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Hartford, Connecticut,

December 11, 1917.

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 A.M., and Mr. Jarvis was appointed Chairman pro tem.

Those also present were Messrs. Henry, President Beach, Mr. Longley, Hubbard and King.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of November 20, were approved, also the following meetings of the several committees were approved:

Gilbert Farm Committee of November 20, 1917.

Gilbert Farm Committee of November 26, 1917.

Report of the Gilbert Farm Committee and the Executive Committee meeting of November 30, 1917.

President Beach presented reports regarding the action of the Board as to expenditures of the Extension Departments as follows:

"November 22, 1917.

"Mr. C. L. Beach, President,  
Connecticut Agricultural College,  
Storrs, Conn.

Dear Sir:

The following is a copy of the vote passed yesterday at the meeting of the State Council of Defense:

VOTED That the State Council endorse the proposed extraordinary expenditure of the Agricultural College as explained by President Beach, but that it

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recommends that Mr. Beach appear before the Board of Control with a view to securing the necessary funds.

It was also

VOTED That the Connecticut State Council of Defense approves the motives and principles which have induced the trustees of the Connecticut Agricultural College to pass the resolution concerning the suspension of non-essential building activities and approves the action of the trustees in this matter.

Very truly yours,

CONNECTICUT STATE COUNCIL OF DEFENSE.

BY

JWA:LC (Signed) J. W. Alsop"

"November 27, 1917.

"At a meeting of the Board of Control held this day at the capitol, it was

VOTED: That it is the sense of this Board that if the expenditure of State funds incurred for the extension service of the Connecticut Agricultural College in order to obtain the full amount of federal appropriation for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1918, exceeds \$15,000., this Board when said appropriation for the two fiscal years ending Sept. 30, 1919, is exhausted, will provide either by transfer or addition for an addition to said appropriation of such amount not exceeding \$15,000. as said expenditures for the year ending Sept. 30, 1918, exceed the sum of \$15,000.

Attest:

(Signed) F. C. Bissell."

CLERK BOARD OF CONTROL."

Mr. Manchester came in and took the Chair at this time.

The Board received the following report from Mr. Baker.

VOTED: To accept said report and instruct Mr. Baker to act. The report follows:

"Mr. Baker reports 'that the Poultry Division of the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture have agreed to place in this state an assistant in poultry extension work. The Department of Agriculture will pay his entire salary and all traveling expenses. The College is asked to provide office headquarters and stenographic assistance.' "

VOTED: That the superintendent of buildings be instructed to install water meters at all College buildings and dwellings connected with the College Water Supply system.

VOTED: That the Treasurer be instructed to charge departments and private consumers for water as metered and at Willimantic rates.

VOTED: That the Board exercise their option on the Julius Hauschilde' property in accordance with the action of the Executive Committee of July 7, 1915, as follows:

" ' Storrs, Conn., June 24, 1915.

To the Executive Committee:

Gentlemen:

I have recently purchased from Julius Hauschilde, 27½ acres of land situated south of the Experiment Station Field at the corner of the Willimantic-Eagleville Road. Ten and one-half acres of this land is woodland and pasture, seventeen acres are cleared land of which eleven acres are cultivable. There is a small house on this property which rents for \$6. per month. The purchase price is \$3000.

This land will, no doubt, increase in value and, as President of the College, I do not wish to profit by any advance in the value of the property. I desire, therefore, to make the following proposal to the Board of Trustees, namely, to hold the same for acquirement by the State, the College to have control of the property and to pay me, as rental, an amount equivalent to the interest on the investment and taxes.

Signed, C. L. Beach, President.'

At a meeting of the Executive Committee, held July 7, 1915, it was voted to recommend the acceptance of the proposal of the President as outlined in the above communication."

VOTED: That the Bill of Unclebach and Perry for architectural work on new construction, which is to be curtailed during the war, be referred back to the Building Committee with the request that they explain the position of the Trustees, and that Unclebach and Perry submit a report of actual expenses with a view to making a better settlement with them on a cost basis.

VOTED: That Mr. Hubbard be added to the Committee appointed November 20, 1917 to make the transfer of the Dunham Farm to the State Farm for Women.

VOTED: That President Beach be instructed to get the opinion of the Attorney-General regarding the voting powers of the members of the Georgetown Farm School Committee as appointed by vote of the Board at the meeting of October 25, 1917.

VOTED: That a letter from Dr. J. H. Washburn which was read by Mr. Hubbard to the Board at the request of Mr. Lyman, be referred to the Gilbert Farm School Committee for a report at our next meeting.

The following report of the Committee on the Dunham Farm is here presented to the Board as follows:

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\*A Report in relation to a proposal to transfer the  
Dunham Farm to the Trustees of the  
State Farm for Women.

1. At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held Oct. 25, 1917 the following resolution was adopted 'that a special committee of the Dunham Farm, consisting of Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Beach be appointed to confer with the Trustees of the State Farm for Women and the Attorney-General and report at our next meeting.'

2. The opinion of the Attorney-General was received on November 8th and presented to the Trustees at their meeting held on November 20th.--

'If the Trustees of the Connecticut Agricultural College deem a sale of the conveyed property and a substitution for said property of the fund created by the proceeds of the sale to be advantageous to the above-mentioned purpose, said property might be sold to the directors of the State Farm for Women, or to any other purchaser, provided that a sum equivalent to the fair value of the property conveyed be received in consideration therefor. If such a sale be deemed advisable by the Trustees, and the directors of the State Farm are willing to purchase at a fair price agreed upon between the parties but have not in hand sufficient funds, I suggest that, if desired, possession of the property might be given to said directors under a contract for purchase at such price, if and when a sufficient appropriation is available for the purpose.'

3. At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on November 20 a communication was presented from Valeria H. Parker, secretary of the Board of Trustees, Connecticut State Farm for Women.

'The Committee on Sites reported to the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State Farm for Women at a meeting held on November 7th regarding a piece of property at Newington known as the Dunham property which has been given by Mr. Dunham to the State Agricultural College. The Committee on Sites reports this property to be well adapted to the needs of the proposed State Farm for Women.

'I am instructed by the Board of Trustees to respectfully request the Executive Committee of the Agricultural College to appoint a Committee of two to confer with Professor William B. Bailey and Mr. Edward W. Hazen regarding a possible transfer of the Dunham Property from the Connecticut Agricultural College to the Connecticut State Farm for Women.'

4. On the receipt of the request from the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the State Farm for Women, the Trustees of the College adopted the following resolution -- 'That President Beach of the College and Mr. Alsop representing the Trustees be empowered to make the transfer of the Dunham Farm to the Directors of the State Farm for Women, after advising with the Attorney-General.'

5. As a result of the conference with the Attorney-General, a proposal was made to lease the Dunham Farm to the State Farm for Women, give immediate possession, and leave to the next Legislature, the decision of the manner of conveying the property in a legal manner from the Agricultural College to the Trustees of the State Farm for Women and the amount of compensation, if any, to the College. This plan met the approval of His Excellency, Governor Holcomb who was consulted in the matter also the members of the State Finance Committee. The Trustees of the State Farm for Women were advised of this proposal.

6. At a meeting of the Board held on December 11th, a communication was received from the State Farm for Women stating that on investigation, they found the Dunham Farm unsuitable for their purposes, and declined the offer which had been made to them."

It was voted that the following letter from Dr. Parker be spread upon the minutes of our meeting and that the Dunham Farm Committee be discharged.

"December 11, 1917.

"To the President and Members  
of the Board of Trustees of  
The Conn. State Agricultural College:-

I am directed by Professor William B. Bailey, President of the Board of Trustees of the Conn. State Farm for Women, to send you a copy of the following Resolution, passed by unanimous vote of those members of our Board present at a Special Meeting held on December 10th:

'RESOLVED: That the Trustees of the Conn. State Farm for Women have given careful consideration to the generous offer of the Trustees of the Conn. State Agricultural College to transfer to them the so-called Dunham Farm in Newington. While recognizing the value of this property, its lack of suitability, in the opinion of experts, for the purposes and objects of the proposed Institution forces us to decline the offer.'

Very respectfully,  
(Signed) Valeria H. Parker  
Secretary Board of Trustees,  
Conn. State Farm for Women.

VOTED: That President Beach and Messrs. Alsop and King be appointed a Committee to consider the advisability of disposing of the Dunham Farm.

VOTED: That the Treasurer be authorized to act for the Board regarding the new issue of stock of the Gilbert Bennett Mfg. Co. in accordance with letter of Dr. Henry Miller, Secretary, of date of November 30, 1917.

VOTED: That as a temporary protection the Treasurer be authorized to place a blanket policy of 10% additional on the College property, including the buildings and equipment, and also to have a new inventory of the College property.

The meeting adjourned.

Attest: O. F. King.

Secretary.