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COLLEGE TRUSTEES MAKE SELECTION OF PRESIDENT TO SUCCEED DR. WIDTSOE

Dr. Petersen, Director of Extension Division Elected to Head the Institution. Others Supported for the Position.

Dr. Elmer G. Peterson, director of the Extension Division of the Utah Agricultural College will succeed Dr. John A. Widtssoe as president of the institution, his election having been made on Thursday when the College Board of Trustees met at the Hotel Utah and settled the question of the presidency which has created state wide interest.

Dr. Peterson was pitted against some of the best educators in the state of Utah for the position, among the candidates being Dr. George Thomas who is not only known for his work on the faculty of the U. A. C. but also as president of the school board of Logan City and a member of the Utah Educational Association over which he at one time presided; Dr. F. S. Harris, Dr. Frank West, and Dr. Joseph F. Merrill head of the engineering department of the University of Utah. A number of ballots were taken but on the final ballot all the trustees voted for Dr. Peterson therefore making his election unanimous.

Lorenzo N. Stohl, chairman of the board, supported the candidacy of Dr. Peterson; David Mattson, secretary of state supported Dr. George Thomas, while John Dern led those who endorsed Joseph F. Merrill.

The salary of Dr. Peterson was fixed at \$4000.

It was thought best by Lorenzo N. Stohl, chairman of the board, that no nominations be made, so that the selection of a president might not be considered in the light of a contest. Before formally opening the meeting he declared to the board that in all matters affecting the college the trustees had been unanimous and he thought the board should be unanimous in the selection of a new president.

Each trustee was given plenty of time to set out the qualifications of the man each favored for head of the college. Thus all candidates were discussed at length before a ballot was taken.

Mattson Favors Dr. Thomas

David Mattson, secretary of state and ex-officio member of the board, paid a high tribute to all of the candidates, but said he favored Dr. George Thomas, regarding him eminently fitted to be president of the Agricultural College. He also praised Dr. Peterson and the work which he has done in the extension department.

Mr. Mattson supported the candidacy of Dr. Thomas until the last ballot.

Lorenzo N. Stohl, George T. Odell and Joseph Quinney Jr., supported the candidacy of Dr. Peterson. They explained his work as a professor at the college and as head of the extension department. Emphasis was laid on the fact that the work in which he has been engaged has carried him to every part of the state, and as one of his supporters expressed it, "to every home." Those who favored Dr. Peterson considered him more familiar with conditions in the state and with the needs of the college than any other candidate.

Dern Backs Dr. Merrill

The work of Prof. Joseph F. Merrill as head of the engineering department of the state university, his acquaintanceship throughout the state and his knowledge of educational affairs generally in Utah, were urged by John Dern as worthy of consideration by the board. Mr. Dern declared he believed Prof. Merrill was in a position to appreciate the needs of the school as well as any man in the state.

Both Dr. Harris and Dr. West were highly praised for their work at the college and both received votes in the balloting. But after the

fourth ballot and it was seen by the supporters of candidates other than Dr. Peterson, that more than a majority of the board were in favor of electing him, votes for scattering candidates fell off. Dr. Peterson and Dr. Thomas were the only candidates voted for on the fifth ballot and on the last ballot all the trustees voted for Dr. Peterson.

One trustee said after the meeting that no limit was placed on the number of ballots in order to give all an opportunity to cast complimentary votes for candidates.

Satisfied With Choice

"The trustees feel they have selected a good president," said Mr. Stohl speaking for the board. "We extend to Dr. Peterson all our support and he will find that the trustees of the college will be behind him in all his undertakings. We are going to forget there is to be a change of presidents at the college and are going out to make the agricultural college a better school in every respect. The board supported Dr. Widtssoe unanimously in everything he did. That same support will be given Dr. Peterson and there will be redoubled effort to increase the efficiency and usefulness of the college."

When the news reached Logan that Dr. Peterson had been elected president of the college, there was general rejoicing in the business district and at the Commercial Club where a number of club members had gathered as well as at the college. A move was at once started to give a public demonstration in order to show to the board of trustees, to Dr. Peterson and the state at large that as far as Logan is concerned she will support the new president to a unit.

President Widtssoe made the following statement:

"Without a question the board of trustees made a wise selection for president of the Agricultural College," said Dr. John A. Widtssoe. "I am delighted to hear of Dr. Peterson's election. I recommended him as a professor at the institution and also for the head of the extension department. I am glad to give him any support I can. No one need worry about the future of the college when its affairs are in the hands of a man as competent as Dr. Peterson."

Dr. Peterson who was in Salt Lake City at the time the announcement of his election, made the following statement:

"The Agricultural College has been my school," said Dr. Peterson. "I am more than glad to accept the presidency of the institution and I hope to work as president so that it will be one of the foremost schools in the west. I am going to give the best that is in me to the Utah Agricultural College and my only hope is that I will be as successful as my distinguished predecessor, Dr. Widtssoe. I hope to be in touch with every man and woman in Utah while I am president. I feel that the college is the greatest asset which the state has. If I am a success I hope it will spur my ambitions to greater effort on behalf of the state and the institution of learning from which will come men and women who spell success to this state."

Dr. Peterson was born August 26, 1882 at Plain City, Weber county. He obtained his preliminary education in the common schools of the state and in Idaho and Oregon. His high school work was done at Oneda Stake Academy. In 1900 he entered the Agricultural College and was graduated in 1904 in the general science course. He was editor of the college paper and during his se-

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Dr. E. G. Peterson who was unanimously elected to the Presidency of the Utah Agricultural College on Thursday.



MR. WHITTLE BOOSTING BIG AUCTION SALE

F. H. Whittle of the Richmond Holstein Breeders Association was in Logan on Thursday and while here was talking "White and Black Day" on March 17, at which time a big auction sale of choice Holstein cows and calves will be conducted after the order of similar auction sales in the east. Richmond is preparing to royally entertain all who visit the town on the occasion of March 17.

SECOND WARD REUNION FOR OLD FOLKS

The Second ward old folks were royally entertained Thursday afternoon when about 140 persons were banqueted at ward meeting house. The dinner was given at 1 o'clock, after which a program and dancing were the features of the entertainment.

In the Second ward there are 87 persons over the age of 60 years. Included as guests were all persons in the ward over that age.

LOST

A gold watch, open face, Waltham make, between Center Street Cafe and Interurban station, initial engraved on back, E. C. R. Finder please leave with William Bowen and receive ten dollars reward. No questions asked the finder.—Adv.

The women don't care how many Dupont Powder Plants the Germans blow up. But if anybody blows up a talcum powder plant, there is going to be trouble with a big T.

UNIVERSITY GAME TONIGHT

Aggies Will Meet the Fast Salt Lakers in the Smart Gymnasium

Tonight at 8 o'clock basketball fans of Logan will have a chance to see the Aggie quintet cross swords with her traditional enemy, the U. of U. Coach Osties men were defeated by the Salt Lake five last week by a margin of only four points on a Salt Lake floor and with a strange crowd. Tonight's game on our own floor with the enthusiastic Aggie students behind them, the climax should reach a different score.

PIONEER IS LAID TO REST AT SMITHFIELD

Smithfield, Feb. 17.—Funeral services over the remains of Joseph Richardson were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in the Second ward Tabernacle. The house was filled with relatives and friends of the family. Councillor R. Roskelley conducted the services. The choir sang, We Need Thee Every Hour. Prayer was offered by Robert Thornley. The choir further sang, Oh My Father.

The speakers were James Cantwell, Peter Hansen and Samuel Nelson, each bore testimony of his honest and exemplary life and spoke words of comfort to the bereaved family. The benediction was pronounced by James J. Melkle.

Mr. R. V. Larson left this morning for Detroit, Mich., to attend the School Superintendents Convention.

Mrs. Benjamin Coleman was operated on today at her home for appendicitis by Doctors Merrill and Parkinson.

The play, entitled The Prairie Rose, played here by the First ward M. I. A. members Tuesday evening was a great success and was very much appreciated by all who saw the play.

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CACHE VALLEY DAIRYMEN, DO NOT BE DECEIVED

We are reliably informed that effort is being made to place a carload of Durham bulls in Cache county and that some dairymen have been asked to head their herd with a "Milk Type Durham."

We recognize in the Durham an animal of the very highest beef type but are thoroughly convinced that no greater mistake can be made by anyone who is in the milk business than to place a Durham bull at the head of their dairy herd.

Cache county is fast becoming one of the leading dairy centers of the United States and we hope that this great industry will not receive a setback that some other communities have received by the introduction of the so called dual purpose cow. Wisconsin experimented with the dual purpose cow for five years and it is now conceded that Wisconsin's dairy industry received a setback that require fifty years to overcome.

There are at least four leading breeds of dairy cattle viz.: Jersey, Guernsey, Holstein and Ayrshire, all of which have been bred for generations for milk production. Statistics show that at least 85 per cent of either of these breeds are good milk producers while on the other hand only 10 per cent of the Durham cattle are even fair milkers.

Can any dairyman afford to sacrifice 90 per cent of their heifer calves as beef animals. We know that there are good Durham milk cows, but as a family they are few and far between.

To those who are interested in producing milk for a profit, we say: Do not be misled with the dual purpose idea. It means failure. Select a sire for your herd from one of the dairy breeds.

Holstein Breeders Association, Richmond, Utah.

RATIFICATION GATHERING AT CLUB QUARTERS

The entertainment committee of the Commercial Club has called a public meeting for this evening at the club quarters at which time the newly elected president of the U. A. C., Dr. E. G. Peterson, is to be the guest of honor. A program has been arranged as follows:

- Talk Hon. E. R. Owen
- Talk Pres. J. A. Widtssoe
- Response Dr. E. G. Peterson
- Talk Joseph Quinney Jr.
- Talk Mayor P. A. Thatcher

The purpose of the gathering is to give an expression of approval of the selection of Dr. Peterson as president of the U. A. C. by the business men of Logan and to show that they will stand behind him in his administration of the college as they have done in the past by President Widtssoe.

WARNING

For the past year we have had numerous calls for oval picture frames for enlarged pictures. Upon inquiring we found the parties had been stung by a picture agent. Now here is the game: You get the picture for a very reasonable price BUT they do not tell you about the frame at the time they take your order for the picture, but when they deliver the picture you will find it an odd size, it is shaped so that it takes a certain shaped glass and Mr. Picture Agent is the only one that can furnish same so he charges about six prices for his frame and glass. The old adage still holds good: PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY, and by the way we carry an elegant line of pictures and frames.

Respectfully, EDWARDS FURNITURE, Logan's Picture House.—Adv

We may be no judge of beauty to shape, but we don't like those long legged pompadoured, pie faced simps in the illustrated clothing ad.

COMMERCIAL BOOSTER'S CLUB WEEKLY NEWS

Miss Mary E. Downey of the State Board of Education was present at the regular monthly meeting of the Commercial Club held Wednesday, February 16, and explained the plan and purpose of securing a Carnegie library and made a strong plea for its establishment in Logan.

Miss Downey was much pleased over the library in Richmond which she visited during the day. Richmond has done exceedingly well in making such a splendid collection of books in such a short time. They have more books per capita than any library in the state. From thirty to forty little tots were around the tables reading books suited to their grades which goes to show that Richmond is getting great benefits from its library.

The people of Garland report that their library is the best business asset in the city, as many of the out of town people visit the library and it serves as a rest room.

The matter of securing the library for Logan was thoroughly discussed in the meeting and there was not one dissenting voice. Owing to so much detail work it will be from eighteen months to two years before we shall be prepared to ask Mr. Carnegie for the building and in that time hundreds of books can be collected, the special water tax will have been taken care of, the building committee thoroughly acquainted with the plans for a modern library and the mistakes made in other buildings and a good site secured, and when the building is completed it will not be a burden to maintain or furnish it.

The following motion prevailed: That it be the sense of the Commercial Boosters Club that we favor the establishment of a Carnegie library in Logan City not to cost less than \$35,000 that we will agree to maintain it, that we will commence at once to secure it, that we start a collection for books and if possible open up a reading room.

Mr. Joseph Odell contributed fifty volumes toward the library.

The special library committee of the club will report to the Board on March 8 immediately after which steps will be taken to secure the library, as the sentiment is very much in favor of it.

The following applicants were unanimously elected as members of the club: S. S. Reynolds, Dr. S. F. Harris, N. R. Erickson, A. F. Cardon, and Glen Hudson, Logan.

The National Park Highway committee presented a letter for approval. It was accepted.

Mr. Joseph Shepard, secretary of the Utah Chamber of Commerce, was present to explain the purpose of the Chamber, the work it was doing, and asked that we lend our influence to get the county to support it. It was decided that a committee of three be appointed to ascertain the sentiment from the commercial clubs of the valley, the county fair officers, and the county commissioners, and report back to the club.

As the interests of northern Utah and southern Idaho are mutual, the Public Entertainment committee of the Commercial Club thought that it would be a good thing to invite Governor Alexander of Idaho to speak at the next club dinner. The Governor was very pleased to get the invitation and has accepted it. He has advised that he will be here about the second week in March. In a day or so the date will be definitely set and the dinner advertised accordingly. The mayors of Preston, Franklin, Richmond, Smithfield, Lewiston, Hyrum, Wellsville and other prominent men of the valley will be invited to attend.

The committee is pleased to announce that the Boosters vaudeville will take place at the Lyric theater Wednesday March 15. This will be the attraction of the season A good variety of parts are being prepared and there will be some surprises.

Greek diplomacy always puts us in mind of a banana skin.

So far it has not been proved that the meteor which shook parts of Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky was of German origin.