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March 30, 1939

1. A meeting of the faculty was held at 4:10 P.M. on the call of President Simmons, who presided.

The following members were present: Ames, Armsby, Atkinson, Badgley, Barkley, Baty, Bennett, Bischoff, Bloom, Briggs, Carey, Castle, Chatland, F. G. Clark, W. F. Clark, Coad, Cogswell, Coleman, Crowder, Denson, Diettert, Dugan, Ferguson, Fox, Freeman, Glenn, Hardy, Haydon, Hertler, Hetler, Hoffman, Housman, Jesse, Little, Maddock, Mansfield, Marvin, Mason, Merriam, Merrill, Miller, Murphy, Papworth, Platt, Ramskill, Richards, Sanford, Scheffer, Schlueter, Schreiber, Shallenberger, Simmons, F. O. Smith, Suchy, Mrs. Swearingen, T. G. Swearingen, Thomas, Thompson, Toelle, Turner, Turney, Turney-High, Vinal, Waters, A. H. Weisberg, Mrs. Weisberg, Whicker, Yuill.

The following members were accounted for: Arnoldson, Bell, Clapp, Daughters, Deiss, Ephron, Feighner, Fessenden, Gleason, Line, Mirrieles, Rowe, Severy, Spaulding, J. B. Speer, Tascher, Teel.

2. The following announcements were made:

(1) By Dr. Hetler. When students appear in classes obviously suffering from bad colds, coughs, etc., faculty members are asked to cooperate with the Health Service in refusing such students admission to classes until they have a release from the University physician.

(2) By Dr. Merrill. The schedule copy for next year is in the hands of the chairmen of departments and deans of schools. This copy should be gone over carefully and must be returned to the Schedule Committee by the end of spring quarter.

3. Pursuant to action of the faculty at the meeting of March 9, 1939, (Par. 4) relative to honorary degrees, Dr. Simmons transmitted the recommendation of the Budget and Policy Committee that Clarence K. Streit be named as the only recommendation to the State Board of Education for the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. Mr. Streit was recommended for this degree by the School of Journalism, the Division of the Humanities, and the Division of Social Sciences. A motion was made by Merriam and seconded by Ramskill that the faculty approve the recommendation of Mr. Streit to the State Board of Education for the honorary LL.D. The motion was approved unanimously. *Honorary Degrees*

Dr. Simmons then presented the recommendation of the Budget and Policy Committee relative to the awarding of one recognitional degree in 1939, that of Master of Forest Engineering to Fred E. Thieme. After discussion, it was moved by Atkinson that the vote on the recognitional degree for Mr. Thieme be taken by secret ballot. Following further discussion, the motion was revised to the effect that the faculty approve the submission of a recognitional degree to the State Board of Education this year. Mr. Ramskill then seconded the motion, which was passed by the faculty 42 to 12. It was then moved by Mr. Ramskill that the awarding of the honorary degree of Master of Forest Engineering to Mr. Thieme in June, 1939, be recommended to the State Board of Education. The motion was seconded by Jesse and was passed 54 to 10 (68 members were present).

The President again called attention to the fact that information regarding honorary degrees must be regarded as confidential until the State Board has approved the recommendations.

4. Dr. Merrill then informed the faculty that the Health Insurance Group had gone over to the new hospitalization plan and that a second insurance group had been formed. He explained the Retirement Law recently passed by the State Legislature and said that mimeographed information will be distributed regarding dates for ratification and payments. Dr. Simmons asked for a show of hands regarding interest in discussing the Retirement Plan with the Secretary of the Retirement Board, and faculty indicated a desire to do so. *Health Insurance*

5. There being no further business before the faculty, the meeting adjourned.

*Suzette Wilhelm*  
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