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BENEFITS

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Board authorized Executive Committee to act on first nominations if necessary before October 1932 meeting.

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Minutes, p. 12:

"After discussion regarding possible developments in the field of economics and politics, it was, on motion,

"RESOLVED, That the Director be and hereby is authorized in his discretion to present at the April (1934) meeting of the Board of Trustees a nomination in the School of Economics and Politics with the terms and conditions necessary to secure the ablest available scholar in that field."

"The Chairman announced the appointment of the Committee on Nominations to report at the annual meeting as follows:

- Mr. Samuel D. Leidesdorf, Chairman
- Mr. Percy S. Straus
- Mr. Walter W. Stewart
- Honorary Trustees
- Chairman
- Vice-Chairman"

"On motion it was

"RESOLVED, That Mr. Hardin be and hereby is instructed to obtain permission from the Board of Education of the State of New Jersey in order that the Institute may, if it desires, be in a position to grant degrees."

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FLEXNER, A.

Flexner to Riefler, May 9, 1939.

"The Committee on Nominations consists of you, Dr. Friedenwald, and Dr. Weed. I do not believe that it will be possible to hold a meeting of this committee in advance of the Board meeting since you are in Kansas City ~~and xxxxxxx~~ [Riefler's mother and father are very ill] and Dr. Weed has to go to St. Louis next week."

Terms expiring: Aydelotte, Sabin, Veblen. "Would you be willing to renominate Aydelotte and Veblen and leave Sabin position vacant? It can be filled at any meeting during the year."

Flexner presumes the officers, Mr. Houghton, Chairman, Maass and Stewart, Vice-Chairmen, Leidesdorf, Treasurer, Bailey, Secretary, will be renominated. "The appointment of the Director also comes up. Will you let me know your wish in respect to all these matters in the hope that we can manage this year by correspondence instead of a meeting of your committee?"

D File, Riefler, Winfield W., 1934-1939

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Riefler responds to Flexner with a long letter about his parents' condition which is grave. He doubts that he will be able to attend the Trustees' meeting or the cornerstone ceremony, expresses his regret, says he cannot call the Committee on Nominations together, and suggests whether one of the other members could act as Chairman. He gives no commitment with respect ~~with respect~~ to his willingness to renominate the Director or the named Trustees.

Flexner to Riefler, May 13, 1939.

He acknowledges Riefler's of the 10th, expresses the proper regrets, says that he will communicate informally with the other members of the Committee on Nominations, and states that he is sure they will agree that it is best to leave the vacancy due to Miss Sabin's retirement unfilled. That seems to have become the sole point for decision of the Nominations

Committee in Flexner's mind.

Riefler to Flexner, May 14, 1939.

Riefler "comes to." I am agreeable with your suggestion that we renominate all present incumbants (of course including yourself as Director even though you do not suggest that).

D File, Riefler, Winfield W., 1934-1939

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Educational Institutions

Neumann says that when Harvard University is faced with the necessity of making an appointment of a full professor from outside the University, a committee of outside qualified scholars in the field is appointed with the duty of examining the nomination made by the School or Department of Harvard. This ad hoc group considers not only the merits of the proposed appointment, but reviews the field to ascertain whether, in their judgment, a more qualified individual exists. They then report (question--to whom). This prevents inbreeding and too great specialization or limited viewpoint; it furnishes a mechanism for stymieing the full action of academic politics and logrolling.

Dinner table conversation July 9, 1956