

# Trustees Convened January 17 & 18

Tuition increases, Trustee elections, telephone service, plant maintenance, central registration, and grants were among the subjects discussed and acted upon by the University Trustees when they convened for their second two-day meeting of the current school year on January 17 and 18.

#### **Tuition and Fees to Increase**

To become effective on July 1st of this year, increases in student tuition and fees will provide additional income of approximately \$1,000,000 to help meet the increased costs of maintaining the University's educational services.

In making the announcement, Robert T. McCracken, Chairman of the Trustees, stated that "as heretofore, the payments made by the students will defray only a part of the cost of the education they are receiving at the University. The remainder must be met in substantial measure by appropriations from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, contributions from business and industry, and gifts from the alumni, the alumnae, and other friends of the University.

"It is essential, therefore, that in addition to the income the University receives from all of these sources, which every possible effort will be made to increase, there be an increase in tuition and fees."

At present, the full-time student tuition in the majority of the twelve undergraduate schools is \$700 a year and the general fee is \$85. An exception to this is the music students in the School of Fine Arts, for whom the present tuition is \$650.

With the increases which become effective on July 1, all the full-time undergraduates will pay annual tuition of \$800 and a fee of \$135, with the exception, once more, of the music students who will pay \$750 in tuition plus the new fee. In increasing the general fee, the existing library book fee and laboratory fees are eliminated.

For the students in the professional Schools of Law and Social Work and for those in the advanced standing course in the Division of Physical and Occupational Therapy of the School of Auxiliary Medical Services

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# Mrs. Hobby-Convocation Speaker To Receive Degree

In its Convocation to be held on Saturday, February 12, in Irvine Auditorium, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will be the principal speaker and will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

In her colorful career, Mrs. Hobby has served as parliamentarian of the Texas Legislature and assistant city attorney in Houston; she was secretary of the Women's Democratic Club and was apointed Executive Vice-President of the "Houston Post" in 1938. In 1941, Mrs. Hobby went to Washington as a War Department public relations executive. She organized and commanded the Women's Army Corps with the rank of a Colonel and received, upon her resignation in 1945, the first Distinguished Service Medal awarded to a woman in World War II. She returned to Houston and her work with the "Houston Post" and a score of civic, public and professional organizations.

With the Eisenhower administration, Mrs. Hobby was named Federal Security Administrator and in 1953 became the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

#### Chapman Also Honored

The University's annual mid-year Convocation will be held at 10:15 a.m. in the Auditorium and will find more than five-hundred and fifty men and women in the graduating class.

In addition to that conferred on Mrs. Hobby, Dr. Harn-well also will present an honorary degree to Dr. Leroy E. Chapman, of Warren, Pa., a physician who has served in the Pennsylvania Senate since 1931. He will receive the degree of Doctor of Science.

Dr. Chapman has been both a physician and public official since 1906, when he began medical practice and became head of the Warren school board. He later was burgess of Warren and coroner of Warren County before being elected to the State Senate. As a Senator and chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, a post he has held since 1941, Dr. Chapman has been a leader in promoting public health legislation and State assistance to private medical and veterinary schools.

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the tuition is increased from \$700 to \$800 and the fee from \$80 to \$100.

Students in the Course in Oral Hygiene in the School of Dentistry will pay \$500 tuition instead of \$400; the non-Pennsylvania residents' fee in the School of Veterinary Medicine is increased from \$600 to \$700, and Pennsylvania residents in that school, for whom there is no tuition charge, will pay a residents' fee of \$150 a year.

The present tuition is not being changed for students in the School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Medicine, and the regular course in the School of Dentistry.

The general student fee, however, is being increased in every professional school and division. In the regular course in the Graduate School of Medicine it will be \$100 instead of the present \$60, and in the 16-months' course in orthodontics it will be \$200 instead of \$120. In all others the present fee of \$80 is being raised to \$100.

In the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and other graduate divisions the tuition charge per semester credit is increased from \$30 to \$34, while the maximum tuition for a year's study during two successive terms is increased from \$700 to \$800.

For graduate students taking from one to 6 semester credits per term the general fee remains the same. Those who take from 7 to 9 semester credits per term will pay an annual fee of \$35 instead of the present \$5 fee, and for students taking 10 or more semester credits per term the annual fee will be \$100 instead of \$80.

The tuition charge per semester credit is raised from \$22 to \$25 for students taking part-time undergraduate work, with special permission, in the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Liberal Arts for Women, School of Education, School of Fine Arts, Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, and the Engineering Schools.

The present tuition charge of \$22 per semester credit is also being increased to \$25 for part-time students in the coordinated courses in the School of Fine Arts.

For all part-time undergraduate students taking 9 or more semester credits, the general fee will be increased to an extent which will vary with the number of semester credits.

Commenting on the increased general fee in a letter to all students of the University, President Harnwell stated that the general fee, as in the case of tuition, while supplementing the instructional program itself, does not fully cover the costs of the activities and facilities and that the balance still must be derived from such sources as gifts, endowments, state appropriations, etc.

"Specifically, the general fee enables the University to maintain such essential facilities as a large library system, museums and institutes, and special laboratories," Dr. Harnwell said. "It likewise assures certain services from which the student may receive direct benefit both before and after graduation, including the Student Health Department, the Placement Service, the Scholarships and Student Aid Department, an academic records service, and an alumni records office. Certain portions of this fee," he continued, "are also allocated to the varied student activities made available in the undergraduate, graduate, and professional schools."

**Bryans, Mayer Elected Trustees** 

The Trustees elected Henry B. Bryans, former president of the Philadelphia Electric Company, to be a Life

Trustee, filling the vacancy made by the death of Col. Edwin M. Chance last November.

A graduate of the University, from which he received the degree of bachelor of science in mechanical engineering in 1907, Bryans has long been a widely known executive in the industrial field. In addition, he was, for a time, an Associate Trustee serving on the Trustees' Board of Engineering Education, and during the past twelve years he has been a Term Trustee.

In recognition of his services to the University, he received an Alumni Award of Merit in 1949, when he was chairman of the General Committee of the University

Succeeding Bryans as a Term Trustee, John A. Mayer was elected at the same meeting. Mr. Mayer was graduated from the University in 1932 with the degree of bachelor of science in economics and later received the degree of master of business administration as well.

At various times Mayer has served as general chairman of the Alumni Annual Giving Committee of the University, as national alumni chairman in the campaign which resulted in the construction of the new Wharton School building, and as an Associate Trustee.

He is a vice-president of the Mellon National Bank and Trust Company, Pittsburgh.

**Dial Telephone System Approved** 

As a result of the recently completed survey by the Bell Telephone Company (see *Newsletter*, November 1954) and following recommendations of several trustee committees and the Business Vice-President, approval was granted for an all-University dial telephone system. The new system will permit dialing of any extension in the University automatically without going through the operators. It will be possible on a number of the phones to dial city numbers directly as well; others will still require the operator to make this contact.

The Trustees approved the necessary funds to adapt approximately 1000 square feet in the basement of College Hall for the new location of the telephone facilities. It is estimated that the new equipment will save the University about \$3300 on its normal yearly telephone bill, and is expected to begin operation on October 1.

**Funds Appropriated for Maintenance** 

Expenditure of funds for six major repair jobs was approved by the Trustees to cover necessary work in the steam and electrical facilities. The principal areas to be served by these repairs and replacements will be the University Museum, Franklin Field, Irvine Auditorium, the White Surgical Pavilion, the Maloney Hospital Building, the Dormitories, the Medical School, the Botany Building, the Zoological Laboratory and the Veterinary School.

**Central Registration Approved** 

A plan recommended by the Registrar and the necessary funds for the extension of central registration of students were approved by the Trustees. This recommendation called for the extension of central registration by the Office of the Registrar to the following schools and divisions: *Undergraduate*—College of Arts and Sciences, College for Women, Engineering Schools, School of Auxiliary Medical Services, School of Education, School of Fine Arts, School of Nursing, and the Wharton School. *Graduate*—Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Graduate Divisions of the School of Education, Graduate Division of the Engineering Schools, Graduate Departments of the School of Fine Arts, and the Wharton Graduate

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Division. Funds were allocated for the procurement of personnel and equipment and for current operating expenses for the remainder of the year 1954-55.

#### **Grants and Scholarships**

Several grants and scholarship assistance programs were recommended and approved by the Trustees. Further news of these programs will be carried in this newsletter as soon as the plans have been completed.

It was the feeling of all concerned that the new system employed this year of three two-day meetings a year is achieving the purposes for which it was intended. The next Trustee meetings will be held on June 16 and 17.





Chester E. Tucker

John L. Moore

# Moore, Tucker Named Vice-Presidents

Since the last issue of this publication, the remaining two major positions prescribed in the reorganization plan adopted in January, 1954, have been filled with the election by the Trustees of John L. Moore, Business Vice-President, and Chester E. Tucker, Vice-President for Development and Public Relations.

In his newly-created office, Moore is in charge of personnel, plant operation, dining services, purchasing, the book store, printing and duplicating, the telephone and mail services.

A graduate of Villanova University, from which he received the degree of bachelor of arts in 1926, he also studied at Pennsylvania State University, University of Maryland, and West Chester State Teachers College. After teaching at a number of schools and colleges, he entered Government service as an educational advisor to the U. S. Office of Education.

Subsequently, he held the posts of regional director in the War Production Board, the Civilian Production Administration, and the War Assets Administration.

Moore was named comptroller of the University in 1950. Before becoming business manager early last year, he held that post in an acting capacity for six months.

Chester E. Tucker began his work here on January 3, after relinquishing his position as president of the John Price Jones Company, New York, fund-raising and public relations counselors, with which he had been associated

since 1919. His acceptance of the new post follows 25 years of service to the University in the role of consultant.

A graduate of Harvard University, from which he received the bachelor of arts degree, Tucker will be responsible for coordinating all phases of the University's development, public relations and placement programs.

As a fund-raising and public relations counselor, he has assisted in activities in these fields at various colleges and universities including, among others, Harvard, Princeton, Chicago, Johns Hopkins, Northwestern and Pennsylvania.

Tucker has been active in the American Association of Fund Raising Counsel and has just concluded a term as its treasurer. For a time, he served on the board of the United Nations Council of Philadelphia and he is also a former member of the board of Springside School in this city. He has a son who is a third-year student in the School of Medicine at the University and a daughter who was a former student here in political science.

### For The Record . . .

The office of the Dean of Women moved on January 25 to new quarters in Room 117, Logan Hall, adjacent to the office of the Dean of Men.

This relocation was in line with the University's policy of centralizing, as far as possible, all related student personnel services.

At the Annual Dinner of the American Historical Association in New York on December 29, 1954, it was announced that the Watumull Prize was divided between Dr. W. Norman Brown, Professor of Sanskrit and Chairman of the South Asia Regional Studies Department at the University, and Professor D. Mackenzie Brown of Santa Barbara College, University of California. The Watumull Prize, awarded biennially for the best book on the history of India published in the United States, was won by W. Norman Brown for his book *United States and India and Pakistan* (Harvard University Press, 1953).

Most members of the faculty and staff either don't realize or have forgotten that the University has excellent recreational facilities available to them in the Hutchinson Gym, the Palestra, and Weightman Hall. Men will find a special Faculty Locker Room available in the gymnasium and such facilities as the swimming pool, indoor golf driving nets, basketball, volleyball, punching bags, bar bells, rowing tanks, badminton, wrestling, gymnastics equipment, etc., as well as expert guidance in the use of all these. All this is open to the faculty and staff from 11 a.m. until 3p.m. Mondays through Fridays. "And not only are facilities available," states George Munger, Director of Physical Education, "but I'd like to see us get some faculty-staff teams started, too. We need some motivation for organizing a rereational program; all of us here would be happy to help with organized faculty teams." The women will find an excellent swimming pool, volleyball, badminton, archery, basketball and dancing open to them in Weightman Hall. Anyone on the faculty or staff is strongly urged to give George Munger a call at the Hutchinson Gym.

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## **University Benefits Available**

Every now and then a brief reminder is in order of the annuity, insurance, and medical benefit opportunities available at the University for members of its faculty and staff. Since a number of the members of these groups are not taking full advantage of the services and benefits, it seems like a good time now to bring some of them to your attention once again.

#### Group Hospitalization and Medical-Surgical Services

Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage is available through the Associated Hospital Service of Philadelphia and the Medical Service Association of Pennsylvania.

#### **Group Life Insurance**

Full-time faculty and administrative staff are eligible to participate immediately in a group life insurance plan. The amount of insurance that may be carried is equal to two years' base salary with a maximum coverage of \$10,000.

#### Retirement Income Plan

A retirement annuity plan is available through the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Asociation. Those qualified to participate in the plan are: (1) all officers of the University and (2) all full-time members of the teaching and research staffs (a) who have attained the age of thirty and (b) who have held the rank of Instructor for three years or more, or who hold the rank of Assistant Professor or above. Each person in the plan contributes an amount equal to 5% of his salary with the University contributing an equal amount.

# Social Security (Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance)

All employees of the University participate in the Social Security program and contribute 2% of the first \$4200 earned in any calendar year. Any benefits accruing under this program are separate and apart from those received as a result of any other retirement and insurance plans at the University.

With the exception of Social Security, all of these programs are on a voluntary basis for faculty and administrative staff. Pamphlets, application forms, and additional information are available at the University Personnel Office, 3446 Walnut Street. In addition, Dr. Fred Ford and his staff will assist you in any way they can and will welcome questions by telephone.

#### From Your Editor

In order that the faculty and staff could receive as full a report as possible of the activities of the Trustees during their recent meetings, the usual mid-month publication date of your newsletter was postponed and this special issue prepared in its place.

With this first issue of the new year, the newsletter at last gains a title. It is hoped that *The Almanac* suits the purposes of the publication, giving it the informality and flexibility it should have as well as the conservatism and historical reference befitting the University of Pennsylvania.

Our thanks to all of you who took the time to drop us a line with suggestions for a name. Many were highly imaginative, many were catchy, all were greatly appreciated.

### Fellowships in Business

The Foundation for Economic Education, Inc., New York, announces that fellowships are available for the summer of 1955 for college professors who wish to devote six weeks to an on-the-spot study of a business firm.

The objective of the program is to give the candidate a fairly comprehensive picture of the operations of a business firm particularly along the lines of such problems as pricing, cost analysis, incentive systems, business research, finance, and industrial and public relations. Each firm works out the details of its training program, taking into account the special interests of the teachers.

Candidates are asked to state their choice of the type of firm they would like to study. Because of the problems involved in matching specific requests with available fellowships, such requests should be confined to fairly broad classifications—manufacturing, finance, insurance, transportation, distribution, and the like.

The six-week period of study usually will be during July and August. The actual dates will be determined by each business firm, guided by the stated preference of the fellow. Business firms will pay transportation costs between the school and place of business, plus \$500. to cover living expenses for the six weeks.

Applications for fellowships must be received at the Foundation not later than February 15, 1955. Inquiries should be addressed to Dr. W. M. Curtiss, Foundation for Economic Education, Irvington-on-Hudson, New York. Final awards will be made by April 15, 1955.

### U. of P. Shares In Medical Grants

The U. S. Public Health Service recently awarded more than \$10,000,000 in federal grants for research in cancer, heart disease, and other major ailments in 1955.

The funds cover 972 medical research projects and include \$705,736 for Pennsylvania scientists and institutions. Of the total research funds, \$7,195,693 are for the continuation of existing projects and the balance is for new projects.

They cover—in addition to cancer and heart disease—mental illness, arthritis, metabolic diseases, neurological and sensory disorders, diseases of the teeth and mouth and certain diseases of microbiological and parasitic origin.

Under the program, the University of Pennsylvania will receive \$223,468 for projects including the use of drugs in fighting cancer, studies of the nervous system and anesthesia by ice immersion.

The grants represent about 30% of the research funds made available by Congress for the coming year.

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