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Communication

from

Executive Committee

of

Local Alumni Association.

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Referred to ~~Local Ex. Com.~~
on affairs of the Univ.
Board.

To the Hon. Board of Trustees of Indiana University.

We the undersigned Executive Com. of the Alumni Association of Indiana University solicit for the welfare of our Alma Mater and knowing through experience the difficulties in the way of providing suitable entertainment for the guests of the University at Commencement, do most earnestly petition you to appropriate one hundred and twenty-five \$125.00 annually toward the expenses of said entertainment. Some of the reasons of which are the following.

1. The University's strongest friends are its Alumni, who in the schools of the state as educators, and in the halls of state as lawmakers, are potent factors in helping to make the institution. These Alumni come back to rejoice in the prosperity of their Alma Mater, and have a right to expect some hospitality at her hands. This they do not receive.

2. The University is a state institution. The Governor and State officers are its invited guests for Commencement week. The

occasion demands that a hospitality be shown them that will be an honor to the University as well as to its dignified guests. There is no provision for any such entertainment.

3 The Local Alumni have hitherto provided for this entertainment. They contribute their share each year, only to have after much vexatious work and labor a deficit stare them in the face.

4 It is very humiliating to the Local Alumni to have to ask the foreign Alumnae, or distinguished guest to buy a ticket, when they have been invited and urged to attend an Alumni Dinner.

5 The Local Alumni would be glad to give each foreign Alumnae and distinguished guest a free ticket. It has no means of meeting this expense.

6 These annual gatherings of Alumni are as beneficial to the University as they are to the individual local Alumnae.

7 The Local Alumni still expect to do

their part, but have deemed it an absolute necessity to ask for help.

For these reasons we earnestly petition you to consider the foregoing, and if possible grant us your financial support.

Very Respectfully, submitted,

B F Adams Jr Chairman

Jas. R. Beale.

Louise Maymell.