Proceedings of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees held at Clemson College, September 11, 1907.

The Board met pursuant to the call of the President, at 8 A.M., Sept. 11, 1907. Present: President Alon. Winchester, Messrs. Evans, Bellingr, Donaldson, Scar, Elwin, and Meaulene. The minutes of the last meeting in reference to Prof. Chauvelis were read.

Moved by Kent, Bellingr., that the minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees be amended to read.

The Special Committee appointed to investigate certain charges against Prof. Chauvelis reported that they had investigated the charges and recommend that the charges made by the President to the Board of Trustees, viz., that public denunciation of the charges made by the President to the Board of Trustees, viz., that the charges were not sustained, but that when the charges made by the President to the College to the effect that Prof. Chauvelis had failed to do his work and was inefficient, and that the President could not control him, if he remained a member of the faculty; that they recommended that the resignation of Prof. Chauvelis as Professor of Entomology, be asked for to take effect on or before the first of September, 1907.

Motion adopted.

Moved, that the President of the College sign down an order to the Trustee to the Board.

Motion adopted.

After discussion, the Board decided to invite Prof. Chauvelis to the meeting of the Board of Trustees. The President of the College there made the following charges:

There is no record in my possession, nor do I know of any record in the possession of the Board of Trustees, which shows that Prof. Chauvelis has published the results of his experiments as an expert in the State Experiment Station. He has been connected with the institution for about nine years, and during that time altogether he has been employed constantly by the College and the Station. He has done nothing in a tangible form to show that he has been able to get hold of the facts. Which gives to the people of South Carolina the benefits of his work.
Dr. McAlp.

Experiments were first attempted at a station for which purpose a special report was first presented by the Board of Trustees. The report, Dr. McAlp.

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Concerning the discharge of his duties:

Off. Chambers. I answer to the first charge. I will say that there was not employed as an expert to issue bulletins. Nothing was said to me of issuing bulletins. I have done work colorfully and impartially. I came to this College not seven years ago, but six years ago,- Aug. 28, 1911.

In regard to my trip to Texas in July, 1914, I beg to say that I took the initiative; it did not come from the Endowment Board; it came from me. The proposition made to me was that I had about $150 or $175 left of my appropriation and I requested them to let me go and use that money. They granted this request. Nothing was said at all about bulletins.

Defend money not of my own pocket for which I have never asked the Board to reimburse me for.

Off. Chambers. Explained how much of his time had been taken away from his class-room work and neriodical committee, and stated that he had never refused to do anything that Dr. Mell had asked of him.

Col. Johnston. Mr. Chambers, I will just state here that we do not know what he tells you to do. It was not that you refused to do it but you just did not do it.

Off. Chambers stated that in regard to his nice work, that the people under whom he had been serving had given him very assurance that he would succeed in running down these messes, and that he hoped to be able to complete this work.

Col. Johnston.- You just said that you hoped to be able to complete your work is it impossible, for no other man to take up this work and go on with it.

Off. Chambers. No, sir. He would have to start back two years.

Col. Johnston. Did you do any work on that this summer?

Off. Chambers. Yes, sir. I have had no vacation except two weeks.

Off. Chambers. Now I do not like to say this but under your own rules, the President of the Institution is required to visit the shops and acquire into the work. I have been here five years and on Mell has never visited my room.
Chambless Case

(continue)

Dr. Mill. Do you make that statement?

Chambless. Yes, Sir. You have never been there, but once.

Dr. Mill. I look charge of your work once.

Chambless. Where?

Dr. Mill. During examinations.

Chambless. Now, Gentlemen, in speaking of my work.

Dr. Mill. You must not make the statement that I have never been in your laboratory. You must not make that statement.

Chambless. Well, I do, Dr. Mill.

Dr. Mill. How long were you in your laboratory while your boys were at work.

Chambless. I am forced to repeat it. I find you have never been in my laboratory but once.

Chambless was then asked how long it would take him to complete the nice block investigation. He stated that the great work had practically been lost on account of his worry, and she could not state definitely. He said, in regard to publishing bulletins, that he had never received any instructions that he was supposed to publish them, and that his work was not far enough advanced to publish one on the ice block and results.

He stated that he could not see why the Trustees had lost their confidence in him unless some one had gone to them and said something that was not true.

Mr. Evans. Do you remember down at the Experimental Station grounds last winter, Mr. Wamsamaker was acting as Chairman. Complainant was made that you had not issued any bulletins as was requested of you, and you stated that you would try the first of March, and you stated, that if you did not, that you would not have any cause to complain of the Board of Trustees called for your resignation.

Chambless. Yes, asked if it were needed. Just as soon as I could get the bulletins out, I did. My worry is the cause of the trouble.

Chambless stated that in regard to his nice block that he certainly had enough matter to fill fifty pages, may be more, and that he did not wish to fail now, but desired to go on with the work.

He stated that he was a young man and requested that the Board continue him in office, as to be dropped now would
entirely too a great kindness on him.

Mr. Wm. K. McAllister requested to return to the room.

Mr. Grove suggested that if Prof. Chambers is willing to continue his work in the same line and to serve the Committee as a leader of the College, that the Board elect him State Entomologist.

Mr. Grove said that he is required to make reports to the Chairman of the Board of Entomological Control at least every thirty days whether it be in the form of a letter or bulletin and that he did nothing good except that he was writing that is more a record of everything.

Mr. Grove said that the Board of Entomological Control be requested to elect Mr. Chambers State Entomologist, provide for his resignation as Professor of Entomology of Clemson Agricultural College to night.

Amendment. That we request the Board of Entomological Control to elect him to the position of State Entomologist with the salary he is now getting for the period of twelve months.

-Adopted-

The Board of Entomological Control have elected Prof. Chambers State Entomologist for the period of stated (12 months).

Mr. K. McAllister and Prof. Chambers were then recalled.

President Johnstone informed Prof. Chambers that he had been elected State Entomologist for the period of 12 months by the Entomological Committee, provided he handed in his resignation at once as Professor of Entomology and that he must locate at some other place in the State than at Clemson College, either on the rice field or wherever else he chose, and that he would be expected to do the entire State work and render a written report to the Chairman of the Board of Entomological Control at least every 30 days and that all records must be written and that nothing was to go out except that in writing.

Prof. Chambers stated that he was working now under the Adams Act in the rice investigations and desired to know if he was to continue his work under this Act. A copy of a letter
Meeting at hand, the Board decided, after discussion, to look up the act the next morning.

Prof. Chamberlin accepted the office to attend same with the understanding that he was to receive the same salary as a lecturer, that his travel expenses be paid, and that he is to receive uniform equipment.

Moved, by Mr. Evans, that the matters relating to this equipment be left to the Committee of Entomology, with the approval of the Board, that they be carried out.

Motion adopted.

Motion, that Mr. Chamberlin be required to make out a list of the instruments that he will require, the same to be submitted to the Chairman of the Entomological Committee, and, upon his approval, that he sign a memorandum receipt for the same.

Motion adopted.

Prof. Chamberlin then extended his appreciation for the privilege of coming before the Board and accepted the office. He stated that he felt that he could do his duty and would do his best, and that his resignation would be tendered the next morning.

Prof. Chamberlin returns.

Moved, by Mr. Evans, that the President of the Board of Trustees, the President of the College, and any other member of the Board that may be present this morning be requested to select a Botanist for the College and a Professor of Entomology.

Motion adopted.

Motion, that Prof. Chamberlin be given two weeks in which to move, or as much as necessary.

Motion adopted.

Moved, by Mr. Dean, that $17,000 be appropriated to pay the salary of the State Entomologist.

All present (7 members) voted "aye." "Mr. President, will you endorse this action" (Signed) T.W. Bowman. "So do I." (Signed) Will Bradley.

Motion, by Mr. Evans, that we reconsider the vote by which a resolution of the Board was adopted limiting the number of students to 700.

Motion withdrawn.
Moved, by Mr. Stans, that the Farmers' Lewis, in conjunction to get ready some of his stock and farm products for exhibition at the State Fair, and that the Agricultural Department, including the Experiment Station, also prepare exhibits of some of their crops, stock, etc., and that the Chemical, Mechanical, and Textile Departments also prepare exhibits.

Motion adopted.

No further business, the Board adjourned.