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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

STORRS, MAY 27, 1909

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Hooker House, Willimantic, on Thursday, May 27th, Messrs. Palmer, Storrs, Patterson, and Beach, being present. It was voted:

- (1) To authorize the contribution of \$25.00 to the Graduate School of Agriculture.
- (2) To authorize the expenditure of \$350.00 for grading in the rear of the Horticultural Building, and in front of Storrs Hall.
- (3) To authorize the expenditure by the Boarding Club of \$50.00 for silverware.
- (4) To authorize the purchase of ladders to be used only in the case of fire.
- (5) That the College keep open house on Commencement day, serving lunch in the dining hall and chapel to alumni and friends of the college, and that the expense incurred be charged to the entertainment of guests.

Voted to Recommend:

- (1)-a That the chief clerk be authorized to transfer \$3000. from the State to the Morrill Fund to cancel a former loan.
-b To borrow when necessary from Mr. Palmer, \$3000. for deposit in the State Fund.
- (2) That the chief clerk be authorized to transfer the sum of \$850. from the State to the Morrill Fund in order that a true and proper report may be made to the Department of Interior, Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., in regard to the use of the Morrill Fund in the payment of

the President's salary.

- (a) A letter was read from President Edwards of Rhode Island relating to an organization of Land Grant colleges separate from the organization of State Universities. A call for a conference of the Presidents of such institutions has been issued, the meeting to take place at Portland, Oregon, August 17, 1909.
- (b) A letter was read from the Department of Interior, Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., from which the following quotation is made:
- "I beg to advise, therefore, that in my opinion the Legislature of the State of Connecticut has the sole authority to prescribe the course of study for the Connecticut Agricultural College."
- This is in answer to a letter in which an inquiry as to whether the use of the Land Grant and the Morrill funds by the Connecticut Agricultural College would be questioned by the Department of Interior in case the college did not provide for the granting of degrees.
- (c) A communication was received from Lord & Burnham Co., stating that no charge would be made for the repairs in connection with the heater at Horticultural Hall, for which they had previously made a claim to the amount of \$89.49.
- (d) A request for a hot water heater for Whitney Hall and screens for Professor Jarvis' apartment were tabled.