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Dallas, Texas  
April 18, 1956  
Meeting No. 553

The Board of Regents of The University of Texas in accordance with proper notice met in special session as a Committee of the Whole in Room 414, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Dallas, Texas, April 18, 1956, at 9:00 a. m., with the following in attendance:

Present

Chairman Sealy  
Vice-Chairman Voyles  
Regent (Mrs.) Devall  
Regent Johnson  
Regent Lockwood  
Regent Minter (came in shortly after  
the meeting was called to order.)  
Regent Oates  
Regent Sorrell  
President Wilson

Absent

Regent Jeffers (because  
of important business.)

Also present were Vice-President Dolley (came in shortly after the meeting was called to order), Assistant to the President Cox, and Secretary Thedford.

LETTER FROM MISS IMA HOGG. --Chairman Sealy read the following letter from Miss Ima Hogg:

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April 10, 1956

The Board of Regents  
The University of Texas  
Austin, Texas

My dear Members of the Board:

In looking back upon the events of April 5, and the lovely dinner, I still cannot do so without feeling overwhelmed with such gratitude and humility I have little room for words. I wish I knew how to express my appreciation and thanks to each and all of you concerned in arranging such a dignified and beautiful occasion.

The volume which contains the citation, resolution by the Board of Regents, the letters of the President of the University, Governor of Texas, with those of many other friends, is an everlasting source of inspiration which I shall always treasure.

I realize, in choosing me to honor, it was not so much for my personal worth as for the fact that I represent members of my family whom you wish to remember,

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and through them, you have identified me with certain forces and ideas which I am gratified you hold worthy.

Members of our family grew up in Austin under the shadow of the University of Texas campus. By precept and experience within its walls, we learned to cherish its ideals. It is with real joy that I look back upon the impressions I received there which have been of lasting value in a long and eventful life.

I am gratified and proud that our Alma Mater has not only accepted the trust of the Hogg Foundation, but that it has grasped and is utilizing the ever-widening facilities offered. I cannot say too much for the wonderful assistance and co-operation that have been given by every official of the University and the members of the Board of Regents in supporting the program of the Foundation. Dr. Sutherland has been a remarkable leader and has chosen well the members of his staff.

New forms of knowledge are emerging which include techniques for the alleviation of physical and mental illness. It is my belief that the time is not too far distant when the application of the best available knowledge in our educational institutions will train and guide our children so the ill effects of life's frustrations will be minimized and thus our children will be better equipped to realize their divine heritage as useful, happy citizens.

It is for these reasons I believe the members of our family have been most fortunate in placing our confidence in the University of Texas.

With warmest good wishes and with deepest appreciation for the beautiful dinner of April 5, and for all the generous thoughts, I am

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ima Hogg

Each Regent and President Wilson joined with the Chairman in expressing gratitude to Miss Ima Hogg for her thoughtful expressions in this letter.

Upon motion of Doctor Oates, seconded by Vice-Chairman Voyles, the Board ordered the letter included in the minutes of this meeting.

COOPERATION, EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION. --Chairman Sealy reported that he had received a very fine letter from Mr. Herman Jones, President of the Ex-Students' Association, who expressed on behalf of the Ex-Students' Association the desire to cooperate fully with the administration and the Board of Regents and who specifically expressed willingness to help in any possible manner. Each member of the Board was gratified by the splendid spirit of cooperation expressed in this communication.

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INVITATION, AUSTIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. --President Wilson reminded the Regents of their acceptance to be dinner guests of the Austin Chamber of Commerce on the evening of May 31, Thursday.

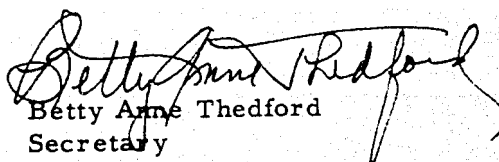
MEDICAL BRANCH

Contract No. DA 4-1-243 ENG-3209  
 LEASE, U. S. ARMY, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH. --At the request of President Wilson, Vice-President Dolley presented in detail to the Board a proposed lease as recommended by The University of Texas Medical Branch between the United States of America and The University of Texas Medical Branch. He pointed out that this space is to be used for conducting a study of individuals injured in the Texas City disaster. After the presentation and upon recommendation of Vice-President Dolley, concurred in by President Wilson, the Board of Regents adopted the following resolution approving the lease, such resolution having been approved by Comptroller Sparenberg as to content and by Land and Trust Attorney Gaines as to form:

WHEREAS, the Government of The United States of America has applied for a lease of approximately 4,200 square feet of floor space located on the sixth floor of the New John Sealy Hospital, an adjunct of the Medical Branch of The University of Texas, Galveston, to be used as office and other governmental purposes for a term beginning March 12, 1956, through June 30, 1956, for a total rental consideration of \$7,560 and the term payment to be made on a monthly basis; and the Board having approved said application

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller of The University of Texas and Secretary of this Board are hereby authorized and directed on behalf of this Board to sign, seal, and the Comptroller to deliver such lease covering the above space at and in the New John Sealy Hospital of the Medical Branch of The University of Texas at Galveston.

ADJOURNMENT. --The Board of Regents adjourned at 10:00 a. m.

  
 Betty Arne Thedford  
 Secretary

