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The Board of Regents met at its Office at 2 o'clock P.M., on the 22nd of June, 1910, all members of the Board and the President of the University being present.

President Stubbs read his report, as follows:

To The Honorable the
Board of Regents
University of Nevada.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to make the following report up to the 20th of June, 1910:

I ask the approval of the Board of Regents for the appointment of John C. Watson to be Assistant Professor of Greek in charge of the Department at a salary of \$1800 for the first year, to begin August 1, 1910, in place of Dr. E. Whitney Martin, who has returned to Stanford. In seeking a man for this position, I have corresponded with the Universities of Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Chicago and Princeton. In addition to this correspondence, I asked Dr. H. W. Hill to go to Princeton, Cambridge, New York, and Chicago, and make personal inquiries about the various men that had been recommended to us. I have consulted with Dr. Church, who has more interest in this Department than any other member of the faculty. I have received strong recommendations of Watson from Professor Albert A. Howard, Department of Classics, Harvard University, Cambridge, and from Professor E. K. Rand of Harvard University. I have a letter herefrom Mr. Watson himself, and it seems convincing that Dr. Watson is the man for us. He combines the personal presence, the scholarly aptitudes, strength in teaching with enthusiasm and energy. I have here the letters from Howard, from Rand, and from Watson, which I will read if you desire.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE RETIREMENT OF

PROFESSOR HENRY THURTELL

In accordance with the instructions of the Board of Regents at their last meeting, I prepared the preamble and resolutions recognizing the services of Professor Henry Thurtell by the Regents of the University, and asked the Secretary of the Board of Regents to send them to him. These resolutions are to be recorded in the minutes of May 24th. The following are the resolutions of the Regents which were sent to Professor Thurtell:

WHEREAS, Professor Henry Thurtell, who, for almost 20 years, has been connected with the University of Nevada as Professor of Mathematics and Mechanics, has been called to serve the State in a large and responsible office, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

First: That in accepting his resignation as a member of the teaching force of the University of Nevada, the Regents herewith desire to put on record his long and useful service to the University, his high and unselfish aims, and his abiding influence for everything that stood for scholarship, for good health, and for righteousness to the young men and young women who came under his influence as a teacher, and as a friend.

Second: That these Resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Regents, and a copy sent by the Secretary of the Board to Professor Thurtell.

PROTECTION OF BUILDINGS

As the Regents are now in session, I would like to ask what they would advise me to do with regard to the proper protection of the University buildings from now until after the Fourth of July. The town will be crowded with all sorts of people, and it would seem advisable to put a watchman in Lincoln and Manzanita Halls and in the Mackay Mining building at night.

APPOINTMENT TO THE HIGH SCHOOL

I recommend for appointment as Professor of Physics, Chemistry and Physiography in the High School, Silas Earle Ross, at a salary of \$1000 per year, beginning August 1, 1910.

I further recommend the approval of the appointment of Mr. Ross as Assistant to Professor Dinsmore in the Pure Food work during the months of June and July, with a monthly compensation of \$75.

DEATH OF PRINCIPAL HOWE

Professor Herbert H. Howe died on the 31st of May very suddenly at his home in Reno. He was working around in his new home and had evidently gone down below the floor in the bay window to pick up the blocks that were there prior to putting in the flooring in the bay window. In the act of stooping, he was suddenly stricken with heart disease and in all probability expired at once. I was notified right away and took charge of the arrangements for Mrs. Howe. They took him to Carson where the funeral services were held and words were spoken in his honor. He was laid to rest on Friday, June 3rd. His widow will be entitled to his pay during the months of June, July and August.

PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

I recommend for appointment to the Principalship of the High School, Reuben Cyril Thompson, who has been for the last year Associate Principal, at a salary of \$1800 per year, beginning August 1, 1910.

INSTRUCTOR IN MATHEMATICS

Mr. Howe's death leaves a vacancy in the position of teacher of Mathematics. I think we can fill that position with a competent and experienced man at a salary not to exceed \$1200 for the first year.

MUSIC TEACHER

Mrs. Kate C. Wood has resigned the position of teacher of Music in the University, to take effect July 31, 1910. At present we will do nothing about a Music teacher.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Stubbs
President

Upon motion of Regent Henderson, seconded by Regent Williams, Mr. Watson was elected Assistant Professor of Greek at a salary of \$1800 per annum, commencing August 1, 1910, payable monthly, as recommended by the President.

Upon motion of Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Henderson, the recommendation of the President that Silas Earle Ross be appointed Instructor in Physics, Chemistry and Physiography in the High School at a salary of \$1000 per year, and that he be Mr. Dins-

more's Assistant in Pure Food work during July and August at a salary of \$75 per month, was adopted.

Upon motion of Regent Codd, seconded by Regent Henderson, Reuben Cyril Thompson was elected to the Principalship of the High School, as recommended by the President.

Upon motion of Henderson, seconded by Williams, the President was authorized to employ such additional help to take care of the University buildings and grounds while the prize fight takes place in Reno as may be necessary.

The President was authorized to draw up a letter to be sent to Mrs. Howe by the Regents. The letter follows:

Mrs. Herbert H. Howe
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Mrs. Howe:

The Regents of the University desire to express their sincerest sympathy with you and your children upon the recent death of your beloved husband and their revered father.

While expressing our feelings of sorrow for yourself and family, and the loss of a valuable teacher to the University High School, it will not seem misplaced to assure you that death came to your dear husband as a messenger of peace and good will, both to him and to you. We can apply the history of another aged saint of God, of whom it is said, "He was not, for God took him". In the fullness of years, with nearly two score years of active service in helping young men and women to see the right and to do their duty by the strong methods of educating their wills and emotions, crowned with the love of his wife and children, and unnumbered hosts of friends throughout this and other lands, God said to him, "You have done enough; come up higher".

Be assured that the Regents of the University of Nevada will ever hold in kindest remembrance the years of faithful service that Mr. Howe has given to the University High School. His place here will never be filled, and the influence that he left here will continue to increase for good as long as this Institution lasts.

We again desire to send to you and your children our cordial feelings of sympathy.

We have spread this letter upon the minutes of the Board of Regents, and instructed the Secretary of the Board to send a copy of this letter to you.

We remain, believe us,

Most sincerely yours,

The Board of Regents

George H. Taylor
Secretary

No further business appearing, the Board adjourned.

John Sunderland
Chairman

Geo. H. Taylor
Secretary