

HOUSING

Facilities

BUDGET

Finance

Extra minutes, etc., the 1954-55 budget for I. A. S., and Application for Loan Assistance under Title IV of the Housing Act of 1950 all found in source below.

FA (Elsa Jenkins) 3/19/57, File No. 11

EINSTEIN, A.

Biographical

LEIDESDORF

For personal correspondence, Einstein to Leidesdorf, see
Vertical File, Einstein, Albert.

Photostats supplied by S. D. Leidesdorf to Mrs. Stern.

Vertical File, Einstein, Albert

1954
BUDGET (DIRECTOR'S FUND)

Finance

FORD

Foundations

CARNEGIE

GUGGENHEIM

ROCKEFELLER

See pp. 24-25 in the Report of the Director
published 1954 for 1948-53.

Report of the Director, 1954.

1954
GENERAL

Academic Organization

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS

See Report of the Director published 1954 for
1948-53, p. 23 for reasons for academic reorganization.

Report of the Director, 1954

GUGGENHEIM

Foundations

AYDELOTTE, F.

Biographical

Moe to Aydelotte, 1/5/54.

In apparent response to a question as to whether or not Mrs. Blanshard might enjoy a Guggenheim fellowship while writing the biography of Frank Aydelotte, Moe responds January 5, 1954, that it is a fixed rule Guggenheim fellowships are not granted ~~for~~ to assist in writing of biographies of living persons. This has been a rule of the Committee of Selection, and it has not been changed.

A File, Henry Allen Moe

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS

Academic Organization

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Relations WOAI

FERGUSSON

Biographical

See Source for Princeton's course in Literary Criticism.
(The Christian Gauss Seminars in Criticism) begun by
F. Fergusson (while at I. A. S. ?).

Oates, Council of Humanities, p. 23 ff., Filed in H. Vertical

1954
PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Relations WOAI

SCHOOL OF HUMANISTIC STUDIES
(American Civilization)
(Near Eastern Civilization)
(European)

Academic Organization

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS

Academic Organization

AYDELOTTE, F.

Biographical

EARLE, E. M.

See Oates' report January 11, 1954 for description of
inter-departmental course on American Civilization.

Oates, Council of Humanities, Filed in Vertical File "H".

~~1954~~
AYDELOTTE, F.

Biographical

Sullivan Daily News and New York Times on knighthood
conferred on Aydelotte 10/20/53.

Filed in Vertical File under "A" for Aydelotte.

Source Above.

✓1954

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APPOINTMENTS

Academic Personnel

BENEFITS

BEURLING, ARNE K. A.

Biographical

Oppenheimer to Beurling, January 22, 1954, offering him a professorship in the School of Mathematics.

Appointment would take effect July 1, 1954 and continue to the July 1st following his sixty-eighth (68th) birthday. Salary to be \$14,000 per year and an allowance of \$1,000 per year for professional travel expenses. "We make the statutory contribution to the social security arrangements;" and 5 per cent to TIAA each. He could have an assistant if desired.

D, Beurling, Arne K. A.

GENERAL (COMMON ROOM)

Facilities

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

ACademic Personnel

Oppenheimer asked ~~if~~ each member of the faculty to vote on whether the common room should be restored to its former furnishings or not. He said, "Last autumn when Professor Panofsky and I removed the earlier paintings from the common room and found the Chinese print that seemed good to us and had the color of the walls changed, we thought it best not to put down the rug and the drapes that ^{had} previously been there." The vote was 6 to leave it as it is, 5 indifferent, and 3 to ~~xxxxxx~~ restore in varying degrees.

Professor Woodward said, "...I know from bitter experience in Oxford how dangerous it is to ask the opinions of academic persons on the decoration of Common Rooms. The best rule is to be politely and ~~sympathetically indifferent to any complaints~~ sympathetically indifferent to any complaints. Just leave things as they are, and within two years the protagonists of any change will have become the strongest supporters of the status quo."

D, Memoranda Faculty

✓ 1954

MEMBERS

Academic Personnel

FACILITIES GENERAL

Facilities

Oppenheimer's memorandum informs members that it is the desire of the Institute to keep all the buildings and all the rooms which do not have to be locked open at all times, and notes that there have been several cases of minor vandalism which he thinks due to children of the members. Some desks have been rifled and a couple of typewriters have been broken. No attempt was made to identify the children, but Oppenheimer requests the members to be sure that their children do not commit depredations.

D, Memoranda to Staff and Members

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CLASS OF SERVICE

This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable symbol above or preceding the address.

WESTERN UNION

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SYMBOLS

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- NL=Night Letter
- LT=Int'l Letter Telegram
- VLT=Int'l Victory Ltr.

W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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DR FRANK AYDELOTTE=HIGHLAND PARK FLORIDA CLUB LAKE WALES FLO=

THANKS FOR YOUR GOOD LETTER. I HAVE CHECKED WITH THE DIRECTOR

HE SEES NO REASON FOR YOU TO MAKE A SPECIAL TRIP=

MORGAN ADVANCED STUDY= 1242P

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Honey Pps (Neph?)

Gas purchased (supplies house?) in 1948.

Profit to Playoffs - loss in so doing -

Did mother sell house to Playoffs @ 32000

or place on open market @ 35k otherwise.

Impossible to tell whether sold or not from financial statements - nor in minutes - But was sold to.

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BUDGET (DIRECTOR'S FUND)

Finance

Six-year report.

Filed in Vertical File under "D" for Director.

F. A., 1/8/57

1954
APPOINTMENTS

Academic Personnel

POLICIES

Administration

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

Procedure for considering appointments outside existing fields of study. Ad hoc advisors? Faculty. To be ~~dismissed~~ later.
discussed

Faculty Minutes, p. 26.

1954
PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

MEMBERS

GOTTMAN, JEAN

Biographical

SHOE

WACE

LOWINSKY

All of these were extended for another year in the
School of Historical Studies.

Faculty Minutes, 3/25/54

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

STIPENDS (DIRECTOR'S FUND)

GENERAL

Academic Activities

Director asked about proper procedure when considering permanent or Faculty appointments in fields where no established tradition or policy exists in the Institute. He asked whether ad hoc advisors would be an improvement, and invited statements or suggestions from the Faculty. Morse said that where entering a new field was being considered, a faculty committee ought to be appointed which could collaborate with the Director. Von Neumann thought that for the purpose of deciding whom to consult, a discussion within the Faculty of the School with which the field has closer relation, would suffice, so that the formation of a committee was not needed. Montgomery stressed the final power of decision, regardless of procedures adopted at the gathering of information and advice, should be reserved for the Faculty.

Faculty Minutes, 3/25/54

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

Academic Organization

BLOCK, HERBERT

Biographical

Block was approved as Professor, March 29, 195~~6~~, by the Faculty.

Faculty Minutes, 3/29/5~~6~~

AYDELOTTE, F.

Biographical

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Aydelotte to Oppenheimer, April 14, 1954, offering to take his place temporarily while Oppenheimer is in Washington on a hearing.

Filed in Chronological File under 1954, 4/14.

A File, Robert Oppenheimer

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

Founded by Mr. Louis Bamberger and Mrs. Felix Fuld

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

14 April 1954

Dear Robert:

I am asking Kay Russell to read this letter before she forwards it to you.

I think you are very wise in asking for your hearing now and I was deeply impressed with your own statement of your record as printed in the New York Times. I hope the result will be a complete vindication.

Meanwhile is there anything that I could do in the matter of attending to administrative details in your office? I don't know how long you will be tied up with this business in Washington, but if I can serve in that time please do not hesitate to let me know. Of course, the administration of the Institute is an old story to me and it would be no trouble at all for me to attend to any matter which your secretaries wished to refer to me.

With warmest good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

Frank Aydelotte

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

BENEFITS

Academic Personnel

WEYL, HERMANN

Biographical

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Oppenheimer to Weyl.

He has recommended to the Trustees extension through the academic year 1954-5 the present arrangements whereby the Institute makes available to Weyl a grant of \$4,000 to facilitate his coming to the Institute for several months during that year. The ~~Institute~~ ^{In} were delighted to make the arrangement.

(The extension was of a three year stipend granted by the Board as specified Oppenheimer to Weyl, May 18, 1951, *ibid.*)

D File, Weyl, Hermann, 1946-

PALEOGRAPHY (MEDIAEVEL)

Academic Activities

CARNEGIE

Foundations

LOWE, E. A.

Biographical

OPPENHEIMER, R.

Oppenheimer to Moe, May 7, 1954, regarding Lowe, etc.

Filed in Chronological File under 1954, 5/7.

D File, Lowe, E. A.

7 May 1954

Dear Dr. Moe:

Before answering your good letter of March 19th, I wanted an opportunity to talk to Dr. Lowe about his financial problems in the preparation of the last three volumes of "Codices Latini Antiquiores". Dr. Lowe was at that time lecturing in California, and on his return I found myself forced to be away continuously until today. It may be that my delay in answering has made it impossible for you to respond affirmatively to Dr. Lowe's request. I hope not. In any case, I can tell you briefly of his financial support and the reasons why he is seeking further help.

Dr. Lowe has from the Institute a small pension of \$4,000 a year; he now has an annual grant of \$5,000 a year to help him with his work; he has available a sum of \$4,000, more or less, for assistants. He has one assistant who is for the most part here at the Institute, and one man who helps him in Germany. It is reasonable that Dr. Lowe should seek further financial help. Extensive travel and expert assistance are an essential part of finishing his great work. He has a vigorous mind and indefatigable spirit. He is no longer young, so that the minimum comforts of travel and help are not a luxury for him but a necessity if he is to get the great job finished. He is working against time, and very deeply knows and feels it. What he needs is a sum of money to be used in the next few years, as long as his strength lasts or until the job is done, to supplement the grants which the Institute can make to him. This could be in the form of an annual grant of \$5,000, or better still in the form of a total grant of \$20,000 or \$25,000 to be used purely for the purposes of preparing the "Codices Latini Antiquiores", and for which we would undertake to be accountable to the Foundation.

I do not know whether either of these arrangements is possible for you, nor whether the timing of my letter is such as to make at least a delay inevitable. My own view is that there are few ways in which a relatively modest sum can be expended that are so sure to see in the immediate future their justification in a great, definitive and beautiful work of scholarship.

With every warm good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Henry Allen Moe
551 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

Revised 11/15/55 by Moe

1954
EARLE, E. M.

Biographical

Died June 23, 1954. See file for appreciations and newspapers.

Letter from the Trustees to Mrs. Earle filed with this memo in Chronological file under 1954, 6/23.

D, Earle, 1945

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
Founded by Mr. Louis Bamberger and Mrs. Felix Fuld
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

To Mrs. Edward Mead Earle:

The Trustees of the Institute for Advanced Study desire to express to you their appreciation of what Edward Mead Earle has contributed to this Institute, which he served and strengthened for nearly two decades, and to the whole community of men of learning. Without him, the Institute for Advanced Study would be a different, and a duller and poorer place. He was a distinguished, critical, exigent scholar. He had at all times a large and immediate devotion to his country and its affairs, generous of himself as a soldier in combat. He was a man of rare practical sense, who sought and cherished the feasible. He had a rugged and indestructible strength of conviction, and stood where many others yielded. He was the most generous of teachers, giving of his time, his knowledge and his life that other men could learn from him and grow in their own right. He had a wide, true sense of the community of our world, and forged many bonds between his colleagues abroad and this Institute in Princeton. Many scholars, many men of affairs, young and old, whom he knew as students or whom he counselled in their responsibility, men from many lands and many ways of life, are in his debt. His colleagues at the Institute have learned from him; and the institution itself will bear his mark and will, in the years ahead, attempt to foster, to preserve, and to extend the inheritance that it has from his hand. His unmatched courage will be an enduring example to us all.

For the Board of Trustees

Princeton, 1954

DIRECTOR

Corporation

MAASS, HERBERT H.

Biographical

VEBLEN, O.

FULTON, JOHN F.

STRAUSS

SMYTHE, HARRY

Veblen to Fulton from Switzerland, bitterly inveighing against the Chairman's plan to call a meeting to see if the I. A. S. should retain the Director. Veblen is boiled up about it. He talks of academic freedom at length. He ~~sends~~ says he has written to Maass telling him exactly what he thinks of it.

Wilmarth Lewis expresses his thought that such an action would destroy the Institute. He says he thought Veblen's letter to Maass was a corker. It changed Maass' mind. Veblen suggested replacing Strauss with Harry Smythe.

One of Fulton Files

August

1954
HOUSING

Facilities

Application for Loan Assistance under Title IV of the
Housing Act of 1950 to the Housing and Home Finance Agency,
August, 1954.

Filed in Vertical File under "H" for Housing.

D, Housing Project, 1955, Miscellaneous

ROCKEFELLER

Foundations

INVESTIGATION TAX-EXEMPT FOUNDATIONS

Government Relations

Brief notes from a statement of J. D. Rockefeller, III, to the Committee. The Committee ~~had~~ was holding its investigation on the ground that the Cox Committee did not in 1950 and 1951 swear its witnesses. At one point J. D. R., III, comments on the reasoning of the Committee's Director of Research that the foundations were responsible for a "revolution," which occurred in the United States from 1933-1936. The source for this is the statement the Rockefeller Foundation (p. 14-15). Said J. D. R., III:

"Few can doubt...that the great depression of the thirties was a prime factor in a re-appraisal of educational thought. In a period of insecurity, it was but natural that questions should arise as ~~to~~ to the effectiveness of our educational system. It was but natural, too, that the millions of restless

~~Statement of Rockefeller Foundation (P. 14-15)~~

unemployed people would have questions as to the value of their school experience, and that educators should re-examine not only for the purpose but for the techniques of education...The years that followed witnessed a considerable number of studies and experiments relating to new educational programs and methods. As a result much was written and many controversies developed, although few far-reaching changes occurred in curricula and methods in the high schools and colleges. ~~Lyman~~ Ray Lyman Wilbur, a former president of Stanford University, ~~was~~ once said that 'changing a curriculum is like trying to move a cemetery.' The few school systems and colleges where considerable changes were introduced attracted much comment and perhaps tended to distract attention from the more persistent and extensive problems of teacher shortages, Crowded classrooms and outmoded school facilities that were products of the depression of the war years." (P. 60-61)

The foundations grants were concerned directly with educational activities. The foundations supported The Commission on the Financing of Higher Education of the Association of American Universities. (\$400,000 - 1949). Another Institute of International Education, New York City (1937-1953, \$388, 356): prior to 1929 no grants were made by the Laura Spellman Rockefeller Memorial to this). IT was an important clearing house of educational information.

The G. E. B. has never sought to impose or promote a particular system of education or curriculum. The Board spent \$99,000,000 in pioneering in medical education. This ~~w~~ resulted in widespread changes in medical education. The bulk of the nearly \$250,000,000 of the G. E. B.'s funds spent have gone for endowment, buildings, teachers salaries, and help for current expenses of established educational institutions.

The G. E. B. has supported the A. C. L. S., a federation of 25 national organizations devoted to the encouragement of humanistic studies, representing some 50,000 American scholars in these fields. HAS received funds from a variety of sources.

During the 20 years the Rockefeller Foundation has given it ~~\$4,788,775~~ \$4,788,775 representing less than 15 per cent of the ~~Rockefeller~~ Rockefeller Foundation's grants for the humanities.

Reports - G. E. B. and Rf.

1954
OPPENHEIMER, ROBERT

Biographical

STRAUSS

MAASS, HERBERT H.

VEBLEN, O.

FULTON

LEWIS, W.

Letter from Fulton to Wilmarth Lewis, August 3, 1954.

Filed in Chronological file under 1954, 8/3.

Fulton File, Wilmarth Lewis

Dictated in London
31 July 1954
Transcribed in New Haven
3 August 1954

My dear Lefty,

Many thanks for yours of the twenty-seventh. I knew that you would like Veblen's letter and it will certainly serve as excellent ammunition if discussion is ever forced upon us, but heaven hope it never will be. I think your reply to Veblen is exactly right, but it is really more than that--it is a masterpiece. There can be no doubt in his mind now as to where we both stand.

Lucia and I motored to Oxford yesterday with two huge bags of books which I had brought over for Maltby to bind or refurbish. We find it so much more satisfactory, and incidentally, much less expensive, to have it done this way. Indeed, we have nothing much done in New Haven now except for pedestrian cloth bindings and for routine binding of journals. Maltby, by the way, always does my Diary, which again is rather a relief because I would not trust the snooping eyes of a New Haven binder. We saw a few old friends there, including the Alexander Cookes, of whom we have always been very fond; Annie Burr will remember Mrs. Cooke as 'Vera,' one of the English mothers who came over in 1910. She has flaming red hair and a heart of gold. The Bank Holiday week-end is now upon us and we are planning to have an orgy of the theatre--just Lucia and I, no guests!

All the best to you both.

Yours ever,

Wilmarth S. Lewis, Esq.
Hammersmith Farm
Newport, Rhode Island

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

MEMBERS

BOHR ~~NIELS~~

Biographical

KENNAN

NEUGEBAUER

The Faculty agreed to extend the five-year appointments of the above-named for another five years.

Faculty Minutes, 9/30/54

~~XXXX~~ EARLE, E. M.

Biographical

From the Board of Trustees to Mrs. Edward Meade Earle upon
Earle's death.

Filed in Chronological File under 1954, October.

D File, Earle, E. M., 1945

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For the Board of Trustees

Princeton, 1954

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1854
In
Liaison Com. Vetste, ~~Hirschfeld~~ Hancock & Rosenwald absent

etc to mtg which considered all of officers
& Dir (No annual mtg held) - hebrew got
statement out of him is that Dir wd be selected in med.
Lewis has fought over Rosenwald's position as Ch. - now com -
absent, & Shuman's appointment new Com. on time. (4th or
annual mtg 1954?) Golper, hebrew 5 days named -

Shuman arranged exp. terms. of Golper, giving him budget,

Jan 1956 Hirschfeld 1958.

12/4/54 Messer said diff for Press Ch to go to Pet to
Truman connected with Dir. Proposed liaison com. of 5 TV.

had on table next mtg after debate because ~~fresh~~
not present.

Rosenwald brought up ? of bylaws at this mtg.

also laid over - routine -

Acc. Com. reported (Fulmer) Publ. funds must

be handled mts. 9/15 -

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes]

By Laws -

See Minutes for who held authority for
Chm. to have full powers first given only to
President to request all documents etc.

Question of legality of Messis actions after
Separate of funds May 1949 probably raised by LWS? Sure

There was thorough re-working of all by laws in Nov. adopted by
Messis as Chm had been exercising
100-Minutes
drafting Bd in Dec '54
So Bd inspired by
Messis Amendments
T. Minutes sig. business docs.

OFFICERS

Administration

DIRECTOR

Administration

Discussion as to re-election of officers and director resolved by a motion for a "packaged deal" which the Chairman declared carried. In view of latter fact, members present made it unanimous to save embarrassment in press.

10/5

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

Academic Organization

HISTORY

Academic Activities

The School asked the Director to write to Professor Samuel Eliot Morison, Wallace Notestein, and Bernadotte Schmitt for advice on possible candidates to fill Earle's place. The letter dated October 5, 1954, asks in identical terms for suggestions. "We do not expect to be able to find anyone with Earle's special combination of interests. We think that we might be of service if we were to choose a specialist in the history of the United States." Not limiting ourselves to this field, but are extending them to all branches of modern history, American, English and European, including naval and military history, since about 1600. We have a strong classical tradition here, and would like to find a "modern" historian whose background and training has been in classical or medieval studies, but this requirement not essential. Want a man not younger than 45 who has already had considerable teaching experience.

Faculty Minutes, School of Historical Studies, 10/5/54

EARLE, EDWARD M.

Biographical

Part of The Oxford Magazine of October 21, 1954 on death of Earle.

Filed in Chronological File under 1954, 10/21.

A File, Earle, E. M.

EDWARD MEAD EARLE

The death of Professor Edward Mead Earle last June at the age of sixty came as a shock to his many Oxford friends, both those who had enjoyed his hospitality at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton and those whom he met during his visit to All Souls as Chichele Lecturer a few years ago. Those who heard Professor Earle's lectures will not need reminding of his intellectual distinction and of his firm belief that the study of foreign policy, pursued in the proper spirit, could be a valuable contribution to better understanding between the countries of the English-speaking world. Few of our American visitors have done more to build up ties of friendship between the academic communities on both sides of the Atlantic, and his death at a relatively early age, after a long and gallant struggle against ill health, has brought real sadness to many here.

From The Oxford Magazine, October 21, 1954.

1954
GENERAL (By-Laws)

Vertical "B"
Corporation

Vertical^B By-laws with Amendments adopted 12/54

File D Articles of Incorporation

December

1954
BY-LAWS

Corporat ion

Drops from Article VI, the provision theretofore contained that the Director shall prepare and submit to the Board of Trustees an annual report which shall fully cover the year's work and accomplishments.

On the other hand, it reinstates a provision in Article IX that the Director shall make a report at all meetings of the Trustees, a provision which does not appear in the copy of the By-Laws as amended to May 20, 1949.

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Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws, adopted December, 1954, which is filed in Vertical file under "B" for By-Laws

1954

December

DIRECTOR

Administration

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

being
The Directorship has changed from/a member of the Corporation and a member of the Board of Trustees ~~and a member ex-officio of all committees~~ with the right to attend all meetings of the committees of the Trustees to the following:

"The Director shall be a member ex-officio of the Corporation and of all committees of the Trustees. He shall be responsible for communicating to the Trustees views of the faculty on all matters affecting the Institute."

He determines in consultation with the Faculty the admission of members and the employment of staff and "exercises general supervision over the Institute in respect to its academic phases. He shall have authority after consultation with the Faculty and with the approval of the Board or the Executive Committee to make appointments to the Faculty for indefinite terms / or for limited periods."

By-Law adopted December, 1954

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GIFTS

Finance

TURLEY, THOMAS F., JR. (Attorney-at-law) Biographical

Thomas F. Turley, Jr., Attorney-at-law of Memphis, Tennessee to Princeton University.

He has a client who wishes to leave a bequest to the "Institute of Advanced Studies." He asks for the proper title, and so forth, ~~and~~

Oppenheimer responds December 22, sending the bibliography as he did to the others. (The other attorneys writing on the same subject).

D File, Donations

PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

Academic Organization

THEORETICAL PHYSICS

Academic Activities

PLACZEK

Biographical

Placzek supported by Director and the Institute physicists backed by Bethe, Bohr and Rabi, was opposed by mathematicians as professor. Von Neumann ~~and~~ wrote in opposition. (V. Neumann Comm. in Phys)

General question raised: separate school for Theoretical Physics? Nature of appointments, etc. On January 14, 1955, faculty voted professorship down for Placzek 8-6. Cherniss moved, Panofsky seconded.

Faculty Minutes, pp. 266 and 268

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✓ 1954
PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

MEMBERS

SCHOOL OF mathematics

Academic Organization

LERAY, JEAN

Biographical

Jean Leray's five-year membership was extended by five years to 1965!

Faculty Minutes, 12/17/54

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PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

Academic Organization

Woodward informed the Faculty that the School of Historical Studies had sought advice from three distinguished professors emeriti of modern history: Morison, Wallace Notestein, and Bernadotte Schmitt, and on their advice had given up the attempt to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Professor Earle with a scholar active in the field of American History. Now being considered are: Leo Gershoy (New York University), C. L. Rossiter (Cornell) and David Harris Willson (University of Minnesota); in addition, the possibility of selecting a legal historian is being explored. The School hopes to present a nomination at the next Faculty meeting.

Faculty Minutes, 12/17/54

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PARTICIPATION IN ADMINISTRATION

Academic Personnel

MEMBERS

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

Academic Organization

YANG
CHARNEY
PLACZEK

BIOGRAPHICAL

unanimously

The School of Mathematics agreed/not to recommend a professorial appointment for Professor Charney.

It unanimously agreed to recommend a professorial appointment for Yang.

It disagreed upon professorship for Professor Placzek.

Some of the members of the School were unalterably opposed to Placzek and the nomination could not be considered without their concurrence. Those working in theoretical physics are firmly convinced the recommendation should be made.

There was a discussion on above.

Professors Bethe, Bohr, and Rabi had written in 1952 in support of a permanent appointment for Placzek. These letters were read. Von Neumann opposed the professorial appointment.

"The discussion, transcending the merits of the individual case, touched upon the ontological difference between 'permanent' and 'professorial' appointments; on the desirability of dividing the School of Mathematics into a section devoted to pure mathematics and another section devoted to theoretical physics; and on the troublesome nature of permanent non-professorial appointments."