Addition to Lindley Hall, $144,362.00; East Green Dormitory, $389,452.00; Dormitory in Student Center, $100,000.00; total contracts $933,814.00.

The Secretary read a letter from the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, stating that they were holding $108,15 due the Estate of Mr. A. Matheny, which was the committed value of a life insurance policy this Company had issued Mr. A. Matheny, payable to Mrs. Amanda Hysell, and upon the death of Amanda Hysell the unpaid balance would revert to the William A. Matheny Estate. Paragraph nine of the William A. Matheny Will, reads as follows: "All of my real estate, other than that disposed in three above, I give to Ohio University, and in addition, I give, also, any additional estate such as that I cannot now foresee. It is my hope that the President and Trustees will accept this gift as a beginning of a museum building fund for the University. This small gift may be, I hope, an impetus that will bring to the campus or near it, a museum building of worth. I owe far more to the State and the University than this small pittance pays,"

It was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. Crow, that the Board of Trustees of Ohio University accept this gift and that the President and Secretary of the Board be authorized to sign a receipt and refunding agreement submitted by the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey. This motion carried unanimously.

In the absence of Mr. Galbreath, Mr. Grover gave the following report for the Athletics and Public Relations Committee.

Mr. Grover pointed out that our scholarship and job program was well within the so-called sanity code developed by the N.C.A.A. He explained that scholarships are awarded outstanding athletes who are in the upper half of their graduating class in high school and that all scholarships are granted by the Scholarship Committee upon the recommendation of the Athletic Director. It was pointed out that the average for the entire football squad for the spring semester of last year was 2.53. The accumulative record of the junior athletic scholarship students was 2.67, and that of the sophomore athletic scholarship students was 2.42. These compare favorably with the all men's average.

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The report then stated that the Athletic Department would probably have a deficit of approximately $12,000.00 for the current year. This was due in part to the fact that larger than usual equipment purchases, were made last year in order to avoid the increase in equipment costs. It was suggested that the Trustees consider the advisability of installing lighting equipment for the football field in the near future. This is more important because of the fact that the televising of the major football games on Saturday afternoon will materially cut down on our attendance, and the increasing cost of operating the Athletic Department makes it imperative that the income remain comparatively high in order to support our athletic program.

It was reported that we are now considering the advisability of shortening our spring football training period in order to give our athletes more time for their studies.

Mr. McVay reported for the Faculty Relations, Teachers and Salaries Committee. He presented the following salary range paid faculty at Ohio University for the academic year:

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Mr. McVay pointed out that the salary schedules are very low and that every effort should be made to increase the salaries paid the faculty.

Mr. Johnson reported for the Inter-University and Special Inter-University Committee. He had no formal report, but said that progress was being made upon the proposed constitution and by-laws for the Inter-University Council.

In the absence of Mrs. Lucas, Mr. Shively gave the following report for the Library Committee.
1. The so-called open stack system (granting all students permission to go to the stacks has been working out very well, and the value of the Library to the students has been materially increased by this system.

2. He also reported that the reserve room has been abolished and the reserve books are located throughout the Library. A system has been established whereby the fines levied for keeping reserve books out longer than the allotted time has been increased and this system seems to be an improvement over the former reserve room system.

3. The acquisition of additional tables and chairs has increased the seating capacity of the Library by 30 or 40.

4. It was recommended that President Baker appoint a committee to determine the best location to hang the portrait of Dean Chubb.

5. It was further recommended that the Chairman appoint two more members to the Library Committee to replace Dr. T. R. Biddle and Mrs. Fred Luchs who have resigned from the Board of Trustees.

President Baker pointed out that the physical and operational changes made at the Library should take care of any expansion required for the next ten years.

The Chairman announced the appointment of Gordon Bush and Fred Crow to the Library Committee, and the appointment of Mr. Shively as Chairman of this Committee.

Mr. Bush announced that the Executive Committee had held no meeting but he desired to present a letter received by President Baker from the President of the Alumni Association that included a resolution unanimously passed by the officers of the Ohio University Alumni Association at a meeting held September 16, 1951. This resolution requested the Board of Trustees to appoint the President of the Ohio University Alumni Association as an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University. After a complete discussion, the following motion was proposed by Mr. Shively and seconded by Mr. Frederick and unanimously passed, that the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University answer the letter received from the President of the Ohio University Alumni Association setting forth the statutory limitations imposed upon the appointment of ex-officio members of the Board of Trustees, but informing him that the Secretary will be instructed to invite the President of the Alumni Association to attend the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.
I am pleased to report that the Library Board and the President have agreed to a committee to determine the location of the temporary library. This committee will make a recommendation for the location of the temporary library.

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Mr. Frederick had no report for the Finance Committee.

Mr. Bush reported for the Planning, Building, and Land Purchase Committee as follows:

The abstract for the Biddle property has been approved by the Attorney General and the voucher for payment is now in the Auditor of State's Office. The abstract covering the purchase of the Moore property is now in the Attorney General's Office awaiting his approval.

It was reported that the trial in the appropriation proceedings on the Cabeen property has been set for November 26, 1951, in the Court of Common Pleas of Athens County. Mr. Bush reported that the Athens County Commissioners had offered for sale the property on East State Street on which our temporary housing units are located, and that the Ohio University Fund had submitted a bid for this property, but the Athens County Commissioners had rejected all bids.

Mr. Bush presented an option for the purchase of real estate located adjacent to Rufus Putnam School, known as the Laughlin property at 98 East Union Street, consisting of a house, a lunch stand, a garage, and a lot approximately 46 feet by 120 feet, at a price of $8,000.00.

It was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. McVay, and unanimously carried, that the property located at 98 East Union Street, Athens, Ohio, known as the Laughlin property, be purchased from the appropriation for G-1-2 Lands in House Bill No. 672.

Mr. Bush also presented an option for the purchase of a house, garage, and lot approximately 40 ft. by 70 ft. located at 78 East Mulberry Street, Athens, Ohio, from Jack H. Hague and Catherine B. Hague, for $8,000.00.

The Secretary reported that there are sufficient funds in the dormitory account to cover the purchase of this property.

It was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. Bush, that the property located at 78 East Mulberry Street, consisting of a house, a garage, and lot approximately 40 feet by 70 feet, be purchased by the President and Board of Trustees of Ohio University for $8,000.00 from the dormitory funds, and that this house be operated as part of the dormitory system until needed for other university purposes. This motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Bush reported that the contractor had started the excavation on the Classroom and Recreation Building, and upon question Mr. Lausche stated that the necessary materials had been allocated by the N.P.A., and that he felt sure that the contractors would have no difficulty in obtaining sufficient materials to complete the building.

Mr. Shively reported for the Constitution and By-Laws Committee. He said that four drafts of a proposed constitution and by-laws have been prepared by the Committee and that copies of the fourth draft were sent to all members of the Board for their comments. He has received several worth-while comments, and he will present a fifth draft of this proposed constitution and by-laws to all members of the Board sometime before the December meeting in order that final action may be taken at that meeting.

Mr. Shively requested the Secretary to read the following report presented by the Special Insurance Committee appointed by the Board of Trustees.

SUPPLEMENTAL ANNUITY

1. We recommend that the Trustees of Ohio University permit all present holders of supplemental annuity policies the option of dropping these policies effective September 1, 1952.

2. If the first recommendation is approved, this Committee recommends that beginning September 1, 1951, the question of taking out annuity policies be placed on a voluntary basis for all new persons employed on or after September 1, 1951. We make this recommendation because the cash value of these policies at the end of one year is only about 60 per cent of the amount of the premium paid.

3. We recommend that a differential in salary be approved between those dropping the annuity and those continuing to carry annuity. This should be accomplished either by a reduction in salary equal to one-half the premium for those people who exercise the option to drop their policies, or by an increase in salary equal to one-half the premium for those who continue to carry these policies.

4. We recommend that those persons who did not take out this annuity originally have their salaries adjusted to equalize them with the persons who drop the annuity now.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

This Committee prefers to postpone a recommendation on group life insurance until the December meeting of the Board of Trustees, at which time we will have a more representative expression of the wishes of the faculty.
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Secretary Insurance Committee Reporting on the Board of Trustees.
After a general discussion, it was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. Crow, that the Trustees permit all present holders of supplemental annuity policies the option of dropping these policies effective September 1, 1952. This motion carried unanimously.

It was then moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. Bush, that the question of taking out supplemental annuity policies be placed on a voluntary basis for all new persons employed on or after September 1, 1951. This motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that any action on salary adjustments necessary to carry out previous commitments of the Board relative to the annuity premium be deferred until more information on the cost of those adjustments is available. This motion carried unanimously.

Under new business Mr. Lausche reported that progress is now being made in the installation of a central telephone switchboard. The basic equipment has been installed, but there has been no definite date set for the installation of the cables. He pointed out that no agreement has been reached on the rates, but he presumed they would be reasonable.

He also reported that our maintenance men have done a lot of the finishing work on the new Speech Building, and that the radio station in the basement was almost completely built by our own maintenance staff.

It was also reported that a new R.O.T.C. storeroom had been built under the stadium and that it is above the level of all previous floods. This room should furnish adequate storage space for the large R.O.T.C. program.

Mr. Lausche also presented a request from Burgess and Niple, Consulting Engineers of Columbus, Ohio, to permit the City of Athens to run a 54-inch storm sewer through our airport.

After a general discussion there seemed to be some doubt as to whether the Board of Trustees had authority to grant this request. Mr. Shively volunteered to discuss this subject with the Attorney General and give the report to the Trustees at their next meeting.
The meeting then recessed for dinner. After the dinner served in the President's Office by members of the dormitory staff, the Chairman called the meeting to order. He asked President Baker for any comments the President wished to make.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The present enrollment at Ohio University is 3,950 which is a decline of approximately 14 per cent from the fall semester 1950-1951. This is partially explained by the fact that our veteran enrollment is down about 500, and we have 120 fewer girls than in 1950-1951. This decline compares with a decline at Bowling Green of about 19 per cent, and at Kent State of 27 per cent; however, Miami University declined only about 4 per cent and it has 120 more girls than it had in 1950-1951.

Among the numerous factors to be considered in explaining our decline in enrollment as compared with Miami University are the following: (a) Our dormitory system is not as large as Miami's, consequently, our enrollment of girls must be less. (b) Miami has a very active Alumni Association that has been aggressive for years in contacting high school seniors. (c) The location of Miami near the larger population centers of Cincinnati, Dayton, Hamilton, Middletown, etc. is more favorable. (d) Miami charges a smaller out-of-state fee than that charged at Ohio University. In order to offset these advantages we intend to step up our program of contacting high school seniors, we are attempting to get members of our alumni association to contact high school seniors, and we are making a much greater effort to get all alumni back to see the changes made on the campus in the last few years. We are going to continue our Ohio History and Government contests and make further efforts to make Ohio University better known throughout the State.

The aptitude tests given our entering freshmen indicate that we have more quality students than in the past. The number of freshmen in what is usually the upper one per cent of the class is two and one-half times as great as the state average. This is due primarily to our scholarship policy at Ohio University.

President Baker then pointed out that the branches were now on a self-supporting basis, and, if we so desire, can be operated indefinitely without State appropriations.
The percentage that absence for a given week's classes is very significant. The percentage is calculated by dividing the number of classes missed by the total number of classes attended. The percentage is then converted into a grade or letter grade based on a grading scale, which is based on a pre-determined scale. The percentage is used to determine the grade of a student for a given course, and it can be used to determine the overall grade of a student for a given term. The percentage is also used to determine if a student is eligible for a particular award or scholarship.
The decline in enrollment at the branches was only 25 per cent in spite of the fact that the fees were tripled this year.

President Baker reported that all new additions to the staff were outstanding men in their respective fields. As examples he pointed out Dr. Edward Hudnet in English, Dr. Fred A. Tate and Dr. Wm. D. Huntsman in Chemistry, and Professor Idus L. Murphree, Jr. in the new department of General Studies. The President reported that most of the departments are fully staffed now, however, we are still looking for outstanding men in the department of Government and the department of Sociology.

President Baker said he is still looking for outstanding persons to fill the vacancies of Dean of Women, Director of Journalism, and the Dean of the College of Commerce. He further reported that there have been five deaths in the faculty during the past year and that Professors Wilsey, Scott, Rankenberger, and Cady have been ill during the last few months.

The President then discussed our scholarship program and pointed out that we are getting a large number of very high class students by granting scholarships. He also reported that the great increase in contributions by individuals for scholarships was due primarily to the initiative taken by Mr. Fred Beasley and Mr. Oral Daugherty.

It was moved by Mr. Shively, seconded by Mr. McVay, that the Trustees express their appreciation to Mr. Fred Beasley and Mr. Oral Daugherty, and instruct the Secretary to inform these men of this action by the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

The President concluded his comments by thanking the Trustees for their fine cooperation.

After a general discussion, the Chairman set the date of the December meeting for Friday, December 7, at 2 p.m. in the Trustees' Room, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.
The Chairman then called the roll of members for comment.

Mr. Frederick reported that he has been discussing with various farm leaders the possibility of Ohio University's taking the lead in certain phases of Agriculture by setting up special workshops. He requested the Trustees to advise him of their wishes on this project. It was suggested that Mr. Frederick and President Baker discuss these projects thoroughly before any workshops are set up.

Mr. Shively commented on the recent action of the city council proposing to grant a franchise to the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the use of East Union Street between South Court and South College Streets for the purpose of staging a street carnival. Mr. Shively moved, seconded by Mr. Crow, and unanimously passed that the President and Administrative Officers be commended on the manner in which this was handled and suggested that any situations of this type arising in the future be dealt with in a similar manner.

Mr. McVay then reported on the workshop in economic education to be held on the campus next summer between the end of summer school and the beginning of the fall semester. Mr. McVay is arranging meetings in Akron, Cleveland, and Columbus in an effort to obtain the necessary funds to finance this summer workshop. He said that most of the executives he has talked with about this workshop are enthusiastic about the project and he believes that Ohio University will obtain a lot of favorable publicity by its leadership in setting up this workshop. He reported that Dean Kabat is doing a commendable job in handling this project on the campus.

There were no further comments. Mr. McVay then moved, seconded by Mr. Crow, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Paul R. O'Brien, Secretary
Board of Trustees
Ohio University