Ames, Iowan

Dear Dr. Parmel:-

You call my attention to the notice sent you by Dean Beyer that I attended a General Faculty meeting. It was news to me, I assure you. I had no notice of that meeting, but I did have a notice of the Graduate Faculty meeting at 3 p.m. in room 312, where I had a class scheduled at the same time. I vacated the room, as someone had made a mistake in announcing the graduate meeting there. One of my boys had left his hat there and I promised him to get it. It was at the end of my class period at four o'clock. He said he would come back after it later. When I came to the door of R.312 I found what I supposed the graduate meeting still in session, and when you opened the door and said "come in" I supposed that I should strend, since I was then free, the I wanted very much to do some other necessary things, and as you will recall, even hesitated about coming in.

I had never attended a meeting of the Graduate Faculty and so did not know what they were accustomed to do. I have always been engaged with a class or laboratory at the time of these meetings since I have received notices.

I stayed at the meeting, I assure you, because I believed it to be my duty, and not because I wished to by any means, and I am sorry, indeed, to learn that I unconsciously attended a meeting at which I was not privileged to be present.

Very truly.

(Signed) Ada Hayden.

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