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REGENTS MEETING

November 26, 1938

The Board of Regents met at the University at 9:30 A.M. Saturday, November 26, 1938. Chairman Ross, Mr. Williams and Judge Brown of the Board and Dr. Hartman were present. Absent: Dr. Olmsted and Mr. Wingfield.

On motion of Judge Brown, the minutes of September 24 & 27 were approved and the acts of the Executive Committee of October 27 and November 1 were confirmed and ratified.

Dr. Hartman read a letter from Principal Wooster of Reno High School in which Mr. Wooster asked if Mackay Field might be available for a possible high school football contest December 3 between the Reno and Las Vegas High School teams.

If the field is not in use by University players at that time, the Board is willing to grant Mr. Wooster's request. Dr. Hartman is to check with Mr. Martie on this.

Dr. Hartman reported that he had secured Dr. Samuel B. Batdorf to be Instructor in Physics at \$1440 for academic year 1938-39 to be paid in 9 equal monthly installments beginning November 1, 1938. Dr. Batdorf began work October 3rd. All 3 of his degrees are from the University of California: the B. A. in 1934, the M. A. in 1936 and the Ph. D. in 1938.

Dr. Hartman read thank you letters from Dean Traner for flowers, from Dr. Adams for freedom from responsibility and from Presidents of 7 Land-Grant Colleges thanking the Board for the services of Dr. Creel during the past year.

Dr. Hartman read a letter from Governor Kirman expressing his approval of the retirement of Dr. Clark on a salary of \$1800 per year.

Dr. Hartman read a letter from one Norma Baker commending Coaches

Dashiell and Keller.

On recommendation of Professor Sutherland, approved by Dr. Hartman, Judge Brown moved that Fred Collins be advanced in rank from Instructor to Assistant Professor of Economics, Business and Sociology, effective at once, with no increase in pay. Carried unanimously.

Dr. Wood's request that he be permitted to employ a full-time Instructor in Mathematics for the year 1939-40 at not to exceed \$1600 for the year was approved by Dr. Hartman. Mr. Williams moved the granting of this request. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

The recommendation of Professor Hill that the rank of Eva Adams be advanced from Assistant to Instructor in English, with some increase in salary, was approved by Dr. Hartman who suggested the salary be advanced from \$1000 to \$1200 per year, effective January 1, 1939.

Mr. Ross moved that these advances be granted Miss Adams as specified above. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Dr. Hartman read Dr. Gianella's letter asking for a Board ruling on whether or not he should, while a member of the Mackay School of Mines staff, be permitted to engage in professional work on the side. The Board feels this is amply covered in the Regulations of the University, Chapter XIV, Outside Service: No full-time member of the instructional force of the University shall, during the University session, be employed in any outside work for which added compensation will be accepted, except with the approval of the President of the University and of the Board of Regents.

Dr. Wood recommends the election of Merton Davies (B. A., Stanford) as Assistant in Mathematics for the 2nd semester of the year 1938-39, at a stipend of \$425, to be paid in 5 equal monthly installments. Dr. Hartman approves this recommendation. Authority was granted for this at the September 24th meeting.

Judge Brown moved that Dr. Davies be elected under the above

conditions. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Dr. Hartman recommended an advance of \$300 per year in the salary of Dr. Sigmund Leifson of the Physics Department, to be effective from and after January 1, 1939.

Mr. Ross moved this advance be granted Dr. Leifson. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Dr. Hartman presented the request of Miss Mack that she be permitted to attend the meeting of the Deans of Women in Cleveland next February, without expense to the University. Judge Brown suggested that the Board would be willing to pay her rail and Pullman transportation.

Mr. Williams moved that Miss Mack be granted permission to attend the Cleveland meeting, the University to cover her railroad and Pullman transportation. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

On recommendation of the general faculty at their meeting October 27, as presented by Dr. Hartman, Dr. Harold Fletcher was approved for the Bachelor of Arts degree, as of the Class of 1912. Dr. Fletcher completed his medical work at Stanford and is a practicing physician in San Francisco of long standing.

Judge Brown moved the granting of the degree to Dr. Fletcher. Carried unanimously.

At the request of Dr. Hartman, Judge Brown moved that the State Auditor be asked to audit the David Russell Fund account so that Dr. Hartman might be free to transact the necessary business in connection therewith. Carried unanimously.

In re. future handling of delinquent tickets, Dr. Hartman suggested that the Regents authorized him:

1. To instruct the Comptroller that any holder of a delinquent

ticket whose name is on any University payroll shall have the amount of his delinquency subtracted from the 1st or 2nd check due such student employee, if the amount of the check is sufficient to cover this delinquent amount or, if the check is not sufficiently large, a prorated amount shall be deducted monthly in order that all delinquent amounts may be paid not later than December 1 and May of each University year.

2. To instruct the Registrar that final grades in any semester are not to be entered on the record of any student who has been issued a delinquent ticket which is unpaid in its total amount at the time grades are being recorded, and in no case to give any final grades or transcript of record to any one for such delinquent student.
3. To have these rulings included in the catalog and/or any bulletin issued for the guidance and information of the students.

Mr. Williams moved the requested authority be granted Dr. Hartman. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Mr. Ross moved that the request of the Alumni President that his Committee on the athletic situation be granted until December 15 to make their report to the Regents be granted. Carried unanimously.

Dr. Hartman presented the request of Major Bassett that he be permitted to park his automobile on the Campus during the afternoon since he has to make frequent trips to and from the Campus. The Board did not care to establish a precedent by granting this request.

Dr. Hartman presented Mr. Martie's query whether a football schedule was to be prepared for the 1939 season. Judge Brown moved that the Football Coach and the Head of the Department of Physical Education and Athletics for Men be instructed to proceed with the preparation of the 1939 football schedule. Carried unanimously.

Judge Brown moved that the Sagebrush bill of \$62.50 for the first semester of the academic year 1938-39 be approved for payment. Vote:

Judge Brown Aye
Mr. Williams Aye
Mr. Ross Aye

Dr. Hartman presented the following letter from Dr. J. E. Church of the Department of Classics:

November 20, 1938

Dear Dr. Hartman:

Following our telephone conversation of yesterday, I take pleasure in reporting formally to you and to the Board of Regents, the following offer of a gift through the Department of Classics to the University and the public from Mrs. Ludovica D. Graham of Reno.

This gift, actuated by her admiration for your broad understanding and sympathy in Science and the Fine Arts, consists of the collection of all-Italian marbles made by the late Cardinal Rampolla of approximately 1000 pieces in the form of small sections beautifully polished. This is probably the only collection of its kind.

To guard and display this collection, arrangement has already been made with the University Librarian, Miss Thea Thompson, to use the present Art Exhibit room in the Library, where tables are available for display.

Following in part the donor's original plan, these sections will be arranged in harmonious patterns beneath table tops of heavy glass.

However, it is hoped that sometime the plan can be carried out in its entirety -- viz. to arrange the panels in a permanent base where they will suggest more readily the color of ancient Rome. The Emperor Augustus in his published "Achievements", understated the city's attraction. His words, "I found Rome brick and left it marble" should have been, "I found Rome brick and left it colored marble." The Greeks with their exquisite lines in architecture were unable to search the world for colors and contented themselves with plainer pigments.

The original setting of such marbles can be quite vividly reproduced by the presence of one or two tiny fountains. The University and Reno are indeed fortunate to become re-

cipients of such a gift.

It will be most fitting to call this gift the Ludovica D. Graham Collection of Italian Marbles.

Most sincerely,

J. E. Church

Mr. Ross moved that the Regents accept the gift of Mrs. Ludovica D. Graham, as set forth above, and the President be instructed to thank her for this gift. Carried unanimously.

The request of Mr. R. B. Jeppson, State Director of Vocational Education, that he be permitted next year to inaugurate the farm mechanics plan authorized September 24, 1938 by the Regents, was unanimously granted.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the following "Appreciation of the Life and Character of Clarence H. Mackay", as prepared by Dr. Hartman, was unanimously adopted and the President was asked to forward a copy of this Appreciation to the Mackay family:

In the passing of Clarence Hungerford Mackay, who died Saturday, November 12, 1938, the University of Nevada has suffered the irreparable loss of a good friend and a generous benefactor.

Beginning with 1907 when Mr. Mackay and his mother, Marie Louise Mackay, donated to the University the Mackay School of Mines building, the Mackay Athletic Field and Stadium, the Mackay Training Quarters and a fund to beautify the Campus through the creation of the Mackay Quadrangle, his keen interest in the University and its student body has been steadfast and unflinching. Of all the scions of the families whose fortunes came from Nevada, he alone has manifested for this State a grateful remembrance which has continued for more than 30 years.

Each succeeding generation of students has felt the impress of his character and personality. These young people have realized that in him they had a guide and friend whose inspiring message, "Keep Your Standard of Life High", was ever before them in the words of the motto he chose for the Mackay School of Mines Library. By precept and example he represented the best ideals of our national life. He exercised the finest kind of influence upon the development and character of our young men. This broad knowledge, his wide inter-

ests, his deep culture, his wise counsel, his human sympathy and his rare personal traits endeared him to all who knew him. In him we found the true scholar-gentleman. We shall miss his annual Mackay Day and Home-Coming messages through which he maintained his contact with our student body and made student and Professor alike cognizant of his personal interest in our University.

His spirit of reverence, his devotion to his father and mother, his genuine appreciation of the eternal value of a real man, however humble, his sincerity, his honesty of purpose and the nobility of his character remain a great heritage and inspiration for future generations of our youth.

We mourn his loss. We say truly that a prince and a great man is fallen and gone from our midst. Future generations of our young people shall rise up and call him blessed.

Dr. Hartman recommended that the Board authorize the holding of a Summer Session in 1939 on the same understanding of that obtained in 1938, that the Session should not cost more than \$4000 and should be as nearly self-supporting as possible.

Judge Brown moved that the requested authority be granted. Vote:

Judge Brown	Aye
Mr. Williams	Aye
Mr. Ross	Aye

Dr. Hartman read the following letter:

Engineers' Council for Professional Development
A Conference of Engineering Bodies
29 West 39th Street
New York City, N. Y.
October 22, 1938

President Walter E. Clark
University of Nevada
Reno, Nevada

My dear President Clark:

I beg to advise you that on October 22nd the Engineers' Council for Professional Development took the following action in regard to the curricula submitted by your institution for consideration by the E. C. P. D. Committee on Engineering Schools:

Civil Engineering Not to accredit
(Leave status unchanged)

Mechanical Engineering To accredit for one year

Should you feel that you might be further informed regarding the reasons for any of the actions noted above, it is suggested that you plan to communicate directly with the Chairman of your regional committee, who will cooperate in any way he can in providing you with the information desired.

The accredited list as it will appear in published form will contain only the curricula which have been accredited by the E. C. P. D., and, where unfavorable action has been taken, the Council will omit from any material made public the name of the institutions or the curricula which have been unfavorably acted upon. The list will be subject to continual revision at the discretion of the Council.

Very sincerely yours,

Stephen L. Tyler
Secretary

On recommendation of Dean Stewart, approved by Dr. Hartman, Mr. Williams moved that Ernest Brooks, Assemblyman-Elect, be granted a leave of absence from his duties as Dairy Instructor from January 1 to April 1, 1939. Carried unanimously.

Dr. Hartman presented for the information of the Board the Re-Organization Plan of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Corporation showing in detail the effect it would have on the University.

Dr. Hartman said that the preparation of plans for the Engineering building would be presented in two forms: One for Civil Engineering only and the other for Civil Engineering with a wing added for a mechanical laboratory. Mr. Ross asked that these two plans should be in not later than December 15th.

A group of Farm Bureau representatives appeared before the Board to discuss ways and means of improving the status quo of the College of Agriculture in particular and of the University in general and expressed their eagerness to assist the University in any way possible toward the securing of additional funds for the University and in legislation making possible the sale of the University Agricultural Farm on the South Virginia Road.

Recessed until afternoon.

Recessed meeting took up at 1:30 P.M.

Comptroller Gorman presented in detail his comparative statement of University income and expenditures for the past several years.

The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of Dean Butler's letter of November 21, 1938 to Mr. Ross and to file it with E. C. P. D. correspondence.

Chairman Ross presented his report on his visit as the guest of President Creel of the Land-Grant College Association at Chicago November 14-16, 1938. He expressed his thanks that the Regents had authorized him to accept Mr. Creel's invitation to be present at these sessions which had been of inestimable value to him. Mr. Ross felt that a larger number of Deans and Directors should be encouraged to attend the annual meetings of their organizations.

Judge Brown moved that the Acting President be requested to appoint a Committee of the faculty to make a study of the question of the retirement plan for the members of our staff and that the Committee so appointed be requested in due time to make a report to the Board of Regents. Carried unanimously, the Committee to be asked to report, if possible, by the January meeting of the Board.

Recessed to some date to be set by Chairman Ross in December, but not earlier than December 15th.