## PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

# Board of EdUcation 

OF THE

## STATE OF ILLINOIS

At a Regular Meeting Held at Normal

December 22, 1909.

## Board of Education of the State of Illinois.

| P. R. Walker, Rockford | President. |
| :---: | :---: |
| F. G. Blair, Springfield. | Ex Officio mer |
| Charles L. Capen . | .Treasurer. |
| William R. Sandham | Bloomington |
| E. R. E. Kimbrough | Wanville. |
| Mrs. Elia F. Young | Chicaco |
| Forrest F. Cook | Qalesbur |
| J. Stanley Brown. | Joliet. |
| Joseph L. Robertson | Chillicothe |
| B. O. Willard | Rushville. |
| Frank Stitit | Blandinsville |

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Auditing and Finance-Robertson, Capen, Sandham.
Buildings and Grounds-Capen, Robertson, Stitt.
Course of Instruction-Brown, Young, Trego.
Teachers and Salaries-Young, Brown, Harington.
Practice Department-Blair, Young, Trego.
Library and Museum-Sandham, Willatd; Cook.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading, amending and adopting minutes.
2. Election of officers.
3. Report of President of Normal University.
4. Treasurcy's report.
5. Report of special committees.
6. Report of standing committees, in order.
7. Communications.
8. Motions and resolutions.
9. Unfinished business.
10. General business.

## Proceedings of the Board of Education of the State of Illinois.

## Regular Meeting.

Normal, Ill., Dec. 22, 1909.
The Board of Education met in the office of the President of the Normal University at 9:00 o'clock a. m.

Present: Messrs. Blair, Brown, Capen, Cook, Robertson, Sandham, Stitt, Trego, Walker, and Mrs. Young.

Mr: Stitt was appointed to act as secretary pro tem in the absence of Mr. Blair, who had not yet arrived.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 2, 1909, were approved as printed.
The President of the Normal University presented the following report:

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Mr. President and Members of the Board-During, the year ending August 31, 1909, the total enrollment of students in the normal and high school departments was 1927. Of these 1679 are pledged to teach in the schools of Illinois.
14 students from other states and 66 academic students were admitted upon. the payment of tuition. 148 students were holders of township scholarships; of these 29 were in the high school, 119 in the normal department. Holders of township scholarships do not take the pledge to teach.

The enrollment was 277 greater than last year.
Ninety-one Illinois counties and sixteen other states and countries were represented.

The attendance in the model school was 437, making a grand total of 2364.
The attendance in the normal and high school departments for the three terms since your last meeting is as follows:

| . | Men. | Women. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First summer term, 1909.. | 228 | 1,012 | 1,240 |
| Second summer term, 1909 | 111 | 195 | ${ }^{1,306}$ |
| Fall term, 1909. | 163 | 460 | 623 |

Of the 623 attending during the fall term 534 are enrolled as normal students, 89 as academic students. The attendance in the normal department including the high school is 73 larger than for the fall term of 1908, an increase of 13 per cent.

New students were admitted during the fall term as follows:

|  | Normal. | High School. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Men. | 45 | 22 |
| Women | 212 | 21 |
| Total. | 257 | 43 |

Of these 4 are college graduates. 100 are graduates of high schools with four-year courses, 26 are graduates of high schools with three-year courses, $46 \cdot$ others have had two or more years of high school work, 72 are experienced teachers, 67 are holders of township scholarships.

During the fall term 59 Illinois counties were represented in the student body-six other states were represented:


## The Summer School.

Although no special effort has been made to increase the attendance at the summer school, the enrollment in 1909 showed a gain of 204 over 1908. The attendance was 1240 in the first term, 306 in the second. 353 attended both terms. The total attendance not including the 123 children in the model school reached 1393 different people of whom 270 were men. With forty-one teachers and the additional space afforded by our new building we were nowhere seriously crowded during the period of highest attendance except in the auditorium. Although it contains 1,115 sittings, many additional seats had to be provided to accommodate the students at the morning assembly.

Two courses of six lectures each were given by Professor William A. Colledge of Armour Institute, and Dean Thomas M. Balliet of the New York School of Pedagogy.

The program provided for 92 courses, some of which were taught in three or four sections. Forty-one instructors were provided for the first term, fourteen for the second.

It is proposed that in the coming summer additional courses be offered in rural school management, rural sociology, floriculture and horticulture, household art and in English composition to meet the requirements of the new plan for issuing State certificates promulgated by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. A faculty of about forty-five teachers will be needed for the first term, fifteen for the second. It is requested that the Committee on Teachers and Salaries be authorized to employ the additional teachers required.

## The Training School.

The Training School is attracting a larger attendance than ever before. In all the grades except the fourth the limit of forty has been reached. In the kindergarten there has been a waiting list of nearly twenty. The enrollment for the fall term was 386. This condition is very gratifying as indicating a growth in local confidence in the excellence of the school, in spite of the popular objections to student teachers. It promises a training school commensurate with the growing needs of the institution. One hundred and thirteen students are teaching classes the present term. We are obliged to utilize corridors for recitation rooms. The need of a new training school building is growing imperative.

## The Hiah School.

The high school enrollment in the fall term was as follows:


Seventy-three of these students have been under the immediate care of the principal, in the high school room. These pupils are taught in about half their work by student teachers. It is proposed in the next catalogue to outline four high school courses in which the characteristic features shall be respectively Manual Training, Agriculture, Household Economy, Latin and German. As soon as our resources allow it a Commercial Course should be added.

## The Faculty.

The various members of the faculty appointed by you at your last meeting are all rendering excellent service. On September 10, Mr. H. S. Woodward, teacher of public speaking, tendered his resignation, to accept a more desirable position of the same character in the Western Reserve University. Mr. C. W. Harlan of Winona Lake, Indiana was secured for this work and began his work at the beginning of the third week.

## Household Art.

The room assigned to Household Art has been fitted up with sewing machines, drafting and sewing tables, dress forms, cases, and other furniture. Some further equipment is needed. About 30 students have worked two hours per day in this department during the fall term. The director, Mrs. Brooks, has also organized sewing classes in grades 5, 6, and 7 of the training school.

## Household Science.

The courses in Household Science are proving very popular, the cooking laboratory was in use eight hours every day during the fall term. The expenses for food stuffs, gas, ice, and laundering average $\$ 2.00$ per pupil per term. I renew my recommendation that a fee of $\$ 2.00$ per term be charged all normal students except those holding township scholarships to cover the cost of the food stuffs consumed.

During the year there are given by the literary societies, the different classes and the alumni a half dozen or more banquets. The dishes, silverware, and the linen used at these are rented from local dealers. It is requested that the sum of $\$ 750$ or as much thereof as may be needed, be appropriated for the purchase of a supply of these articles sufficient for a dinner of 200 persons, the same to be rented for these banquet occasions at a moderate price until the receipts shall equal the original outlay and the cost of renewals. It is believed that the rentals for three years will cover this outlay.

## The Manual Arts Building.

The Manual Arts Building is proving very satisfactory. The heating, the ventilation, the lighting leave little to be desired. The air supply is far beyond our present needs. The chief defect of the plant is that the dampers intended to check the flow of air into the auditorium when not in use, do not reduce the inflow sufficiently. On the morning of December 7, when the mercury registered six below zero, the building was easily heated. No serious defect has appeared in the construction except in the copper cornice, and in the cement rail in front of the stage. The plaster mixed with the cement to make it work destroyed its strength and hardness. The contractor has agreed to rebuild this part of his work next week.

## The Pipe Organ.

The contract for building the pipe organ was let to Hillgreen, Lane \& Co. of Alliance, Ohio for $\$ 6,300$. The organ is to contain three manuals, thirty-four registers, and 2,184 pipes with various couplers, combinations, and accessories for increasing its variety and power. The organ floor is to be built next week by R. M. Huffington at a cost of $\$ 355$. The organ is to be installed ready for the opening recital on February 25. Mr. Arthur Dunham of Chicago has been secured for this occasion.

## Buildings and Grounds.

Since your last meeting the following expenditures have been made in furnishing the Manual Arts Building:

| Decorating auditorium | \$ 63200 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Electric fixtures and lamps | 1,660 25 |
| Window shades. | 19680 |
| Opera chairs | 1,22189 |
| Scenery for stage | - 52500 |
| Grand piano. | 70496 |
| Fitting up physics and science laboratories | 1,829 72 |
| Cases and lockers manual training department. | 1,285 79 |
| Benches and tools manual training department. |  |
| Machinery for manual training department |  |
| Equipment for sewing room |  |
| New gas fixtures in cooking laboratory |  |
| Program clocks | 17500 |
| New furniture |  |

A balance of $\$ 8,325.93$ still remains of the Special Appropriation for this purpose.
We have expended within the old building as follows:


Upon the grounds we have expended:

| For tunnel and steam mains to new building | \$1,732 00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| For drain to boiler house. | 8940 |
| For sidewalks. | 1,073 60 |
| For pavement at entrance to groun | 30506 |

The contract for constructing drives upon the grounds was let to Mr. L. E. Gehrt, whose bid was the only one within the estimate upon which our appropriation was based. His work was to be done October 1. It is not done yet.

For this delay the contractor is in part responsible, but the chief cause has been the failure of the State Penitentiary to supply us with crushed stone as needed. Although the warden of the penitentiary had agreed to furnish us crushed stone f. o. b. Joliet when needed, he discovered in September that he was not authorized by law to do so. Consequently the Board of Prison Industries is now charging us for the road material. We hope to secure a special price on this stone.

## The Universitry Farm.

Inasmuch as the leases upon the University Farm of 95 acres terminate the present year, some new arrangement must be made. It is recommended that for next year the greater part be seeded to oats and clover, reserving such small area as we can use in our school work besides our school garden.

Our more progressive farming communities are now seeking teachers competent to give instruction in the elements of agriculture. If we are to meet this demand and at the same time to carry out the provisions of the statute establishing the institution, tie scope of our present nature study courses must be broadened; they must be made more distinctly agricultural. The farm should be conducted in such a way as to produce an annual income equal to the present rental; for if it is not run as a profitable farm it is a very poor sort of model farm. This will not stand in the way of experimentation and demonstration of different agricultural methods, but its chief function should be to exemplify good methods of farming. This will mean in the near future thorough drainage and farm buildings.: Any action taken at this meeting should have in view making this farm of the largest possible value to the schools of Illinois.

Library Report.

| Circulation, 1909. | Books. | Pictures. | Latern Slides. | Exhibits. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First summer term.. | 5,021 | 52 | 232 | 7 |
| Second summer term. | 2,440 8,762 |  |  |  |
| Fall term ....... | 8,762 | 2,455 | 1,741 | 76 |
| Total | 16,023 | 2,507 | 1,993 | 83 |
| Circulation, 1908. |  |  | \% |  |
| First summer term. | 2,907 | 396 |  |  |
| Second summer term | 2,787 | 153 |  |  |
| Fall term | 7,329 | 1,890 |  |  |
| Total | 13,113 | 2,439 | ---1......... | ......... |
| Total gain, 1909 | 2,910 | 68 | -.-........... |  |

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Astronomy
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Industrial education . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 22






Total. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 369
Books added by purchase . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 368

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## Library Staff.

Miss Webb meets her duties with a spirit and efficiency equal to the best of her predecessors, and with health and strength to be relied upon.

We have some good student assistants, although that sort of help is, as always, hampered by its limitations. The divisions of the library day between several persons, the necessity, of teaching and correcting the mistakes of each one and the further necessity of losing them so soon after they become really helpful, all interfere with the usefulness of even the best student assistants.

The library staff as a whole is greatly improved, and yet it is not equal to taking care of all the valuable library resources that are rapidly accumulating, and making them all immediately available.

Part of the difficulty is caused by crowded conditions. It is a question which is the more serious, the lack of space or the pressure of many duties demanding more immediate time and attention than are to be had.

## Finances.

We are now required to pay $\$ 90$ per month for student assistants. It is not practicable to put their names on the payroll. May not an addition of $\$ 400$ be made to the library fund to pay for such assistance?

The Budget.
Probable receipts, general fund, before July 1, 1910.


A considerable balance should be on hand July 1, 1910 to anticipate the extraordinary expenses of the summer school. It will be noted that our receipts from term fees and tuition have doubled in five years.

Respectfully submitted;
David Felmlex.
The report was received and the various recommendations wore referred to the appropriate committees.

## Treasurer's Report.

Mr. F. D. Marquis, treasurer of the Board, presented the following report, which was referred to the Committee an Auditing and Finance:

## To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Mr. President and Members of the Board--The last report of your treasurer, May 29, 1909, showed a balance on hand of $\$ 31,369.26$.

The receipts since have been:

| From the State Treasurer . | \$65,746 78 |
| :---: | :---: |
| From tuition and term fees | 4,404 50 |
| From land rent | 12023 |
| From interest. | ${ }^{2} 24$ |
| From petty sales. | 14784 |

## Total.

The disbursements, $\$ 82,884.39$, is shown by 120 vouchers which are returned herewith, together with a statement of account in detail.

The amount on hand at this time is $\$ 18,996.46$
Respectfully submitted,
F. D. Marquis,

Treasurer.
F. D. Marquis, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Education of the State of Illinois.


Treasurer in Account with Board of Education-Continued.

|  | Cr. by Vouchers. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & 3686 \end{aligned}$ | Silver, Burdette \& Co. | \$ 6000 |
| 3687 | Carlton, Gay | 31940 |
| 3688 | Illinois State Reformatory | 47995 |
| 3689 | Simmons, J. L | 63200 |
| 3690 | Simmons, J. L | 1,198 39 |
| 3691 | Simmons, J. L | 18200 |
| 3692 | Sosman \& Landis Co | 46500 |
| 3693 | Andrews, A. H., \& Co | 1,107 86 |
| 3694 | Illinois State Penitentiary | 39925 |
| 3695 | Felmley, David. | 50000 |
| 3696 | Felmley, David. | 1,000 00 |
| 3697 | Felmley, David. | 40000 |
| 3698 | Felmley, David | 30000 |
| 3699 | Haas Electric Mfig. Co. | 1,384 18 |
| 3701 | Davis-Ewing Concrete Co | 1,035 00 |
| 3702 | Felmley, David. | 3,815 00 |
| 3703 | Felmley, David. | 4,870 00 |
| 3704 | Tabraham \& Kerr | 96950 |
| 3705 | Davis-Ewing Concrete Co | 3860 |
| 3706 | Town of Normal. | 6065 |
| 3707 | Rand-McNally Co | 8200 |
| 3708 | Andrews, A. H., \& Co | 5473 |
| 3709 | Huffington, Robert - . | 53397 |
| 3710 | B. \& N. Railway \& Light Co | 6829 |
| 3711 | Felmley, David. | 1,927 05 |
| 3712 | Felmley, David | 4,745 10 |
| 3713 | Hunt, sherman | 2000 |
| 3714 | B. \& N. Railway \& Light Co | 4817 |
| 3715 | Illinois State Reformatory. | 2915 |
| 3716 | Tincoln Mining Co | 10438 |
| 3717 | Singer Sewing Machine Co | 7000 |
| 3718 | White Sewing Machine Co | 2500 |
| 3719 | Davis Sewing Machine Co | 1750 |
| 3720 | Standard Sewing Machine Co... | 2500 |
| 3721 | Wilcox-Gibbs Sewing Machine Co | 5625 |
| 3722 | Bawden, W.T | 4433 |
| 3772 | S. R. White Mig. Co. | 2600 |
| 3724 | M. \& D. Range Co. | 1350 |
| 3725 | Everson, C. G., \& Co |  |
| 3726 | J. W. Evans Sons Co | 2,12780 |
| 3727 | Town of Normal. | 30556 |
| 3728 | Nehrling, Bruno. | 9374 |
| 3799 | Felmley, David. | 6,55509 |
| 3730 | Keiser-VanLeer Co | 1,732 00 |
| 3731 | J. I. Holcomb Mig. Co | 3200 |
| 3732 | Gregory, E. M. | 14849 |
| 3733 | Vaughns Seed Store | 1913 |
| 3734 | Stevens, W. S ........... |  |
| 3735 3736 |  | 13880 2100 |
| 3737 | Inlinois State Penitentiary | 1,19300 |
| 3738 | Felmley, David. ........... | 50000 |
| 3739 | Fostoria Incandescent Lamp Co | 10852 |
| 3740 | Pillsbury, A. L. | 10880 |
| 3741 | Maryland Casualty Co | 4833 |
| 3742 | Richard Bros. | 9279 |
| 3743 | Latham Coal Co | 18939 |
| 3744 | Rogers Wall Paper Co | 6152 |
| 3745 | Baker Paper Co.. | 6064 |
| 3746 | Hall-Borchert Dress Form Co. | 4640 |
| 3747 | Felmley, David. | 6,592 92 |
| 3748 | Huffington, R. M | 27410 |
| 3750 | Maguire, P. H. | 1050 |
| 3751 | Grand Rapids Hand Screw Co | 35 52 |
| 3752 | Orr \& Locket Hardware Co.. | 3990 |
| 3753 | Sheldon, E. H., \& Co | 4871 |
| 3754 | Toles, W.C. \& Co | 6209 |
| 3755 | B. \& N. Ry. \& Light Co. | 24677 |
| 3757 | Illinois State Penitentiary | 5005 |
| 3758 | Union Gas \& Mlectric Co. | 2255 |
| 3759 | Brand, Geo., \& Son. | 6175 |
| 3760 | Chicago \& Aiton R. R. Co |  |
| 3761 | Abernathy, Vise \& Tool Co | 3009 |
| 3762 3763 | Standard Oil Co - | 1873 |
| 3763 | Johnson Service Co |  |

Treasurer in Account with Board of Education-Concluded.

|  | Cr. by Vouchers. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3764 | Felmley, David. | \$6,633 83 |  |
| 3683 3765 | Felmley, David. | $\begin{array}{r}4,87000 \\ 89 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| 3765 3767 | Yazell, David.. Carlton, Guy | $\begin{array}{r}89 \\ 1513 \\ \hline 3\end{array}$ |  |
| 3768 | B. \& N. Railway \& Light Co | 23100 |  |
| 3769 | Latham Coal Co | 64074 |  |
|  | Balance. |  | 18,996 40 |
|  | Total. |  | \$101,880 85 |

President Felmley presented the four following reports: (1) Account with the contigent fund; (2) account with the library fund; (3) account with the science (biological, physical, and geographical) fund; (4) account with the household science fund, which were received and on motion referred to the Committee on Auditing and Finance:

## Illinois State Normal University.

David Felmley, President, in account with the Contingent Fund:


## Contingent Fund-Concluded.



## Illinors State Normal University.

David Felmley, President, in account with the Library Fund:


The sum of $\$ 1,300$ is requested for the next six months, the additional $\$ 300$, to pay for the services of student assistants.

David Felmley,
President.

## Illinois State Normal University.

## David Ifelmley, President, in account with the Science Fund:

(Biological, Physical, Geographical.)


The sum of $\$ 500$ is requested for the next six months.
David Felmley,
President.

Illinois State Normal University.
David Felmley, President, in account with the Household Science Fund:


An appropriation of $\$ 200$ is requested for the next six months.
David Felmley,
President.

## Unpaid Bills.

The following is the list of unpaid bills reported to the board at its meeting December 22, 1909. All the bills were audited and ordered paid:
Sherman Hunt, laundering towels................................................................................. 75 . 75

David Felmley, December pay roll..................................................................... 6,619 58
Durand-Steele Locker Co., lockers for gymnasium..................................................... 8700
George W. Bentley, 36 hours team hauling earth. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ............................ 10 . 20
E. M. Gregory, plumbing repairs. ................................................................................. 26 . 92

Bruno Nehrling, cash paid for extra labor on grounds. . . .............................................. 30 is
R. W. Paltridge \& Co., final payment on clocks................................................................ 270.10
R. W. Paltridge \& Co., stereopticon curtain for stage . . . . . . . . ........................................... 60 . 00 -
R. M. Huflington, new basement doors.............................................................................. 2840

Town of Normal, water tax to October 1............................................................... 28 . 10
David Felmley, for use of L. E. Gehrt, payment on walks ............................................ 1,222 25 .

## Reports of Standing. Committees.

## AUDITING AND FINANCE COMMITIEE.

The Committee on Auditing and Finance presented the following six reports, upon cach of which the roll being called and all members present voting in the affirmative, the recommendations in each of them for the expenditure of money were adopted:

## To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of F. D. Marquis, Treasurer with its 120 accompanying vouchers and showing balance on hand of $\$ 18,996.46$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds it correct. It recommends that the report be approved.
J. L. Robertson,
W. R. Sandham,

Charles L. Capen,
Committee on Auditing and Finance.

## To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of David Felmley, in account with the Contingent Fund, with its 109 accompanying vouchers and showing balance on hand of $\$ 80.88$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds it correct. It recommends that an appropriation of $\$ 1,000.00$ be made to this fund for the ensuing six months.

J. L. Robertson,<br>W. R. Sandham,<br>Charles L. Capen.<br>Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:
Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of David Felmley, President, in account with the Library Fund with its sixty accompanying vouchers and showing deficit of $\$ 35.96$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds it correct. It recommends that an appropriation of $\$ 1,300.00$ be made to this fund for the ensuing six months.

J. L. Roblertsonf,<br>W. R. Sandiam,<br>Charles L. Capens.<br>Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the Slate of Illinois:
Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of David Felmley, in account with the Science Fund, with its thirty-one accompanying vouchers and showing balance on hand of $\$ 10.45$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds it correct. It recommends that an appropriation of $\$ 500.00$ be made to this fund for the ensuing six months.

> J. L. Robertson,
> W. R. SANDHAM,
> CHARLES L. CAPEN.
> Committee on Auditing and Finance.

## To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of David Felmley, in account with the Household Science Fund, with its fifteen accompanying vouchers, and showing balance on hand of $\$ 8.93$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds it correct. It recommends the appropriation of $\$ 200.00$ for the ensuing six months.

J. L. Robertson,<br>W. R. Sandham,<br>Charles L. Capen.<br>Committee on Auditing and Finance.

## To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the unpaid bills, amounting to $\$ 8,520.33$, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds them correct. It recommends that they be paid.
J. L. Robertson,
W. R. Sandham,

Charles L. Capen.
Committee on Auditing and Finance.

## COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

Mr. Walker, President of the Board, made the following report:

## To the State Board of Education:

Last June it was made my duty to confer with the authorities of the State University relative to the use of the Normal farm for experimental purposes after December 1, 1909, and to make such recommendations with regard to the same as I might consider proper at the next meeting of the board.

In accordance with the above I wrote to President Edmund J. James, of the State University, as soon as I received the official report of our meeting sending him at that time the action of the board.

On about October 27, I received an answer from Dr. Cyril G. Hopkins, to whom the letter had been referred. I then-made arrangements with him to meet him in his office at Champaign, on November 19, and at the same time invited President Felmley to meet with him. We talked the matter over quite thoroughly and his opinion in regard to the matter is stated in a letter that I received about November 26.

The idea presented, as I understand it, is that we should deed to them twenty to forty acres of the ninety-five acres to be used for experimental purposes.

I have looked up the matter in the Session Laws of 1867, page 21, Section II, and I find the following:
"Section II. Said board of education is hereby authorized to sell and dispose of the outlands and lots, standing in the name of said board, lying in the counties of Jackson, Woodford and McLean, except the site of the Normal University and the farm of one hundred acres, more or less, in its vicinity, and appropriate the proceeds thereof towards the payment of the appropriations hereinafter named."

I have talked with Mr. Felmley, in regard to the matter, and we believe that we cannot deed unless we have a legislative act to that effect.

It is also a question in my mind, whether we should ask the legislature to do it and with this report I desire to leave it with the Board to discuss the matter and come to some conclusion at this meeting. The letters are attached to this report.

## P. R. Walker, <br> President of the Board.

After considerable discussion and a statement by President Felmley, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Brown and adopted by the Board:

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings and Grounds report at the next meeting a plan for the use of the farm for purposes of instruction in the elements of agricultural science, and for demonstration of good practical farming.

Unanimously carried.
Mr. Capen moved that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds be authorized to lease the farm for the coming year for the purpose of restoring the fertility as the primary object. Unanimously carried.

Mr. Capen moved that the Committce on Buildings and Grounds be authorized to purchase crockery, glassware, silverware, ete., not to exceed $\$ 750.00$. Unanimously carried.

Mr. Trego moved that the President be authorized to charge a suitable rental for the use of the dishes. Lost.

Mr. Robertson moved that the fee of $\$ 2.00$ as recommended by the President of the University be charged all students taking domestic science in the Normal School and academic departments except those holding township. scholarships. Carried.

Mr. Robertson moved that the sense of the Board is that the pavement on Mulberry strect, from Normal avenue to University street be laid; that the Board assume its share of the expenses. Carried.

Mr. Capen moved that President Felmley be instructed to see that the ladies' room in the institution be properly fitted up before the next meeting of the Board. Upon motion the matter was referred to the committee on Buildings and Grounds, with Mrs. Young added to that committee.

## Committee on Teachers and Salaries.

Your Committee on Teachers and Salaries respectfully submit the following report:

To fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Mr. Woodward, Mr. C. W. Harlan, of Winona Lake, Indiana, was secured at the same salary for the three months preceding this meeting. It is recommended that Mr. Harlan be appointed for the rest of the school year and that his salary be at the rate of $\$ 1,500.00$ per annum.
It is recommended that Miss Nellie Webb be appointed assistant librarian vice Willa Garver resigned and that her salary be fixed at $\$ 780.00$ for forty-eight weeks of service.

It is recommended that the wages of the day fireman be raised from $\$ 45.00$ to $\$ 50.00$ per month.

Committee.
Mrs. Young moved the adoption of the report of Committee on Teachers and Salaries. Carried.

The recommendations of the President in regard to the summer school were approved by the Board.

Mr. Trego's name was placed by President Walker on the Committee on Practice Department in place of Mr. Robertson.

Board adjourned.
P. R. Walker,
F. G. Blair, Secretary.


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