

THE REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
ELEVENTH ANNUAL SOUTH-CENTRAL RENAISSANCE CONFERENCE

The Business Meeting of the Eleventh Annual South-Central Renaissance Conference was held on Friday, March 16, 1962, in the Oklahoma Center for Continuing Education, at the University of Oklahoma. President J. Gordon Eaker, of the University of Houston, presided. The meeting began at 4:30 p.m.

President Eaker opened the meeting with an invitation to members of S-C.R.C. to join R.S.A., which operates on three levels, international, national, and regional, by filling in a card at the registration desk of the Conference and mailing it in the envelope provided. He pointed out that R.S.A. publishes four issues of the "News," one of "Studies" each year; that a member gets 64 % of his dues back in publications; that Professor Shaaber, the editor of "Studies," is pleased to publish papers read at regional conferences; and that the Executive Committee of S-C.R.C. will act informally to recommend outstanding ones.

President Eaker also presented the following report of the Executive Council Meeting:

1. Professor William Burgett reports that the Southwest and the West need a louder voice in the Advisory Council of R.S.A. Informal consultation with other Western Council members will be undertaken with the hope that some of the members of these Regional Conferences will be invited to membership in A.C.L.S. and to share with the East in certain grants, scholarships, and *other benefits.*
2. The Executive Committee recommends two amendments to the Constitution. This is notice that a vote will be taken at the next

meeting on:

- a. By-Law 3 revised: "Local Committees may collect from those attending the Conference whatever registration fee is necessary to defray costs of the meeting.
 - b. Article V, Elections, add Section 5: The Executive Committee will select two delegates each year to the R.S.A., whose term shall be at the discretion of the Executive Committee (William Burgett and Carroll Camden to serve until this ammendment is passed).
3. Membership dues for the coming year, which begins at the end of this Conference, may be paid to the Secretary-Treasurer by those who wish.

The following resolution Memorial was read by the Executive-Secretary-Treasurer:

For his achievement as an author, editor, and as a teacher for fifty-seven years be it recorded in the minutes of the Eleventh Annual South-Central Renaissance Conference the respect and gratitude of the members for the life and the memory of one of our founders and most loyal members, Robert Adger Law.

H. Blair Rouse, University of Arkansas, gave the report of the Nominating Committee. There being no nominations from the floor, the following recommended persons were elected:

President: Walter C. Richardson (History), Louisiana State University

Vice-President: Dick Taylor (English), Tulane University (deceased, summer 1961)

Executive-Secretary-Treasurer: Lorraine Sherley (English)
Texas Christian University

Executive Council:

Continuing Members

Thomas M. Smith (History of Science), University of Okla.

Carroll Camden (English), Rice University

Helen Thomas (English), University of Houston

Members elected to serve a two-year term:

Willis H. Brown (French), University of Oklahoma

Robert G. Collmer (Dean of Arts and Sciences),
Wayland Baptist College

*Felix Wasserman (Art History), Kansas Wesleyan University

Regional Representatives to R.S.A. Advisory Council:

** William Burgett (Architecture), University of Oklahoma

Carroll Camden (English), Rice University.

The invitation of the University of Texas for the Twelfth Annual Conference is anticipated.

President Eaker expressed the grateful thanks of S-C. R. C. to Messers Calvin Thayer, Archibald R. Lewis, Edward DeZurko and all who have served on the local committee, and especially the University of Oklahoma for the friendly hospitality, most comfortable accommodations, and the inspiring programs. He also thanked, in behalf of the Conference, the visiting speakers, Professor Walter C. Richardson and Professor J. Milton French, and all who have read or will read papers and participate in the discussions.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately five o'clock.

Respectfully submitted

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Executive-Secretary-Treasurer

* Following the resignation of Professor Felix Wasserman, President W. C. Richardson appointed Professor Robert Pascal (Law), Louisiana State University to fill the vacancy.

** Following the resignation of Prof. William Burgett, the President appointed Dean Robert G. Collmer to fill the vacancy.