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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE  
HELD AT

Hotel Heublein, Hartford, Wednesday, February 15th, 1928 at 12 M.

Present: Mr. Manchester            Mr. Hollister            Mr. Wood  
          Mrs. Vinton                Mr. Meredith            Mr. Green  
          Mr. Alsop                    Mr. Buckingham        Mr. Platt  
          Pres. Beach                   Mr. Longley             Mr. Buckley

1. The President submitted the financial report for the first seven months of the fiscal year:

	7/12 Budget	Expended Against Budget	Expended Over or Under Budget
College Division	252,864.50	263,930.16	11,065.56 Over
Extension Division	92,386.24	79,472.01	2,914.23 Under
Experiment Station	44,907.15	40,419.21	4,488.94 Under

2. The President submitted the following report regarding vaccination of students:

- (a) A case of smallpox developed in Willimantic February 7th.
- (b) A free clinic was held for students February 12th, and about three hundred were vaccinated. A second clinic is arranged for February 15th, and it is expected that the students will have a one hundred percent vaccination.
- (c) Compulsory vaccination will be required of the employees in the Dining Hall, Poultry, Dairy and all employees commuting to Willimantic.
- (d) Employees and members of the staff have been advised as to the recommendation of Mr. Osborne, Commissioner of Health - "all employees and members of the staff should be vaccinated."

It Was Voted: to approve of the above report of the President.

3. It Was Voted: that beginning with 1928 the recommendation of the Commissioner of Health be adopted -- "for admission to College each applicant present a certificate from a physician showing that the applicant has been immunized against small-pox."

4. The President submitted and recommended the adoption of the following conditions regarding the sale of lots in the proposed faculty extension.

## A. The College Agrees:

1. To install a six-inch water main with a fire hydrant within 500 feet of each residence or to comply with underwriters requirements for ~~lowest~~ <sup>reasonable</sup> rates.
2. To furnish water at Willimantic rates, without service charge.
3. (a) To construct and maintain a six-inch trunk line sewer.  
(b) To reserve right of way to trunk line sewer, where necessary.
4. To furnish electricity at the same rates as members of the staff receive who live in houses owned by the college, insofar as contract with Willimantic Lighting Company permits.
5. To construct and own a road at an expense not to exceed \$2.00 per lineal foot.
6. (a) To collect ashes and garbage, to operate a snow plow when necessary, to keep the roads in repair and make a reasonable charge for such service.  
(b) To make repairs in houses at usual rates.

## B. The Proposed Purchasers Agree:

7. To erect within a reasonable time, a one-family house:
  - (a) To cost not less than \$6000 or)
  - (b) Not less than \$1000 per room ) for 1928
  - (c) Of a style (exterior plan and exterior specifications) approved by a landscape architect satisfactory to the College.
  - (d) With roof of fire resistant material
  - (e) On building line established by the College
8. To give the college first option in case owner at any time wishes to dispose of property to anyone not a member of the staff.
9. Not to erect any chicken house, rabbit hutch, dog kennel or similar structure.

- C. The College and the Purchasers through 1930 agree that the above restrictions shall apply for a period of twenty-five years.

It was Voted to refer the report to the Executive Committee with power.

- 5. It was Voted: that blasting demonstrations heretofore carried on by the Extension Division of the College be discontinued.
- 6. It was voted to authorize Mr. Waugh to accept the invitation to conduct a course in salesmanship for a group of New London salespeople, to be given after working hours.
- 7. The President reported that the State Board of Finance and Control is of the opinion that payments for the operation of the new pumping station on the Fenton River cannot be made from the appropriation of \$15,000 made by the General Assembly of 1927 -- "Water Supply for Mansfield and Connecticut Agricultural College".

It was Voted: to refer this matter to Mr. Alsop and request him to confer with Mr. Edward F. Hall, Superintendent of the Board of Finance and Control.

- 8. The President submitted a communication from Dr. La Moure, Superintendent of the Mansfield State Training School:

"We the members of the Board of Trustees of the Mansfield State Training School and Hospital, do hereby recommend that the central water supply be repaired and put in shape so that it can be used in case of emergency at a moments notice. We also feel that it would be advisable to retain an engineer at the pumping station to watch the property".

The following resolution was adopted:

The Trustees are of the opinion that, inasmuch as the new water system is an extension of the old system, its operation and maintenance should be under the control of the water commission (President Beach and Dr. La Moure) appointed under Chapter 61 of the Public Acts of 1921

- 9. The President submitted the following extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Finance and Control, February 9, 1928:

"President Beach of the Connecticut Agricultural College appeared in support of a request for an addition to the appropriation made for the Erection and Equipment of a Pathological Laboratory (Special Act 272 of 1927), representing that the appropriation lacked about \$5,000 of being sufficient to accomplish the purposes of the Act. It was voted to add the sum of \$5,000 to said appropriation but inasmuch as the vote was not unanimous such vote was declared null and void."

IT WAS VOTED: that inasmuch as the Board of Finance and Control refused to provide additional money to increase the appropriation needed to erect and equip the Pathological Laboratory, that erection of this building be postponed until the full amount for construction and equipment is available.

10. The President submitted the following report prepared in response to a request from His Excellency, Governor Trumbull, regarding the sale of dwelling houses owned by the College.

At a recent hearing before the Board of Control the question was raised as to the number of houses owned by the College. It was intimated that the Trustees should sell or dispose of the dwelling houses on the campus, and the Governor requested the President to submit a report regarding this matter. The following is a list of dwelling houses and apartments:

- Group 1: 12 houses occupied by 17 families, employees of the Farm, Dining Hall, Heating Plant and other departments of the institution. Control and ownership by the College necessary for the efficient operation of the plant.
- Group 2: 3 single houses occupied by members of the staff. Control and ownership by the College necessary for efficient operation.
  - (a) Apiary dwelling house located adjacent to the Apiary and occupied by Prof. Crandall.
  - (b) Farm house occupied by Mr. Garrigus, Superintendent of Farm.
  - (c) Apartment connected with the Greenhouse and Occupied by Mr. Patch, Instructor in Floriculture.
- Group 3: Apartment House - Whitney Hall - accomodating four families. Building should be dismantled.
- Group 4: 5 single houses located adjacent to Colloge buildings. Control and ownership by the College desirable inasmuch as sites may be needed for further expansion of the institution
- Group 5: 8 double houses and 10 single houses located adjacent to the main entrance to the campus. To insure good appearance of walks, lawns, etc. houses should be controlled and owned by the institution.
- Group 6: 4 single houses located east of the Willimantic highway. Recommended that they be offered for sale to the present occupants.

In consideration of the housing problem it should be born in mind at present that on account of lack of available living quarters three married members of the staff are living in Willimantic, seven at Spring Hill, three at Mansfield Center, four at Four Corners, one at Mansfield Depot, one at Gurleyville.

Six members of the staff own their own homes at Storrs and four live in rented houses not owned by the College. On account of lack of rooming accomodations fifteen stenographers and a number of other employees commute to Willimantic and other places.

It was Voted: that a copy of the above report be submitted to the Governor, and that action regarding the matter be postponed until His Excellency can be present at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, to discuss the matter with them.

- 11. It was Voted; that the title of Dr. J. L. Hypes be changed from Associate Professor to Professor of Agricultural Education.
- 12. The President submitted a financial statement of Gilbert Farm for the first six months of the fiscal year, showing the balance on hand, January 1st, of \$5570.63.

The Trustees discussed at some length the present financial condition of Gilbert Farm and the possibility of returning the property to the heirs if satisfactory arrangements could be made.

It was Voted: that the Executive Committee be instructed to proceed according to the act of the last legislation, authorizing the Board of Control and the Board of Trustees of the College to arrange for a possible transfer of the Gilbert Farm invested funds; to confer with the State Board of Finance and Control and secure their approval of plans of transfer; to refer all matters to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

- 13. The President a letter from Attorney General Buckley regarding the question of the purchase of chimes; also a copy of a letter from Mr. Alsop under date of January 15, 1919, in which he stated that he had written to Mrs. D. Newton Barney of Farmington in regard to her wishes concerning the expenditure of proceeds from the Dunham Farm. Mrs. Barney wrote: "I do not feel qualified to judge of the needs of an agricultural school. Whatever is the decision of the Trustees I will gladly endorse".

It was Voted: to instruct the President to write Mrs. Barney that the Trustees have voted to expend \$7500 of the Dunham Fund for the purchase of chimes, and to express the hope that this action would meet with her approval, the chimes to be known as "Dunham Chimes" and a suitable tablet to be erected in connection with them.

It was Voted: that in case Mrs. Barney raised no objection within a reasonable time that Mr. Longley be authorized to make the purchase, install the chimes in the church tower, and make arrangements with the Trustees of the Church for rental and for the installation in the tower of the Storrs Community Church.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Walter C. Wood, Secretary.