

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma was held at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, June 9, 1941, in the office of the President.

Regent Looney, President of the Board presided; others present: Regents Noble, McBride, Wimberly, Hopper, Chambers, and Craig.

The minutes of the meeting held on Friday, May 30, 1941, were approved, each member having been furnished a copy previously.

President Bizzell requested confirmation by the Board on the fee of \$17.50 for English "A" during the summer session. He explained that this class meets five times per week although it does not carry college credit. The fee would be at the rate of \$3.50 per class hour the same as is charged in regular credit courses.

It was voted to confirm the fee as recommended by President Bizzell.

The Chair asked that he be excused, stating he was scheduled to meet with the Alumni Board in the Union Building. He asked Regent McBride, Vice-President, to take the Chair during his absence.

The following recommendations concerning the personnel in the Hospitals and the School of Medicine, Oklahoma City, were presented by President Bizzell:

University and Crippled Children's Hospitals

Resignations

- Dora Ella Brooks, Head Nurse, March 31, 1941.
- Margaret Bolton, Instructor in Nursing Education, April 8, 1941.
- Grady Bell, Electrician, April 19, 1941.
- Harry Johnson, Plumber, April 18, 1941.
- Kendall Knutson, Laboratory Technician, April 30, 1941.
- Mable Milne, Head Nurse, May 21, 1941.

Appointments

- Kathryn Krammes, Assistant Superintendent of Nurses, salary \$135.00 per month, effective March 1, 1941.
- Ruth Lowry, Medical Social Worker, \$85.00 per month, relieved Miss Helen Carr during her absence and remains on payroll.
- Elaine deBorra, Instructor in Nursing Education, \$110.00 per month, April 20, 1941.
- Carl A. Wagner, Plumber, \$100.00 per month, April 18, 1941.
- C. E. Leaman, Electrician, \$114.00 per month, April 20, 1941.
- Floyd V. James, Photographer, \$110.00 per month, March 24, 1941.

University and Crippled Children's Hospitals, Cont.Transfers

- Bessie Souders, temporarily appointed Assistant Superintendent of Nurses, transferred to position of Head Nurse, \$80.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Virginia Montgomery, transferred from position of General Staff Nurse to Nurse-Technician in Cystoscopic Department, salary increased from \$65.00 to \$75.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Myna Northern, transferred from General Staff Nurse to Head Nurse, salary increased from \$65.00 to \$80.00 per month, April 1, 1941.

Called to Active Duty in Army

- Harold F. Bertram, Senior Intern, March 7, 1941.
- Maurice B. Winstead, Senior Intern, March 31, 1941.
- Vernon L. Bolton, Resident in X-Ray, April 14, 1941.

Leaves of Absence

- Keturah Foulks, Medical Social Worker, from February 6 to June 1, 1941.

Salary Increases

- Curtis H. Epps, Resident in Pathology, from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per month, March 1, 1941. This increase is remuneration for living outside the hospital.
- John M. Parrish, Jr., Resident in Obstetrics, from \$75.00 to \$85.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Armin Hinkelman, Admitting Clerk, from \$70.00 to \$75.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Lester Sabolich, Brace Shop Helper, from \$70.00 to \$75.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- J. D. Lowry, X-Ray Technician, from \$110.00 to \$125.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Kendell Knutson, Laboratory Technician, from \$65.00 to \$100.00 per month, March 1, 1941.
- Vernal Johnson, Laboratory Technician, from \$100.00 to \$110.00 per month, April 1, 1941.
- J. D. Everett, Storeroom Inventory and Property Clerk, from \$75.00 to \$90.00 per month, April 1, 1941.
- M. A. Flesher, Orthodontist, from \$72.00 to \$122.00 per month, April 19, 1941.
- Mayburn Bass, from General Staff Nurse to Head Nurse, May 22, 1941. Salary increased from \$65.00 to \$80.00 per month.

Services Discontinued

- Carl Nahelka, Assistant Bracemaker, April 1, 1941.
- L. H. Diller, Photographer, April 1, 1941.
- John S. Gaway, Dental Resident, April 17, 1941.

School of Medicine

Resignations

Charles Nelson Berry, Associate in Surgery, May 28, 1941.
 Hugh Malcolm Galbraith, Instructor in Neurology, March 24, 1941.
 Benedict E. Abreu, Instructor in Pharmacology, July 1, 1941.

Deaths

John Archer Hatchett, Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics,
 August 15, 1940.

Appointment

Elizabeth R. Hall, Instructor in Bacteriology, \$1,800.00
 for nine months service, effective September 1, 1941.

Leaves of Absence

Frank Pitkin Bertram, Instructor in Dental Surgery,
 September 1, 1940 to June 30, 1941.
 Robert Bruce Howard, Assistant in Surgery, March 29,
 1941 for one year.
 Stanley Francis Wildman, Associate in Urology, April 24,
 1941 for one year. Dr. Wildman has been called
 to active duty in the Army.
 William Edgar Strecker, Assistant in Gynecology, May 15,
 1941 for one year. Dr. Strecker has been called to
 active duty in the Army.
 M. Kurzner, Assistant in Pediatrics has been called to
 active duty in the Navy, effective June 3, 1941.

On motion by Dr. Chambers, seconded by Regent Hopper, the
 recommendations for the Hospitals and School of Medicine, were approved.

President Bizzell recommended the appointment of Ray A. Heady,
 as Assistant Professor of Journalism for the school year 1941-42, at a
 salary of \$2,331.00 on the nine months basis.

Recommended also the appointment of Ingo Maddaus, Jr., as
 Instructor in Mathematics, for the school year of 1941-42, at a salary
 of \$1,800.00 on the nine months basis.

President Bizzell reported that Dr. Brandt, President-Elect,
 has approved both of these appointments and on motion by Regent Wimberly,
 the appointments were confirmed.

President Bizzell read a letter from L. E. "Jap" Haskell,
 Director of Athletics, recommending that wrestling be discontinued as an
 intercollegiate sport, "until such a time when we feel like we are able
 to take care of the sport like it should be handled with a full time
 coach."

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President Bizzell concurred in the recommendation and on motion by Regent Noble, it was approved.

President Bizzell reported to the Board on his conference with Dean Julien C. Monnet and read the following letter from Dean Monnett:

"I have received your letter. I have for considerable time been contemplating retirement. Such arrangement is satisfactory. But I would like to make one request. During the thirty-two years I have been in the University I have never asked for a leave of absence and during one of those years I was acting President as well as Dean of the Law School with no additional compensation, and substantially no additional expense in the Law School, thus making a net saving to the University of twelve months salary of a University President. My request is that I be given a leave of absence for next year, the matter of pay whatever the Regents may consider fit and proper.

"When I came here in 1909 to organize the Law School the Regents stated that they wished me to accept full responsibility for conduct of the Law School and results obtained. I answered I would be willing to do so provided there was no interference political or otherwise with internal management. This sentiment the Regents heartily approved. After all these years I am happy to be able to testify that there has never been any such interference, and that no one could have received more cordial and satisfactory encouragement and cooperation than I have received from the Boards of Regents and the University Presidents during the entire period.

"And now in laying down the inspiring and constructive burden of organizing and conducting for thirty-two years the State University Law School in this great new State, I can only say in closing the record, 'Whatever is writ is writ, would that it were worthier.'

(Signed) Julien C. Monnet, Dean".

Following a discussion of the matter, President Bizzell recommended that Dean Monnet's request that he be permitted to retire at the close of the current school year be accepted. President Bizzell recommended further that Dean Monnet be appointed Dean Emeritus and Professor of Law and be granted a sabbatical leave of absence for the scholastic year 1941-42.

It was voted, on motion by Regent Noble, seconded by Regent Hopper, that the recommendations be approved.

It was the sense of the Board that the amount of compensation for Dean Monnet be determined when the budget for the next school year comes up for consideration.

President Bizzell recommended that Dr. John G. Hervey of Philadelphia, be appointed Dean of the School of Law, and that his salary be fixed at the rate of \$6,000.00 on a twelve months basis, effective on and after July 1, 1941.

On motion by Regent Noble, seconded by Regent Hopper, the recommendation was unanimously approved.

President Bizzell requested authority for a transfer of funds for the Oklahoma Geological Survey, Account No. 651 - Maintenance, in the amount of \$340.83, to Account No. 151 - Salaries. He stated that Mr. Dott, Director of the Survey had discussed the matter with him and that this transfer had been approved by Mr. R. R. Owens, State Budget Officer.

It was voted to approve this transfer.

The following communication was read by the Secretary:

"The Board of Regents
The University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

"On December 5, 1940 I wrote the Registrar of the University of Oklahoma respecting my change in name. On December 10, 1940 Mr. G. E. Wadsack replied, acknowledging receipt of official document showing a change in my name and indicating that a proper change had been made on all of the University records. Mr. Wadsack further stated that the question concerning new diplomas would be referred to the Board of Regents.

"I have received no further word in this connection, but I am taking the liberty of enclosing herewith my two diplomas which I would very much appreciate your having re-issued in order that my name may be properly shown as Nicholas Alexander Kendall. I am not returning the leather folders inasmuch as the new diplomas may be placed in them when they are returned to me.

"Please advise me regarding any charge involved, and I shall be glad to send you my check to cover.

"I understand that Dr. Bizzell is leaving the University of Oklahoma this semester, and I would especially like his signature on my new diplomas.

"I shall indeed appreciate your having the enclosed diplomas re-issued for me.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) N. A. Kendall."

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A certified copy of Court Order IN RE: Change of name of Nicolas Alexandre Kaldenbach, No. 268,480, showing that the change in name was authorized in the District Court of Harris County, Texas, on the 16th day of August, 1940, was read.

Following a discussion of the matter, it was voted that the request that diplomas be reissued in the name of Nicholas Alexander Kendall be not granted inasmuch as all of the college work was done and the diplomas issued prior to the date of the Court Order; and, "it is the sense of this Board that we are without legal authority to reissue the diplomas under the new name."

Regent Chambers reported that he had talked with Ron Stephens, State WPA Director, concerning the 101 Ranch House, and that he had agreed to discontinue the NYA Project through which the house was being torn down, and that the suggestion had been made that it might be possible to secure WPA assistance to have the house moved to the University campus. He suggested that a committee be appointed to investigate possibilities along this line.

The Chair appointed Regent Wimberly with Regent Chambers as a committee to investigate the possibilities of securing WPA assistance on this project.

Regent Wimberly offered the following motion which was unanimously adopted: "I move that President Bizzell inform Senator Josh Lee on behalf of the Board of Regents, of its appreciation of the fine commencement address; also, to express appreciation to Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, and others who participated in the commencement exercises."

Regent Wimberly offered the following motion which was unanimously adopted: "I move that the Board express its appreciation to Joe Looney, President of the Board for the statement concerning President Bizzell which was read at the commencement exercises and that this statement be made a part of the minutes of this meeting. The statement follows:

"Doctor William Bennett Bizzell has been President of the University of Oklahoma for sixteen years. For almost fifteen years of that time, I have had the privilege of serving on the Board of Regents. This has given me a most excellent opportunity to see and to know the President and the Man.

"He has always been the thoughtful, scholarly, quiet type of executive, carefully avoiding the spectacular which so often causes friction and heart-burnings, deliberately making improvement here and there after thoroughly considering men and policies, ever aiming at an orderly, smooth-working, highly efficient administration. Limited funds have been wisely and judiciously used to the end that our people may receive a dollar's worth of educational service for every dollar in taxes spent.

"Under his administration, the University has experienced its greatest growth. The student body has nearly doubled in size and yet Dr. Bizzell has always placed the emphasis upon scholarship, never upon mere numbers. Many useful buildings and much needed equipment have been added to our lovely grounds; but unfortunately they have not kept pace with the growth of the student body.

"His has been a constructive administration. Sound scholarship has been promoted. Broad, liberal culture has been advanced. True intellectual freedom has been fostered. Democracy has been emphasized. Belief in and respect for the ideals and institutions of America have been encouraged. The spirit of the greatest Teacher of all has been nurtured.

"His has been the guiding hand during these years of progress. What pride and joy must be his as he looks out upon this campus and back across the years! Even more, what greater pride and what greater joy must be his as he gazes in retrospect upon the thousands of young men and women passing across the commencement stage into an active life of good citizenship and useful service! Yes, he has done infinitely more than to lead in building a fine University. He has led in building life and character--manhood and womanhood--for Oklahoma.

"In so doing, his private life has been a noble example in right living. His Christian character has been a tremendous influence for good. His home life, which is as gentle and beautiful as the flowers of Spring, is admired by each and all.

"Dr. Bizzell soon leaves the arduous duties of administration for his beloved field of teaching. He remains on the faculty as President Emeritus and Head of the Department of Sociology. Thus, our boys and girls will continue to receive wisdom and inspiration from a life so rich in experience.

"Oklahoma is proud of Dr. Bizzell for what he is. Oklahoma is grateful to Dr. Bizzell for what he has done. He has richly earned from the State of his adoption the righteous verdict of 'well done, good and faithful servant.'

Joe Looney,
President of Board of Regents,
University of Oklahoma."

Regent Noble made the motion which was duly seconded and carried that, "a copy of every radio program over WNAD be filed with the President of the University and that one copy be filed with the Secretary of the Board of Regents."

Mr. Looney, President of the Board, returned to the meeting.

There was a discussion concerning the date of the next meeting and it was voted to adjourn subject to call by the President of the Board. Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Emil R. Kraettli
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