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Meeting.- The Northern Section of the Academic Senate met on Monday, April 30, 1951 at 4:10 p.m. in the Auditorium, Benjamin Ide Wheeler Hall, pursuant to call. Present: about 225 voting members and guests of the Section. President Robert G. Sproul, Chairman, presided.

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Resolution Relating to the Loyalty Oath.

Professor Landauer presented the text of a resolution that was adopted at an informal meeting of the Faculty on April 13, 1951 and moved that the statement be adopted as a formal expression of the view of the Northern Section of the Academic Senate. This motion was seconded and voted without dissent. The text of the resolution as thus adopted follows:

RESOLUTION FORMALIZING THAT PASSED AT THE INFORMAL MEETING OF THE FACULTY ON APRIL 13, 1951.

The Academic Senate, Northern Section, wishes to take this opportunity to express its profound gratitude to those colleagues who, with firm faith in their legal protection under the constitution of the State of California, have pressed the issue with steady courage to its unequivocal determination.

By this decision of the Third District Court of Appeals, the great tradition of the University of California as an institution of learning free from sectarian and political influence is reaffirmed. The responsibility for preserving this freedom, for keeping the University free from inner and from outer subversion, is memorably defined as the shared burden of both faculty and Regents. The broad powers of the Regents and the security of the faculty under reasonable rules of tenure are likewise reaffirmed.

Here is an opportunity, manifest and invaluable, to allay the turmoil and repair the losses presently afflicting the University. On this solid and just ground it is surely possible for faculty and Regents to join without further litigation in a common effort toward continuation of the achievements which have brought greatness to the University of California.

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