

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FACULTY SENATE
Meeting of Monday, January 5, 1953

TREE RING LABORATORY STAFF, FACULTY STATUS RE: It was announced that the action of November 3 which had referred to the Committee on By-Laws the question of faculty status for members of the Tree Ring Laboratory staff had not been in order. This is an administrative matter to which the President will give attention at an early date.

GRADE AVERAGE REQUIREMENT FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREE, RECONSIDERATION OF: As the result of a recommendation from the College of Law faculty and a recommendation from the Committee of Eleven, the Senate voted to reconsider its action of December 1 which had changed the general average required for the bachelor's degree in colleges other than Law from 3.2000 to 3.2, had changed the general average required for graduation from the College of Law from 3.0000 to 3.0, and had also changed the grade average requirement in the major field and in connection with admission to the College of Education, the College of Law, and the College of Pharmacy, the requirement in these instances being changed from 3.0000 to 3.0. The Senate authorized the reactivation of the special committee originally organized in 1949 under the chairmanship of Dr. Francis Roy which had made a study of the University's grading system and graduation requirements and which had recommended an overall grade average requirement of 3.3000, later changed to 3.2000, (3.0000 for the College of Law), in lieu of the former "80% above 4" requirement.

This committee is now requested to review the entire matter of grading system, scholarship requirement for graduation, etc., and report at the first Senate meeting in February.

SOCIAL SECURITY, UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION IN: It was announced that a contract had been signed on December 31, 1952, placing University employees under Federal Social Security. Employee participation will involve a salary deduction of 1½% of the first \$3600 earned during the calendar year. The President stated that the Board of Regents was recommending to the legislature that a supplemental retirement plan be established for the University and State Colleges which would, when combined with federal social security, permit these institutions to provide a retirement plan which would compare favorably with other institutions of like kind.

MORNING CLASS HOURS, READJUSTMENT IN SCHEDULE OF: The Senate authorized the creation of a committee to investigate the practicability of revising the University's present class schedule to the end that only four class periods would be scheduled in the forenoon rather than the present five. This would permit a later beginning of class work each day than the present 7:40 A.M.

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