The Regent Meeting

The University board of regents announced action on six different problems following its mid-winter meeting on the campus. The announcements include:

1. Made five dollar student athletic tickets compulsory. This will become effective next fall for all students enrolling in the University. Student athletic tickets were seven dollars for the present school year. The action was taken to assist the athletic association to meet its expenses with a decreasing income. The new ticket will raise approximately twenty-five thousand dollars against thirteen thousand of this year with the non-compulsory ticket. The income from student ticket sales has dropped from thirty-three thousand dollars in 1928-29, the last year tickets were compulsory, to thirteen thousand dollars of this year. All other Big Six conference schools have tickets similar to those that will be offered students next fall.

2. Expressed themselves as in favor of deferred pledging. The board asked fraternity and sorority leaders, with the assistance of the dean of men and dean of women, to formulate a plan that would prohibit any student from pledging a fraternity or sorority until his sophomore year. The board voted favorably toward such a plan but will allow fraternities, sororities and members of the University administration to work out the details of the new system. Malcolm Rosser, '21, Muskogee, member of the board, expressed himself in favor of the deferred plan several weeks previous to the meeting. Fraternity and sorority leaders appeared before the board to present the case in opposition to the deferred plan. Those students appearing before the regents were Denver Meacham, president of Kappa Sigma, Clinton; Allen Calvert, president of Beta Theta Pi, Saginaw, Michigan; Jim Riley, president of Phi Delta Theta, Bristow; Joe Rucks, president of Phi Gamma Delta, Oklahoma City; Josephine Landsittel, president of Alpha Chi Omega, Norman; and Betty Hume, president of Alpha Chi Omega, Anadarko.

3. Limited the number of non-orthopedic cases enrolled in the Crippled Children's hospital to ten per cent. One of the board members several days before the meeting declared that forty-five per cent of the cases in the hospital were of types different from the original purposes of the hospital. The board passed the following resolution: "Whereas, the record of the Crippled Children's Society shows that there are nearly eight hundred crippled children on the waiting list who are unable at this time to secure admission to the Crippled Children's hospital; therefore, be it resolved that at least ninety per cent of the beds at the Crippled Children's hospital be allocated for the exclusive use of cases coming under the general designation of orthopedic, plastic or corrective surgery; and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Dean of the Medical School, the Business Manager of the University hospital, and the Admittance Clerk at the University hospital."

4. Expressed opposition to relaxing "week night date" rule. A petition was presented to the board by Louis Woodruff, president of the men's council, declaring that at a student election, students of the University had voted a recommendation that the rule which prohibits dating on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights be relaxed. Twice during the past month, handbills asking that the "no date" rule be repealed were distributed on the campus by persons not connected with the University. Handbills were pasted on the sidewalks of the campus the morning the board met calling for a mass meeting. The handbills were scraped from the sidewalks and from buildings before students arrived for morning classes. No mass meeting was held. The regents expressed themselves unanimously in favor of the present regulation, pointing out that dates were allowed Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights and that the primary function of the University was to encourage studying.

5. Created a new position in the University hospital. The regents created a position in the University hospital to get maximum co-operation between the hospital and the medical school. The new manager will work with the dean of the school and the head of the hospital to supervise the work of internes and to handle common problems.

6. Again voted approval of a ten dollar enrollment fee for all University students. The board last year voted to increase the enrollment fee from seven dollars to ten dollars. The new regulation was printed in the University catalog last summer but was not put into effect at the time of fall registration. The board re-affirmed the ten dollar tuition fee and it became effective at mid-term. The flat fee will include library fee, student infirmary fee and Oklahoma Union membership.