# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

# January 8, 1919

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held at the Blackstone Hotel, in Chicago, at 10 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 1919, pursuant to the following notice which was sent out by the Secretary on January 3, 1919:

On the call of the President, Mr. W. L. Abbott, there will be a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois at the Blackstone Hotel, in Chicago, on Wednesday, January 8, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. to consider matters submitted by the President of the University and the Committees of the Board, and such other matters as may be duly submitted.

As there was no quorum, the Board adjourned.
H. E. Cunningham W. L. Abbott

Secretary President

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, JANUARY 8, 1919

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held at the Blackstone Hotel, in Chicago, on Wednesday, January 8, 1919, immediately following the adjournment of the meeting of the Board on the same day.

Mr. W. L. Abbott, Chairman, and Mr. O. W. Hoit, a member of the Executive Committee, were present; also Mrs. Laura B. Evans, Mr. C. A. Trimble, and Miss Florence E. Watson, members of the Board; also Mr. J. E. Taggart, a former member, and Mrs. Margaret D. Blake, a member-elect.

President James was present; also, during part of the day, Dean W. W. Charters, Professor E. A. White, and Mr. Wayne Dinsmore, Secretary of the Percheron Society of America.

## MATTERS SUBMITTED BY PRESIDENT JAMES

The Executive Committee considered the following matters submitted by the President of the University.

## DAMAGE TO PROFESSOR HOLLISTER'S HOUSE

(1) A request from Professor H. A. Hollister for compensation for damage caused by the backing up of sewage into the basement of his house on Armory Avenue.

It appears that when provision was made to care for the sanitary waste of the Armory, incident to the construction of the S. A. T. C. kitchen, all the sanitary waste, except the dishwater, was carried into the sanitary sewer. As Professor White thought the sanitary sewer was not capable of carrying all the dishwater, part of it was turned into the storm sewer. Owing to the stoppage of the storm sewer line, this backed up into Professor Hollister's basement. Professor Hollister incurred a damage from this action of the University authorities amounting to \$63.00 as indicated in the appended statement. Professor White thinks he has a just claim for this amount.

Urbana, Illinois, December 30, 1918

\$63.00

On motion of Mr. Hoit, the bill submitted by Professor Hollister was ordered paid.

#### WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOR

(2) A letter from Professor White recommending certain increases in the wage scale for the Power Plant mechanics, helpers, and janitors of the University.

President E. J. James

DEAR SIR:

We have worked out what seems to us to be an equitable wage scale for our Power Plant mechanics, helpers and janitors, which we desire to put into effect the first of the month. The scale is based upon an eight-hour day, and on the following hourly rates:

Janitors and watchmen

For the first six months	40c
For the next six months	43c
After one year	45c
Power Plant Laborers	
For the first six months	40c
For the next six months	43c
After one year	45c

Power Plant Firemen and Engineers	
For the first six months.	45c
For the next six months	48c
After one year	50c
Mechanics helpers (except boys)	
For the first six months	40a
For the next six months	43c
After one year	45c
Truck Drivers	
For the first six months	45c
For the next six months	48c
After one year	
Truck Helpers	
For the first six months	40c
For the next six months	43a
After one year	
This will add about \$10,000 to our payroll for	

I think the only questionable change is in the case of the janitors whom we propose to change from a 10-hour day to an 8-hour day, increasing their hourly rate from an average of 33c an hour to 45c an hour. They would receive the same total daily advance by increasing their present hourly wage by 3c and keeping them on the 10-hour basis. I don't think there could be any criticism of this increase, but in view of the fact that all of our other employes (except the groundsmen) are on an 8-hour basis, I believe we are justified in making the change. We have been gradually working towards the 8-hour day and would like to adopt it for all employes, but do not see our way clear at the present time to put it into effect in our Grounds Department because of the similarity of their work to that of certain departments in the College of Agriculture.

Yours truly,

JAMES M. WHITE

Supervising Architect

The recommendation of Professor White was approved for the first six months of the present year.

# PATENTING OF INVENTION BY PROFESSOR E. A. WHITE

(3) A request from Professor Earl Archibald White for permission to take out a patent on an improved hitching device.

Professor White and Mr. Dinsmore presented this matter in detail. After full discussion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Agriculture with power to act (see page 222).

# RECESS IN HONOR OF MR. ROOSEVELT

At this point, at 11:45 a. m., a recess of five minutes was taken in memory of Mr. Theodore Roosevelt.

#### **AUTHORITY TO APPOINT GRADUATE SCHOLARS AND FELLOWS**

(4) A request for authority to appoint scholars and fellows in the Graduate School for the year 1919-20, on recommendation of the executive faculty of that School, with stipendia to the total amount of twenty-five thousand dollars.

This request was granted.

#### BOOKS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUVAIN

(5) A request from the Chairman of the Louvain University Library Committee for the donation to the library of the University of Louvain in Belgium of such books as the University may be able to spare from its collection.

The University Librarian, Mr. Phineas L. Windsor, was authorized to select books from the duplicates in possession of the University to the extent of one thousand volumes and send them as a gift from the trustees and faculties of the University of Illinois to the sister University of Louvain, Belgium, whose library was destroyed on the burning of the city by the Germans.

#### APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSOR CRAWSHAW

(6) A recommendation that Professor F. D. Crawshaw, formerly President of the Academic Board of the School of Military Aeronautics, be appointed Professor of Industrial Education and Assistant to the Director of the Engineering Experiment Station, beginning January 1, 1919, and continuing until the expiration of the term of his appointment, namely October 1, 1919, at a salary of \$450 a month.

This appointment was authorized.

# COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

(7) The text of a proposed agreement between the United States Bureau of Mines and the University of Illinois for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919.

AGREEMENT between the United States Bureau of Mines, the State Geological Survey Division of the State of Illinois, and the Engineering Experiment Station of the University of Illinois.

The United States Bureau of Mines, hereinafter referred to as the Bureau, the State Geological Survey Division of the State of Illinois, hereinafter referred to as the Survey, and the Engineering Experiment Station of the University of Illinois, hereinafter referred to as the University, desiring to make cooperative investigations and disseminate information with a view to improving conditions in the mining, quarrying, metallurgical, and other mineral industries, safeguarding life among employees, preventing unnecessary waste of resources, and otherwise contributing to the advancement of these industries, hereby agree as follows:

1. The Bureau will maintain in the buildings furnished by the University, on its campus at Urbana, Illinois, a mining experiment station devoted to the above purposes and to such other investigations as may be assigned to it from time to time by the Director of the Bureau, and will, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919,

expend in the work of this station a sum approximating \$9,510, and as nearly as feasible in accordance with the supplemental agreement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

- 2. The University will furnish on its campus free of charge a laboratory, if needed, and proper office rooms for the purpose of conducting the investigations herein mentioned and contemplated, authorized to be conducted by the Bureau, together with equipment contained therein; such use to be without cost to the Bureau for rent, water power, light, heat, or repairs. The University further agrees to give to the employees of the Bureau the free use of such laboratory facilities and other equipment and apparatus as may be required, and of the library, in so far as their use does not interfere with the regular work of instruction of the University. It also agrees to spend in connection with this work such a sum of money as is to be agreed upon in conference by the Director of the Bureau, the Chief of the Survey Division, and the Director of the Engineering Experiment Station, or their representatives.
- 3. The Survey agrees to set aside a sum approximating \$8,000 and the University approximately \$5,000, which sums are to be spent in connection with the cooperative work and in such a manner as may hereafter be agreed upon by the Director of the Bureau, the Chief of the Survey Division, and the Director of the Engineering Experiment Station, or their representatives, which supplemental agreement is hereto attached and made a part of this agreement.
- 4. Those investigations which are conducted jointly by the Bureau, the Survey, and the University, and which relate largely to the State of Illinois, will be under the joint control of the Director of the Bureau, the President of the University, and the Chief of the Survey Division, or their representatives, who together will determine the problems to be undertaken, the general methods to be employed, and the manner in which results are to be published, but each party to this agreement will have sole supervision of the work of its employees, and of those investigations which are not a part of this agreement. Director is to have charge of investigations not relating largely to the State.
- 5. Each party will submit to the others semi-annual statements of expenditures, dated December 31 and June 30, for work relating to Illinois.
- 6. All records of the progress, status, or results of the cooperative work relating solely to the State of Illinois, including all reports and papers, will be freely accessible to all parties at all times.
- 7. Each publication issued by either party giving results of cooperative investigations relating to the State of Illinois will recognize in the text and on the cover and title pages the cooperation of the other parties, but neither party to this agreement will publish joint results without the express consent of the other parties, nor will such results be published prior to publication by the Bureau except with the express consent of the Director of the Bureau.
- 8. The Bureau will distribute to the citizens of the State of Illinois a reasonable number, to be eventually agreed upon, of copies of each published report relating to the State of Illinois resulting from the work of this cooperation, not more than one copy of any report being given to one person.
- 9. The employees of the Bureau will not teach in the University nor will their names appear as members of the faculty.

10. This agreement, unless renewed, will expire June 30, 1919.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties by their duly authorized officers have hereunto set their hands this 6th day of November, 1918.

VAN H. MANNING,

Director, United States Bureau of Mines

WITNESSES.

F. W. DEWOLF,

Chief, State Geological Survey Division,

State of Illinois C. R. RICHARDS.

J. D. SECREST

E. A. HOLBROOK

Н. Н. Ѕтоек

Director, Engineering Experiment Station, University of Illinois

APPROVED: November 6, 1918.

E. C. BRADLEY, Assistant to the Secretary

This agreement was approved.

#### **ELLROD PROPERTY PURCHASED**

(8) A letter from the Comptroller concerning the purchase of twenty acres of timber land from Mrs. Etta D. Ellrod.

December 7, 1918

President Edmund J. James MY DEAR PRESIDENT JAMES:

I beg to advise you that in accordance with action of the Board of Trustees, I have purchased from Mrs. Etta D. Ellrod of Urbana, the twenty acres of timber known as the North one-half of the Northwest one-fourth of the Southwest one-fourth of Section 1, Township 19 North, Range 9 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Champaign County, Illinois, at \$300 per acre, total \$6,000.

A complete abstract has been furnished by the purchaser, which has been fully approved by Judge Harker. A warranty deed in proper form has been furnished, which together with the abstract has been filed with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Cordially yours, LLOYD MOREY

This report was received for record.

# SEAL FOR REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

(9) A request from Mr. C. M. McConn, Registrar, that he be permitted to obtain a separate seal for use in his office. It is the opinion of Judge Harker, the Counsel of the University, that there can be no objection to the Board of Trustees allowing the Registrar to have a separate seal, provided it is identical with the one already in use.

The Secretary of the Board was authorized to issue such a seal to the Registrar.

#### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY HISTORICAL REVIEW

(10) A request from the Mississippi Valley Historical Society, through Clara S. Paine, Secretary and Treasurer, for a continuance of the grant of \$100 for the support of the Mississippi Valley Historical Review for the year ending June 1, 1919. Professor Alvord of the University is editor of this magazine, and the editorial work is done chiefly at the University.

This request was granted.

#### **DEGREES GRANTED**

(11) Recommendations from the Senate as to the granting of certain degrees.

December 11, 1918

Dr. Edmund J. James, President DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

The University Senate at its meeting of December 9, 1918, voted to recommend to the Board of Trustees that degrees be conferred as follows:

Bachelor of Literature as of the Class of 1881

Benjamin Franklin Peadro

Bachelor of Science (in Civil Engineering)

John Allen Scoville

Master of Arts (in Education)

Roy Williams Feik

Doctor of Medicine

Frank Merle Dryden

Bachelor of Science (in Medicine)

Samuel Naroditsky

Herald Bernard Norviel

Armond J. Ruppenthal

Frank Max Wittelle

Sincerely yours,
C. M. McConn
Clerk of the Senate

The President of the University was authorized to issue diplomas to the persons recommended in this communication.

# LABORATORY PRIVILEGES FOR SCHOLARS FROM OTHER UNIVERSITIES

(12) A request from the Dean of the Graduate School for a declaration of policy by the Trustees in regard to extending the privileges of the use of the University laboratories to members of other university faculties.

The President of the University was authorized to extend the privilege of working in the various laboratories of the University without charge to members of the faculties of other colleges or universities of the world, provided they be recognized as authorities in their respective fields and come to the University with written credentials from the faculties of their institutions or from their governments, asking that they be received as guests.

At this point, a recess was taken for luncheon.

# WOMEN'S LAND ARMY SCHOOL

(13) A request from Mrs. Margaret Day Blake for permission to present the matter of extension service in agriculture and home economics known as the Women's Land Army.

Mrs. Blake presented this matter in detail.

#### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

(14) A request from Dean W. W. Charters for permission to present a statement of the needs of the College of Education.

Dean Charters presented this matter in detail.

## SUIT TO QUIET TITLE TO SMITH FARMS LEASE AND SALE OF ST. JOSEPH FARM

(15) Two letters from the Comptroller in regard to the Smith farms.

January 7, 1919

President Edmund J. James, University Club, Chicago, Illinois My Dear President James:

Referring to the proposed sale of the Smith farm near St. Joseph to Mr. Elmer Ehler, as per my communication of December 3rd, I beg to advise that attorneys for the purchaser have examined the abstract to this land and have pointed out that a suit to quiet title will be necessary before the title will be in a form acceptable to the purchaser and to the parties making the loan to him to cover the purchase.

The contract calls for possession of the premises by March 1, 1919, and for a merchantable title by March 15th. Court proceedings can not be had before April, although they can probably be instituted before March 1st. The purchaser has proposed that an allowance of \$5.00 per acre, or \$1,200, be made on the purchase price, in consideration of which he will accept the title as it now stands and relieve the Board of Trustees of further obligation in this respect. I do not consider that the expense of perfecting the title will at all approach this amount, in fact, it should not exceed \$250. On the other hand, both the purchaser and the parties financing him will doubtless ask for some guarantee from the Board of Trustees that the title will be perfected.

I recommend that the Legal Counsel of the University be directed to proceed at once to quiet this title to the satisfaction of the purchaser at the earliest possible date, and that in order to complete the transaction of March 1st and secure payment of the purchase price to the University, I be authorized to make such arrangements as may be necessary to satisfy the purchaser by allowing him to with-hold a certain amount of the purchase price until the title has been perfected, at which time of course he will pay over the full balance of the price due as per the contract.

Cordially yours, LLOYD MOREY

January 7, 1919

President Edmund J. James, University Club, Chicago, Illinois My Dear President James:

In the matter of the proposed sale of the farm at St. Joseph, I beg to call your attention to the status of the lease on that place. This farm was leased for the year

ending March 1, 1919 to Mr. L. A. Coffee. Last summer Professor Mosier, who has charge of the operation of the Smith farms, directed Mr. Coffee to put in a crop of wheat, not being certain of course that a sale of the land would be effected. Mr. Coffee proceeded to do this, in addition to some other work in connection with crops for 1919. It seems that no definite understanding was had between Professor Mosier and Mr. Coffee as to the possibility of the sale of the place, or as to the value of the work which Mr. Coffee was directed to do in such event.

Mr. Coffee now insists that a considerable amount be allowed him on account of what he claims will be damages resulting from his being obliged to move and lose the benefits of the crops which he has put in.

The purchaser of the place, Mr. Elmer Ehler, has made a proposition offering to assume the whole affair with Mr. Coffee and to make such adjustments with him as are necessary, for the total sum of \$500.00. The amount claimed by Mr. Coffee as due him is \$1,200, and he has indicated that he will carry the matter into court unless satisfactory adjustments can be made.

Professor Mosier agrees that the proposition made by Mr. Ehler is a reasonable one and Judge Harker recommends that the matter be settled in this way if possible, rather than allow it to come to legal proceedings. I may say in this connection however that all necessary legal steps in the matter such as proper notices to the tenant for possession March 1st, etc., have been covered, in accordance with instructions from Judge Harker.

I recommend that I be authorized to pay Mr. Elmer Ehler, the proposed purchaser of this farm, the sum of \$500.00, in consideration of which he will undertake to make full adjustment with the tenant of the place, this payment to be made from the income of the Smith farms for the current year, on account of which there is now a balance of approximately \$4,000.00.

Cordially yours,

LLOYD MOREY

These matters were referred to the President of the University with power to act.

# HOG CHOLERA SERUM LABORATORY

(16) Letters from Dean Davenport and Mr. Charles Adkins, Director of the State Department of Agriculture at Springfield, concerning the transfer of the Hog Serum Laboratory at Springfield from the Department of Agriculture to the University of Illinois.

November 19, 1918

President Edmund J. James, University of Illinois My DEAR Mr. PRESIDENT:

The question of transferring to the University for research purposes the laboratory originally established at Springfield for the manufacturing of hog cholera serum has been under discussion for a number of months. Director Adkins and we agree that the line of demarcation between the duties of the Department at Springfield and the University is a line between regulatory and research work.

Director Adkins therefore proposes that this laboratory should be transferred to the University for pathological purposes, and I am now in correspondence for the

sake of learning in detail what the transfer would mean in the way of budget estimates. When this correspondence is complete, I shall be glad to forward it in connection with our other estimates already filed.

Very truly yours,

E. DAVENPORT

November 13, 1918

Mr. Eugene Davenport, Dean of the Illinois Agricultural College My Dear Davenport:

Yours of the 11th received and I note what you say about Mr. Rusk's report to you with regard to taking over the Laboratory.

Dr. Peters and I just took the matter up with Mr. Wright, Director of Finance, and explained to him what this move meant, all of which he approved. Our budget is being arranged accordingly. We will be very glad to turn this over to the College of Agriculture for the reasons that we have already discussed.

I would suggest that you have your Board take formal action so that they may appoint a committee to formulate the plans by which this property can be turned over to you by the Legislature in a legal way.

The details of the Laboratory and the help that is there at the present time can be arranged for with yourself and myself at some future date.

Yours very truly,

CHARLES ADKINS

Director

November 18, 1918

Mr. Eugene Davenport, Dean of the Illinois Agricultural College My. DEAR MR. DAVENPORT:

As per your request of November 14th, asking for information concerning the cost of maintenance, budget items, etc., in connection with the running of the Laboratory, which is to be transferred to the University, I submit the following budget items which were to be submitted by us for next year:

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1 Bacteriologist	\$3,000.00
2 helpers—each	. 900.00
Farm and garden supplies	. 200.00
Medical Hospital Laboratory Improvement (purchase of	
animals for tests, etc.)	. 3,000.00
Fuel	. 200.00
Feed for Livestock	
Horseshoeing	75.00
Repairs (Farm machinery and Buildings-insufficient)	
Equipment (entire)	350.00
Revenue received from hogs purchased for tests	
Telephone	

Yours very truly, H. H. PARKE

Assistant Director

#### LIVESTOCK LEGISLATION

A bill will be introduced to turn the state biological laboratory—formerly the serum plant—over to the University of Illinois for use in research and experimental work in the control of animal diseases. Such experimental work is one of the greatest needs of the livestock industry, and the legislature will do this industry a great service by turning this laboratory over to the university and making liberal appropriation for its operation.

It is also proposed that a veterinary college be established at the university. This idea has merit, but is not nearly so important as the experimental work. *Prairie Farmer*, December 14, 1918, Vol. 90, page 5.

It was the opinion of the Executive Committee that the University would consider taking over this Laboratory, provided proper provision was made for its financial support outside the present University budget.

#### **VETERINARY COLLEGE PROPOSED**

(17) A letter from Doctor D. M. Campbell, veterinarian, concerning a veterinary college at the University of Illinois.

December 27, 1918

Hon. Edmund J. James, President, University of Illinois DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd inst. I want to again assure you that the veterinarians of the State are in favor of an adequate veterinary college as a part of the University.

It appears that all veterinary instruction will be given in state schools very soon. Many of us would not be surprised to see this the final year for all private schools that are still in existence. There are more veterinarians in Illinois than in any other state and a larger number are required each year to replace those that retire from practice than are required in any other state. Illinois should not be put in the position of having to depend on universities and agricultural colleges of other states to supply veterinarians for the protection of her animal industry.

As I said in the beginning the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association favors the establishment of a veterinary college in the University but some organized effort must be made and I believe it should be made soon to make their wishes known to the trustees of the University and to the Legislature. As a preliminary to this work it seems that our Committee should have a meeting with you and those of your faculty most nearly concerned in this matter that we may receive information necessary in going about the matter.

We are willing, anxious to take up the project and push it but we want to do it in a way that is most effective and, of course, in a way that is approved by the trustees and by yourself.

Will you not set a date sometime early in January (make it after the 8th, please, since I am going to be out of the State until that date) when we can come to Urbana to meet you and Professor Mumford and others interested with a view to

getting this matter started right and could you not at that time have prepared for us draft of bill to be recommended to the Legislature? For such a proposed bill I feel confident that our Committee can get support from every agricultural county in the State and also from the agricultural press of the State.

Wishing you the compliments of the Season, I am,

Very truly yours,

D. M. CAMPBELL

It was the opinion of the Executive Committee that the Trustees of the University would be perfectly willing to take over the administration and development of a veterinary college, if the General Assembly would authorize and instruct them to do so, and would also provide the necessary funds for the organization and maintenance of such a college.

#### HOUSING OF S. A. T. C. AND S. M. A.

(18) A report from Professor White as to the barracks of the S. A. T. C. and the S. M. A.

January 6, 1918

President E. J. James, 355 Administration Building DEAR SIR:

In order to provide barracks for housing the members of the SATC, the University rented sixty-four (64) houses, which, on the basis of 500 cubic ft. or 45 sq. ft. per man, would house 3315 men, but to fill them to this capacity required the addition of a large amount of plumbing, and in many cases additional lighting in the rooms reserved for supervised study.

Filling the houses to this capacity overtaxed the water heaters, and in many cases the service mains to the houses. Larger service mains were put in for twelve (12) houses; hot water heaters were installed in eleven (11); and hot water tanks in eighteen (18); and work had been begun on several others.

Besides the hot water tanks, 63 plumbing fixtures were actually installed, and we have on hand \$6500.00 worth of other fixtures which we had intended to install.

As soon as the floor in the Armory was completed, nearly half of the men were transferred there and the building was continued as a barracks until the demobilization of the unit, with between 1400 and 1500 men housed there. This made it possible for us to vacate ten houses at a time for reconstruction work, and to distribute the men through the remaining houses so that the plumbing facilities were reasonably adequate.

It was possible to cancel the leases on some of the vacant houses soon after we received notice of the demobilization of the unit. Fourteen (14) houses were given up November 30th; four (4) October 31st; eleven (11) during December; and the balance on December 31st.

\$42,010.66

There will be a small amount of salvage to be deducted from the above cost.

The reconstruction work is completed, but the exact cost has not been figured up. On the basis of three thousand students this would make the cost per man for these houses \$14.00, to which we must also add the cost of the wood floor in the Armory which, allowing for salvage, will be in the neighborhood of \$30,000.00, or \$10.00 per man, making a total of \$24.00 per man for barracks as against the cost of about \$60.00 for the building of temporary barracks. These figures of course do not include any operating costs which would not be far different in the cases of the permanent housing and the temporary barracks.

The damage to the houses was chargeable in the main to the following four causes:

- (1) Damage to floors (a) on account of the heavy shoes; and (b) because of the use of excess of water in cleaning.
- (2) Damage to ceilings because of overflow of plumbing fixtures due to the misuse of same.
- (3) Damage to plaster in hallways from the carrying in and out of the iron cots; and
- (4) Damage caused by the greasing up of the houses from cleaning of rifles. The cost of the construction work at the Armory is about \$125,000, part of which will be charged against barracks, and part against mess hall. I think that this building should be restored to its original condition with the exception of the concrete floor which I hope we can retain, but that will involve the laying of a maple floor over the entire area as a concrete floor makes the building useless for the department of athletics, and much less desirable than it was for the work of the Military department. The building as it is can be used for both athletic and military work, and therefore I do not think we should start our reconstruction until spring.

In the meantime the building is still in use by the Quartermaster and it was exceedingly fortunate that we had so much space on a ground floor for the storage of his supplies.

We also still have in the building a stock of staple groceries and canned goods worth \$61,000.00.

The S. M. A. Quartermaster is still occupying the Illinois Union building, and the first floor of the Y. M. C. A. is occupied as a barracks and headquarters for the headquarters companies of both the S. M. A. and the S. A. T. C., which are still retained here for office duty. We have no assurances as to when the Quartermasters will be able to wind up their affairs as they have not at the present time any shipping instructions for the material still on hand, but it is all assembled in places where it does not interfere with the regular use of our University buildings.

Our lease on the Y. M. C. A. building called for sixty days' notice of cancellation prior to the first day of January or the first day of July. We were not able to give this notice prior to the first day of January, and could not very conveniently have turned over the building to the Y. M. C. A. in time so that they could have opened up their usual activites there by the first of the year. We would probably be criticised for charging the Government rent on the building for the next six months without making some attempt to derive a revenue from it; I therefore made arrangements to rent rooms in the building and to run a cafeteria and lunch room in the

basement so that by the time the building is entirely restored we can turn over to the Y. M. C. A. a going proposition, and I hope under those circumstances to arrange for the cancellation of the lease as of January first.

The work of restoration at the Residence Hall has been progressing rapidly, and I think in this building, as well as in the case of the Y. M. C. A., we shall be able to make a definite charge for restoration, rather than an estimated one, in our final settlement.

The lease with the S. M. A. provides that the commanding officer and the University are to adjust all financial questions with reference to buildings and equipment, and we shall probably be able to complete that adjustment this week. The value of the equipment purchased for use in connection with the instructional work is about \$10,500.00. It may be that the University can use most of this advantageously, but there is some of it for which we have no use whatsoever.

The only construction charge upon which there may be a difference of opinion is that for the addition to the Old Armory. This building is unquestionably of value to us, and yet not of permanent value, and we have not decided upon an equitable settlement on this charge.

Yours truly,

JAMES M. WHITE

Supervising Architect

This report was received for record.

# ELECTRIC CURRENT FOR Y. M. C. A. HUT

(19) A request from the Y. M. C. A. that the University provide electrical current for lighting the Y. M. C. A. hut at the corner of Wright and Green streets until the close of the academic year, as the War Council of the Y. M. C. A. will leave the hut for the use of the local Y. M. C. A. organization until that time.

The President of the University was given authority to furnish electrical current for the hut without charge.

#### RENTAL FOR ATHLETIC FIELD

(20) A letter from Judge Harker and associates concerning the payment of rent to the University Athletic Association for the use of the Athletic Field lying next to the Illinois Central Railroad, and a recommendation from the Supervising Architect as to the amount of rent.

October 22, 1918

Dean David Kinley, Vice-President, University of Illinois DEAR SIR:

The University of Illinois Athletic Association owns twenty acres of land situated between First Street and the Illinois Central Railroad and immediately South of Armory Avenue. This land is held in trust for the Association by Judge Harker, Professor G. A. Goodenough, and Director George Huff.

It has come to the attention of the above named trustees that this ground is being used and has been used since February 1, 1918 by the University of Illinois for the School of Military Aeronautics as a shooting ground. We beg leave to call your attention to the fact that no arrangement has been made for the use of this ground and while we interpose no objection, we believe that the University should pay a fair rental. It is, therefore, requested by the trustees of the Athletic Association that the University of Illinois determine what a fair rental of this property shall be and that payment shall be made to the Athletic Association.

Respectfully submitted:
O. A. HARKER
G. A. GOODENOUGH

GEO. HUFF

November 5, 1918

Dean David Kinley, 109 Commerce Building DEAR SIR:

I am returning the letter signed by the trustees of the Athletic Association requesting payment of rent on the Athletic Association twenty acres. I have discussed the matter with them and with others and agree with them in recommending that a rental charge of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00) a year be paid for the premises.

Yours truly,

JAMES M. WHITE

Supervising Architect

Approved: TRUSTEES OF ATHLETIC ASSN. BY GEO. HUFF

The recommendation of Professor White that this rental be paid was approved.

#### TEMPORARY LOAN

(21) A letter from the Comptroller concerning a temporary loan from the Merchants Loan and Trust Company.

January 6, 1919

President Edmund J. James
My DEAR PRESIDENT JAMES:

I beg to advise you that on December 31st, with the authority of the President of the Board of Trustees, a temporary loan was arranged with the Merchants Loan and Trust Company of Chicago for \$50,000.00, payable on demand at 5% interest, the note being signed for the Board of Trustees by Mr. Abbott as President, and myself as Comptroller.

This loan was made necessary on account of the large amount of expenditures for the Students Army Training Corps which exhausted the entire cash balance in the hands of the University Treasurer, and for which a sufficient reimbursement has not been received from the Government to restore a working balance in the hands of the treasurer.

The cash disbursements on account of this enterprise to January 1, 1919, were approximately \$550,000.00, against which only approximately \$175,000.00 has been repaid to us. Vouchers have been rendered against the Government for approxi-

mately \$150,000 at contract rates, and approximately \$60,000.00 of special items, all of which are in process of payment.

Other vouchers are being prepared to cover the total expenditures made for the project. It is expected that this loan will be repaid by the 10th of January.

Cordially yours,

LLOYD MOREY

This action of President of the Board and the Comptroller was approved.

#### BUDGET REQUESTS, 1919-1921

(22) A draft of a report on the budget to the State Director of Finance, Mr. Omar H. Wright, asking for an appropriation of seven million dollars for the coming biennium, five million dollars from the estimated proceeds of the mill tax, and two million dollars as a special appropriation from the general funds of the State for building purposes.

These budget askings were approved and the President of the University was authorized to present the same to the Director of Finance, the Governor, and the committees of the Legislature; and he also was authorized to prepare and present a special plea for the building appropriation, similar to that sent out by the Chairman of the Board during the last session; furthermore, he was authorized to make such concessions in the presentation of this budget as time and circumstances may make necessary.

#### REPORT ON WHITE PATENT

At this point, the Committee on Agriculture announced that it had considered the application of Professor E. A. White for permission to take out a patent on a method of hitching horses, and that the Committee recommended that it was not desirable for the University to take any steps in the matter, but that Mr. White be left free to develop this patent on his own initiative if he so desired.

This recommendation was approved. The Executive Committee adjourned.

H. E. CUNNINGHAM

Clerk

W. L. Abbott Chairman

URBANA, ILLINOIS, June 23, 1919

I certify that in the foregoing pages, numbered 205 to 222 inclusive, is contained the record of the transactions of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, at the meetings of the Board held on December 10, 1918, and January 8, 1919, and of the Executive Committee, held on January 8, 1919 as approved and received for record by the Board on March 11, 1919.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees