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A special meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order on April 24, 1917, at 10:50 A.M.

Present: Regents O'Brien, Curler, Sullivan, Abel and Baker, and Acting President Lewers.

The Chairman stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of handling certain bills of the University and to elect an architect for the Agricultural building.

Mr. Curler moved that the matter of the election of an architect be taken up. The motion was carried.

Applications from the various architects and papers and materials in support of these applications were spread before the Board for their consideration. The matter of the relation between the University and Messrs. Bliss and Faville of San Francisco, and who had been made University architects during the control of a former Board, was discussed and letters relating to the same were read as were the minutes of the Board electing them. Mr. Abel reported his interview with Bliss and Faville (Mr. Bliss) during a recent visit to San Francisco and stated that the firm considered themselves the official architects of the University. It appeared from letters that the initiative in the matter of their appointment came from former President Hendrick. All points in the matter were discussed informally in this relation with the view in mind of rescinding the action of their appointment in favor of a local architect, and the following resolution was offered by Regent Curler:

WHEREAS, it appears from an inspection of certain letters and resolutions of the Board of Regents that an arrangement was, during the year 1914, made with the firm of Bliss and Faville of San Francisco, architects, whereby it was tentatively understood that until further notice they were to be considered the official architects for the University, and

WHEREAS, it is the view of the present Board of Regents that the best interests of the University would be subserved by the selection of an architect resident of the State of Nevada to furnish plans and specifications for all buildings to be hereafter constructed upon the Campus,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the relation heretofore existing between the University of Nevada and Bliss and Faville be and is hereby terminated and that said firm be notified of the action of the Board of Regents.

The resolution was adopted on record vote as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Curler	Aye
Dr. Sullivan	Passed his vote
Mr. Abel	Aye

Mrs. Baker nominated Mr. W. O. Lewis as architect for the Agricultural building and Dr. Sullivan nominated Mr. F. J. De Longchamps, Mr. Abel nominated Mr. Geo. M. Ferris.

On motion, the nominations were closed.

The vote on the above nomination stood as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Mr. Lewis
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. De Longchamps
Mr. Curler	Mr. Lewis
Dr. Sullivan	Mr. De Longchamps
Mr. Abel	Mr. Ferris

There being no election, the vote was again called and stood as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Mr. Lewis
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. De Longchamps
Mr. Curler	Mr. Lewis
Dr. Sullivan	Mr. De Longchamps
Mr. Abel	Mr. Lewis

Mr. Lewis having received the majority of votes was declared elected as architect for the Agricultural building.

The matter of Mr. Frederick M. Lee's request for \$2000 to complete further work on the University books was taken up and Dr. Sullivan moved that he be given \$1000. Mr. Curler who was to be

absent in the afternoon advised that this was his opinion and said that when the matter came before the Board his vote on the above motion was to be "yes". The motion carried.

Meeting recessed until 1:30 P.M. same date.

The Board of Regents resumed its meeting at 1:30 P.M. April 24.

Present: Regents Baker, O'Brien, Abel and Acting President Lewers. Absent: Regents Curler and Sullivan.

Comptroller Gorman presented his report of April 24th.

The Board approved List No. 13 of Claims against the State, Nos. 180 to 190 inclusive, except Nos. 185 and 186 for a total of \$3,343.77.

The Board approved List No. 14 of Claims against the State, Claims Nos. 185 and 186 for a total \$771.60.

The Board approved list of Claims on the Regents Fund No. 57 to 76 inclusive for a total of \$7,240.63.

It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the Claim of \$1000 for the audit of Mr. F. M. Lee, ordered by the Investigating Committee of the Legislature, be approved for that amount. Record vote being taken was as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye

Mr. O'Brien took the Chair.

It was moved by Mr. Abel that the Claim of Mr. Frederick M. Lee for \$300 for extra work in connection with the audit be rejected. Record vote being taken was as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye

Mr. Curler and Dr. Sullivan left word that they wished to be recorded as in favor of rejecting this Claim.

Mr. Abel resumed the Chair.

It was moved by Mr. O'Brien that the action of the President of

the University and Comptroller in completing the purchase of the University Stock Farm be approved. Record vote being taken was as follows:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye

Acting President Lewers recommended that the Department of Veterinary Science and Bacteriology be authorized to prepare hog cholera serum for sale and use in the State of Nevada and to use such portion of the Hog Cholera Serum Fund as might be necessary for the purpose of carrying on this work. It was moved by Mrs. Baker that the recommendation of Acting President Lewers be adopted. Vote:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye

On recommendation of Acting President Lewers it was moved that Commissioner S. C. Dinsmore be authorized to make a trip to Washington in response to a call for his presence there. Vote:

Mrs. Baker	Aye
Mr. O'Brien	Aye
Mr. Abel	Aye

The special meeting was adjourned.