



Report to the Membership, July 17, 1951

COMMITTEE FOR RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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1. Change of Officers

On May 19, 1951, Chairman Neil H. Jacoby and Treasurer Franklin P. Rolfe submitted their resignations from their offices on the Executive Committee in view of their anticipated sabbatical absences in 1951/52. Messrs. Edgar L. Warren and Kenneth Macgowan were unanimously elected to replace them as Chairman and Treasurer, respectively. On June 21, Secretary Winston W. Crouch resigned as Secretary, and Mr. John E. Smith was elected to replace him.

2. The Fraser Case

Because financial support has been extended by the Executive Committee of CRUG only to those faculty members whose cases had been favorably reviewed by the Faculty Committee on Privilege and Tenure, action on the application of Mr. Russell Fraser for financial assistance had been deferred until his case was heard and commented upon by the Faculty Committee on Privilege and Tenure. Mr. Fraser was discharged in mid-year because of his refusal to sign the oath required by the Levering Act, as interpreted by the Regents of the University, and a question was raised as to whether pay for the first half year of a faculty contract requires work until January 1st or until the end of the first semester, Mr. Fraser having interpreted his contract to mean the former.

On June 21, the Executive Committee heard a letter, dated May 28, addressed to Mr. Fraser by the Committee on Privilege and Tenure, and subsequently passed a motion to pay Mr. Fraser a sum equivalent to that due him on his 1950/51 contract, less salary for the one month during which he should have worked, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on Privilege and Tenure that a violation of faculty privilege had occurred, but that Mr. Fraser should have worked until the end of the first semester. There was one dissenting vote on the Executive Committee's action.

3. Meetings

There will be a full membership meeting early in the fall semester, date and place to be announced.

Winston W. Crouch
Carl Epling
Neil H. Jacoby
Abraham Kaplan
Jere C. King
E. Lee Kinsey

Edwin A. Lee
Kenneth Macgowan
Franklin P. Rolfe
John E. Smith
Edgar L. Warren, Chairman