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BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held in the office of the president of the university at Norman, Oklahoma, on Thursday, May 21, 1931, at 3:00 p. m., following a tour of the campus and buildings.

The following members were present: George L. Bowman, Chairman, presiding; J. H. Carlock, Vice-chairman; J. C. Looney; C. C. Hatchett; Raymond Tolbert; Malcolm Rosser, Jr.; W. J. Milburn. (Regents Tolbert, Rosser, and Milburn, recent appointees on the Board, attended their first meeting on this date).

The minutes of the meeting held on Friday, March 7, 1931, were approved as read.

The president's annual report was presented by President Bizzell and the various topics were discussed. The report was unanimously approved.

There was a discussion concerning purported statements of Professor P. L. Gettys in connection with the district meetings of the Oklahoma Municipal League being held, one in each congressional district, during the month of May.

Regent Bowman asked to be excused from the meeting, on account of the illness of his wife, in Oklahoma City, and Vice-president Carlock took the chair.

Jess Larson, Mayor of Chickasha, Oklahoma, and President of the Oklahoma Municipal League requested that he be permitted to make a statement to the Board with reference to the conferences since he had attended three and heard the remarks of Professor Gettys and the discussions in connection with the recent legislative acts affecting municipalities, particularly the new tax law creating the county excise boards. Mayor Larson stated emphatically that Professor Gettys had spoken in favor of the bill and in answer to direct questions concerning its constitutionality, he replied that any law is presumed constitutional until declared unconstitutional, and that it is presumed to be constitutional until declared unconstitutional, and that it is the duty of public officials to proceed under the law. He stated, also, that Professor Gettys is rendering a very valuable service to the cities. In answer to an inquiry concerning compensation of members of the faculty for services in connection with the Oklahoma Municipal League, Major Larson stated that Roy Eaton, Special Instructor in Government, was receiving \$100.00 per month from the League. Professor P. L. Gettys had been paid \$25.00 per month on a temporary basis, and that M. L. Mannen, Instructor in Government, had been paid a bonus of \$100.00 for his services as Business Manager of the Oklahoma Municipal Review, the magazine published by the Oklahoma Municipal League.

No action was taken at this time since Professor Gettys was to appear before the Board on Friday, May 22.

✓ There was a discussion concerning the advisability of members of the faculty accepting outside employment, and the following resolution was adopted.

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"BE IT RESOLVED, that all persons employed by the University of Oklahoma, on full time basis, give their full time to the University; and it is the sense of this Board that no such person receive any compensation for services rendered from any person, firm, corporation or organization, except with the written approval of the President of the University in advance, and in such instances the compensation received shall be paid to the University, honorariums for public addresses, or similar incidental services being excepted. All such cases to be reported by the President of the University to the Board of Regents."

Regent Tolbert made inquiry concerning Mae Vandever, Assistant to the Dean of Women, whose name had been removed from the payroll on April 1, on account of the fact that she had failed to make any report as to the cause of her absence, either to the Dean or Women or to the President of the University. Regent Tolbert stated that he had been informed that she had been ill during this period and it was the sense of the Board that she should be paid her regular salary for the month of April, upon filing with the President of the University, satisfactory proof of illness.

The Board recessed to the President's home for dinner at 6:00 p. m., and the session was resumed at the President's office at 7:00 p. m.

President Bizzell submitted the report of the State Examiner and Inspector, on the financial affairs of the University, for the period beginning July 1, and ending December 30, 1930. In this report the officers of the University were commended on the conditions of the funds and efficiency in keeping the records. The report was ordered filed.

It was voted to increase the amount of the bonds for several officers and place under bond several additional officers. The individuals and amounts to be as indicated below:

J. L. Lindsey, Financial Clerk	\$20,000.00
A. E. Thomas, Bookkeeper	20,000.00
M. R. Garnett, Auditor	5,000.00
Q. M. Spradling, Bookkeeper	2,000.00
Walter W. Kraft, Superintendent, Dept. of Utilities	2,000.00
T. B. Ferguson, Storeroom Keeper	2,000.00
Charles Miles, Manager, University Book Exchange	5,000.00
S. B. Hackett, Bookkeeper, University Book Exchange	2,000.00

President Bizzell reported that he had been unable to secure a lease on the five-acre tract from Mable Smithson, owner, in accordance with the action of the Board at the previous meeting, authorizing payment of \$50.00 a year. He reported that the owner had agreed to take \$60.00 a year for 1926-27-28-29-30 and 31 -- no rent having been paid since 1925. The President was authorized to execute a contract on that basis.

President Bizzell discussed with the Board the advisability of exempting scholarship advisors, in the fraternity houses, from the payment of the non-resident fee, and made some explanation as to the duty of students acting in that capacity, and the results obtained. It was voted that such exemptions should be made, subject to the approval of the President, but that such exemptions should be limited to one individual in each fraternity.

President Bizzell presented a recommendation concerning compensation to student nurses in the Training School, at Oklahoma City. The following schedule was approved:

	Present Schedule	Recom. Schedule
First 4 months	\$8.00 per mo.	No Salary
8 "	10.00 " "	10.00
12 "	12.00 " "	10.00
12 "	15.00 " "	10.00

The Board adjourned at 9:45 p. m., to meet again at 9:00 a. m., on Friday, May 22.

Friday, May 22, 1931

9:00 a. m.

All members present except Chairman George L. Bowman.

John H. Carlock Acted as Chairman.

Mr. Ray E. Holcombe, Associate Professor of Dramatic Art, was asked to appear before the Board concerning rumors that had circulated concerning his conduct. Mr. Holcombe stated that these rumors centered around Mr. John W. Dunn, Assistant Professor of Dramatic Art; Mr. J. W. Williams, the Janitor; and a girl in one of his classes who had failed in the course. He stated that the rumors started at the time of the investigation of other University officials. He stated also that Dean Holmberg had talked to him about a similar matter about two years ago, but in a general way, not making specific charges against him; also, that Mr. C. F. Giard, Professor of Piano, had called attention in a faculty meeting of the College of Fine Arts to rumors current at that time. Mr. Holcombe went into detail concerning his work in the University, the attitude of the students toward him, and his own personal conduct. Following this, in answer to inquiry from the chair as to whether he had any further statements to make, Mr. Holcombe, stated that he did not. Mr. Holcombe was excused and, upon further discussion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

In view of wide spread rumors concerning Associate Professor Ray Holcombe reflecting on his department and his conduct, we find his usefulness to the University seriously impaired, and therefore approve the action of the President in requesting his resignation, effective July 1, 1931, and should his resignation not be given, his connection with the University shall cease on that date.

President Bizzell called attention to numerous applications for various positions in the University organization that had been received by him directly, others having been forwarded by members of the Board of Regents. On motion by Regent Milburn, it was voted that all applications for positions and appointments in the University organization be handled as heretofore.

President Bizzell discussed the advisability of appointing an auditor for the University Hospital, his duties to be similar to those of Mr. M. R. Garnett, University Auditor. In addition, he would have charge of collection of hospital accounts from counties and private patients. It was voted that the President of the University be authorized to create such a position, and that the salary be fixed at not to exceed \$2,200.00 per annum. Dr. Bizzell recommended the appointment of Mr. A. R. Barber, now Deputy State Examiner and Inspector, for

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this position, and this appointment was approved.

President Bizzell recommended that the practice of furnishing meals to employees in the University Hospital and Crippled Children's Hospital be limited to the following classifications:

1. Heads of Major Departments
2. Internes
3. Nurses
4. Dietitians
5. Matrons
- 6 Orderlies
7. Dietetic Employees

that exceptions to the above be made only with the approval of the President of the University.

It was voted that the president be requested to secure contracts in writing of all employees in all divisions of the university, setting forth the salary in each case and defining exactly the perquisites in connection with said compensation.

Regent Bowman arrived at 10:30 a. m., and took the Chair.

President Bizzell reported the following members of the faculty now on leave of absence will return to their respective positions at the beginning of the school year in September, 1931:

Edgar D. Meacham, Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences  
John O. Moseley, Associate Professor of Latin  
Howard O. Eaton, Associate Professor of Philosophy  
Arthur C. Shead, Assistant Professor of Chemistry  
W. Anthony Willibrand, Assistant Professor of Modern Languages  
Anna Mae Dearden, Assistant Registrar  
Walter S. Campbell, Associate Professor of English  
John B. Ewing, Assistant Professor of Economics  
Royden J. Dangerfield, Assistant Professor of Government  
Harold Shoemaker, Assistant Professor of Bio-Chemistry and Pharmacology  
Jewell Wurtzbaugh, Assistant Professor of English (Second Semester)  
Benjamin Botkin, Instructor in English  
Lavern Comp, Instructor in Mechanics

APPROVED

President Bizzell recommended that the following be granted leaves of absence, without pay, from September 1, 1931, to September 1, 1932:

(Asso.) Della Brunsteter, Assistant Professor of French  
J. Rud Nielsen, Professor of Physics  
Ernest C. Ross, Assistant Professor of English  
Joseph A. Rieger, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy  
Ivar Axelson, Assistant Professor of Economics  
T. M. McDonald, Assistant Professor of Pathology  
Vera Idol Moore, Assistant Professor of Home Economics, without obligation to re-employ her at expiration of leave

APPROVED

President Bizzell recommended that, beginning with the opening of the school year 1931-32, the fees for private lessons in piano and voice in the College of Fine Arts be fixed on the following basis:

"For instruction in any grade or year in piano and voice when taken with a teacher above the rank of instructor, two thirty-minute lessons a week, \$40.00 a semester. A student who enrolls in a second branch in applied music may do so at half the tuition rate, or \$20.00 for two lessons per week per semester."

APPROVED

President Bizzell recommended that the salaries for the teachers in the summer school be fixed for the month of June, 1931 at the amounts indicated in the summer school budget, and that the salaries for the month of July be adjusted in proportion to the revenue from state appropriations for summer school and the income from fees.

APPROVED

President Bizzell recommended that the fees in the Extension Division for correspondence work, now \$4.50 per credit hour, and in extension class work now \$4.00 per credit hour, be increased, but not to exceed \$5.00 per credit hour in each case.

APPROVED

President Bizzell submitted for approval on recommendation of the Dean of the School of Medicine the following promotions in rank for teachers on the clinical staff in the School of Medicine at Oklahoma City, the rate of pay in each case to be determined in accordance with the schedule for clinical and laboratory hours.

- Dr. Henry Hubert Turner, from Instructor in Medicine to Assistant Professor of Medicine
- Dr. James Burnett Eskridge, from Instructor in Obstetrics to Assistant Professor of Obstetrics
- Dr. Earl Duwain McBride, from Instructor in Orthopedic Surgery to Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
- Dr. Phillip Marsden McNeill, from Instructor in Medicine to Assistant Professor of Medicine
- Dr. Grider Penick, from Instructor in Gynecology to Assistant Professor of Gynecology
- Dr. Charles Nelson Berry, from Instructor in Surgery to Assistant Professor of Surgery

APPROVED

President Bizzell recommended the appointment of the following teachers on the clinical staff of the School of Medicine, at Oklahoma City, the rate of pay in each case to be determined in accordance with the schedule for clinical and laboratory hours:

- Dr. Willis Kelly West to Asso. Prof. of Orthopedic Surgery
- Dr. Lloyd Melville Sackett to Asso. Prof. of Gynecology
- Dr. John Evans Heatley to Asso. Prof. of Radiology
- Dr. Ray Morton Balyeat to Asso. Prof. of Medicine
- Dr. James Jackson Gable to Asso. Prof. of Mental Diseases.

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James Jackson Caviness, Instructor in Ophthalmology  
Forest Merle Lingenfelter, Instructor in Surgery  
Fenton Mercer Sanger, Instructor in Gynecology  
Walter Howard Miles, Instructor in Medicine  
Ellis Moore, Instructor in Genito-Urinary Diseases  
James Garfield Binkley, Instructor in Obstetrics  
Herbert Dale Collins, Instructor in Surgery  
Chas. Palmer Bondurant, Instructor in Dermatology  
William Edgar Eastland, Instructor in Dermatology  
Norphleete Price Eley, Instructor in Medicine  
Lawrence Chester McHenry, Instructor in Oto-Rhino-Laryngology  
Don Horatio O'Donoghue, Instructor in Orthopedic Surgery  
Francis J. Reichmann, D. D. S., Instructor in Dental Surgery  
James Byron Snow, Instructor in Pediatrics  
Joseph Willard Kelso, Instructor in Gynecology  
George Lumar Borecky, Instructor in Genito-Urinary Diseases  
Leo F. Cailey, Instructor in Oto-Rhino-Laryngology  
Ephriam Goldfain, Instructor in Neurology  
Charles Ralph Rayburn, Instructor in Neurology  
 Rufus Quitman Goodwin, Instructor in Medicine  
Wendell McLean Long, Instructor in Gynecology  
James Patton McGee, Instructor in Ophthalmology  
Charles Ross Rountree, Instructor in Orthopedic Surgery  
Fannie Lou Brittain, Instructor in Pediatrics  
Carl Langley Brundage, Instructor in Dermatology  
George Harry Garrison, Instructor in Pediatrics  
John Harrison Robinson, Instructor in Obstetrics  
Robert Howe Akin, Instructor in Urology  
Bert Fletcher Keltz, Instructor in Medicine  
Walker Morledge, Instructor in Medicine  
Clarence Edgar Bates, Instructor in Medicine  
John Alfred Moffett, Instructor in Anesthesia  
Walter Archibald Lybrand, Lecturer in Medical Jurisprudence  
Francis Asbury DeMand, Instructor in Obstetrics  
William Marcus Mussil, Instructor in Oto-Rhino-Laryngology  
Elmer Ray Musick, Instructor in Medicine  
Darrell Gordon Duncan, Instructor in Dermatology  
Ward Shaffer, Instructor in Dentistry  
John Flack Burton, Instructor in Surgery  
Patrick Sarsfield Nagle, Instructor in Surgery  
Hugh Clifford Jones, Instructor in Gynecology  
Floyd Gray, Instructor in Obstetrics

APPROVED

The Board recessed at 12:15 to eat lunch at the Union, following which a picture of the Board was made in front of the Administration Building.

Convened at 1:30 p. m.

All members present. Regent Bowman presiding

President Bizzell reported the following resignations, effective on the dates specified in each case:

- E. T. Bodenber, Assistant Professor of Botany, September 1, 1931
- Susie Deane Whitaker, Secretary to Dean of the Graduate School, March 9, 1931
- Catherine Eller, Cataloger, June 1, 1931
- Helen Morrison, Library Assistant, April 1, 1931
- Pauline Gray Robinson, Secretary Extension, May 1, 1931.

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- Mrs. Marie Kanatzar, Information Clerk, University Hospital, April 1, 1931
- Robert Chandler, Janitor, March 31, 1931
- Ira Akins, Truck Driver, March 23, 1931
- Thomas J. Anderson, Storeroom Assistant, December 1, 1930
- Virgil Bouldin, Elevator Boy, December 31, 1930
- Mary Elizabeth Bynum, Stenographer, April 25, 1931
- W. Crawford, Yardman, March 23, 1931
- Ruby Hart, Stenographer, January 1, 1931
- Ed Hawkins, Chef, December 1, 1930
- Verna Hooper, Nursing Assistant, January 31, 1931
- B. J. Lusk, Janitor, January 1, 1931
- Svend Nielsen, Dairyman, January 5, 1931
- Maude Spotts, Tray Girl, April 1, 1931
- LaVona Sturgeon, Technician, March 31, 1931
- A. W. Cassady, Landscape Gardener, University Hospital, May 3, 1931

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President Bizzell recommended that the following teachers be given promotions in rank as indicated below, to date from September 1, 1931:

- Kenneth Crook, Instructor in Chemistry, to Assistant Professor of Chemistry
- Paul Eldridge, Instructor in English, to Assistant Professor of English
- B. A. Botkin, Instructor in English, to Assistant Professor of English
- R. W. Harris, Instructor in Geology, to Assistant Professor of Geology
- J. W. Stovall, Instructor in Geology, to Assistant Professor of Geology
- F. S. E. Amos, Instructor in Government, to Assistant Professor of Government
- Helen Hamill, Instructor in Home Economics, to Assistant Professor of Home Economics
- Nellie R. Evans, Instructor in Home Economics, to Assistant Professor of Home Economics
- Frances Pendleton, Instructor in Home Economics, to Assistant Professor of Home Economics
- John H. Casey, Associate Professor of Journalism, to Professor of Journalism

Grace E. Ray, Instructor in Journalism, to Assistant Professor of Journalism  
 John O. Brixey, Instructor in Mathematics, to Assistant Professor of Mathematics  
 C. E. Springer, Instructor in Mathematics, to Assistant Professor of Mathematics  
 J. Ray Matlock, Instructor in Civil Engineering, to Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering  
 Cortez A. M. Ewing, Assistant Professor of Government, to Associate Professor of Government

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President Bizzell recommended that the following fees be established in the respective courses as listed below:

Architecture 8	\$ 3.00
Architecture 41	3.00
Architecture 42	3.00
Architecture 61	3.00
Architecture 62	3.00
Architecture 155	4.00
Architecture 251	2.00
Architecture 252	2.00
Architecture 231	5.00
Architecture 232	5.00
Architecture 265	4.00
Architecture 273	5.00
Architecture 274	5.00
Architecture 280	3.00
Architecture 291	5.00
Architecture 292	2.00
Architecture 391	5.00
Architecture 392	5.00
Architecture 431	5.00
Home Economics 362	3.00
Civil Engineering 132	3.00
Physics 223	3.00 per credit hour
Geography 40	1.00
Commercial Pharmacy 1	2.00
Commercial Pharmacy 101	3.00
Commercial Pharmacy 102	1.00
Pharmacognosy 1	1.00
Pharmacognosy 2	2.00
Pharmacognosy 101	1.00
Pharmacology 1	2.00
Pharmacology 101	5.00
Pharmacology 300	5.00
Pharmacology 401	5.00
Pharmacy 2	12.00 (deposit)
Pharmacy 3	12.00 (deposit)
Pharmacy 19	12.00 (deposit)
Pharmacy 103	12.00 (deposit)
Pharmacy 104	12.00 (deposit)
Pharmacology 2	8.00 (deposit)

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Professor P. L. Gettys, Assistant Professor of Government, appeared before the Board with reference to statements made by him at district conferences of the Oklahoma Municipal League. His statements were, in substance, in accordance with the report of Mayor Jess Larson, namely, that he had not made any direct statements concerning the constitutionality of the new tax law providing for county excise boards. Following Dr. Getty's statements, a resolution was adopted:

"Be it resolved by the Board of Regents that after hearing Professor P. L. Gettys, and making other investigations as to certain remarks alleged to have been made by him in public addresses under the auspices of the Municipal League, that we find Professor Gettys is in favor of the law, believes it constitutional and had no intention of creating doubt as to the law or its purpose.

"While we recognize full academic freedom in the classroom, we disapprove the discussion of controversial political questions before public bodies by any member of the faculty".

President Bizzell presented the budget of the University, Extension Division, Medical School, University Hospital, and Crippled Children's Hospital, for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1931, explaining the procedure in making adjustments to bring the total expenditures within the amounts appropriated by the Thirteenth Legislature, leaving reserves for emergencies. He stated that a reduction of five per cent had been made from larger salaries, and proportionately smaller reductions from lower salaries.

President Bizzell was asked to make a statement with reference to his own salary. He stated that he preferred not to discuss his own salary and asked that he be excused while the matter was under consideration. Regent Hatchett made a motion that the president's salary be fixed at the rate of \$10,000.00 per year, to date from July 1, 1931. A vote was taken and Regent Hatchett's motion was defeated. Regent Carlock offered a substitute motion fixing the President's salary at \$11,250.00, plus perquisites in effect at the present time. A vote was taken on this motion. Voting yes: Regents Bowman, Tolbert, Milburn, and Carlock; voting no: Regents Hatchett, Looney, and Rosser. The motion carried.

Several plans of making reductions in the budget were discussed, purpose being to leave a surplus to revert to the state treasury at the end of the fiscal year and thus reduce the state deficit. It was voted that the budget for the University be readjusted so as to effect a saving of approximately \$100,000.00 each year of the biennium, leaving the net to be expended \$1,207,046.45. It was voted to make proportionate reductions in the Extension Division, School of Medicine, at Oklahoma City, the University Hospital, except \$25,000.60 for soldiers' relief, and on the salary appropriation for the Crippled Children's Hospital, or a total reduction for the several divisions of approximately \$305,000.00 for the biennium.

President Bizzell was instructed to resubmit the budget and adjust salaries and other expenditures to bring the total within the amount as agreed upon.

It was voted to hold the next meeting of the Board at 2:30 p. m., on Tuesday, June 9, commencement day, at which time the budget would be reconsidered.

On motion adjourned.

*Emil R. Kraettli*  
Emil R. Kraettli, Secretary.