

UNIVERSITY BUILDING, *Oct. 18th, 1867.*

Pursuant to call the Executive Committee of the Illinois Industrial University, met at the University building, on Friday, Oct. 18th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Present—John M. Gregory, J. O. Cunningham, J. H. Pickrell, T. Quick, J. M. VanOsdel, M. L. Dunlap and J. W. Scroggs.

Moved by J. O. CUNNINGHAM, that the report of Mr. VanOsdel on portico for the front entrance of the University buildings be adopted, and the work pushed forward to completion.

Mr. Cunningham's motion was adopted.

Mr. M. L. DUNLAP then offered the following :

WHEREAS, By section 4, of the Act of Congress donating lands to the several States, approved July, 1861, it is provided that "in order to promote the liberal

and practical education of the industrial class, in the several pursuits and professions in life;" and that section 7, of the act to provide for the Illinois Industrial University, says the Trustees "shall, so far as practicable, arrange all the regular more important courses of study and lectures in the University, so that the students may pass through and attend upon them, during the six Autumn and Winter months, and be left free to return to their several practical arts and industries during the six Spring and Summer months."

Section 8 provides that, "students shall have attained the age of fifteen years, and shall have passed a satisfactory examination in each of the branches ordinarily taught in common schools of the State." Section 9, in regard to honorary scholarships, says, that "all such shall be selected from the common schools of the State, and shall be those who have attained the greatest proficiency in the branches of learning usually taught in the common schools of the State; and,

WHEREAS, it is no doubt the intention not only of Congress, but of the State Legislature, that this University should be for the benefit of the industrial classes attending the common schools of the State, and that said University should be in session during the winter.

Therefore be it ordered, that without opening the school in the regular course, that there be a winter session of twelve weeks, commencing the first Monday in December, 1867; that there be admitted to said school one honorary scholar from each county, as provided by section 9, of said act, and that the County Superintendent of schools of each county be authorized to select two persons who shall act with him in the examination, and who shall form a board of examination for the purpose to determine who of said applicants shall be entitled to said honorary scholarships; and that the said board shall examine all the applicants, students from the common schools of the State of Illinois, and if they pass a satisfactory examination in all the branches ordinarily taught in the common schools of the State, and shall be of the age of fifteen years, and shall bear a good moral character, the said Board shall give to each of said students a certificate of the same, setting fourth their age, place of residence, and the school district from which they are to be transferred. These examinations should be made as early as November 15th, and a report made to the Regent of the University, and by him to be reported to the Executive Committee, who will meet at the University on Thursday, Nov. 20th, 1867, to consider how many of said applicants can be accommodated in said schools. That if there are more applicants than can be provided for in said University, that they be admitted from each county in proportion to population as determined at the last census, and that these be determined by lot. That the course of study at said session, shall, in all cases, be a thorough review of all the branches ordinarily taught in the common schools of the State. This is quite necessary and proper, for the single reason that a student of fifteen years of age, who shall pass a satisfactory examination in the branches before stated, are to be admitted into the University, and as these have not fully mastered all of these branches of learning, it is but just that they be thoroughly instructed in them by a careful review. Beyond a review of the elementary branches, the student shall select one or more branches allied to Agriculture or the mechanic arts, viz: Chemistry (elementary), Botany, Mathematics, Entomology, Veterinary Science, Book-Keeping or Natural Philosophy.

To carry on this session of school, teachers of well known ability shall be employed, with the view of being appointed as professors at the opening of the regular course of the University in March, should they give full satisfaction.

COURSE OF LECTURES.

In addition, and for the purpose of complying with the spirit and letter of the law, there shall be a course of lectures. The first one to be delivered on Tuesday evening, December 10th, 1867, and the others shall be directed hereafter by the Executive Committee, a programme of which shall be published, and which lectures shall be free to all who may wish to attend. The course of lectures shall embrace Practical Agriculture, Horticulture, Practical Mechanics, Engineering, both civil and military, Botany and Vegetable Physiology, Chemistry, as applied to Agriculture and the Arts, Geology in its relation to the soil and to minerals, Natural Philosophy, Veterinary Science, and Law as applied to agriculture and mechanics.

That the Corresponding Secretary, ——, and ——, be a committee to arrange said course of lectures, and to engage the lecturers; provided that most of these shall be residents of the State of Illinois and that the maximum compensation for each lecture, including expenses, shall not exceed —— dollars.

On motion of J. O. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DUNLAP's communication was laid upon the table until 3 o'clock, P. M.

Moved by J. O. CUNNINGHAM, that all the inside painting to be done upon the University shall be grained, in imitation of oak, and that the Regent shall designate such rooms as in his judgment shall be so grained this fall.

Adopted.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM further moved that J. W. SCROGGS be authorized to procure such cases for specimens of natural history and for books, as the Regent may direct, and that the Regent draw an order for the bills of the same.

Adopted.

Mr. QUICK offered the following:

WHEREAS it was ordered by the Board of Trustees, that five hundred dollars be appropriated to defray, in part, the Powell expedition, which order was omitted in making up the records of the May meeting of the Board. And whereas, the Regent, in pursuance of such action of the Board, did issue a warrant for the amount; therefore,

Resolved, That his action in the premises be approved.

Carried.

The report of the Committee on additional lots was then offered:

To the Executive Committee of the Illinois Industrial University:

The Committee to whom was referred the purchasing of lots east and west of the University grounds, would beg leave to report that they have seen the parties owning the lots on the west side, and that the whole can be purchased for \$2300; and in consideration of the fact that, by so doing, that an avenue can be made straight with the west line of the recent purchase, connecting the main lands with the College grounds, would recommend that said purchase be made, and that the Committee have further power to carry out such suggestions, and complete the purchas-

ing of said lots represented in the plat here presented (which is made a part of this report); and that the Regent be authorized to draw warrants for the payment of the same; also, that the Committee be instructed to procure a road, of the width of eighty feet, on the west side of the purchase of Os Well's tract, at contemplated in said plat. Also, that the matter of the purchasing of the lots on the east side be left for further consideration.

[Signed]

J. W. SCROGGS,
J. H. PICKRELL,
M. L. DUNLAP,
Committee.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Oct. 18, 1867, 2 o'clock P. M.

A quorum being present, and the Regent in the Chair, the Committee proceeded to business.

The REGENT presented a bill for a seal and letter-press, which was allowed; amount \$45.

The following resolutions were offered by J. O. CUNNINGHAM, and, after reading, unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That neither the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, nor any of the officers of the Board, have in any way authorized the publication of a paper, to be called the "*Saturday Courier*," as under the patronage of the Illinois Industrial University, or in any way connected with the University, as used in printed reports, to give character to said proposed paper or to the scheme of premiums connected therewith.

Resolved, That the papers in Chicago and elsewhere, be requested to copy the foregoing.

On motion of Mr. J. H. PICKRELL, Mr. DUNLAP's communication relative to the course of study to be pursued in the University was taken from the table. After a full and free discussion of the same, the following resolutions were offered, in relation to the matter, by Mr. PICKRELL, and adopted by the Committee:

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Illinois Industrial University fixed the time of opening the school in March, 1868; therefore,

Resolved, That the communication of M. L. Dunlap be referred to the whole Board for further consideration.

Resolved, That the Regent request the Standing Committees to be ready to report to the whole Board when convened.

Resolved, That the interests of the University demand that there should be a called meeting of the Board, on the 26th of November next.

Adopted.

Mr. DUNLAP offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Regent be requested to report to the Committee the amount of orders drawn on the Treasurer, and for what purpose they were drawn ; also, that the Finance Committee be requested to report their action in regard to locating the land scrip, and also that these reports be prepared in time for the next meeting of this Committee.

Mr. DUNLAP's report on rent of farm was placed on file.

Mr. QUICK offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved That we consent to the opening of the Cemetery road, running along the west line of the 160 acre farm of the University, to the width of five rods, by equal additions from each side.

On motion of J. O. CUNNINGHAM,

Resolved, That we give the right of way to the D. U. B. & P. R. R. Co., across the west half of west half northeast quarter section 18; T. 19, R. 9, provided said company erect and keep in repair the fences along that portion of said road passing through said land.

[This resolution was disavowed by the Board of Trustees, at the meeting held Nov. 27, 1867.—O. B. GALUSHA, *Rec. Sec.*]

On motion of M. L. DUNLAP, it was

Resolved, That Dr. J. W. Scroggs be appointed a Committee to have charge of the buildings and grounds immediately about the University, to superintend the repairs, alterations and structures that may be required, and shall hold his office until the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

[This Committee was discharged by vote of the Trustees, Nov. 27, 1867.—*Rec. Sec.*]

Mr. CUNNINGHAM moved that permission be given to the road Commissioners of Urbana township to lay out a road on the south side of the 160 acres known as the Model Farm.

Referred to Committee on Farm.

The account of C. G. Larned, for a stove and hardware, was allowed, and the Regent ordered to draw a warrant for the payment of the same. Amount \$35.

Mr. DUNLAP offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Emory Cobb be appointed a Committee to purchase (25,000) twenty-five thousand feet of lumber at Chicago, and that five or ten thousand (5000 or 10,000) feet of common boards, to be included in the amount, be stuck up for drying, and that the Regent draw an order for the payment of the same.

The following report was made by Mr. DUNLAP :

To the Executive Committee of the Illinois Industrial University :

The undersigned having been appointed a Special Committee to-inquire in regard to the removal of buildings and shade trees from the Busey farm, also in regard to the rental of the same, begs leave to report :

The house reported to have been removed was sold and removed prior to the purchase of said farm, or the contract made by the authorities of Champaign county. Several Red-Cedar trees, of little value, were taken by Mr. Busey, after the sale, out of a small cluster of trees standing on the ground sold.

It would appear that by the agreement with the Board of Supervisors, that Mr. Busey proposed to pay, as rent for the said farm, the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000), with the understanding that the farm should be paid for March 1st, 1867, at which time the rent would commence, and terminate March 1st, 1868; but this agreement was not consummated, and the payments were made May 1st, 1867. He therefore claims the right to use said farm until May 1st, 1868, and pay the sum of two thousand (2000) dollars; or he will give possession of all the meadows, pastures and cultivated lands this fall, retaining one feed lot, with the stable, to enable him to feed the stock now on the farm, March 1st, 1868.

That he will give up the house, if desired, by the 1st of January next, or that in case he remains in full possession, that he will not allow any stock on the meadows, pastures, stock-field or orchard, and take good care of the house until the said first day of March, 1868, and pay rent for the same, fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, and at that time give peaceable possession. In the mean time the said trustees can go on and use any part of the said farm at any time hereafter, except to interfere with the feeding of said stock, and the securing of his said crop. Your Committee would therefore recommend that the Secretary of the Executive Committee make a contract with the said J. S. Busey, on the terms proposed, to terminate possession March 1st, 1868, and that he advise the Chairman of the Farm Committee of his action in the premises.

Respectfully submitted.

[Signed]

M. L. DUNLAP,
Committee.

Mr. J. CUNNINGHAM, Committee upon Farm Rents, submitted the following report:

To the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Industrial University:

The undersigned would report that, as the agent of the University, he has collected rents for the current year as follows:

From Ennis, on Griggs farm.....	\$49 05
From Ennis, on Clements farm ...	47 45
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	\$196 50

Sept. 23d, 1867.

[Signed]

J. C. CUNNINGHAM,
Committee.

On motion Mr. CUNNINGHAM's report was received by the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned, subject to the call of the Regent.

JOHN M. GREGORY, REGENT.
Chairman.

J. W. SCROGGS, *Secretary.*