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Minutes of the 1956 Meeting

President U. A. Hauber called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m., April 20, 1956, in the Main Hall Theater at Grinnell College. Dean R. H. Norton of Grinnell College welcomed the Academy to the Grinnell campus. Special committees appointed were:

Nominating—L. P. Sherman, Chairman; J. C. Gilman, A. R. Lauer.

Resolutions—Duane Isely, Chairman; D. D. Millspaugh.

The presidential address by Dr. U. A. Hauber was on the subject "Scientists and the Public." Dr. Harold E. Wise addressed the Academy on the national Science Teaching Improvement Program. Dr. Dorothy Matala reported on the Douglas Lake Conference on the teaching of biology. The winners of the Clinton Foods Science Scholarship Awards were presented in a ceremony directed by F. E. Brown.

Section meetings were held on the afternoon of April 20 and on the morning of April 21. The annual dinner was served at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Hall Dining Room. Dr. J. A. Van Allen of the State University of Iowa gave the Academy Address at 8:00 p.m. in the Main Hall Theater on "The Primary Cosmic Radiation." Following the address, Grinnell College was the host at an informal reception.

The business meeting was held in the Science Building auditorium at 11:10 a.m. on April 21. The report of the Board of Directors was adopted. The reports of the Secretary-Treasurer, Auditing Committee, and the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws were accepted. The amendments of the constitution and by-laws proposed by the latter committee were adopted. One constitutional amendment was slightly modified in accordance with a proposal by F. E. Brown. The reports of the Editor, Librarian, Academy Conference Representative, and the committees on Biological Survey, Conservation and Science Talent Search were accepted. The reports of the committees on Finance and Endowment, High School Relations, and Membership were accepted and recommendations therein were adopted.

The nomination of Robert B. Wylie as an honorary fellow of the Academy was read. Dr. Wylie was elected an honorary fellow by a unanimous rising vote of the fellows. A copy of the nomination is appended to these minutes.

The reports of the Resolutions and Nominating committees were adopted. Those elected were:

President—W. F. Loehwing, Iowa City.

Vice-President—J. J. L. Hinrichsen, Ames.

Secretary-Treasurer—Jean L. Laffoon, Ames.

Editor—David G. Mobberley, Indianola.

Additional members of the Board of Directors—H. L. Dean, F. E. Brown, J. C. Gilman, P. S. Helmick, M. L. Grant, G. O. Henrickson, J. W. Kercheval.

President Hauber yielded the chair to the new president, Dr. W. F. Loehwing. Those announced as being the 1956-57 section chairmen were:

Botany—Ernst Naylor, Fayette.

Chemistry, Inorganic and Physical—J. W. Kercheval, Cedar Falls.

Chemistry, Organic and Biological—Edmund Cheng, Ames.

Geology—K. M. Hussey, Ames.

Mathematics—Fred W. Lott, Cedar Falls.

Physics—E. M. Vaughan, Davenport.

Psychology—Alfred Castaneda, Iowa City.

Zoology—K. D. Carlander, Ames.

Following some discussion, it was decided not to attempt to reactivate the Science Teaching Section. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

JEAN L. LAFFOON, *Secretary*

Nomination of R. B. Wylie for Honorary Fellow

To the Fellows of the Iowa Academy of Science

We, the undersigned, fellows of the Iowa Academy of Science nominate

ROBERT BRADFORD WYLIE

to become an honorary fellow of the Academy. Dr. Wylie, a member since 1901, has been an outstanding teacher and a productive scholar for more than half a century. Born in Maquoketa in 1870, he received his B.S. degree from Upper Iowa in 1897 and his Ph.D. from Chicago in 1904. In 1924 he was awarded the LL.D. from Upper Iowa. He was Instructor of Biology at Morningside College 1897-1899, leaving to enter the University of Chicago. Returning to Morningside in 1904 he taught until 1906, then was appointed Assistant Professor of Botany at the State University of Iowa. He became Professor in 1908, was head of the department 1919-1940 and has been Professor Emeritus since 1940. Was a member of the U. S. Kelp Expedition to Alaska in 1913 and of the University of Iowa Fiji-New Zealand Expedition in 1923. Taught summers at Eastern State Normal School (1901), the Marine Biological Laboratory at Wood's Hole (1905) and at Friday Harbor Marine Biological Laboratory (1903, 13, 29). Served as Director of the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory 1919-1923. He has published many papers in Botany on cytological and morphological subjects