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J. G. Crabbe, L. L. Walker, D. P. Smith, Pres.

Patterson, C. M. Clay, R. L. Stout and R. C. Stoll, - 10

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T. L. Edelen, Gov. W. H. Cox, C. B. Terrell,

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Regular December meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State University of Kentucky, held at the President's room, Gymnasium Building, college grounds, Lexington, Kentucky, on December 14th, 1909 at ten o'clock A. M.

Governor Willson being absent upon motion of President Patterson, duly seconded and carried Mr. C. M. Clay was elected temporary chairman.

Mr. Clay took the chair.

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Upon motion of President Patterson duly seconded and carried the minutes of the faculty and the minutes of the special faculties were referred to the Committee on Minutes of the Faculties with direction that if any matter shown in the minutes should be brought before the board it should be done by this Committee.

At this point Mr. Nichols read to the board the report of the Special Committee appointed by the Executive (Executive) Committee which is as follows:

Mr. Nichols made an oral report (Resolution follows)

Upon motion of Mr. Walker, duly seconded and carried the Legislative Committee were instructed to take up the matter of interest paid by the University on appropriations which were not paid by the state at the time fixed by the various acts, and asking the legislature to reimburse the University for such interest, and to take such other actions as the committee may deem proper in the premises; and it was further ordered that it shall be the duty of the Business Agent to furnish the Legislative Committee with the amount of interest so paid out by the University, and upon what money said interest was paid, and when the appropriations from the state were due, and when they were paid, and such other facts as the committee may desire.

At this point upon motion of President Patterson, duly seconded and carried the board adjourned to meet at 2:30 o'clock of the same day.

Board met pursuant to adjournment and in addition to the members present as above stated Governor Willson came into the meeting and took the chair.

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Upon motion of Mr. Walker, duly seconded and carried the matter of furnishing the Chemistry building, referred to in a communication from the Dean of the department of chemistry and which has been presented to the board, is now referred to the Executive Committee with power to act; and it is further ordered that any expenditure made by the Executive Committee under this authority shall not be taken into account under the former resolutions of the Board, in ascertaining the amount the Executive Committee is authorized to appropriate between meetings of Board, such authority being limited to appropriating not more than \$5000.00.

At this point Judge Mulligan came before the Board and made a statement with reference to the widening of Winslow Street and its effect upon the college property and his own property, and suggested to the Board that it would be wise to give to the city such grounds off of the college property as would be necessary to widen this street.

After Judge Mulligan had retired Mr. Stoll offered the following resolution, which was duly seconded and carried.

Resolved that a committee be appointed to carry out the suggestions of Judge Mulligan with reference to the widening of Winslow Street; and that this committee shall have full power to dedicate sufficient land, or portions of land for said purpose which it is wise and advisable to make; and they are instructed to make suitable arrangements with the city which shall be mutually satisfactory to the city and to the University.

Thereupon the chair appointed as such committee the Executive Committee.



At this point President Patterson presented a communication from Prof. Anderson which he read, with reference to appropriations asked by Prof. Anderson for the department of mechanical and electrical engineering.

Without objection the communication from Prof. Anderson was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act, except that part of the communication that refers to an application for an appropriation of \$175,000.00, for additional buildings and equipments, which part of said communication was referred to the Legislative Committee.

At this point there was informal discussion with reference to appropriations for the college and to the general financial condition of the college, and with reference to the condition of accounts and books of same.

Mr. Stoll offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee be especially authorized and requested to consider all matters contained in the budget prepared by the President, and prepare a report upon the same before the specially called meeting, and send out same to all members of the Board of Trustees so that all may be fully advised at the next semi annual meeting.

Said motion was duly seconded by Mr. Carpenter and placed upon its passage and carried.

At this point President Patterson made a statement with reference to certain repairs and improvements in the way of pavements which had been required to be put down, which had cost more than the sum that was now in the fund for repairs and improvements and moved that the sum of \$3089.10 be placed to the credit of the repairs and improvements out of the general fund to meet the deficit in the repairs and improvements fund.

Said motion was duly seconded and placed upon its passage and upon the roll called the votes stood as follows:

Ayes: Messrs. Carpenter, Hopkins, Nichols, Crabbe, Walker,  
Smith, Patterson, Clay, Stoll, Willson, and Barker, 11

Noes: None.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

Judge Barker came into the meeting just about the time this resolution was offered.

At this point Mr. Stoll for the committee specially appointed consisting of President Patterson, Mr. Carpenter, Judge Terrell, Judge Barker and himself to look into and recommend to the Board the terms of the retirement of President Patterson as President of the University, made the report of said committee, which report is as follows:

To the Board of Trustees of State University,  
Lexington,  
Kentucky.

Gentlemen:-

Your committee which was appointed to look into and recommend to the Board, the terms of the retirement of James K. Patterson as President of this University, beg leave to make the following report, to-wit:

Upon the resignation and retirement of President Patterson, that the University agree:

First: To pay to President Patterson for and during the remainder of his natural life, sixty (60) per cent of the present salary which he now receives, which sixty (60) per cent amounts to Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars per year; that this sum be payable in equal monthly installments.

Second: That President Patterson be designated as President Emeritus of the University and shall continue a member of its faculty.

Third: That he be permitted an (and) allowed to sit with the Board of Trustees in its annual and semi-annual sessions and that he be permitted to participate in the deliberations of the Board, but, without a vote.

Fourth: That he be recognized as an adviser and auxilliary (auxiliary) to the Vice-President of the University until a new President is selected.

Fifth: That he be given the privilege of representing the University at meetings of the National Associations, Kentucky Teachers Associations, District Associations, County Associations and High Schools of the Commonwealth and that when he does so represent the University, all of his expenses be paid but this privilege of representing the University shall not be exclusive and he shall not take precedence in such representation over the new President when he is elected should he be present at such Association.

Sixth: That the University rent to President Patterson the house and premises which he now occupies for and during the remainder of his life for an annual rental of Two Hundred and Forty (\$240.) Dollars per year.

R. C. Stoll, Secretary.

It was thereupon moved and duly seconded that said report be received and the recommendations therein contained be adopted as the action of Board and after remarks upon the motion upon the roll call the votes stood as follows:

Ayes: Messrs. Carpenter, Hopkins, Nichols, Crabbe, Walker,  
Smith, Clay, Stoll, Willson and Barker, - ten

Noes: None.

President Patterson not voting.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

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At this point the committee on minutes of the faculty presented its report on the minutes of the faculty and the minutes of the special faculties which is as follows:

Having examined the minutes of the Faculty and the minutes of the special Faculties we hereby approve same.

J. G. Crabbe, Chairman.

F. A. Hopkins.

At this point President Patterson read to the Board his resignation as President of the University which is as follows:

To the Board of Trustees of the

State University of Kentucky.

Gentlemen:

I think the time now opportune to ask you to relieve me of the burden of the official supervision and administration of the State University of Kentucky. I have served you faithfully for the last forty years and more, and think that I have now earned my retirement. How the State University has grown, the small beginnings from which it set out, the disabilities attached to its connection with a denominational institution, its severance therefrom after a period of thirteen years, its re-establishment upon an independent basis, its small endowment, its struggles for existence, the clouds that overshadowed it and the storms which threatened to submerge it, are more or less familiar to you all. How it stood the fierce onslaught of redoubtable foes, gathering strength from every contest, how it grew gradually in the estimation of the public and converted even its most inveterate enemies into friends, adding to its endowments, its lands, its buildings, its laboratories, is equally well known.

The State University is now an integral part of the Commonwealth, recognized by the constitution, head of the educational system of Kentucky, an honored member of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, and doing, according to its means, work equal to the best of them and superior to most of them. It has survived "the winter of its discontent", has grown from infancy to maturity, and has learned the lessons of endurance and patience and discretion and hope. Now that the State University of Kentucky has attained its majority, and I have passed the three scores (score) year (years) and ten, I can with safety and with honor retire from the field, carrying with me a shield battered and pierced with many a spear, but never abandoned to an enemy. I now have the honor to tender formally to this honorable Board my resignation of the Presidency of this University to take effect at such date as may appear opportune, between the first day of January 1910 and the first day of July of the same year.

You have been kind enough to grant me, upon the recommendation of the committee appointed to name the conditions of my retirement, conditions honorable and generous, for which I thank you sincerely. I pray God that in your wisdom you may select a successor able, scholarly, skillful, wise in counsel (counsel), vigorous and tactful in administration, ruling with justice and with dignity, gentle, generous and manly, pure in morals and of incorruptible integrity. I thank you for your generous sympathy and support and confidence during all the long years of peril, of discipline and of ultimate triumph.

With sincere regard,

Gratefully and affectionately,

Your obedient servant.

After the reading of said resignation there was some suggestion among the members of the Board as to the propriety of accepting said resignation at this time, and some doubt as to whether it should be done on account of the smallness of the meeting, but President Patterson insisted that he wanted the resignation

acted upon, and thereupon Judge Barker moved and it was duly seconded and carried that the Board accept the resignation of President Patterson under the terms and conditions as specified and set out in his resignation, which resolution after remarks by various members of the Board was carried unanimously.

Upon motion of Prof. Crabbe, duly seconded and carried the chair was directed to appoint a committee to prepare and present at the next meeting of the Board a response to the resignation of President Patterson.

The Chair thereupon appointed as such committee, Judge Barker, Mr. Clay, and Prof. Crabbe.

Mr. Stoll moved that President Patterson be authorized to call a special meeting of the Board of Trustees and consider the election of a new President at any time in his discretion, and said motion was seconded by Mr. Nichols.

Thereupon Mr. Clay moved as a substitute that the matter of considering the election of a new President be deferred to the regular June meeting.

Upon the substitute motion of Mr. Clay the vote stood three for the resolution and five against it and the substituted motion was lost.

Upon the vote being called for on the original motion same was carried.

At this point President Patterson read to the Board his report which is as follows:

Lexington, Ky., December 1st, 1909.

Gentlemen of the Board of Trustees of the State University:-

At the midwinter meeting of the Board of Trustees, there is usually little to report and but little to record of more than transient and current interest. The University year opened in September under favorable auspices. We are still in a state of transition from college to university.

Departments have been strengthened and enlarged. Courses of study have been to some extent re-cast and readjusted to altered conditions. The standard of admission to university work has been raised and the minimum number of units adopted for entrance. The building for Civil Engineering and Physics has been completed, accepted and now occupied. The buildings for Mining Engineering and Chemistry are well under way and it is hoped will be completed and available for use shortly after the holidays. The equipment for Civil Engineering and Physics is, however, far from complete. All the money available from the last legislative appropriation has been put into construction, leaving equipment to be provided for out of current annual income. The utmost possible has been to provide about one-third of the equipment necessary leaving the remaining two-thirds to be supplied next year and the year following.

Thus far the health of our student community has been good. Happily there have been no deaths and no serious illness.

The season of field sports and athletic games has been successful. The University has in most instances led in the match games played and earned a reputation for themselves and for the University. The treasury of the Athletic Association shows a handsome surplus, and the teams have distinguished themselves for manliness and gentlemanliness, as well as for skill and endurance.

I have in several reports extending over a series of years referred to the unsatisfactory and unprofitable relations existing between the Experiment Station and the University. The relations are sufficiently cordial, and in diplomatic phraseology correct. The business relations, however, are merely nominal. This ought not so to be. The Experiment Station is by law a department of the Agricultural College, and the Agricultural College is an integral part of the University. A part of a part is or ought to be a part of the whole, but while in theory a part of the University, it is, as a matter of fact, almost wholly outside of the University. The Station conducts on scientific principles experiments in grains and grasses, in stock breeding and stock feeding. It conducts these

experiments on a plane equal to those of the best Experiment Stations in the country, and with results commensurate therewith, but practically no benefit accrues to the classes of the Agricultural College of the University from these results. They are published in bulletins and distributed among the agriculturists of this and neighboring states, and thus far serve for purposes of instruction to the agricultural community at large. With this I have no fault to find and no criticism to offer, but the results obtained, whatever may be there (their) value, whether more or less, ought to be made available by direct instruction given to our classes in agriculture by those who conduct experiments in the field and in the laboratory. Not through the formal printed page, but by the living voice in the class room and in the laboratories, processes should be illustrated and results explained in direct contact with the investigator and discoverer.

All this, I regret to say, has not been brought home to our students in person. The utmost which I have been able to obtain is half the time of the Professor of Agronomy for the current year, upon payment of half his salary by the University. Now this, it occurs to me, is far from the original intention of the organic act. The establishment of Experiment Stations was intended to supplement and vitalize, through experiment, investigation and discovery, the confessedly inadequate instruction available from text-books. Every experiment upon the farm, in the garden and in the orchard, and every experiment in the stock-yards and stalls ought to be open to the students of agriculture, whose attendance thereupon should be made not optional but obligatory. Everyone connected with the Experiment Station should be a teacher, a bona fide teacher, as well as experimenter and investigator.

I have dwelt longer on this subject than I intended, because it is one that lies near to my heart. I have succeeded, I think, fairly well in building up the engineering and classical and scientific side of the institution, but the develop-



ment of the agricultural side, to which for years I have given much care and much thought, has not been commensurate with my efforts, nor equalled my expectations. So far as benefits to the Agricultural College and its classes are concerned, our Experiment Station might as well be established at Paducah or Covington or Ashland, as at Lexington. Indeed, it seems to me that the purpose has been not only to differentiate, but to isolate and to establish an independent entity, rather than to work in harmony with the other departments of the agricultural college, as a department co-ordinate therewith.

Perhaps the most noteworthy feature of the present academic year thus far has been the completion of the Carnegie Library, the installation of two or three important consignments of books and its prospective opening in the near future to the students and faculty of the University. There are upon the shelves more than three thousand well selected volumes, representing many departments in literature, and science, with a tolerably liberal collection of the best writers in fiction. The object has been to supply material for historical and literary research, illustrative of the sources of civilization and the growth and development thereof. General and special history, ancient and modern literature, economics and sociology, science in its varied applications to productive industry, are all represented in the nucleus of what promises to become a large and valuable collection. The activities of the human mind along the principal lines of psychology, metaphysical speculation and religious development and growth have not been lost sight of. A liberal supply of material to aid in study and investigation along these lines has been included in the list of purchased books.

The dedicatory services were held in the Chapel of the University and in the Library Building on the 24th of November. The address of dedication was delivered by Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, Chairman of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. In addition to the brief introduction of the speaker by the President of the University, eloquent addresses were delivered by Governor Willson, Hon.

Cassius M. Clay, Mr. R. C. Stoll, and Judge Henry S. Barker, representing the Board of Trustees. The address of Dr. Pritchett, one of the best ever delivered in the University Chapel, and the complementary addresses incident thereto will be published in appropriate permanent form, copies of which will be sent to Mr. Carnegie, to Dr. Pritchett, to Governor Willson, the members of the Board of Trustees, the members of the faculty, to the State Library, and the Libraries of each of the Land Grant Colleges and Universities established under the act of 1862. Our grateful acknowledgements are due to the great philanthropist, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who by his liberal donation made possible this noteworthy epoch in the history of the State University of Kentucky.

When I look around me and see the wonderful progress that has been made since 1880, how one department has been established after another and suitable buildings provided for each, how the circumscribed limits of agriculture and the mechanic arts have grown and developed into the proportions of the greatest State University in the South, I cannot but stand astonished at the wonderful results which have been achieved with-in the brief period. The foundations of an institution commensurate with the dignity and importance of its origin and of its relationship to education in Kentucky have been well laid. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth and the Educational Commission appointed by it to re-cast the legislation relating to the common school, the high school, the State University, and the denominational colleges and universities of Kentucky recognize generously and fully the headship and leadership of the State University. If, under the adverse conditions which prevailed during the greater part of its existence and against which it had to struggle for vitality and permanency, it has succeeded in winning the vantage ground which compels this recognition of educational priority and precedence, what dreams of greatness and of usefulness arise in attempting to forecast its future.

To you, gentlemen, is committed the management and oversight and the con-

trol of the State University of Kentucky. My prayer is that you will be enabled, under Providence, to rise to a full conception and apprehension of the opportunities and the possibilities placed before you, and that ere another thirty years have passed, with departments enlarged and strengthened and the material facilities for rendering education effective increased and multiplied, with a largely increased liberality on the part of the Commonwealth, this State University in which you and I feel a legitimate pleasure and pride, will take rank with the great institutions of the country in the number of its matriculates and the thoroughness of the work done by its alumni.

Esto perpetua.

I am, with much respect,

Your obedient servant,

On motion of Mr. Stoll, duly seconded and carried the report of the President was referred to the Committee on President's report.

Upon motion of Mr. Stoll duly seconded and carried it was resolved that in the event there should be a vacancy (vacancy) in the office of President of this University that the Vice-President should assume the duties of President.

At this point Mr. Clay presented a statement from the Alumni Association which he stated he had been requested to read by Mr. Nichols and which was signed by J. B. Turner, President of said Association.

Upon motion of Mr. Stoll, duly seconded and carried said communication was referred to the Executive Committee.

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A statement was made by some member of the Board as coming from Prof. White that an appropriation was needed to keep in proper repair the room at the Good Samaritan Hospital which had been furnished by the University.

Upon motion of Mr. Stoll, duly seconded and carried the matter of making an appropriation for the hospital room was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

Thereupon upon motion of Judge Barker, duly seconded and carried the Board adjourned.

D. C. Frazee  
Secretary

**Missing report(s)**