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Board's Action Gives Virtual Control to 16,000 Graduates—Step to Popularize Academic Management—Resolution to Amend University Statutes Framed by Effingham B. Morris.

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Virtual control of the management of the University of Pennsylvania was delegated yesterday to alumni of that institution when the trustees voluntarily adopted an amendment to the University statutes providing that all vacancies on the board be filled by election from nominations made to the trustees by graduates of the University.

This action was taken at a regular monthly meeting of the board of trustees in Houston Hall and transfers the general administrative policy of Pennsylvania from the hands of 24 trustees to an alumni of more than 16,000 all over the world.

The resolution was framed by Effingham B. Morris, chairman of the board committee on finance and president of the Girard Trust Company, of this city. Its purpose is "stimulating interest of alumni in the University and increasing their share in its management."

By the terms of the University charter the board, consisting of 24 members, serving for life or until their voluntary retirement, is a self-perpetuating body. For some years, by the terms of a previous amendment, the alumni have had the right to fill every third vacancy on the board. The first man to be chosen from alumni nominations was William A. Redding, of New York, who recently took his place on the board.

Mr. Morris, who led a discussion on his proposed amendment before graduates of the University on Alumni Day, February 21, said at that time that the unrestricted delegation of the power to elect trustees to the alumni would be a violation of the University charter. However, he pointed out, the insertion of a clause reserving to the trustees the right to add names of their own notion to the list of candidates submitted by the alumni would prevent a violation of the charter. Such a clause has been inserted in the amendment.

Under the amendment, trustees of the University will advise the board of managers of the General Alumni Society of any vacancy which may occur on the board.

The board of managers of the Alumni Society then will select not less than six persons from whom a selection of three will be made by the board of trustees.

These three will be returned to the alumni board and ballots containing their names will be circulated to all Pennsylvania graduates.

The board then will elect to membership the person who shall have received the highest number of votes. The resolution provides that unless a minimum of 4,000 votes is received the trustees may disregard the result of the election. This clause, it was pointed out, is to insure general interest among the alumni in the election.

"RESOLUTIONS" OF THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

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body and the Faculty had nothing to do with it.

(13) That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, that a copy be sent to the President of Guilford College, that they be published in the Guilfordian, and that a copy be spread on the minutes of the Societies.

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WEBSTERIAN SOCIETY NOTES.

A meeting of the Websterian Literary Society was held Friday night, May 12th. After the meeting was opened by the appointment of L. C. Berry as critic and Coggins, Way and Yates as judges, Resolved that Germany is justifiable in maintaining her submarine policy, was debated with good arguments on both sides.

The affirmative was advanced by Hobert Patterson, Hervie Willard and Robert Frazier. These produced arguments showing how Germany's cramped position necessitated submarine warfare and how, according to the last note from the German Imperial Government this warfare was entirely justified by international law.

The negative was upheld by Charles Carrol, Clarence Macon and Ralph Yow. Their arguments pointed out the cruelty of submarine warfare and the unjustness of the peril placed on non-combatants by it.

After a heated discussion, the question was submitted to the judges who decided in favor of the affirmative.

The society then attended to some miscellaneous business and, after a very helpful talk by the critic, adjourned.

THE WEBSTERIAN ORATORICAL CONTEST.

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marshals were Paul Y. Fitzgerald, chief, L. Tremain, H. Willard, R. Frazier and C. Carroll; the judges were Hon. M. F. Douglas, Prof. L. Lea White and Prof. S. H. Hodgkin. Mr. Hodgkin delivered the prize.

The program was given as follows:

1. Sleep Kentucky Babe--Websterian Quartet.
2. The Forces of Unity--Ira G. Hinshaw.
3. Our Intellectual Awakening--Raleigh L. Tremain.
4. Children in Bondage--Ralph J. Yow.
5. The Southern Renaissance--Daniel D. S. Cameron.
6. What Shall Be the Ideal in American Education? Raymond A. Smith.
7. About Clocks -- Websterian Quartet.

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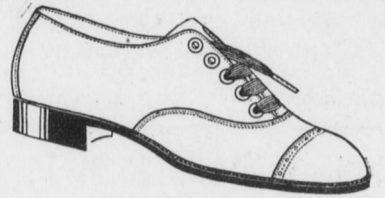
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