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Hartford, Conn.,

January 21, 1919.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Agricultural College was called to order at the Hotel Heublein at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Jarvis was appointed Chairman pro tem.

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

VOTED: That the minutes of the meeting of December 11, 1918, be approved with the following changes:-

That Mr. Alsop's name be substituted for Mr. Hubbard's in the minutes regarding the presenting of the matter of claims to the Committee on Claims; also, to change the date of our meetings to the third Wednesday in the month instead of the third Tuesday.

VOTED: That R. I. Longley, Treasurer, be authorized to execute a surety bond to file with the War Department to cover ordnance and other stores at the Connecticut Agricultural College for military instruction under the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, or other prior laws of Congress.

The following communication was received from Mr.

Alsop:-

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My dear Mr. Beach:

"In accordance with a vote of the trustees at the last meeting, I have written to Mrs. D. N. Barney of Farmington in regard to her wishes concerning the expenditure of proceeds from the Dunham Farm. Mrs. Barney replies:

'I do not feel qualified to judge of the needs of the Agricultural School. Whatever is the decision of the trustees I will gladly endorse.'

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. W. Alsop."

President C. L. Beach
Storrs, Connecticut.

It was voted to accept Mr. Alsop's report as a committee to interview Mrs. D. Newton Barney, and that the secretary write a vote of thanks to Mrs. Barney for her generosity in allowing us to dispose of the funds from the sale of the Dunham farm.

VOTED: That when the entire proceeds from the funds received from the Dunham farm are received by the treasurer, he be requested to report the same to the Board of Trustees for the disposition of the same.

VOTED: That the possible sales of the mortgages on the Dunham farm be referred to the treasurer with the request that he report at the next meeting.

VOTED: To appoint a Committee consisting of President Beach and Mr. Alsop to interview Mr. Bennett, Commissioner of Highways in regard to the construction of the road from Eagleville to Storrs.

VOTED: That President Beach be delegated to help secure the passage of increased appropriations for State audit. The following letters were received to be placed on record:

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" State of Connecticut
Auditors of Public Accounts

East Hartford, Jan. 16, 1919.

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

Dear Mr. Beach:-

We have taken up the matter of making a monthly audit of Connecticut Agricultural College with Mr. Bissell and are pleased to be able to notify you that we will be able to put in the time there as long as it is necessary. This is definitely settled, and you can depend on it as the extra appropriation necessary will probably go through easily. Should there be any trouble on that score we will take the liberty of calling on you to help out as suggested.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) William P. Bailey.

(Signed) James P. Tobin.

State Auditors."

" The Manufacturers' Association of Connecticut, Inc.

Hartford, Connecticut

Office of the President
Middletown, Connecticut.

January 18, 1919.

C. L. Beach, Esq., President,
Connecticut Agricultural College,
Storrs, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Beach:-

Referring again to your letter of January 4 regarding the auditing of the college accounts I find on a careful investigation that there is a very great deal in the problem which you present, regarding the checking of expenditures by the state auditors, not only in our college, but also in other institutions, and I beg to suggest:

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1. That the trustees of the Agricultural College at their next meeting present a formal request, that an additional expenditure be granted by the present Legislature for the work in this department, and that some one be delegated from our board to appear in support of this measure.

2. I take the liberty to suggest that the attention of the Board of Trustees be called to the fact that our accounts have not been audited by any one of the board for some time.

3. I also recommend that the state auditors be requested to check up the accounts of the college at least once a month.

Yours very truly,

EKH
MHM

(Signed)

E. K. Hubbard."

VOTED: That Mr. Lyman be appointed the Board Auditor.

VOTED: That a thorough audit of the College accounts by the State Auditors be requested by the Treasurer, Mr. Longley.

The following letter from W. A. Sanborn was received and placed on record:

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Hartford, Conn., Jan. 15, 1919.

Mr. C. L. Beach, Pres.,
Conn. Agricultural College,
Storrs, Connecticut.

My dear Sir:-

I beg to inform you that so far Messrs. Cohn and Reardon the new owners of the so-called "Dunham Farm" in Newington have been unable to obtain any insurance on the various buildings owing to the fact that they are untenanted. The Aetna Insurance Company which formerly covered this risk state that they covered it while it was in Mr. Dunham's hands as he was a director of the company and they continued the insurance while in the State's hands but since it has passed into individual ownership they do not care to continue on the risk.

If it is possible to secure any insurance, we will see that the policies are made payable to your college.

Yours very truly,

C/E

(Signed)

W. A. Sanborn."

VOTED: To remodel the Miller House to accommodate two families at an estimated expenditure of \$1500.

VOTED: To authorize the expenditure of \$2665. for remodeling the house at the old Poultry Plant for the occupancy of Mr. Watson, Instructor in bee-keeping.

VOTED: That the Trustees of the Connecticut Agricultural College hereby respectfully petition the Legislature for the adoption of such legislation as may be necessary to provide for the payment of any employee of said college who may be entitled to compensation under the Provision of the Employers Liability Act.

It was voted that a bill be presented to the Legislature by Mr. Beach asking for appropriations for building improvements.

VOTED: That the Treasurer be instructed to pay Mr. Baker one-half of his salary during his granted leave of absence in France.

VOTED: That Mr. Longley be authorized to sign the release of mortgage on a portion of the Dunham Farm in place of Vice President Manchester.

VOTED: That Mr. Longley be authorized to draw money from the third quarter of the stated allowance.

The meeting adjourned.

Attest:

O. F. King

Secretary.