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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, JANUARY 17, 1910.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Irving K. Pond, at 10 A. M. in the Octagon, Washington, D. C. There were present Messrs. Irving K. Pond, Edgar V. Seeler, John M. Carrère, R. Clipston Sturgis, Frank Miles Day, Walter Cook, and Glenn Brown, Secretary.

A synopsis of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of December 13, 1909, was read. The Secretary read the correspondence.

Notice from the court in New York in reference to a bequest to the Institute in the will of Mrs. R. M. Hunt was read. Mr. J. M. Carrère was appointed a committee of one to attend the court and report to the Executive Committee.

Letters were read from Mr. Sayward and Mr. Soltmann in reference to the Uniform Contract and the subject was discussed at considerable length. A letter was drafted by the Board which the Secretary was directed to send to Mr. Soltmann.

An application from five Indiana architects, members of the Institute, for a Chapter to be named the Indiana Chapter, was received and the Chapter was duly admitted to the Institute.

The President, Mr. I. K. Pond, read an address in which he outlined suggestions and recommendations for the work of the Institute during the coming year.

The following resolutions passed by the Convention and referred to the Board of Directors for action were considered and discussed:

The question of Chapters issuing independent Schedules of Charges which was referred to the Committee to be appointed on Relations of the Institute to the Chapters.

*Committee on Cooperation of Heads of Departments.*R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, *Chairman.*J. R. COOLIDGE, JR.
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WILLIAM H. BRAINERD.

LOUIS C. NEWHALL.

RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER.

A regular monthly meeting of the Chapter was held December 16, 1909, at the University Club with dinner at half past six.

President Sawtelle occupied the chair.

Mr. Cady spoke in favor of an exhibition to be held by the Chapter.

It was voted that the matter of an exhibition be referred to a committee which should report at the next meeting.

The President appointed Messrs. Cady and Hindle as the committee.

The President then introduced Mr. Thomas W. Sears, who spoke on "The Function of the Landscape Architect." Mr. Sears illustrated his talk with lantern slides from beautiful photographs of European and American work and described in a most interesting way the work which the landscape architect ought to do, as shown by gardens ranging from the Villa Lante to the latest English or American production.

Considerable discussion followed the formal talk, and Mr. Smith as well as Mr. Sears answered many questions as to the relation which should be maintained between the architect and his landscape brother in their work on the same estate.

It was voted that the thanks of the Chapter be extended to Mr. Sears and to Mr. Smith.

A regular monthly meeting of the Chapter was held January 5, 1910, at the University Club, with dinner at half past six.

President Sawtelle occupied the chair.

Mr. Homer, the Chapter delegate to the Convention of the Institute, made his report.

Mr. Cady reported for the Committee on the Exhibition.

It was voted that it is the sense of the meeting that the Chapter hold an exhibition.

It was voted that the exhibition be held under the auspices of the Chapter but that, in the discretion of the Committee, invitations be extended to other Rhode Island architects and to foreign architects who have executed work in Rhode Island.

It was voted that a committee of five be appointed by the President with power to conduct the exhibition.

The President appointed Messrs. Cady, Hindle, Homer, Elliott and Jackson.

The Secretary, reporting for the Committee on the Memorial to Mr. Alfred Stone,

recommended placing a rustic stone seat in Swan Point Cemetery on the road leading from the new entrance, and paying for the same by voluntary contributions from members of the Chapter.

It was voted that the Committee be empowered to erect the memorial to Mr. Stone, the money to be raised by voluntary contributions from members of the Chapter.

NORMAN M. ISHAM,
Secretary.

BROOKLYN CHAPTER.

The Brooklyn Chapter has taken an active interest in the location of the new court-house in Brooklyn, attending the hearings on the subject and was successful in persuading the judges in abandoning the site which they had selected for a site nearer the proposed civic center. The Chapter, through a special committee, Mr. Alexander Mackintosh, Chairman, prepared a plan for a civic center and are doing their best to have it adopted by the city. This plan was presented to the Chapter at a dinner held recently at the Hamilton Club, by whom it was enthusiastically received and discussed. There were present as guests at this dinner: Mr. Irving K. Pond, President of the Institute; Commissioner Edward M. Bassett, and Park Commissioner E. B. Stover. President Pond spoke briefly upon the problems encountered by a city attempting to beautify its streets and buildings and that there was little use to attempt this until the city had first been made wholesome and convenient. Commissioner Bassett also took this same view and enlarged on some of the problems to be solved in Brooklyn. He thought the architects should conduct a campaign of education, stating that even those who were convinced of the importance and wisdom of the movement needed the architects to tell them how to accomplish it.

At a meeting of the Brooklyn Chapter, held December 27, 1909, the following action was taken on the deaths of two of its members, Mr. Washington Hull and Mr. A. V. Porter:

WASHINGTON HULL.

Washington Hull, a member of the Brooklyn Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, has been removed by death from the scene of an active life and his loss

will be keenly felt. It is therefore fitting and appropriate that we who have been associated with him, place upon our records a tribute of our appreciation of his sterling qualities.

In his personal relation with his associates, Mr. Hull, while strong in his convictions, was manly and considerate. By his death, we feel that we have lost a valuable and steadfast friend whose integrity and devotion to the honor of this Chapter will remain in perpetual memory.

Resolved, That this tribute of our esteem be entered upon the records of this Chapter and a copy be forwarded to the family of Mr. Hull.

Under Obituaries will be found a brief account of the life of Mr. Washington Hull.

ALBERT V. PORTER.

Albert Valentine Porter, a member of the Brooklyn Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, has been removed by death from the scene of an active life and his loss will be keenly felt. It is therefore fitting and appropriate that we who have been associated with him, place upon our records a tribute of our appreciation of his sterling qualities.

In his personal relations with his associates, Mr. Porter, while strong in his convictions, was manly, consistent and courteous, considerate of the opinion of others and helpful to those who sought his advice. By his death, we feel that we have lost a valuable and steadfast friend whose integrity and devotion to the honor of this Chapter will remain in perpetual memory.

Resolved, That this tribute of our esteem be entered upon the records of this Chapter and a copy be forwarded to the family of Mr. Porter.

Under Obituaries will be given, in the next issue of the Bulletin, a brief account of the life of Mr. A. V. Porter.

NEW JERSEY CHAPTER.

The New Jersey Chapter is now busy upon various matters of interest, particularly the establishment of an atelier for young men, which we call the "New Jersey Architectural Club." Twenty-six young men have entered said class, under a very efficient instructor, Mr. Jordan Green. We have rented excellent quarters for the establishment of this class and have fitted same up, and the young men are very enthusiastic concerning the problem. We expect it to be a very successful venture upon the part of the Chapter and anticipate that the members will derive much benefit from same.

We have recently organized a "Draughtsmen's Exchange" under the charge of a committee of the Chapter. The number of young men registering at the start has been very satisfactory, and it is a very useful institution in bringing draughtsmen in touch with those who need their services.

The Chapter is interested in plans for the improvement of the cities of Newark and Jersey City, the largest cities in the State of New Jersey, and the seventeenth and eighteenth cities of the Union.

In connection with each monthly meeting, a paper or lecture is read after the regular dinner of the Chapter.

At a recent meeting of the Chapter an illustrated lecture was delivered by Col. J. Hollis Wells, of the firm of Clinton & Russell, entitled Hudson Terminal Stations, which paper was originally delivered before the Institute at the recent Convention in Washington.

"Conditions in New York," he said, "have developed in an acute form during a very brief and recent period. Further, as the growth of the tributary population has radiated from the downtown center, it has spread into the State of New Jersey, and as a result there has been built up within the immediate suburban district, a population exceeding a million people, all tributary to the business center of New York City."

Colonel Wells told how the desirability of a tunnel line entering New York City from New Jersey was first practically considered in 1873, and he gave statistics to show the extent of the problem that had to be solved.

HUGH ROBERTS,
Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER.

(From the American Architect of 29th December, 1909.)

The fortieth anniversary of the organization of the Philadelphia Chapter, A. I. A., was celebrated on the evening of December 11, by a banquet at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. This very energetic organization gathered about its board a number of distinguished guests. The address of welcome was delivered by Mr. William D. Hewitt, the president of the Chapter, who then introduced Mr. Albert Kelsey, who acted as toastmaster.

Responding to the toast, "Characteristic Features of American Cities," Mr. Irving K. Pond spoke as follows:

"Mr. President, Gentlemen and Guests of the Philadelphia Chapter:

"I deem it a high honor to be permitted this evening to present my felicitations and to hear the congratulations of my Chapter to you on this the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of your Chapter's birth. I am proud to have my name on the roll of your confreres. The experience of a recent trip in which I touched the western and eastern borders of our great country brought home to me more deeply than ever what a proud possession is membership in the American Institute of Architects. Everywhere from coast to coast was clearly evidenced the American spirit, everywhere was the family resemblance; yet everywhere was evinced that individuality, which made the journey from one place to another fruitful and full of interest.

DAYTON CHAPTER.

At the January meeting of the Chapter, Mr. James Knox Taylor, Supervising Architect of the Treasury, who was in Dayton in reference to the matter of the post office, was entertained by the Chapter.

The Chapter, which is in favor of a new Federal Building, passed the following resolutions in this connection at a recent meeting:

Whereas, the Chapter is informed that the last National Congress passed a bill appropriating the sum of \$300,000 for the purpose of remodeling and extending the present local postoffice building, and

Whereas, this legislation if carried into execution establishes in our city the Federal building which must serve for a period of fifty years or more, and

Whereas, the convenience, adequacy, and location of the building are factors of moment to all citizens; convenience in their daily use of the building; adequacy in its ample provision for the increasing needs of our development, and suitable provision for the additional government offices that should properly be established here; location in its effect on property values and artistic setting; and

Whereas, it reflects the national government's opinion of our city, and as such impresses our visitors; therefore be it

Resolved, that in our opinion the present site, with its limitations, is insufficient in size for the proper arrangement of the various departments of a government building, close enough to the street level to be convenient, or properly lighted and ventilated; and be it further

Resolved, that we deem the present location detrimental to the best business interests of the city, in that it will always block the continuity of our best business street, and be it further

Resolved, that in our judgment the present site does not offer sufficient latitude of view, proper setting, or opportunity of embellishment; and be it further

Resolved, that we do not deem the style of architecture of the present building a proper one for the suitable artistic expression of a building for this use; and

Resolved, that in our experience any alteration scheme is never as perfect as an original scheme, and always represents a compromise and a loss, financially, practically and artistically; therefore be it

Resolved, that we as publicly as possible oppose the remodeling and extension of the present building, and recommend the erection of an entirely new building on a new site.

ATLANTA CHAPTER.

The first annual Architectural Exhibition in Atlanta is to be held from May 2 to 11, 1910, by the Atlanta Chapter and the Architectural

Arts League jointly. Speaking of the coming exhibition the *Atlanta Journal* has the following:

"There is cause for general satisfaction in the announcement that the Atlanta Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is soon to put forth an exhibit illustrating the progress and the present status of their art in this city.

"The enterprise is timely and will do much to bestir public interest in a subject that vitally concerns Atlanta in her immediate stage of development. A city's architecture is the truest revelation it makes of itself to the outside world. It was through the wonderful beauty of temple, palace or cathedral that Athens and Florence wrought their spell upon the ancient world. And the alert cities of to-day, realizing the significance of public buildings that are harmoniously designed, are placing unusual stress upon the fact. In Germany whole communities have been uprooted in order that structures might be made more artistic or placed more advantageously.

"Atlanta doubtless has much yet to be done in this particular, but for the past decade or two she has many gratifying results to show. She has long since outgrown the gingerbread era and is entering upon a period of substantial and well-directed taste. This is apparent in her business buildings as well as in churches and residences. For what has been accomplished and is now being done we have the local association of architects largely to thank. They are working in conscientious devotion to the best interests of their art and with what civic pride they are impelled their new project abundantly proves. The exhibit deserves the entire city's praise and it will no doubt attract the popular interest it merits."

MEMORIAL.

At a meeting of the Atlanta Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, held, November 17, on account of the death of Mr. Gottfrid L. Norrman, it was decided unanimously that each member of the Chapter would close his office between the hours of 3 and 4, the hour of the funeral. A committee was appointed to prepare a resolution expressing the high regard in which he was held by his associates in the Chapter, and the sorrow at his death.

It was ordered that a floral design be sent in the name of the Chapter, and that every member attend the funeral.

The following resolution prepared by the Committee was adopted:

Whereas, on the sixteenth of November, this Chapter was deprived by death of the fellowship of Gottfrid L. Norrman, a member of the Chapter since its organization, Vice-President at the time of his death, and a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects since 1897; therefore, be it

Resolved, that this Chapter desires to place on records in its minutes, the fact that during all the years of his active practice Mr. Norrman was a conspicuous example of the practitioner who pursues an honorable, conscientious and successful course.

His chief practice was the designing of residences, and many cities afford instances of houses his skill and artistic taste produced. Besides those he executed many churches, hotels and business buildings, such as the First Baptist Church, the John Silvey Wholesale Building, and the Sweetwater Park Hotel.

For many years he gave willing and efficient aid to the profession, and no one more than he recognized the value of earnest study in the pursuit of his profession.

This Chapter will long miss his fellowship and sincerely mourn his loss.

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the members of his family, with an expression of the Chapter's sympathy in their bereavement; to the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects with a request that it be published in the proceedings of the body; and to the Atlanta daily papers with a request for publication.

H. L. WALKER,
Secretary.

Under Obituaries will be found a brief account of the life of Mr. G. L. Norrman.

LOUISVILLE CHAPTER.

The annual banquet of the Chapter was held December 21, 1909, at which the report of the Chapter delegates to the Washington Convention was made.

A special committee of the Chapter assisted the Tenement House Commission in framing a new tenement house bill which it is expected will pass the Legislature at its present session.

The regular Chapter meetings are now held monthly, at the noon hour, in connection with a business men's lunch, which arrangement has proved to be the means of getting the best attendance to transact the Chapter's business.

INDIANA CHAPTER.

About fifty architects from Indianapolis, Evansville, Ft. Wayne, Terre-Haute, Lafayette, Richmond, South Bend and Vincennes, State of Indiana, and the Secretary of the Institute, Mr. Glenn Brown, who was in Indianapolis at this time installing the Saint-Gaudens Exhibition in the John Herron Art Institute, met in Indianapolis on the 18th of December, 1909, and formed a temporary organization to be known as the Indiana Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. On this

occasion a banquet was held, at which Mr. Brown spoke on "Organization," urging closer affiliation of the architects and expressing the belief that the Indiana Chapter would prove to be of great profit to the architects as well as of advancement to the cause of architecture. Arthur Bohn was elected Chairman of the meeting and Henry Dupont, Secretary. This organization is to supersede the Indianapolis Chapter, A. I. A. Application for a charter was authorized, which was duly executed, December 23, 1909, in the names of Oscar D. Bohlen, Adolf Scherrer, E. R. Austin, M. S. Mahurin, Herbert W. Foltz, and together with a copy of the proposed Constitution and By-Laws was submitted to the Institute. This application was presented to the Board of Directors at their meeting, January 17, 1910, when a charter was granted, incorporating the Indiana Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

At a subsequent meeting, held January 6, 1910, the following officers were elected:

<i>President,</i>	OSCAR D. BOHLEN, Indianapolis.
<i>First Vice-President,</i>	ENNIS R. AUSTIN, South Bend.
<i>Second Vice-President,</i>	CLIFFORD SHOPBELL, Evansville.
<i>Secretary and Treasurer,</i>	HERBERT W. FOLTZ, Indianapolis.

A committee on membership was appointed to report eligible names at the next meeting.

The Association starts out with about forty members, but it was resolved that all who joined by the next meeting should be enrolled as charter members.

At a meeting of the Indiana Chapter, held February 12, 1910, the formal organization was perfected and the Indiana Chapter was launched, with a membership of forty-eight.

The next regular meeting of the Chapter will be held in Indianapolis on the 11th of June, 1910.

A Code of Ethics as Article IX of the By-Laws, "On matters adjudged Unprofessional" was adopted and is as follows:

It is unprofessional for an architect—

1. To engage in any of the building trades or to form any trade partnership or agreement with any person or firm engaged therein.

OBITUARIES.

GOTTFRID L. NORRMAN, F. A. I. A.

Mr. G. L. Norrman was born in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1846. He was educated at the University of Copenhagen and later took a course of architecture and engineering at one of the German universities, on the completion of which he traveled through Europe. He then extended his travels to Central America and from there to Texas, then to South Carolina and finally to Atlanta, Georgia, which latter city he reached at the time of the Cotton States Exhibition and for which he designed some of the largest buildings. Here he continued to live and practice his profession until his death, which occurred on the 16th of November, 1909. One of his earliest buildings was the Gate City National Bank, now the Temple Court, to which other stories were added a few years later by another architect. Among his principal buildings in Atlanta may be mentioned; The Silvey Building, the Telephone Exchange, the Central Fire Engine House, Jewish Hospital, Piedmont Driving Club, the First Baptist and Christian Science Churches, the Richardson and Julius Brown and many other residences, as well as the Citizens Bank of Savannah.

Mr. Norrman was elected an Associate of the American Institute of Architects in 1885 and a Fellow in 1897.

Under Chapter notes will be found the action of the Atlanta Chapter on the death of Mr. Norrman.

GEORGE W. THOMPSON, F. A. I. A.

Mr. George W. Thompson was born in Chatham, England, in 1835, and came to this country with his parents when he was fifteen years of age. After spending a couple of years in New York he removed to Cleveland, Ohio, where he practiced as a builder. At the same time he took up the study of architecture which later became his life work. In 1883

he removed to Nashville where he practiced his profession until within a few months, when he was obliged to retire owing to ill health.

At the time of his retirement he was the senior member of the firm of Thompson, Asmus & Norton. Among the buildings designed by him and his firm are the Roman Catholic pro-Cathedral and the First Baptist Church, the Tulane and Duncan Hotels, the Warner School, Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, and Bishop Byrnes' and a large number of other residences.

Mr. Thompson died February 21, 1910. He was elected to membership in the Western Association of Architects in 1886, and by act of consolidation with the American Institute of Architects in 1889 became a Fellow of the Institute.

WASHINGTON HULL, F. A. I. A.

Mr. Washington Hull was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 22d of September, 1866. He attended the public schools and the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and Columbia University School of Mines, of New York city, class of 1887. He was first connected with the office of C. C. Haight and later with the office of McKim, Mead & White. He then formed a partnership with Austin W. Lord and James Monroe Hewlett, under the firm name of Lord, Hewlett & Hull. Among the most important buildings built under the firm name are Public School, Stapleton, Staten Island; Parish House for Grace Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mausoleum for ex-Senator Wm. A. Clark, at Woodlawn, N. Y.; residence for Wm. A. Clark, 77th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York city, and numerous city and country residences. This firm also won prizes in many competitions, the most noted being Art Museum, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, Pa., and Univeristy of California.

For the last ten years Washington Hull practiced under his own name in New York city and at the time of his death had many important commissions under way.

Mr. Hull is best known as the winner of the competition for the Borough of Brooklyn Municipal Building. He was also a member of the Commission to revise the Building Code of the city of New York.

Mr. Hull was lost at sea; he started on a cruise from Lawrence Beach,

Long Island, late last autumn and was never heard of again. Finally after waiting in vain for about two months for tidings of him his funeral services were held at his residence, January 9, 1910.

Mr. Hull was elected an Associate of the American Institute of Architects in 1899 and a Fellow in 1901.

Under Chapter notes will be found the action of the Brooklyn Chapter on the death of Mr. Hull.