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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Madison, Wisconsin

Thursday, September 19, 1929, 10 A.M.

Budget adopted 1929-30 p.5

President Grady presiding.

PRESENT: President Frank, Regents Bachman, Callahan, Cashman, Eimon,

Grady, Gundersen, Mead, Runge, Sholts, Waters.

ABSENT: Regents Backus, Berger, Faast, Olbrich, Richardson,

Schmidtmann.

The following resolution relating to the Torger G. Thompson Estate was adopted:

WHEREAS, Torger G. Thompson, late of the Town of Deerfield, in the County of Dane and State of Wisconsin, died testate, and his Last Will and Testament having been duly admitted to probate by the County Court, Dane County, Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, Alice Thompson who received a life estate is now deceased, and

WHEREAS, by the terms of said Last Will and Testament of Torger G. Thompson, deceased, a trust fund was created in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) with directions that The Central Wisconsin Trust Company of Madison, Wisconsin be trustee and that the income from such fund should be paid annually to the Regents of the University of Wisconsin for research work in connection with the Department of Clinical Medicine of the University of Wisconsin, under the supervision of the physician in charge of such Clinical Department, and it was further provided in said instrument that after the payment of certain legacies and the setting aside of certain trust funds that all of the residue should be transferred to the Regents of the University of Wisconsin for certain purposes hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: By the Regents of the University of Wisconsin, in regular session duly convened in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, on the 19th day of September, 1929, that the Regents of the University of Wisconsin hereby accept the bequests and benefits described in the Last Will and Testament of Torger G. Thompson, deceased, and each of them, general, specific, and in detail, according to the terms and provisions of the Last Will and Testament, and in accordance with the judgment and decree of the County Court for Dane County, Wisconsin; and said Regents of the University of Wisconsin agree generally, specifically, and in detail to all of the terms and provisions of said bequests and each of them, more particularly as follows:

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- To receive annually the net income from a trust_fund of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) of which the said The Central Wisconsin Trust Company shall be trustee, and use said income for research work in connection with the Department of Clinical Medicine of the University of Wisconsin, under the direction of the physician in charge of said Clinical. Department.
- That as to the residue, said Regents of the (2)University of Wisconsin will use, disburse and manage the same as provided in the last Will and Testament of said deceased, which provided as follows:

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It is my desire to create a fund to be used as a means of assisting Scandinavian students in attendance at the University of Wisconsin in obtaining an education, and also to endow a chair in the University of Wisconsin which shall be known and called, The Thompson Chair of Scandinavian Languages of the University of Wisconsin.' I also desire to provide for the University of Wisconsin a library of books relating to the Scandinavian language and literature. For the purposes aforesaid the portion of my said estate which shall be transferred as hereinbefore provided to the said Regents of the University of Wisconsin shall become a part of the University fund and forever remain as a principal sum for investment. The income thereof shall be used by the Regents of the University of Wisconsin as follows: shall devote such portion of said income for or toward the salary of the \bar{p} rofessor filling the chair of 'The Thompson Chair of Scandinavian Languages of the University of Wisconsin' as the said board of Regents shall determine. The balance of said income or so much thereof as they shall deem best shall be used by the Regents of the University of Wisconsin for the purpose of assisting Scandinavian students in actual attendance at the University of Wisconsin in obtaining an education, dividing said income or so much thereof as they shall deem best into scholarships and fellowships. No student shall be elected excepting students duly enrolled excepting excep shall be eligible to said scholarships or fellowships excepting students duly enrolled in the University of Wisconsin and in actual attendance, who shall be able Swedish, Norwegian, Danish or Icelandic, or unless said father's and mother's side and shall apply for and accept said scholarship or fellowship. Said scholarships or fellowships shall be awarded by the Regents of the

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University of Wisconsin only upon recommendation of the professor filling the chair of 'The Thompson Chair of Scandinavian Languages of the University of Wisconsin. Said scholar ships and fellow ships shall be awarded annually, and preference shall be given to students of limited means. Any graduate student or student in the professional class or classes who shall belong to one of the classes above described and shall otherwise be qualified shall be entitled to one of said scholarships or fellowships, so long as he or she shall be engaged in said course and shall be otherwise qualified as herein provided. Any portion of said income not applied for the benefit of students as hereinbefore provided for and not necessary for the maintenance of the said chair as hereinbefore provided may be used by said Regents for the purpose of purchasing works relating to the Scandinavian languages and literature at the end of each year, and if there be any balance exceeding the amounts necessary for the purposes as hereinbefore provided, in the judgment of the Board of Regents, that portion remaining shall become a part of the principal of the fund hereby created, the income whereof shall be applied as herein directed.

It is my desire that this my will shall be so construed as to have my estate appropriated to the foregoing uses and purposes, and that the same shall in no case, for want of legal form or otherwise, be so construed that any person shall take, inherit, possess or enjoy any of my property, except in the manner hereinbefore provided; and if for any reason whatsoever any of my said property shall not have been given or disposed of lawfully, properly or sufficiently by this my will, in conformity to the statutes of the state of Wisconsin, or in conformity with any rule of law which may be applicable, subject to the said legacies and bequests as hereinbefore specifically provided, and subject to the provision as hereinbefore provided for the payment of income to my wife, I direct that the said Central Wisconsin Trust Company at the death of my said wife, Alice Thompson, pay to the Regents of the University of Wisconsin all of the balance of my said estate to found and support a chair of Scandinavian languages in said University of Wisconsin which shall be called 'The Thompson Chair of Scandinavian Languages of the University of Wisconsin, with full power to the said Board of Regents to dispose of the income of said fund over and above the amount

necessary to maintain said chair in the support and aid of Scandinavian students in attendance at the University of Wisconsin, said students to have the qualifications as hereinbefore provided."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Secretary of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin transmit a copy of this Resolution to The Central Wisconsin Trust Company of Madison, Wisconsin, and to the County Court for Dane County, Wisconsin.

It was also VOTED, That the final report of the trustees to the Circuit Court, in re the Torger G. Thompson Estate, be adopted and that the secretary of the regents be authorized to receipt in behalf of the regents for any property, cash, or securities which the trustees desire to transfer to the regents.

President Frank made an explanation of the budget as it was considered by the finance committee, and presented to the regents a summary analysis. (Copy on file).

Special action was taken on major portions of the budget. Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Sholts, the budget of the Law School was approved as presented.

Upon motion of Regent Bachman, seconded by Regent Gundersen, the budget for the Medical School was approved as presented.

Upon motion of Regent Eimon, seconded by Regent Sholts, the budget for the College of Letters and Science was approved as presented.

Upon motion of Regent Callahan, seconded by Regent Mead, the budget for the College of Agricul ture was approved as presented.

Dean Russell appeared before the board and stated that the legislature had made an appropriation for the purchase of additional land at Spooner. Upon recommendation of Dean Russell and upon motion of Regent Sholts, seconded by Regent Cashman, it was

VOTED/That the Thomas Farm of 240 acres at Spooner be purchased for the sum of \$10,000, with the understanding that Mr. Thomas is to fence the farm and to release to the university the crop of corn now on the farm. (See paper on file)

Dean Bardeen appeared before the regents to explain the situation with reference to the appropriation for the Crippled Children's Upon motion of Regent Callahan it was

VOTED That a committee, consisting of Dr. Bardeen, Dr. Gaenslen and Dr. Buerki, and three regents be appointed to make a study of crippled children's hospitals in other states and to select a site to be recommended to the regents, and that the Governor be requested to release \$10,000 for the cost of making the study and preparing plans. President Grady appointed Regents Callahan, Mead and Gundersen as the three regent members of the committee.

The matter of the selection of a superintendent for the proposed Crippled Children's Hospital was discussed and upon motion of Regent Bachman it was

VOTED That the selection of a superintendent be postponed to the next meeting of the board.

The regents then resumed consideration of the budget and upon motion of Regent Mead it was

VOTED/That the president and business manager be authorized to make minor necessary adjustments in the budget, within the appropriations specified.

The salaries of C. J. Anderson, Director of the School of Education, and F. O. Holt, Registrar, were discussed and upon motion of Regent Sholts, seconded by Regent Callahan, it was

VOTED, That the salary of Mr. Anderson be increased to \$6,000 per annum and that of Mr. Holt to \$6,500 per annum.

It was VOTED That the salary of Dean Snell be left at \$9,000.

Upon motion of Regent Callahan it was voted that the salary of the business manager be increased \$500 per annum and that the salary

of the secretary of the regents be increased \$500 per annum.

The complete budget for the year, as amended and recommended by B_{udg} , the finance committee, and amended by the regents, was, upon motion and of the finance committee. all regents present voting and voting "Aye".

Regents Backus and Richardson, who were unable to be present at this meeting, wished to be recorded as favoring the approval of the budget as presented.

At 12:30 P. M., the meeting

ADJOURNED.

M. E. McCaffrey,

Secretary.