MINUTES
of the
THIRTIETH MEETING
of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of the
OTTAWA ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING (INCE.)

DATE: March 17, 1947

PLACE: Faculty Room, Carleton College, Ottawa

PRESENT: Mr. H. S. Southam, Chairman, Mr. W. M. Connor, Mr. J. C. Jennings, Mr. A. B. MacRae, Hon. Mr. Justice Rand, Mr. Norman Wilson, Dr. J. E. Robbins, Mr. C. C. Gibson, Dr. McGregor Easson, Mr. W. S. Kidd, Mr. T. R. Montgomery, Dr. M. M. MacOdrum.

WELCOME: The Chairman opened the meeting and spoke some words of welcome to Mr. MacRae upon his appointment to the Board of Governors, this being the first occasion of Mr. MacRae's attendance.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous (29th) meeting were read and approved.

RESOLUTION: Dr. John E. Robbins, reporting for the Committee appointed to prepare a statement respecting the loss suffered by Carleton College in the death of Dr. Tory, moved that the following statement should be approved and incorporated in the minutes of the Board:

"Born in Guysborough Country, Nova Scotia, three years before Confederation, Henry Marshall Tory, our late Chairman and President of the College, devoted his life primarily to the building of educational institutions for the young Dominion. Serving first McGill University, and identifying himself in turn with the establishment of the University of British Columbia, the University of Alberta, Khaki College and the National Research Council, he said on retirement from the presidency of this last, above the age of seventy years: "I do not regard my work as yet done. Any man who has studied as intensely and has worked as diligently as I have tried to do, cannot but sense the immensity of the problems that lie before the people of Canada before she realizes her national destiny. In the solution of some of these, I hope that I may still be permitted to participate."
Many and varied though his interests remained, as they had been in his earlier life, it was in the establishment of a non-denominational seat of higher learning in the nation’s capital that Dr. Tory saw the greatest opportunity for rounding out his life’s work in the service of his fellows. To this task he brought a wisdom and experience unique in Canada, and into it he selflessly threw the extraordinary vigour of his years.

"Until death came he devotedly served the ends of the College, refusing financial return, and in death left his library and estate to serve after him.

"Our gratitude for these things can be matched only by our thankfulness for the privilege of having come to know a great heart, and under the inspiration of one of the truly great Canadians of his generation."

Dr. Robbins’ resolution was seconded and unanimously approved and the secretary was instructed to send a copy of the statement to Dr. Tory’s brother, Mr. John A. Tory.

GIFT OF LAND:

The Chairman reported to the Board on behalf of the Advisory Committee concerning the offer of a gift to Carleton College of about forty (40) acres of land lying between the Rideau Canal and the Rideau River and extending from the Railway Line to Hartwell’s Locks which had been accepted by the Advisory Committee subject to approval by this Board. This proposed gift was offered by Mr. H. S. Southam, Mr. Wilson M. Southam and Col. C. M. Edwards. The Chairman discussed the particular location and some of the long term planning relating to the area and answered many inquiries. The gift was unanimously and gratefully accepted by the Board upon motion by Dr. Easson, seconded by Mr. Kidd. Dr. Easson and Dr. MacOdrum were appointed a Committee to prepare an appropriate resolution of appreciation.

EXTENSION TO BUILDING AND COURSES:

A progress report was next given to the Board of the proposed addition to the present Carleton College building with plans and sketches in support. Dr. MacOdrum discussed the plans and the proposed uses to which the several parts of the new building would be put. Discussion followed concerning space still available in the present building and what uses, both present and future, could be developed, and out of that discussion followed a further discussion of what plans are projected in the fields of pure science and Applied Science, and the difficulties of space and expense and conflict by way of duplication possibly resulting from over expansion in the field of Applied Science. At this point Dr. MacOdrum made it clear that the present plans contemplate only first, second, third and fourth years in Arts, Journalism, Public Administration and Pure Science, and two years of Applied Science and Engineering. There exists at the present time
definite demand for third year work in these fields with resulting contemplation of a demand for fourth year work. The present night classes are to be continued.

BUILDING COMMITTEE: It was moved by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Gibson, and agreed that a Building Committee should be appointed to work with Dr. MacOdrum, such a committee to be selected by him and to consist of three or four members as might be decided in connection with the proposed building extension.

APPOINTMENT OF AVM STEDMAN: Recommendation of the Advisory Committee that Air Vice Marshal Stedman be appointed to the permanent staff at $300.00 per month for the session September, 1947 to May, 1948, inclusive, was unanimously approved upon motion by Mr. Kidd, seconded by Mr. MacRae. Dr. MacOdrum indicated that this appointment would complete the present plans for appointments in the Department of Applied Science and Engineering.

PORTRAIT OF DR. TORY: It was agreed after discussion that the unfinished portrait of Dr. Tory should be completed.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter of resignation from Col. O. M. Biggar as a member of the Board of Governors was received and the resignation accepted and the letter filed. A letter was also read from Mr. John A. Tory and directed to be filed.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.