finance Committee reported, recommending the investment of \$6500 trust funds (see page 504) as follows:

\$2000 Northern States Power Company 5½% bonds, series B, maturing in 1950.

\$2000 Commonwealth Edison Company 5% bonds, maturing in 1946.

\$2500 American Telegraph and Telephone Company 5% bonds, maturing in 1946.

On motion of Mrs. Evans, this recommendation was adopted, and the proper officers of the Board were instructed to make the investment.



**APPOINTMENTS MADE BY PRESIDENT KINLEY**

The Secretary presented for record a list of appointments made by the President of the University.

Brennan, Jessica W., Stenographer in the Office of the University Press, for eight months beginning January 1, 1926, subject to the rules of the Civil Service Commission, at a cash compensation of nine hundred twenty dollars (\$920). This supersedes her previous appointment. (January 2, 1926).<sup>1</sup>

Burpo, Vernalee, Junior Clerk in Dairy Husbandry, for eight months beginning January 1, 1926, subject to the rules of the Civil Service Commission, at a cash compensation of six hundred dollars (\$600). (January 8, 1926)

Davis, G. V., Instructor in Freehand Drawing, for six months beginning January 1, 1926, at a cash compensation of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200). (January 5, 1926)

Halpern, L. J., Assistant in Obstetrics, in the College of Medicine, for nine months beginning December 1, 1925, without salary. (December 29, 1925)

Levinson, S. A., Associate in Pathology, in the College of Medicine, on one-half time, for eight months beginning January 1, 1926, at a cash compensation of eight hundred dollars (\$800). (December 29, 1925)

Petersen, Evald, Pathology Technician in Hospital Laboratories, in the College of Medicine, for eight and one-half months beginning December 15, 1925, at a cash compensation at the rate of one hundred dollars (\$100) a month. (December 30, 1925)

Ryan, Irene, Junior Stenographer in Dairy Husbandry, for eight months beginning January 1, 1926, subject to the rules of the Civil Service Commission, at a cash compensation of six hundred forty dollars (\$640). (January 8, 1926)

The Board adjourned.

H. E. CUNNINGHAM  
*Secretary*

W. L. NOBLE  
*President*

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<sup>1</sup>The date in parenthesis is the date on which the appointment was made by President Kinley.