

Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education  
Southeastern Section, *Fourth* Annual Meeting  
University of Florida, April 2 and 3, 1937

Minutes

The *fourth* annual meeting of the SOUTHEASTERN SECTION of the Society was held at the University of Florida on April 2 and 3. The first session was called to order at 2 PM by the chairman of the Section, Dean S. B. Earle, Clemson College.

The first session consisted of a symposium on the subject of "Testing and Orientation of Engineering Students in the Southeastern Colleges".

Formal discussions on this subject were presented by Dean S. B. Earle, Clemson College, Dean W. S. Rodman, University of Virginia, Dean J. M. Robert, Tulane University, Dean L. J. Lassalle, Louisiana State University, Dean W. A. Little, General College, University of Florida, Dr. R. L. Sweigert, Georgia School of Technology. Additional discussions were presented from the floor.

An informal dinner opened the evening session, with Dean B. R. Van Leer, University of Florida, as toastmaster.

Dr. John J. Tigert, President, University of Florida, addressed the guests on "Present Trends in Higher Education".

The evening session was adjourned at 8 PM to permit attendance at the annual Engineers' Fair, which was the exhibit of laboratory equipment by students in the College of Engineering. The Fair is presented each year for the benefit of the general public.

Dean W. S. Rodman, Vice Chairman of the Section, presided and called the third session to order at 9 AM, April 3.

Prof. S. P. Sashoff, Electrical Engineering Department, University of Florida, presented his paper entitled, "Correlation of Fundamentals". The interest in this subject which was aroused by Prof. Sashoff's presentation, will be evident when it is noted that more than 50 per cent of those in attendance took part in the discussion.

Dr. R. G. Ernst, University of Louisville, was elected to

represent the Southeastern Section on the Executive Committee of the Chemical Engineering Division.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Dean B. R. Van Leer, Dean L. J. Lassalle and Dean D. P. Savant, presented the following nominations for officers of the Section for 1937-38:

Chairman - Dean W. S. Rodman, University of Virginia.  
Vice Chairman - Dean J. M. Robert, Tulane University.  
Secretary - Prof. Chas. R. Hixon, Ala. Polytechnic Inst.

The nominations of the Committee were unanimously approved.

Dean Rodman remained in the chair and conducted the following new business:

A motion to hold the 1938 annual meeting of the Section at Clemson College was unanimously carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the subject, "The Selection, Development and Recognition of Engineering Teachers" be considered at the next annual meeting.

It was moved, seconded and, after amendment, carried that the following subject also be considered at the next annual meeting, "Efforts at Correlation of Subjects in Southeastern Colleges and Efforts to Restrict the Curricula to Fundamentals".

A motion instructing the Executive Committee to arrange for a luncheon meeting of the Section to be held during the annual meeting in June, was unanimously carried.

Dean Lassalle suggested that the letter usually sent out by the secretary of the Section in the fall be addressed to the presidents of the various institutions rather than the deans.

A motion instructing the chairman to thank the University of Florida for the courtesies shown during the meeting was unanimously carried.

The attendance list is attached.

The meeting adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Signed-

Newton C. Ebaugh,  
Secretary

ATTENDANCE LIST

Southeastern Section, SPEE  
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 April 2, 1937

NAME

SCHOOL

Beisler, W. H.	Prof., Chemical Eng.	University of Fla.
Breagwell, W. M.		Vanderbilt Univ.
Clarke, E. L.	Prof. of Civil Eng.	Clemson College
Clarke, Mrs. E. L.		
Curtis, D. D.	Prof., Mechanics & Hydraulics	Clemson College
Curtis, Mrs. D. D.		
Earle, Sam B.	Dean of Eng.	Clemson College
Earle, Mrs. Sam B.		
Ebaugh, N. C.	Prof. of Mech. Eng.	University of Fla.
Elliott, Daniel S.	Prof. of Physics	Tulane Univ.
Fineren, W. W.	Asso. Prof. of Mech. Eng.	University of Fla.
Fullan, M. Thos.	Prof., Machine Design	Ala. Polytechnic Inst.
Hawkins, J. E.	Asst. Prof., Chemical Eng.	University of Fla.
Henika, J. H.	Inst. of Mech. Eng.	Ga. School of Tech.
Hixon, Chas. R.	Prof. of Mech. Eng.	Ala. Polytechnic Inst
Johnson, Hamilton	Prof. of Mech. Eng.	La. State Univ.
Lasalle, L. J.	Dean of Eng.	La. State Univ.
Mason, J. W.	Asst. Prof. of Chem. Eng.	University of Fla.
Orrell, R. W.	Visitor	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Pillet, F. F.	Prof. of Civil Eng.	La. State Univ.
Reed, P. L.	Prof. of Civil Eng.	Univ. of Fla.
Ricker, C. W.	Prof. of Elect. Eng.	Tulane Univ.
Robert, James M.	Dean of Eng.	Tulane Univ.
Robert, Mrs. James M.		
Rodman, W. S.	Dean of Eng.	Univ. of Va.
Sashoff, S. P.	Asst. Prof. of Elect. Eng.	Univ. of Fla.
Savant, D. P.	Dean of Eng.	Ga. School of Tech.
Smith, E. F.	Asst. Prof. of Elect. Eng.	University of Fla.
Sweigert, R. L.	Prof. of Mech. Eng.	Ga. School of Tech.
Thomas, Albert L.	Prof. of Eng. Drawing	Ala. Polytechnic Inst.
Van Leer, B. R.	Dean of Eng.	University of Fla.
Voorhies, M. B.	Prof. of Elect. Eng.	La. State Univ.
Wilson, John W.	Inst. of Elect. Eng.	University of Fla.
Weil, J.	Prof. of Elect. Eng.	University of Fla.
Yeaton, P. O.	Prof. of Industrial Eng.	University of Fla.