

SHEET C.- COPY OF THE ORIGINAL -- 1953

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP FORUM

1. There shall be three classes of Membership: Active, Associate and Honorary.

2. Active Membership implies regular attendance at meetings and participation in the activities of the Forum. It shall be limited to thirty-five men until the limit has been changed by vote of the Forum.

3. Active Membership is attained as follows:

a. Any Active Member, or Members, may propose a name in writing to the Membership Committee. Such proposal shall assume Sponsorship and shall include information concerning the career and present occupation of the proposed Member.

b. The Membership Committee shall make such investigation as seems necessary and make a report and recommendation to the Forum for its action.

c. Election shall be by vote of the Active Members present, and two or more negative votes shall reject the application.

d. Leave of absence may be granted to Active Members for a limited time for valid reasons.

4. Associate membership may be granted to an Active Member if he finds that he cannot attend meetings regularly, but such Membership shall be cancelled if the Member is absent consecutively for a considerable time. Associate Members cannot vote, and the number of such Memberships may be limited.

5. Honorary Membership may be conferred on worthy persons by recommendation of the Governing Committee, with the approval of the Forum.

Addenda to Minutes
of March 31, 1953

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K.M.B.

At the following meeting, on April 21, 1953, President Sears read a preliminary draft of proposed Rules and Regulations prepared by the committee. It was voted to prepare copies for all members of the Forum.

At the April 28, 1953 meeting, President Sears announced completion of the draft of Rules and Regulations. He requested that a copy be given to each member present for study.

On May 5, 1953 President Sears addressed the Forum at length on the proposed Rules and Regulations. After extended discussion, some proposed amendments were accepted and others rejected. The first formal Rules and Regulations of the Fellowship Forum were then adopted as amended. The copies were evidently made a few days before the April 28, 1953 meeting and are identified by the heading "*Fellowship Forum, Palo Alto, California, April 24, 1953.*" They are referred to in the minutes of meetings as "*Rules and Regulations.*"

The newly adopted document is in eight sections: Purpose, Membership, Officers, Standing committees, Governing Board, Meetings, Elections and Amendments. It authorizes the following:

- a) Three classes of membership - Active, Associate and Honorary.
- b) A maximum of 35 Active Members -- no minimum.
- c) Election by vote of Active Members. No mention is made of the majority required for election. This was changed to "unanimous" in a later set of Rules and Regulations.
- d) Election of Officers in May of each year. This was changed at a meeting on December 22, 1953. Elections were moved from May to December and installation in office from May to the following January.
- e) Rules could be amended by a three-quarters majority vote of the active membership.