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JOURNAL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
March 27, 1950, 4:10 p.m.
Monnet Hall, Room 101

The Senate met in regular session with President G. L. Cross in the chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cross, G. L.
Beach, Leonard
Bienfang, Ralph
Calhoun John C.
Comp, L. A.
Copeland, Fayette
Cosgrove, A. L.
De la Torre, A. M.
Ewing, Cortez, A.M.
Farrar, C. L.
Franklin, C. M.
Frederickson, E.A.
Goodman, George J.
Hoy, Harry
Keeley, Joe

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kritser, Harriet W.
Lottinville, Savoie
Matlock, J. Ray
Nielsen, J. Rud
Ortenburger, A. I.
Penfound, Wm. T.
Pray, Joseph C.
Rinsland, Henry D.
Sanders, Stella
Schultz, E. J.
Sears, Alfred B.
Schuman, Ronald B.
Sneed, Earl
Snyder, L. H.
Stow, Lloyd

MEMBERS ABSENT

Pender, John F.
Blankenship, Forrest
Cass, Carl B.
Couch, Glenn C.
Livezey, William E.
Monnett, V. E.
Rohrer, John H.
Schriever, William
Smith, Paul W.
Wardell, M. L.
Winfrey, L. E.
Benson, O. E.

With the following correction, the Journal of the Senate for February 27, 1950, was approved:

Professor Earl Sneed, Chairman of the Committee on University Standards, submitted a report concerning Unauthorized Victory Holidays. The following recommendations were made by the Committee and approved by the Senate:

1. That the suggested penalty of double cuts* for absences from classes on the day of an unauthorized athletic victory holiday is not a satisfactory solution to the problem, and, therefore, your committee recommends that this proposal be rejected.
(*Made by Paul MacMinn, Dean of Students, November 8, 1949.)
2. That the imposition of disciplinary action upon those individuals responsible for inciting unauthorized athletic victory holidays or who restrain others from attending classes would aid in preventing a repetition of unauthorized athletic holidays, and, therefore, your committee recommends that the cases of all individuals who incite unauthorized holidays, or who hamper or prevent instructors from meeting or instructing classes, be referred to the Student Conduct Committee for appropriate action.

Relative to the problem under consideration, your committee invites your attention to the fact that the Board of Regents of the University has ruled that athletic victory holidays will be given in the event of a clear Big Seven Conference championship

in football or basketball or a national championship in basketball. Therefore, an athletic holiday other than those specified by the Board of Regents not only reflects unfavorably upon the academic standards of the University but it is also contrary to the expressed policy of the Board of Regents.

In response to a request made by President Cross at the February 27, 1950, Senate meeting, Dr. Leonard Beach, member of the Committee on Library and Laboratory Facilities presented these recommendations from his committee:

1. Temporary Expediencies (It is recommended that these steps be taken immediately.)
 - (a) Removal of the book bindery from the main library building.
 - (b) Removal of the Archives from the main library building.
 - (c) Removal of the Newspapers from the library building.
 - (d) Removal of the history offices from the library building.
 - (e) Removal of the equivalent of one floor of book stacks; the selection of this material to be removed is to be made in terms of "rare use of the selected books."

This will release approximately 7,000 square feet of floor space in the main library building which could be immediately utilized for reading room and stack space. The removed library materials must be stored in a fireproof building, fairly close to the main library so that the rarely used materials can be obtained with a minimum of delay. It is recommended that space in the stadium be allocated for this material. It is to be emphasized that this is a stop-gap method of meeting the deplorable library situation.

2. Long Term Planning

It is recommended that the University employ a library consultant to make a study of the total library situation at the University of Oklahoma. This study should include consideration of the ways to solve the space problems of the main, college, school, area, and departmental libraries; and, the articulation of the entire library services within the framework of a unit library organization. It is estimated that such a study would take at least a month. It is recommended that a man of the caliber of Dean John E. Burchard be employed as the consultant.

Dr. L. H. Snyder mentioned that the Planning Committee had received the President's approval of temporary expediencies a, b, and d.

The recommendations of the Committee on Library and Laboratory Facilities were approved.

In a report from the Council on Instruction, presented by Professor C. M. Franklin, member of the Council, the following recommendations were made for the Senate's consideration:

1. We recommend the abolition of all "paper schools." (A "paper school" is defined as one which does not have both a teaching staff and a separate budget.) In making this recommendation, the Council does not propose the abolishing of any existing curricula, but simply that whenever such curricula do not have both staff and budget, they should not be called schools.
2. We recommend a comprehensive survey of the University's formal organization below the college level, with the view of achieving a general consistency in administrative organization and nomenclature.

A motion that the Senate receive the report of the Council on Instruction was approved.

The aforementioned report from the Council on Instruction and a report from the faculty of the College of Engineering, which included the following recommendation, were referred to the Committee on Organizations of Departments, Schools and Divisions for further consideration:

"We, the faculty of the College of Engineering, believe that the proposal as submitted by the Council on Instruction would not be in the best interest of the graduates, students, this college, or the University of Oklahoma. Therefore, it is our recommendation that no changes be made in the Schools of the College of Engineering!"

The following senators' terms of office expire this year:

Arts and Science: O.E. Benson, E.A. Frederickson, George J. Goodman, W.E. Livezey, V.E. Monnett, J.H. Rohrer, and A.B. Sears.

Business Administration: Ronald B. Shuman

Education: Henry D. Rinsland

Engineering: L. A. Comp

Fine Arts: E. J. Schultz

General Faculty: Savoie Lottinville

Graduate: Joseph C. Pray

The following senators have been elected to assume office next year:

Arts and Science: K.E. Crook, Gilbert Fite, H.H. Herbert, H.W. Larsh Wyatt Marrs, J. P. Pritchard, Stewart Wilcox.

Business Administration: Horace E. Frown

Education: D. R. Pugmire

Engineering: Frank Morris

There was no further business, and the Senate adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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