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REGENTS MEETING September 24 & 27, 1938

The Board of Regents met in their Office at the University Saturday, September 24, 1938, all members except Dr. Olmsted being present.

On motion of Chairman Ross, the minutes of the May 7th meeting were approved by the following vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Mr. Williams, the acts of the Executive Committee as set forth in the minutes of July 2nd and 7th were approved by the following vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Judge Brown, the acts of the Executive Committee as set forth in the minutes of August 3rd were approved by the following vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Chairman Ross opened the following fuel oil bills:

F. O. B. Cars Reno

Quality Oil Company	\$1.6165
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Shell Oil Company	1.7265
Tidewater Associated	1.7265
Tarr and Mc Comb	1.5965
Standard Oil	1.7265
General Petroleum-Washoe Coal - mistake in frgt - bid wrong	
Sierra Fuel	1.7265
El Tejon Oil	1.6565
Armstrong Wood and Coal	1.7265

After several company representatives withdrew Comptroller Gorman listed Tarr and Mc Comb, Quality and El Tejon as the 3 lowest. Tarr and Mc Comb's bid showed a savings over the 5 higher bids of \$650 on 5000 bbls. They furnished University's fuel oil for the past season and, after the 1st car-load lot, the oil was up to specifications. Mr. Williams therefore moved that the bid of Tarr and Mc Comb be accepted and contract be sent to them for signature. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Mr. Wingfield, the Regents unanimously voted to present the University swan to the Washoe County Commissioners who will place him on Virginia Lake with the other County swans.

On motion of Judge Brown, Mr. Gorman's recommendation, that the old forge shop, recently converted into a mechanical engineering laboratory, should be converted with the heating plant at an expenditure not to exceed \$350, was approved by the following vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

The request of J. B. Scarlett, who recently purchased the Browder tract, south of Reno, to be rid of the University ditch easement on his land, was, on motion of Judge Brown, referred to Comptroller Gorman and Professor Wilson to consider, Mr. Gorman to report their judgment to the Chairman of the Board later, the Executive Committee being empowered to act in event the change is deemed desirable. Carried unanimously.

Comptroller Gorman submitted his report on State Tax, Liquor Tax and Athletic Fund balances. The Board is to consider a reallocation of the \$10 student fee at their November meeting.

On recommendation of Director Doten, Mr. Williams moved that the Regents purchase from Fred Oliva a strip of land 70 feet in width, adjoining the northern boundary line of the Experimental Station Farm and extending from the western boundary of the Oliva Ranch on Valley Road to the eastern boundary line of said ranch, as per option taken by Joseph W. Hall for the Station, at a cost of not to exceed \$500, same to be paid from the Station Sales Fund. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Judge Brown, Colonel Oral E. Clark was unanimously elected Professor of Military Science and Tactics, as from September 19, 1938.

Chairman Ross reported the thank you letters of Mrs. C. W. Stark and family and of the Pythian Sisters for flowers furnished by the University.

Chairman Ross read the letters from Dean G. M. Butler and Allen W. Horton, Jr., Regional Director and General Secretary respectively of the E. C. P. D. to the effect that there was no change in the status of accrediting of our curricula and could be no change until a meeting of their Engineering Committee on October 10th.

The report of the State Auditor on his inspection of the Petroleum Products Inspection Funds for the period August 24, 1937 to August 12, 1938, showing all in balance, was presented by Chairman Ross.

The Committee of the Blue Key, 4 in number, waiting on the Regents to get Regent approval for their plan to assist in the University's building program. After some exchange, the Regents gave their approval to the plan; i. e., 3 new buildings (Engineering, Arts and Science and Gym) and a probable restoration of the 2-cent permanent construction tax levy.

On motion of Mr. Wingfield, it was voted to leave the drawing of Resolutions thanking Major Fleischmann for his gift of 5,000 shares of Standard Brands, Inc., common stock to the Chairman of the Board, the President and Judge Brown. Carried unanimously.

Letters from the Works Progress Administration officials denying

the University's request for federal assistance in its 3-building program were presented for the information of the Board.

A letter from Sutro and Company in re. buying and selling stock of the Prince Consolidated Mining Company of Pioche, of which Mr. Hunt has given 5,000 shares, was presented for the information of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Williams, it was voted unanimously to continue the arrangement with R. B. Jeppson, State Director of Vocational Education at Carson City, that the University shall advance to Miss Doris Nesbitt and Mr. W. C. Higgins, their respective monthly salaries and travel expenses and bill the State Department at Carson for the sums so advanced at several convenient times during the year, when the State Department will again, as it did last year, reimburse the University.

On the motion of Mr. Wingfield, Warren Louis Perlstein was elected Fellow in Chemistry for the University year 1938-39 at a stipend of \$600 for the year to be paid in 8 equal monthly installments beginning with that on October 1, 1938. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Judge Brown, Dr. Anatole Mazour was elected to be Assistant Professor of History and Political Science for the year 1938-39, vice Dr. Charles Stewart, who wishes to serve this year as a member of the staff of the National Archives in Washington, at a salary of \$1700 for the year, to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments beginning with that for August, 1938. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On motion of Mr. Wingfield, Miss Margaret Williams was elected State Hygienic Laboratory Technician, vice Elizabeth Carpenter, who was granted a Social Security Fellowship at California from August 18, 1938 to September 1, 1939, Miss Williams to be paid \$100 per month as from August 16, 1938. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye

Mr. Ross Aye

On motion of Mr. Williams, Mrs. Adelaide Steiner was elected to be Assistant in the Registrar's office, vice Mrs. May Bradshaw, resigned, at \$100 per month effective from July 1, 1938, since which time she has been in service. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

On motion of Judge Brown, Everett W. Harris was elected Instructor in Mathematics, vice Ingo Maddaus, Jr., resigned, for the year beginning August 1, 1938 at a salary of \$1750 for the year, to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

On motion of Mr. Williams, the Board authorized the employment of some person on an experimental basis for one year to give proposed courses in Methods of Teaching Farm Mechanics, he to teach 3 courses at the University during the afternoon of each day and in the mornings to give 1 course in Vocational Agriculture at the Reno and Sparks high schools, at a salary of \$600 for the year from each of these 3 institutions. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

On motion of Mr. Williams the employment of D. D. Keller as Assistant Football Coach was ratified, with understanding that he be paid a salary of \$700 for the season at the following times and amounts:

1/2 of \$233.33 (his 1st month's pay) on demand
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and \$233.33 each on November 1 and December 1, to be paid from the sources of the Athletic Funds. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye

Mr. Ross Aye

On recommendation of Director Creel, Judge Brown moved that the salary of Thomas E. Buckman be advanced from \$4000 to \$4200 and that of Verner E. Scott from \$3840 to \$3900, both to become effective October 1, 1938 and to be paid from U. S. Department of Agriculture new Federal money now available for these advances and to cover extra work exacted because of a new National Agricultural Land Use Planning Project. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

On recommendation of Director Doten, Mr. Wingfield moved that Harold Richard's salary be advanced from \$130 to \$140 per month, effective October 1, 1938. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

On recommendation of Director Doten, Mr. Williams moved that the following 3 women on the Experiment Station staff should each be advanced \$60 per year from Station Funds:

Alberta Machen from \$1320 to \$1380
Marjorie Howes from \$1020 to \$1080
Golamae Johnson from \$1740 to \$1800

All to be effective as from July 1, 1938. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Wingfield Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

Chairman Ross presented a letter from Mrs. Bovett, Secretary of the State Farm Bureau, and a Resolution adopted at the recent annual meeting of that body. The Secretary of the Board was authorized to advise Mrs. Bovett that her communication had been received and that the Board would be glad to meet with the Farm Bureau Directors at their next meeting, probably to be held in late November.

Miss Beckwith was authorized to acknowledge receipt of the invi-

tation that the Board members should attend the Seventh Annual meeting of the National Reclamation Association to be held in Reno October 11, 12 and 13 and to file the same.

On motion of Judge Brown, the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the Block N Society regarding the establishment of a \$50 loan fund, written by Fred Gallaway President, and to say that the Regents would be glad to cooperate with the Society in any way possible.

Mr. Gorman is to report at the next meeting concerning the then status of delinquent tickets.

Chairman Ross presented the following letter from President Clark:

September 23, 1938

To the Honorable
The Board of Regents of
The University of Nevada

Gentlemen:

Owing to the broken condition of my health, I hereby request that I be permitted to be retired as of October 1, 1938.

I sincerely appreciate the perfect friendliness and cooperation which the Board of Regents has shown towards me and I greatly regret to feel compelled to make this request.

Very respectfully yours,

Walter E. Clark
President

Judge Brown moved that the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada reluctantly accept President Clark's request for retirement and that he be granted the title of President Emeritus. His retirement, with a pension of \$1800 per annum, payable monthly, shall become effective on the 1st day of November, 1938 and, that because of his continued ill health, he be relieved immediately of all further responsibilities but that his salary as President be continued up to the date fixed for his retirement.

Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Wingfield	Aye

Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

In this connection it is understood that the President's house is to continue as the home of Dr. and Mrs. Clark until such time as it may be required for Dr. Clark's successor.

Recessed until 3:30 P.M. Monday, September 26th.

The recessed meeting of the Board was called to order at 3:30 P.M. Monday, September 26th. Chairman Ross, Judge Brown and Mr. Wingfield being present.

In the absence of a President, Mr. Ross was authorized to sign the National Youth Administration Student Aid Program for the year 1938-39.

The Secretary was instructed to write Governor Kirman requesting his approval of the retirement salary of Dr. Walter E. Clark, President Emeritus, at \$1800 per year beginning November 1, 1938.

The following Resolutions of the Board of Regents upon the retirement of President Clark were unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes:

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS UPON
THE RETIREMENT OF PRESIDENT CLARK

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada have, because of the condition of his health, most reluctantly and with deep regret, felt compelled to acquiesce in the request of Dr. Walter E. Clark that he be permitted to retire as President of our University;

WHEREAS, it is fitting that at this time, even though briefly and inadequately, this Board call some attention to the valued services which he has bestowed upon this Institution;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regents of the University recognize that for 20 years, ever since his coming here in the Fall of 1917, President Clark has devoted himself with unflagging zeal to the upbuilding of this Institution. The year before he came here the number of students enrolled during the 2 semesters was 439. He came when the United States had first entered the World War and, consequently, during the duration of that war, there was inevitably a falling off of student attendance. But soon, and year by year, the registration of the University has grown until during the year

1937-38, the total enrollment of students here amounted to 1221, while this year at this time the number of students who have registered for the Fall semester is 1100.

During President Clark's administration there have been notable additions to the equipment of the University and to the value of its physical properties. We may mention the new buildings added to the Campus, the Library, which was the gift of William A. Clark, Jr., and the Science Hall, with which Clarence H. Mackay generously supplemented his former gift of the Mackay School of Mines building. This Board recognizes that to the suggestion and inspiration of President Clark was largely due the securing of these and other valuable new equipment for the University.

The growing student body and the addition of new buildings has necessitated increase in the teaching staff. Where, during President Clark's 1st year, 54 Instructors were actually employed on our Campus, there are now over 80 men and women engaged in the actual work of teaching. The large increase in the number of students and of the faculty has greatly added to the responsibilities and increased the burdens of its President.

Under the administration of President Clark, there has been a steady rising of the scholastic standards of the University and today, as for some years past, the University of Nevada occupies a place on the approved list of the Association of American Universities. Under the guidance of President Clark young men and women have annually gone forth from this Institution in increasing numbers, qualified for leadership in State and nation.

President Clark has not only spent himself in the services of the University but has also made for himself a valued place in our Commonwealth and his influence has been felt in our civic life, as well as on the Campus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of his distinguished achievements he be given, upon his retirement, the rank and title of President Emeritus, and the Board expresses the hope that we may still have not only his sympathy but, from time to time, his assistance and advice.

A copy of these Resolutions is to be given to Dr. Clark, another copy is to be offered to the U. of N. Sagebrush for publication.

Recessed until 1:30 P.M., September 27, 1938.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross, Judge Brown and Mr. Wingfield being present.

The first order of business was the election of an Acting President to serve as such until such time as the Board of Regents selects a President of the University.

LET THE RECORDS SHOW - That Dr. Leon W. Hartman has been elected Acting President at a salary of \$400 per month, beginning October 1, 1938.

LET THE RECORDS FURTHER SHOW - That Dr. Hartman is empowered and directed to obtain sufficient help to carry on the work of the Physics Department with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Regents.

AND LET THE RECORD FURTHER SHOW - That, with the expiration of his term as Acting President, Dr. Hartman returns to the Headship of the Department of Physics of the University.

Upon request of Dr. Maxwell Adams, Vice President, he is released from his responsibility as Dean of the College of Arts and Science, but will retain the positions of Vice President and Professor of Chemistry of the University, his salary to remain as it has been.

NOW LET THE RECORD SHOW - That Dr. Fredrick Wood has been appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Science of the University of Nevada, vice Maxwell Adams and that his salary is to be \$400 per month as of October 1, 1938, and

LET THE RECORD FURTHER SHOW - That Dr. Wood is empowered to get additional help to carry on the work of his Department, subject to the approval of the Acting President and the Executive Committee of the Regents.

Motion is made that the Comptroller be authorized to attend the meeting of the Association of Business Officers of Colleges and Universities of the Western States, to be held at Eugene, Oregon, December 19 and 20, 1938, his expenses to be covered from University Funds.

Motion was made that in all matters pertaining to the business of the University, the building program and the budget, the Chairman of the Board, the Acting President and the Comptroller are to constitute a Committee to consult together.

Adjourned, the next meeting being set for November 26, 1938.

Silas E. Ross
Chairman

Carolyn M. Beckwith
Secretary