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The Regents met in the Office of the President at 10 o'clock on the morning of April 23rd, all the members and President Clark being present.

The following resolutions regarding Miss Vanderleith were read by Chairman Cheney and vote to adopt stood as follows:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

We mourn the call that has summoned our friend Miss Emma Vanderleith from the old familiar places and the cherished associations of years to enter the city whose builder and maker is God.

In all good works she was a leader. One of her many activities was the organization of the Student Loan Fund of the State of Nevada, which grew in interest year by year. She met every opportunity and demand made upon her with a loving kindness that endeared her to all. It is with sorrow that we know for the last time we have heard her say, "Taking an active concern in our schools tends to public good. Fervor in the thought and care of our boys and girls shows love of our State, for in their hands rests the future welfare of Nevada. There can be no greater cause than the helping of our girls and boys to an education, helping them to independence and self support, helping them to become good citizens, worthy daughters and sons of the great State of Nevada. Let us get to work."

Her example stands in the community as a lofty and living monument. We rejoice that the future will continue to give the blessings of her beautiful life.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada tender heartfelt sympathy to her brother, E. D. Vanderleith.

RESOLVED, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the brother and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Regents of the State University.

The minutes of the meeting of March 30 were approved. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

Upon the recommendation of Director Doten the President submitted the resignation of Dr. Lewis H. Wright, Assistant Veterinarian of the Agricultural Experiment Station, to be effective beginning June 1, 1920, with his recommendation that it be accepted. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

President Clark recommended the election of Frederick H. Sibley as Professor and Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at a salary of \$3250 beginning July 1, 1920. Professor Sibley's credentials accompanied this recommendation. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

Comptroller Gorman presented the certificate showing renewal of his official bond and the certificate was placed in the hands of Regent North.

List No. 21, including Checks Nos. 153-159 for a total of \$4,935.36 and List No. 23 of State Claims, Nos. 290 to 298 inclusive, for a total of \$4,586.47, were submitted by Comptroller Gorman and approved by the Board, the vote standing as follows:

Judge Cheney	Aye
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Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

For the open position through the resignation of Dean Knight, the President recommended the appointment of Doctor Robert Stewart to be Head of the Department and Professor of Agronomy and Dean of the College of Agriculture, at an annual salary of \$4200 beginning July 1, 1920. Doctor Stewart's credentials were submitted by the President, who had had personal interview with Dr. Stewart in Chicago recently. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

President Clark excused himself for a few moments to meet with the members of the Senior Class and during his absence the members of the Board discussed the advisability of retrenchment in University expenses either by the elimination of certain Departments or the consolidation of Departments. President Clark had given consideration to this matter and had counseled with different Departments concerned in such change when he had first come to the University. Judge Curler stated the position that he and Mr. Abel had taken on this matter and said that the University at that time was carrying about all the trouble that it could and it had seemed to them the wiser plan in the personnel or Departments and that during the intervening time all these questions had solved themselves by the resignation of members of the then faculty.

President Clark made the following recommendations, after reading to the Board recommendations submitted to him by Dean Hall:

- (1) That the Regents approve the recommendation of Dean Hall that beginning with September, 1920, honorariums should be paid to cooperating Reno high school teachers assisting the faculty of the School of Education of the University under the direction of Dean Hall in caring for the practice teaching of our students who are candidates for high school teachers' diplomas as follows:

For the teachers having one or more students preparing the same lesson, \$50 per semester; for two or more preparing different lessons, \$62.50 per semester.

The vote stood as follows:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

- (2) That the election of Superintendent Billinghamurst as Lecturer in the School of Education, to give the course in School Management, Law and Hygiene one hour per week at \$250 for the academic year beginning September, 1920, be approved. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

The President recommended an increase of salary to Doctor Stephen Lockett from \$2600 to \$3000 per year, effective July 1, 1920, and his election as Associate Professor of Veterinary Science with the understanding that he is to give the Veterinary Science course in the Department of Agriculture in the College of Agriculture, compensation for such work from general College funds to be made in accord with our standing arrangement. It is understood that another year the above title may be changed to that of Lecturer, if it be decided to adopt a general system for ranking members of the Public Service staff who give courses in any of the Colleges of the University. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

Judge Cheney, as Chairman of the Board of Regents, was voted to be the Chief Educational Officer of the State within the meaning of the formal application to Doctor Storey for \$6000 of the funds of the Interdepartmental Social Hygiene Board funds and as such was authorized to sign this formal application, the vote standing as follows:

Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye

Judge Curler Aye
Mr. North Aye

The President told the Board of his plan for the Book of the Oath, which is given herewith. At the suggestion of Judge Cheney two words were added to the Justice clause in the Oath.

THE OATH

I, about to be graduated from the University of Nevada,

Acknowledging

my great debt to the Giver of all life, who has given me life in Nevada, the State whose people are most blest with pioneering strengths and whose land, of all America, is freshest from His hand, and most truly His cathedral, with mountain columns, star vaults and sage-incensed aisles, hourly urging me to reverent thinking and living,

Acknowledging

my great debt to the race, which has made me heir to civilization, wrought out by its centuries of toil and of thought and preserved by the bravery of its heroes, the wisdom of its sages and the faith of its saints,

Acknowledging

my great debt to this Nation and to this Commonwealth, which through guardian organization and through open school doors, have jointly made it possible for me to come into the full riches of my natural and my racial inheritances,

Here and Now Pledge

life long loyalty to the shaping ideals of American civilization;

liberty, bounded by law drawn for the common weal,

equality of opportunity for all, and

justice, administered in accord with the dictates of the common will, lawfully expressed.

I here and now further pledge

that in all the years to be granted to me and to the fullness of my allotted strength

I SHALL SERVE

both alone and with others, to the high ends that uncleanness, greed, selfishness and pride shall lessen, that cleanness, charity, comradeship and reverence shall widen and that this, my generation, shall bequeath an even better and nobler civilization than came to it.

The President recommended that the Regents buy \$350 worth of Artemisias this year instead of the \$250 worth of other years. This will mean fewer books, as the price has gone up quite a little. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

President Clark made a brief statement of his eastern trip and told the Board of Mr. Mackay's desires regarding the future plans for the University, as indicated by Mr. Mackay in New York City in conference with President Clark on April 22, 1920.

Judge Curler gave an outline of possible enrollment situations at this University another year and cited the conditions in California which exist at the present time in support of his view that a policy of enrollment limitation should be adopted by the Regents before the opening of the Fall semester and rather urged that it should be done now.

Recessed until 4 P.M.

Recessed meeting convened at 4 P.M. with all members present.

President Clark recommended to the Board that watch fobs be purchased for the following men who represented the University in intercollegiate debates the past season:

John Belford
Paul Hornaday
Charles Miller

and that a prize of \$10 be awarded to Margaret Barnes as the best speaker in the inter-class debating contests and that the \$20 prize be divided euqally between Raymond Law and Anthony Zeni, all the above to be paid for out of the Regents' Contingency Fund. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

Judge Cheney read the following resolution respecting the use of the name "University":

WHEREAS, several worthy efforts for the welfare of the community, including the student body of the University, have been undertaken, or are contemplated, and have taken or expect to use the name of the University in connection therewith, and the University has no voice or control in the same;

IT IS THEREFORE upon motion duly made RESOLVED, that, in the opinion of the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada, the name of the University should not be directly or indirectly taken or used in connection with any public activitiy, even though intended for the welfare of the student body, unless said activity originates with or is under the exclusive control of the government of the United States, the government of the State of Nevada, the University of Nevada or the faculty or the student body of the University.

Mr. North moved that the resolution be adopted. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

It was moved that the monthly meetings of the Board should be known as the Meetings of the Executive Committee of the Board of Regents and that Mr. Pratt be added to that Committee and a cordial invitation extended to Judge Curler to attend such meetings whenever possible. The 5 required meetings of the Board are the only meetings to be designated as meetings of the Board of Regents, except there be called special emergency meetings

of the full Board. Vote:

Judge Cheney	Aye
Mrs. Hood	Aye
Mr. Pratt	Aye
Judge Curler	Aye
Mr. North	Aye

Judge Cheney reported that he considered there would be no question as to a favorable outcome of the Farm Bureau constitutionality case now in the courts.

The limitation of enrollment policy was discussed at some length but no decision was arrived at. The question was laid over until the next meeting of the Board of Regents with request that President Clark draw up some tentative statement of policy of limitation in keeping with the outcome of the Board's discussion.

President Clark told the Board that during his recent trip to New York an important business position carrying a very large compensation had been offered for his consideration and that this put him in a difficult quandry as to what his final decision would be, but that for the coming two or three months, he expected to hold his decision in abeyance.

Adjourned until May 11, 1920.

A. E. Cheney
Chairman

Carolyn M. Beckwith
Secretary