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*Honorable Fred B. Snyder,
President, Board of Regents,
University of Minnesota.*

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to present through you to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota, my report of the University of Minnesota for the year 1924-25.

BOARD OF REGENTS

During the year two changes have occurred in the membership of the Board of Regents. The Honorable J. A. O. Preus, (Minnesota Law '06) was succeeded by the Honorable Theodore Christianson (Minnesota Law '09) as governor of the state and as ex-officio member of the Board of Regents. It is proper in this connection to mention the fact that Governor Preus at all times manifested a lively interest in the welfare of the University. He recognized the needs of the institution and by every reasonable means sought to build and provide here a university that would be the equal of any institution of corresponding standing in the country.

Governor Christianson, who takes his place, has been a distinguished leader in the House of Representatives of the state legislature. It was as chairman of the Committee on Appropriations that he made his greatest contribution to the work of the legislature. He has consistently believed in the exercise of wise economy in the administration of all public affairs. He was a member of the survey commission, appointed by the Legislature of 1921 to investigate the educational agencies of the state. This commission made certain definite recommendations with reference to the University. Governor Christianson, then chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, lent his influence then as he had done upon previous occasions to those measures and the improvement of those conditions which the needs of the institution required.

The other change in the Board of Regents was the appointment of Mrs. Bess Wilson, of Redwood Falls, to succeed

CONCLUSION

In conclusion it is a pleasure to record the fact absolutely essential to steady progress in a university that a most commendable spirit of good will has prevailed among the faculties, the students, and the patrons of the University. The year was one of diligent and effective work on the part of all those concerned in the upbuilding of the University.

Respectfully submitted,

L. D. COFFMAN, *President*

CHANGES IN THE FACULTIES

Appointments.—The following appointments to positions of professorial rank were made during the period under review :

Willes Barnes Combs, professor of dairy husbandry

B.S., 1915, Missouri Agricultural College; M.S., 1917, Missouri Agricultural College; assistant, University of Missouri, 1915-17; instructor, New Jersey Agricultural College, 1917-18; assistant professor, University of Missouri, 1918-19; associate professor, Pennsylvania State College, 1920-24.

Fred Engelhardt, professor of education

Ph.B., 1908, Yale University; M.A., 1915, Columbia University; assistant instructor, Yale University, 1908-9, instructor at Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois, 1909-11; superintendent and principal at Malone, New York, 1911-16; did graduate work at University of Pennsylvania 1916-17; captain and major in A.E.F. from April, 1917, to February, 1919; inspector of elementary education at Albany State Department of Education from March until September, 1919; director of the Bureau of Educational Administration at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 1919-22; assistant dean at the University of Pittsburgh, 1922-23.

Thomas Claffey Lavery, professor of law

B.A., 1916, George Washington University; LL.B., 1920, George Washington University; assistant professor, George Washington University, 1920-23.

Pitirim A. Sorokin, professor of sociology

Candidate of law, 1914, University of Petrograd; master of criminal law, 1915, University of Petrograd; doctor of sociology, 1922, University of Petrograd; professor of sociology, University of Petrograd, 1919-22.

Charles Kingsley Webster, professor of history for winter quarter

B.A., 1907, Kings College, England; M.A., 1910, Kings College; fellow, Kings College, 1910-14; professor, University of Liverpool, 1914-22; professor, University of Wales, 1923-24.

Sherman W. Finger, associate professor of physical education and athletics

Ph.B., 1907, University of Chicago; athletic director, Cornell College, 1907-24; athletic director of third army, overseas, 1918-19.

Louis Finley Kellar, associate professor of physical education and athletics

B.A., 1915, Oberlin College; M.A., 1924, Oberlin College; instructor, Oberlin College, 1915-17; assistant professor, 1919-24.

DOCTORS OF PHILOSOPHY

During the year 1924-25, the degree of doctor of philosophy was conferred upon 31 individuals, as shown by the following list. The corresponding number for the year 1923-24 was 26.

- John Herbert Beaumont, B.S. in Agriculture '17, West Virginia University. Major, horticulture; minor, botany. Thesis: *The Course of Pollen-Tube Growth in the Apple*. Major adviser, W. H. Alderman.
- Theodore Christian Blegen, B.A. '12, M.A. '15, Minnesota. Major, history; minor, political science. Thesis: *Norwegian Immigration before the Civil War*. Major adviser, Solon J. Buck.
- J. William Buchta, B.S. in E.E. '20, M.A. '21, Nebraska. Major, physics; minor, mathematics. Thesis: *A Low Voltage Electron-Beam Oscillograph*. Major adviser, John T. Tate.
- Jonas Jergen Christensen, B.S. '21, M.S. '22, Minnesota. Major, plant pathology; minor, plant physiology and plant breeding. Thesis: *Physiologic Specialization and Parasitism of Helminthosporium sativum P.K.B.* Major adviser, E. C. Stakman.
- Justin Sarsfield DeLury, B.A. '05, University of Toronto. Major, geology; minor, petrology. Thesis: *Geology, Topography and Resources of the Wapawekka and Deschambault Lake Area of Saskatchewan*. Major adviser, W. H. Emmons.
- Andrew Dingwall, Associate Royal Technical College '14, Glasgow, Scotland. Major, agricultural biochemistry; minor, bacteriology. Thesis: *Studies of the Proteins of Wheat Flours and Their Relation to Flour Strength*. Major adviser, C. H. Bailey.
- Edwin William Gaumnitz, B.S. '21, M.A. '22, Minnesota. Major, agricultural economics; minor, economics. Thesis: *Central Market Price Quoting, Especially in the Minneapolis-St. Paul Market*. Major adviser, H. Bruce Price.
- Cyril Harold Goulden, B.S.A. '21, M.S.A. '23, University of Saskatchewan. Major, plant breeding; minor, plant pathology and biochemistry. Thesis: *A Genetic and Cytological Study of Dwarfing in Wheat and Oats*. Major adviser, H. K. Hayes.
- Henry Edward Hartig, B.S. in engineering '18, Minnesota. Major, physics; minor, mathematics. Thesis: *The Apparent Transmission of Low Velocity Electrons thru Aluminum Foil*. Major adviser, John T. Tate.
- Charles Russell Hoffer, B.S.A. '18, Purdue, M.S. '21, Iowa State College. Major, sociology; minor, agricultural economics. Thesis: *Commodity Distribution in Rural Communities As a Form of Community Service*. Major adviser, F. S. Chapin.
- John Monroe Hughes, B.A. '16, Indiana, M.A. '22, Columbia. Major, educational administration; minor, educational psychology. Thesis: *A Study of Certain Factors of Achievement in High School Physics*. Major adviser, L. V. Koos.
- Arthur Hubert Kohlhasse, B.S. '19, M.S. '21, Minnesota. Major, organic chemistry; minor, physical chemistry. Thesis: *Studies in Aromatic Sulphur Compounds*. Major adviser, W. H. Hunter.

trol of Diastatic Activity in Wheat Flour. Major adviser, C. H. Bailey.

James Sheldon Shoemaker, B.S.A. '21, M.S. '22, Toronto. Major, horticulture; minor, plant physiology. Thesis: *Pollen Development in the Apple with Special Reference to Chromosome Behavior.* Major adviser, W. H. Alderman.

Helen Sorokin, University of Petrograd, '17. Major, botany; minor, plant pathology. Thesis: *Cytological Investigations of the Gynodimorphic and Normal Ranunculus Acris L.* Major adviser, C. O. Rosendahl.

Maurice Visscher, B.A. '22, Hope, M.S. '24, Minnesota. Major, physiology; minor, physical chemistry. Thesis: *The Transportation and Storage of Carbohydrate in the Animal Body.* Major adviser, F. H. Scott.

Warren C. Waite, B.S. '19, M.A. '21, Minnesota. Major, agricultural economics; minor, economics. Thesis: *The Price Making Mechanism of the Central Markets.* Major adviser, J. D. Black.

Ludwig Joseph Weber, B.S. '20, Chem. E. '21, Minnesota. Major, inorganic chemistry; minor, physical and technological chemistry. Thesis: *The Detection of Osmium, Ruthenium, Rhodium and Iridium.* Major adviser, M. C. Sneed.

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