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people of the state and the nation. President Donovan indicated that the time would be used to interview members of the University family and emphasized the wonderful opportunity which this broadcast time offers.

The faculty adjourned.

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The University Faculty met in the Assembly Room of Lafferty Hall, Monday, February 13, at 4:00 p.m. President Donovan presided. Members absent were Clinton Adams*, A. D. Albright*, A. J. Brown*, Leo M. Chamberlain*, C. Howard Eckel, Statie Erikson*, W. P. Garrigus, Lyman V. Ginger, W. W. Haynes, Maurice A. Hatch, W. A. Heinz, J. E. Hernandez, A. D. Kirwan, Frank D. Peterson, Helen Reed, J. E. Reeves, H. A. Romanowitz, J. R. Schwendeman, D. M. Seath, D. V. Terrell*, and Frank J. Welch.

The minutes of January 9 were read and approved.

Dean Dickey read resolutions on the death of Professor W. R. Tabb and Professor Staley Adams read resolutions on the death of Professor G. R. Gerhard. These resolutions were accepted by the Faculty, to be spread upon the minutes and copies to be sent to the respective families.

George Richard Gerhard died at 7:05, the evening of Thursday, December 15, as the result of an automobile accident which occurred a few hours previously. Prof. Gerhard had been in ill health and was on his way to Augusta, his original home, when the accident happened.

Prof. Gerhard was 45 years of age at the time of his death, was married, and had one son, 11 years old.

He obtained his B. S. degree in Metallurgical Engineering from the University of Kentucky in 1932 and his Master's degree in 1933. In 1938 he was awarded the degree of Master of Science from the University of Michigan.

During 1934 and 1935 Prof. Gerhard was an analyst in the Metallurgical Department of the American Rolling Mills Co. at Ashland, Kentucky, leaving there to accept a position as teaching fellow in metal processing at the University of Michigan. He remained there, with leave of absence during the war, until 1946, advancing to instructor and assistant professor during that period.

*Absence explained

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Prof. Gerhard was a reserve officer and during the war was assigned to the office of the Provost Marshall General, where he advanced to the rank of Major. After the war he remained in the reserve and held the rank of Lt. Colonel at the time of his death.

He came to the University, September 1, 1946, with the rank of Associate Professor of Metallurgical Engineering, which position he held at the time of the accident.

Prof. Gerhard was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Phi Sigma Kappa, the Masonic Order, the Reserve Officers Association, and the American Legion. He also held membership in Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Xi, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Gamma Alpha, The American Society for Metals, The American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, and the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers. He was also a registered engineer in the state of Kentucky.

Prof. Gerhard worked very closely with the students in the Department of Metallurgical Engineering for many years, having been in charge of scheduling. As a result, he has many close friends among the alumni to whom his death will come as a distinct loss.

He served the Department, the College of Engineering, and the University well and, although his load had been lightened during the past year due to illness, his death will be keenly felt within the Department and the College.

We wish to express our deep appreciation of Prof. Gerhard's services to the College of Engineering and to express our deep sympathy to his family.

Be it, therefore, resolved that this resolution be spread in the minutes of the Faculty of the College of Engineering, be transmitted to the Faculty of the University for appropriate action, and that copies be sent to the family.

When a faculty member who has rendered a great service dies, those who have known him well regret that in some way resolutions could not have been formulated to the living.

If these resolutions were addressed to Roy Tabb, the salutation well might be: To One Who Served Magnificently His University, His State, and His Nation. He was proud to be called a university professor.

Roy Tabb was held in high esteem by his colleagues on the University campus. He was liked and admired for his high standards, common sense, scholarship, and devotion to his work. He was an inspiration to the faculty of the College of Education, of which he was a member. We were always proud to acknowledge the fact that he was one of our own.

The two following statements indicate how highly Mr. Tabb was regarded in agricultural education outside the state. The staff of the Department of Agricultural Education at the University of Missouri says; His "many contributions made in the field of teacher education have had a profound influence on the program of vocational agriculture throughout the United States." The Indiana state supervisor of agricultural education says:

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"All of us considered him to be one of the leading teacher trainers in agricultural education in our region."

Mr. Tabb's ideas were sought by many people and many agencies when there was a desire to "think the thing through" or to get directly at significant ideas and principles. He was a past master in detecting sham, pretence, weakness in argument, insincerity, and lack of effectiveness or accomplishment. He was able to think in terms of large units and would often see possibilities of accomplishment that his co-workers had not dreamed of. At the time of his death Mr. Tabb was on his way home from Washington, D. C., where he and Dean Dickey had been in conference with the U. S. Commissioner of Education, on a proposed research project.

Mr. Tabb, born in Grayson County, Kentucky, in 1905, was graduated from Western State College in 1926 and was awarded an M.S. degree by the University of Kentucky in 1938. Immediately after graduating from Western State College, Mr. Tabb taught vocational agriculture at Frenchburg for two years. He was agriculture teacher and high-school principal at Hawesville from 1928 to 1937. He had been on the University of Kentucky faculty since 1938.

Mr. Tabb was the co-author of two books and was largely responsible for the graduate teacher training and follow-up work in the adult-farmer program and in farm shop mechanics education in vocational agriculture in the State. He believed in farming as a business undertaking, carried on by people who make their living from the land. More than almost any other man we have known, he kept abreast of the developments in agriculture, which contributed to the high regard in which teachers of agriculture held him.

Ellis Hartford
Vernon Musselman
Carsie Hammonds, Chairman

Dean Stahr presented for the College of Law a list of persons who had completed requirements for the LL.B. degree at the close of the first semester, and asked that the University Faculty recommend these students to the Board of Trustees for the degree. The Faculty approved the motion recommending the following named persons for the degree of LL.B.:

The Faculty of the College of Law recommends to the University Faculty and the Board of Trustees that the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) be awarded to the following candidates who completed their academic work for said degree on January 27, 1956:

James Goslee Becker, Louisville
Columbus Gibson Downing, Lexington
Edward L. Fossett, Falmouth
Henry Caywood Prewitt, North Middletown
David Banks Sebree, Jr., Frankfort
James Marion Todd, Lexington
Robert Greene Trimble, Lexington
Carl Wilson Turner, Lexington
John Greene Wright, Falmouth

This recommendation is subject to verification by the Registrar in each case that the candidate has met all requirements for the degree.

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Members of the Faculty will recall from last year that this action is necessary in order that the candidates may be admitted to the Bar upon successfully passing the Kentucky State Bar examination which is to be given March 1, 2, 3, 1956.

Dean Martin presented recommendations from the Committee on Student Organizations that the following new organizations be approved: (1) a local chapter of Alpha Epsilon Rho, honor society of radio arts. (2) University of Kentucky Student Branch of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, a national professional society. The Faculty voted approval of the two organizations.

The Radio Arts Department has requested permission to establish a local chapter of Alpha Epsilon Rho, honor society of radio arts. They state that "our purpose shall be to encourage and recognize outstanding college radio and/or television students of high scholastic standing." If the request is approved, the fraternity will function under the guidance of Mrs. Camille Halyard, Head of the Radio Arts Department.

Twelve students of the College of Engineering have requested permission to establish a University of Kentucky Student Branch of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences, a national professional society. Its purpose shall be the advancement and dissemination of knowledge of the theory and practice of the aeronautical sciences; the provision to students of the opportunity to become acquainted with the personnel and activities of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences; and the encouraging of professional consciousness and fellowship.

Dean Spivey reported on a conference which had been held on the campus with Dr. R. G. Gustafson, president of Resources for the Future, Incorporated, who was here for the Farm and Home meeting in January. Dr. Gustafson is much interested in a proposed survey of Eastern Kentucky and indicated that he would like to return to the campus for another conference which would include persons on the campus who might have helpful ideas and who would be interested in participating. President Donovan spoke briefly in support of the plan and urged the faculty to give all help possible.

Dean Dickey, Chairman of the Founders Day Committee, announced the next annual Founders Day Program on Wednesday, February 22, which would mark the University's ninety-first year. The theme of the program is "Education to Serve the People" and persons to be honored include the faculty and staff members who have rendered exceptional service to the University over a long period of years and teachers in the state who have completed 45 or more years in teaching. Plaques will be presented to two University of Kentucky graduates who have won recognition in the field of education, Miss Nancy Duke Lewis, Dean of Pembroke College, and James W. Carnahan, president of a large textbook firm in Chicago. President Donovan asked the Faculty to show their support of the annual Founders Day by attending the program and by promoting the attendance of their students.

President Donovan announced Religious Emphasis Week the first week in March. He stated that all classes would be dismissed on Monday, March 5, at 10 o'clock for the opening convocation. He urged the faculty to attend the meetings and give full support to the observance.

The faculty adjourned.

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