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April 12, 1915

The Faculty met at the call of the President <sup>April 12, 1915</sup> with the following members present;

President Barker, Deans Miller, Norwood, Rowe, Lafferty, Miss Hamilton, Melcher, Professors Pryor, Mathews, G. Terrell, Zembrod, Frankel, Noe, Hooper, Roberts, Davis, Freeman, Dantzier Farquhar, Weaver, D. Terrell, Carrel, Webb, Killebrew, Miss Sweeney, Gilbert, Grehan, Underwood, Boyd.

In the absence of Professor Gillis, Professor Boyd was appointed acting secretary.

Professor Mathews stated the object of the meeting, and read the following report regarding recent instances of hazing in the men's dormitory:

"As a result of information received concerning certain disturbances which have recently occurred in the third division of the old dormitory, the Committee on Discipline met in session on April 8, 9 and 10, and examined a number of students- about ten in all- who room in this division. The investigation revealed that, for two sessions or more, there has been in existence in this division a loosely organized body of students which has met frequently, and has occasionally indulged in a so-called initiation of willing or unwilling victims, accompanied by practices of disgusting and unmentionable vulgarity. Two of these initiations have occurred within the past ten days, and have been accompanied or followed by festivities in which alcoholic liquors have been brought to the dormitory and distributed to the participants.

The inquiry has established beyond any reasonable doubt that the following named persons were among the leaders in these occurrences: J. H. Moore, C. B. Elston, G. F. Reddish, N. N. Terry, Gordon B. Nance, Carter Clark, A. G. Craig, J. P. Ricketts, R. C. Scott.

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There were probably other participants whose names could not be secured with certainty. Your Committee on Discipline recommends that the above named men be denied all further privileges of the University dormitories for the remainder of this session and also for the entire year of 1915 and 1916.

The Committee further recommends that the parents of these men be informed of the findings of this Committee and Faculty.

(Signed) C. W. Mathews  
R. N. Maxson  
Arthur R. Underwood  
D. V. Terrell  
J. J. Hooper

It was moved by Prof. Frankel and seconded by Prof. Melcher that the report be filed and the recommendations accepted.

It was moved, as an amendment, by Prof. Miller and seconded by Prof. G. Terrell that the men mentioned in the report who were implicated in the hazing of Chapman last year, namely: J. H. Moore, C. B. Elston, N. N. Terry, be dismissed from the University. The amendment was carried unanimously.

It was moved by Prof. G. Terrell and seconded by Prof. Nee that the report as amended be approved and the recommendations carried into effect. Carried.

The President ruled the action taken by the Faculty to this point, as out of order for the reason that the Faculty had acted on hearsay evidence, increasing the penalties recommended by the Discipline Committee, without granting a hearing to the men involved.

The President further ruled that no student shall be expelled from the University by the Faculty without a hearing before the Faculty.

Prof. G. Terrell appealed from the decision of the chair and this appeal was seconded by Prof. Miller.

It was moved by Judge Lafferty and seconded by Dr. Pryor that the Faculty adjourn to meet at 3:45 P.M. Tuesday, at which

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time the men mentioned in the Discipline Committee's report  
should be present for examination.

Motion was carried and the Faculty adjourned to meet  
Tuesday at 3:45 P.M.

*Ernest Gillis*  
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Acting Secretary

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President.